



Our Lady of Peace

The official Diocesan Pilgrim Virgin Statue
will be here at

Our Lady of Peace
in our chapel for *veneration* from
3:00 to 6:00PM on
Wednesday, September 27th to
Saturday September 30th.



We will observe quiet time and also recite the Rosary in Her honor. This is the statue that contains first-class relics of 2 of the shepherd children who witnessed the apparitions of The Blessed Mother in 1917.

This year is the 100th anniversary of those apparitions and Pope Francis has urged us to take advantage of this special opportunity.

We just need 2 men to carry the statue from one car to another and then into the chapel. This will be in Holy Cross parking lot (in Fairview) on Tuesday, September 26th at 12pm.

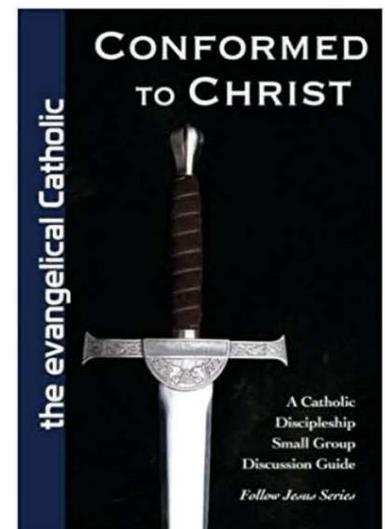
Please call: 814-835-4056 to volunteer; if no answer call: 814-824-9851

Men's Faith Sharing Group Conformed to Christ Week 2: Temptation

The next meeting is Thursday, September 28th at 6:30PM in the OLP Social Room. The second session is - Week 2: Temptation. Even if you have missed the first meeting, please join us. Every session is different.

If you are looking to journey deeper into your faith—you still have time to join us. Each chapter is a different discussion. This is a great opportunity to meet some great guys and dive deeper into your faith—to be the man Jesus wants us to be for our family and the world.

Please prayerfully considering joining us. If you are interested, please e-mail at olpmfsg@gmail.com or call 835-3608 and leave your name and if you need a book.



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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the First & Third Sunday of each month, 11:00AM Mass & 12:30PM respectively. A mandatory preparation class for parents is available on these dates: **2017:** Sept. 25, Nov. 20.

Call the Parish office to register.

Sacrament of Matrimony An appointment with a parish priest six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:45 - 4:45PM or by appt.

New Parishioners Welcome! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or register online.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Anyone seeking information on becoming Catholic or completing one's initiation into the Catholic faith should call the Parish Office.

Prayer Request Line:

Marge Ward 833-8837

Our Mission Statement:

Our Lady of Peace is a Catholic Community of Faith called to proclaim the greatness of the Lord through Worship, Service, Education and Ministry.

Church Cleaners for the Week of September 24

Team 2:

Sylvia B., Carol G., Ginny B.

Thank you to all those who are willing to help with this important ministry of keeping our church clean and beautiful.

Those interested in joining this ministry please call the Church Office.

First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on **Friday, October 6th**, from 7:30AM to 3:00PM, in Mary's Chapel. Our Lord Jesus welcomes you to spend time with Him, meditating on the final events of His earthly life.



Please sign up, in the vestibule, for 1/2 hour shifts.

Musicians, Liturgical Ministers invited to NPM Retreat

The Erie Diocesan Chapter of the Association of National Pastoral Musicians (NPM) will present a day of spiritual reflection October 14 for singers, instrumentalists, cantors and other liturgical ministers. "The Role of Spiritual Formation for Musicians and Other Liturgical Ministers" will be held **October 14 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM at St. Callistus Parish, 342 Chase St., Kane.** The cost is \$10 per NPM Member and \$12 non-members. Register before October 4.

For more information, call Bernie at 814-734-5446.

