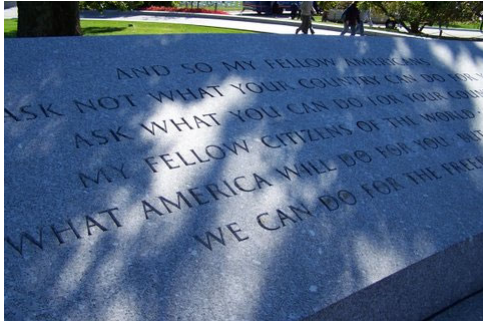




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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, 11:00AM Mass & 12:30PM respectively. A mandatory preparation class for parents is available (6-7PM):

2020: Call the office for info. 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.

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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.



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The Ascension of the Lord May 24, 2020

He was lifted up,
and a cloud took him from their sight.

— Acts 1:9

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.

May 2020

24th Mac & Cheese / Peanut Butter

31st Canned Vegetables / Cereal

Pantry is OPEN May 26

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

The Food Pantry is so thankful to everyone who has continued to make donations.



The West Millcreek Food Pantry is asking for extra food donations.

- Canned Soup
- Canned Vegetables
- Cereal
- Any non-perishable food/item that you are able to donate
- Plastic Grocery Bags

Thank you.

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading - Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm - God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading - May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).

Gospel - Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

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Family Discussion of the Week: *Praying for Others*

(Jesus prayed to his Father,) I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. (John 17:9)

Adults: Who needs you to pray for them this week, as Jesus prayed for his disciples?

Kids: Who will you pray for this week?

"PUSHED" OUT ON MISSION

There is a delightful character in the original *Dr. Dolittle Tales* called the "Pushmi-Pullyu." It is a beast with two identical halves, with a head at each end. No matter which direction the beast walks, one end is the "push me" and the other is the "pull you." Today's feast is a bit like that in the life of the church. In the book of the Acts of the Apostles, it is the ascension of Christ that calls for the Holy Spirit, which consequently sends or "pushes" the church out on its mission. This is the message that we hear from the angels today as they tell the friends of Jesus not to look up into the clouds, but to get busy. It is the message of Jesus himself in Matthew's Gospel, as he sends them out to baptize. He also tells them, "I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). And it is this message, confident in faith that Jesus has ascended to shouts of joy, that "pulls" us along to our final destiny. The life of the faithful disciple, sent into the world on mission, will one day know the same risen, ascended glory.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020**Memorial Day 9AM Livestreamed**

- William Trohoske -
- Dan & Jackie Kensinger

**TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2020 9AM Livestreamed**

- Norman Rieger - Helen Walchack
- Chuck Harriy - Wife, Bev & Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2020 9AM Livestreamed

- Ralph & Dolores Hedderick - Rick Bafik
- Bill Norris - Evelyn & Fred Fried

11:30-Noon Confessions**THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2020 9AM Livestreamed**

- Thomas Pazehoski - Paul Vojtek Family
- Phyllis Hawes - Judie Lamberton

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2020 9AM Livestreamed

- Bernadette Zdunski - Family
- Norbert Figurski - Michael & Denise Gaines

Priest Ordination of Rev. Mr. Kevin Holland*(watch via livestream at: www.eriecnd.org/livestream.html)***SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2020 9AM Livestreamed****8:30-9AM Confessions**

- Florence & Edward Lackovic - Sue
- Zita DiSanto - Ed & Rina Hoffman

3:45-4:45PM Confessions**SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020 10:00AM Livestreamed****Pentecost Sunday****Rev. Kevin Holland's First Mass at OLP as a Priest**

- Parishioners
- John & Sally Balkovic - Joseph & Carol Chriest
- Special Intention for Rev. Kevin Holland
- Mario D'Uva - Tierney Family

5:15PM Adoration / 6:00PM Evening Prayer

The Mass intentions are being honored
daily by our priests in private.

The church will remain open for private prayer
daily from 7:00AM - 8:00PM.

The church office staff is only available
by phone or email: 833-7701 / olp@olp.org

Confessions available (in the Chapel):

Wednesdays 11:30-Noon;

Saturday 8:30-9AM and 3:45-4:45PM or
by appointment - call the Church Office

Readings for the Week of May 24th

- Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;
Jn 16:29-33
- Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;
Jn 17:1-11a
- Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;
Jn 17:11b-19
- Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;
Jn 17:20-26
- Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;
Jn 21:15-19
- Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;
Jn 21:20-25
- Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or
Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35,
27-28, 29-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

Please continue to pray for vocations, at home, on
your scheduled day using the prayer below.

