



# Our Lady of Peace

## REST

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my Yoke is easy, and my burden light."

*Matthew 11:28-30*



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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.

**July 2023**



9th Applesauce / Nut Butters

16th Meals in a Box / Rice

23rd Canned Tuna/Salmon/Chicken

30th Pasta Sauce / Pasta

Pantry is OPEN July 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 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** - Your merciful love, O God, / we have received in the midst of your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, / reaches the ends of the earth; / your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**First Reading** - Rejoice heartily, O Jerusalem! For see, your savior comes (Zechariah 9:9-10).

**Psalm** - My God and King, I will bless you forever (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** - The one who raised Christ from death will give life to your mortal bodies also (Romans 8:9, 11-13).

**Gospel** - Come, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:25-30).

**Family Discussion of the Week: Laying Down Your Burdens**

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matthew 11:28-29)

**Adults:** When has Jesus refreshed you when you felt burdened by problems?

**Kids:** What burden do you need Jesus to help you carry?

**AN APPROACHABLE GOD**

Many years ago, there was a very popular Christian poster that did nothing but list names for God from the scriptures. While it included powerful names like "Lion of Judah" and "Wonderful Counselor," as a whole it was a sharp contrast to the simple and beautiful images present in our scriptures today. The prophet Zechariah prefigures the Christ coming in meekly and mildly on an ass—the vision we might have of Palm Sunday. In Romans Saint Paul reveals to us our truer selves, calling us to embrace the Spirit of Christ, put aside our fleshly beings, and live more fully in Christ. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus bypasses the learned, and God reveals things to the childlike. We are presented with a simple, straightforward approach to God, and to finding God.

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**MASS INTENTIONS****MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023**

7:00AM Linda Bucci - Fr. David Renne  
12:10PM Catherine Poydock - Greg & Sylvia Bosner

**TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023**

7:00AM Cindy Carney - Kevin Helsley Family  
12:10PM Charlie Cleary - Jerry Ryan

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023**

7:00AM Ursula Bamberger - Husband & Family  
11:15-Noon **Confessions**  
12:10PM Jean-Michel Loubeau - Loretta & Craig Schaal

**THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2023**

7:00AM Gloria Hosford - Loretta & Craig Schaal  
12:10PM Lee Carr - Wife

**FRIDAY, JULY 14, 2023**

7:00AM Gloria Hosford -  
The Carver's: Gary, Cheryl, Regan & Ramie  
12:10PM Dave Bello - Bill & Diane Stumpf

**SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2023**

8:00AM Chrissy Fye - Luniewski Family  
8:30-9:00AM **Confessions**  
1:30PM **Wedding** - Troy Honard / Alexandra Imbrogno  
3:45-5:45PM **Confessions**  
5:00PM Emil Hardner - Patricia

**SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023****Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Special Intention - Nancy Milkowski  
9:00AM Ann Locastro Bradford -  
Sam & Wendy Aquillano  
11:00AM Orinda Pulice - Diane McCarthy  
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

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Donald & Loretta Bruschi - Donald & Carol Patsy.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Gary Bauschard - Friends.

**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 July 9th*

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab;  
Mt 9:18-26  
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15;  
Mt 9:32-38  
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a;  
Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7  
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21;  
Mt 10:7-15  
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28,  
39-40; Mt 10:16-23  
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7;  
Mt 10:24-33  
Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23;  
Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

**BANN III****Troy Honard / Alexandra Imbrogno****BANN I****Nick Muller / Abby Alward****A Family Perspective**

Today's gospel is about being missionaries. As Jesus accepted his mission, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult vocation. Today Jesus calls us to himself when he invites us to "Come to me and I will give you rest."

**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:**

July 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.  
July 10: Ann T., Pat C., Pat M.  
July 11: Dave D., Paul M., Connie S.  
July 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Chris P.  
July 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F.,  
Donna R.  
July 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.  
July 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B.  
July 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin 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...

A blessed feast of Our Lady of Peace! This is one of the non-universal feast days for Mary under our parish title, Mary, Queen of Peace, or Our Lady of Peace (as well as January 24<sup>th</sup>). For this reason, I had proposed this date to be our parish patronal feast day and have communicated that to you as well as some of our parish leaders over the past few years (and even to the diocese as they have been re-creating a diocesan calendar of feast days and asking for our feast day). Unfortunately, I have not been at peace with that decision (no pun intended), as the middle of summer is a challenging time to gather the parish for events around the feast date. So, more recently I proposed another option to our parish leadership team, staff and liturgy committee and they agreed to commit to August 22<sup>nd</sup> as our new official feast day. There are several reasons I am more at peace with this date:

**One-** It is a universal feast day of Mary that gets quite overlooked so it will help us give more focus to this already established feast.

