



# Our Lady of Peace

## TODAY...



### Next Sunday Pancake Breakfast

November 4th

OLP Cafeteria



Breakfast is served from  
8:00AM to 11:00AM



Adults \$7.00

Children (6 yrs - 17) \$4.00 / Under 5 Free

Area Catholic High School

Open House

for 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders

**Sunday, November 4, 2018**

**Mercyhurst Preparatory School**

538 East Grandview Blvd, Erie

Noon to 3:00PM

General sessions will be held at 1:00PM and 2:00PM.

Guest students are eligible to enter for a chance to win a Fitbit Charge 3™ Advanced Fitness Tracker. (Must be present to win.)

Be sure to visit our DREAM Lab and try zSpace, which combines Augmented Reality (AR) with Virtual Reality (VR). This interactive tool is helping to fundamentally change the educational experience, esp. in the areas of (STEM) science, technology, engineering, art & math. MPS is the first high school in the area to acquire this technology.

Any 8th gr. student that applies online at [m脾slakers.com/admissions](http://m脾slakers.com/admissions) on or before Nov. 4, will become eligible for 1 of 5 drawings for a \$1,000 tuition voucher to Mercyhurst Prep for their freshman year. Free t-shirt to first 300 students. For more info call 824-2323; visit [www.m脾slakers.com](http://www.m脾slakers.com).

## Rosary Society Confraternity of Christian Mothers

Meeting:

Thursday, November 15, 2018

7:00PM

OLP School Cafeteria

There will be a Guest Speaker from Erie Dawn

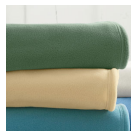
Questions? Call Pat (838-7145) or

Marilyn (833-4683)

Please help the Rosary society by collecting the following items for Erie Dawn:

1. Items for setting up a home.
2. Gift Cards

Bring your items to the Church Office  
by November 14, 2018



Any questions, please call Mary Szocki at 833-1813

## Ushers Society

The Ushers Society meeting  
**Monday, November 5th, at 7:00PM,**  
**6:45PM pray the Rosary.**  
in the Church Social Room  
**All ushers are to attend.**

**If you are interested in becoming an Usher at Mass please stop by the meeting and inquiry...**

**Parish Office Phone**

814-833-7701

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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**

*Pastor*

Rev. Rich Toohey

*Parochial Vicar*

Rev. Kyle Seyler

*Priest in Residence*

Rev. Shane Mathew

*Permanent Deacons*

Rev. Mr. John Mang

Rev. Mr. Joseph Yochim, Jr.

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*Faith Formation Director*

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Mr. Corey Ferraro

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Mrs. Cynthia Berarducci

*Maintenance Supervisor*

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*Pastoral Council President*

Mr. Greg Bosner

*Finance Council Chairman*

Mr. Paul Vojtek

**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:** Nov. 19. **2019:** Jan. 28

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 November 4**

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.

**Bulletin Deadlines for November, December, January**

There are a few bulletins with an early deadline (some on the same day); they are:

For Sunday, November 18, 2018, articles are due by November 9, 2018

For Sunday, November 25, 2018, articles are due by November 13, 2018

For Sunday, December 2, 2018, articles are due by November 19, 2018

For Sunday, December 9, 2018, articles are due by November 30, 2018

For Sunday, December 16, 2018, articles are due by December 7, 2018

For Sunday, December 23, 2018, articles are due by December 4, 2018

For Sunday, December 30, 2018, articles are due by December 14, 2018

For Sunday, January 6, 2019, articles are due by December 14, 2018

For Sunday, January 13, 2019, articles are due by January 4, 2019

You may e-mail the info to: [cynthia.berarducci@olp.org](mailto:cynthia.berarducci@olp.org); fax it: 814.833.7702; or drop it off at the church office.

*Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation with these early deadlines.*

**Coach Needed: JV Boys Basketball**

The 5th Grade OLP Boys JV Basketball Team is looking for a **Head Coach** this season. If you have any interest in volunteering your time and talents to coach this team, please contact Denise Kuehl, 814-490-7230, [d.kuehl@roadrunner.com](mailto:d.kuehl@roadrunner.com)

**Sunday's Readings:**

**First Reading** - The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

**Psalms** - I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

**Second Reading** - Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

**Gospel** - To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

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**GOD'S LAWS**

God's laws are not intended to burden or torment us. Instead they are guideposts that point us in the direction of good living. Accordingly, good living requires loving God and loving one another. We should not follow God's laws out of fear of what might happen if we don't, but rather view them as a foundation for building relationships and trust with one another and with God.

