

Our Lady of Peace



To my spiritual family of Our Lady of Peace-

A blessed Palm Sunday and beginning of Holy Week to you! We join those who honored Jesus during his triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We take palms as a symbol of the ways that we can honor and adore Jesus more in our lives and to reaffirm our desire to welcome Him and never take Him for granted. I like to walk you through Holy Week to reinforce its importance and help you understand the significance of this week; Holy Week should not look the same as any other week of the year. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL COMMENTS IN CAPITAL LETTERS INDICATE ADJUSTMENTS DUE TO THE PANDEMIC THAT ARE REQUIRED BY THE DIOCESE.

Monday (March 29th) is the Mass of the Sacred Chrism at St. Peter Cathedral in Erie (at 1pm). Bishop Persico will bless the holy oils for the entire Diocese for the new year (the Oil of the Catechuminate, the Oil of the Infirm, and the Sacred Chrism). Also at the Chrism Mass the priests of the diocese will renew their promises with the Bishop to serve the spiritual needs of our diocese and parishes as ordained clergy. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS MASS WILL NOT BE PUBLIC. IT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO WATCH ON THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE (www.eriercd.org/livestream.html).

On **Holy Thursday (April 1st)** we gather for Morning Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours at 7am (YouTube). Then at 7pm we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper as we remember the first Mass that Jesus celebrated at the Last Supper with the apostles. This year Mass will NOT INCLUDE THE SIGNIFICANT RITUAL OF THE WASHING OF THE FEET where the clergy wash the feet of members of our parish community in imitation of Jesus' washing of the apostles' feet. All are reminded to keep that image in mind to remind us that we are all called to serve each other. We conclude that Mass with a Eucharistic procession which concludes in the School Cafeteria where we "go to the garden" with Jesus. THIS YEAR THE PROCESSION WILL NOT BE IN THE CHURCH OR COMMUNAL AS IT NORMALLY IS. The ministers will process with the Blessed Sacrament directly out of the church and over to the gym; after which everyone else will be dismissed. Those desiring to then head over to the cafeteria individually. There the Eucharist will be reposed in the tabernacle until 11pm at which time we will say the Night Prayer of the church with those who are present (livestreamed on Facebook).

Good Friday (April 2nd) is our most somber day of the whole year and we should all make an extra effort to be prayerful and quiet, especially during the hours of Noon-3pm (the traditional hours that Jesus spent on the cross). Morning Prayer is at 7am (YouTube). We will gather for our celebrations of the Passion of the Lord at 1:30pm AND 7pm. Recall that this is the only day in the whole year that we have no Mass and the tabernacle is empty (extra hosts are consecrated at the Holy Thursday Mass and are reserved privately for distribution during the Good Friday Service). The service also includes special intercessions and the veneration of the cross (THIS YEAR WILL NOT INCLUDE A PROCESSION FOR ADORATION OF THE CROSS WHERE PEOPLE COME UP INDIVIDUALLY. THERE WILL BE A COMMUNAL MOMENT WITH EVERYONE REMAINING IN THEIR SEATS). Please note that the church will be open Friday from 7am to 8:30pm for those who may want to stop and pray or meditate on the Way of the Cross privately (there will be copies of the Stations of the Cross at the doors).

On **Holy Saturday (April 3rd)** we will have Morning Prayer at 8am (YouTube) and the traditional food blessing at Noon (PARISHIONERS WILL BE ASKED TO KEEP THEIR BASKETS OF FOOD IN THE AISLES NEXT TO THEIR PEW). The highlight of this special week and the whole liturgical year is the Great Easter Vigil which will be held Holy Saturday night at 8:30pm. It starts outside with the Easter fire and candle procession (THIS YEAR ONLY THE MINISTERS WILL GO OUTSIDE WHILE THE REST OF THE CONGREGATION WILL REMAIN IN THEIR SEATS AND EACH GROUP WILL HAVE ONE PERSON HOLD A CANDLE FOR THEM). It continues with a special Liturgy of the Word which walks us through salvation history and then leads up to the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation for our RCIA candidates. It is the most unique and powerful liturgy of the year in our Catholic Tradition and everyone should experience it.

Then of course we have our **Easter Sunday Masses (April 4th)** with incense, special music (the Gloria and Alleluia return), and floral decorations. We will talk more about the significance of Easter next week but I wanted to outline Holy Week as a way to inspire you to participate in part or all of it. If you do, I guarantee that Easter will be more meaningful for you.

May God bless our Holy Week ahead!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rich

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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):

2021: 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.

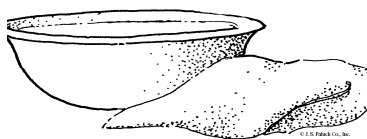
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation)

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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 28, 2021

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

— *Philippians 2:8*

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 always needed.

