



Our Lady of Peace

Prayer Service for Social Justice and the End of Racism and Violence in the USA

You are invited to attend a
Prayer Service on Wednesday June 24th at 6:30pm.

We will have a prayer service for the end of Racism and Violence in our country.

Protocols in place for the COVID-19 will be followed for the Prayer Service.

****Bishop Persico's Statement on Racism** "On this Pentecost Sunday, we pray that the Holy Spirit enlighten the hearts and minds of all people to see that racism in all forms is an evil. We should not be surprised by the riots that have taken place across the country, as well as here in the city of Erie. I do not condone violence in any form. But the outrage being expressed is the result of decades of oppression and injustice. It is my hope that churches, synagogues and mosques in northwest Pennsylvania can find meaningful ways to collaborate, bringing about real change in our region. People from every background and culture deserve a voice and opportunity. It will not happen unless we work together.

I support the powerful statement made by the bishops of the United States, which says, in part, that racism is not a thing of the past or simply a throwaway political issue to be bandied about when convenient. It is a real and present danger that must be met head on," they write. "As members of the church, we must stand for the more difficult right and just actions instead of the easy wrongs of indifference. We cannot turn a blind eye to these atrocities and yet still try to profess to respect every human life. We serve a God of love, mercy, and justice.

Too many communities around this country feel their voices are not being heard, their complaints about racist treatment are unheeded, and we are not doing enough to point out that this deadly treatment is antithetical to the Gospel of Life. We have much work to do. Let us begin by praying in earnest that the Holy Spirit give us the eyes to see, the ears to hear and the voice we need to speak the truth."

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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

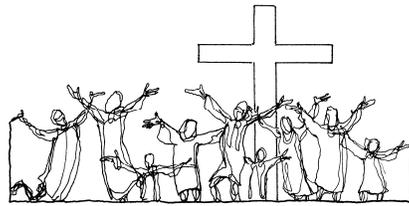
one's initiation into the Catholic

faith should call the Parish Office.

Prayer Request Line:

Day: Kandace, 453-6515

Night: Donna, 866-0792



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.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 21, 2020

Sing to the LORD,

praise the LORD,

for he has rescued the life of the poor.

— *Jeremiah 20:13*

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.

June 2020

21st Toilet Tissue / Bar Soap

28th Spaghetti Sauce / Spaghetti

Pantry is OPEN June 23

(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 those who have 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 — The LORD has rescued the poor from the clutches of the wicked (Jeremiah 20:10-13).

Psalm — Lord, in your great love, answer me (Psalm 69).

Second Reading — The grace of God overflows for all (Romans 5:12-15).

Gospel — All who acknowledge Jesus before others will likewise be acknowledged by Jesus before the Father (Matthew 10:26-33).

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Family Discussion of the Week: *The Reassurance of Faith*

Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. (Matthew 10:28a)

Adults: When has your faith in Jesus been most seriously tested?

Kids: What could you do to encourage someone who is feeling hurt?

ENTHUSIASM AND GRAMMAR

There is a good reason that the writings of St. Paul don't show up as examples in grammar textbooks. Today's reading is a case in point. It begins with one of those long Pauline run on sentences that leave lecturers gasping for breath. So what? Take a closer look at how Paul's fervor for his subject matter derails the grammar. There is something admirable about being so caught up in his convictions that the words cannot come fast enough to express them, much less in an orderly fashion. Scripture scholars usually take this grammatical ineptness as a sign of a passage's early importance in the Christian community, something they were so ardent about that their language never got refined.

What leaves us in this condition? Re-telling the plot line of an action movie or the play-by-play of a sporting event? When was the last time any of us was so excited by our faith in Christ that we were left grasping for words, stumbling over our own errors in speech? It may be bad grammar, but it is an excellent way to inspire others with the message of Christ!

MASS INTENTIONS

Readings for the Week of June 21st

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020

7:00AM Cecil Reinsel—Family
12:10PM Larry & Gert Milkowski—Daughter, Nancy

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020

7:00AM Cathy Ragan—Paul Vojtek Family
12:10PM George Malizia—OLP School Family
6:30PM **First Communion**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2020

7:00AM Don DiPlacido—Family
11:30-Noon **Confessions**
12:10PM Deceased Members of the Fuller & Stanton Families—Nancy & Richard
6:30PM **Evening Prayer for Social Justice & the End of Racism & Violence in the USA**

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020

7:00AM Walter S. Halas—Family
12:10PM Helen Bucci—Sally Barrett
6:30PM **First Communion**

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2020

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00AM Walter DeCecco
12:10PM Douglas John Fleming—Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2020

8:00AM James & Dorothy Arnold—Arnold Family
8:30-9AM **Confessions**
10:00AM **First Communion**
3:45-4:45PM **Confessions**
5:00PM Margaret Hardner—Patricia

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2020

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father's Day

7:30AM Susan Ambro—Family
9:00AM Sandy Martin—Family
11:00AM Ralph & Sophie Bruno—Daughter, Kathy
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

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Joseph Pettinato—Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Richard Brazus—Wife & Family.

