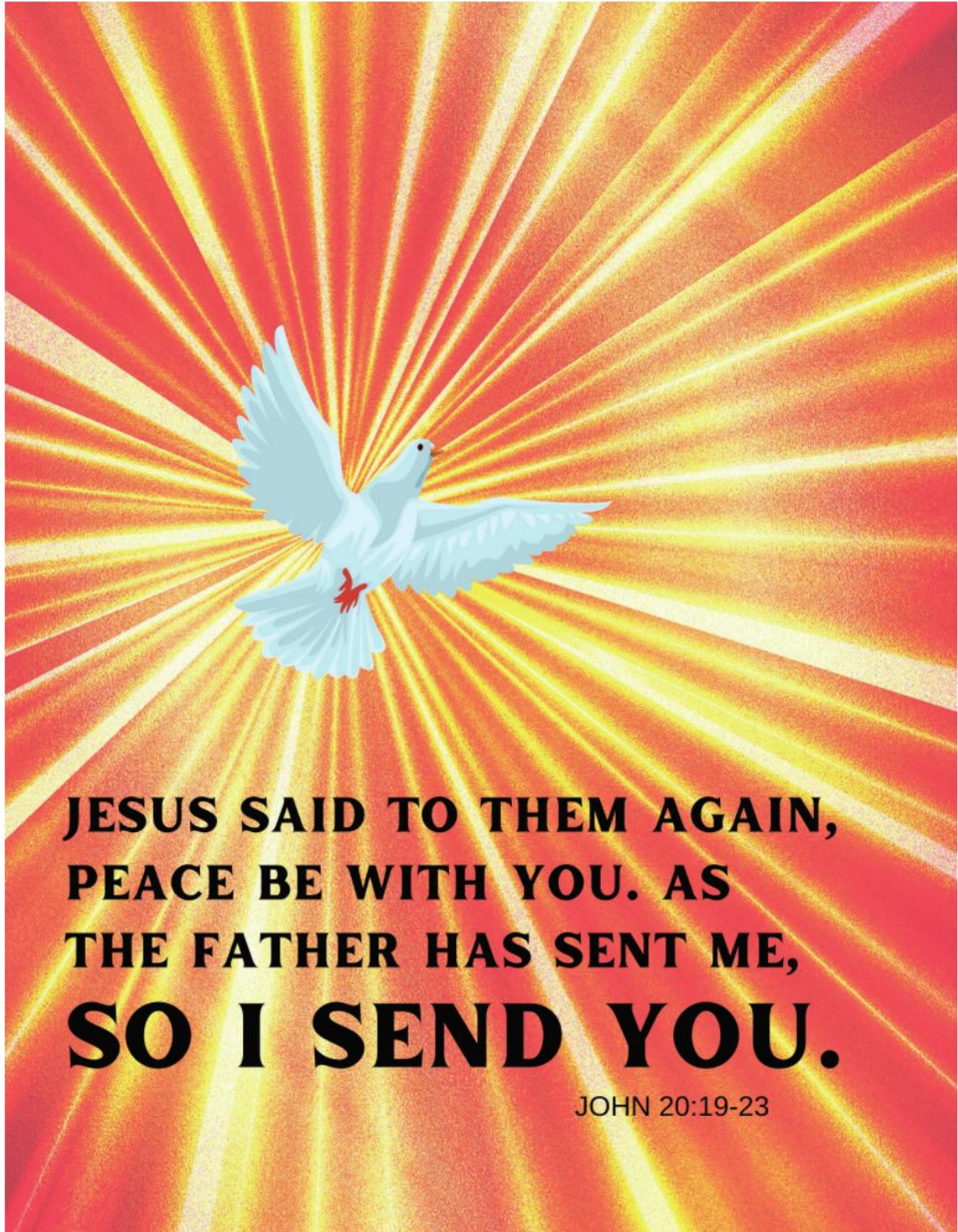




# *Our Lady of Peace*



May 28, 2023

*Pentecost Sunday*

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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.

**May 2023**

28th Pasta Sauce/Pasta

Pantry is OPEN

(every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, at 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
- 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](mailto:deacon.john@olp.org) or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983.

**Sunday's Readings:**

**Entrance Antiphon** - The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world / and that which contains all thing / understands what is said, alleluia.

