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Rev. Kevin Holland!



A Catholic Priest is a man who gives
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He brings them all to Christ to keep.

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To carry out our Good Lord's plan.

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Who answer His call.

May 31, 2020

Pentecost Sunday

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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.

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



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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.

Pentecost Sunday May 31, 2020

There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

— Acts 2:3

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

31st Canned Vegetables / Cereal

Pantry is OPEN



(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 - Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm - Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading - In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel - Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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Family Discussion of the Week: *Sent to Serve*

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." (John 20:21-22)

Adults: What important work does Jesus ask of you at this in your life?

Kids: How would Jesus want you to treat your friends and family this week?

THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase "compare and contrast" that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let's contrast, then compare. Luke's account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John's account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God.

MASS INTENTIONS

Readings for the Week of May 31st

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020

7:00AM Ann Cuzzola - Scott Gannoe
12:10PM Helen Zibrinyi - Katherine Zibrinyi

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020

7:00AM Anne Dombrowski - Dombrowski Family
12:10PM Cathy Ragan - Paul Vojtek Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020

7:00AM Helen Vojtek - Paul Vojtek Family
11:30-Noon **Confessions**
12:10PM Ellie Prischak - Mary Ann Jankowski

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020

7:00AM Margaret Gentile - Ed & Loretta
12:10PM Richard B. Johannesmeyer - Family

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2020

First Friday

7:00AM James Michael Duino - Joe & Dianne Yochim
12:10PM Richard Notaro - Helen

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020

8:00AM James Whitman - Family
8:30-9AM **Confessions**
3:45-4:45PM **Confessions**
5:00PM Frank & Helen Santangelo - Joan

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020

The Most Holy Trinity

7:30AM Brenda Pundt - Ehrman Family
9:00AM Frances Piatkowski - Family
11:00AM Patricia Smith - John Wagner Family
4:30PM Parishioners

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

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37
Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22; Mk 12:38-44
Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

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

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 31: Jim Z.
- June 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.
- June 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.
- June 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.
- June 4: Arlene B.
- June 5: Ed B., Joyce K., Chuck & Linda R.
- June 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.

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...**

○ 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

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Cole Ridgway - Karen Stazer-Welser.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Dave Evans - OLP Church Family.

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

Happy Birthday Church of God! On the Feast of Pentecost we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the Church that he inspires. This Pentecost we also give thanks to God for the gift of new priests in our Diocesan Church of Erie who were ordained on Friday- Fr. Kevin Holland (native son of OLP!) and Fr. Joe Petrone.

Bishop Lawrence Persico has issued a Decree on Reopening Public Worship. Please note that the Bishop has continued to suspend the obligation of attending Sunday Mass even though Public Masses will resume; YOU ARE STILL NOT MORALLY OBLIGED TO ATTEND MASS. All those who are sick, susceptible or vulnerable to illness are asked NOT to come to Mass. This is for your safety and protection. You are encouraged to join us for Mass via the internet and can make a spiritual communion with us from home. If you cannot access our Mass due to technological limitations, you can watch Mass on television through EWTN.

Here is a summary of the Bishop's Decree and what we will be doing here at OLP:

1. Starting **THIS MONDAY, JUNE 1st**- we will resume our daily Mass Schedule with both the 7am and 12:10pm Masses in the main church. I am excited that our first day back to Mass this Monday is a **new Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**, that Pope Francis established just 2 years ago. It is very appropriate for the whole church to honor Mary and seek her intercession as we seek another "New Pentecost" and reopen Masses but even more fitting for us at Our Lady of Peace, who have Mary as our patron!
2. Starting **next weekend, June 6/7, we will resume our regular Sunday Mass Schedule- SATURDAY, JUNE 6th at 5pm and SUNDAY, JUNE 7th at 7:30, 9 and 11am and 4:30pm.** 9AM Mass will be live streamed. Communion will be available in the gym at 10:15AM for those who watched the live stream Mass.
3. All those attending Mass are **required to wear a mask** covering the mouth and nose at all times.
4. All those attending Mass are expected to **respect the guidelines of social distancing-** 6 feet from all people other than those from your immediate household. **This includes respecting physical boundaries with no hand shaking, hugging or touching in any capacity.**
5. All participants will be 3 pews apart. We may have to limit the number of people who can attend each Mass. We will be asking our ushers and other volunteers to ensure that we adhere to this guideline. EVERYONE is asked to respect the judgments and direction of these ushers and volunteers. If you are told you cannot enter the church because we are at capacity- please be cooperative. We will start next weekend with a "First Come, First Serve" approach. If that process does not work well, then we will consider another approach.
6. There will be no singing at Mass.
7. There will be more specific guidelines for the COMMUNION PROCESSION but those will be reviewed at Mass.
8. In general, I ask that everyone come with a spirit of gratitude, openness and patience and I am confident the Holy Spirit will take it from there!

May God bless Kevin and Joe, and their families, and this exciting week of reopening Masses 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...

