



Our Lady of Peace

The Ushers and the Knights of Columbus are hosting the:

Men's Picnic

ALL MEN



of the parish are invited!

You do not have to be an Usher or a Knight to attend;

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

5:00PM

Held at the

West Ridge Fireman's Picnic Grove (behind main building)

Sterrettania & Grubb Roads

Dinner at 6PM / Catered by Serafins

Beverages Games Raffles

Tickets \$12.00 each

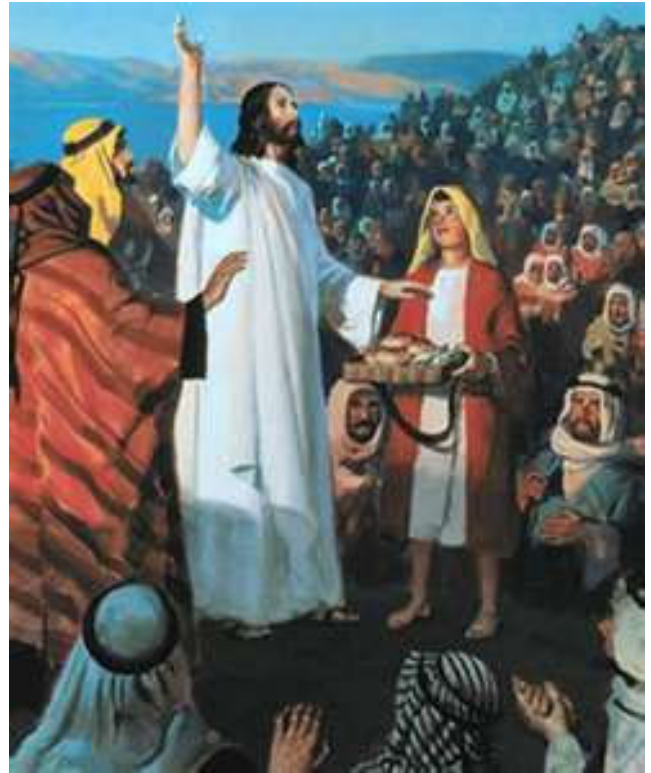
For Ticket purchase: see any Usher after Mass or the Church Office.

Contact Paul Wickles at 838-7038 with any questions. See you there...

Chinese Auction Items Needed For the Men's Picnic

If you have any items to donate please contact Paul Wickles, 814-838-7038.

Your item can also be picked up, if needed.



Much more than
Loaves & Fish

John 6:1-15

OLP Seniors Group

The OLP Seniors Group will meet Thursday, August 2, 2018, 1:00-3:00PM at Hoss's (3302 West 26th St, Erie).

We will be discussing Alzheimer with Jill Curtis from the Alzheimer's Associations.

For more information contact Mary, 864-0217 or OLPSeniors@gmail.com

This is a very important topic to so many people today, we will open this meeting to all Our Lady of Peace members.

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www.olp.org

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School

814-838-3548

Faith Formation Office

814-838-9983

Office Hours: 8:00AM - 8:00PM

Business Hours: 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Parish Pastoral Team

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Rev. Rich Toohey

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Rev. Shane Mathew

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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, 11:00AM Mass & 12:30PM respectively. A mandatory preparation class for parents is available:

2018: Sept. 24.

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

Christine Beaver 833-8017

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 July 29

Team 4:

Bev H., Carol G.

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.

Summer Service Hours

Operation Shoebox needs help assembling items for shoeboxes that will be filled with gifts to be sent around the world - to help share the knowledge of God and Christ to places that has never been heard.



Work Days:

August 15

10:00AM to

2:00PM

Come and go as you like

Held: Grace Church, 7300 Grubb Road, McKean, PA

Questions please contact Kathy Schriefer:

jschriefer@neo.rr.com

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading - When they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalms - The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading - Strive to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel - Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted (John 6:1-15).

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WEEKLY MIRACLE

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgical detour." We have been listening to Saint Mark's Gospel during this liturgical year (Year B). Today we begin to hear a long section from John's Gospel, starting with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This miracle story is a prelude to the Lord's statements that we will begin hearing in a few weeks, in which Jesus refers to himself as the "bread of life." Each week we witness a miracle at Mass. We do not see a multiplication of loaves before us. What our eyes of faith allow us to see is the miracle of the transformation of common elements—bread and wine—into the Lord's Body and Blood. Once we have received the Lord, the multiplication begins, for in the Eucharist we are strengthened to multiply our efforts to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and bring comfort to the despairing.