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

**Psalm** - Lord, make the earth new by the power of your Spirit (Psalm 104).

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

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

**Family Discussion of the Week: Sent to Serve**

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

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

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

**GOT SPIRIT?**

When we were in high school, there was an old cheer at ballgames, "We've got spirit, yes we do. We've got spirit, how 'bout you?" We would scream it back and forth with the opposing team's fans. And while, "Got Spirit?" could certainly be the catchphrase today, we see people receiving the spirit in many different ways. In Acts, there appear a loud noise and a driving wind, followed by people being able to understand speech in many languages. It is reminiscent of a booming, "This is my Son, my Beloved." Psalm 104 "Lord, Send out Your Spirit" was also the first psalm used at the Easter Vigil, in response to the creation story. First Corinthians acknowledges that there are many different spiritual gifts, but we must use them together as the body of Christ. The Sequence is a beautiful prayer that calls down the Spirit. In John's Gospel, the Spirit comes through the breath of Jesus. What can we take away from this? That the Spirit of God is not "one size fits all." Rather, the Holy Spirit will come to us, speak to us, be given to us, as each of us needs.



# MASS INTENTIONS

## MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023

### Memorial Day

9:00AM Special Intention for the Living & Deceased Veterans

Offices Closed and will reopen Tuesday



## TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2023

7:00AM Lillian Przepierski - Family

9:00AM OLP School 8th Grade Graduation Mass - Special Intention for OLP Graduates

12:10PM Jack Rozwodowski - Kathy & Dave Wayman

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023

7:00AM Audrey Zimmer - Sister, Dorothy Zimmer

11:15-Noon Confessions

12:10PM Matthew Johnson - Joe & Dianne Yochim

7:00PM Mercyhurst Baccalaureate

## THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

7:00AM Nazario Cioccio - Sister & Family

9:00AM OLP Pre-School Graduation

12:10PM Special Intention for Ed & Rina Hoffman

## FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023

First Friday Adoration 7:30AM - 7:00PM

7:00AM Catherine Ragan - Paul Vojtek Family

12:10PM Charlie Cleary - Jerry Ryan

## SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

8:00AM Helen Vojtek - Paul Vojtek Family

8:30-9:00AM Confessions

2:30PM Wedding - Joe Eichorn / Monica Zukowski

3:45-4:45PM Confessions

5:00PM Robert Evans

## SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

### The Most Holy Trinity

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

9:00AM Richard Brazus - Family

11:00AM Zita DiSanto - Ed & Rina

4:30PM William Yezzi - Belinda, Joseph & Marie

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 Major Tom Carr - Mom & Dad.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Robert Majewski - Family.

### 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 Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed following the 12:10 Mass in the Chapel. **All are welcome!**



Readings for the Week of May 28th

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;

Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16;

Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b;

Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33

Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Dn 3:52-55;

2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED** - Please pray for Jennifer Turner. May her family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

### BANN III

Joe Eichorn / Monica Zukowski

### BANN I

Jim Gatesman / Sarah Formanski

### BANN I

Thomas Enssle / Rachel Zavasky



## 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:

May 28: Ann F., Michael M., Mary Margaret M.

May 29: Linda M., Janet A.

May 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.

May 31: Jim Z.

June 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.

June 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.

June 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.

June 4: Arlene B., Catherine C., Denny D.

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...

Happy Memorial Day Weekend! Please see my notes below for more thoughts on Memorial Day. I would like to take a moment to address the incident that occurred at Blessed Sacrament a few weeks ago at the 7:30pm Sunday Mass.

First, I share the statement from Bishop Persico "...at the end of the 7:30PM Mass at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Erie, there was an incident involving a young man and some others attending Mass. Those present had many different experiences regarding the incident. Here are the facts we know:

According to the Erie Police Department, the 20-year-old man walked into the church wearing a hat under a hoodie. Witnesses say that as Mass came to an end, the young man was speaking with some parishioners who noticed he had a pocketknife and what appeared to be a gun in his pocket. One of the individuals speaking with the young man grabbed what turned out to be a BB gun and threw it to the ground. The young man did not brandish the knife or the gun and made no threats. He was held until police arrived and questioned him. The young man was found not to be a threat by the Erie Police Department and released. The District Attorney's Office has been made aware of the incident.

