



# *Our Lady of Peace*

## JESUS CLEANSES THE TEMPLE

John 2:13-25



*March 3, 2024*

*Third Sunday of Lent*

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Fr. Rich Toohey, Fr. Dan Hoffman,

Gina Adams, Warren Beaver,

Justin Miles, Mary Beth Whitman

**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**

3rd Baby Wipes / Diapers (any size)

10th Pet Food / Pet Treats

17th Soup / Stew / Chili

24th Nut Butters / Jelly

31st Applesauce / Crackers

**Pantry is OPEN March 12 & 26**

**(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** - My eyes are always on the Lord, / for he rescues my feet from the snare. / Turn to me and have mercy on me, / for I am alone and poor.

**First Reading** - God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

**Psalm** - Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95*.

**Second Reading** - We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

**Gospel** - Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

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**Family Discussion of the Week: Source of Strength**

Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:13-14)

**Adults:** Where have you found a source of "living water" for your own journey of faith?

**Kids:** Name some times when your belief in Jesus helped make you stronger.

**KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH**

There's no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)?

We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: "The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul" (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.



# MASS INTENTIONS

## MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024

7:00AM Joan Hands - Family  
12:10PM Special Intention for Lisa DiPlacido -  
Audrey & Brian DiPlacido

## TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2024

7:00AM Leon & Wanda Polakowski - Family  
12:10PM Jesse Ferraro - Knights of Columbus  
1:30PM **School Mass** - Fr. R. David Ehrman -  
Ehrman Family

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024

7:00AM William R. Miklos - Family  
11:15AM-Noon **Confessions**  
12:10PM Greg Bosner - Bill & Diane Stumpf

## THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2024

7:00AM Jean Yurkovic - Sins Family  
12:10PM Greg Bosner - Jean Verdecchia

## FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024

7:00AM Dave Bello - Wife, Ginny  
12:10PM Roil Strobel - Serafini Family  
6:00 PM **Confessions**  
7:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

## SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024

8:00AM Marilyn Schlecht - Mary Ann McLaughlin  
8:30-9:00AM **Confessions**  
3:45-5:45PM **Confessions**  
5:00PM John Hardner - Patricia

## SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Rebecca Hilario - Jamie & Debbie Hodinko  
9:00AM Croce LaFuria - Wife & Children  
11:00AM Ted Marnen - Wife, Patty & Family  
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

After all Sunday Masses During Lent  
or by appointment - call the Church Office

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED** - Please pray for  
Alfred Brosig, Jr.; and for Barbara Dougherty. May their  
families find hope and consolation through their faith in the  
resurrected Lord.

### Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

7:00AM Weekdays  
8:00AM Saturdays  
9:00AM Sundays



Go to [www.ulp.org](http://www.ulp.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.

### Readings for the Week of March 3rd

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30  
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;  
Mt 18:21-35  
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;  
Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23  
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;  
Mk 12:28-34  
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14  
Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6;  
Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21  
Alternate readings (Year A):  
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;  
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in  
memory of Joyce Wingenbach - Maxine Bennett.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of  
Christine Langer - Parents.

### 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:

Mar. 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.  
Mar. 4: Arlene B., Catherine C., Denny D.  
Mar. 5: Joyce K.  
Mar. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.  
Mar. 7: Margaret K.  
Mar. 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P.,  
Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.  
Mar. 9: Ellie A., Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.  
Mar. 10: Ann T., Pat C., Pat M.

*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...

In February I finished my seventh year as pastor at Our Lady of Peace Parish. My assignment here is now my longest as a priest in the Diocese of Erie (surpassing my 6 years and 8 months at St. Joseph in Warren, PA from 2010-2017). I am so grateful for the gift of leading this wonderful community in the mission of Jesus Christ and the opportunity it provides for me to pray, serve, learn and grow with you. One of the highlights of my experience at OLP has been participating in the Amazing Parish Movement for the last almost two years. The Parish Leadership Team or PLT (Mary Beth Whitman, Justin Miles, Gina Adams, Warren Beaver and newly added Fr. Dan Hoffman) have been an incredible source of support and inspiration for me in leading our parish and giving me hope and strength in knowing that I do not have to lead alone. I have shared with you in the past some of the basics about the Amazing Parish Model but for those who are new to the parish or maybe missed it, I want to offer a summary again. I share excerpts from an article in the Georgia Bulletin in 2019 about Amazing Parish and I remind you that the Our Lady of Peace PLT attended the Amazing Parish Summit in Denver in June 2022 and are planning to attend again in August 2024.

