



Our Lady of Peace



**Moved with pity
Jesus said,**

"I do will it. Be made clean."

Mark 1:40-45

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Fr. Rich Toohey, Fr. Dan Hoffman,

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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.

**February 2024**

11th Canned Tuna/Salmon/Chicken

18th Canned Fruit / Raisins

25th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup

Pantry is OPEN February 13 & 27

(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 - O come, let us worship God / and bow low before the God who made us, / for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading - The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalm - I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading - Do everything for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1).

Gospel - The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Models of Christ

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ. (Corinthians 11:1)

Adults: Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be a Christian? Why or why not?

Kids: What can you do this week to be an example to others?

GIVE GOD THE GLORY

A curious feature of the first half of Mark's Gospel is the pattern of Jesus working a miracle, then telling the recipient of the miracle to keep still about it. Many theories have been offered: Mark is setting the stage for the great "secret" revealed when Peter will proclaim Jesus the Messiah at Caesarea Philippi; more skeptical commentators offer that Jesus, fully aware of human nature, knew that the way to spread the news was to tell people to keep it secret. The insight into this secret-keeping that serves us well, however, is that Jesus was initiating his public ministry according to the pattern that Paul describes. He was doing it for the glory of God—not for his own benefit, but for that of all. Paul would later write in Philippians that Jesus "humiliated" himself to become like us. And we see this humility at work in today's healing of the leper. Jesus is trying to reveal the presence of God's reign among the people, not so that he himself might receive the glory, but so that God would be glorified through him. Imitating this pattern, which Paul encourages the Jewish and Greek Christian factions in Corinth to do, still serves us well today.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

7:00AM Robert Wieczorek - Family

12:10PM Richard Abel - Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2024

7:00AM Anna Ciccozzi - Friend of Family

12:10PM Eve Morettini Rogers - Brother, Tony

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024

Ash Wednesday

7:00AM Special Intention for Tim Hoffman - McAndrew Family

11:15AM-Noon Confessions

12:10PM Peggy Pulice - Family

1:30PM School Mass - Fred Ciccozzi - Ehrman Family

5:30PM Liturgy of the Word with Ashes

7:00PM Mary Ann Toohey - Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

7:00AM Dee Fiedler - Kathy, Fred & Steve

12:10PM Peggy Pulice - Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024

7:00AM Ed Wagner - Daughter, Corky

12:10PM Steve Mook - Gaines & Finazzo Family

6:00 PM Confessions

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

8:00AM Diane Campbell - Jerry Dombrowski & Family

8:30-9:00AM Confessions

3:45-5:45PM Confessions

5:00PM Jean Yurkovic - Monday Card Club

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2024

First Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Bob & Mildred Ehrman - Ehrman Family

9:00AM Amelia & Anthony Patsy - Daughter

11:00AM Mabel Gianoni - Jim & Kathy Luschini

RCIA Rite of Sending

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

Readings for the Week of February 11th

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;

Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19;

Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;

2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22;

Mk 1:12-15

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Peggy Pulice - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Robert Wieczorek - Family.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Roberta Gusky and Lory Usko. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

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!**



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:

Feb. 11: Dave D., Paul M., Connie S.

Feb. 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Chris P.

Feb. 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F., Donna R.

Feb. 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.

Feb. 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B.

Feb. 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin D.

Feb. 17: Len & Cathy K., Helen W., Barbra W., Nancy D.

Feb. 18: Carlee Y., Rachel O.

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

Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

7:00AM Weekdays

8:00AM Saturdays

9:00AM Sundays



Go to www.olg.org, scroll down to 'Find Us on Social Media,' click on YouTube and you will be connected to our Channel. Once there you can watch previous Masses and also Subscribe by clicking the red Subscribe button.

From the Pastor's Desk...

It is hard to believe that Lent, our “great annual Catholic retreat,” is already upon us. This is a special time when we, as Catholics, recommit to the basic Christian disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving in order to grow in our relationship with God and make more room for Him in our hearts and in our lives. We begin that journey this **Ash Wednesday when we will have Masses at 7am, 12:10pm, 1:30pm (school Mass), and 7pm. There will also be a Service for Distribution of Ashes at 5:30pm.** Recall that this is not a holy day of obligation; but Mass is still a noble way to start this great season of grace. It is also a day of abstinence from meat for Catholics 14 years and older (as are all the Fridays in Lent), and a day of fasting for Catholics age 18-59. Those obligated to fast may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain one's strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