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:

May 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.

May 25: Christine O.

May 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.

May 27: Ann R.

May 28: Ann F., Michael M., Betty S.

May 29: Linda M., Janet A.

May 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.

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

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

Happy Memorial Day Weekend! See below for details about our Memorial Day Mass at OLP. Next week, Rev. Mr. Kevin Holland (the official title for a deacon), who is a native son of Our Lady of Peace Parish and School, will be ordained a priest of Jesus Christ and officially become Rev. Kevin Holland, or more affectionately, Father Kevin Holland. **Kevin will be ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Persico on Friday, May 29th at St. Mark Catholic Center Chapel at a time still to be determined.**

Unfortunately due to Pandemic restrictions, this ceremony will not be open to the public but you are invited to watch the live-stream on the Diocese of Erie website, www.eriecd.org/livestream.html.

Fr. Kevin will celebrate his **first Mass at Our Lady of Peace next Sunday, May 31st at 10am** which will be live-streamed on our Facebook page (you can watch even if you do not have a Facebook account). This will also be our parish celebration of the Great Feast of Pentecost that concludes the Easter Season. It is very appropriate that as we celebrate the day the Holy Spirit gave birth to the Church almost 2000 years ago; we also celebrate the new life in our Diocesan Church of Erie as the Holy Spirit gives birth to a new priest. We look forward to a time later in 2020 when Fr. Kevin will return to celebrate his official Mass of Thanksgiving at OLP when the whole community can attend and we can have a reception after as well.

Next weekend I will offer more words to Kevin on behalf of the parish but for now I ask your prayers for Kevin, his family, and his classmate, Joe Petrone, as they approach next weekend. May the Holy Spirit send them peace and inspiration and protect them from undue anxiety so that they can be fully open to the graces that God wants to bestow on them as well as our parish and diocese.

May God bless Kevin and Joe, and their families, and all of us in this 7th week of Easter ahead!

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...

****Memorial Day Mass** We will live-stream our Memorial Day Mass this Monday at 9am which will be immediately followed by our wreath and flag ceremony outside at the flag pole. The video will be uploaded to the website, www.ulp.org so you can watch it at any time throughout the day.

There is no greater way we can memorialize, honor and pray for the men and women who have died serving our country than to offer Mass for them. We will also pray for all the men and women currently serving in the military, especially those from our community. St. Michael the Archangel... pray for them!



****Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction will take place on Pentecost Sunday (May 31st) at 6pm.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 5:15pm and continue until 6pm at which time we will pray the Liturgy of the Hours and then Benediction to conclude the Easter Season. This will be live-streamed on our Facebook page. If you come to the church, please follow the proper health and safety protocols and know that we might have to limit the amount who attend.

****Pastoral Council Nominations** Nomination forms for Pastoral Council are being accepted. We are replacing 2 members who are completing their terms (Greg Bosner and Lori Dever to whom we are so grateful!). You can find the online form at <https://bit.ly/OLPNomination2020>. The form is also available in church. The form explains the purpose of the council as well as indicating the present members. You are asked to write a statement to the council outlining your reasons for nominating your candidate (or yourself) and then your nominee is asked to sign it as an indication that they accept the nomination. **The letters of nomination are to be turned into the parish office or submitted online by Monday, June 15th.**

****Special Masses for Pandemic** Bishop Persico, with Permission of the Congregation for Divine Worship, gave permission for a special Mass to be said "In Time of Pandemic." We have offered that Mass several times over the past weeks and will continue to do so. **THIS WEEK OUR PURPLE MASS "In Time of Pandemic" will be on Friday, May 29th at 9am.**

****Livestream Schedule for Prayer this Week**

Wednesday, May 27 th	3pm	Rosary
Friday, May 29 th	9:30-3pm	Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

****Bishop Persico has ALLOWED SCHEDULED CONFESSION TIMES TO RESUME.** We will return to our weekly schedule for confession- 11:30am-12 Noon Wednesdays; 8:30-9am and 3:45-4:45pm on Saturdays ALL Confessions will take place in the CHAPEL. Also you can call Fr. Rich or Fr. Hoffman to make an appointment. PLEASE BE SURE TO FOLLOW THE PROTOCOLS FOR WEARING MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING WHEN YOU COME TO CHURCH INCLUDING THE LINE FOR CONFESSION MARKED WITH ORANGE TAPE INSIDE THE MAIN CHURCH.

****OLP NEEDY FUND AND PARISH OUTREACH** Are you in need of assistance as far as finances, groceries, medicines or other needs that our parish could possibly help? Please call the parish office, 833-7701.