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY, JULY 30, 2018**

7:00AM Jeanne Werner - Greg & Sylvia Bosner
12:10PM Louise R. Gaines - Michael & Denise Gaines

TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2018

7:00AM William Walden - Family
12:10PM Jack Christie - Son & Daughters
1:00PM Mass at Parkside - Vinnie Smith - Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

7:00AM Tom Korn - Dick & Joyce Wingenbach
12:10PM David Sanders - Wife & Daughters

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2018

7:00AM John Yakubovic - Craig & Wendy Moffatt
12:10PM Andrew Feick - Sister-in-Law, Marilyn

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2018

7:00AM Bernie Helmer - Maxine Reinsel
12:10PM Elsie Cardamone - Kathy & Matt Williams

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2018

8:00AM Anne Dombrowski - Dombrowski Family
5:00PM John Hardner - Patricia

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

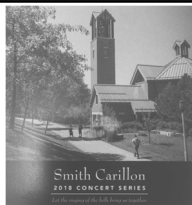
7:30AM Ann Mogel - Ehrman Family
9:00AM Hank & JoAnne Starr - Debbie Holmes
11:00AM Steven Dann - Keith & Cynthia Berarducci
4:30PM Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Joe Ott, Sr. - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Thomas Peterson - Friends.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Edwin Musser. May his family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

**Smith Carillon
2018 Concert Series
held at
Penn State Behrend**



Thursday, August 2
Carlo van Ulft

For more info contact
the Smith Chapel at
814-898-6609

- Concert begin at 7:00PM
- Parking at Junker Center
- Outside seating; bring a blanket or chair
- Free hot dogs & snacks

Readings for the Week of July 29th

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18;
Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;
Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54;
Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on **Friday, August 3rd**, 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.

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:

July 29: Linda M., Janet A.
July 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.
July 31: Jim Z.
Aug. 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.
Aug. 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.
Aug. 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.
Aug. 4: Arlene B.

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...**

○ 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. Serra Prayer for Vocations

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

I hope you are staying cool in the midst of this mid-summer's heat wave. Speaking of hot topics, this past week was Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week as designated by Bishop Persico and United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (July 22-28). It is a week in which we celebrate the great gift of our sexuality and its sacredness in the context of marriage. It is a week in which we seek to learn more about the one approved and morally appropriate way for married couples to plan and control the procreative dimension of their intimacy, i.e. NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING.

NFP is a way of life that incorporates fertility awareness, responsible parenthood and self-mastery into married love. To learn more about this church teaching, pick up literature from our parish office, attend a class, visit www.ErieRCD.org/chastity.htm, or contact the Diocesan Chastity Education Office at 814-824-1259 or 1-800-374-3723, ext. 259. There are also several couples from the parish that would love to talk to you about NFP so call the office and we can get you in touch with them.


In the spirit of this awareness week, I offer a quick list of clarifications and benefits of Natural Family Planning (NFP) to married couples: **ONE**- as it's name suggests, NFP IS NATURAL- no chemicals are used so harmful side effects can be avoided; **TWO**- NFP is quite precise and accurate (not the Rhythm Method of fifty years ago!) as it is 98% effective in delaying pregnancy; **THREE**- NFP builds strong marriages as 95% of married couples practicing NFP stay married (versus the 50% success rate of marriages throughout our country- I would think this statistic alone makes it worth investigating!) **FOUR**- Closely connected to three, NFP promotes communication and greater intimacy among couples and mutual responsibility for their sexual life and health; **FIVE**- NFP promotes discipline and self-control in the area of sexuality, virtues which are helpful in all areas of life; **SIX**- NFP is INEXPENSIVE. **SEVEN**- for all these reasons, NFP is THE approved method of family planning in our Catholic Moral Tradition. I hope for all these reasons that married couples in our parish and church will take the time to learn more about this great gift our church has for them and seriously pray and discern about utilizing this method in their family.

In spite of all these reasons to practice NFP, it seems that few Catholics even know about it. We have to get the word out and encourage our couples to practice this. Feel free to call Fr. Kyle or I to discuss this in more detail. And please pray for all married couples in our parish and community, that their love can be strengthened and that they may be willing to consider the incredible gift NFP could be to their marriage.

