



Our Lady of Peace

What are you focused on?

“repay to Caesar
what belongs to
Caesar **and to God what
belongs to God.**”

Matthew 22:15-21



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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.

October 2023

22nd Rice / Pasta

29th Instant Potatoes / Dry Milk

Pantry is **OPEN** **October 10th & 24th**
(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.

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; / turn your ear to me; hear my words. / Guard me as the apple of your eye; / in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading - The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

Psalm - Praise and glorify the Lord (Psalm 96).

Second Reading - Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

Gospel - Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

Family Discussion of the Week: Social Responsibility

At that (Jesus) said to them "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." (Matthew 22:21)

Adults: How much responsibility do you feel the government should take for meeting the needs of the less fortunate in our society? How willing are you to contribute?

Kids: Who needs help in your neighborhood or community? What could you and your family do to help?

NEVER LOSE HOPE

God's word speaks to our hearts today, acknowledging the sad fact that we lose hope at times, and encouraging us to trust in the Lord. Isaiah speaks of God's astonishing plan to use Cyrus, a Persian king, to deliver God's people from exile. After generations in captivity, the Israelites take new hope in this unexpected plan and praise God's might. Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians encourages Christ's followers there to remain faithful to their call. Never tiring, they continue their "labor of love and endurance in hope." The Gospel relates a heartbreaking reality in Christ's ministry: plots to humiliate and capture Jesus. Knowing their treacherous plans, Jesus does not despair. He remains faithful to God and persists in his own labor of love.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023

7:00AM Special Intention for
Blessed Mother's Intentions
12:10PM Leo Schlecht - Fannily

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023

7:00AM Marie Pears - Gina Adams
12:10PM Anthony DiBacco - Peter & Theresa DiBacco
1:30PM School Mass - Clarence & Ann Mogel -
Ehrman Gamily

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023

7:00AM Robert Schupp - Paul Vojtek Family
11:15-Noon Confessions
12:10PM Mary Peterson - Lawrence Berdis

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023

7:00AM Ernest Csakany - Frank & Suzanne
12:10PM Kevin Weise - Maria Carano

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023

7:00AM Gary Bauschard - Balliett Family
12:10PM Robert Urraro - Wife & Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023

8:00AM Lewis Penna - Stumpf Family
8:30-9:00AM Confessions
3:45-5:45PM Confessions
5:00PM Bill & Rose Schriefer - John & Betsy Truran

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
9:00AM Nancy Boorum - Michael Martin Family
11:00AM Anthony Foffi - Ed & Rina
Anointing of the Sick at Mass
4:30PM Adrienne "Susie" Woods -
Audrey & Jim Walker

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 Chuck Rohrbach - Wally & Mary Lou Wilhelm.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of
Melanie Pulice-Malyuk - Nadine Shannon.

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 October 22nd

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;
Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94;
Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;
1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

A Family Perspective

Jesus was exasperated when he scolded:
"Why do you put me to the test?"

It is natural for children to test parents; this is how they
learn and how we teach limits, rules and values. Be like
Jesus in today's gospel; he was firm, honest and direct.



Our Lady of Peace...

Pray for us
and The One Hour to Peace

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:

Oct. 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y., Gloria M.
Oct. 23: Heidi A.
Oct. 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.
Oct. 25: Christine O.
Oct. 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.
Oct. 27: Ann R.
Oct. 28: Ann F., Michael M., Mary Margaret M.
Oct. 29: Linda M., Janet A.

*If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or
Kathy Wayman at 397-6443. There are no dues and no meetings,
only opportunities for grace and the satisfaction that comes from
helping to fulfill a great need in the Church.*

When at Mass offer the Mass for

Vocations by praying the prayer below:

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner * but rather
that he be converted and live * grant we beseech you *
through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin *
Saint Joseph, her spouse * St. Junipero Serra * and all the
saints * an increase of laborers for your Church * fellow
laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for
souls * through the same Jesus Christ * Your Son * Who
lives and reigns with You * In the unity of the Holy Spirit *
God forever * and ever. Amen.