I thank God no one was hurt in this situation. There is a heightened awareness in our communities due to the many tragedies related to gun violence and to so much loss of life in our country, including in recent months. People are understandably paying attention and even taking action in situations that seem suspect. We pray for all of the people who attended Mass last evening — it was a frightening and confusing situation. We also pray for the young man involved. Churches and other places of worship are as at risk as schools and businesses today. We are continually working to create safe and secure places where people can worship in peace and safety. On more than one occasion I have called for stricter gun laws. Until that occurs, people will remain on high alert. At the same time, I have said we must work to strengthen families and improve access to mental health care and early intervention. I encourage all of us to be charitable and kind and to make sure information shared about this incident remains factual."

Several people reached out to me after this occurred to ask what Our Lady of Peace was doing to help create a safe and secure place for worship at our parish. So, I take this occasion to update you on what we are doing. In the fall of 2021, our Pastoral Council created a Safety Committee at Our Lady of Peace. I asked Tom Sargent, who was a pastoral council member at the time, to oversee the committee. We identified members of our community that have experience in this area- past and present members include Tom Sargent, Kevin Raines, Mike Dugan (Retired Millcreek Detective), Gary Carver (President of the West Ridge Fire Department) Mindi Wierzchowski (medical team lead), Matt Benacci (Millcreek Police), Camron Wilkins (owner of The Wilkins Company which specializes on security systems) and Kim Miles (OLP Usher/Hospitality Representative).

Since its creation the Safety Committee has researched extensively what policies are presently in places of worship throughout the country (including All Saints Parish in Waterford

which is the only parish in the Diocese of Erie which has an official team and policy), met with local emergency intervention experts and had them evaluate our parish and make recommendations for our church and campus, created a medical emergency team and policy as well as improving our inventory for supplies on hand in the church, and organized an AED/CPR/First Aid Training for Ushers and other volunteers at the parish. They are also presently working on a weather emergency policy and a fire evaluation of the church and rectory.

The Safety Committee had also planned an Active Shooter Training for May 20<sup>th</sup> but that had to be postponed. The incident at Blessed Sacrament certainly reinforces the need for our Safety Committee to continue its work and we will reschedule the training in the next few months and communicate the details. We will also communicate some of the basic principles of emergency situations to the entire parish. I hope this affirms that our leadership at OLP takes the safety of our parishioners and guests seriously and we will continue to do our best to create that safe and secure environment that Bishop Persico spoke of in his statement. If you have any concerns or questions, do not hesitate to contact me at [fr.rich@olp.org](mailto:fr.rich@olp.org).

May God bless us and protect us!

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...**

**\*\*Deacon John Mang's 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination was May 16<sup>th</sup>.** Deacon John has served 14 of those years at Our Lady of Peace Parish. Please join me in congratulating Deacon John when you see him, praying for him and thanking him for his ministry to us and the church of the Diocese of Erie.

**\*\*Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction will be held on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm to conclude the Easter Season.** There will be birthday cake after evening prayer to celebrate our "birthday" as a church (Pentecost is traditionally considered the birthday of the church).

**\*\*Memorial Day Mass/Praying for the Dead/Purgatory** Join your OLP family on Monday at 9am to not just commemorate those who have given their lives in service to our country, but to more importantly to pray the most effective prayer we have in our Catholic tradition for them... come join in offering Mass for them. We do so, following the example of Judas Maccabee in the Bible. Remember that in the Second Book of Maccabees, Judas takes up a collection for an expiatory sacrifice for those who had died in battle against the Greeks. It was found out that those slain had worshiped false gods and Judas makes atonement for them so that they might be freed of sin. Scripture says that "in doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way." (2 Macc. 12: 38-46). This event in the Bible shows the efficaciousness of praying for the dead. It reaffirms our fundamental Catholic belief that in a mysterious way, our prayers can assist those who have died and are experiencing



the purifying process of purgatory. In its section on the final purification, or purgatory, the Catechism (#s1030-1032) explains it this way:

“All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned.” So, to all those who ask “does the Catholic Church/do we still believe in Purgatory?”- hopefully the example of Judas Maccabee and 2,000 years of tradition of praying for the dead help you to see the answer to your question is YES!

