



Our Lady of Peace



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

Sunday, January 5, 2020

OLP Cafeteria from 8:00 to 11:00AM

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PARISH CENSUS

We are grateful for your time in updating your
family information which reinforces your
commitment to our ongoing parish mission and
your investment in our community.

Please make any changes needed to your family
census information, sign the bottom of the form
so we know that you reviewed the records and
return the form(s) to the church office.

Included in your Census Envelope is a schedule
of events for Advent and Christmas. Please keep
this list handy so that you may join your
church family for all the upcoming events.

**Return your form(s) by Sunday, January 5th
to be entered in a drawing for lunch for two
with Fr. Rich Toohey and Fr. Hoffman.**

Last Call to RSVP...

OLP Volunteers...



You are appreciated!
And to show our appreciation
you are invited to a dinner in
honor of your service.

Saturday, January 11, 2020

Our Lady of Peace School Cafeteria

5:00PM Mass

6:15-6:45PM Social Time

6:45PM Dinner

RSVP by January 6th by calling 833-7701.

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel tells us "all Jerusalem" was upset
because "King Herod was deeply troubled."

A similar ripple effect happens in families; one person's
negative attitude can affect the whole family.

If you want a peaceful and joyful home,
it must start with you. Be peaceful and joyful!

We Need Your Help!



We are now at the last phase of our parish
census effort. Its time to phone those
parishioners who haven't completed the
census to ask them to verify the information that the parish
already has about them and their families. This means that we
need volunteers to make the calls.

Callers will each have a small number of individuals to
contact, and the number of attempts to reach each
parishioners will be limited.

If you can spare a couple hours over the next few weeks to
help us reach out to your fellow parishioners, please call
Cynthia in the office and leave your name and phone number.

Thank you for your help!

OLP Pastoral Council Parish Census Committee

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814-833-7701

Fax

814-833-7702

Website

www.olp.org

E-mail

olp@olp.org

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. Mark Hoffman

Priest in Residence

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 (6-7PM): **2020: Jan. 27.** 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 Wednesdays 11:30-12:00 or by appt. Saturdays 8:30-9AM; 3:45-4:45PM

New Parishioners Welcome! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or 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:**Day:** Kandace, 453-6515**Night:** Donna, 866-0792**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 January 5

Team 1: Kathy W., Cheryl R., Linda D.

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.



*Create in me a clean heart,
O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*

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

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.

January 2020

- 5th Toilet Tissue / Bar Soap
- 12th Tuna / Canned Spaghetti
- 19th Mac & Cheese / Peanut Butter
- 26th Cereal / Canned Vegetables

**Pantry is OPEN January 14th & 28th
(every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living
in Millcreek, held at the Westminster Presbyterian
Church, 3642 West 26th Street.**

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading - Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalms - Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading - The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel - Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Epiphany can be understood as an extension of the Nativity of the Lord that we celebrate on December 25. While at Christmas we celebrate Jesus' coming as the long-awaited king and Messiah of the Jewish people, on Epiphany we celebrate the revelation that Jesus is the Savior and Light of all nations—Jews, Gentiles, and all people.

The star shines so brightly that it attracts magi who come from far distant countries to worship Jesus. They are not Jews, yet they are drawn to the Light of the world. The letter to the Ephesians reveals that the Light of the world was for the Gentiles as well as the Jews—Christ gathers all people into the light of his love. The reading from Isaiah also describes a gathering of diverse peoples, but this time it is to the light that emanates from the people of God.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020

7:00AM Patricia Trejchel - George & Christine Opron

12:10PM Andrew Polakowski - Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020

7:00AM Brian Niebauer - Jean Verdecchia

12:10PM Phil & Pat Trejchel -

Tuesday Why Catholic Group

2:00PM School Mass - Christopher Toth - Jack

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

7:00AM Fred Steger - Sons, Ron & Bill

11:30AM-12:00PM Confessions

12:10PM David Mohr - Dietz Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020

7:00AM Kimberly Walker - Malaspina Family

12:10PM Barbara Platz - M/M Michael Gaines

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020

7:00AM Rosanna Kerner - Joanne Haulik

12:10PM David Hanlon - Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020

8:00AM Jenny DiPietro - Pat, Cindy & Eric McGraw

8:30-9:00AM Confessions

3:45-4:45PM Confessions

5:00PM Anthony DiVincenzo - Ed & Rina

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

7:30AM Susan Ambro - Family

9:00AM Arlene Glance - Family

11:00AM Parishioners

4:30PM John Staszak - Polakowski Family

6:00PM Evening Prayer (Adoration 5:15-6PM)

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Dave Hanlon - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Andrew Polakowski - Family.