The *Shema* prayer of Orthodox Jews is based on the reading from Deuteronomy today, "Hear, O Israel." Every morning people recite the prayer as a profession of their love for God and pledge their obedience to God throughout the day. They pass on their love of God to their children, from one generation to the next. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

# MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, November 5, 2018**

7:00AM Richard B. Johannesmeyer - Family  
 12:10PM David Mohr - Dietz Family

**TUESDAY, November 6, 2018**

7:00AM Pete Cipriani - Robert Lafaro  
 12:10PM James & Rose Popeski -  
 Lynn & Deacon Dennis Kudlak  
 2:00PM School Mass - Clem Scalzitti -  
 John & Norma Tinti

**WEDNESDAY, November 7, 2018**

7:00AM Dorothy George - Domenica Carbonelli  
 12:10PM Marilyn, Larry & Patrick Lazenby -  
 Gino & Joe Montagna

**THURSDAY, November 8, 2018**

7:00AM Marian & John Dascanio -  
 Jim & Annette Fiorenzo & Family  
 12:10PM Christine Yurkovic - Husband, Tim

**FRIDAY, November 9, 2018**

7:00AM Nello Fiorenzo - Jim & Annette Fiorenzo  
 12:10PM Don Young - Tom & Kay Hauber

**SATURDAY, November 10, 2018**

8:00AM Leroy Platz - Keith & Dolia Allen  
 5:00PM Marilyn Ferraro - Jay, Corey & Julie Ferraro

**SUNDAY, November 11, 2018**

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Veterans Day**

7:30AM Parishioners  
 9:00AM Brenna Jackson - Nana  
 11:00AM Maurice Werner - Joe & Dianne  
 Yochim  
 4:30PM Katie Van Cleve - Simora Family



**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Christine Yurkovic - Husband, Tim.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Leonard Tillerson - Wife.

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED** - Please pray for Raymond E. Peterson; for Anna Marie Conti; for Elizabeth "Betty" Pelletier; and for Jean Reichert. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

*Readings for the Week of November 4th*

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcd-e-3; Lk 14:12-14  
 Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32;  
 Lk 14:15-24  
 Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33  
 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10  
 Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
 Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9;  
 Lk 16:9-15  
 Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28;  
 Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

**"National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 4-10, 2018. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation."**

## 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:**

- Nov. 4: Arlene B.
- Nov. 5: Ed B., Joyce K., Chuck & Linda R.
- Nov. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Bernie H., Susan F.
- Nov. 7: Margaret K.
- Nov. 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P., Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.
- Nov. 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.
- Nov. 10: Ann T., Veronica W., Peg Z., Pat C., Pat M., Mary 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...**

○ 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-

Today starts the beginning of National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW). NVAW is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and then beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

So this week in an intensified way we ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women, married couples and singles. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation. There will be a **holy hour for vocations at OLP on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm where we will continue that intention as well.**

May God bless our church with vocations to holy marriage and single life, priesthood, diaconate, and religious life... 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...**

**\*\*Election Day** As Catholics we are called to faithful citizenship and there is no more fundamental way to be faithful citizens than to vote. So please make every effort to be responsible when voting by learning about the candidates, learn about our Catholic Social Justice Teaching and where the candidates stand on ALL those teachings. Then pray about your decision (pray, pray, pray!) and then place a fully informed and discerned vote. God be with you in this important endeavor!

**\*\*Parish Ministry Fair Follow Up** I offer a big thank you to Lori Dever, Liz Nee, Cathy Kuzma and their committee (other members of Pastoral Council) and all of our volunteers who were a part of the parish ministry fair last weekend! This was a good step in celebrating our ministries and bringing visibility to them. I hope that even if you did not get to the fair or sign up as interested in a ministry, that you will continue to discern how God might be calling you to use your time and talent in a ministry here at OLP. As I said at the Masses that I celebrated last weekend, my hope is that every parishioner who is able would get involved in some way beyond participation at Mass and financial support of the parish.

**\*\*Deacon Candidates' Reflections at Mass** As part of the formation for the permanent diaconate, the candidates in their 5<sup>th</sup> year of the process are often invited to give reflections on the readings at Mass. So over the next 7 months Glenn Bailey from



OLP will be offering reflections every so often after Communion at daily or Sunday Mass starting this weekend. The church requires a homily at Sunday Mass so the presider will offer a brief homily in addition to the reflection at those Masses.

**FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**\*\*Presentation on Stewardship of the Environment**

**On Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm in the Parish Social Room**, several Secular Franciscans from the Erie area will offer a presentation on the Papal Encyclical "Laudato Sii" and practical ways to be good stewards of the environment. Such stewardship is one of the Seven Foundational Principles of our Catholic Social Justice Tradition and this event is a good way to continue the Respect Life Theme of the Month of October. They have given this presentation at several parishes in Erie and have had a positive response so please consider joining us.