**Two-** It is also a Mystery of the Rosary, the 5<sup>th</sup> Glorious Mystery, the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth, which will give us a greater connection to the Rosary.

**Three-** It is a week after the Assumption of Mary into Heaven (August 15<sup>th</sup>) and so is the last day of this unofficial octave of Mary that happens every August which again often gets overlooked (other than the Assumption itself).

**Four-** It provides a spiritual compliment to our annual parish picnic which is always the Saturday after Labor Day and has become our biggest communal event of the year.

This year, we will have a prayer event on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> and more information will be coming out in the next few weeks about it. In the meantime, I share with you the information that will be posted next to the image of Our Lady of Peace in the church. It was framed by the Parish Rosary Society and blessed on December 8, 2022.

Image of Our Lady of Peace:

•The picture is based on the sculpture in St. Mary Major Basilica in Rome.

•The sculpture was commissioned by Pope Benedict XV in thanksgiving for the end of the First World War and completed by Roman artist Guido Galli in 1918, a marble statue of Mary enthroned is perched high against the wall.


•Beneath the statue is the simple inscription, "Ave Regina Pacis" (Hail, Queen of Peace).

•Mary's left hand is raised up and out to the world in a gesture of "Basta! Enough! Stop the war and violence!"

•In her right arm, she holds Christ depicted as a small child dangling an olive branch, a symbol of peace, waiting for His mother's word to allow it to fall from His fingers and descend to the world.

•A dove, another symbol of peace, sits beside the throne (hidden just out of the frame) preparing to fly, one wing already raised and eyes fixed intently on the branch in Christ's hand.

•Mary's eyes look down, meeting the gaze of the viewer below.

•The image conveys a strong sense of the centrality of Mary's intercessory role in the life of the Church: the dove 

waits for the branch to descend; the branch waits for Christ to release it; Christ waits on the word of His mother.

•The image also invites us into a deeper message of peace: Mary herself waits upon us.

May God bless our new parish feast day 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, July 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup>.* Weekdays in Ordinary Time; *Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>.* St. Benedict, Abbot; *Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup>.* St. St. Henry, 11<sup>th</sup> Century Emperor; *Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>.* St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin (Lily of the Mohawks); *Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.* St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church.

**\*\*Parish Library**      I would like to help you grow in personal faith formation on the intellectual and spiritual level is by opening my book collection to the parish. My former office has been turned into a parish "library" as well as an appointment and meeting room. It will be available to you during parish office hours. You are asked to check in with office and they will let you into the library. You can then sign out any book that you would like to borrow (on the sheet in the library) and return it when you are done with it (to the office). This is different than the bookshelf in the office hallway which also has books that you are welcome to borrow but you do not have to sign them out. Also, if you have books you would like to donate to the bookshelf or library, please drop them off at the office and we will place them accordingly. I hope this is an opportunity to share with you the wisdom and inspiration that I have been blessed to receive through the many great Catholic books that are available in our tradition.

**\*\*Deacon Luke Bible Study**      Last week Deacon Luke began a 4-part Bible Study called "*the Crux.*" 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 12/13, July 26/27 and August 2/3. It's not too late to join us, call the office at 814-833-7701 x0 and let us know when you will be attending.

**\*\*Parish/School Movie Nights**      There is one more outdoor movie night at OLP this summer: **Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>-Encanto at 8:30pm.** The movie is shown on the south gym wall. All are welcome to attend. You are asked to bring your own chairs and blankets. Drinks and popcorn available for purchase.

**\*\*Bishop Persico Letter to Erie County Parishes and Pastoral Letter on Pastoral Planning to the entire Diocese of Erie**

Bishop Persico sent a letter to all Catholics of Erie County. To read the letter see our parish website ([www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org)) 

or go to the Erie Diocese website ([www.eriercd.org/planning-letters.html](http://www.eriercd.org/planning-letters.html)) where you can find the Bishop's overall Pastoral Letter to the entire diocese regarding the pastoral planning was released on June 7, 2023 and can be found at... [www.eriercd.org/images/pdf/PastoralPlanningLetter\\_June2023C.pdf](http://www.eriercd.org/images/pdf/PastoralPlanningLetter_June2023C.pdf). This is only the 2nd 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.