****Solemn Evening Prayer at Benediction** As we have done in years past on Pentecost Sunday (May 31st) at 6pm we will celebrate Solemn Evening Prayer with Benediction to formally conclude the Easter Season. 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 conclude with Benediction. 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 may have to limit the amount who attend.

****CONGRATULATIONS Fr. Kevin Holland on your ordination to the Priesthood! Fr. Kevin's first Mass at Our Lady of Peace is this Sunday, May 31st at 10am** and will be live-streamed on our Facebook page and available to view afterwards on Facebook or our website, www.olg.org. We look forward to a time later in 2020 when Fr. Kevin will return to celebrate his official Mass of Thanksgiving at OLP with the whole community and have a reception.

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate the entire Holland family! This is a great day for the entire parish and Diocesan Church of Erie, but in a special way for Kevin's parents, Jack and Kathy Holland, and his sisters, Kelly and Katy. We are so thankful to all of them for their role in helping bring forward to God this priestly vocation. Kevin, your parish family is so proud of you and grateful for your yes to God's call for you to serve His church in this profound way. We are thankful for all the ways you have served our parish community over the years and are excited to see the great things that God will accomplish through you in your ministry of the Diocese of Erie. Know that our prayers continue to be with you and that you are always welcome at OLP any time. We love you and God Bless You, Fr. Kevin!

****Pastoral Council Nominations** Nomination forms for Pastoral Council are being accepted as we replace 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." **THIS WEEK OUR PURPLE MASS "For Time of Pandemic" will be on Thursday, June 4th at 7am and 12:10pm.**

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

Monday, June 1st 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Wednesday, June 3rd 3pm Rosary
Friday, June 5th 3pm Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction

****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.

****"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:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TOPIC</u>
Sunday, May 31 st	Fasting and Mortification
Monday, June 1 st	Confession
Tuesday, June 2 nd	Indulgences
Wednesday, June 3 rd	Intercession of the Saints
Thursday, June 4 th	Pilgrimage
Friday, June 5 th	The Presence of God
Saturday, June 6 th	Almsgiving
Sunday, June 7 th	Devotion to the Trinity
Monday, June 8 th	The Rosary

****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 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!

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

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:

June 20, July 18

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!



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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Our Lady of
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Ways to stay connected during this time:

As most of our communications will be by EMail please make sure the office has your current email.

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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It's how we create emotional distance.

Permanent distancing is lethal and prevents the PEACE Jesus offers you today.

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SAINT CHARLES LWANGA AND HIS COMPANIONS (martyred 1886-87) June 3

"Master of Pages," reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different



churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being "those who pray." But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his "unreasonable demands." Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbagha, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

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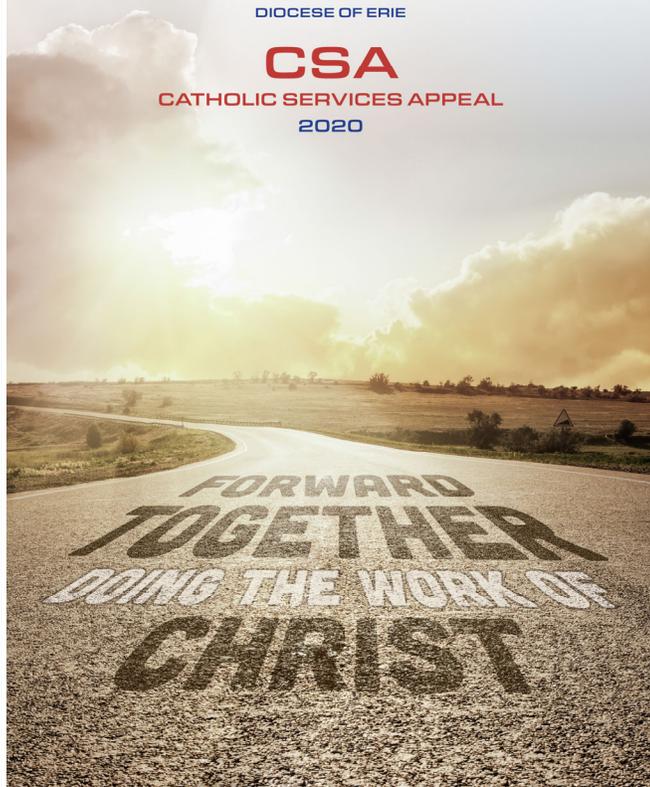


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2020



2020 Catholic Services Appeal

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.

Donations to the CSA make the following work of Christ possible:

Cultivating Catholic Leadership

- The Catholic Schools Office supports Catholic education in 32

Catholic schools in the diocese.

- Lifelong faith formation initiatives throughout the diocese include youth and young adult ministry opportunities, family life outreach and support for parish-based faith formation efforts.
- Clergy services provide ongoing education to priests and deacons, as well as guidance and assistance to parishes, institutions, pastors and people throughout the diocese.
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