



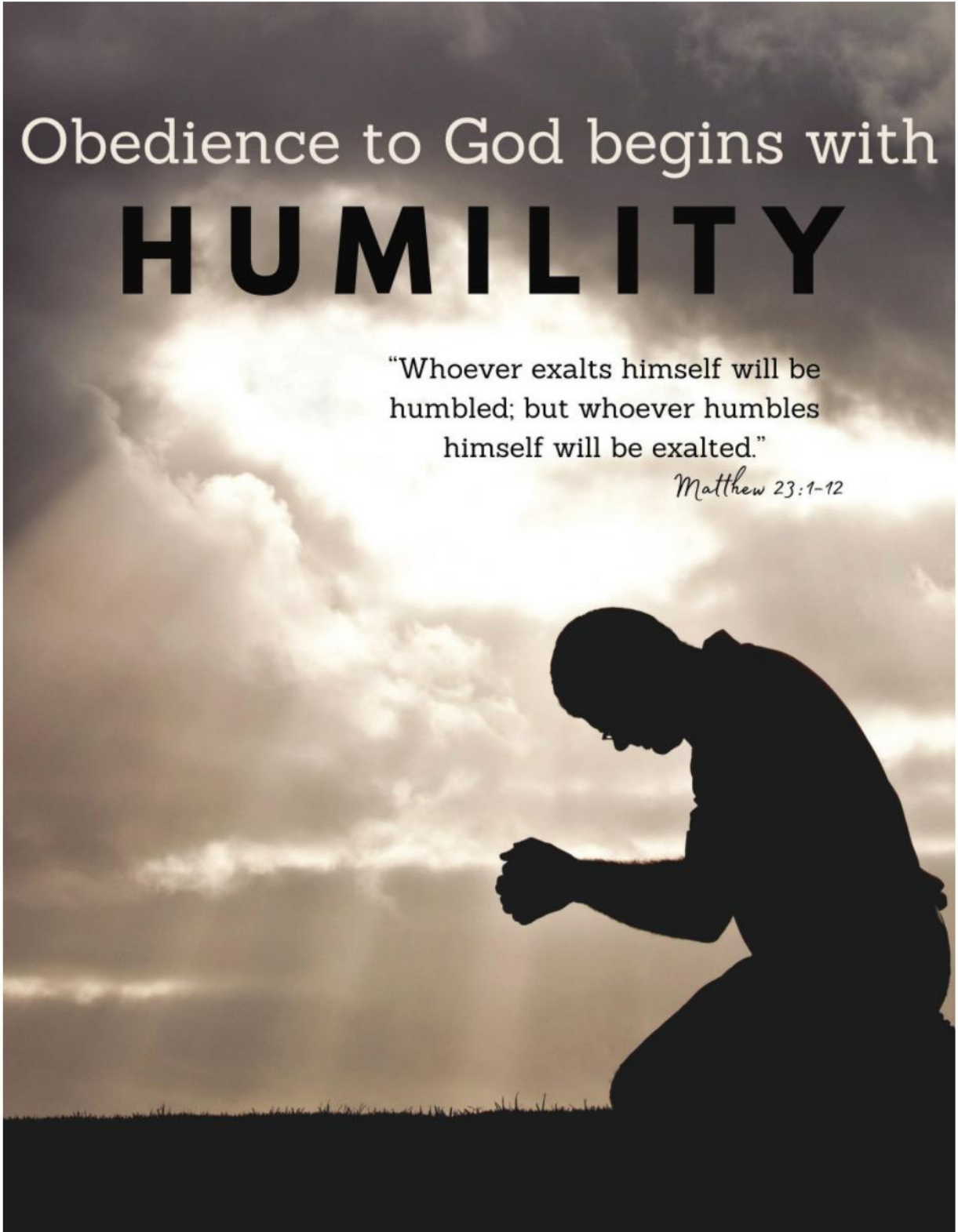
# *Our Lady of Peace*

Obedience to God begins with

# **HUMILITY**

“Whoever exalts himself will be  
humbled; but whoever humbles  
himself will be exalted.”

*Matthew 23:1-12*



*November 5, 2023*

*Thirty-First 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.

**November 2023**

- 5th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup
- 12th Baby Items: Formula/Food/Wipes
- 19th Canned Fruit / Raisins
- 29th Cooking Oils / Cooking Sprays



**Pantry is OPEN November 14 & 28**

**November 20th Turkey Dinner Distribution**

(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 or [tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org).