I cannot encourage you enough to make a plan for your Lenten commitments in those areas of prayer, fasting and almsgiving (giving to the poor). Here are some opportunities in the parish to consider for your spiritual commitment during Lent: **DAILY MASS** (it has been a powerful Catholic tradition to commit to this pray more regularly during Lent); **Daily Rosary** is said at 11:35am in the main church from Monday through Friday; **Stations of the Cross** at 7pm on all Fridays during Lent; **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Friday, March 1st from 7:30am-7pm and March 26th at 1:00pm through Noon on March 27st (Tuesday/Wednesday of Holy Week); **Operation Rice Bowl** (given to all families with children in Faith Formation and the school as well as in the bulletin) to support Catholic Relief Services; **“Four Pillars of the Catechism” Series** in Lent on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm; and the **“Light is On for You”** where confession is available at all participating local parishes from 5-7pm on Thursday, March 21st.

In addition to these communal opportunities, see my notes for the full Confession schedule for Lent. Also, our parish continues to have a deal with the **Hallow App** that you can sign up for \$1 through Lent. They have a Lenten Challenge called Pray40: He Leadeth Me where you will be guided through the 20th Century spiritual classic called “He Leadeth Me” by Fr. Walter Ciszek, SJ. It's an extraordinary account of a Catholic priest who persevered through solitary confinement and labor camps for 20+ years. His incredible spiritual reflections will help you give God total sovereignty of your life and help you grow experience true freedom in Christ. Scan the QR code and enter Our Lady of Peace Parish in Erie, PA and you will be given the special offer or stop by the office and we will be happy to assist you.

Whatever you decide for your plan, Lent should look different for us as Catholics so let's get ready to renew our spiritual health.... may God bless our week and Lent 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...

****Mardi Gras** Please join your parish family for a **Mardi Gras celebration in the school cafeteria at 6pm on Tuesday, February 13th.** I thank our Families Together Ministry for organizing and sponsoring this last celebration before we enter into our penitential season of Lent.

****OLD Palms** It's that time. . . return your old palms in the vestibule before Ash Wednesday so they can be burned for our ashes. **I will burn the palms for this year's ashes on Tuesday, February 13th at 1:30pm with the OLP School community in the parking lot.** All are welcome to join us as we prepare for Ash Wednesday.

****Stations of the Cross will be held each week on Friday (Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15 (Living Stations), and 22) at 7pm. Confessions will be heard from 6-7pm before Stations.**

****Catholic Services Appeal 2024 (CSA)** This weekend (February 10th and 11th) we invite you to make a commitment to support the CSA. These gifts support our parish by funding our annual contribution in support of vital diocesan ministries. Our Lady of Peace keeps 100% of gifts raised beyond our contribution for the needs of our parish. Your gifts allow OLP and the Church in northwest Pennsylvania to continue building up the body of Christ. **More specifically, this year's CSA project for Our Lady of Peace Parish is the mortar pointing on the east side of the church building. The cost of that project is \$55,000. Our annual contribution to the Diocesan Church ministry is \$144,333. So our overall goal for CSA 2024 is \$200,000.**

*****“Celebrating Today, Planning for Tomorrow”** So far we have 133 households that have committed to \$50,207 in annual increase and another \$3,105 in one time gifts. Thank you to those who have participated in this campaign and please consider if you have not yet.

****Lenten practices:** The Diocese of Erie offers the following information regarding observation of Lent in 2024:

The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, and concludes when the Paschal Triduum of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord begins at the start of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024.

1. Traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and other forms of self-denial, are recommended most warmly by the church. Daily Mass is particularly encouraged.
2. Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older.
3. In 2024, St. Patrick's Day (March 17 – Principal Patronal Feast Day of the Diocese of Erie) falls on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. In recognition of the importance of this day for the faithful, Bishop Persico has directed that St. Patrick be liturgically observed (at daily Mass, Divine Office, etc.) throughout the diocese on Monday, March 18, 2024.



4. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday also are days of fasting for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. (On these days, those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)

****Lenten Confessions** In addition to our normal weekly confession times (Wednesdays from 11:15am-Noon, Saturdays from 8:30-9am and 3:45-4:45pm) we will have extra opportunities throughout Lent. They are Fridays from 6-7pm (before Stations) and after all Sunday Masses including 4:30pm. "The Light is On for You" is Thursday, March 21st from 5-7pm, local churches are open and priests hearing confessions throughout Erie.