**\*\*Marian Opportunities for May** Being a Marian Parish, it is good to remember that we seek to honor Mary in a special way throughout the month of May. That began at Our Lady of Peace with our school celebration of Mary's Day on May 5th. Some other opportunities to honor Mary the rest of the month are...

1. **Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church- 9am Mass which will also be offered for Living and Deceased Veterans since it is Memorial Day.** This is a newly instituted feast by Pope Francis in the last 5 years.
2. **Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary-** we will celebrate our normal daily Masses at 7am and 12:10pm.
3. **Weekday Rosary** at OLP in the main church starting at 11:40am.

**\*\*Habitat for Humanity** OLP Parish will be participating in Habitat for Humanity build on Saturday, June 3rd- from 8am-12 Noon. Please see page 7 for information on how to sign up.

**\*\*Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession** There will again be a procession held in downtown Erie for the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) which is Sunday, June 11th at 2pm. It will start and end at St. Peter Cathedral. Adoration will also be held in the Cathedral during the Procession if you are unable to participate in the procession itself. This will begin the second year of the revival which focuses on the parish (whereas the first year focused on a diocesan level).

**“The One Hour to Peace”... from Mass to Mission** is an exciting parish wide formation experience coming this fall. By diving deeper into your faith and the most important hour of every week, you will find yourself less worried, more restful and energized in your daily life. You will realize that one hour with your parish family is not just one more “thing” to add to your busy schedule, but is the way that we support each other through life's struggles and challenges. More information will be coming in the early fall but for now, pray and plan to join us for a 5-week journey beginning in October.

### **Special Collection Thank You:**

Thank you for your generous contributions last week to the **International Needs Collection**. Monies collected go towards restoring the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. For More info visit: [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Celebrate the gift of life and help us purchase a new Ultrasound Machine for The Women's Care Center.

Pick up your baby bottle in the church office. Fill it with your change, currency or check. Return your full bottle on Father's Day.

Checks should be made payable to the Knights of Columbus

## OUR LADY OF PEACE YOUTH GROUP



For more info contact [sarah.beavereolp.org](mailto:sarah.beavereolp.org)

### May

May 10th-MS YG, social room 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

May 28th-Pentecost holy hour at 5:15pm, cake to follow, families welcome





*Our Lady of Peace*  
**SUMMER**  
YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE



SAVE THE DATE:  
September 9th, 2023  
OLP Parish Picnic  
All are welcome!  
Starts with 5pm Mass.

## JUNE 2023

(ALL FAMILIES) Saturday, 6-10-23: Youth Group, 4-8pm, Beach 6

(ALL FAMILIES) Sunday, 6-11-23: Eucharistic Procession & Picnic following 11am Mass

(MS/HS) Saturday, 6-17-23: Youth Group, 2-5pm-followed with the Outdoor Mass & Bonfire  
-meet in the cafeteria

(4th/5th GRADE) Tuesday, 6-20-23: Youth Group, 6:00-8:00pm, meet in small chapel

(HS) Friday 6-23-23 to Sunday 6-25-23: Steubenville Youth Conference

(ALL FAMILIES) Wednesday 6-28-23: Outdoor Movie Night, 8pm, 9 Square in the Air @7pm

(MS/HS) Friday 6-30-23: Youth Group, 4:30-8:30pm, Beach 6

## JULY 2023

(MS/HS) Wednesday 7-5-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm, meet in small chapel

(HS) Friday 7-7-23 to Sunday 7-9-23: Divine Mercy Encounter

(HS) Sunday 7-16-23 to Saturday 7-22-23: Catholic Heart Workcamp

(ALL FAMILIES) Tuesday, 7-25-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm, Beach 6

(4th/5th GRADE) Thursday 7-27-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm, meet in small chapel

(ALL AGES) Monday 7-31-23 to Friday 8-4-23: Vacation Bible School

## AUGUST 2023

(MS/HS) Wednesday 8-2-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm

(ALL FAMILIES) Sunday, 8-6-23: The Fest-trip to Cleveland, 9am-10pm

(MS) Tuesday, 8-8-23: Middle School Retreat, 2-9pm

(HS) Monday 8-14-23 to Wednesday 8-16-23: High School Retreat, Location TBD

(ALL FAMILIES) Saturday, 8-19-23: OLP Serves-all day

4th/5th GRADE Wednesday, 8-23-23: 4th/5th Grade Retreat

(ALL AGES) Wednesday, 8-23-23: Outdoor Movie Night, 8pm, 9 Square in the Air @7pm by the gym