**Sunday's Readings:**

**Entrance Antiphon** - Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; / be not far from me! / Make haste and come to my help, / O Lord, my strong salvation!

**First Reading** - Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10).

**Psalm** - I rest in you, O Lord (Psalm 131).

**Second Reading** - You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).

**Gospel** - Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).

**Family Discussion of the Week: Sincerity of Heart**

Jesus said, "Therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach." (Matthew 23:3)

**Adults:** Is there an area of your life in which you sometimes feel like a hypocrite?

**Kids:** Why is it important for you to live according to how you believe?

**HUMBLE SERVICE**

Do as they say, not as they do. This is what Jesus told the crowds about the scribes and the Pharisees. They sought honor and prestige. They exalted themselves by appearing to be righteous while placing burdens on those who wished to faithfully follow the law of Moses. Rather than striving to lead others to God, they lived to be seen and held in high esteem. Jesus wants his followers to live differently. Discipleship is not about seeking places of honor or titles of esteem. Rather, Jesus' followers are to focus on humble service. Disciples are to learn from their master and teacher, Jesus Christ, who came to serve rather than to be served. They are to be the living embodiment of Jesus' way of love.

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**MASS INTENTIONS****MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**

7:00AM Caroline DiPlacido - Frank & Suzanne  
 12:10PM Dave Mohr - Dietz Family  
 6:30PM Holy Hour for Vocations

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023**

7:00AM Paul Ragan - Paul Vojtek Family  
 12:10PM Rachel Metz - Family  
 1:30PM School Mass - Fred Ciccozzi - Ehrman Family

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023**

7:00AM Lt. Col. Dennis J. Dombrowski -  
 Jean Verdecchia  
 11:15-Noon Confessions  
 12:10PM Rosealie Everest - Mike & Ileana Restivo

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023**

7:00AM Georgia Mastro -  
 Jerry & Mary Ann Anuszkiewicz  
 12:10PM Chuck Rohrbach -  
 Sister Margaret Ann Hardner

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023****Veterans Day Observed**

7:00AM Bob & Irene Naguszkewski -  
 Jerry & Mary Ann Anuszkiewicz  
 12:10PM Maurice Werner - Joe & Dianne

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023****Veterans Day**

8:00AM Harry Chereson - Wife & Family  
 8:30-9:00AM Confessions  
 3:45-5:45PM Confessions  
 5:00PM Patrick Stellato - Mother

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023****Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Donna Madison - Sargent Family  
 9:00AM Rachel Metz - Niece, Marcia  
 11:00AM Sylvester Berarducci -  
 Keith & Cynthia Berarducci  
 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

**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 November 5th*

Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36;  
 Lk 14:12-14  
 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3;  
 Lk 14:15-24  
 Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9;  
 Lk 14:25-33  
 Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
 Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8  
 Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11;  
 Lk 16:9-15  
 Sunday: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18  
 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

**A Family Perspective**

In today's gospel Jesus describes the vocation of marriage and parenting: "The greatest among you must be your servant." Children receive our genes, name and resources; and spouses share a lifelong commitment. A parent's servitude begins at the moment of conception, and the marriage covenant begins on the wedding day. The Lord is present in each of our acts of selfless service.

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Major Tom Carr - Mom & Dad.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Chuck Rohrbach - Wally & Mary Lou Wilhelm.

**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:**

Nov. 5: Joyce K.  
 Nov. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.  
 Nov. 7: Margaret K.  
 Nov. 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P.,  
 Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.  
 Nov. 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.  
 Nov. 10: Ann T., Pat C., Pat M.  
 Nov. 11: Dave D., Paul M., Connie S.  
 Nov. 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Chris P.

*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...

National Vocation Awareness Week, November 5-11, 2023, is an annual celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education. It is a time to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U.S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

Please join me in praying for and promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life this week in a special way. We will have a holy hour for vocations on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Fr. Dan will preside at the Holy Hour that will include Eucharistic Adoration and a litany for vocations. Also Masses that day will be offered for Vocations to Holy Orders.