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday: **Vigil:** Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Mt 7:21-29
Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 137:1-6; Mt 8:1-4
Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:5-17
Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

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

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Stephen Buttaccio / Ashley Achille



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. The 31 Club is a program of the Serra Club of Erie www.serraerie.org.

Upcoming Mass commitments:

- June 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.
- June 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y., Gloria M.
- June 23: Heidi A.
- June 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.
- June 25: Christine O.
- June 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.
- June 27: Ann R.

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 Father's Day! As we celebrate this special day we think of the strength of a father; his guiding hand, his wisdom, and his help. We recall that God the Father gave up his only Son, Jesus Christ, so that we might be saved through him. He provides an example of the very vocation of fatherhood. Fathers are to sacrifice their lives for their families. They do this by: • Being the spiritual leader and guardian of their families; • Praying for and with their families; • Being a courageous witness to the Gospel; • Providing care and support for their families; • Serving as an example of goodness and truth; • Leading with courage and accountability; • Laying down one's life for another.

Today, in a special way, let us be grateful for: • Our fathers, by birth or adoption, who love us and support us through life; • Our Church leaders, who take on the paternal role of guiding us through life; • And God our Father, who will always teach justly and grant us boundless mercy.

This weekend there will be a special blessing for all fathers at all the Masses. We pray that our fathers be renewed in their essential mission to be the spiritual leaders for their children and family. Thank you fathers for all you do for us!

May God bless our fathers in special way today... and our week 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...

****Special Masses for Pandemic THIS WEEK OUR PURPLE MASSES "For Time of Pandemic" will be on Wednesday, June 25th at 7am and 12:10pm.**

****SACRAMENTS SCHEDULE FOR OLP:**

First Communion: Please keep all our children receiving their First Communion in Prayer as they receive this great gift of the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time. Below are the times for their Masses this week:

Tuesday, June 23rd 6:30pm

Thursday, June 25th 6:30pm

Saturday, June 27th 10am

PLEASE NOTE: ALL of these Sacraments will also be celebrated in the Fall; anyone not comfortable attending in these JUNE ceremonies will have another opportunity to receive the Sacrament.

****Chris Wheeler (Seminarian at OLP this summer) Introduction and Vocation Story** We will have a video available on our Facebook page this weekend introducing our seminarian Chris Wheeler. Chris will be with OLP this summer; please take a few minutes to get to know him better. The video will also be on our webpage at www.olp.org.

****Evening Prayer for Social Justice and the end of Racism and Violence in the USA** On Wednesday, June 24th at 6:30pm we will have a prayer service for the end of Racism and Violence in our country. We will follow the protocols for COVID-19 being used for Mass.

****REOPENING MASS** The Bishop has continued the suspension of the obligation of attending Sunday Mass even though Public Masses have resumed. **YOU ARE STILL NOT MORALLY OBLIGED TO ATTEND MASS.** Those who are sick OR 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 as well [Here is a summary of the Bishop's comments and what we will be doing here at OLP:](#)

1. Our daily Mass Schedule has resumed for daily and weekend Masses.
2. All those attending Mass are required to wear a mask covering mouth and nose.
3. All those attending Mass will be asked to respect the guidelines of social distancing- 6 feet from all people other than those from your household.
4. All participants will be 3 pews apart. Because of this expectation we may have to limit the number of people who can attend each Mass. So 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 and choose another Mass time. We will start with a "First Come, First Serve" approach and see how it goes.
5. There will be no singing at Mass.

This event has been cancelled.

If you have already paid, please pick up your refund at the church office.

CALLING ALL CRUSADERS!

Our Lady of Peace All-School Reunion

WHO: All OLP graduates, faculty, staff & parents

WHEN: Friday, July 3, 2020

TIME: 7:00-11:00PM

WHERE: Shrine Club, West 38th & Zuck Rd

COST: \$10.00 per person
Cash Bar/Light Hors d'oeuvres included

Children under 18 must be accompanied by a



Cancelled

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

All sacraments have been rescheduled and emails with pertinent information have been sent to parents. If you didn't receive an email and your child is making First Reconciliation, First Communion, or Confirmation please go to olp.org under the Faith Formation tab and then under the First Reconciliation tab, the First Communion tab, or the Confirmation tab for details.

Vacation Bible School will be online this year.

To sign up your family go to:

<https://catchat.ca/my-vbs/day-1-wilderness-adventure-vbs>

Registration forms and information for the 2020-21 school year have been emailed to all families.

If you didn't receive one you can go to olp.org to get one.

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

A Family Perspective

Jesus says "Do not be afraid" three times in today's gospel and reminds us "all concealed secrets will be revealed." Do not be afraid to acknowledge problems in your family. If they remain "hidden in darkness" they will "destroy body and soul." Healing, understanding and hope are found only "in the light" of openness. "Do not be afraid."



