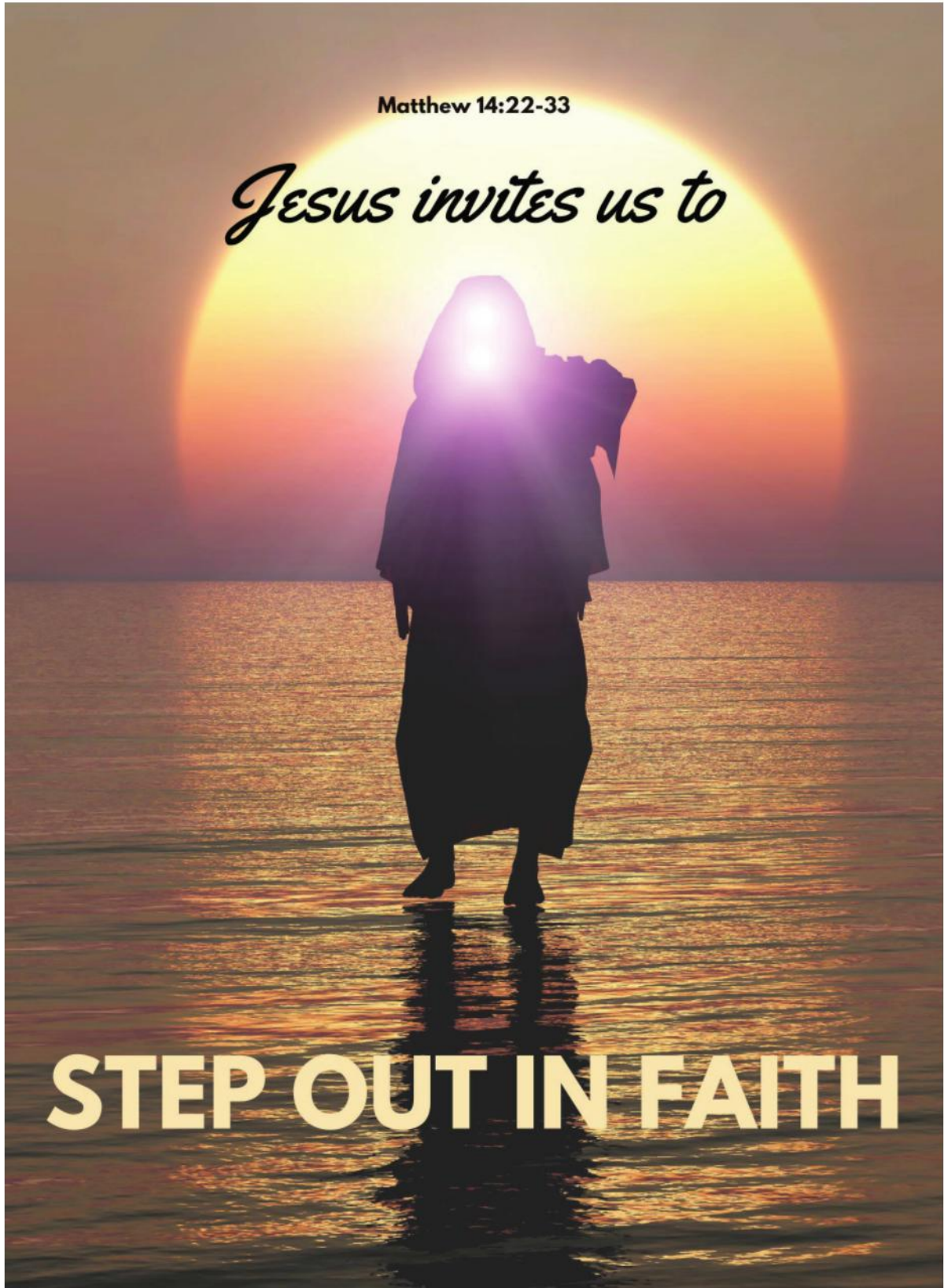




Our Lady of Peace

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus invites us to



STEP OUT IN FAITH

August 13, 2023

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

August 2023

13th Baby Items: Formula/Food/Wipes

20th Canned Fruit / Raisins

27th Cooking Oils / Cooking Sprays



Pantry is OPEN August 22nd

(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 or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

- Please pray for Elaine (Wingenbach) Korn, sister of Dick Wingenbach. May her family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - Look to your covenant, O Lord, / and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. / Arise, O God, and defend your cause, / and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading - Elijah waits on the mountain for the LORD to pass by (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

Psalm - Near is the Lord's salvation to those who fear God (Psalm 85).

Second Reading - From the Israelites, with their law and the prophets, comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

Gospel - As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

Family Discussion of the Week: Faith in the Lord

Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:31)

Adults: When have you doubted the loving care of God for you as the apostles did in the boat?

