



# *Our Lady of Peace*

More valuable than sparrows.

*So do not be afraid.*



Matthew 10:26-33

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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.

**June 2023**

25th Cereal / Oatmeal

Pantry is OPEN June 27th

(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 Lord is the strength of his people, / a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. / Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, / and govern them for ever.

**First Reading** - The LORD has rescued the poor from the clutches of the wicked (Jeremiah 20:10-13).

**Psalm** - Answer me, O Lord, in your bountiful kindness (Psalm 69).

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

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

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

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

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

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

**GOD HEARS OUR CRIES**

The psalmist cries out to God, "Lord, in your great love, answer me." In each of our readings today, there is movement from darkness and despair to trusting in God as our source of salvation. Jeremiah sounds almost a madman as he describes the evil and vile ness that surrounds him. In the midst of that terror, he professes his faith in God. Similarly, in Saint Paul's letter to the Romans, we are reminded that one man, Jesus Christ, came into the world for the sake of many, to overcome the evil and sin that have been prevalent since Adam. In Mark, Jesus calls us from fear, sin, and darkness to live in the light. He reminds us that we are not alone and how very precious each of us is in the eyes of God. Indeed, God hears our cries!

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**MASS INTENTIONS****MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023**

7:00AM Carrie DiPlacido -  
Craig & Gina Fanzini Allison  
12:10PM Carol Galdon - Bill & Diane

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2023**

7:00AM Joseph Foti - Frank & Suzanne  
12:10PM Rinda Pulice - Bill & Linda Habursky

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2023**

7:00AM Harry Dombrowski -  
Jerry Dombrowski - Family  
12:10PM Sandy Martin - Michael Martin Family

**THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2023**

7:00AM Lillian Przepierski - Family  
12:10PM Henry Truchanowicz - Gin Torrelli

**FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2023**

7:00AM Joan Rutkowski - Bernadette & Sean Carroll  
12:10PM Mabel Fried - Fred & Evelyn

**SATURDAY, JULY 1, 2023**

8:00AM Fr. John Wojtek - Paul Wojtek Family  
8:30-9:00AM Confessions  
5:00PM Joan Kensinger -  
Jackie & Dan Kensinger & Family

**SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023****Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Chuck Rohrbach - Wingenbach Family  
9:00AM Leona Pettinato - Family  
11:00AM Bob Moran - Linda Drake  
4:30PM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

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

**Confessions available:**

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

**Please note:**

*The church offices will be closed  
Monday and Tuesday, July 3rd & 4th,  
and will reopen on Wednesday, July 5th.*

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Sandy Martin - Michael Martin Family.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Catherine Varca - Friend.

**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 June 25th

Monday: Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22; Mt 7:1-5  
Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14  
Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;  
Mt 7:15-20  
Thursday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20;  
Jn 21:15-19  
Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9;  
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19  
Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 8:1-4  
Saturday: Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17  
Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-19;  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

**BANNI**

Troy Honard / Alexandra Imbrogno

**A Family Perspective**

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

**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:**

June 25: Christine O.  
June 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.  
June 27: Ann R.  
June 28: Ann F., Michael M., Mary Margaret M.  
June 29: Linda M., Janet A.  
June 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.  
July 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.  
July 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.

*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...

Last weekend throughout the Diocese of Erie, announcements were made about the assignments of clergy. The following are those that affected us here at OLP...

1. Bishop Persico has reassigned me as pastor of OLP for a term of 6 years effectively immediately until July 31, 2029. I am very excited about this and look forward to continuing the good things that we are about here at OLP together.

2. At Fr. Dave Whiteford's request, Bishop Persico has granted Fr. Dave a leave of absence from active ministry for personal reasons effective immediately. Let's keep Fr. Dave in our prayers, that the Lord may provide him with what he needs to return to active ministry soon. I regret that Fr. Dave's abrupt departure did not allow us to say goodbye. Feel free to contact him at the following address. c/o Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Whiteford, 3508 Dublin Road, Waterford, PA 16441.

3. Bishop has appointed Fr. Dan Hoffman as Parochial Vicar for OLP, effective July 11. Fr. Dan is no stranger to OLP, being a native son. He was ordained in 2009 and has served in a variety of parishes, most recently two parishes in Potter County. We're a busy parish so I look forward to Fr. Dan's help, and I know you will warmly welcome him. Fr. Dan has a great priestly heart and love of God and I look forward to serving our parish and community with him.