May God bless our married couples, our Natural Family Planning Efforts here at OLP and our week ahead!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rich

Our Lady of Peace, patroness of our parish & school.... pray for us!
St. Nicholas, patron of the Erie Catholic School System. pray for us!
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the Catholic Church of the USA... 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...

****I have received concerned feedback about the homilies at several Masses** last weekend in regard to comments about the same-sex lifestyle. Please know that I am aware of the concerns and that I am working with our Pastoral Staff here at Our Lady of Peace as to how we can address it and follow up on it in a charitable and grace-filled way. If you have any input or suggestions please feel free to e-mail me at fr.rich@olp.org and please pray that the Holy Spirit guide our dialogue and process moving forward in charity and truth.


****Kevin Holland Candidacy for Priesthood** Next Saturday, August 4th, OLP parishioner Kevin Holland will be accepted as a candidate for priesthood in the Diocese of Erie by Bishop Persico during the 4:30pm Mass at St. Agatha Church in Meadville, PA. This brings him one step closer to his ordination as deacon and eventually priest. Please pray for Kevin and his family (his parents are Jack and Kathy Holland) and consider making the road trip to attend the Mass (about 45 minutes away).

****The Fest** This Catholic Family Festival is next Sunday, August 5th in Cleveland, Ohio from 12noon until 8:15pm Mass and fireworks to follow. It is a Catholic Festival with live Christian Music from multiple bands including TobyMac and Big Daddy Weave. It also includes merchandise and food booths, prayer tents and adoration in the chapel, tours of the Catholic Center and seminary and much more for all ages. Call the office at OLP if you are interested in caravanning to the event or need a ride.

****Steubenville Youth Conference** Last weekend I was part of the group of 14 from OLP at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio for one of their Youth Conferences. I ask your prayers for those who participated in this event that it can continue to inspire and renew not only the group from OLP but all of the 2,000 youth and adults participating. This summer, over 60,000 Catholic teens across North America will participate in 25 Steubenville Youth Conferences, in order to experience the love of God in a new and more profound way and we were blessed to be a part of it.

****Vacation Bible School at OLP** I am very excited that we are offering Vacation Bible School this summer at our parish (August 6-10). This can be a very life giving experience for our community during the summer days that usually have little youth formation activity. I hope you will consider registering your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, neighbors and other children in your life that are in grades K-5 (As of last Monday we had 44 children signed up). **Deadline for registration with t-shirts has passed but you can still sign up.** This is a fun way for them to learn about our Catholic faith and grow in their relationship with God. So give them this gift this summer!

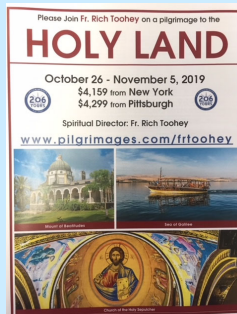
****Faith Formation Planning Committee** This group has been meeting since April and includes members of the staff and parish who are taking an in depth look at our faith formation (religious education/youth ministry) program at OLP as well as studying the Diocesan Recommendations from last year's Pastoral Planning Process. The goal is to recreate our formation ministry in recognition that the model that we have used the last 50 or so years in this area is not as effective as it once was. The committee and I will be providing more details and thoughts as



the process continues but for now just keep praying for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for our parish and the diocese as this revitalization process continues. **UPDATE:** the Diocese is still looking for an Executive Director of Faith Formation that can move our diocese forward in this process that has stalled on that level since last year. And our parish is still considering options for our part time Youth and Family Minister as this planning process continues. We hope to have someone in place by the Fall and I continue to be grateful to Mandy Kelly, Fr. Kyle and their team who are keeping these ministries going over the summer.

****Gathering Space/ Church Renovation Committee** Ever since I arrived at OLP a year and a half ago, I have heard concerns about making our social room more handicap accessible. The more our properties committee and staff considered the issue, it was decided that instead of spending money to make our social room more accessible, which is not an ideal gathering room with the pillars, limited space, and the fact that it is a basement, that it would make more sense to build new and expand the church building. This also would allow us to use the basement for office space which is at a premium (our faith formation office is now taking up one corner of the social room already). In addition to this, our Liturgy Committee has brought up ideas for potential church renovation to help improve our liturgy. So this spring I assembled a group of parishioners representing our Finance Council, Pastoral Council, Properties Committee, Liturgy Committee and Staff to address the issue. Right now that group is in the process of collecting data on our campus use as well as surveying our ministries to assess their needs in creating a new space. I will keep you posted as this planning proceeds.