Kids: How do you know that Jesus is with you at all times?

CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S PROMISES

Our readings today explore how faith begins and how faith works. Faith begins with God's initiative of love, together with God's promise about the future. The passage from Hebrews urges readers to have an assured confidence in God, who promised and delivered a lasting legacy to Abraham. The book of Wisdom reminds readers of the God who promised and delivered freedom from slavery during the Exodus. In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus begins with the promise that "your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom," before describing how to live faithfully during times when God seems absent. God's promises mean that God is fully invested in our future. Living in these promises, we can confidently let go of fear and insecurity. We can anticipate that when God intervenes in our lives, it will be for our benefit. And we can become God's partners in fulfilling these divine promises.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023

7:00AM Jenny Grizanti - Family
 12:10PM Sylvester Kengersky - Greg & Sylvia Bosner

Vigil Mass:

5:30PM Ann Bradford - Carol Bianchi



TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Holy Day of Obligation)

7:00AM Fr. John Vojtek - Paul Vojtek Family
 12:10PM Deceased Members of Pulice Family - Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2023

7:00AM Raymond Schlaufman - Linda Schlaufman
 11:15-Noon **Confessions**
 12:10PM Rose & Angelo Caito - Family

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023

7:00AM Ursula Bamberger - Husband & Family
 12:10PM Greg Bossart -
 Hackman, Scarnowski & Mead Families

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

7:00AM Lawrence & Fima Galla - Family
 12:10PM Edward Zurawski - Daughters

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

8:00AM Josie Constantino - Kevin Helsley Family
 8:30-9:00AM **Confessions**
 3:45-5:45PM **Confessions**
 5:00PM Joan Rutkowski - Phyllis Amendola

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Tim Cook - Kathy Hoffman
 9:00AM Mary Ann Toohey - Family
 11:00AM Thomas Schroeck - Gaines & Finazzo Families
 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 Brian John Fried - Mom & Dad.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Elaine (Wingenbach) Korn - Wingenbach 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 August 13th

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
 Tuesday: **Vigil:** 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
 Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

A Family Perspective

The demands of family can be so overwhelming we feel walking on water would be easier. When Jesus was pressured, He dismissed everyone, so he could be "by himself and pray." When overwhelmed and stressed, go to a quiet place and surrender your pressured feelings to the Lord using Peter's prayer in today's gospel: "Lord, save me."

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:
 Aug. 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F., Donna R.
 Aug. 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.
 Aug. 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B.
 Aug. 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin D.
 Aug. 17: Len & Cathy K, Helen W., Barbra W., Nancy D.
 Aug. 18: Carlee Y., Rachel O.
 Aug. 19: Amber D, Chris L.
 Aug. 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G., Donna G.
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...

Please keep Deacon Luke Dagher in your prayers as he returns to St. Mary Seminary in Baltimore for his final year of formation in preparation of his ordination to the priesthood in May 2024. August 5th was his last day with us. I was impressed to see all he did at OLP in his 2 months with us. Keep an eye out for his last two articles on the Eucharist that will be coming out as part of his 8-part series to help us get ready for "The One Hour to Peace... from Mass to Mission" experience in October. I look forward to Deacon Luke returning at Christmas and Easter to celebrate those great feasts with us.

The One Hour to Peace. . . from Mass to Mission fall program is part of the "Year of Parish" Eucharistic Revival that is happening in the Catholic Church throughout the United States. The 3-year Revival ends next summer with a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. We reserved 25 early bird tickets at a cost of \$200 (rather than \$300 that they are now) for this once in a lifetime opportunity. I am working with the Diocese of Erie to help put together a bus trip to the Congress that will eventually offer housing and transportation; for now, though, we need to have commitments for the congress tickets. So, parishioners of OLP have until the end of August to claim the 25 tickets at \$200. Beginning in September, they will be made available to the rest of the diocese on a first come first served basis. Please drop off payment of \$200/ticket at the parish office to claim a ticket(s). Checks should be made out to "OLP" with Eucharistic Congress in the memo line. Claim your ticket at the early bird price of \$200, first come first serve basis, as long as they are available. Then look for more information later this month with details on the housing and transportation package. I will be helping lead the trip so I hope you will consider joining me for the first National Eucharistic Congress in the United States in the past 83 years.

May God bless Deacon Luke 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...

****The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Tuesday, August 15th** and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are Monday, Aug 15 at 5:30pm and Tuesday at 7am and 12:10pm.

****Parish Feast Day** I mentioned earlier in the summer that we are officially declaring August 22nd, the Feast of the Queenship of Mary as our parish feast day. There will be a special prayer service at 7pm that night (Tuesday Aug 22nd) to celebrate our feast. There will be more information on the service next weekend but plan to be there.

