



# *Our Lady of Peace*



## Second Sunday of Advent

*December 9, 2018*

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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:

**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

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**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 December 9**

Team 5: Meg E., Diane S., Denise G.

The heart of this Ministry is the focus on service to the community through the maintenance of the Worship space. This Ministry offers the members the opportunity to spend quiet time in prayer while they serve in this ministry.



Thank you everyone who serves on this important ministry of keeping our church clean and beautiful.

**Prayerfully consider joining this ministry and please call the Church Office.**

**Special Collection This Weekend: Support the Retirement Fund for Religious**

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Thank you, in advance, for your generous support.

**Bulletin Deadlines for December, January**

There are bulletins with an early deadline, they are:

For Sunday, December 23, 2018, articles are due by December 10, 2018

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

For Sunday, January 6, 2019, articles are due by December 17, 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.*

**Sunday's Readings:**

**First Reading** - Take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God (Baruch 5:1-9).

**Psalm** - The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

**Second Reading** - I am confident that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

**Gospel** - The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth (Luke 3:1-6).

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**AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD**

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

# MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, December 10, 2018**

7:00AM Antonio Bulls - Daughter  
 12:10PM Mary DiPaolo - Family  
 6:30PM **Advent Reflection:**  
 "Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist"

**TUESDAY, December 11, 2018**

7:00AM Alberta Bigwood -  
 Love your granddaughter, Melissa Bigwood  
 12:10PM Allison Bosner - Mom & Dad  
 2:00PM **School Mass** - John Thompson -  
 Joan Santangelo

**WEDNESDAY, December 12, 2018**

7:00AM Pete Cipriani - Robert Lafaro  
 12:10PM Rudy Wiesner - Darlene & Tom Easley

**THURSDAY, December 13, 2018**

7:00AM Benny Garczynski - Len & Liz Weise  
 12:10PM David Christenson - Family

**FRIDAY, December 14, 2018**

7:00AM Special Intention for Mother John of the Cross  
 - Podobnik Family  
 12:10PM Margaret Meter -  
 Monday Morning Quest Group  
 5:00PM **Wedding** - Mark Schroeck / Daisy Rosa

**SATURDAY, December 15, 2018**

8:00AM Leroy Platz - Matt & Janet Wolf  
 5:00PM Marilyn, Larry, & Patrick Lazenby -  
 Lou Presta Family

**SUNDAY, December 16, 2018**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

7:30AM Attilio Ciccozzi - Ehrman Family  
 9:00AM Patty Ann Miklos - Family  
 11:00AM Ralph & Sophie Bruno - Family  
 4:30PM Parishioners  
 6:00PM **OLP Penance Service**



## Area Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 9: 7PM St. George  
 Sunday, December 12: 7PM Blessed Sacrament  
 Sunday, December 16: 6PM Our Lady of Peace  
 Thursday, December 20: 7PM St. Jude  
**OLP:**

- Individual confessions available after Sunday morning Masses during Advent
- After Masses :  
 Saturday, December 22nd (8AM & 5PM) and  
 Monday, December 24 (7AM & 12:10PM)
- Saturday's 3:45 - 4:45PM

*Readings for the Week of December 9th*

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26  
 Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;  
 Mt 18:12-14  
 Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
 Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47,  
 or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712  
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15  
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19  
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16,  
 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
 Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;  
 Lk 3:10-18

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Joe Pettinato - Leona & Family

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of John Alward - Family

**BANN III**

**Mark Schroeck / Daisy Rose**



## 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:**

- Dec. 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.
  - Dec. 10: Ann T., Veronica W., Peg Z., Pat C., Pat M., Mary S.
  - Dec. 11: Dave D., Paul M., Connie S.
  - Dec. 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Alice O., Chris P.
  - Dec. 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Phil T., Sarah F., Glenn B., Donna R.
  - Dec. 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.
  - Dec. 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B., Mandy K.
- 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...**

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. Serra Prayer for Vocations

