



Our Lady of Peace

Divine Mercy Sunday

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration
Sunday, April 16th from 3:00-4:00pm
includes the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet
Confession available from 2:00-3:00pm



All are invited. . . Our Lord pours out an ocean of
grace and mercy on all who approach him.

Jesus I trust in You

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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 12:30PM. A mandatory preparation class for parents is available. *Call the office for info.*

Sacrament of Matrimony An appointment with a parish priest six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesdays 11:15AM-12:00PM
Saturdays 8:30-9AM; 3:45-4:45PM
or by appointment.

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.

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.

April 2023

16th Cleaning Supplies

23rd Cooking Oils / Cooking Sprays

30th Soup / Stew / Chili



Pantry is OPEN April 11th & 25th

(every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, at

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.

The Millcreek Food Pantry is so grateful for the generous food and paper products that continues to be donated. It has meant a lot to all!

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

- Canned Soup
- Canned Vegetables
- Whole Grain Cereal
- Pet Food
- Laundry Supplies
- Toilet Tissue/Kleenex
- Paper Towels/Napkins
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Reusable Grocery Bags

Thank you!

The OLP Prayer Ministry

This is a ministry for those individuals who are unable to attend usual parish functions perhaps due to an impairment, lack of transportation or illness. This active ministry can be done from home, a nursing home, the hospital, etc. Those who participate are asked to voluntarily pray for a specific group, ministry or function as the meeting, ministry or function is occurring. Prayer is vital to our lives and keeps us connected as members of the Body of Christ.

For more info, contact: Deacon John Mang at deacon.john@olp.org or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983.

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, / that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading - All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalm - Be thankful to God who loves us forever (Psalm 118).

Second Reading - God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel - The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

Family Discussion of the Week: Encouraging Others

Then Jesus said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." (John 20:27)

Adults: We show our faith when we demonstrate courage in the face of difficulty. What could you do this week to help strengthen someone?

Kids: What could you do this week to encourage someone who is sad or discouraged?

EXEMPLAR OF THE FAITH

Poor Thomas. Singled out from among the disciples because he refused to believe what they were telling him—that they had seen, in the flesh, their friend and their Lord, Jesus Christ. Can any of us really blame him? All of the disciples were terrified, crestfallen, hiding. But what of Thomas? Just where was he when Jesus appeared the first time to the group huddled in fear? He had gone "out"—out of the community where his faith had life. Maybe this was actually a blessing for Thomas and not the curse associated with the "doubting Thomas" moniker bestowed on him by tradition. Oh, the divine mercy of the Lord! Could Thomas be the forerunner of all of us who come in fragile hope and uncertainty to the Christian community, so beautifully described in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles? Could Thomas be an ultimate exemplar of the faith described in the First Letter of Peter?

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

7:00AM Major Tom Carr - Mom & Dad
 12:10PM David Krasnesky - Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

7:00AM Robert Snyder - Catrabone Family
 12:10PM Debbie Sciamanda - Alice DiSanto
 1:30PM School Mass - Linda Bucci - Ehrman Family

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

7:00AM Chuck Rohrbach - Whitman Family
 11:15-Noon Confessions
 12:10PM Carol Galdon - Loretta Schaal

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

7:00AM Nello Fiorenzo - Wife, Betty
 12:10PM Maria D'Accardo -
 Vincenzo & Calcedonia Missalino

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

7:00AM Janet Lober - Whitman Family
 12:10PM Amelia Pozzutti Patsy -
 Son & Daughter-in-Law

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023

8:00AM Ruth Young - Dietz Family
 8:30-9:00AM Confessions
 3:45-4:45PM Confessions
 5:00PM Ed Wagner - Corky Young

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

Third Sunday of Easter

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
 9:00AM Jan Double - Judy & Randy Whittelsey
 11:00AM Rachel Metz - Dolly & Jim Iannello
 4:30PM Shirley Zacherl - Family

The church will remain open for private prayer
 Monday through Thursday from 7:00AM - 8:00PM and
 Friday 7:00AM - 4:00PM

Confessions available (in the Chapel):

Wednesdays 11:15-Noon
 Saturday 8:30-9:00AM and 3:45-4:45PM
 or by appointment - call the Church Office

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Andrew Polakowski - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Croce LaFuria - Wife & Children.