May God bless our church with more priests, deacons, religious life and lay leaders 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...**

**\*\*Weekend of Prayer for Pastoral Planning in the Diocese of Erie** The following quote is from Bishop Persico... "As we continue the efforts of pastoral planning, it is imperative that we keep before us and our people that the reason for planning is to provide vibrant communities of faith for future generations. **With this in mind, I have determined to call the whole family of the Diocese of Erie to prayer. On the Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, the weekend of November 11- 12, 2023, I expect all parish celebrations of the diocese to be oriented around prayer for the pastoral planning process.**"

**\*\*Veteran's Day/ Feast of St. Martin of Tours** We will pray for all veterans at our 8am Mass on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> which is also the feast of St. Martin of Tours who is the patron saint of soldiers. At the end of Mass we will offer a special prayer for any Veterans present. Please encourage any veterans you know to join us for Mass so we can pray with and for them.

**\*\*Quotes from the USCCB's Pastoral Letter "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church" NOV 2021** Paragraph 22-23- "When the Eucharist is distributed and the minister says, "the Body of Christ," we are to look not simply at what is visible before our eyes, but at what it has become by the words of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit—the Body of Christ. The communicant's response of "Amen" is a profession of faith in the Real Presence of Christ and reflects the intimate personal encounter with him, with his gift of self, that comes through reception of Holy Communion.

The Church's firm belief in the Real Presence of Christ is

reflected in the worship that we offer to the Blessed Sacrament in various ways, including Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction; Eucharistic Processions; and Forty Hours Devotions. In addition, the practices of reverently genuflecting before the Blessed Sacrament reserved in the tabernacle, bowing one's head prior to the reception of Holy Communion, and refraining from food and drink for at least one hour before receiving Communion are clear manifestations of the Church's Eucharistic faith."

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

**St. Leonard of Port Maurice** "O you deluded people, what are you doing? Why do you not hasten to the churches to hear as many Masses as you can? Why do you not imitate the angels, who, when a Holy Mass is celebrated, come down in myriads from Paradise and take their stations about our altars in adoration to intercede for us?" **Saint John Chrysostom** "When Mass is being celebrated, the sanctuary is filled with countless angels who adore the Divine Victim immolated on the altar."

**\*\*Special Masses this Week** *Monday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>*-Mass for Vocations to Holy Orders; *Tuesday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>* – Mass for those in public office; *Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>*- Mass In Time of War or Civil Disturbance; *Thursday, Nov., 9<sup>th</sup>*- The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Cathedral Church of the Pope in Rome); *Friday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>*- St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (5<sup>th</sup> Century); *Saturday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>*- St. Martin of Tours, Bishop (4<sup>th</sup> Century converted soldier and patron of soldiers).

**\*\*NOTES FROM "The One Hour to Peace from Mass to Mission" WEEK 5- THE CONCLUDING RITE**

- I. The Source/Summit Prayer of our church is called the Mass
  - a. comes from the Latin word Missa= sent, the purpose of the Mass is to be sent out.
  - b. as Catholics we are a people on a mission and this is our prayer!
  - c. Not just the conclusion of the prayer of the Mass but beginning of the prayer of faith lived out in the world
- II. Announcements
  - a. Could argue to be a NECESSARY part of Mass
  - b. Give practical and important ways to put our faith into action which is purpose of the whole Mass
- III. Dismissal
  - a. Tremendously significant to the theology of the Mass.
  - b. It is a directive... imperative... not an option.
  - c. We are sent as missionaries leaving fed and fueled.
  - d. Rather than stay at Church and greedily hold on to what we have been given, our duty is to go out and share the fruit of our prayer and renew the face of the earth with CHRIST'S PEACE.
  - e. "Go in PEACE, glorifying the Lord with your life"
- IV. Congregational Response- THANKS BE TO GOD! Affirmation and celebration that our purpose "to love and serve the Lord" fulfills our very purpose for being created.
- V. Recessional Procession and Song
  - a. Recessional is parallel to opening procession- transition back to home, work, neighborhood where we live our mission.
  - b. Appropriate to end in song- what we have experienced at Mass and what we are sent to do should be cause of great rejoicing.
  - c. We enter the world singing filled with joy.





PLEASE JOIN US FOR FATHER PETE'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

## An Evening of Hope

**"He Ain't Heavy, He's My Son"**

by Justin LeRoy and Barb Emory

A mother and son's perspective on dealing with addiction and the hope of recovery and healing. Come witness God's love and how Maria House Project continues to carry out Fr. Pete's Mission.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH**

**6PM - 8PM**

**OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH**

**2401 W 38TH ST**

**ERIE, PA 16506**

*Light refreshments served in the church vestibule following the program*



### Area Catholic High School Open Houses for 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders **Sunday, November 5, 2023** **Mercyhurst Preparatory** **School**

538 East Grandview Blvd, Erie  
Noon to 3:00PM

[mpslakers.com/openhouse](http://mpslakers.com/openhouse)

Students will take you on a guided tour, including visits to our innovative classrooms, renovated performing arts center, and expansive athletic wing, all nestled on our beautiful 7.5 acre campus. A Mercyhurst Prep education gives students the tools to be independent thinkers, quality leaders and successful change makers in the world.