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

Thanks to our newly formed parish Welcome Committee we will be having a welcome brunch this weekend for parishioners who have registered at OLP this year. We will recognize those families and individuals at the 11:00AM Mass this Sunday. I am very grateful for all that the members of our committee have done to continue to help our parish grow in the area of welcoming and hospitality. Recall that the creation of the welcome committee was at the initiative of our pastoral council last spring who recognized this as an area of need in our parish. It is also worth noting that with this focus on welcoming, OLP is in tune with the Diocese Pastoral Planning Process. At the Diocesan Meeting in October which we hosted for the northern vicariate (the Diocese is divided into three vicariates- North, East and West), the Faith Formation Task Force identified "Welcoming" as the theme of the first of four years of themes to be developed by all parishes in the Diocese of Erie. We were asked by the diocese to identify two areas where we could grow in the area of welcoming and I was glad and proud to say that OLP had already begun. I pointed to the Registration Promotion effort we had in October which helped 29 new families or individuals register at Our Lady of Peace as well as the Welcome Brunch that I mentioned above.

So it is great to see that our parish leadership is seeing the same needs as our diocesan leadership and that we are responding to it here at OLP. Well done to our Welcome Committee and Pastoral Council, and another warm welcome to our newly registered families and individuals!

May God bless our second week of Advent 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...**

**\*\*Advent FORMED Series** As a way to invite the parish to experience some of the great content that FORMED offers, we are having 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 6:30-8pm and will include the videos plus discussion groups.

**\*\*Advent Penance Services and other Opportunities** We are again coordinating four Penance Services with the other west Erie parishes which are....**Our Lady of Peace- Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**; Blessed Sacrament-Wednesday, December 12th at 7pm; St. George- Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM and St. Jude- Thursday, December 20th at 7pm. We will also have individual confessions available after every Sunday morning Mass in Advent; as well as after all Masses on Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> (8am and 5pm) and Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> (7am and 12:10pm). Also, we will continue our practice of individual confessions on all the Saturdays of Advent from 3:45-4:45pm. And as always Fr. Kyle and I would

be happy to set up an appointment with you for Confession if these other opportunities do not fit your schedule. I cannot encourage you enough to take advantage of this great Sacrament this Advent. **\*\*The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**. This is the most significant apparition of Mary in the Western Hemisphere and worth celebrating. Recall that Mary's appearance to St. Juan Diego (who's feast is December 9<sup>th</sup> but not celebrated liturgically today because it falls on a Sunday) in 1531 had a major impact on the growth of Christianity among the natives in Mexico. Within 10 years of her appearance, 9 million natives converted to Christ. I truly believe that as Mary gave birth to Christ 2000 years ago in Bethlehem, she again gave birth to Christ 500 years ago in Mexico City by opening the way for those in Central America to accept this foreign religion as their own. Our Lady of Guadalupe is also the patroness of the Cursillo Movement so I ask your prayers on this day for Cursillo and I encourage all Cursillistas in our parish to come seek the intercession of your patroness at the daily Masses on Wednesday (7am and 1210pm). Our Lady of Guadalupe.... Pray for us!

**\*\*Erie Night to Shine** Our Lady of Peace is excited to announce that we have been selected as a host parish for Night to Shine, sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation. Night to Shine is a prom night experience for people ages 14 and older with special needs. **The complimentary event will be held at the Concourse of Union Station of Friday, February 8, 2019, from 6 to 9PM.** Night to Shine guests receive a red carpet



welcome with paparazzi, hair, makeup and shoe shine stations, corsages and boutonnieres, dinner, photos, dancing and a crowning ceremony. Caregivers are also invited to gather to socialize and enjoy snacks in a respite area. Night to Shine '19 will take place simultaneously at over 600 churches throughout the world. Volunteers are needed to be buddies to the guests as well as in many other areas of Night to Shine. For more information and to register as guests or volunteers, please visit the website at [www.NTSErie.org](http://www.NTSErie.org). Visit and "like" the Erie Night to Shine FaceBook page. Questions can be emailed to [NTSErie@gmail.com](mailto:NTSErie@gmail.com) or directed to Linda Hennigan at 814-504-0581. **Sponsorships are available:** \$500 -Tiaras; \$500 -Crowns; \$750 -Dance Floor Surround; \$300 -Videographer; \$1,500 -Appetizers for Respite Area; \$300 -Musicians for Respite Area \$50 -Red Carpet & Stanchions. A Fundraiser Fitness Class is being held on Saturday, December 29th from 10-11:30AM in the OLP Gym, led by Revelation Wellness instructor, Heather Konopka Gerlach. E-Mail: [heather.simplynatural@gmail.com](mailto:heather.simplynatural@gmail.com) for more info.