March 2021

28th Cereal / Rice / Applesauce

Pantry is OPEN

(every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, 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
- Plastic Grocery Bags
- Powered Milk

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

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

Gospel at the Procession with Palms - Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10).

First Reading - In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm - My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading - Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel - The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 - 15:47).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Love and Betrayal

He began to curse and to swear, "I do not know this man about whom you are talking." (Mark 14:70)

Adults: When have you felt that you betrayed the confidence of another, as Peter did when he denied Jesus?

Kids: When have you let someone down who trusted you? How did you feel?

HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021****Monday of Holy Week**

7:00AM Richard L. Tome - Paul Vojtek Family
 12:10PM Charles Gerbracht - Sally Barrett & Family
 1:00PM Chrism Mass
 (livestreamed at www.eriescd.org)

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 2021**Tuesday of Holy Week**

7:00AM Dpecial Intention for Johnny Heubel - Friends
 12:10PM Dave Mohr - Dietz Family
 12:40PM til Noon Wednesday -
 24 HOUR Adoration at OLP
 1:00PM School Mass - Becky Costello - Friends

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021**Wednesday of Holy Week**

7:00AM Jean Martin - Michael Martin Family
 11:30-Noon Confessions
 12:10PM Janet Cuthbertson - Husband, Jim
 1:00PM Jesus Christ Superstar
 presented by OLP 8th graders

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021**Holy Thursday**

7:00AM Morning Prayer
 7:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
 Eucharistic Adoration "go to the garden"
 OLP School Cafeteria until 11PM
 11PM Night Prayer (School Cafeteria)

FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2021**Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)**

7:00AM Morning Prayer
 12:00 - 1:00PM Confessions
 1:30PM Passion Service
Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land
 2:45 - 3:45 PM Confessions
 7:00PM Passion Service

SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2021**Holy Saturday**

8:00AM Morning Prayer
 8:15-9AM Confessions
 11:30-Noon Confessions
 12:00PM Blessing of Baskets of Easter Food
 8:30PM The Great Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

7:30AM Jean Donofrio - Children
 9:00AM Parishioners
 11:00AM Helen Bruno - Haythorn & Swonger Families
 12:30PM Amelia Pozzutti Patsy -
 Matt & Kathy Williams

NO 4:30PM Mass

Readings for the Week of March 28th

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;
 Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9;
 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;
 Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;
 Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25;
 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
 Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10,
 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22;
 b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;
 c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18;
 d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;
 e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;
 f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;
 g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or
 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;
 h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
 Mk 16:1-7
 Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;
 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9
 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon
 or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Regina Luschni - Friends.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Jacob Loyal Hermit - Friends.

OLP 31 Club**Praying for vocations every day of the year!**

Members 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. 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:

Mar. 28: Ann F., Michael M.
 Mar. 29: Linda M., Janet A.
 Mar. 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.
 Mar. 31: Jim Z.
 April 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.
 April 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.
 April 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.
 April 4: Arlene B.

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

Other notes from the pastor...

****Palm Sunday (March 27/28)** There are several things we will adjust for our Palm Sunday Celebration next weekend at OLP during the pandemic. ONE- We will be distributing palms at the end of all Masses. TWO- The ministers will begin in the back of the church with the Gospel of Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem, the blessing of the palms and a simple procession. THREE- We will use the short version of the Passion Gospel that is traditionally read that day but still incorporate the readers and congregation participation.

****Holy Week 24 HOUR Adoration at OLP** As we had done for several years, we will have a special 24 hour opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration during Holy Week. It will begin on Tuesday, March 30th following the 12:10pm Mass and continue in the church until 12pm on Wednesday, March 31st. Please consider signing up as a committed adorer; we need (2) committed adorers for every half hour. This is a great opportunity to reflect more deeply on all that the Triduum means to us and to grow in relationship with our God who loves you so much.

****Holy Week Confession Opportunities:** After all Palm Sunday Masses; Wednesday, March 31st from 11:30am-Noon; Friday, April 2nd from Noon-1pm and 2:45-3:45pm. Saturday, April 3rd from 8:15-9am and 11:30-Noon.

****Tickets for Services for the Sacred Triduum and Easter (April 1-4)** Parishioners are reminded that tickets are required for the following services. Please call the office for remaining availability.

HOLY THURSDAY (April 1st)

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm (Gym Seating Only)

GOOD FRIDAY (April 2nd)

Celebration of the Lord's Passion:

1:30pm (Gym Seating Only)

7pm

HOLY SATURDAY (April 3rd)

The Great Easter Vigil Mass 8:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY (April 4th) Masses:

7:30am

9am (Limited Seating),

11am (Gym Seating Only)

12:30pm

*There will be overflow for all these services in the gym and all will be available on the OLP YouTube Channel.