Serra Prayer for Vocations

From the Pastor's Desk...

Happy Mission Sunday! In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. WORLD MISSION SUNDAY joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At Mass that Sunday, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism to be missionaries, through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. This year Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday reflects on the theme: "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). He reminds us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." On World Mission Sunday, we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. As we pray and respond here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish and school throughout the world. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism, as it offers each one of us an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than 1,111 mission dioceses.

May God bless World Mission Sunday and the rest of 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...

****Holy Land Pilgrimage Cancelled/Prayers for Peace/Mass In Time of War and Civil Disturbance** Last week we officially cancelled our November pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Please join me in prayer for peace in Israel and Gaza, for healing for all those impacted- both Israeli and Palestinian, and for eternal rest for those who have died. We also prayer for protection and safety for everyone there now, natives as well as foreigners, visitors, pilgrims and relief workers. Please remember in your prayers Alision Grieco, daughter of OLP parishioners Len and Mary Alice Grieco, who works for Catholic Relief Services in Gaza and is still not able to leave the territory. On Wednesday, October 25th we will celebrate the Mass In Time of War and Civil Disturbance at 7am and 12:10pm. We will also continue the prayer for peace with a Novena for peace, praying daily from October 25-November 2nd at Noon. Join us in person or follow along on Facebook daily.

****Anointing of the Sick** will be offered at the 11am Mass on Sunday, October 29th. Please share the invitation with anyone you know who may be suffering serious illness in mind, body or spirit. Please register in the back of church prior to Mass.

****Congratulations to Warren and Christine Beaver** who were awarded the 2023 Helping Hands of Service Award from Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie! Warren and Christine do much for our parish as well as the broader Erie Church and community. This recognition is well deserved and I thank them for all that they do!

****Special Masses this Week** *Monday, Oct. 23rd*- St. John of Capistrano, Priest (15th Century Franciscan Reformer); *Tuesday, Oct. 24th*- St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop (19th Century Reformer Bishop in Cuba); *Wednesday, Oct. 25th*- Mass in Time of War and Civil Disturbance; *Thursday, Oct. 26th*- Mass for Persecuted Christians; *Friday, Oct. 27th*- Mass for Those in Prison; *Saturday, Oct. 28th*- Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles.

****Respect Life Month** October is Respect Life Month in the US Catholic Church and so we pray for the recognition of the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. Typically in our Catholic Social Justice Teaching we have a particular concern for life that is the most vulnerable- the unborn, the elderly, the imprisoned, the poor, those with mental illness, those with special needs, immigrants, the homeless. Please keep this intention in mind in a special way this month. U.S. Bishops' Pro-Life Chairman asks for "Radical Solidarity" with Mothers. This year, Bishop Michael F. Burbidge of Arlington, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Pro-Life Activities invites Catholics to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Respect Life Month by embracing "radical solidarity" with women facing difficult or challenging.

****All Souls Day Memorial Service** The memorial service for All Souls Day will be held on **Friday, November 3rd at 7pm** this year. We pray for all those who have died and had funeral services through Our Lady of Peace over the past year. We always welcome also praying for and with our parish families who have lost loved ones in the last year whose funerals were not at OLP. Any parishioners of OLP can notify the office if your spouse, parent or child died since last November 2nd and we will include them by name in our service and make a candle for them. The deadline to let us know is Monday, Oct. 23rd.

****NOTES FROM "The One Hour to Peace from Mass to Mission" WEEK 3-** On the first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist:

I. THE ONE HOUR TO PEACE....

- Communion with God is the greatest source of peace that is beyond all understanding which this world cannot give.
- The Mass is the most significant experience of Communion with God and the community of the Mystical Body of Christ which is the Church.
- THEREFORE the Mass is the One Hour to Peace.