****Holy Land Pilgrimage** A detailed itinerary for the pilgrimage to Israel can be picked up in the Church Office. The dates are October 26- November 5, 2019 and the cost is \$4,299 for double room occupancy. This includes airfare, accommodations, all meals and admission fees (the only costs not included are travel insurance, cancellation protection, tips to the guide and driver, private room supplement, personal expenditures and some drinks). This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and I promise you if you go that you will never read the Scriptures the same and your faith will be renewed.



A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Phillip worried about 'enough food' for the crowd. What is ENOUGH? When does our ENOUGH deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less. Can your family live more simply so that other families can simply live?

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Elementary (Grades K-5) - Have a great summer.

Secondary (Grades 6-10) - Use the summer to complete Salt & Light hours for next school year.

Confirmation (Grade 11) - Check our website, olp.org, for Emmaus service dates available. Contact Darrell Meyers at nmeyers@roadrunner.com or text 814-450-3697 to sign up for Emmaus dates.

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

Religious Education Registration Information For the 2018-19 School Year

Registration information and forms have been emailed to all current Rel Ed families with students entering grades 1-10 in the fall. If you are a current Rel Ed family and did not receive this email OR you are a new family who wants to register for the fall, please go to our website, olp.org, under the Faith Formation tab and under either Elementary or Secondary for all registration information and forms.

ALL registration forms and payments are due by August 1, 2018.

Registration forms and informational letters for Confirmation students who will be in grade 11 in the fall were emailed May 3, 2018. Remember that in order to be confirmed in eleventh grade students must have been in a Catholic high school OR must have attended religious education in grades 9 & 10.

Confirmation Registration Forms and payments are due by August 1, 2018.

If you have any questions please contact Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director, at 838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org

Attention youth going into Grade 11

One of your requirements for Confirmation this year is to serve one session at the Emmaus Soup Kitchen. We need help for Thursday July 19th, from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Now is a great time to get your service completed!

Contact Darrell Meyers, OLP Confirmation Emmaus Coordinator, to schedule.

You can email: Darrell.meyers@olp.org or phone / txt: 450-3697.

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

Youth and Family Ministry—All are Welcome!

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Ministry for Youth in Grades 5-8

**THIS WEEK'S MIDDLE
SCHOOL YOUTH
NIGHT:**

Thurs, Aug 2, 6-7:30pm
Social Room & Chapel

St. Therese, the Little Flower
and her "little way"

We'll talk about St. Therese and learn how to
make "sacrifice beads"

NEXT WEEK:

Without Ceasing: Is Prayer Really That Important?



**THIS WEEK'S HIGH
SCHOOL & BEYOND
NIGHT:**

Thursday Aug 2, 7-8:30pm
Chapel and Social Room

Movie Night!

Ignatius of Loyola, Part I

Enjoy this movie about the life of this
inspiring saint

NEXT WEEK:

Movie Night: Ignatius of Loyola, Part 2

Text **OLPYFM** to **84576** to receive text updates for youth and family programming.
Questions? Contact Mandy Kelly at 814-882-6204 or MagicalMainStreet@hotmail.com

COACHES NEEDED: SWIM AND JV CHEERLEADING

The OLP Swim and JV Cheerleading Teams are looking for coaches this season. Please prayerfully consider if you can volunteer your time and talents to coach either of these teams. For more information or to volunteer please contact Denise Kuehl at 814-490-7230 or d.kuehl@roadrunner.com.

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Rosary March Saturday, August 18, 2018

St. Casimir Church 629 Hess Avenue, Erie

Sponsored by The Legion of Mary



The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, Bishop of Erie, will begin the event with Mass at noon, followed by the March. Refreshments will be served following the even in the church's social hall.

Save the date!

State Representative Ryan Bizzarro's

FREE Senior Fair & Older Living Expo

6TH ANNUAL!

Monday, August 13

9 a.m. to noon

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- Door prizes
- Veteran benefits information
- Light refreshments
- Plenty of parking onsite
- And much more!