****Parish/School Movie Night Wednesday, August 23rd – Encanto at dusk.** The movie will be shown on the south OLP gym wall. Bring your chairs/blankets; drinks/popcorn available for purchase.

****Special Masses this Week** *Monday, August 14th*- St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr (died 1941 at Auschwitz by lethal injection; born in Poland; founded Militia of Mary Immaculate; offered his life in exchange for the father of a family {that father attended Maximilian's canonization ceremony}); *Tuesday, August 15th*- The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary; *Wednesday, August 16th*- St. Stephen of Hungry (received the "holy crown" from Pope Sylvester II in 1000, renowned for his charity to beggars); *Thursday, August 17th*- Weekday; *Friday, August 18th*- Weekday; *Saturday, August 19th*- St. John Eudes, Priest (founded in 1643 the Congregation of Jesus and Mary {C.I.M.} for training the clergy, also founded the Sisters of Good Shepherd to assist morally endangered women).

****OLP Raffle** Our final early bird prize drawing (Tailgate package) is on August 18th and you won't want to miss your chance at this great prize. The OLP Raffle is the main fundraiser of the parish supporting the work and mission of OLP. So far 337 families have participated by buying/selling tickets. If everyone does their part, we can reach our goal and continue the good work happening in the parish and our community. When we all work together, incredible things can happen. Remember for every 10 tickets bought/sold you receive a bonus ticket for all the prize giveaways. The \$15,000 in cash prizes will be drawn at the parish picnic on September 10th. If you are able to sell more tickets, stop by the office.

****Precious Blood Returns** Bishop Persico gave permission to return to the communal distribution of the Precious Blood at Masses in the Diocese of Erie. The Precious Blood is available at the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses. We hope to make it available at 5pm Saturday and 7:30am Sunday Masses if we have enough ministers to help with the distribution.

****Missionary Cooperative, Fr. Ernest Ukwueze, Apostles of Divine Charity, Africa, August 12th & 13th** This weekend is our annual mission cooperative and we have the opportunity to learn about and support the mission activities of the Apostles of Divine Charity in Africa. The mission of the Apostles of Divine Charity is centered in its special concern for the poor and the less privileged. They work to make visible and practical the Mercy and the Love of God through the Works of charity and by means of the Corporal Works of Mercy.

Our work in Africa includes: providing education to children and youth who would like to go to school but have no one to support them, providing healthcare services and ministering to orphans and vulnerable children. *How do we do this?* With your financial support we feed the poor, drill for clean water, offer food and clothing to the people, construct schools and vocation training centers, develop youth centers and provide care to the elderly as well as provide training for our Seminarians to do this important work of the gospel.

There will be a special collection this week, August 12th/13th to support the Apostles of Divine Charity. You can also drop off a check to the office, please write "Mission Appeal" in the memo line.



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Puzzle Swap

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL
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12:00 pm - Drop off puzzles

12:45 pm - Swap Begins

1:30 pm - Swap Ends
(or when puzzles are gone)



Questions? Call 814-838-2515 | Please tape all puzzle boxes closed

PARISH PICNIC

SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

Join us for a great family fun time with our church community. Make some new friends as we share faith and fellowship together.

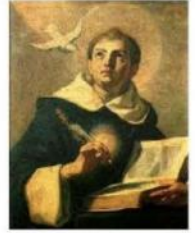
Outdoor Mass at 5pm followed by dinner, games, activities and everyone's favorite basket raffle and bonfire. OLP Raffle winners (\$15,000 in prizes) will be drawn at 9pm followed by fireworks. Live music with Rooftop Project from 6:30-8:30pm



**CELEBRATING "US" WITH FUN
AND FELLOWSHIP**

Deacon Luke Dagher Article 7 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 on Knowing and Loving Erie and the Eucharist

Recently I was at Wegmans and a person was wearing a t-shirt that said, “*It’s Okay to Love Erie.*” This is a clever and humorous phrase that can be read differently in July than in January. Aquinas’ understanding was that we cannot love what we do not know. In order to love Erie, one has to know Erie.

The *Aquinas, Erie, and the Eucharist series* has explored various aspects of Erie such as the Bicentennial Tower, State Street, Presque Isle and its protection of Erie, the many restaurants, the mural on the Methodist Towers, Lake Erie Wine Country, and the Erie sunsets. According to Aquinas, knowing Erie helps one to love Erie more.



Without question, Aquinas had a towering mind that could know things with clarity. However, he also had a heart that was in love with Jesus which increased his desire to know even more.

Early biographers of Aquinas noted that he would make frequent visits to the tabernacle to pray. During these visits, Aquinas would sometimes place his head against the tabernacle. The imagery could not be clearer: the great mind of Aquinas, that knew many things, rested in the presence of the Lord in the Eucharist which ignited in his heart a greater love. Aquinas knew the goodness of the Eucharist which only increased his love for the Eucharist.