**Faith in Our Future Fund Mailing**

The Erie Catholic School System recently sent out an annual fund mailing that replaces the mailing we typically would send in the spring from OLP School. Unfortunately in the data conversion an error was made that resulted in mislabeled letters. This was out of the control of Erie Catholic, but we do apologize for the inconvenience this may have caused those who received the mailing.

Please drop incorrect letters off to the school office.

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Elementary (Grades K-5)** - Religious Ed meet this Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 10:30 am to 12:15 in the school. Dismissal is from the cafeteria.

**Secondary (Grades 6-10)** - Classes meet this Sunday, December 16, 2018 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the school.

**Confirmation (Grade 11)** - Formation classes meet this Sunday, December 9, 2018 from 6 to 8 pm in the school.

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)

**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.

**December 2018**

- 9th Tuna/Canned Spaghetti
- 16th Mac & Cheese/Peanut Butter
- 23rd Cereal / Baked Beans
- 30th Spaghetti Sauce / Spaghetti

**Pantry is OPEN December 11th 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek, held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.**

**OLP Casserole Club**

Billy Graham said, "God has given us two hands, one to receive with, and the other to give with."

Our Lady of Peace "hands" have given very much over eight years through the "Casserole Club" benefiting Maria House Project, helping men in recovery from addictions, incarceration, homelessness or mental illness. The residents, board, staff and volunteers thank all of you who have participated and wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



**The December casseroles can be delivered to the OLP Church Social Room (downstairs) on Saturday, December 15th, from 3:30 to 4:30PM.** If you need a **casserole** to be picked up, or if the date and time for collection is not convenient, or if you have any questions about Maria House Project, contact Skip or Dottie Glover at 814-440-3496, [scottiedip@yahoo.com](mailto:scottiedip@yahoo.com). **Casseroles** should be pre-cooked, frozen in a disposable container, with re-heating directions attached. Names or addresses should NOT be included.

***Start your year off by sharing your Time City Mission Service***

**When:** 10AM to 1:00PM  
 Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
 Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>  
 Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>



**Where:** 11<sup>th</sup> & French Street  
**What:** Prepare & Serve the Lunch Meal.  
**Who:** Any Parishioner 15 yrs. or older!  
**Contact:** Scott Barnes 881-8889

*Qualifies for school & faith formation service hours!*

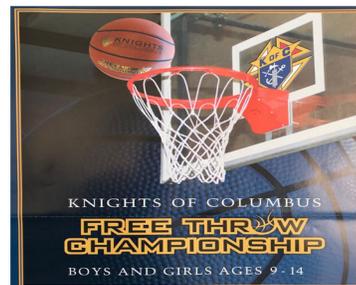
**Dates to note:**

Sunday, December 16: OLP Penance Service 6:00PM  
 Monday, December 17: Advent Series 6:30PM  
 Christmas Eve Masses, December 24th:  
 5:00PM  
 7:30PM  
 Midnight  
 Christmas Day, December 25th:  
 10:00AM Mass



**All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are invited to participate in the 2018 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest.**

The local competition will be held **December 29th at 4:00PM at the OLP gym.** The Knights of Columbus Free Throw



Championship is held annually with winners progressing through local, district, regional, and state competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years of age are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions.

**Entry forms will be available at the competition.** All participants will shoot 15 Free Throws to determine the winners who will advance to the District competition. Bonus points maybe awarded if you can dunk!

Monday, December 31st  
 5:30PM Vigil Mass  
 11PM Holy Hour for Peace  
 Tuesday, January 1st  
 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God  
 10:00AM Mass



## Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

CHECK ONE:

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

- 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

Hello all!