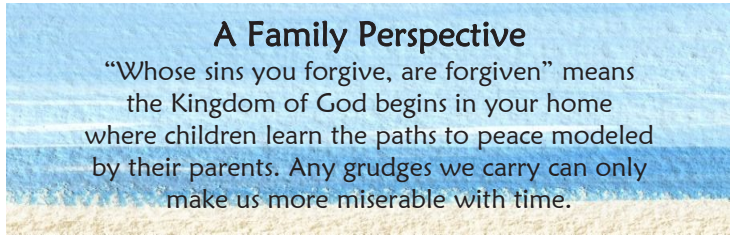
Daily at 11:40AM

The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary is prayed daily prior to the 12:10 Mass. Mary invites all her children to pray her Rosary. Also, the Chapel of Divine Mercy is prayed following the 12:10 Mass in the Chapel. **All are welcome!**



Readings for the Week of April 16th

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
 Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
 Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35



A Family Perspective

“Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven” means the Kingdom of God begins in your home where children learn the paths to peace modeled by their parents. Any grudges we carry can only make us more miserable with time.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Louis Kwiatkowski; for Audrey Moskot; and for Agnes Tillerson. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

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:

- Apr. 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin D.
- Apr. 17: Len & Cathy K, Helen W., Barbra W., Nancy D.
- Apr. 18: Carlee Y., Rachel O.
- Apr. 19: Amber D, Chris L.
- Apr. 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G., Donna G.
- Apr. 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.
- Apr. 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y., Gloria M.
- Apr. 23: Heidi A.

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...

"Christ is Risen, Alleluia!". . . "He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!" A blessed last day of the Easter Octave to you as well as Divine Mercy Sunday! I share with you an excerpt from the Divine Mercy National Shrine (run by the Marians of the Immaculate Conception) on "**How the message of The Divine Mercy is Eucharist?**" during this time of Eucharistic Revival in the United States.

"The Divine Mercy message is profoundly Eucharistic. This message unveils the inscrutable mystery of God's infinite love and mercy which He pours forth continuously on us through His only Son who offered Himself completely on our behalf. We receive this healing and redeeming gift of God's merciful love when we receive the Lord's Body which He gave up for us on the Cross, and His Blood which He shed for all for the forgiveness of sins.

The Eucharist, the living Body and Blood of the Lord, made present through the Eucharistic Sacrifice, was for St. Faustina her source of holiness, hope and strength. Just as blood carries oxygen and gives life to every cell in our body, the Eucharist is our spiritual food that nourishes and gives life to the soul.

During Eucharistic adoration the Lord gave St. Faustina a special grace to experience the events of the Upper Room on the night before He died. She recounts this experience thus: "During this hour of prayer, Jesus allowed me to enter the Cenacle, and I was a witness to what happened there. However, I was most deeply moved when, before the consecration, Jesus raised His eyes to heaven and entered into a mysterious conversation with His Father. It is only in eternity that we shall understand that moment. His eyes were like two flames; His face was radiant, white as snow; His whole personage full of majesty, His soul full of longing. At the moment of Consecration, love rested satiated - the sacrifice fully consummated. Now only the external ceremony of death will be carried out - external destruction; the essence [of it] is in the Cenacle. Never in my whole life had I understood this mystery so profoundly as during that hour of adoration. Oh, how ardently I desire that the whole world would come to know this unfathomable mystery!" (684).

The Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy wishing to underscore the closeness that exists between the Divine Mercy message and the Eucharist have placed in their logo the rays of Blood and Water emanating from the Host. The inspiration for this logo came from St. Faustina's vision. She wrote: "That same day, when I was in church waiting for confession, I saw the same rays issuing from the monstrance and spreading throughout the church. This lasted all through the service. After the Benediction, [the rays shone out] to both sides and returned again to the monstrance. Their appearance was bright and transparent like crystal. I asked Jesus that He deign to light the fire of His love in all souls that were cold. Beneath these rays a heart will grow warm even if it were like a block of ice; even if it were hard as a rock, it will crumble into dust" (370)."

We will reinforce this great connection between Divine Mercy and the Eucharist by extending our celebration of Masses

this weekend into a **Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration during the hour of mercy today (3-4pm, Sunday, April 16th)**.

May God bless our 2nd Week of Easter ahead!

Fr. Rich

Our Lady of Peace, patroness of our parish & school.... pray for us!

St. Nicholas, patron of the Erie Catholic School System. pray for us!

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the Catholic Church of the USA... pray for us!

St. Joseph, universal patron of the church.... pray for us!

St. Patrick, patron of the Diocese of Erie.... pray for us!

Other notes from the pastor...

****Easter Thank You's** I thank everyone who was involved in our beautiful liturgies for the Sacred Triduum! I am extremely grateful to our parish staff and in particular our director of music and liturgy, Brian Kuzmin, our masters of ceremonies, Matt Sandstrom and Matt Drabant, our lead sacristans, Charlie Rutkowski and Warren Beaver, our lead usher Paul Wickles, Fr. Dave and Deacon John, for all the extra time they put in to help things run smoothly. Also, thank you to our music ministers, lectors, ushers, servers and others who helped with services throughout the Triduum. I am grateful to Chris Ehrman of Allburns and his decorating team, to Sarah Beaver and Teresa Dierkes who helped with the banners, to Rick Lopez who set up the lighting, to Troop 59 who handled the Easter Fire, to Tammie and Deacon John Mang, Michael and Denise Gaines who worked with our candidates for RCIA and RCIC. I also thank those who attended these liturgies and those who came for the first time; I hope you will encourage others next year as well.

****Divine Mercy Devotion** The devotion of Divine Mercy started in the 1930's when Jesus appeared to St. Faustina who was a sister of Mercy in Krakow, Poland. She wrote a voluminous Diary of all the appearances and dialog with Jesus (available from any Catholic publisher) but from that encounter I will summarize the 7 main elements of the devotion that Jesus asked St. Faustina to promote:

ONE- the actual Feast of Divine Mercy, or Divine Mercy Sunday. "On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy."

TWO- the Image of the Divine Mercy. The Lord directed Sr. Faustina to have it made in the image of how he was appearing to her. It was to be signed, "Jesus, I trust You!" and was to be venerated. We have the image of Divine Mercy in our chapel to the right of the tabernacle but it will be in the main sanctuary this weekend for the feast so we can all venerate it.

THREE- the Divine Mercy Novena. Ideally, the novena is to begin on Good Friday and completed the Saturday before Divine Mercy Sunday, though it can be prayed at any time. The novena divides souls into different groups, which are prayed for on a specific day. Categories of souls include souls who are "lukewarm," "priests and religious," "devout and faithful," "sinful," and the "souls of little children."

FOUR- the Hour of Great Mercy, also known as the three o'clock hour. This is the hour that recalls Jesus' death on the cross. Saint Faustina records in her Diary that "It is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. It is Jesus' desire that the moment of His Death on the Cross (3p.m.) be venerated."

FIVE- the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy. Prayed on ordinary rosary beads, the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer that extends the offering of the Eucharist. It may be said at any time, but Christ specifically told St. Faustina to recite it during the nine days before Divine Mercy Sunday. It is also appropriate to pray the chaplet during the Hour of Great Mercy. The chaplet is especially recommended to be said for those who are dying. There are pamphlets with instructions on how to pray the chaplet at the doors of the church.

SIX- the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion through which we meet our Lord Jesus Christ and are enveloped in oceans of His Divine Mercy.