II. "Eucharist"- from Greek word which means "thanksgiving"

- In the Preface Dialogue is the most explicit prayer of thanksgiving in the Mass
 - “Let us give thanks to the Lord our God”... “It is right and just!”
 - “It is truly right and just, our DUTY AND OUR SALVATION, ALWAYS AND EVERYWHERE to give you thanks”

III. Preparation of the Gifts

- Collection/Procession- reinforces the congregation's participation in the offering/sacrifice
 - bringing fruit of their labor- bread and wine, money
 - but also the sacrifices in their lives and of their entire life!
- Every Mass is a renewal of our covenant relationship with God.
 - He gives himself perfectly and completely to us in Christ at every Mass especially His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.
 - We give ourselves, our lives, our struggles, our sweat, our tears, our joys imperfectly to Him- ALL represented by the gifts.
- Priest invites Congregation to reinforce this... "Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father."
- Congregation responds... "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all his holy church." The congregation gives the presider permission to offer the sacrifice for and with them.
- As the priest prepares the gifts and mingles the water in the wine he says inaudibly- "By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity."
- The purpose of Mass and our entire relationship with God is to be divinized- to be made more and more like God and that is only made possible by God becoming one of us. IT IS THIS TRANSFORMATION THAT ALLOWS US TO EXPERIENCE THE PEACE OF CHRIST!

IV. "Sanctus"

- the prayer of thanksgiving of the presider in the Preface as well as the reminder of why we give thanks in the prayer compels the congregation to praise God with the angels and the saints in the Holy Holy
- One of the oldest and most significant prayers in Christianity (400 AD)
- Reminds us that every Mass is a union of Heaven and Earth
- Comes from Isaiah 6:3 (Vision of Isiah), Rev. 4:8 and Matthew 21:9 (triumphant entry into Jerusalem)

****Quotes from the USCCB's Pastoral Letter "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church" NOV 2021 Paragraph 15-16-** "15. The Eucharist is a sacrificial meal, "the sacred banquet of communion with the Lord's body and blood." Its fundamental pattern is found in the Jewish celebration of the Passover, which involves both a meal and a sacrifice. The Passover meal is celebrated in remembrance of the Exodus, when the Israelites were told to sacrifice a lamb to the Lord and to mark the doorposts of their houses with the blood, so that the angel of death would pass over their houses and leave the Israelites unharmed. This marked a people set apart and chosen by God as his special possession. Each family was then to eat the lamb with unleavened bread as a reminder of the haste with which the Israelites had to prepare for their departure from Egypt and with bitter herbs as a reminder of their deliverance from slavery. At the Last Supper, Jesus reveals himself to be


the Paschal Lamb ("Behold the Lamb of God") whose sacrifice brings liberation from slavery to sin and whose blood marks out a new people belonging to God. All the sacrifices in the Old Testament prefigure and find their fulfillment in the one perfect sacrifice of Jesus. 16. The saving work of Jesus Christ, which has brought to fulfillment what was announced in figure in the Passover, is now re-presented in the celebration of the Eucharist. The Eucharist "makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior." As Pope St. John Paul II taught: "The Church constantly draws her life from [this] redeeming sacrifice; she approaches it not only through faith-filled remembrance, but also through a real contact, since this sacrifice is made present ever anew, sacramentally perpetuated, in every community which offers it at the hands of the consecrated minister."

****Quotes from the Saints on the Mass/ Eucharist**

St. Peter Julian Eymard: "Know, O Christian, that the Mass is the holiest act of religion. You cannot do anything to glorify God more, nor profit your soul more, than by devoutly assisting at it, and assisting as often as possible."

St. John Vianney: "Martyrdom is nothing in comparison with the Mass, because martyrdom is the sacrifice of man to God, whereas the Mass is the Sacrifice of God for man!"