Readings for the Week of January 5th

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;
Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;
Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;
Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

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

OLP 31 Club

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:

Jan. 5: Ed B., Joyce K., Chuck & Linda R.

Jan. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.

Jan. 7: Margaret K.

Jan. 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P.,
Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.

Jan. 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.

Jan. 10: Ann T., Veronica W., Pat C., Pat M., Mary S.

Jan. 11: Dave D., Paul M., Connie S.

If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or Kathy Wayman at 397-6443. 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

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 to come and pray her Rosary. Many blessings will be yours! God bless you! **All are welcome!**



From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

Happy Feast of the Epiphany and Merry Christmas! As we continue in the Christmas Season it is interesting to note that the traditional 12 days of Christmas are not really a part of our liturgical calendar. They are the days from Christmas (December 25) to the Epiphany (January 6). But just to confuse you, in most Catholic churches in the United States, we move the Feast of the Epiphany to the Sunday closest to January 6th. So that is why we celebrate the Epiphany and remember the adoration of the Magi this Sunday (January 5th).

The recognition of the Christ child by the Magi (gentiles or non-Jews) from other countries was significant as a fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies and as a reinforcement that the Savior came for ALL peoples (the lowly shepherds and foreigners) and not just for the Jews or more exclusively for the Jewish religious and upper class. It reinforces the universality of our faith and that Jesus came to save ALL peoples. Recall that the word "catholic" means universal, and the Epiphany is a good time to renew our prayer for all people to know the saving truth of Jesus Christ.

There is great symbolism and tradition surrounding the Epiphany. In some cultures, because of the connection with the gifts of the Magi, families exchange gifts on this day. Speaking of the Magi's gifts, they have always been understood to be symbolic of different dimensions of the infant Jesus' identity and mission... *gold* associated with royalty to recognize Him as King of Kings, *frankincense* associated with the worship of God in the temple to recognize His divinity, and *myrrh*, the oil associated with preparing the body for burial, to recognize His ultimate purpose to die for our salvation. What gifts can we join to the Magi's to offer to our King and Lord, Jesus Christ as we celebrate His birth?

May God bless our last week of the Christmas Season 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...

****Christmas Gift - "Rediscover the Saints"** If you were not at OLP for Christmas, you are encouraged to take a copy of the book "Rediscover the Saints" located in the main vestibule for your household as a small gift from your parish. Matthew Kelly is a world renowned author in our Catholic faith and tradition and we distributed his book called "Rediscover Catholicism" two years ago. I thank Warren and Christine Beaver and Mike and Mary Beth Whitman who generously covered most of the financial cost of the books and to the Knights of Columbus and members of the Welcome Committee who helped with the distribution at all the Christmas Masses.

****Christmas Season Continues** The Christmas Season will conclude on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord on **Sunday**,

January 12th when we will have Solemn Evening Prayer with Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament at 6pm (after Adoration from 5:15pm-6pm).

****Epiphany Proclamation** *This weekend is the traditional time for the Epiphany Proclamation. See below for the actual proclamation.*

Make sure you mark the dates on your personal calendar and set aside those most important days of our liturgical year (Holy Week and Easter) for prayer and celebration with your parish family. Do not let those days be an after-thought, but make them a priority around which to plan vacations, events, and other things that can keep us from worshipping.

****Epiphany Announcement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts (for the year 2020)**

Know, dear brothers and sisters,

that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Savior.

On the **twenty-sixth (26th) day of February** will fall **Ash Wednesday**, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the **twelfth (12th) day of April** you will celebrate with joy **Easter Day**,

the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the **twenty-first (21st) day of May** will be the **Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ**.

On the **thirty-first (31st) day of May**, the feast of **Pentecost**.

On the **fourteenth (14th) day of June** the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**.