My staff and I will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have about how my office can serve you.

No RSVP is required. For more information, please call my office at (814) 835-2880.

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Save the Date:



ERIE GIVES

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

~ *Our Lady of Peace Church*

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OR

~ *Our Lady of Peace School Campus -*

Erie Catholic School System

Proceeds to the *Tuition Angel Fund*

St. Paul's Catholic Church Italian Festival

Celebrating the Feast of the Assumption

August 10th, 11th, & 12th

West 16th & Walnut Street, Erie

Grounds open:

Friday 6-10PM

Saturday 1-10PM

Sunday Noon-7PM

Watch the bulletin for more info...

OLP's Faithful to the Finish 5K Run/Walk

Presque Isle State Park Beach 1

Saturday, September 15, 2018

8:00AM



Open Gym Time for Girls

Interested in OLP Varsity Basketball

Open Gyms are scheduled at the OLP Gym for any girl entering 7th or 8th grade at OLP who is interested in trying out for the Varsity Basketball team.

The dates and times for the open gym are:

Monday, July 30 8:00-9:30PM

Thursday, August 9 5:30-7:00PM

Monday, August 13 8:00-9:30PM

Monday, August 20 8:00-9:30PM

Monday, August 27 8:00-9:30PM



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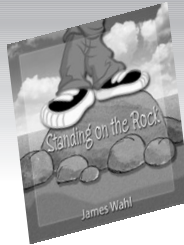
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**A Stewardship of Sharing
Week of July 15, 2018
Fiscal Year July 2017 - June 2018**

Weekly Envelope.....	\$ 17,041
Loose.....	\$ 1,334
Other Income.....	\$ 2,789
Total Weekly Income.....	\$ 21,163

**2018 CSA
February 2018 to January 2019**

Goal	\$ 220,000
Pledge Payments Received to Date.....	\$ 175,006
Total Pledges	\$ 218,804

641 Families - Goal is 700 Families

Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important Diocesan services and **every dollar raised over our goal will be kept in the parish.**

West Millcreek Food Pantry

The following are suggested items to purchase; all non-perishables are acceptable. Bring your items to church and place them in the baskets at the exits. Buy what is on sale. CEREAL is needed.



July 2018

29th Cereal / Baked Beans

**Pantry is OPEN every 2nd & 4th Tuesday 9-11AM
for those living in Millcreek.**

Group Travel Spots Available...

Mystery Trip

August 21, 2018

\$97.00 per person

Maybe there will be Retail Therapy.

Maybe blood will be shed or murder.

Maybe you will laugh or cry. As always - there will be food.

Depart: 7:00AM Asbury U.M. Church W. 26th & Asbury

Return: approximately 8:00 pm



Experience Cleveland, Ohio

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

\$81.00 per person

We will stop at: West Side Market

(bring a small cooler), Mitchell's Homemade Ice Cream, Trader Joe's, and Sokolowski's Inn for dinner at 1:45.

Depart: 7:30AM Asbury U.M. Church W. 26th & Asbury

Return: approximately 7:30 - 8:00 pm



**For more information on any of these trips and
what they include or to sign-up
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*“Lord, make me an instrument of
thy peace. Where there is
hatred, let me sow love.”*

St. Francis of Assisi

“Silver Rose” to be on Display at Our Lady of Peace on Tuesday, August 21st

As a way to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote the pro-life cause, the Knights of Columbus Silver Rose will pass through the Erie Diocese from August 17-22. ***Our Lady of Peace Church*** will serve as one the sites on ***Tuesday, August 21, 2018, at 7:00PM*** where the Silver Rose will be displayed as it makes its way across the United States. There will be a Prayer Service starting at 7:00PM.

The Silver Rose was actually a dedication to St. Juan Diego and his meeting with Our Lady and the Miracle of the Roses, when he went back to the governor and was told to tell him to build a church on the site. The governor was skeptical and told him to bring a sign. The Blessed Mother told him to go to the top of the mountain and pick roses that were out of season. He put the roses in his tunic and dropped it by the governor and Our Lady's image was emblazoned on his cloak and is still visible today.

The Knights of Columbus not only honor Our Lady but we also reaffirm dedication to the sanctity of human life. “One Life, One Rose,” and it's now a pro-life emblem. We hope that when people see this, they will think and pray for the end of abortion.