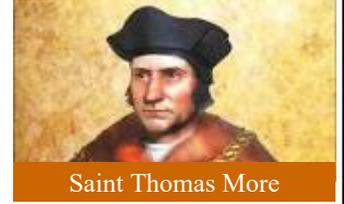
Support local non-profits and "PUMP UP FOR CHARITY" thru October 31st using the charity pump found at 38 Country Fair locations across Erie County:

- St. Martin Center
- Erie Animal Network
- Mercy Center for Women
- Erie Philharmonic
- NAMI of Erie County

SAINT JOHN FISHER (1469-1535) AND SAINT THOMAS MORE (1477-1535)

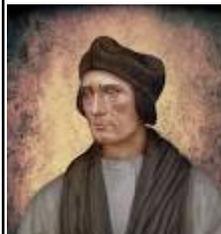
June 22

From Robert Bolt's classic *A Man for All Seasons* to Showtime's edgy *The Tudors*, Thomas More endears himself still: lawyer-statesman of impeccable integrity, remarried widower and affectionate father delighting in a lively household—four children, a pet monkey, even a paid jester! And challenges still: humanist-reformer, yet champion of Catholic faith and papal primacy. John Paul II named him Patron



Saint Thomas More

of Statesmen and Politicians, citing More's generous work, both as a lawyer and in government service, on behalf of the poorest and most marginalized people of his time, as well as his promotion of education for all sectors of society. More's decision for principle over politics, conscience over convenience prompted his final words: "I die the



Saint John Fisher

king's good servant, but God's first." Alone among England's bishops, John Fisher dared challenge Henry VIII's divorce and repudiation of the papacy. When the Pope named the imprisoned Fisher a cardinal, Henry thundered: "Don't bother sending Fisher's red hat here; I'll send Fisher's head to Rome!" Whose "good servants" are we first? Isn't a right conscience worth the pain of standing alone?

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Congratulations to all those who received the following sacraments:

First Reconciliation
Confirmation
RCIA

We rejoice with you!



Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____

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

CHECK ONE:

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



Our Lady of
Peace...

Pray for us.

Cancelled for this Year:

- The Young People Who Care Mission Trip in Frenchville
- OLP Golfing Outing (held in July)

Coach Needed:

OLP School is looking for a
Varsity Cross Country Coach
Grades 5-8

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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.olg.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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Our OLP app is available to download for iPhone and Android smartphones. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant notifications, an easy-to-access event calendar, and the ability to quickly reply to or share messages via FaceBook or Twitter. **Download the myParish app by texting APP to phone number 88202.** You will receive a reply with the app link to download. Once downloaded, select Our Lady of Peace, Erie, PA.

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*The **Annual Carnation Sale** has been cancelled for this year.*

The People for Life organization have stated that the carnation sale will be back next year on Mother's Day. If you would still like to make a donation, please make checks pay to "People for Life" and you may drop off any donation to the church office.



Thank you for your continued support.



OLP Boy Scout Garage Sale

August 1, 2020

8:00AM to 1:00PM

Clean out your basements, closets, attics, etc. and help out

OLP's Boy Scout Troop 59!

Drop off donated items to the School Cafeteria:

*Thursday and Friday, July 30th & 31st
from 6:00 to 8:00PM*

Absolutely No Electronics



Questions, or if assistance is needed with your donations, should be directed to Elizabeth Stroup, 814-881-3194.

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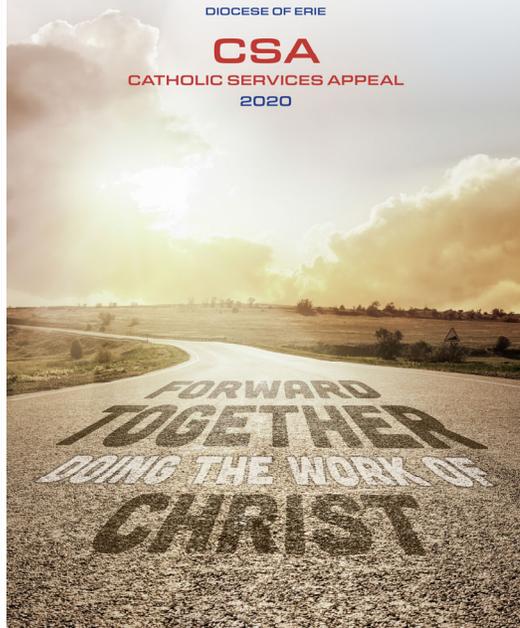
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The 2020 Catholic Services Appeal continues in our parish. The church serves each of us and our support is essential in continuing God's work in our area. Every CSA donation also brings us closer to being able to complete our own parish project of 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.

Please prayerfully consider making a CSA
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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.

Happy Father's Day!