*For those who are vulnerable or participating online distribution of Holy Communion will be available in the school gym at the following times during the Triduum. Thursday, April 1st immediately following Mass until 8:45pm; Friday, April 2nd immediately following the 1:30pm service until 3:30pm; Sunday, April 4th immediately following the 9am Mass until 10:30am and immediately following the 11am Mass until 12:30pm.

****Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) 2021** We have 406 pledges for \$183,319. Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge or payment! Our goals are 500 pledges for \$179,000. There are extra pledge envelopes available.

****"Year of St. Joseph" Parish PLAN** This special year will continue until December 8, 2021 and I wanted to share you with here some of our plans here at OLP.

ONE- We have moved our parish statue of St. Joseph to the front of the church to remind us to honor St. Joseph and to encourage veneration and seeking of his intercession.

TWO- **Saturday, May 1st is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker** and we will have a special Mass at 8am. Also that day is the ordination of our seminarian, Chris Wheeler, at 10:30am at St. Mark Catholic Center as a transitional deacon. That mass will be available online and more details will be forthcoming. Please continue to keep Chris and his two classmates, Nick Fratus and Ben Daghir, in your prayers.

****Video Series on St. Joseph** The first videos in our series on the titles of St. Joseph was released last week. Below is the schedule of dates and titles to be released from **March 19th through May 1st** -

1. March 19th (Friday)- Joseph Most Valiant Protector of the Church
2. March 22nd (Monday)- Joseph Most Chaste
3. March 25th (Thursday)- Joseph Most Just
4. March 29th (Monday)- Joseph- Lover of Poverty
5. April 5th (Monday)- Joseph- Model of Workers
6. April 8th (Thursday)- Joseph Most Obedient and Head of Holy Family
7. April 12th (Monday)- Joseph Most Faithful
8. April 15th (Thursday)- Joseph- Mirror of Patience
9. April 19th (Monday)- Joseph Most Prudent
10. April 22nd (Thursday)- Joseph- Terror of Demons
11. April 26th (Monday)- Joseph- Patron of Dying and Solace of the Afflicted
12. May 1st (Saturday)- Joseph- Chaste Guardian of Virgins and Pillar of Families.

****Johnson & Johnson COVID Vaccine** "It is incorrect to state that the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops recommended that Catholics avoid the Johnson & Johnson single-shot COVID-19 vaccine - without including the context. In that same document, approved by the chairs of both their Pro-Life and Doctrine committees, the American bishops also say: "It is morally acceptable to receive COVID-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production processes." This includes the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, when no others are available. I stand with the Vatican, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Pennsylvania Catholic Conference in recognizing that being vaccinated is an act of charity and serves the common good during this challenging moment in our society. Please visit www.ErieRCD.org/coronavirus.html to access the documents we released when the vaccinations first became available late last year, when the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issued their statement, and this week, when the Pa. Catholic Conference weighed in. These documents provide invaluable information to help people make the best decisions for themselves."

****Divine Mercy Sunday** In 2000 St. John Paul II declared the Second Sunday of Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday. On Sunday, April 11th we will celebrate this feast with Confessions from 2-3pm and a Holy Hour with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 3-4pm which will include the Divine Mercy Chaplet (sung).

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**7:00AM Weekdays
8:00AM Saturdays
9:00AM Sundays**



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FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Confirmation facilitators will contact their students regarding classes for March and April.

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

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable, but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering



March 8, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Good Friday, April 2nd, Catholics throughout the world are asked to give generously to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection in support of our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. In addition to ensuring the guard of the shrines, the Good Friday Annual Collection allows Christians, the living stones, to inhabit the Holy Places and in so doing bear witness to the Resurrection of Christ.

The collection also helps the Franciscans and others to minister in parishes, provide Catholic education, and aid the Catholic community with housing, food, health care and employment. In these times of crisis, it also brings aid to refugees, as well as the sacraments to Christians in places like Syria.

Among other things, last year's Pontifical Good Friday Collection supported 23 parishes, 3 academic institutions and 120 men preparing to be priests or brothers. It provided funds for the restoration and maintenance of over 1,000 houses and apartments for Christian families and it created 1,200 jobs for Christians in the Holy Land.

Christians in the Holy Land have great need of your prayers and financial help. The wars, unrest and instability there have been especially hard on them. Please take this opportunity to reach out to those Christians who suffer persecution and hardship in the very land where Jesus lived.