**\*\*OLP Raffle** Thank you to all who have gotten your tickets back already. We are off to a good start (30% of our goal of 3,800 tickets). **Our next early bird prize drawing is July 14<sup>th</sup>** for the Family Game Package:

LED Cornhole Game (perfect for night play)

Hyperloop (spike ball)

Lawn Dice (outdoor Yahtzee)

Pickle Ball Set

\$25 McDonald's Gift Card

\$25 Sara's Gift Card

Supporting the raffle is supporting the ministries and programs of the parish as well as building maintenance and upkeep. Need more tickets, stop by the office.



Congratulations to the following men who became 4th Degree members of the Knights of Columbus:



**First Row:**

Pete Piotrowski (new member), Dr. Ken Grugel, Robert Olon (new member)

**Second Row:**

Doug Fleming, Grant Miller (new member), Rudy Passauer, Tony Wujcik (new member), Denny Deiner (new member)



47 Pilgrims travelled to Lancaster PA to see Moses at the Sight and Sound Theater. They stopped at Young People Who Care in Frenchville and learned about the good work of the Ananwim Sisters as well as several other stops. Our final stop was Mass together at St. Vincent Archabbey Basilica in Latrobe. We returned to OLP safe and sound and filled with the Spirit from a faith filled trip.



## The Crux Bible Study

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 Hall). Two times are available each week.

The Bible study will be led by Deacon Luke Dagher.

### Schedule:

Wednesdays from 7-8pm	Lesson Theme	Thursdays from 10:30-11:30am
July 12th	<i>The Cross</i> The very center of the Christian faith	July 13th
July 19th	*No Bible Study this week (Catholic Heart Workcamp)	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 staff. 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

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





# Our Lady of Peace

# SUMMER

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE



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

## 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

## OLP Parish Picnic

Saturday,  
Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>

following the 5:00PM  
Outdoor Mass

More details to follow.





With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God

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

cordially invites  
the Reverend Diocesan and Religious Clergy,  
and the Faithful  
of the Diocese of Erie  
to a

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**Farewell Mass for  
The Reverend Monsignor Edward M. Lohse, JCD  
Bishop-Elect of Kalamazoo, Michigan**

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Wednesday, July 12, 2023

3:00pm

St. Peter Cathedral  
230 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Erie, Pennsylvania

Priests are asked to bring an alb – stoles and chasubles will be provided.  
Deacons are asked to bring an alb and white stole.  
Clergy will vest in the St. Peter Cathedral Parish Hall.



June 19, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We are all called to be missionaries in some way. At his Wednesday audience on June 7<sup>th</sup>, the Holy Father said: "Missionaries, in fact... are not only those who travel long distances, learn new languages, do good works, and are good at proclamation; no, a missionary is also anyone who lives as an instrument of God's love where they are. Missionaries are those who do everything so that, through their witness, their prayer, their intercession, Jesus might pass by." Today I am asking you to enter into this spirit of missionary outreach by considering a generous gift to the National Needs Collection.

This year the National Needs Collection will take place the weekend of July 15-16. This is a good opportunity for Catholics to show their solidarity with the poor in our own nation. This collection is a combination of two collections:

- The Catholic Home Missions Appeal – supports, among other things, education for seminarians, which is a significant expense for poorer dioceses in the United States. This collection also supports training for lay ministry, Hispanic ministry, catechesis and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses throughout the United States.
- The Black and Indian Mission Collection – supports the work of the Church among the African American, Alaskan Native and American Native peoples in the United States.

I ask your generous response to the Collection for National Needs on July 15-16. Your donation will help support vocations, religious education, basic pastoral care and catechesis for children and adults in the Church here in the United States. Your help does make a difference.

Be assured of my gratitude and prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+Lawrence T. Persico*

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

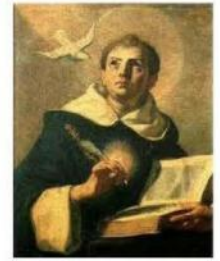
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## Deacon Luke Dagher Article 2 of 8 on the Eucharist



*Editor's Note:* These columns this summer will explore the thought of St. Thomas Aquinas on the Eucharist through nature, landmarks, and other aspects in the Erie area. As the American Church enters deeper into the Eucharistic Revival (stage 2 - *Year of Parish Revival*) and Our Lady of Peace prepares for the series on *Mass to Mission*, this writing series will help to support both.