Aquinas thought that “love demanded some apprehension of the good that is to be loved.” Those from Erie, and those who visit Erie, develop an apprehension of the good of Erie which leads to greater love. The same can be said of the Eucharist in which those who develop an apprehension of the good found in the Eucharist are better able to fall in love with the Eucharist.



In addition, Aquinas also believed that “the contemplation of spiritual beauty or goodness is the beginning of spiritual love.” When one contemplates the beauty and goodness of Erie, love of Erie naturally follows. The same occurs in contemplating the beauty and goodness of the Eucharist in which greater love of the Eucharist follows.

We cannot love what we do not know. May we, with the help of God’s grace, come to know more about Erie and the Eucharist and in doing so fall more deeply in love with each.

-Deacon Luke Dagher

Aquinas’ Summary of Theology: I-II, Question 27. Paintings titled *View from Presque Isle* by Michael Camp and *Eucharistic Teachers and Saints: Gregory, Ambrose, Augustine, Clara, Thomas Aquinas, Norbert and Jerome, with the dove of the Holy Spirit* by Studio of Sir Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640).

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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 date:

Monday, August 21st

Time of service is from 3:00 to 6:00PM.

Please contact Darrell Meyers, 814-450-3697 or 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:

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

The Documents of Vatican II—Divine Revelation

The contemporary biblical scholarship that we now take for granted in homilies that we hear at every Mass received a big boost in the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation (*Dei Verbum*). This document was promulgated on November 18, 1965 after it was approved by a vote of 2,344 to 6. *Dei Verbum* is the logical successor to Pope Pius XII's 1943 encyclical on the interpretation of the Bible. This Constitution starts by exploring the nature of divine revelation—how God reveals what God wants us to know. It calls this revelation the Word of God, and teaches that it comes to us from both sacred scripture and the sacred tradition of the Church. Every baptized Christian can understand the Word of God and apply it to their lives. But it is the special duty of the Church to teach authentic interpretation of this divine revelation, so that scripture, tradition, and the *magisterium* (teaching authority) of the Church are intimately linked. In the light of all this, the Church encourages diligent study of the scriptures, using the best means at our disposal, and in accordance with the mind of the Church. By these means, we will come to know more fully the living Word of God. In its final chapter, *Dei Verbum* proclaims that the sacred scripture and the Body of Christ are venerated with the same vigor; how we celebrate the Eucharist is the prime example of Word and Sacrament equally honored. Enthusiastic reception of this Constitution unleashed an unprecedented flood of Biblical literacy among the faithful.

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Catholic Prayer Corner

Night Prayer

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch,
or weep tonight,
and give your angels charge over those who sleep.
Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest your weary ones.

Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones.
Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones.

And all for your love's sake. Amen.

—St. Augustine

OLP Raffle August 18th Early Bird Give-Away Tailgate Package:

2 Camp Chairs
Collapsible Tailgate Table w/Cooler
Tailgate Organizer w/Paper Towel Holder
Plates/Cups/Silverware
Snacks
\$50 Gift Card to Giant Eagle
\$50 Gift Card to Gordon's Butcher & Market



Turn in your raffle tickets for a chance to win!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration for the 2023-24 Faith Formation year was due August 1st. If you have not registered yet for grades 1-8 or for Confirmation grades 9-10, please do so ASAP. Registration forms can be found online at olp.org under the Faith Formation tab.

There will be parent meetings for grades 1-8 on September 10th in the Cafeteria. Grade 1-5 parent meeting is at 9AM and the 6-8 parent meeting is at 10AM. Calendars will be given out at that time. All classes begin on September 24th. We will meet from 9:15-10:45AM.

The Confirmation parent/student meeting will be on September 17th at 5:30PM in the church.

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

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Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Requirements for working with children - Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All clergy, employees, and volunteers in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. Visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/ to see what documentation and training is required for those who work with children and youth in our parishes/schools/agencies.

Special Collection Church in Latin America



Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

Outdoor MOVIE NIGHT

AUGUST 23 - 8PM
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.



SUNDAE FOR SUNDAY!



August 27th
Following the 4:30pm Mass!



SAVE THE DATE

FORE! Our Crusaders

3rd Annual Our Lady of Peace Athletic Board Golf Tournament

Friday, September 15, 2023

Beechwood Golf Club

Benefits OLP Student Athletes and Hank Starr Memorial Fund



OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



"We know only too well that what we are doing is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. But if the drop were not there, the ocean would be missing something." Mother Theresa

Maria House Project thanks all of you for your "drops." They make a big impact on many.

The **August casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, August 19th*, 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 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.



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