SEVEN- the deeds of mercy in answer to Jesus' call to mercy. In her Diary, entry 742. St. Faustina records Christ's words, "I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it." Christ continued, "I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor: the first - by deed, the second - by word, the third - by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. By this means a soul glorifies and pays reverence to My mercy."

With that in mind, I also remind you of the seven spiritual works of mercy and seven corporal works of mercy:

Corporal Works of Mercy: 1. Feed the hungry; 2. Give drink to the thirsty; 3. Clothe the naked; 4. Shelter the homeless; 5. Comfort the prisoners; 6. Visit the sick; 7. Bury the dead.

Spiritual Works of Mercy: 1. Teach the ignorant; 2. Pray for the living & dead; 3. Correct sinners; 4. Counsel those in doubt; 5. Console the sorrowful; 6. Bear wrongs patiently; 7. Forgive wrongs willingly.

****Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) 2023 UPDATE** Update: 433 pledges for \$214,529. That means we have exceeded our Diocesan assessment of \$137,000 and our parish goal of \$212,000!! This will go toward replacing the yellowed and worn plexiglass over the outside of the stain glass windows of the church with new tempered glass. If you have not yet handed in your CSA pledge, please send, drop off or bring it to Mass in the next few weekends and include it in the offertory. Thank you for your support.

****Faithful to the Finish 5K** Our Annual 5K will take place on **Saturday, May 13th at 8am at Presque Isle**. All money raised will go towards building our parish endowment which was started with the Catholic Foundation of Northwest PA. Come as a family & start off Mother's Day with a fun, family walk/run. **Annual Parish Appreciation Dinner is Saturday, May 20th at 6:15pm in the school cafeteria**. Volunteers on any level for parish ministries are invited. Please call or email the office to register. 814-833-7701 x0 or olp@olp.org.

***OLP Trip to Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA for Production of "Moses"** will be June 13-15, 2023. Call the office to register.

****Parish Survey** Back in October we asked all parishioners to participate in a survey to gain your input on how we are doing at serving the needs of our community and to identify areas for growth and improvement. Included in the bulletin is the executive summary that we received from the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) which helped us with the survey. I would like to share some of my observations about the summary.

1. We received 932 valid responses to our survey. 80% were from registered parishioners (746) and according to our latest census, that is approximately 19% of the 4,000 parishioners (members) at Our Lady of Peace.
2. Nearly 97% of those surveyed gave the parish an overall positive evaluation with 60% of those rating it as excellent. This is great news and something to be celebrated. The top seven highest ratings included (5) in the area of liturgy as well as leadership and youth ministry. We thank God for the great liturgies we have at OLP and all the ministers and staff who put much time into planning and executing our liturgy as well as the youth ministry program and our staff and volunteers who help to lead the parish.
3. Areas of growth identified in the survey are in outreach to the those in the LGBTQ+ community, single parents, those with special needs and young adults. I would like to acknowledge a few things that have been done in these areas since my arrival while still acknowledging these are areas were we need to grow.
 - a. We conducted a "Church in Dialogue" Session regarding Same Sex Attraction and Orientation in 2018. We have not followed up on that in any substantial way, so this survey is a good impetus to another look at that.
 - b. In the area of special needs...
 - We have been the sponsor parish for The Tim Tebow Foundation's "Night to Shine" for the last five years. NTS is a prom night experience for people in the community with special needs.
 - Our Knights of Columbus Council at OLP has provided ongoing support for our local and state Special Olympics for decades.
 - For "The Chosen" Series (Seasons 1 and 2) we have had a small group for people with special needs.
 - These are all a good start, but we need to consider ways we can build on them.
 - c. In the area of young adults, our coordinator of youth ministry, Sarah Beaver, has organized some ministry and activities for young adults in the last two years but again it is something that still needs more consideration and attention.
 - d. In the area of single parents, there has been no direct ministry at OLP to our single parents. The "Kids Night Out" Program does offer some "babysitting" support to all our families, including our single parents. Previously, we did have a nursery for one Sunday Mass a week to support our parents, but it was discontinued due to

lack of use. We do provide a “Liturgy of the Word for Children” experience at the 11am Mass each week which can support our single parents in their efforts to join us in worship. As in the other areas for growth, these are good to acknowledge while still seeing the need for more.