****We continue to live-stream daily Mass at 9am and Sunday Mass at 10am during the YELLOW PROTOCOL in our state on our Facebook page, Our Lady of Peace Parish.**

****West Millcreek Food Pantry in Need** Due to the Pandemic, food pantries are in special need of food donations. PLEASE SEE THE LIST OF NEEDED ITEMS IN THE BULLETIN (page 2) and drop off donations in the vestibule of the church. If you are unable to shop; but would like to contribute monetarily. Please place the donation in a marked envelope. ANY MONETARY DONATIONS YOU GIVE will be used either to go "shopping" for needed items by our staff and volunteers OR will be forwarded to the food pantry- based on what is best for them. You can make a donation to OLP for the food pantry and place in designated envelope and we will take it from there!

****"Walk Through 40 Catholic Customs and their Biblical Roots".**

The "Walk Through Catholic Customs" is based on the book, "Signs of Life" by Scott Hahn. **Each day a video will be posted at 8am (before the 9am Live Mass).** All past videos can be found on our website www.olp.org/faith-formation/spiritual-resources/40-catholic-customs. Here are the topics for this week:

DAY	TOPIC
Sunday, May 24 th	Marriage
Monday, May 25 th	Priesthood
Tuesday, May 26 th	Anointing of the Sick
Wednesday, May 27 th	Incense
Thursday, May 28 th	Candles
Friday, May 29 th	Sacred Images
Saturday, May 30 th	Relics
Sunday, May 31 st	Fasting and Mortification
Monday, June 1 st	Confession

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

May 31st is the last day to remit your form to take advantage of the registration discount. You do not need to send the payment at this time, just the form. As long as the form is in by May 31st, you will get the discounted fee. Forms can be mailed in to the attention of Faith Formation.

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

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Anthony Patsy - Daughter.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Major Tom Carr - Mom, Dad & Sister.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for: George Franklin, father of Colleen Calhoun; William Eichenlaub; Thomas Pazehoski, brother-in-law of Dianne Vojtek; Edward Miller; and Justin Stadler, grandson of Cindy Toland. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

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Month of April 2020

Fiscal Year July 2019 - June 2020

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Loose.....	\$
Monthly School Support.....	\$ 1,022
Total Monthly Offertory.....	\$ 69,654
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Monthly Deficit	\$ 18,516
Diocesan Designated Fund Support	\$ 733

2019 CSA

February 2020 to January 2021

Goal	\$ 200,000
Pledge Payments Received to Date.....	\$ 109,403
Total Pledges	\$ 189,791
477 Families - Goal is 700 Families	

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- NAMI of Erie County



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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Cancelled: Mission Trip

The Young People Who Care Mission Trip in Frenchville is cancelled for this year.

INFO: Annual Garage Sale

Troop 59 will be moving the Annual Garage Sale to Saturday, August 1st assuming Erie County has moved to the 'green phase' by then. Please look for details in July. Thank you for your support of scouting and OLP Troop 59.

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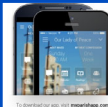
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We are sending weekly emails with updates as they become available and resources you can use to strengthen your Spiritual life while you are away from Mass. Our website (www.olp.org) is updated regularly.

If you have not downloaded **MyParishApp** please see below, we will use the App as well to communicate during this time.

To the right are directions on how to log into **FORMED**, which is one of our greatest resources.



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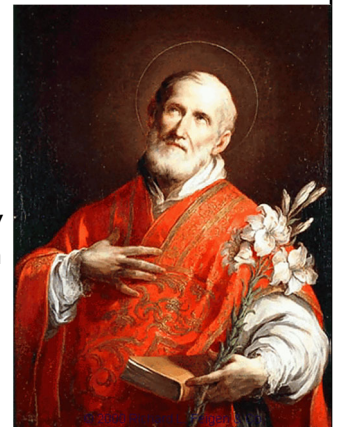
As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

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SAINT PHILIP NERI (1515-1595) May 26

In a shop near the Vatican, a group of Americans laughed as the shopkeeper showed off his fluent English and latest souvenir, a key ring whose papal portrait, when pressed, activated a recorded blessing. Through the shop window, two clerics scowled disapproval. The shopkeeper grunted, "They're a very somber order who've left the Church. I recognize them." "By their long robes?" an American asked. "Many in Rome wear robes," replied the shopkeeper. "It's their long faces!" When Philip Neri arrived in sixteenth-century Rome, there was reason to be somber. Swiss Guards had been massacred on Saint Peter's steps defending the pope. Parts of Europe were abandoning the Church. But Philip resolved to be an "apostle of joy," drawing especially the young to Christ—and frequent confession and Communion—by his sincere interest in their problems, prayerful example, and gentle humor. His "Oratory," a movement as well as a place, provided recreation and devotion in a joyful atmosphere of companionship, service, and liturgy. Philip Neri challenges each of us to begin improving Church and world by changing ourselves with unflinching joy.