****Masses this Week** Monday, Feb. 12th and Tuesday, Feb. 13th- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Wednesday, Feb. 14th- Ash Wednesday; Thursday, Feb. 15th, Friday, Feb. 16th and Saturday, Feb. 17th- Lenten Weekdays.

****I will be a celebrity judge for St. Martin Center's biggest fundraiser "Erie's Best Coffee" which will be held on Sunday, February 25th from 11am-2pm at the Ambassador Conference Center.** Each judge is asked to raise \$1,000. SMC is a ministry of Catholic Charities that works for the poor of our community. So please consider making a donation to St. Martin Center in my name by visiting www.stmartincenter.org/eriesbestcoffee.html or scan the QR code in the bulletin.

****Lenten Series: "The One Hour to Peace... the Four Pillars"** We are excited to introduce a new series in formation for Lent that will overview the 4 sections (pillars) of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. There will be a presentation and small group discussion each night as well as an optional light dinner of soup and bread being served from 6-6:30pm. Sessions will be held in the School Cafeteria. I hope you will consider joining us.

Wednesday, Feb. 21 st	The Creed	6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday, Feb. 28 th	The Sacraments	6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday, Mar. 6 th	Life in Christ (Morality)	6:30-7:30pm
Wednesday, Mar. 13 th	Prayer	6:30-7:30pm

****Upcoming Pilgrimages** I wanted to invite you to consider joining me and/or Fr. Dan on the following pilgrimages that can be a powerful opportunity to grow and learn in faith as well as strengthen your experience of Christian Community.

- Lancaster and Sights and Sounds Theatre showing of Daniel- June 11-13, 2024 (Fr. Rich and Fr. Dan)- details TBD
- National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis (first Eucharistic Congress in the US in 83 years)- July 17, 21, 2024 (Fr. Rich and Fr. Dan)- details at www.eriescd.org/EucharisticRevival.html.
- Poland in the Steps of St. John Paul II- September 10-19, 2024 (Fr. Dan)- <https://selectinternationaltours.com/product/pilgrimage-to-poland-september-10-19-2024-24ja09polr>.
- Eucharistic Miracles of Italy- May 5-16, 2025 (Fr. Rich)- https://selectinternationaltours.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Fr.-Rich-Toohey-Italy-2025_web.pdf.

****Quotes from the USCCB's Pastoral Letter "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church" NOV 2021**

Paragraph 45-47: "While all our failures to do what is right damage our communion with God and with each other, they fall into different categories, reflecting different degrees of severity. This brings us to the distinction between venial and mortal sins. Venial sins are those sins and everyday faults that, although they reflect a degree of selfishness, do not break the covenant with God. They do not deprive the sinner of friendship with God or of sanctifying grace.⁶¹ Venial sins are not to be taken lightly, but they do not destroy communion because they do not destroy the principle of divine life in us. Indeed, reception of the Eucharist strengthens our charity and wipes away venial sins, while also helping us to avoid more serious sins.⁶² Pope Francis brought attention to this medicinal character of the Eucharist when he pointed out that it "is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak." He also warns us against the Pelagian error of forgetting our constant need for grace and thinking that living a holy life depends on our own force of will. There are some sins, however, that do rupture the communion we share with God and the Church, and that cause grave offense to human dignity. These are referred to as grave, or mortal, sins. One commits a mortal sin by freely, knowingly, and willingly choosing to do something that involves grave matter and that is opposed to charity, opposed to love of God and neighbor.

One is not to celebrate Mass or receive Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin without having sought the Sacrament of Reconciliation and received absolution. As the Church has consistently taught, a person who receives Holy Communion while in a state of mortal sin not only does not receive the grace that the sacrament conveys; he or she commits the sin of sacrilege by failing to show the reverence due to the sacred Body and Blood of Christ. St. Paul warns us that whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body (See Code of Canon Law, c. 916; Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches, c. 712. The exception to this rule is a situation in which the person has both a grave reason to receive and no opportunity to confess; however, the person is obligated to make an act of perfect contrition and to resolve to confess at the earliest opportunity) and blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself. To receive the Body and Blood of Christ while in a state of mortal sin represents a contradiction. The person who, by his or her own action, has broken communion with Christ and his Church but receives the Blessed Sacrament, acts incoherently, both claiming and rejecting communion at the same time. It is thus a counter sign, a lie - it expresses a communion that in fact has been broken."