**\*\*Parish Forum on Sexual Orientation** On

**Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm in the church**, we will have a forum on same sex attractions as a way to follow up on this topic that was raised over the summer. Save the date and look for more information on this in the next few weeks.

**\*\*FORMED (Catholic On Demand)** Due to the

generosity of several members of our community, we have raised enough money to acquire a one year subscription to FORMED for Our Lady of Peace Parish. We will have a **kick off weekend on the First Sunday of Advent (December 1/2)** where the program will be introduced at all the Masses and information on how to use it will be given. As a way to invite the parish to experience some of the great content that FORMED offers, we will then have a **3 week study on their program called "Presence: the Mystery of the Eucharist" the Mondays of Advent (December 3, 10 and 17)**. They will be held in the church from 6:30-8:00PM and will include the videos plus discussion groups. More detailed information will be forthcoming.



**\*\*Diocesan Retreats**

I continue to believe that our diocesan retreats- **Cursillo, Divine Mercy Encounter (DME) and Marriage Encounter**- are great instruments of the Holy Spirit of which I would like to see our parish community take advantage and participate. The next **Cursillo's are Men's- November 15-18, 2018 and Women's- March 16-19, 2109- both at Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Harborcreek.**

**\*\*The next DME is November 9-11, 2018 at St. Joseph/ Bread of Life Community in Erie and I, along with several other OLP Parishioners, will be on the team** (I hope some of you who are either high school aged, college/young adult, or adults will be a part of this!). I know I just did the Cursillo and I do not like to be away from OLP two weekends in a little under a month but I committed to Cursillo a year ago and this is the only DME I could work through 2019 and so I decided to power through now since I will not be working either for over a year. I hope you understand.

**\*\*For World Wide Marriage Encounter**, right now the Diocese of Erie supports the retreats in Pittsburgh but the schedule for 2019 is not available yet and the last retreat for 2018 was this weekend. Keep an eye on the website for updates. <http://www.wwme.org/>

Visit our website and our MyParish App...



**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Elementary (Grades K-5)** - Religious Ed meets this Sunday, November 4, 2018 from 10:30 to 12:15 in the school. Dismissal is from the cafeteria. **Grades 4 & 5** will be meeting in the cafeteria with a parent for bible and breakfast.

The First Communion Parent meeting is this Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 5:30PM in the church.

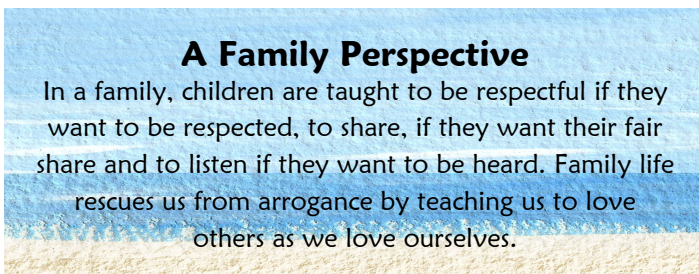
**Secondary (Grades 6-10)** - Classes meet this Sunday, November 4, 2018 from 5:30 to 7:30 in the school.

**Confirmation (Grade 11)** - Formation classes next meet Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 6:00PM in the school.

**Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)** - Thinking of becoming Catholic? Needing to complete your sacraments? Call now as classes have started... RCIA meets Wednesdays at 6:30PM in the Social Room.

All forms can be found on our website under the Faith Formation tab at [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org)

For more info please contact Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director, at 838-9983 or [Tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:Tammie.mang@olp.org)



**A Family Perspective**

In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.

**West Millcreek Food Pantry**

The following are suggested items to purchase for each week; you may buy what is on sale; all non-perishables are acceptable. CEREAL is needed.

**November 2018**

- 4th Toilet Tissue / Bar Soap
- 11th Spaghetti Sauce / Spaghetti
- 18th Mac & Cheese/Peanut Butter
- 25th Cereal & Baked Beans

Pantry is OPEN November 13th & 27th (every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek, held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.

We are so excited to announce that



Our Lady of Peace is volunteering as a group with ServErie!

ServErie gathers and assigns volunteers to make big impacts on local organizations vital to our community. **We need YOU to join us!** This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school and parish family.