(MS/HS) Thursday, 8-24-23: Youth Group, 6:30-8:30pm, meet in the small chapel

(ALL FAMILIES) Tuesday, 8-29-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm, Beach 6

(MS/HS) Thursday, 8-31-23: Youth Group, 5:30-8:30pm, meet in the small chapel



**A Stewardship of Sharing  
April 2023  
Fiscal Year July 2022 - June 2023**

	Monthly	YTD
Weekly Envelope	\$ 72,007	\$750,709
Loose	5,138	41,393
Holy Days	13	11,530
Monthly School Support	1,523	14,773
Christmas/Easter/Flowers	10,735	29,056
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Total Offertory	\$89,416	\$847,461
Budgeted Offertory	\$ 81,125	\$811,250
<b>(Deficit) Surplus</b>	<b>8,291</b>	<b>\$ 36,211</b>
Diocesan Designated Fund Support	\$ 4,171	\$ 22,798

**Ways to Support Our Parish**

- Electronic Giving (for more information, contact Mary Beth Whitman at [marybeth.whitman@olp.org](mailto:marybeth.whitman@olp.org) or 814-833-7701).
- Online at [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org)
- Via Paypal app or [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com), send to [olp@olp.org](mailto:olp@olp.org).
- By mail (Our Lady of Peace Parish, 2401 W. 38th St, Erie PA 16506).
- Drop your envelope in the collection basket at Mass or at the Parish Office.

*Thank you for your support.*

**2023 CSA  
February 2023 to January 2024**

Goal .....	\$ 212,000
Pledge Payments Received to Date.....	\$ 145,779
<b>Total Pledges .....</b>	<b>\$ 227,164</b>
<b>457 Families - Goal is 500 Families</b>	

Every dollar raised supports important Diocesan services and every dollar raised over our assessment will be kept in the parish for parish improvements.

**Our 2023-2024 Diocesan assessment is \$137,152.**

**A Family Perspective**

Like the disciples in today's gospel, there are times we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events.

It's how we create emotional distance.

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

**YOU are invited to volunteer for an  
OLP Service Project!**



**When:** Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Time:** 7:45AM until Noon  
**Where:** 2418 Pear Street in Erie  
**What:** New construction; variety of tasks  
 Tools and equipment provided!

Non-construction volunteers also needed to provide snack at break-time.

**Who:** 16 years of age or older  
 (All must complete a waiver; parent signature needed for youth waiver)  
 Need at least 4 and no more than 12 construction volunteers

**Contact:** Nancy Milkowski at: [nancy@habitat Erie.org](mailto:nancy@habitat Erie.org)  
 or (814)454-7025 ext.104



**GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL CYO  
BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

Open to any girl in grades 9-12 during the '23/'24 school year. Games will be played in the Fall of 2023 (Aug-Oct). This league will avoid any travel ball/high school seasons.

**Details:** We are looking to determine the level of interest. We are unsure how it will look until we know the number of players. Ideally, participants would play for their "home parish," however that will be determined based on the number of players/teams.

Questions or Interested in playing? Email Melissa & John Nawrocki at [mj2miracles@gmail.com](mailto:mj2miracles@gmail.com) with your name, school, grade for '23/'24 and parish affiliation.

Interested in coaching? Email Melissa & John Nawrocki at [mj2miracles@gmail.com](mailto:mj2miracles@gmail.com) with your availability.