****Quotes on the Mass/ Eucharist**

St. Bernadine of Siena (1380-1444): "Prayer is the best preparation for Holy Communion. Prayer is the raising of the mind to God. When we pray we go to meet Christ Who is coming to us. If our Creator and Savior comes from heaven with such great love, it is only fitting that we should go to meet Him. And this is what we do when we spend some time in prayer."

LENT AND CRS RICE BOWL

Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Uganda, El Salvador and Indonesia who



are working hard to overcome the challenges of hunger and the impact of climate change. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on our connectedness as one family in Christ and work together to ensure our sisters and brothers worldwide can thrive. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



Cash Bingo benefitting Scouts BSA Troop 59
Hosted by JPTF

When: Sunday February 25

Time: Doors open at Noon.

First game at 1pm

Cost: \$30/person - includes 10 games

BYO drinks and snacks

B I N G O				
8	25	33	48	63
10	18	40	49	61
7	20	FREE	42	65
1	22	45	57	74
12	29	37	58	70

Purchase tickets
through a scout or use
the QR code.



**Basket Raffle - Special Games -
Tips - 50/50 and more!**

Thank you for supporting Troop 59

WOMEN OF FAITH

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

All are welcome to join us on February 28th 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!



She was stronger
than she ever imagined.
Jesus was closer
than she ever realized,
and she was loved
more than
she ever knew.

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Catholic Young Adults
Saturday, February 24, 2024

COFFEE WITH CHRIST

St. George Catholic Church

Following 8AM Mass
Meet in multipurpose room
Coffee, tea & food provided
Open to young adults ages 18-40

SPEAKING ON THE SECRET
TO BUILDING DISCIPLINE:
ROSEMARY CAULFIELD

Questions: cberan@stgeorgeerie.org



Altar Server Training

NOTE: Date change due to funerals

Open to all students in 4th-8th grade who are interested in becoming an altar server.

Training will take place on Feb. 17th from 10:30am-1:30pm in the church.

Lunch will be provided.

Questions, call Fr. Dan at 814-833-7701 x 205 or email fr.dan@olp.org.

Current Altar Servers are welcome and encouraged to attend this as a refresher.

God Bless!

Fr. Dan

22:32 MEN 2024 CONFERENCE

*Strengthen
Your Brothers!*

SATURDAY, MARCH 2nd

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Event

At St. Jude Parish, Erie, and at

local parishes in NW Pa and NE Ohio

All Faiths are Welcome!

Inspiring NATIONAL SPEAKERS including:



FATHER
LARRY RICHARDS



BISHOP
LAWRENCE PERSICO



"BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR YOU
THAT YOUR FAITH MAY NOT FAIL.
AND WHEN YOU HAVE TURNED BACK,
STRENGTHEN YOUR BROTHERS."
LUKE 22:32



DAMON OWENS



FATHER
PATRICK SCHULTZ

Our conference will be held live at St. Jude Parish in Erie and will also be live-streamed out to parishes in the Erie Diocese and others in surrounding areas. Our website has a list of those parishes.

www.2232Men.com
info@2232Men.com

for more details and to register.

\$20 Adult Early Registration (before February 1st)
\$25 Adult Registration (after January 31st)
\$20 Group of 5 or more
\$15 Adult - first time attendee ONLY
High School and College Students - FREE
Please register beforehand.

And She Said Yes!

to the Ninth Annual

1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie

TIME: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:

8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church

COST: \$20 (\$25 at the door)

College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!

Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession,

Mass, Basket raffle & Book/media sales

Master of Ceremonies: Fr. Larry Richards

ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



LISA COTTER
Lisa is a Catholic speaker and author known for her practical insights on relationships, femininity, and living life with excellence.



LUKE 1:38
Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

MORE INFO

www.138women.com or 814-455-7364

ALL FAITHS WELCOME!



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

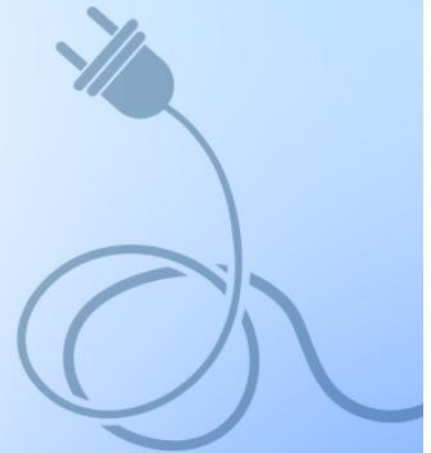
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NEW TO THE PARISH? WANT TO GET INVOLVED BY NOT SURE HOW?