**When:** Saturday, November 10, 8:00AM - 12:30PM

**Where:** Meet at McLane Church Erie, 2319 W. 38th St

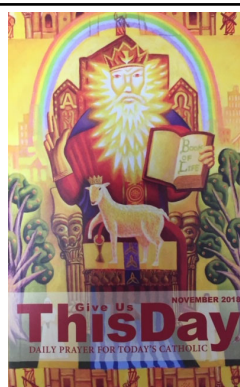
**How to Volunteer:** Contact Chris Toohey [ctoohey5@yahoo.com](mailto:ctoohey5@yahoo.com) (773) 263-6509 or Renee Cain [srcain08@gmail.com](mailto:srcain08@gmail.com) (814) 528-3597.

**Please include:** Name, E-Mail, Date of Birth, Address, and Cell Number.

**Please specify:** if you have a skill set that you can share. These include painting, lifting 25+ lbs., landscaping, cleaning, carpentry including drywall, plumbing, electrical, general repair, roofing, tree trimming, concrete masonry, and prayer.

**Deadline to register:** November 2. Must be 8 years old to volunteer. Free child care provided at McLane Church for children 7 and under.

**From McLane** we will be dispersed to our project site. Rides available to project site.



**"Give Us This Day"**

**Daily Prayer for Today's Catholic**

A yearly reduced rate subscription to the monthly publication "Give Us This Day" daily prayer and reflection book is available through the church office for \$29.95 for twelve issues.

Please call Cynthia, 833-7701 x 201, for more information and/or to sign up.

**Deadline to register is November 30th.**

**Daily at 11:40AM**

The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary is prayed daily at 11:40AM, just before the 12:10 Mass. Mary invites all her children, if possible, to come and pray her Rosary. Many blessings will be yours! God bless you!

**All are welcome!**



## Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:

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

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



## Youth Ministry Corner:

From: Mr. Corey Ferraro

Greetings in Christ, everyone!

As we begin a new month, I thought I'd run down the next few events we have coming up:

1. The Get Air event is this coming Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup>. Please have your son/daughter bring \$5 to go towards their entry fee – we will pick up the rest! Junior High will meet from 6 to 7:15PM, and Senior High from 7:30 to 8:45PM. Permission Slips are required – You can print one out from the Youth Ministry section of the OLP Church website and hand it in the night-of.
2. Encounter: Eucharistic Adoration for young kids (grades K-5) will be on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> in the Chapel from 3:30 to 4:15PM. All are welcome to attend!
3. Both Youth Groups will have a Holy Hour of Adoration, followed by snacks and fellowship, on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30. Again, all are welcome! Bring your families too!
4. On Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, both Youth Groups will do service work at the Humane Society from 3:30-5 (**PLEASE NOTE THIS NEW TIME!**). Permission Slips are required.

It should be a fun November, so make sure to come out to our events! Have a great week and God bless!



## It's That Time of Year!

### Time to start thinking Winter Sports!

### Peak n' Peak Ski & Snowboard Passes

Peak n Peak Ski & Snowboard passes are now available until early November.

Peak n Peak Fall Fest Discounts will be applied. This is a huge savings over the regular daily and seasonal rates. All sales support OLP Ski Club. Student forms are available in the school office. For rate info contact Chris Kurpiewski at ckurp@velocity.net or 814-602-3772.

## Join us for a Day of Reflection

Hope House Retreat Center is inviting you to spend a day with Fr. Dennis Martin on **Saturday, November 10, 2018** from 9:30AM to 4:00PM. The cost is \$35, includes breakfast/lunch. Fr. Dennis will cover the topic: **"Into the Light"** based on Psalm 34: 18-19 "The Righteous cry out, the Lord hears and He rescues them from all their afflictions. The Lord is close to the heartbroken, saves those whose spirit is crushed." This Day of Reflection is for ages 18 and up only. Day ends with Mass at 3:00PM. To register call The Reason for Our Hope Foundation at 814-455-7364.



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## Mark Your Calendar... Monday, November 12th 6:30PM OLP Cafeteria

**Presentation of: On Care for our Common Home: Laudate Si**

Three years ago Pope Francis wrote the encyclical **On Care for our Common Home: Laudato Si**. **What does that mean to live Laudato Si?**

Pope Francis states: "Our relationship with the environment can never be isolated from our relationship with others and with god." and furthermore, "There is nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions."

Come and celebrate Laudato Si with Secular Franciscans Mary Nelson, OFS, and Chris Zurawski, OFS, Laudato Si animators with the Global Catholic Climate Movement, as we explore some of those ways with short video, discussion, and prayer. For more information, to register or do you have questions, please contact Chris, 814-679-4102. **All are welcome to this free presentation.**



## Volunteers needed for Advent Wreath Lighting



The lights of the candles on the Advent wreath break through the darkness, reminding us of the Light of Christ that we anticipate during this holy season.