Also, earlier this year, Fr. Shane Mathew was assigned to another five-year term at Gannon University with sacramental assistance at St. Jude and residence at Our Lady of Peace (which has Fr. Shane celebrating one or two daily Masses here).

On another note from the bishop, please see his letter TO THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ERIE COUNTY released on June 24, 2023 about the next step of Pastoral Planning on pages 6 and 7.

His overall Pastoral Letter to the entire diocese regarding the pastoral planning, on June 7, 2023 can be found at... [https://www.eriecatholic.org/images/pdf/PastoralPlanningLetter\\_June2023C.pdf](https://www.eriecatholic.org/images/pdf/PastoralPlanningLetter_June2023C.pdf). This is only the 2<sup>nd</sup> pastoral letter Bishop Persico has written to the entire diocese during his term of service (11 years) so it is important that you read it.

May God bless our parish, diocese and clergy impacted by the new assignments... and our week ahead!

Fr. Rich

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

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

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

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

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

### Other notes from the pastor...

**\*\*Special Masses this Week** Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. Weekday in Ordinary Time; Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr; Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church; Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. St. Junipero Serra, Priest and Missionary.

**\*\*Deacon Luke Bible Study** Deacon Luke will lead a 4-part Bible Study called "*the Cruz*" during his time at OLP this summer. This study dives into the most important themes of the Bible. It will be held on Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm and Thursday mornings from 10:30-11:30am in the social room on the following dates: July 5/6, July 12/13, July 26/27 and August 2/3. Mark your calendars now and more information will be coming out about it in the next few weeks.

**\*\*Parish/School Movie Nights** There will be two outdoor movie nights here at OLP this summer. The movies are shown on the south wall of the school gym. People are welcome to gather at any time but the movie start times are listed below. You are asked to bring your own chairs and blankets and there will be drinks, popcorn and candy available for purchase. The schedule for movies is as follows:

**Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>- Goonies at 9:15pm (dusk)**

**Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>- Encanto at 9pm (dusk)**

**\*\*OLP Serves** On August 19th, teams of volunteers from OLP will be sent to serve other members of our parish by completing small projects and work around their homes that they are unable to do on their own. This is a model that our parish has participated in over the years through Young People Who Care (YPWC) in Frenchville as well as Catholic Heart Work Camps throughout the country and ServErie throughout the city. Members of our Parish Outreach Committee thought it would be great to apply this model to serve the needs of our own parish community. So, this weekend we are asking you to help us in one of three ways:

**One-** Help us identify projects that fellow parishioners might need assistance with. People are not always comfortable asking for help, so we need your help in identifying those we can assist.

**Two-** Volunteer for Saturday, August 19th from 8:30AM to 4:00PM.

**Three-** Make a donation to cover the cost of supplies and materials for those parishioners who might need help purchasing their supplies. Donations should be dropped at the office and labeled OLP Serves.

OLP Serves will be a great way to help our parish grow as a community and to grow in grace by serving and being willing to be served. Please join me in praying for this initiative and considering in what ways you can be a part of it.

**\*\*Faithful to the Finish 5K and Bingo results** Thank you to all who supported our Youth Ministry Bingo and Faithful to the Finish 5K Fundraisers last month! The bingo (and Kids Night Out) raised over \$12,354 for youth ministry and specifically for the youth trips to the Steubenville Youth Conference and Catholic Heart Work Camp (in New Jersey). FTF 5K raised \$5,000 for our Parish Endowment which is now at \$22,000 with the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania. Your generosity continues to be an inspiration to me!



Our Lady of Peace...

Pray for us.

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

# Outdoor MOVIE NIGHTS

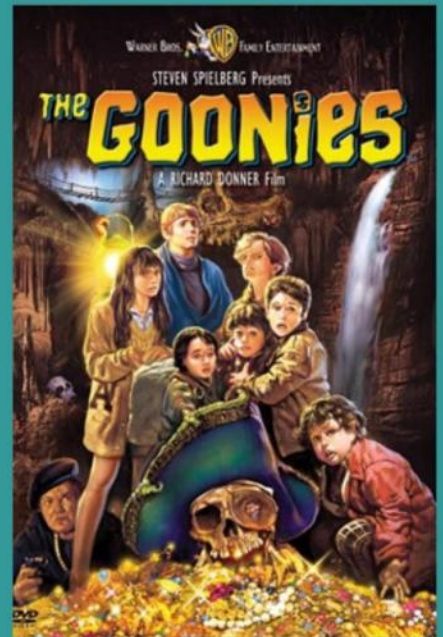
MOVIE STARTS AT DUSK  
SCHOOL GYM PARKING LOT

BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET AND  
JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN  
AND FELLOWSHIP UNDER THE STARS

June 28



August 23





June 24, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As you know, we have begun another round of pastoral planning, this time focused solely on parish restructuring, in the Diocese of Erie. I am sharing a series of three letters with you this summer as we prepare to develop a plan for parishes in Erie County.