### Youth Group Calendar: December 2018

We have some fun events coming up this week for Youth Group:

1. Encounter: Adoration is this Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. Please note that this month ONLY the Adoration will be in the evening – from 6 to 6:45 in the Chapel – in honor of the Advent Season. Even though this ministry is primarily aimed at kids from grades K-5, all Youth Group members and their families are invited to attend!
2. This Wednesday and Thursday, both Youth Groups will be helping parishioner Scott Barnes with his "A Hand Up" ministry. This amazing ministry helps to supply items to needy families in the Erie area. The Junior High Youth Group will help on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6, and the Senior High Youth Group will help on Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6. A Hand Up's warehouse is located on 12<sup>th</sup> and Weschler. We will meet there and pick up there - Look for me when you get there and I will direct you on where the warehouse is. Permission Slips are required, so print one off the Church website and bring it with you.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Junior High Youth Group: Grades 5-8 Senior High Youth Group: Grades 9 and up Encounter: Grades K-5 (others are welcome to come too!)						1
2	3	4	5	6 <i>Christmas Party!</i> 6 PM to 7:30 PM for Junior High Youth Group (in the Youth Room/Chapel)  7:00 to 8:45 for the Senior High YG (in the Chapel/Youth Room)	7	8
9	10	11 <i>Encounter: Adoration 6 PM to 6:45 PM in the Chapel ** New time JUST THIS MONTH!</i>	12 <i>Community Service: "A Hand Up" Ministries"; 4:30 PM to 6 PM ; for Junior High members</i>	13 <i>Community Service: "A Hand Up" Ministries"; 4:30 PM to 6 PM ; for Senior High Members</i>	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 <i>Community Service: Emmaus Soup Kitchen – 3:30 PM to 6 PM (for both Sr. and Jr. High) ** Jr. High at OLP ** Sr. High at Emmaus</i>	21	22
23	24 No events this week à	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!	26	27	28	29 ** Families are definitely encouraged to come to our events!
30	31					

Thanks everyone, and God bless!

# Advertiser of the Week...

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# 31st Anniversary of Giving at OLP

Special Parish Invitation to be a part of the OLP School Advent Project.



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## ADVENT PROJECT: CELEBRATING 31st ANNIVERSARY OF GIVING



Our Lady of Peace  
CHURCH

It began in 1987, when a representative from the Erie City Mission spoke to the fourth grade, telling them about less fortunate children in other parts of our city. It was difficult for students to imagine children who wished not for toys, but for new mittens or warm socks. Teachers Elaine Cleary and Joni Blackman suggested they could show real Christmas spirit by foregoing their own Kris-Kringle gifts and giving to others. Parent, Roberta Geib enlisted the support of other parents who helped their children have a direct role in choosing and wrapping gifts, making cards and supplying homemade cookies. That year, while students in all other grades were exchanging gifts, those fourth graders stood alone, proud and satisfied they had done something good for others. Their gift sent the message of what Christmas is really about and by 1989 this became a school-wide tradition at Our Lady of Peace School.



For the last seven years, we have invited the parish community to join us in our charitable giving. Once again, we are asking those of you in our parish to be part of our Advent projects. Many charities, and many adults and children, have benefited from the generosity of OLP School throughout the years. It is with a great sense of pride that we share with you our plans for this Christmas season.

**PRE-SCHOOL / KINDERGARTEN** Catholic Charities [www.eriecd.org/charities.asp](http://www.eriecd.org/charities.asp)

Pre-School will be collecting pajamas for those in need. The kindergarten students will be collecting new baby items. Ideas are: bibs, baby blankets, diapers, baby shampoo/lotions, sleepers, etc. Pre-School and Kindergarten hopes that these pajamas and baby items for the on-site closet at the Catholic Charities Mother/Infant Program will help new mothers have baby accessories that will help their babies be happy and healthy.

**FIRST GRADE** Kids' Café [www.emmauserie.org](http://www.emmauserie.org)

The first grade collects monies to support this agency that provides impoverished children ages 6 to 17 with a home away from home after their school day ends. The Café helps neighborhood children with homework, provides recreational activities, and a hot meal before they go home.