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Apply to Mercyhurst Prep online at [mpslakers.com/admissions](http://mpslakers.com/admissions) on or before November 5 to become eligible to win one of five \$1,000 tuition vouchers for the 2024-2025 school year!

For more info call 824-2323; visit [www.mpslakers.com](http://www.mpslakers.com).

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](mailto: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





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Present:

# A Fall Concert

with  
*A Tribute to William Byrd (1570-1623)*

Conducted by Steven A. Woods

<b>Saturday,</b> November 18, 2023 Christ First United Methodist Church 663 Lakeview Avenue Jamestown, NY 4:00 pm	<b>Sunday,</b> November 19, 2023 Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul 134 West 1 <sup>th</sup> Street Erie, PA 4:00 pm
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*Performing works by:*  
Arcadelt, Brice Dolanc, Byrd, Daley, Forrest, Hassler,  
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OLP's own  
Brian Kuzmin  
will perform  
with the  
← Lake Erie  
Choral Artists  
for their  
Fall Concert



### Bulletin Deadlines for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years

The Holidays are fast approaching and with it comes some early deadlines for the bulletin. They are as follows:

- For Sunday, November 19, 2023, articles are due November 10, 2023
- For Sunday, November 26, 2023, articles are due November 14, 2023
- For Sunday, December 3, 2023, articles are due November 20, 2023
- For Sunday, December 10, 2023, articles are due by December 1, 2023
- For Sunday, December 17, 2023, articles are due by December 8, 2023
- For Sunday, December 24, 2023, articles are due by December 12, 2023
- For Sunday, December 31, 2023, articles are due by December 15, 2023
- For Sunday, January 7, 2024, articles are due December 18, 2023
- For Sunday, January 14, 2024, articles are due January 5, 2023

You may e-mail the info to: [cynthia.berarducci@olp.org](mailto:cynthia.berarducci@olp.org)  
or drop it off at the church office.

*Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation with these early deadlines.*



## OUR FASCINATING FAITH

### The Basilica of St. John Lateran

The solemnity that we celebrate every November 9, the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, honors the Roman Catholic Church's "mother church," the pope's diocesan home church. No, not St. Peter's Basilica! Rather, on one of Rome's seven hills stands the cathedral church of the Diocese of Rome, the Basilica of Saint John Lateran. Since this church is the pope's diocesan cathedral, it is significant in the history of Catholicism, and the commemoration of its dedication is a solemnity observed in all the Roman Catholic churches around the world. The engraving over its east entrance reads, "Mother and Head of All Churches in the City and throughout the World." Attached to the basilica is a large baptistry, whose inscription reminds us of our universal call to holiness: "Think not your sins too many or too great: birth in this stream is birth to holiness." As we celebrate the commemoration of the dedication of this great church, let us be one with all who have been born to new life in the waters of Holy Baptism. The universal celebration of this solemnity on this day reminds us that we are all members of the same Body of Christ.

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### Catholic Prayer Corner

#### Vocation Prayer

Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd.

You know each of us

and you call us by name

to serve you in faith.

Help us respond generously to your voice.

Give courage and guidance

to those you call to the priesthood

and the diaconate,

to religious life and lay ministry,

so they may respond wholeheartedly

and serve devotedly.

We ask this in your name. Amen. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Are you ready to show the world  
that OLP is the place to be?



We are excited to offer OLP gear for sale  
after Masses from November 11th-19th

proceeds will support the Youth Ministry Program

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NOVEMBER 11

# VETERANS DAY

VETERANS PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE  
8AM MASS ON NOVEMBER 11TH  
AND RECEIVE A SPECIAL BLESSING.

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WE PRAY FOR THE PROTECTION, HEALING AND PEACE  
OF ALL VETERANS. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ALL WHO  
HAVE SERVED AND ARE CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE  
MILITARY. MAY GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

**There are no classes for grades 1-8 in November or December. Classes resume on January 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Grades 9-10: Classes meet from 5:30-7:30pm in the school and church basement.