St. Lawrence Justinian: "No human tongue can enumerate the favors that trace back to the Sacrifice of the Mass. The sinner is reconciled with God; the just man becomes more upright; sins are wiped away; vices are uprooted; virtue and merit increases; and the devil's schemes are frustrated."



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Free Webinar!



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October 26, 2023

7:30 PM EDT

Date

Time

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May all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

All are invited to attend the
All Souls Prayer Service

being celebrated on

Friday, November 3, 2023 7:00PM

This special service will be offered as a time of peace and reflection as the parish community honors our family and friends who have passed away this year.

Come and celebrate our hope and promise of new life through Christ Jesus.

Livestream available on our YouTube channel.

Please contact the church office to include the name of a loved one whose funeral was celebrated in the past year.



World Mission Sunday 2023

October 22nd

Were not our hearts burning within us?

Luke 24:13-35



26M Children 38,140 Seminarians 8,750 Shelters 12,000 Health Centers 844,000 Catechists 258,540 Religious sisters

WWW.ONEFAMILYINMISSION.ORG

**BE THE SPARK THAT
TRANSFORMS LIVES.
GIVE NOW.**



Special Collection: World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation.

*We thank you, in advance,
for your support and generosity.*

Dear OLP families,

We are ready to train a new group of Altar Servers. This beautiful and very important ministry is a great way for you to serve God and your parish and it is a gift to be so close to mysteries of our faith while you serve at His altar. Your priests really need your help and appreciate your generous service too!

This ministry is open to any boy or girl from 4th Grade-12th Grade in OLP School, in Faith Formation at OLP, or in one of our Catholic High Schools.

If you have a reverent, prayerful, and joyful heart and a desire to serve God and fall more in love with Him especially through the Holy Mass you are called to this ministry. Training will be provided and will be announced soon. If you are interested and want to become an altar server please email at: fr.dan@olp.org or call me at the Church Office at 814-833-7701 x205. I look forward to praying and serving with you!

~ Fr. Dan



OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Mission Month

Today we observe World Mission Sunday. In addition to being the month of the Rosary, October is devoted to the missions. During this month in 1492 the secular Franciscan Christopher Columbus brought the first Christians to the American continent. Various missionary saints such as Francis of Assisi, Paul of the Cross, and Teresa of the Child Jesus are commemorated during this month.

Another October saint, Antonio María Claret, was Bishop of Cuba and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (the Claretians).

All of our American countries were evangelized by religious missionaries as well as priests and lay women and men who left their families in Europe in order to dedicate themselves to serve our native and *mestizo* populations by bringing them the word of God. In time, new Christians also helped these foreign missionaries in their work. People like Juan Diego, Rose of Lima, and Martin de Porres responded to the call of Jesus, who asked us to take the Good News to all nations.

A missionary is not necessarily someone who leaves home to preach the gospel to others abroad. True missionaries unite their lives to the mission of Jesus by living the gospel whether at home, at work, in the parish, or if God asks, in other lands.

—Friar Gilberto Cavazos-González, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Catholic Prayer Corner

The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary

(Recited as part of the Rosary on Tuesday and Friday)

1. The Agony in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion

At the end of the Rosary, the “Hail, Holy Queen” or the “Prayer after the Rosary” may be added.



Book of Remembrance

Our parish Book of Remembrance is available in the vestibule throughout October. You may write the names of beloved family and friends who have gone home to be with our Lord, especially those who have died since last November 1. The Book of Remembrance will be placed near the altar on the Feast of All Souls, November 3, and we will continue to pray for these loved ones throughout November.