### *Aquinas, Presque Isle, the Eucharist, and Protection*

Lake Erie can be calm and peaceful in one moment then turn rough and dangerous the next. The bay remains more at peace from the weather conditions because of the protection from Presque Isle. Historically, it wasn't just protection from the weather that Presque Isle provided to the harbor.

During the War of 1812, Presque Isle and its sandbar offered protection for the construction of ships in the bay. British war ships could be seen nearing Erie, but they were unable to enter the bay due to Presque Isle and the sandbar's defense.

These protective conditions enabled Daniel Dobbins to construct ships within the bay. Ultimately, the Battle of Lake Erie would be won at Put-In-Bay by the American fleet which was led by Oliver Perry.

For Aquinas, the Eucharist protects us in a similar way as Presque Isle has protected the bay. Aquinas wrote both a *Preparation For* and *Thanksgiving After Mass* prayer that focuses on the Eucharist. (these prayers can be found on page 327 in the Breaking Bread hymnal).

In his post-communion prayer he would pray, "May [the Eucharist] be a firm defense against the snares of all my enemies, both visible and invisible."

One of the effects of the Eucharist, according to Aquinas, is that we are given spiritual medicine. For Aquinas, the Eucharist preserves us from inner decay and thus protects us from spiritual death. In addition, the Eucharist preserves us from sin by strengthening our spiritual lives as we become more united to Jesus.

In a similar way as Presque Isle has protected the bay from weather and enemies, Aquinas believed that the Eucharist protects us from spiritual warfare. This is because the Eucharist points towards Christ's Passion, that we enter into at every Mass, in which He conquered the enemy. May each of us have a bay-like humility that is open to being protected by Jesus in the reception of the Eucharist as Presque Isle has protected Erie.

-Deacon Luke Dagher



Information from Penn State University Libraries and Aquinas' Summary of Theology: III, Question 74.

\*Painting from Kevin-John Jobczynski and Presque Isle Nautical Chart from Google

## 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.



### OLP Youth Serving the Poor at the Emmaus Soup Kitchen

For the past 23 years, Our Lady of Peace confirmation candidates have served at the Emmaus Soup Kitchen, a ministry of the Benedictine Sisters in downtown Erie. In 2020, due to the pandemic, the requirement to serve at the kitchen changed to a voluntary service opportunity. As a result, we have seen an decrease in the number of our young people signing up to assist in this vital service.

This is an invitation to our high school youth in grades 10 through 12 to help the needy and continue this tradition. Summer is the perfect opportunity for you to help and if you need service hours, a great way to get this done before you return to school in the fall.

#### Help is needed on the following dates:

Thursday, July 20th, Thursday, August 17th, Monday, August 21st  
*Time of service is from 3:00 to 6:00PM each of these days.*

Please contact Darrell Meyers, 814-450-3697 or [darrell.meyers@olp.org](mailto:darrell.meyers@olp.org) for more info or to sign up.

### 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:** 9:45AM 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

### The Second Vatican Council—Not “Out of Nowhere”

Prior to the convening of the Second Vatican Council, there had long been trends in the Catholic world that advocated for reform. For example, the liturgical movement had started at the beginning of the twentieth century and had spread from the monasteries across Europe and into the universities and even dioceses and parishes in the United States. The latest of several international liturgical conferences preceding Vatican II had received high praise from Pope Pius XII in 1956. The biblical movement had started even earlier and also garnered worldwide support. The pastoral and scholarly contributions of these global movements to the preparatory commission for the liturgy document led to its acceptance by the Council fathers as the first topic to be addressed by the Council. Two additional twentieth-century movements deserve mention: the ecumenical movement, which influenced several of the later Vatican II documents, and the “new theology” movement, which included the idea of *ressourcement* (going back to the original sources like the Bible and the Church Fathers). Adherents of this latter movement had encountered strong resistance from Church authorities but by 1960 were gaining influence. So while the timing of Vatican II may have been a surprise, it had strong roots in the history and life of the Church.