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading - Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalms - The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading - Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel - The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

7:00AM Glada Kelly - Julie Ferraro
12:10PM Joe McCallion - Loretta & Ed Balch

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

7:00AM Alex Veilleux - Friends
12:10PM Jack C. Fatica - Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

7:00AM James F. Tobin - James J. Tobin
12:10PM Fima Galla - Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

7:00AM Edna Murray - Daughter & Family
9:00AM School Mass - Arthur Casey - Maria DeLuca
12:10PM Sarah Ann Schaaf - Bello Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2017

7:00AM Irene & Z. Marion Zaczekiewicz - Children
12:10PM Steven McLaughlin - Wife & Boys

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

8:00AM Charles Zukowski - Rita Donikowski
2:30PM Wedding - Dan Jackson / Abby Laskowski
5:00PM Sandy Kostolansky - Frank & Joan

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Parishioners
9:00AM Michael Taylor - Grandma
11:00AM Ed Kuhar - Joe & Joyce
4:30PM Paul Verno - Paulette Rinderle

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Fima Galla - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of St. Anthony - Ada Aiello & Family.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Natalie Crynock; for Robert "Bob" Boorum; and for Daniel Luschini. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

BANN III
Dan Jackson / Abby Laskowski
BANN II
Nick Penpeck / Nicki Grychowski
BANN I
Daniel Smith / Brooke Schupp



Readings for the Week of September 24th

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

OLP 31 Club

Praying for vocations every day of the year!

Members of the 31 Club agree to go to daily Mass on a particular day every month and offer that Mass for an increase of vocations to the Church. There is a great need for vocations in the Church today. One of the best ways to increase vocations is through prayer, and the greatest prayer we have is the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

Upcoming Mass commitments:

Sept. 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.
Sept. 25: Christine O., Lori B.
Sept. 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.
Sept. 27: Ann R.
Sept. 28: Ann F., Michael M., Betty S.
Sept. 29: Linda M., Richard M.
Sept. 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.

If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or Kathy Wayman at 454-8974. There are no dues and no meetings, only opportunities for grace and the satisfaction that comes from helping to fulfill a great need in the Church.

When at Mass offer the Mass for Vocations by praying the prayer below...

Serra Prayer for Vocations

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner * but rather that he be converted and live * grant we beseech you * through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin * Saint Joseph, her spouse * St. Junipero Serra * and all the saints * an increase of laborers for your Church * fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls * through the same Jesus Christ * Your Son * Who lives and reigns with You * In the unity of the Holy Spirit * God forever * and ever. Amen.

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

Congratulations! We not only survived the last two weeks which involved three significant events for our parish, but we exceeded expectations with them! Please see below for my particular thank you's but allow me to say here to everyone- well done! I hope we can continue to build on this over the next year.

For a few of us, our next big focus is the pilgrimage to Canada that I am leading which leaves this Friday. We will be gone from September 29th until October 5th. Fr. Kyle will be overseeing the pastoral needs of the parish and I thank him and Fr. Caz in advance for allowing me this opportunity (Fr. Caz and Fr. Kyle will cover all the Masses next weekend). Pilgrimages are an important part of our Catholic tradition and ever since I was ordained a priest, I have made a commitment to leading them on a fairly regular basis. Please pray for the twenty five pilgrims who are going (a majority from OLP) and know that we will be praying for you daily in a very intentional way (one of the focal points of every pilgrimage is to offer them up for particular intentions and "the living and deceased members of OLP" is one of our special intentions for this pilgrimage). If you have any particular intentions that you would like us to lift up, please email or call me, or stop by the parish office and leave a message.

May God bless our pilgrimage and our week ahead!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Rich

Our Lady of Peace.... pray for us!

St. Joseph, universal patron of the church.... pray for us!

St. Patrick, patron of the Diocese of Erie.... pray for us!

Other notes from the pastor...

****Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT)** This weekend we are promoting EFT as an option for financially supporting Our Lady of Peace. By filling out an application you can set up an automatic contribution to our parish without worrying about the hassle of writing a check or remembering your envelope. It also allows you to avoid the need to drop off the envelope on weekends you may be out of town or at other parishes in Erie. There are applications available at every Mass this weekend and also at the parish office all the time. If you still would like to show your support of the parish at the offertory at Mass, you can pick up one of the EFT slips at the doors of the church and place it in the offertory basket when the collection comes around. Let me know or stop by the office if you have any questions.