We are, always have been and always will be a missionary church. We are called not only to care for those who attend Mass, but also to invite others into the community Christ established on earth. As we introduce another, more formal round of parish restructuring, our goal is to create parish communities that are vibrant, life-giving places of worship, places where people find encouragement and hope as they grow in their relationship with Christ, his church and each other. I am grateful we are taking these next steps in the midst of our three-year Eucharistic Revival.

The idea of restructuring brings up many emotions, and quite frankly, we haven't had to face them as fully in Erie County as in other parts of the diocese. We all belong to the Diocese of Erie, and we all have the responsibility to ensure that the needs of our sisters and brothers across the 10,000 square miles of our diocese are met. The time has come to look at our realities as a whole diocese and to move forward with all of our sisters and brothers in mind.

The fact is, we have fewer practicing Catholics and fewer clergy to lead them. If our mission as disciples is to proclaim the Gospel, grow in our relationship with Christ and his church and help others to do the same, we must be open to change. One way to describe where we stand at this moment, is that we need to right-size our diocese to ensure that we can be ever-better stewards of our resources, including our clergy. Our priests must be assigned in ways that allow the people they serve to thrive and that put them in a position to thrive as well.

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I encourage you to visit the new planning microsite we have launched, accessible through a link on the diocesan homepage. There you will find this letter as well as the full pastoral letter I have written to the people of the diocese, detailing where we have been with planning and what needs to be accomplished in the immediate future.

We are handling this next round of diocesan-wide pastoral planning region by region. Thanks to a grant from the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania, we are once again benefiting from the services of Meitler Consultants. We presented their findings to parish leaders from parishes in west Erie County last fall. Parishes in east Erie County also have been meeting and working to come up with recommendations for a preliminary plan for more than a year.

We have received feedback from both groups and are now formulating a preliminary plan for Erie County. In addition, we must take demographic information into account including the following:

From October 2010 to October 2022, the parishes in Erie County have seen a combined 45 percent decrease in weekend Mass attendance. That's nearly 10,000 fewer people worshipping at Mass each weekend compared to just 13 years ago. This is considerably larger than the 4.4 percent loss of population in Erie County between 2010 and 2020. In addition, since 2012, the number of active priests serving throughout the diocese has dropped from 130 to 92. Our best estimate is that number will be only 60 by 2031.

We've been experiencing a consistent downward trend since well before COVID. While in much of the world, and even some regions of our country, the church is growing and showing signs of vibrancy, we have to respond to our situation here in northwestern Pennsylvania.

This letter, and the other two I will share with you in the coming months, will all be posted on the diocesan website at [www.eriescd.org](http://www.eriescd.org). Please take the time to read them as they become available.

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:

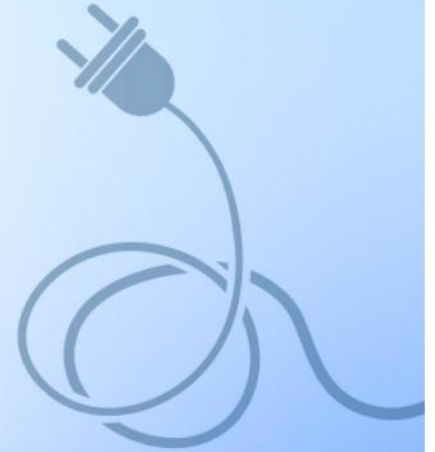
- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want envelopes

# 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 
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### Garage Sale Proceeds

Two parishioners plan a huge annual garage sale to benefit Hekima Place - a girls' orphanage and school in Kenya, Africa.

Hekima Place is a non-profit started by a women, from Pittsburg, with a big heart. Arlene Chaney and Jeanne Marie Ryan have supported this orphanage/school for 10 years. The girls at Hekima Place are from infant through university. They are dedicated to housing and educating the girls so they can grow up to a better life and change how girls and women are viewed and treated in Africa.