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### Catholic Prayer Corner Act of Faith

O my God, I firmly believe  
that you are one God  
in three divine persons,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

I believe that your divine Son  
became man and died for our sins,  
and that he will come  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe these and all the truths  
which the holy catholic Church teaches,  
because in revealing them  
you can neither deceive nor be deceived.

## Holy Hour

For the National Eucharistic Revival  
at **St. Mark the Evangelist Church**  
695 Smithson Ave.



**Saturday, July 15, 2023 3:15PM**

- \*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- \*Scripture Readings
- \*Reflection
- \*Time for Personal Prayer
- \*Benediction

## 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)

### Anniversary Celebrations

for couples celebrating

25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or more

Wedding Anniversaries in 2023

Sunday, August 6, 2023

Our Lady of Peace Church

2401 West 38<sup>th</sup> Street., Erie

2:00PM

Register by July 21<sup>st</sup>

either online at:

[www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html](http://www.eriecd.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!



What is the purpose of the Eucharistic revival?

The Eucharistic Revival is a three-year initiative that aims to inspire, educate, and unite.

In a world where not many people know Jesus intimately, the revival is meant to show everyone what wonders the True Presence of Jesus can do to heal the soul.

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### THE ERIE DIOCESAN DIVISION OF THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

## *Eighteenth Annual One Day Retreat*

### SATURDAY JULY 15, 2023

**St. Ann Church, Our Mother of Sorrows Parish**  
921 EAST AVENUE, ERIE, PA

### Retreat Theme: MARY & THE EUCHARIST

Our Retreat Master will be **Rev. Father Jerry Priscaro** who is our Spiritual Director and a priest in residence at St. Ann Church in addition to many other roles. Father will give two talks in the morning. Guest speaker is **Dr. Jaci Phillips Sabol**, who has been visiting parishes across the Diocese of Erie over the last year, presenting a lecture on the *"Eucharistic Miracles"* researched and presented online by Blessed Carlo before his untimely death at the age of 15. It will last all day ending with Mass at 4:00 PM.

<p><b>REGISTRATION DONATION:</b> \$15.00 a person or \$25.00 a couple from the same household</p> <p>Please call Mr. Mark Wagner by phone / text at 814-897-5886 or email <a href="mailto:wagswaste@gmail.com">wagswaste@gmail.com</a> to make your reservation by July 12th.</p> <p>Lunch will be served and donations accepted or bring your bag lunch.</p>	<p><b>RETREAT SCHEDULE</b></p> <p>9:00 am.....Registration / Meet and Greet 9:15 am.....Morning Prayer and Rosary 9:45 am.....Talk #1 - Fr. Jerry Priscaro 10:15 am.....Break 10:45 am.....Talk #2 - Fr. Jerry Priscaro 11:15 am.....Group Activity / Faith Sharing 11:45 am.....Quiet Time / Meditation 12:00 pm.....Lunchtime 12:45 pm.....Video Presentation 1:30 pm.....Group Discussion / Faith Sharing 2:00 pm.....Talk #3 - Jaci Phillips Sabol 3:30 pm.....Quiet Time / Meditation Time Confessions heard upstairs in Church 4:30 pm.....Mass 5:15 pm.....Dismissal</p>
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**August 19, 2023**



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Tell us about your needs. Completed forms can be dropped off at the church office, please return by June 15th.

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Questions, contact Pete Piotrowski at 814-600-5386

# Quo Vadis Days



## JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT CAMP, JULY 30-AUGUST 2, 2023

### *Meet Our Seminarians*

Quo Vadis Days is a seminarian-led 3-night, 4-day retreat for Catholic young men in grades 9-12. Participants will have the opportunity to interact with other young men who are currently in various stages of seminary formation and learn about their discernment journeys.

### *Pray Together*

Held at St. Mark Seminary in Erie, PA, this unique discernment event affords participants the opportunity to pray with Bishop Persico and other priests and seminarians. Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Liturgy of the Hours, Reconciliation, and spiritual direction are just a few of the prayer experiences that will be available.

### *Have Fun*

Because Quo Vadis Days are all about experiencing the joy of Christian discipleship, there will be plenty of time each day for fun and fellowship. Outdoor games, team-building activities, bonfires, and a chance to explore Erie's beautiful Presque Isle are just a few of the adventures that await participants.

**COST \$50**

**TO REGISTER ONLINE:  
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