On the **twenty-ninth (29th) day of November**, the **First Sunday of the Advent** of our Lord Jesus Christ,

to whom is honor and glory for ever and ever.

Amen

****Parish Calendars**

Our parish calendars are in for 2020!

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****House Blessings** The Christmas Season, and more specifically the Epiphany, is also the traditional time of year for house blessings. Fr. Hoffman and I are available to come to your homes and bless them with you. Feel free to call either one of us to set up a time to do so.

****Our Annual Parish Appreciation Dinner** for all of our parish volunteers who help in any capacity at the church to support our mission will be held on next **Saturday, January 11th in the OLP Cafeteria**. Our gathering begins immediately **following the 5:00pm Mass (around 6:15pm) with social time and dinner served at 6:45pm**. This is a chance for our generous volunteers to be served for once, as they have typically been the servants in their ministries, so the meal will be catered. If you volunteer in any way for the parish and can join us, please make a reservation by stopping by the parish office or calling 814-833-7701 **by Noon on Monday, January 6th**.

****Liturgical Ministry Evening of Reflection in January** All liturgical ministers are asked to mark their calendars on **Sunday, January 12th** for a special evening reflection on the virtue of

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades K-8 - Classes meet 9:15AM to 10:45AM in the school and church.

Jan. 5 Bible & Breakfast grades K, 1, & 3 starting at 9AM in the cafeteria

Jan. 12 Regular Classes/Parent Day for Grade 2/All students to 11AM Mass

Jan. 19 NO CLASSES for K-8

Jan. 26 Regular Classes/Parent Day for grade 7

Feb. 2 Bible & Breakfast Grade 4 only starting at 9AM in the cafeteria

Feb. 2 NO CLASSES for K-3 and 5-8

Feb. 9 Regular Classes

Feb. 9 1st Communion Parent Session 10AM in the cafeteria

Confirmation (Grades 9-11) - Classes meet from 5:30-7:30PM in the school and church.

Jan. 5 Regular Classes

Jan. 20 Confirmation Retreat for grade 11 students @ St. Francis Xavier Church, McKean, from 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Jan. 26 Retreat for grades 9 & 10 only, starting with 11AM Mass until 4PM. Lunch is provided.

Feb. 9 Regular Classes

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

hospitality and welcoming. We will begin with Solemn Evening Prayer/Benediction at 6pm and the evening will conclude at 8pm.

****Prolife Breakfast** The Knights of Columbus are organizing tables for our parish at the annual prolife breakfast which will be held next Saturday, January 11th at 9am at the Bayfront Convention Center. This year's speaker is Ryan Bomberger who is an Author, Pro-life Factivist and Cofounder of the Radiance Foundation. Tickets are \$18 for over 12 years old, \$12 for ages 3-12 and free for under 3. If you would like to sit at the OLP tables please call the parish office and make a reservation.

****National Migration Week** For nearly a half century, the Epiphany has been the start of **National Migration Week in our United States Catholic Church (January 5-11)**. It is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking. The **theme for National Migration Week 2019 is "Promoting a Church and a World for All."** Regardless of where we are and where we came from, we remain part of the human family and are called to live in solidarity with one another. Additionally, the U.S. bishops continue to encourage advocacy efforts by the Catholic community on comprehensive immigration reform. The Catholic Church's Social Justice Tradition recognizes 3 principles regarding immigration: one- people have the right to migrate to sustain their lives and the lives of their families. Two- a country has the right to regulate its borders and to control immigration. And three- A country must regulate its borders with justice and mercy (with a concern for the common good of all people beyond the needs of one's own country). Finding a balance between these principles is a challenging task for our national and international leaders so we must pray for them to find a just and compassionate solution to border control. In addition to prayer, our bishops encourage us to make the effort to utilize the resources from our

US Conference of Catholic Bishops to learn more about the principles our Catholic Tradition supports in regard to this important issue. They can be found at <https://justiceforimmigrants.org/take-action/national-migration-week/>
****The Announcement of the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord** I mentioned in the last edition of the Parish Newsletter called the Messenger that one of my favorite liturgical moments of Christmas is the Announcement of the Nativity taken from the *Roman Martyrology*. It draws upon Sacred Scripture to declare in a formal way the birth of Christ. It begins with creation and relates the birth of the Lord to the major events and personages of sacred and secular history.