A Stewardship of Sharing September 2023 Fiscal Year July 2023 - June 2024

	Monthly	YTD
Weekly Envelope	\$ 60,408	\$205,654
Loose	4,059	13,493
Holy Days	30	2,653
Monthly School Support	623	3,666
Christmas/Easter/Flowers	20	20
Total Offertory	\$65,140	\$225,486
Budgeted Offertory	\$82,417	\$989,000
(Deficit) Surplus	(\$17,277)	(\$21,765)
Diocesan Designated Fund	\$ 2,756	\$ 9,372

Ways to Support Our Parish

- Electronic Giving (for more information, contact Mary Beth Whitman at marybeth.whitman@olp.org or 814-833-7701 x 202).
- Online at www.olp.org
- Via Paypal app or www.paypal.com and send to 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.....	\$ 198,075
Total Pledges	\$ 232,569
474 Families - Goal is 500 Families	

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.

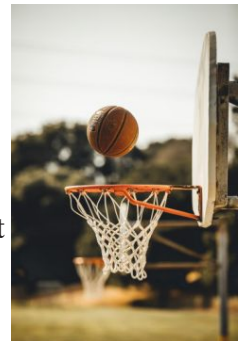
Attention High School Boys: Grade 9 through 12:

CYO Basketball Open Gym sessions are:

Sunday, October 29,
7:00-09:00PM

**The first official practice is:
Sunday, November 12,
7:00-9:00PM**

For more info or to register, contact
Coach Darrell Meyers:
814-450-3697 or
darrell.meyers@olp.org



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

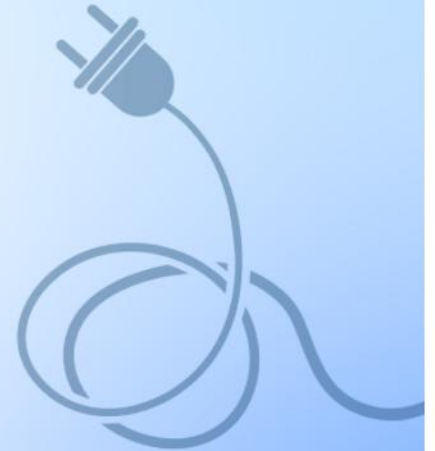
Get Connected

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
- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
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Homebound Ministry

Serve our brothers and sisters by bringing Holy Communion to those in our parish that are unable to join us for Mass.



Can You Help Us?

The Homebound ministry has been blessed with many Eucharistic Ministers volunteering recently.

Why do we need help?

There are many parishioners who can no longer get to Mass to receive our Lord. We are asking for your help to identify those who want to receive Holy Communion at home or in a local Nursing home.

If you know of someone, please call the church office at 814-833-7701 x0.

All Eucharistic Ministers maintain confidentiality when ministering to the Homebound/Nursing Home Bound.



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HEARTS WE FEED THE NEEDY

Our Lady of Peace Parish is partnering with the Millcreek Food Pantry to provide desserts for 165 families that need food assistance this Thanksgiving.

Dessert is often everyone's favorite and most memorable part of a meal. No need to bake, we'll do the shopping for you. Your donation of \$5 will provide a Thanksgiving Day dessert for a family in need. Place your donation in an envelope marked Thanksgiving-Food Pantry and drop it off in the collection basket or the church office by November 6th.

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OCTOBER

4th-MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
7th-HS/MS Festival of Praise trip to Steubenville, OH, Noon to Midnight-RSVP by Oct 5th
10th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
11th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
16th-PA March for Life-RSVP by Oct. 10th
17th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
18th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
19th-St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
23rd-4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
24th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
25th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A
27th-Kid's Night Out-RSVP by Oct. 25th
29th-MS NET Retreat in Meadville

Questions/RSVP
sarah.beaver@olp.org

OLP YOUTH MINISTRY SCHEDULE -FALL 2023-



NOVEMBER

6th-OLP Adoration 6:30pm
7th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
8th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
10th-12th-Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat
14th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
15th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
16th-19th-National Catholic Youth Conference
28th-MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
29th-HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A
30th-St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm

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OPEN TO KIDS FROM ANY SCHOOL



\$25 + \$5 PER
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CHILD IN THE
SAME FAMILY

OCT 27TH, DEC 8TH, JAN 12TH, FEB 2ND, MAR 8TH,
MAY 3RD

5:30-9pm

Dinner, snacks, crafts, games, & prayer included.
Must RSVP, no walk in's. Limited spots. Sign in/out
OLP Cafeteria.