****Faithful to the Finish 5K Gratitude** Thank you to everyone who participated and supported the OLP 5K last weekend. I am particularly grateful to Cynthia Berarducci, our office manager, who was the main organizer of the event. The past two years she had worked closely with Fr. David (they started it together) but this year she took on a vast majority herself. I also thank the rest of the parish staff who stepped up and helped in a big way. Look in next week's bulletin for more information on our sponsors who I hope you can support for their generosity.



****Parish Mission Thank You**

We had a great parish mission last week and I appreciate again all those who took part and/or helped organize. I particularly thank Chris Padgett for leading us and Kathleen Peterson, our Director of Youth and Family Ministry, who did the majority of planning and organizing. I also thank the groups who helped with hospitality (Rosary Society, Knights of Columbus, Bereavement and Youth and Family Ministry). I hope and pray that our time of prayer, learning and reflecting helped us as a parish to be renewed in the Holy Spirit and that it will bear fruit in our parish life in the months ahead.

****Options at Mass for Parents with Young Children**

ONE- the Blessed Mother Chapel is available during Mass for children who might be fidgety or vocal. This option is **available at all Masses** although the chapel is also used for LOWC at 9am.

TWO- the nursery is available during the 9am Mass in the social room (basement) of the church. Adults are there to watch your children while you attend Mass upstairs.

THREE- Liturgy of the Word for Children (LOWC) is held at every 9am Mass during the Faith Formation year. The children are invited up to the front of church after the Opening Prayer and before the readings, are blessed by the presiding priest and sent to the Blessed Mother Chapel. There an adult volunteer or two presents the Gospel and readings in a child-friendly way and then leads them in an activity or craft. They are sent back out to their families during the presentation of the gifts.

Our vision for the use of these three options, recognizing that each child is different, is that children from newborn to two years old (N-2) would utilize the Blessed Mother Chapel, children two-four years old (2-4) would use the nursery and children four-seven years old (4-7) would use the LOWC. Once children receive their First Communion, I would like to see them staying for the whole Mass. Again, I realize that every family has to figure out their own routine and what works for them, but these are some general guidelines to consider.

****Nursery and Liturgy of the Word for Children (LOWC)**

Volunteers Needed Please consider volunteering for the Nursery (Sundays at 9am in the Social room/basement of the office) or LOWC (during the 9am Mass children are dismissed and led through activities in the Blessed Mother Chapel). Please call the parish office if you are able to help with these important ministries to the parish parents of our young children.

****Parish Picnic Thank You** What a great night the picnic was for our parish family! I thank all of you who helped support and attend the picnic, especially the members of our Families Together Ministry (FTM) who organized the picnic (Steve and Debbie Patterson, Mike and Cindy McLaughlin, and Scott and JoAnn Barnes) and our generous sponsors and groups who donated or ran different aspects of the evening. They were- DJ services partially donated by Dale Arndt
10 cases of beer donated by Erie Beer

Hotdog buns donated by Jack Holland, Holland Dairy Queen
Slushies donated by Kevin Kupnieski, Taco Bell
Poker Walk- Usher Society
Bingo- Families Together Ministry
Clean up help- Cursillo
Beer table -Knights of Columbus



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Elementary (Grades K-5) - Classes begin September 17, 2017. Parent meeting at 10:40AM in the gym. All parents should attend. Class time remains 10:30AM to 12:15PM with dismissal from the cafeteria.

Secondary (Grades 6-10) - Classes begin September 17, 2017 with the Student/Parent meeting at 5:30PM in the church.

Confirmation (Grade 11) - Catholic school and public school students must register and attend classes to be confirmed in 2018. Classes begin September 24, 2017 with the Student/Parent meeting at 6:00PM in the church. Students will be dismissed from the church.

August 7/8 all registered families were sent an email with the Religious Ed calendar. If you did not receive this email please call Tammie Mang at 838-9983.

All forms can be found on our website under the Faith Formation tab at www.olp.org

For more info please contact Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director, at 838-9983 or Tammie.mang@olp.org



The Knights of Columbus Council of Our Lady of Peace will hold their monthly Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 1st, 2017

OLP Cafeteria from 8:00 to 11:00AM

Menu:

Pancakes, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Sausage, Juice, Coffee or Tea

Join us for the "Best Breakfast Deal" in town, and support your KofC organization. Proceeds from these breakfasts are used to support worthwhile parish, diocesan, and community projects.