**Nov. 5-** Regular classes

**Nov. 19-** Regular classes. Bishop letter part 1 and Confirmation Name form due.

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

## Attention High School Boys: Grade 9 through 12:

CYO Basketball Open Gym session:

**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](mailto: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.*

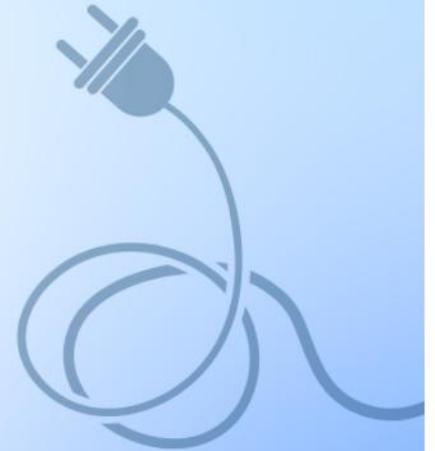
CHECK ONE:

- 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](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.



### 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.

WITH  
*Grateful*  
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.

# Advertiser of the Week:

Our bulletin is supported through the generosity of the advertisers - many of whom are our parishioners. Most are members of our local community. Please support our advertisers with your patronage. Tell the business owner that you appreciate their support of our parish through their ad in the bulletin.

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## 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

Questions/RSVP  
sarah.beaver@olp.org

## Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

**Sunday, November 5 11:00AM - 4:00PM**

**Fall Festival/Pork & Kraut Dinner**

**St. Boniface** 9367 Wattsburg Rd., Erie  
Dinner: Adult \$15; Child Under 12 \$7/Family of 2 Adults & 2 Children \$40. Fall Festival free admission/Live Music/Handmade Quilt Raffle/Bake Sale/ Basket Raffle/Country Cupboard/\$1000 Cash Raffle/ and more. A portion of proceeds benefits St. Patrick's Haven for Homeless.

**Wednesdays, November 8 and 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](mailto:faith@stpetercathedral.com)

**Thursdays, November 9, 30 December 14, 28 6:00PM**

**Fantastics: A group of card-playing adults**

**St. Luke Parish Cafeteria** 421 E. 38th St., Erie

The group enjoys games of Euchre as well as single-deck and double-deck Pinochle.

For more info, call Kevin 814-882-8070

**Friday, November 10 7:00-11:00PM**

**Dance featuring: The Groove**

**Our Lady of Mercy Church Gym** 837 Bartlett Rd, Harborcreek

Cost \$15/person; purchase tickets at the Our Lady of Mercy Parish Office: Mon-Fri 8AM-3PM; tickets sold at the door; 50-50 Raffle benefiting OLM. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 11144.

**Sunday, November 12 2:00PM**

**Father Pete's Maria House Project Bingo Bash**

**JPTF Events Center** 2319 West 38th St., Erie

\$30 Online Pre-Sale ([www.mariahouseproject.org](http://www.mariahouseproject.org))/\$35 at the door (includes regular games & jackpot)/Basket Raffle; 50-50; Instant & more. BYO Drinks & Food.

**Monday, November 13 St. Francis Xavier, McKean**

**Tuesday, November 14 Beloved Disciple, Grove City**

**Wednesday November 15 St. Joseph, Force, PA**

**Spiritual Formation Opportunity: The Eucharistic Revival - Pillar One: Foster Encounters with Jesus Through the Kerygma and Eucharist**

Discussion by Fr. Jeff Lucas (from the Epiphany of the Lord Parish in Meadville) All meetings begin at 10:00AM and end with a luncheon at Noon

Cost \$15/person, includes lunch (must be paid in advance); register online at: <https://forms.office.com/r/w4ennaV534>

**Saturday, November 18 3:15PM**

**Holy Hour for the National Eucharistic Revival**

**St. Mark Church** 695 Smithson Ave., Erie

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Scripture Readings/Reflection/Time for Personal Prayer/Benediction

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# 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:

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| 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.



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## Community ADVENT EXPERIENCE

SAVE THE DATES NOW

- November 28th - Dinner and Packing party with activities
- December 5th - Lessons and Carols
- December 12th - Holy Hour



Don't get so caught up in preparing for Christ's coming that you forget to prepare yourself to participate in it.

## 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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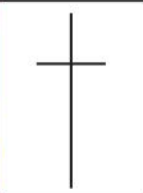
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