- 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.
- 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 by clicking on the FORMED image. Enter your name & email and create a password.

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Year End Giving Statements

To request your giving statement
please contact Cynthia in the church office by:

Calling: 833.7701 x 0 or **E-mailing:**

cynthia.berarducci@olp.org

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:

Feb. 17, Mar. 16, Apr. 20

Time: 9:00AM to 1:00PM

Where: 11th & French St.

What: Prepare/Serve the Lunch Meal

Time: Any parishioner 15 yrs or older

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A FAMILY & COMMUNITY WIDE
CELEBRATION

Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, February 13th, 5:30pm - 8:00pm
IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Dinner provided and includes some delicious Gumbo as well as child friendly foods.
NO NEED TO BRING ANYTHING.



Enjoy an evening of fun and celebration.
Kids activities will be available.

Join us this Lent as we explore our faith through the Catechism. . .

The One Hour to Peace... the Four Pillars

Wednesdays in the school cafeteria from 6:30-7:30pm. Optional light dinner of soup and bread from 6:00-6:30pm, before the session.

February 21 - March 13

PROFESSION of FAITH	CELEBRATION of the CHRISTIAN MYSTERIES	LIFE in CHRIST	CHRISTIAN PRAYER
THE FOUR PILLARS OF THE CATECHISM			
Wednesday, February 21st	Wednesday, February 28th	Wednesday, March 6th	Wednesday, March 13th
The Creed- Believing the truths of the Catholic Faith	Celebrating our Faith through the Sacraments	Living our Faith through the Moral Life	Experiencing our Faith Relationship with God

Questions/RSVP
sarah.beaver@olp.org

OLP YOUTH MINISTRY SCHEDULE -SPRING 2024-

JANUARY

2nd- MS/HS Christmas Party, location TBD
10th- MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
12th- Kid's Night Out-RSVP by Jan. 10th
13th- MS Retreat-RSVP by Jan. 10th
16th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
17th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
18th- St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
22nd- 4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
22nd- OLP Adoration for Life 6:30pm
23rd- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
24th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
27th- MS/HS Festival of Praise trip to Steubenville, OH, Noon-Midnight-RSVP by Jan. 24th
30th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
31st- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A

FEBRUARY

2nd- Kid's Night Out-RSVP by Jan. 31st
7th- MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
9th-11th- Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat
13th- Mardi Gras Party-all invited, 6-8pm, Cafeteria
15th- St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
19th- OLP Adoration 6:30pm
20th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
21st- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
24th- Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser-all day
26th- 4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
27th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
28th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A

MARCH

2nd- Men's Conference 8am-1pm
9th- MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
9th- Kid's Night Out-RSVP by Mar. 6th
10th- HS Retreat Noon-6pm. RSVP by Mar. 6th
12th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
13th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
14th- St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
15th- Living Stations in OLP Church 7pm
18th- 4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
19th- St. Joseph Table 6-8pm, OLP Cafeteria
20th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A
25th- Christ Mass at Cathedral 1pm
26th- MS/HS YG 6:30-8:30pm meet in social room
27th- The Passion Talk by Fr. Larry Richard at St. Joe's Bread of Life Church 7pm
28th- Holy Thursday Church Hopping, meet at OLP at 8:15pm-RSVP by Mar. 25th
30th- Holy Saturday Sunrise Hike at Wintergreen Gorge, meet at 6am

APRIL

3rd- MS/HS Easter Party 6:30-8:30pm, 9pm
7th- Divine Mercy Service 3pm, OLP Church
10th- MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
12th-14th- Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat
16th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
17th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in social room
18th- St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
20th- Women's Conference 8am-1pm
22nd- 4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
23rd- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
24th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, 12th St. Chick-Fil-A
26th-27th- Festival of Praise Trip to Latrobe, PA, 4pm Fri to 11am Sat, RSVP by Apr. 20th

MAY

1st- MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
3rd- Kid's Night Out-RSVP by May 1st
7th- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
9th- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
11th- Faithful to the Finish 5k, RSVP in Apr.
13th- 4th/5th Gr. YG 4-5:30pm, meet in chapel
14th & 21st- MS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel
15th & 22nd- HS YG 6:30-8:30pm, meet in chapel (22nd @ Chick-Fil-A)
18th- St. Francis in McKean Adoration 8pm
18th- Pepperoni Ball Sale Pick Up Fundraiser 10-11:30am

OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



Archbishop Desmond Tutu said, "Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world."