I wish you and yours a blessed and joyful celebration of the Easter Triduum.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

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

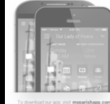
Ways to stay connected during this time:

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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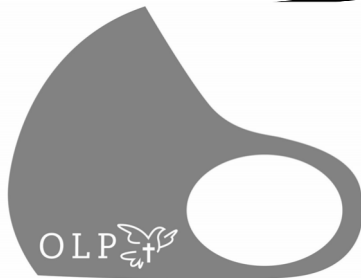
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\$5.00 each

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Calling: 833.7701 x 201 or **E-mailing:**

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FEAST OF FAITH**The Liturgies of Holy Week**

Holy Week is the culmination of the liturgical year. During these holy days, the liturgy will lead us, with Jesus, to the depths and to the heights.

It begins with a harsh juxtaposition, as we carry palms in remembrance of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then listen to the Passion according to Matthew, as the King is handed over for crucifixion. Then, on Holy Thursday, we remember the night Jesus was handed over—the night he gave himself for us and to us, to live in our midst forever in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. On Good Friday, we touch with our hands the mystery of the Lord's cross, the instrument of torture that has become the tree of life. Then, at the great Easter Vigil, the lighting of the paschal candle speaks to us of the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death. The resurrection of the Lord becomes a living reality in our midst as the catechumens for whom the Church has prayed throughout Lent are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and share in the glory of his resurrection. These are indeed holy days, the culmination of the Church's liturgy, and an invitation to participate in the very life of Christ. Come, let us worship. —Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for: Julio Berarducci, father of Janet Agresti-Norman. May his family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Pledge to Heal: The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping victims of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. Counseling assistance is available for victims and/or their family members through the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, VAC for short, Dr. Gerard Tobin, who can be reached at 814-451-1521. The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigations retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543. *For particular questions you may call: Cindy Zemcik, Coordinator for the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth in the Diocese of Erie at 814-824-1195.*

**Divine Mercy Sunday Service**

Sunday, April 11th 3:00 - 4:00PM

Livestreamed from Our Lady of Peace Church

2:00PM

Confessions

3:00-4:00PM

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including the Divine Mercy Chaplet (sung)

A Stewardship of Sharing**Month of February 2021****Fiscal Year July 2020 - June 2021**

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| Weekly Envelope..... | \$ 59,223 |
| Loose | \$ 783 |
| Monthly School Support..... | \$ 1,310 |
| Total Monthly Offertory..... | \$ 61,316 |
| Budgeted Monthly Offertory | \$ 77,083 |
| Monthly Deficit | \$15,767 |
| Diocesan Designated Fund Support | \$ 831 |

2021 CSA**February 2021 to January 2022**

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| Goal | \$ 179,000 |
| Pledge Payments Received to Date..... | \$ 117,260 |
| Total Pledges | \$ 181,775 |
| 404 Families - Goal is 500 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 2021 -2022 Diocesan assessment is \$137,524.**



Our Lady of Peace...

Pray for us.

St. Mark Seminary Auxiliary

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Palm Sunday, March 28th

Palms distributed at all Masses

Monday of Holy Week, March 29th

7:00am Mass, also available livestreamed on our YouTube channel

12:10pm Mass

Watch our series on the Year of St. Joseph - Joseph Lover of Poverty on our Facebook page

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 30th

7:00am Mass, also available livestreamed on our YouTube channel

12:10pm Mass

12:45-Noon on March 31st 24 Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church

Wednesday of Holy Week, March 31st

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues today until Noon

7:00am Mass, also available livestreamed on our YouTube channel

11:30-Noon Confession available in the Chapel

12:10pm Mass

Holy Thursday, April 1st

7:00am Morning Prayer, also livestreamed on our YouTube channel

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, livestreamed on YouTube

****Tickets are required to attend in person**

Holy Communion for those participating online available in the gym immediately following the Mass until 8:45pm

8:15-11:00pm Adoration at the Altar of Reposition in school cafeteria, livestreamed on our Facebook page from 8:15-8:45pm and 10:30-11:00pm

11:00pm Night Prayer, also livestreamed on our Facebook page

Good Friday, April 2nd

7:00am Morning Prayer, also livestreamed on our YouTube channel

Noon-1:00pm Confession available in the Chapel

1:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion, livestreamed on YouTube

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2:45-3:45pm Confession available in the Chapel

7:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion, livestreamed on YouTube

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Holy Saturday, April 3rd

8:00am Morning Prayer, also livestreamed on our YouTube channel

8:15-9:00am Confession available in the Chapel

11:30am-Noon Confession available in the Chapel

Noon Blessing of the Easter Foods, also livestreamed on our Facebook page

8:30pm The Great Easter Vigil, also livestreamed on YouTube

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Easter Sunday, April 4th

All Easter Masses livestreamed on YouTube

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7:30am Easter Sunday Mass

9:00am Easter Sunday Mass, Holy Communion for those participating online available in the gym until 10:30am

11:00am Easter Sunday Mass, Holy Communion for those participating online available in the gym until 12:30pm

12:30pm Easter Sunday Mass

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