The Advent Wreath serves as a powerful visual reminder of the holiness of the season. The light of the candles invites us to quiet ourselves during this busy time and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Whether at home or at Church, it provides an invitation to wait and pray in hopeful anticipation for the coming of Christ. We are called to welcome the light of Christ into our lives.

Our tradition here at OLP has included offering all parishioners the opportunity to assist with the wreath lighting during the weekend Masses throughout the four Sundays of Advent. We will be continuing that tradition this year and invite you to prayerfully consider volunteering.

**Sign-up sheets will be in the vestibule from Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, through Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.**

The candle lighting is a very simple, yet significant, part of our Advent journey. Please consider being a part of this OLP tradition.

## Your help is needed...

### OLP Sunday Nursery

Teen and adult **volunteers are needed** in the Sunday Nursery during the 9:00AM Mass. Please consider volunteering for this "fun" hour of service once or twice a month. For more information, call Marilyn at 838-3338 (evenings).



The **OLP Sunday Nursery** is available for children ages 1-4 during the 9:00AM Sunday Mass. It is located in the Social Room in the Church Basement.

## The OLP Prayer Ministry

This is a ministry for those individuals who are unable to attend usual parish functions perhaps due to an impairment, lack of transportation or illness. This active ministry can be done from home, a nursing home, the hospital, etc. Those who participate will be asked to voluntarily pray for a specific group, ministry or function as the meeting, ministry or function is occurring.

Prayer is vital to our lives and keeps us connected as members of the Body of Christ.

For more information or if you have questions, contact: Deacon John at [deacon.john@olp.org](mailto:deacon.john@olp.org) or Tammie Mang in the Faith Formation Office at 814-838-9983, [tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org).



# Annual Coat / Warm Clothing Drive

Time to clean out your closets and donate your gently used items.

coats/hats/gloves/  
boots/winter sweaters

Coats/items must be CLEAN and in good working order...

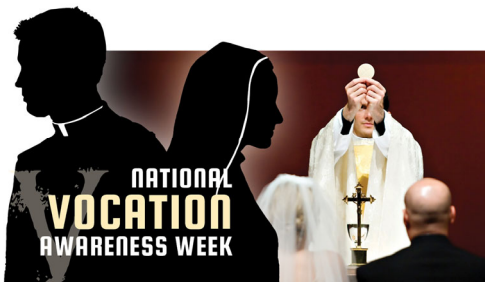
Coats/Warm Clothing **WILL NOT** be accepted after that date.

Bring your items to the box in the Church Vestibule.

Questions? Please call Cynthia in the Church office at 833-7701 x 201.

Deadline for donating is Sunday, November 18th.

## Let's collect lots of "Warm Clothes"



## 2018 National Vocations Awareness Week

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life. Some remain as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations - and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week. During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends - to be open if God calls them to priesthood or consecrated life.

### The Main Catholic Vocations:

A vocation is a call from God to pursue holiness in a specific way, involving a public and permanent commitment.

**Marriage:** Most people are called to marriage - a vowed union of a man and woman who promise to love their spouses and to joyfully welcome children.

**Priesthood:** Priests bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus through preaching and the sacraments. They are ordained to devote their lives to serve the people of God.

**Consecrated Life:** Both men and women make vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience when they join orders such as the Franciscans, Benedictines, Dominicans, etc.

**Generous Single Life in Christ:** The Church recognizes that some people, for various reasons, are not called or cannot live in vocations such as marriage or consecrated life. Nonetheless, the Catechism says "they can contribute greatly to the good of the human family" (#2231). "Some live their situation in the spirit of the Beatitudes, serving God and neighbor in exemplary fashion." (CCC1658).

## Cherub Choir Sign-Ups...

It's time to start thinking about joining the OLP Cherub Choir and sharing your time and talents with the church! If you have a child in pre-school to 5th grade who loves to make music, this is for you! There are six rehearsals starting November 8 that last 30 min each - so it's a minimum commitment of time. The Cherub Choir sings at the 5:00 Mass on Christmas Eve.



For more info and to register please contact Christina Murnock at (814) 882-1017 or email [murnockfarm@yahoo.com](mailto:murnockfarm@yahoo.com). This is open to all youth from the parish and school - and all children planning on coming to the Christmas Eve Mass, so please invite family, friends, neighbors, etc. The more the merrier!

## Thanksgiving Food Drive

Two opportunities to assist...



Please help our neighbors at the Millcreek Food Pantry with your non-perishable food donations.

FEED THE HUNGRY

### You may bring your donations:

1. School Mass on Tuesday, November 13 at 2:00PM
2. Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22, Mass at 9:00AM