The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

The Twenty-fifth Day of December,
when ages beyond number had run their course
from the creation of the world,
when God in the beginning created heaven and earth,
and formed man in his own likeness;
when century upon century had passed
since the Almighty set his bow in the clouds after the Great Flood,
as a sign of covenant and peace;
in the twenty-first century since Abraham, our father in faith,
came out of Ur of the Chaldees;
in the thirteenth century since the People of Israel were led by
Moses
in the Exodus from Egypt;
around the thousandth year since David was anointed King;
in the sixty-fifth week of the prophecy of Daniel;
in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad;
in the year seven hundred and fifty-two
since the foundation of the City of Rome;
in the forty-second year of the reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus,
the whole world being at peace,
JESUS CHRIST, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father,
desiring to consecrate the world by his most loving presence,
was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and when nine months had passed since his conception,
was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judah,
and was made man:

The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

****Dr. Gertrude A. Barber - Cause for Sainthood** The formal process to begin investigations concerning the possible canonization of the late Dr. Gertrude A. Barber as a saint in the Catholic Church is under way. Gertrude Barber, founder of the Barber National Institute, was a renowned Erie educator and woman of faith who dedicated her life to serving children and adults with intellectual disabilities/autism and their families. The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico, bishop of Erie, issued a decree on Dec. 12, opening the cause for canonization of Dr. Barber. It is one of the first steps in a process that likely will take decades or longer. As an important part of the process toward consideration for sainthood, the Church encourages comments or testimony about the candidate. All are welcome to share their story about Dr. Gertrude Barber or how her legacy has touched their lives. Anyone who believes that they have experienced a miracle through her intercessory power is also encouraged to share this information. Please visit: DrBarber.org to share your story by completing the form; or you may contact the Postulator, Msgr. Tom McSweeney, at 814-878-5953.

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.

Upcoming Youth Ministry event:

- **March for Life** - January 23 & 24, 2020: We will travel to Washington DC to participate in the annual Pro-Life March. We will meet at OLP Thursday evening, boarding the busses and travel to Washington and participate in Friday's march with thousands of others from around the country. We will be returning around midnight Friday. Open to both middle school and high school youth. (Permission slip required)

Please contact Darrel Meyers at darrell.meyers@olp.org. Text or call 814-450-3697 for more info or to make your reservation.



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Mark Your Calendar:

Catholic Schools Week Mass

Sunday, January 26, 2020 11:00AM
 Coffee/Donuts to follow in the School Cafeteria

OLP School Open House

Sunday, February 23, 2020
 12:00 - 2:00PM

More Volunteers are Needed:

The Linen Ministry is in need of a few people who could pick-up the linens, wash, press them and then return them to the sacristy. Right now it would be only once every 6 weeks; longer if more were to volunteer. Please call Cynthia, 833-77901, to volunteer.

Thank you for prayerfully considering
this very much needed ministry.

Schedule of Events 2020 Our Lady of Peace Parish, Erie, PA

Sunday	January	5	8-11AM	Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast	Cafeteria
Saturday	January	11	6:15PM	OLP Volunteer Appreciation Dinner	OLP Cafeteria
Sunday	January	12	6PM	Eucharistic Adoration, Evening Prayer & Benediction (Adoration 5:15PM)	Church

First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on the **First Friday** of every month, from 7:30AM to 3:00PM, in Mary's Chapel.

We could use a third person for First Friday Adoration in the following time-slots: 8AM, 8:30AM, 9AM, 12:30PM; and lots of people to join us for Benediction at 3PM.

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.**



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Follow the Star:

Whole Parish, Epiphany Faith Formation Event

Who: All parishioners, young and not so young. Individuals and families.

What: Explore how the three kings were inspired to pursue Jesus after Christmas day. Together, we will reflect upon the revelation of Jesus to the world and in our lives.

Where: OLP School Cafeteria

When: Sunday, January 5, 2020,
9:00AM until after 11:00AM Mass

Details: We will begin with a complimentary breakfast prepared by the Knights of Columbus. There will then be break out lessons for adults and families. This event will then culminate with the 11:00AM Mass.