**You can help by supporting their sale, 9:00-5:00PM:**  
**June 25**  
**June 30, July 1, 2**  
3309 Asbury Road

**There is something for everyone at this sale: household items, yard/workshop items, vintage, misc. items; and two 25¢ tables**

### 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:**  
July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16


**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!**

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## OUR FASCINATING FAITH

### Saints Peter and Paul

The Church places before us saints of all types: apostles and prophets, rich and poor, women and men, married and unmarried. On Thursday of this week we celebrate Saints Peter and Paul. In a way, they each had personality traits with which we can identify. They were both impetuous, sometimes acting or speaking thoughtlessly, contradicting the spiritual gifts given to them by God. Remember that Paul began his career persecuting Christians and Peter denied three times that he even knew the Lord Jesus! On the positive side, these men were deeply rooted in their faith in Christ, tireless and fearless in living out their call to spread the Good News of his life, death, and resurrection. They are real pillars upon which the Church is built. Just as they were called to holiness of life in spite of their failings, so, too, are we called to that same holiness. Perhaps we might identify more with one or the other, but the essential truth we celebrate today is this: Through the Spirit, Christ built and continues to build the Church and make the kingdom known through fragile, remarkable human beings, each graced in a particular way for the work of the reign of God. Let us open our hearts to listen to God's voice, even in the midst of our own struggles and failings.

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### Catholic Prayer Corner

#### Grace After Meals

We give thee thanks for all thy benefits,  
almighty God, who lives and reigns forever.  
[And may the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.] Amen.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration forms for the 2023-24 Faith Formation year are now available on our website under the Faith Formation tab. Confirmation registration forms for grades 9 and 10 can be found on the Confirmation page. Forms were emailed to current Faith Formation families. Please let us know if you did not receive the email.

While the family is the first place our children learn the faith, faith formation classes deepen your child's understanding of God's love and mercy. The program at OLP is designed to support you in sharing Catholic teachings and accompany the whole family on their faith journey.

If your child is not enrolled in a catholic school, take a minute and register for the 2023-2024 Faith Formation program and journey together with us learning about and growing in the Catholic faith.

We are now accepting registrations for **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** from those students entering Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade this fall.

The theme of VBS 2023 is

*"Cathletics. . . training to be champions for Christ."*

The cost is \$20 per child or \$25 per family; which includes snacks each day as well as crafts and supplies. Please complete one form per child.

Registration forms can be found on the website, [olp.org](http://olp.org) under the Faith Formation tab on the Vacation Bible School page.

For more info please contact Tammie Mang,  
Faith Formation Director,  
814-838-9983 or [Tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:Tammie.mang@olp.org)



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# SUNDAY FOR SUNDAYS!

**SAVE THE DATES:**

Sunday, July 2nd  
Sunday, August 27th

(All following the 4:30PM Mass)

Provided by Our Lady of Peace Youth Ministry!



*Anniversary Celebrations  
for couples celebrating  
25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more  
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:  
[www.erieccd.org/familylifeoffice/  
anniv.html](http://www.erieccd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html)  
or call Cynthia in the Church  
office at 814-833-7701 x 0  
Reception to follow in School Cafeteria  
Happy Anniversary!*

# *The Crux Bible Study*

## Led by Deacon Luke Dagher

The theme of the Bible study will be *The Crux* or “the central theme” of the scriptures.  
 The Bible study will be held at Our Lady of Peace in the Social Room.  
 Two times are available each week.

**Schedule:**

Wednesdays from 7-8pm	Lesson Theme	Thursdays from 10:30-11:30am
July 5th	<i>“Who do you say that I am?”</i> The true identity of Jesus	July 6th
July 12th	<i>The Cross</i> The very center of the Christian faith	July 13th
July 19th	<b>*No Bible Study this week (Catholic Heart Workcamp)</b>	July 20th
July 26th	<i>The Covenant Family of God</i> Uniting the story of salvation	July 27th
August 2nd	<i>The Prodigal Son</i> From the perspective of a first-century Jew	August 3rd

Those attending may bring their own bible. However, there will be bibles available that match with page numbers of the program.

For those who are interested and/or are planning on attending the series please RSVP with the parish office.

If there are students who are younger than 18 years of age and/or are in high school, who would like to attend the Bible study, will need to be accompanied by an adult.

**Contact for RSVP:**  
 Our Lady of Peace Parish Office: (814) 833-7701 x0

\*The painting is of the story of the Prodigal Son by Rembrandt which will be explored on the last day of the Bible study.



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