Like us on FaceBook:
www.facebook.com/kofc11454/

Chinese Auction- Laura and Kevin DiBacco
Bonfire- Boy Scouts
Rocket and Rope Making- Cub Scouts
S'mores- School and Principal- Lisa Panighetti
Rock and face painting- Family and Youth Ministry
Pictures- Tim Rohrbach
Dinner Service- Pastoral Council
Obviously an endeavor of this magnitude does not happen without a lot of time and effort and I appreciate all that FTM and all these groups or individuals did to make it happen!

*Take Me to Worship
comes to the Diocese of Erie
August 15—October 30, 2017*

*Positive things happen when families come to Church
• Less violence
• Less drug and alcohol use
• Less chance of suicide*



*Welcome!
We're glad
you're here!*

This campaign encourages families of all kinds to return to Church or begin attending Church regularly to see positive things happen!

Stop at the church office for your car decal or yard sign.

**Women, come gather at the well
September 25th, 6:30-8PM
OLP Social Room**

Knowing how busy everyone's lives are it is important, **and necessary**, to step away from our daily chores and abide with Jesus.

OLP is starting a new women's ministry called, *The Woman at the "Women at the Well."*

Conversation, snacks, and inspirational company with like

minded women is what we will share as we pray together and discuss the ebb and flow of graces, blessings, and challenges that move in and out of our daily lives. Together we will encourage and strengthen not only ourselves, but one another, and our families. Our meeting will last approximately an hour and a half.

John 4:3-30, 39-42

Come!!! Join us! Be refreshed at the well!

A Family Perspective

Today Jesus is saying to us: "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Our family is the vineyard entrusted to us found in today's gospel. Successful families are constructed by "laborers," who work hard on family relationships, and not by spectators who only watch from a distance.

Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to rectory.

CHECK ONE:

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want envelopes

Coaches Needed:

JV Boys Basketball Coaches Needed:

The OLP JV Boys Basketball teams are looking for coaches this season for the 5th grade boys basketball team and a coach for the 6th grade boys basketball team.



If you have any interest in volunteering your time to coach this team, please contact Denise Kuehl at 814-490-7230 or d.kuehl@roadrunner.com

OLP Wrestling Coach Needed



The OLP Wrestling Team is looking for a coach this season.

If you have any interest in volunteering your time to coach this team, please contact Denise Kuehl at 814-490-7230 or d.kuehl@roadrunner.com

Need More Info on Annulments?

Staff members from the Diocese of Erie Tribunal Office will conduct an Annulment Information Session on **Wednesday, October 25th, at St. Boniface Parish, Erie at 7PM** to explain the process of petitioning for a Declaration of Nullity (Annulment). Those who have been divorced and wish to remarry in the Catholic Church are encouraged to attend. Please feel free to call the Erie Tribunal Office at 814-824-1140 with any questions. If you are unable to attend the session, other sessions will be offered as follows:

Wednesday, October 4th at Notre Dame Parish, Hermitage at 7PM

Wednesday October 11th, at St. Bernard Parish, Bradford at 7PM

Wednesday, October 18th at St. Catherine Parish, DuBois at 7PM

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OLP JV Girls Basketball "Nothin' But Net" Tournament

Come root on the Girls JV Basketball Team at the OLP gym. There will be 4 exciting basketball games each day, along with a Concession Stand, Raffle Baskets, Candygrams, 50/50 Raffles, T-Shirts, and Halftime Shootout!

DATES:

Friday, October 13 – Games 5:00-10:00PM
(OLP game is at 8:45PM)

Saturday, October 14 – Games 1:00 to 6:00PM

Sunday, October 15 – Games 1:00 to 6:00PM
(Championship game at 4:45pm)

ADMISSION:

Students - \$2 Adults - \$3 Family - \$8
(daily admission – sorry, no weekend passes available)

PIZZA PARTY!!!