4. The last of the lowest scoring areas in the parish was “spreading the Gospel message to others.” I believe the Amazing Parish Movement (see below) that we began participation in back in May 2022 will significantly address and help us in this area. So keep praying for the Holy Spirit to inspire this model of leadership and movement in our parish and be willing to be a part of the solution to this recognized need to improve our efforts to spread the Gospel!
5. One goal of our survey was to help identify the needs of our parish and to restart our “Hearts and Hands” Ministry. This is a focused ministry to people in need within our parish community. The Parish Prayer Line and Homebound Communion started as a part of that ministry; but we are looking to add to that and possibly revitalize others ministries that faded over the years. So, look for more updates on this over the next few months as our staff, PLT and Pastoral Council come up with a plan to move forward.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers:





We currently have two parishioners residing at Manchester Commons Senior Living, on West Lake Road, and are in need of a Eucharistic Minister to take Communion to them once a week.

If you are interested in helping out, please call Cynthia in the church office at 814-833-7701 x0.

Thank you for prayerfully considering helping out your neighbor.



In Memory of~ *Pray for Our Loved Ones...*

 In Memory of Deceased members of the Smith Family	<i>Thank You</i>  Blessed Mother The Miller Family	In Loving Memory of Mildred S. Tobias  Husband & Family	In Memory of Raymond Taylor John & Mary Bowden Donna Thomas  Family
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Place a memorium or prayer request for your loved one(s) by contacting Diocesan. Our art department will design a spot for you which will appear weekly on the bulletin's advertisement page. The cost is only \$180 per year with three easy payments of \$60. What a great way to show your continued love for those special to you and support your church bulletin at the same time.

Call Adam Snyder for more information
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March 13, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On July 29th of this year, we mark the 170th Anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Erie in 1853. One of the blessings over these years has been those faithful and generous priests who have and continue today to serve in our Diocese. These priests have ministered in our parishes, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, prisons and in Diocesan administration. Our Diocese has been truly blessed by their dedicated ministry. I wish to acknowledge and thank our retired priests who have served our Diocese faithfully and those who still help in many ways after retirement.

The Diocese has a pension fund, but like many such funds, it is not funded enough to meet all the needs of our present and future retired priests. And so we turn to all of you who are members of our Diocese to help with the care of those who are retired now and who will retire in the future.

On the weekend of April 29-30, which is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, known as Good Shepherd Sunday, we will have our annual collection for retired priests. We ask the faithful of the Diocese to prayerfully consider a financial gift to the Good Shepherd Collection, to assist us in caring for our current and future retired priests. This collection offers you a way to show your gratitude for their many years of dedication and faithful service to the people of God in the Diocese of Erie.

I know how generous you are in responding to all the needs of our Church. Thank you in advance for your gratitude for our retired priests and their many years of dedication and service to our Diocese.

Please join me in prayer for vocations to the priesthood, that others may follow in the footsteps of our retired priests and give their lives to be Good Shepherds leading the flock of Christ.

I wish you and your families a blessed Easter Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

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

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SERVERIE

ServErie Saturday – April 22, 2023
8:00AM ~ Noon

The launch site will be hosted here at Our Lady of Peace church. Volunteers will be bussed to and from their worksites.

Adults and youth are invited to participate.

Please contact Darrell Meyers, darrell.meyers@olp.org, 814-450-3697, with questions.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades 1-8: Classes meet from 9:30-10:45 in the school and church basement.

April 16 - Last Religious Ed. Class

April 28 - First Communion practice- 5:30pm

April 29 - First Communion 11am

Grades 9-11: Classes meet from 5:30pm-7:30pm in the school and church basement.