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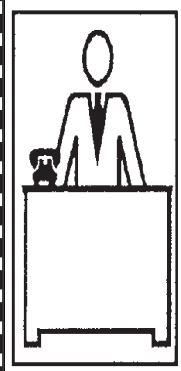
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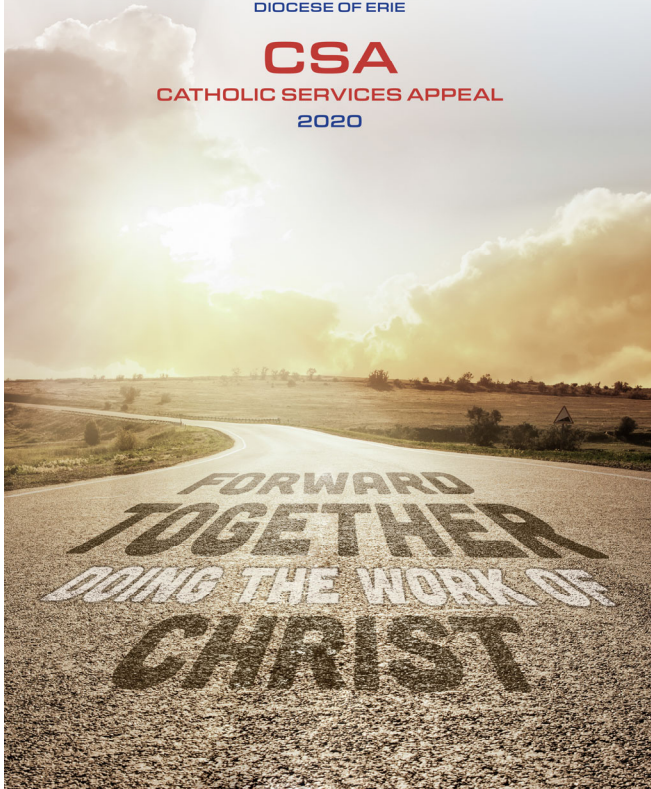


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Forward Together: Doing the Work of Christ

The Catholic Services Appeal (SCA) is the annual fundraising campaign for the 13-county Diocese of Erie. Parishioners are asked by Bishop Lawrence Persico for financial support that extends beyond individual parishes to fund the projects, ministries and departments of the diocese. *The CSA reminds us that we are all part of the same Catholic family and that the work of the diocese is the work of the church.*

The 2020 Catholic Services Appeal Commitment Sunday was held last weekend in our parish. The church serves each of us and our support is essential in continuing God's work in our area. Every CSA donation also brings us closer to being able to complete our own parish project of which we are focusing on liturgical renewal. More specifically we will purchase a new gold processional cross; restore the original church tabernacle, crown, candle stands and holy water fonts. We will also replace the altar server albs and purchase seasonal liturgical altar cloths to enhance our worship space.

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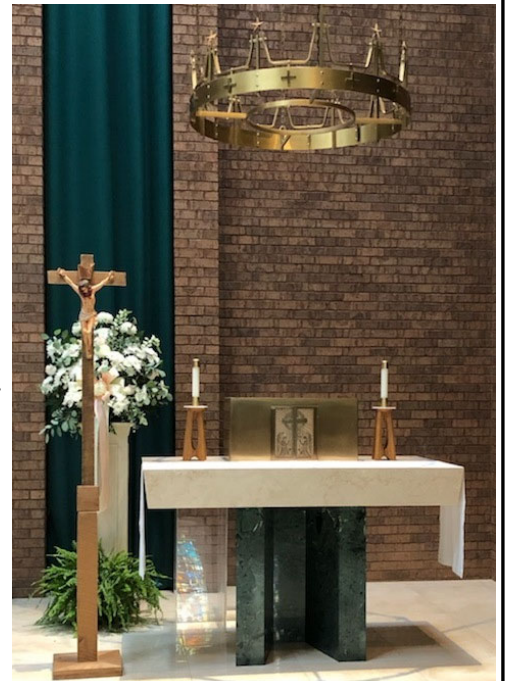
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