For the games on **Friday, October 13**, there will be a school-wide attendance contest . . . the class with the greatest percent attendance that evening will win a pizza party! (Sorry, players on the team do not count towards the contest)

Be sure to give your name and class at the admissions table. The OLP game is at 8:45PM that evening, but games start at 5:00PM and attendance counts from the first game to the last.

SPONSORSHIP DONATIONS:

Anyone interested in making a monetary donation to support the JV Girls Basketball program and OLP Athletics, please contact Melissa Nawrocki at mj2miracles@gmail.com or by phone, 814-746-1507 by October 4. No amount is too small, and all donors will be recognized in our tournament program.

Don't be scared - come out on Friday the 13th and show your school and parish spirit by cheering on your Lady Crusaders and enjoying a fun weekend!!



Greg Baker

**Spirituality and Gender:
Catholic Perspectives
on a Whole and Just Life**

Wednesday, Oct. 4 • 7 p.m.
Walker Recital Hall

Greg Baker, director of campus ministry at Mercyhurst and a Doctor of Ministry candidate at Fordham University, examines where the Catholic tradition weighs in regarding the complexities of gender. He'll challenge listeners to inventory their own habits, attitudes and postures toward others and offer Christian wisdom for a whole and just life—a spirituality marked by openness, intimacy and freedom.

This lecture is free and open to the public, and is sponsored by the William C. Sennett Institute for Mercy & Catholic Studies at Mercyhurst University.



*"Bless the LORD, my soul; all my being, bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, my soul; and do not forget all his gifts..."*
Psalm 103: 1-2



*"Then let us
Celebrate
with a feast..."* Luke 15:23

The Son of God Prayer Group invites you to celebrate with us at a Healing Mass with:

Rev. David L. Poulson
Fr. Rich Toohey and Fr. Kyle Seyler will concelebrate
Join us at Holy Rosary Church
2701 East Ave. at 28th St., Erie, PA 16504
for a

Healing Mass

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Music by ~ St. Joseph Bread of Life

Doors open at 5:30 P.M. to provide you time to write your petitions on a simulated Brick Wall which will be presented at the Offertory Procession.
Individual prayers following the Mass.

QUESTIONS? Call: Pat – 814-823-3968





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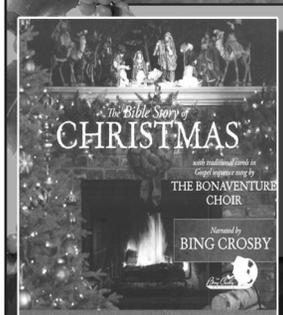
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Friday October 13, 2017

5:30 pm Social Hour - 7:00 pm Dinner/Program

Lake Shore Country Club

5950 Lake Shore Drive - Erie, PA 16505

~ Dinner Tickets \$60
~ Reverse Raffle Tickets \$20
For a chance to win \$2000!



Please make dinner reservations and purchase raffle tickets at the L'Arche Erie Office 3745 West 12th Street

Family Fest is Almost Here!

There is still time to register for Family Fest '17 on October 15th, from 10:00AM to 5:00PM at the Bayfront Convention Center, Erie. The cost is \$10 per person or \$40 for a family. Register before the event at:



www.CatholicFamilyFest.com.

Contact Jennifer Durney, jdurney@eriercd.org or 814-824-1219, with any questions.

OUR LADY OF PEACE BIBLE STUDY

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

When: Tuesday nights, 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.

September 26, 2017 to February 13, 2018

Or Wednesday mornings, 9:30 to 11:30 A.M.

September 27, 2017 to February 14, 2018

Where: Our Lady of Peace Church Social Room

This is a 17-week Bible Study. There will be a week off in November for Thanksgiving Break, 3 weeks off in December and January for Christmas Break.

Pre-Registration is required by September 15, 2017.

Cost is \$20.00, which includes workbook and materials.

Please drop off or mail check and registration form to:

Our Lady of Peace Church, 2401 W. 38th Street, Erie, PA 16506 Attn: OLP Bible Study

Any questions, please call Mary Beth Whitman, Parish Office: 833-7701 ext. 202

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