**Pentecost**

Today the Church remembers the moment when the very breath of God rushed from the mouth of the risen Jesus, filling the disciples with the Holy Spirit. Today's readings bring us to the culmination of the great fifty-day celebration of Easter with images of strong driving winds and tongues of fire. We cry out to God in today's psalm, "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth!" During these fifty days, we have baptized, confirmed, and shared the Eucharist with the newly initiated. We have spent these days savoring the meaning of the sacramental life. In these sacramental moments, the Church is reborn. In this moment of Pentecost, we are reborn. We are given the gifts of the Holy Spirit so that we, like the disciples, can be sent forth to be Christ for the world. Let us be open and vulnerable to the driving winds and tongues of flame that can signal a new Pentecost. Let God's word once again bring us the power to renew the face of the earth. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_


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

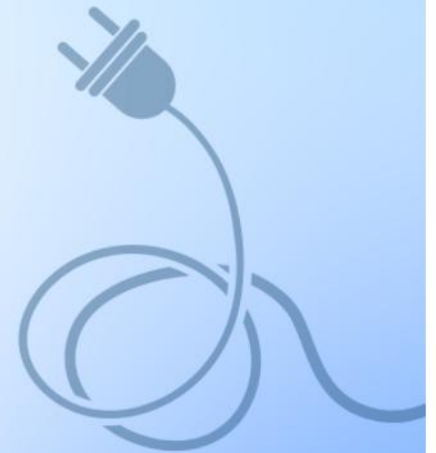
CHECK ONE:

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

# Get Connected

NEW TO THE PARISH? WANT TO GET INVOLVED BY NOT SURE HOW?

- Register your family with the parish
- Check out the "events" page on our website, [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org)
- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
- Download myPairsh App by texting APP to 88202. Select Our Lady of Peace, Erie PA 
- Check out the great Catholic content on FORMED. Register through the website [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org) by clicking on the FORMED image. Enter your name & email and create a password.



If you are cleaning out your closets or spare rooms and find any *unwanted cotton, flannel or fleece material*, please consider donating it to the **Sew What?** group. *Yarn, thread and batting is also needed.*

This group sews pillowcases, quilts, blankets, winter hoods, scarves, stuffed animals and other things for veterans, refugees and our Erie neighbors in need. Over the years **Sew What?** Has delivered thousands of items to community service agencies in the Erie area, relying solely on donations to perform its work.

**Please contact:** Mary E., 814-866-2854 or Joni B., 814-881-8324 to donate. Pickup is available.

### Erie City Mission Volunteers Needed

We need your help in preparing and cooking food for our brothers and sisters in need.

**Dates are Saturday's:**

June 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

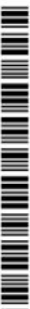


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# NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

RECRUITMENT WEEKEND

JUNE 10–11TH

If you have ever considered serving our parish community as a Eucharistic Minister, now is the time! Confirmed High School students are welcome.

Current Eucharistic Ministers will be in the vestibule after all of the weekend Masses to answer questions and provide information about this very important ministry. This will also be your opportunity to sign up for the necessary training.

Commissioned Eucharistic Ministers are fully initiated, active members of our church community.

Contact ministry leaders Charlie Rutkowski or Karen Martin - olpeom@gmail.com or 814-835-3608 with any questions.

*Eucharistic Minister  
Training Session  
Saturday  
June 17th  
8:45AM to Noon  
in the Church*



Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst." **John 6:35**

**Please prayerfully consider joining this fulfilling ministry, bringing Christ's Body and Precious Blood to our church community!**



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SALE**

## OLP Boy Scout Garage Sale

**June 10, 2023**

**8:00AM to 1:00PM**

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**Drop-off days: 6-8PM**

Thursday, June 8th

Friday, June 9th

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*Wedding Anniversaries in 2023*

*Sunday, August 6, 2023*

*Our Lady of Peace Church*

*2401 West 38th Street., Erie*

*2:00PM*

*Register by July 21st*

*either online at:*

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office at 814-833-7701 x 0*

*Reception to follow in School Cafeteria*

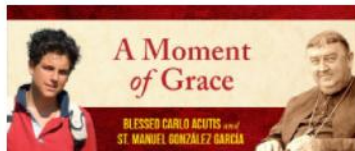
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for the complete schedule continuing in Warren, Ridgway & DuBois.



### **Catholic Prayer Corner**

#### **To the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit;  
and they shall be created.

And you shall renew the face of the earth.  
Let us pray.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit  
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His  
consolations.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Our Lady of Peace*

# SUNDAE FOR SUNDAYS!

**SAVE THE DATES:**

Sunday, June 4th

Sunday, July 2nd

Sunday, August 27th

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