



Our Lady of Peace

Volunteers Needed...

Sunday Supper

First Presbyterian Church

We need your help in preparing, cooking or feeding our brothers and sisters in need.

Planning Meeting:

Wednesday, September 30, 2020, 7:00PM

Where: Our Lady of Peace Meeting Room

What: Select Menu and volunteer for tasks

Who: Any parishioner 15 years and older

Date to Serve:

Sunday, October 11, 2020, 3:30-5:30PM

Contact:

Pete or Debbie Piotrowski 814-528-4087

Special Collection This Weekend

This weekend is the 2020 Catholic Education Collection! Please support this important program that funds faith formation opportunities.

Half of what you give will remain at Our Lady of Peace parish to support our own religious education and faith formation programs. You

can make a gift by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet or online at olp.org using the Donate button (please specify Catholic Education Fund).

Thank you!

Make an impression!

Catechesis is not only for children.
We are all called to deepen our faith.



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, Erie Philharmonic, Mercy Center for Women, NAMI of Erie County

Info Meeting:



Our Lady of Peace
Cub Scout Pack
59 welcomes boys
and girls ages 5-11.

Join us for an **Informational Night on Monday, September 21st, at 6:00PM** in person at the OLP Pavilion or online at facebook.com/Pack59OLP. The meeting will include a Cub Scout ceremony and Cub Scout Olympics for prospective Scouts. For more information, contact Cubmaster Ben Stumpf at benjaminstumpf@gmail.com or 814-823-2405.

Every day there's another discovery waiting to be made. When you join Cub Scouts, you get hands-on learning that's hands-down awesome.

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www.olp.org

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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

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Rev. Mark Hoffman

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Rev. Shane Mathew

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Mr. Michael Przepierski

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Ms. Nancy Milkowski

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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!

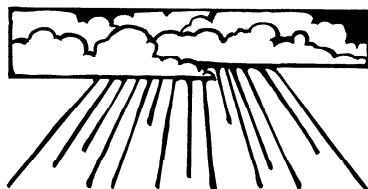
Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or online.

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.



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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 20, 2020

Turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
— Isaiah 55:7b

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.

September 2020

20th Applesauce / Tuna or Canned fish

27th Mac 'n Cheese / Peanut Butter

Pantry is OPEN Sept. 22

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



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

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

The Food Pantry is so thankful to those who have continued to make donations.

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading — Turn to the LORD who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalm — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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Family Discussion of the Week: God's Generosity

(The landowner) said "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" (Matthew 20:14-15)

Adults: What lessons do you draw from today's Gospel? How has God been generous to you in this way?

Kids: Who is generous to you, even when you do not always deserve it?

DIRECTION

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we're confused and troubled and can't figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord's behalf and explaining that God—who is on a much more, well, Godly wavelength than we are—moves in ways we can't even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life—to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

7:00AM Special Intention for the Souls in Purgatory
—Brother Paul Wilson, OFM
12:10PM Sara Gerbracht—Daughter, Sally

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

7:00AM Tony Rusnak—Wife, Peggy
12:10PM Edward Lackovic—Daughter
1:30PM School Mass—Sandy Martin—Martin Family
6:30PM First Communion

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

7:00AM Mary Christenson—Family
11:30-Noon Confessions
12:10PM Helen Ozechoski—Joe & Dianne Yochim

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

7:00AM Marge Wojtkielewicz—Irene Zebrowski
12:10PM James Popeski—
Lynn & Deacon Dennis Kudlak

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

7:00AM Nancy Holland—Husband, James holland
12:10PM Caroline Czarnecki—John Czarnecki

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020

8:00AM Jeanette Spinelli—Eric A. & Mary R.
8:30-9AM Confessions
2:00PM Wedding—Adam Silvis / Alyssa Seybert
3:45-4:45PM Confessions

Outdoor Mass Celebrating the 65th Anniversary of Our Lady of Peace Parish:

5:00PM Maureen Blacker—Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Parishioners
9:00AM Fima Galla—Family
11:00AM Mary Ann Arnold—Bill & Pat Cunningham
4:30PM Don DiPlacido—Family

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;

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Maureen Blacker - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Fima Galla - Family.

BANN III

Adam Silvis / Alyssa Seybert

BANN I

Jordan Jaskiewicz / Christine Herbe



Readings for the Week of September 20th

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13;
Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9;
Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc;
Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4;
Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17;
Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5];
Mt 21:28-32

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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:

Sept. 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G., Donna G.

Sept. 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.

Sept. 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y., Gloria M.

Sept. 23: Heidi A.

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

Sept. 25: Christine O.

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

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-

We are on the cusp of the "official" Fall Season and that means our "Faithful to the Finish 5K Run/Walk" is in the air. Like most things, it will be a little different this year. Instead of all gathering at Beach 1 at Presque Isle to run/walk together, you will have several weeks to complete the 5k on your own and send in your results (on your honor!). This is an important fundraiser for our school tuition assistance program and I am very glad we are able to make it happen. Not only does it support our school, it also promotes community (virtually, even when we can't be together) and encourages exercise and physical health. I hope you will still support the race. Hopefully with the date and time flexibility, we can have even MORE participants. Check out the details elsewhere in the bulletin and consider joining us in being "faithful to the finish" this year!