April 16 - Last Religious Ed. Class

***Church Activity Forms are due on April 16th ***

For more info please contact Tammie Mang,
Faith Formation Director,
814-838-9983 or Tammie.mang@olp.org

Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

Child Abuse Prevention Month - Be Vigilant: It is vitally important that we are constantly vigilant concerning the behaviors of those who interact with children and communicating our concerns to the appropriate parties. Each one of us can play an important role in strengthening this culture of prevention. For example, we can better prevent abuse by ensuring that the signs of abuse are identified and reported. Noticing these warning signs, taking them seriously, and reporting them could prevent abuse in the future. When we witness inappropriate behavior or something that just doesn't seem quite right, we must report our concerns through the appropriate channels. In the Diocese of Erie for particular questions, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

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:

May 20, June 17, July 15

Time: 9:00AM to 1:00PM

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!

OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



"One of the most important things you can do on this earth is to let people know they are not alone." Sharon L. Adler

Fr. Jim Peterson told a volunteer at Maria House Project one time to just show up for the Thursday dinner and faith sharing. It shows the residents they are not alone and helps give them a feeling of self worth. Something so simple, does so much. And so it is with the **casseroles** Our Lady of Peace brings to Maria House. It's the time and attention you give that reminds them, they are "not alone." Thank you!

The **April casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, April 15th*, between 3:30 and 4:30pm. If you would like us to pick it up call us: Skip or Dottie Glover at 814-440-3496 or email us at scottiedippy@gmail.com. You may also leave the **casserole** in the church office during the drop-off time. **Casseroles** should be pre-cooked, frozen in a disposable container, with reheating directions attached. Names or addresses are NOT to be included.

CRS RICE BOWL

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya and commit to share our Easter Joy with people in our local community and around the world.



Please turn in your Rice Bowl to the vestibule of the church in the large rice bowl set up on the table.

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April 26, 2023

Date

7:30 PM EST

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- Apr. 12th-HS/MS YG-Gym 6:30-8:30pm
- Apr. 15-16th-Selling Bingo Tickets After All Masses
- Apr. 16th- Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour, 5pm, families welcome
- Apr. 19th-HS YG, social room 6:30-8:30pm
- Apr. 20th-MS YG, social room 6:30-8pm
- Apr. 26th-MS/HS Ripple Effect Event 6-8:30pm
- Apr. 30th-Holy hour, OLP Church, families welcome, starting at 7pm, with refreshments to follow

May

- May 3rd-HS YG, off campus 6:30-8:30pm
- May 5th-Kid's Night Out
- May 10th-MS YG, Lib 6:30-8pm
- May 15th-Holy hour, OLP Church, families welcome, starting at 7pm, with refreshments to follow
- May 17th-HS YG, social room 6:30-8:30pm
- May 18th-MS YG, social room 6:30-8pm
- May 24th-MS/HS Ripple Effect Event 6-8:30pm
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Please join us on **Saturday, May 13, 2023** for the 9th Annual
Our Lady of Peace Faithful to the Finish 5K Run/Walk

Place: Presque Isle State Park; Erie Runners Club Pavilion at Beach 1

Start: 8:00AM Race starts and ends at Beach 1

Proceeds benefit the OLP Parish Endowment, investing in the next generation of faith.

Entry: \$25.00 Registered before May 3rd w/T-shirt; \$35.00 Registered May 4th or after/no T-shirt

Mail Entry and 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.*

Online Registration: www.runsignup.com Donations also accepted if you cannot participate.

Packet Pick-Up and New Registrations: Wednesday, May 10, 2022, 3:00 - 7:00PM in the
OLP School Cafeteria, 2401 West 38th Street, Erie.

Event Day Registration and/or Packet Pick-Up: 7:00 - 7:45AM

Contact: Cynthia Berarducci - cynthia.berarducci@olp.org - (814) 833-7701 x 0 (Cell: 814-392-9130)

Awards: Medallions awarded to First/Second/Third Place Finishers in the following age groups for both male and female: 15 & Under, 16-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60 & Over.

Post-Race Refreshments: Refreshments available following the race near the Erie Runners Club Pavilion.

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