R.S.V.P is a must so we can have enough food and materials for everyone. Please email Tammie Mang at tammie.mang@olp.org or call 838-9983 (leave a message if no one answers) with your reservation.



Online Safety Tips for Parents & Kids

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month: Trafficking of youth is a form of modern slavery. It includes both sex trafficking and forced labor. Any child under age 18 engaged in commercial sex is a victim of sex trafficking, even if the youth's participation is not forced or coerced. Be aware of recruiting tactics. Traffickers target victims through social media sites, telephone chat lines, afterschool programs, at shopping malls, bus depots, club/bars or through friends and acquaintances. To help protect your child, ask questions about your child's friends, monitor their computer use and know where he/she hangs out. For more information on protecting our youth from human trafficking or to report suspected trafficking visit: https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/trafficking_ts_2019.pdf. Visit: <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

Erie City Mission Volunteers Needed

We need your help in preparing and cooking food for our brothers and sisters in need.

Dates are Saturday's:

January 18th; February 15th

Time: 10:00AM to 1:30PM

Where: 11th & French St.

What: Prepare & Serve the Lunch Meal

Time: Any parishioner 15 yrs or older

Contact: Scott Barnes, 881-8889

Qualifies for service hours!

People for Life, Inc.

• 42nd Annual Pro-Life Breakfast

Saturday, January 11, 2020 9AM

Bayfront Convention Center, Erie

Guest Speaker: **Ryan Bomberger**

Tickets: Adults \$18, Ages 3-12 \$10, Under 3 Free



• March for Life in Washington, DC

Friday, January 24, 2020 \$55 a seat

Bus leaves Erie Thursday Evening (Jan. 23) at 11PM

March in Washington and return Saturday morning

• Erie March for Life

Saturday, January 18, 2020 11AM

"Undeniable Human, from Day One!"

Begins at Perry Square and concludes by 12:30PM with a program at the Perry Squire Pavilion (please arrive by 10:45AM)

People for Life, 1625 West 26th Street, Erie

Mailing Address: PO Box 1126, Erie, PA 16512

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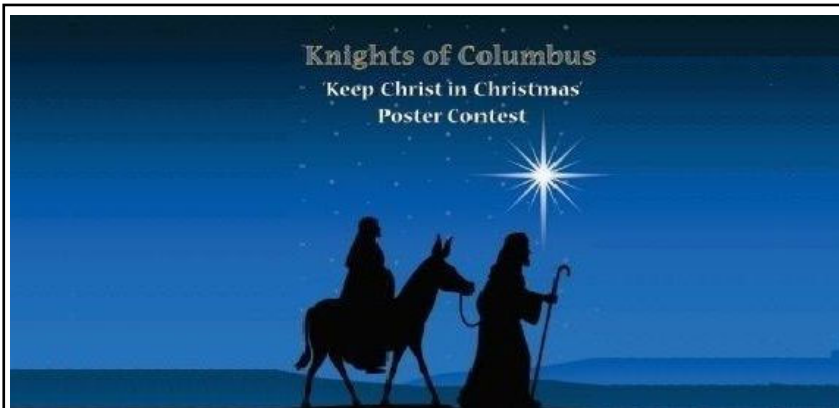
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OLP Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Championship Boys & Girls Ages 9-14 Saturday, January 11, 2020 2:00PM OLP Gym

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are invited to participate in the 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. The local competition will be held on **Saturday, January 11th at 2:00PM** in 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.

Vocation Event Planning

We are currently reviewing some long-term plans to recognize those men and women who have become priests and religious from Our Lady of Peace Parish. We know we have 9 (soon to be 10) priests. One is an Order priest. But, does anyone know of a native son or daughter from Our Lady of Peace Parish who is currently in vows as a religious Brother or Sister? If so, please call our parish office with that information at 833-7701. Thank you!

OLP Crusader Derby Saturday, May 2, 2020



Other Dates to Mark on Your Calendar:

- **Tuesday, February 25, 2020**
~ Mardi Gras Celebration
- **Saturday, February 29, 2020**
~ Men's Conference
- **Thursday, March 19, 2020**
~ St. Joseph Mass & Table
- **Saturday, March 28, 2020**
~ Women's Conference