May God bless our upcoming anniversary celebrations, our 5K Race 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...

****Outdoor Mass Next Weekend** The 65th Anniversary of our parish is approaching on September 30, 2020. We had initially planned a special picnic/party to celebrate; but the pandemic has made us adjust (what else is new??). We will have an **outdoor Mass on Saturday, September 26th at 5pm in the parish parking lot** (like we have done for the picnic the last several years). At that Mass we will have a commissioning of our pastoral council members and focus on asking God's blessings on our parish in the year ahead. However, we will NOT have the great meal and activities we have had in the past.

****OLP Bible Study** Friday, September 25th is the **deadline to sign up for the Bible Study on the Eucharist in Scripture**. This is a 6-week commitment so I am hopeful that those who normally cannot commit to our longer studies can take advantage of this opportunity either in person or online. See the back cover for more information.

*****How the Church Has Changed the World** is a series of essays by Anthony Esolen that was first published in Magnificat Magazine in 2016/2017. I have been summarizing one of those essays daily on Facebook since August 22nd. I hope that you will join in this journey to understand the impact the Catholic Church has had on our history, culture and world.

****OLP Parish Anniversary: "65 Rosaries of Acts of Kindness and Formation for 65 Years"** Our picnic committee came up with a great way we can still celebrate our anniversary. We will attempt to "say" 65 Rosaries of Acts of Kindness and Formation between September 30th (the anniversary) and January 1, 2021 which is the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God and World Day of Prayer for Peace. For every act of "kindness" or "formation" that parishioners record and hand in, we will color in a bead of the Rosary on display in the church. Our goal is to fill in 65 rosaries (60 beads each) over the 3 months of this effort. That means we are hoping for 3,900 total acts of kindness and formation! There is no better way to celebrate our parish anniversary than to commit to growing as Christian disciples through acts of prayer, education and community building, and through acts of service to each other and our community as Christ calls us.

****Please pray for our parishioners** who are now receiving sacraments that they were unable to receive in the spring due to the pandemic. We recently celebrated one adult baptism and several young adult confirmations, as well as First Reconciliation for a group of our children. This week will be First Communion for another group of our children. Congratulations to all of the recipients of these great sacramental gifts!

****Season of Creation** Tuesday, September 1st was the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and kicked off the **Season of Creation which spans five weeks between the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (September 1) and the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4)**. This "time for creation" offers, in the words of Pope Francis, "individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live. Let's keep these goals in mind at Our Lady of Peace over the next month.

****Landscaping/ Memorials** Thank you to everyone who donated for the landscaping for the Marian Shrine to the West of the Church. The total cost of \$750 has been covered by your generosity!

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Our Lady of Peace...

Pray for us.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED YOUR STUDENTS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES PLEASE CONTACT THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE AT 838-9983 OR tammie.mang@olp.org

This year all students in grades 1-10 will be learning at home, online, beginning in October. The Catechists will contact your students with assignments and the completed assignments will be emailed back to the catechists. A parent info video will be emailed to parents later this month.

Confirmation students will have online assignments beginning in October. Face to face classes will begin in January. The Parent/Student meeting for Confirmation students and parents is September 20, 2020 at 5:30 in the church. If you are not comfortable coming to the meeting we will be livestreaming it. Please reply to the email to let us know you will be watching online and to make arrangements to pick up your info packet and your child's book before the meeting date. (If you have already made arrangements to pick up your information you do not have to contact us again.) The group Emmaus requirement is cancelled for now but students needing service hours can still contact Darrell Meyers at 450-3697 or e-mail him at darrell.meyers@olp.org to schedule a date to serve.

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

Today Jesus is saying to us: "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Our family is the vineyard entrusted to us found in today's gospel. Successful families are constructed by "laborers," who work hard on family relationships, and not by spectators who only watch from a distance.

You are invited to attend an Estate Planning Seminar

St. Peter Cathedral Parish, Synod Hall
230 West 10th St., Erie

Wednesday, September 30 at 6:30PM

Speaker: Attorney Thomas Hoffman
Knox McLaughlin Gornall & Sennett, P.C.

Please RSVP by September 23rd by calling 814-453-6677
COVID-19 procedures: safe distancing guidelines and attendees must wear a mask.

SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELCINA (1887-1968)

September 23

Did the World War II American flyer really see Padre Pio in midair, preventing the bombing of his village below? Did Pio actually "bilocate" in Italy, the Holy Land, even America, as countless witnesses testified? Or "read hearts" before penitents spoke? What of the *stigmata*, Christ's wounds imprinted on Padre Pio's hands, feet, and side? John Paul II, who as a young man visited Pio, never mentioned these extraordinary elements at the canonization. Instead, the pope spoke of "trials accepted with love," referring perhaps to sanctions restricting Pio's faculties for hearing confessions and celebrating public Mass, imposed because of criticism, later discredited, sent to the Vatican; of Pio's offering his sufferings in union with Jesus' passion for a suffering world; of his continual availability to sinners seeking direction and absolution; of Padre Pio's prayer that blossomed in charity, especially through his House for the Relief of Suffering, a healthcare facility that anticipated by decades today's holistic partnering of medical science and spirituality. Finally, how comforting for us ordinary Christians, this extraordinary saint's most frequent advice: "Pray, hope, and don't worry!"



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Mark Your Calendar now...

26th Annual Rosary March
Fatima's 103 Year Anniversary

Sunday, October 11, 2020 3:00PM

St. Jude the Apostle Church

Speaker: Bishop Lawrence Persico

A Stewardship of Sharing Month of August 2020

Fiscal Year July 2020 - June 2021

Weekly Envelope.....	\$ 66,450
Loose.....	\$ 1,063
Monthly School Support.....	\$ 1,237
Total Monthly Offertory.....	\$ 68,750
Budgeted Monthly Offertory	\$ 77,083
Monthly Deficit	\$ 8,333
Diocesan Designated Fund Support	\$ 2,453

2020 CSA

February 2020 to January 2021

Goal	\$ 200,000
Pledge Payments Received to Date.....	\$ 158,835
Total Pledges	\$ 192,181
487 Families - Goal is 700 Families	

Every dollar raised supports important Diocesan services and every dollar raised over our assessment will be kept in the parish for parish improvements. Our 2020-2021 Diocesan assessment is \$151,719.

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

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 and resources you can use to strengthen your Spiritual life. Also visit our website: **www.olp.org**.

Downloaded the **MyParishApp** as we will use the App as well to communicate during this time.

To the right are directions for the App and 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 Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our Catholic values in a changing world. Our Lady of Peace Council is seeking new members. You will find that membership in the Knights of Columbus brings many fraternal benefits. If you are a man over the age of 18 and would like to join, simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #11454. Join today and receive a 50% discount on your membership by using discount code PAKOFC (all caps) through October 31.

October 31st is the Beatification of the Knights of Columbus founder, Father Michael McGivney. If you would like more information about our council please email Doug Fleming at douglasfleming@roadrunner.com or checkout our FaceBook page at www.facebook.com/kofc11454.

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Please join us for the 6th Annual *Our Lady of Peace Parish 5K Run/Walk*

Time/Place: Join us virtually anywhere. Race must be completed anytime before 8:00PM Saturday, October 17th. Run or Walk in the safety of your own home or outside; wherever you prefer.

*Completed run/walk times should be uploaded on RunSignup.com or to Cynthia at olp@olp.org by 8pm October 17th. Don't forget to upload your finishing selfie on RunSignup.

All proceeds from our 5K Run/Walk will benefit the OLP Tuition Angel Fund which continues to help make Catholic Education affordable for all.

Entry: \$15.00 Single Registration Fee

\$55.00 Family of 4 or more living in the same household

Online Registration: visit: *RunSignup.com* to register

Mail Entry & Payment to: Faithful to the Finish, Our Lady of Peace, 2401 W. 38th Street, Erie PA, 16506.

Please make checks payable to: *Our Lady of Peace*.

Contact: Cynthia Berarducci - cynthia.berarducci@olp.org - (814) 833-7701 x 201 (Cell: 814-392-9130)

SWAG: Custom OLP Face Mask, Finisher Medal, and other items. *Swag Packages can be picked up in the OLP School Cafeteria on Sunday, October 18th, from Noon to 2:00PM.*

NAME _____ GENDER _____ DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ Check One: ____ 5K Run ____ 5K Walk

WAIVER: I hereby release from liability Our Lady of Peace Church and school, as well as its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates, officers, trustees, board members, sponsors, race officials, employees, agents, successors and assigns, as well as any and all others persons affiliated in any way with Our Lady of Peace church and school, from and against any claims, damages, demands, rights of action or causes of action of any kind associated with said race, and for any injury or ailment resulting from my participation in the above-stated race. My signature below is my acknowledgement of all the risks known and unknown, I assume as a participant. Further, by my signature below, I knowingly understand the challenges of completing such event and that I am under no medical restrictions to participate. I hereby acknowledge that the run may be cancelled, delayed, or rescheduled due to weather or other reasonable circumstances beyond the control of the event organizer, as such all fees and/or costs incurred are non-refundable regardless if I am able to start or complete the run as planned. I understand that photographs, videotapes, and/or digital images are to be used for promotion, diagnostic, therapeutic, or educational purposes. **Parent/guardian must sign if under 18 years of age. One completed form per person.**

Signature _____ Date: _____

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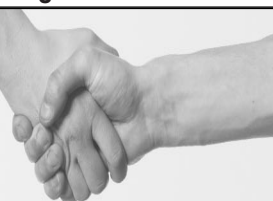


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