RSVP to sarah.beaver@olp.org by the Wednesday before!



Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

Wednesdays, October 25, November 8, 15 7:00PM

Fall Adult Education Class: What we believe: The beauty of the Catholic Faith

St. Peter Cathedral Synod Hall 230 West 10th St., Erie
Expand your understanding - whether you are a life-long Catholic or are just beginning to explore. All are welcome to attend. Questions? faith@stpetercathedral.com

Sunday, October 22, 2023 1:00-4:00PM

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Ladies' Guild Fall Luncheon

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Scheffner Hall 1531 East Grandview Blvd., Erie

Tickets \$10/includes lunch. Basket/Gift Card Auction (over 100 items); Dessert Auction/Tip Boards/ 50/50 Drawing. For more info or tickets, call Michele, 814-602-8107.

Sunday, October 22, 2023 11:00AM-7:00PM

Pasta Dinner

St. Jude the Apostle School Gym 606 Lowell Ave., Erie

Tickets \$17/your choice of Meatballs or Chicken Parmesan; includes: Salad/Dessert/Drinks/Bread.

Basket Drawings/Winavette Tickets/and much more.

Special Early Bird Takeout Option: Sat., Oct. 21st 4:00-7:00PM

Friday, October 27, 2023 7:00PM

Engagement in the Public Square, A Spiritual Practice

Cathedral of St. Paul 134 West 7th St., Erie

A presentation by NETWORK Executive Director Mary Novak, J.D., M.A.P.S. All are invited; sponsored by: Benedictine Sisters of Erie; Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul; & NETWORK, Advocates for Justice, Inspired by Catholic Sisters

Prepare the way of love this Advent

Parish Advent Service Project:

Millcreek Food Pantry. . . The parish is hosting a Community Experience on November 28th. We will be making care packages for the families of the Millcreek Food Pantry. The following items are needed:

laundry detergent	fabric softener
cleaning products	dish detergent
deodorant (men/women)	toothbrush/toothpaste
soap/bodywash	shampoo
razor/feminine products	diapers

There are 150 families that regularly rely on the Millcreek Food Pantry

St. Martin Center Shining Stars. . .

\$25-\$50 Gift cards from Target, Walmart, Kohl's, Five Below, McDonalds or Little Caesars are needed by Tuesday, December 8th. The parish is sponsoring 150 children again this year.

You can make a difference in the life of a child this Christmas.



Drop off all donations at the church office

OLP Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizen Essay Contest

Pope St. Paul VI wrote: "The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church."

Theme:

How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?

The essay contest is to encourage today's youth to be more connected to their community and faith.

The goal is to get young Catholics in **grades 8-12** and instill in them religious and life-affirming values.

In an essay of 500-750 words; forms can be picked up in the church office and are due back by Nov. 5, 2023.



Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Outreach

You can help local refugee families and share Christ's love by donating new or gently used, clean and in good repair items.

The following are needed:

- Small Kitchen Appliances (toasters, etc.)
- Silverware, Plates, Cookware, Utensils
- Bath Towels, Sheets/Pillowcases
- Childrens Clothing, Underwear/Socks (ONLY NEW)
- New School Supplies

All items should be placed in the box in the vestibule. To donate furniture or other large items contact Pete at 814-600-5386.

WOMEN OF FAITH

Every day women of faith courageously pursue lives to glorify God.

All are welcome to join us on November 8th from 6:30-8pm in B4 (room off the school cafeteria). We will be reading and discussing *This Present Paradise: A Spiritual Journey with St.*

Elizabeth of the Trinity by Claire Dwyer.

Contact Maria Good at 570-594-8339

with any questions.

Come for the fellowship and the faith.



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than she ever realized.
and she was loved
more than
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