The "bits of good" that you have been doing for a long time still "overwhelm" the residents, volunteers, staff, and board at Maria House Project. Thank you!

The **February casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on **Saturday, February 17th**, 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.

Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

Fridays in Lent: Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22

FISH FRY 4:30PM - until sold out; all dinners \$12

Our Lady of the Lake Social Hall 128 Sunset Dr., Edinboro

Dinners include: Baked or Fried Fish/Baked Potato/Mac & Cheese/Green Beans/Coleslaw/Roll/Cookie

Drive-Thru Only - however, seating is provided inside to enjoy your "take-out" meal. Every 25th vehicle will receive 1 free dinner coupon; each week one winner will receive a \$50Country Fair gas card; enter to win our Chance of a Lifetime Cash Raffle.

Saturday, February 17, 2024 All Day Retreat

SANCTUS: A Holiness Retreat

Our Lady of Mercy Church 837 Bartlett Rd., Harborcreek PA

A Sanctus is a retreat for adults for an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Christ and with the Body of Christ (the Church). This retreat is free; however, you must sign up by Feb. 1. Visit: www.ourladyofmercychurch.org for more info.

Sunday, February 25, 2024 11:00AM-3:30PM

Prayer and Finding God In Silence

Anawim Ministries at Bethany Retreat Center 1031

Germania Rd., Frenchville, PA \$40 per person

A retreat on prayer and finding God in the silence. Dr. Jan Satterlee will present prayer as communication with god by unpacking three expressions of prayer: vocal, meditative and contemplative. To learn more about the retreat, visit

<https://www.wetravel.com/trips/prayer-and-finding-god-in-the-silence-anawim-ministries-frenchville-54384564>.

ALSO, Anawim Ministries is looking for volunteers to help make its 2024 events possible. If interested, email bethanyretreatcenter@gmail.com

Select Fridays in Lent: Feb. 16, Mar. 1, 15

LENTEN FISH Dinners 4:30 - 7:00PM

Blessed Sacrament Cafeteria 1626 West 26th St., Erie
\$16 Fish Dinner; \$12 Cheese Ravioli Dinner; \$10 Mac & Cheese Dinner

Featuring: Baked Cod w/choice of fries, macaroni & cheese or ravioli, green beans, coleslaw, sherbet and beverage
1/2 portions available at 1/2 price

Take out available at take out window in the cafeteria.

Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

Select Fridays in Lent: Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 1, 8

LENTEN FISH Dinners 5:00 - 7:00PM

St. Luke Church - Cafeteria 421 East 38th St., Erie

Fish Dinner: Baked Fish/Pierogis & Mac & Cheese with french fries, green beans, coleslaw or applesauce, roll & butter, dessert, coffee, tea or milk

Adults \$15 Children 12 & Under \$7

Captains Platter: Fish Dinner with Fried Shrimp added \$17

Shrimp Basket: Fried Shrimp with French fries, coleslaw, dessert, coffee, tea or milk \$10

Take out available starting at 5PM.

Cash or check only. For more in: Marty 814-460-6338

Saturday, February 17 3:00PM

Holy Hour for the National Eucharistic Revival

Mt. Calvary Church 2022 East Lake Rd.

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

Select Fridays in Lent: Feb. 23, Mar. 8, 22

Fish & Pierogi Dinners 4:00 - 7:00PM

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 1531 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie

Fish Dinner: (3 pieces)

Pierogi Dinner: (2 pieces)

Combo Dinner: (2 Fish, 1 Pierogi)

All dinners include: two sides, rolls, coffee, ice cream

Adults \$15 Child \$7

Saturday, May 4, 2024

47th Annual Erie March for Life

Downtown Erie, PA

The 2024 Erie March for Life will be on May 4th, one week in advance of Mother's Day. Please prayerfully consider joining the march and bring others with you.

Saturday, May 11, 2024 8:00AM

OLP's Faithful to the Finish 5K Run/Walk

Presque Isle State Park, Beach 1

Mark your calendar; gather your family/friends and enjoy the morning with a run/walk. Sign-up at RunSignUp:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Erie/FaithfultotheFinish5K>



St. Martin Center

February 25, 2024

11:00am - 2:00pm

Ambassador Hotel - 7794 Peach St.

Celebrity Judge Fr. Rich invites you to join him in supporting St. Martin Center

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