**SECOND GRADE** Highmark Caring Place [www.highmarkcaringplace.com](http://www.highmarkcaringplace.com)

The second grade is earning and saving money for the center to help with the activities designed to help those who have lost loved ones. The students want them to know they have our love and support.

**THIRD GRADE** Erie Dawn [www.eriedawn.info](http://www.eriedawn.info)

The third grade will be collecting donations of money throughout the advent season to assist Erie Dawn in helping impoverished women find safe affordable housing. Grade three is excited about helping women find hope for themselves and their children.

**FOURTH & FIFTH GRADE** SSJ Neighborhood Network [www.ssjnn.org](http://www.ssjnn.org)

The fourth and fifth grades can help the Neighborhood Network in many ways. They are in need of hygiene products such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, and toothpaste. Cleaning and laundry products are needed as well as toilet paper and paper towels. Fourth and fifth grade hopes their donations will help the Sisters of St. Joseph supply people with things we take for granted.

**SIXTH GRADE** Mercy Center for Women [www.mcwerie.org](http://www.mcwerie.org)

The sixth graders are collecting paper products such as paper towels, toilet tissue, tissues and/or garbage bags, or women's products. They hope these items or a monetary donation will contribute to safe secure homes for the homeless women and children that are served by the Mercy Center for Women.

**SEVENTH & EIGHTH GRADE** St. Patrick's Haven [www.stpatrickshaven.org](http://www.stpatrickshaven.org)

The seventh & eighth graders are donating money, coffee, creamer, tube socks, spray deodorant, soap, shampoo and men's gloves to aid the temporary residence for homeless men in Erie. They feel it is important to remember those who others sometimes overlook and give these men a brighter Christmas season.

**This project helps all of us focus on the true meaning of Christmas.**

**It is in giving that we receive! Help us help others!**

**Parishioners:** Please mark your items for each grade and return them to the church office no later than Wednesday, December 19th.

Join the OLP Community for an Advent Prayer Service, held in Church, where representatives will accept all donations on Thursday, December 20, 2018, at 9:00AM.



Thank you for your generosity!

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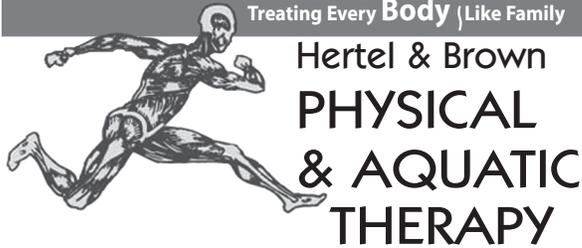
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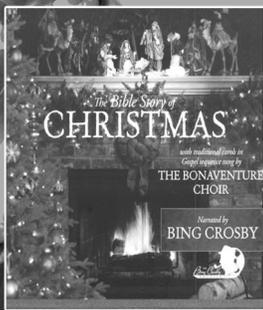
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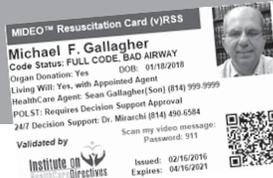
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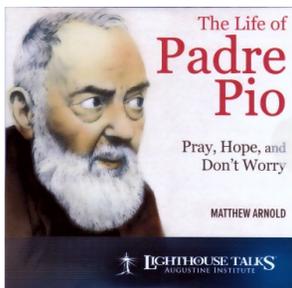
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**6:30 - 8:00PM OLP Church**

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Today's gospel shows John the Baptist and parents have similar vocations. Like the Baptist, parents are asked to make "rough ways smooth" and to "prepare the way of the Lord" for their families. This Advent ask: "Does my life hinder or help my family to know Jesus?"

The Knights of Columbus of OLP are having a raffle benefiting Our Lady of Peace parish & school projects called the "**12 Knights of Christmas.**" A drawing will be held over a 12 day period before Christmas.

The first drawing on December 13, and a drawing would be held over each of the next eleven days, ending on Christmas Eve. The winner on each day would receive the gift for that particular day PLUS all the gifts from the proceeding day's drawings. The final day winner would receive ALL the gifts plus the TV.

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