"What Amazing Parish does is provide pastors and their teams with tools to help transform their parish from maintenance mode to a mission-driven culture. It starts with a cohesive leadership team founded on three building blocks: a culture of prayer, a culture of healthy teamwork and a culture of active discipleship. These cultures are meant to seep into the very marrow of parish life, so that, for example, someone who visits a parish office encounters joyful discipleship (and not, as Pat Lencioni (the founder of Amazing Parish) notes, a somber, transactional environment). At the Amazing Parish Summit, the AP Team combined principles and best practices, offering solid insights in addition to possible activities and initiatives to implement. Amazing Parish now offers free coaching to help keep teams accountable (which OLP has benefited from for the last almost 2 years). At a time when trust, transparency, accountability, co-responsibility and ministry burnout are vivid concerns, Amazing Parish offers a practical response that recognizes and appreciates both pastors and the need for collaboration when it comes to shouldering the responsibilities of parish leadership. As Amazing Parish makes clear, it's not about the pastor sharing his authority but rather about the pastor sharing his burdens. He knows he has a team standing behind him—that "has his back"—and is also willing and empowered to call him out and challenge him when necessary. Everyone of us as disciples could benefit from that type of accountability in our lives."

I thank God, our PLT, staff and all of you for making my seven years at OLP a true time of blessing and growth and I hope and pray that we can keep growing in Christ to eternity!

May God bless our 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of 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...

**\*\*Thank you to all who supported me and St. Martin Center's** for their Erie's Best Coffee Fundraiser! Your generosity helped me to win an award for the highest celebrity judge fundraiser with over \$1,900 raised for the good works that St. Martin Center (a ministry of Catholic Charities) does for the poor of our community.

**\*\*Thank you to Mike and Jane Zavasky** who donated the 2024 Paschal Candle in memory of the Zavasky and Novak Families and Chris Turner in memory of Rina Hoffman and Sylvia Bosner in memory of Greg Bosner for donating the ablution bowls (placed next to each of our tabernacles that allow ministers to purify their fingers after distributing Holy Communion).

**\*\*Thank you to OLP School Athletics and PTO** who helped us purchase 300 chairs, 15 tables and carts to store them for the gym. The old chairs and tables are available for a suggested donation of \$5 per chair and \$20 per table. If you take 40/50 chairs, a cart will be included at no cost. Please contact the office if you are interested.

**\*\*Catholic Services Appeal 2024 (CSA) UPDATE** We presently have 293 pledges for \$159,074 and \$78,555 paid.

Remember our overall goal is \$200,000 with our annual assessment from the Diocesan Church at \$144,333 and the cost of our parish mortar pointing on the east side of the church building project being \$55,000.

**\*\*\*"Celebrating Today, Planning for Tomorrow"** So far we have 218 households that have committed to \$82,378 in annual increase and another \$5,255 in one time gifts. Thank you to those who have participated in this campaign and please consider if you have not yet.

**\*\*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 have extra opportunities during 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 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-7pm (local churches are open and priests hearing confessions throughout Erie).**

**\*\*Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays (March 15<sup>th</sup> will be Living Stations presented by the school) at 7pm.**

**Confessions will be heard from 6-7pm before Stations.**

**\*\*Lenten Series: "The One Hour to Peace... the Four Pillars"**

The series on the 4 sections (pillars) of the Catechism continues through Lent. No need to register. Join us for the last weeks even if you missed the first two. There is 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 are held in the School Cafeteria. I hope you will consider joining us.

Wednesday, Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> Life in Christ (Morality) 6:30-7:30pm

Wednesday, Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> Prayer 6:30-7:30pm





**\*\*Masses this Week** Monday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>, St. Casimir (15<sup>th</sup> Century Polish Prince known as the brother and defender of the poor); Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>- Lenten Weekdays; Thursday, Mar. 7<sup>th</sup>- Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, late 2<sup>nd</sup> Century Martyrs; Friday, Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>- St. John of God, Religious (16<sup>th</sup> Century Spanish convert who laid the foundation for the Order of the Hospitallers); Saturday, Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>- St. Frances of Rome, Religious (foundress of Benedictine Oblates who served the poorest of the poor).

**\*\*Upcoming Pilgrimages** I 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/Sights and Sounds Theatre showing of Daniel- June 11-13, 2024 (Fr. Rich)- see page 7 for details
- 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.eriecd.org/EucharisticRevival.html](http://www.eriecd.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](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 51-52: "51. The lives of the saints and blessed show us the importance of the Eucharist on our journey as disciples of Jesus. Many testify to the power of the Eucharist in their lives. We see the fruits of Holy Communion in their lives of faith, hope, and charity. It was their intimate union with Jesus in Holy Communion and frequently their prayer before the Blessed Sacrament that nourished and strengthened them in their journey to heaven. They teach us that "growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death, when it will be given to us as viaticum." 52. Blessed Carlo Acutis, a young Italian teenager, who died at the age of fifteen and was beatified in 2020, used to say: "The Eucharist is my highway to heaven." Blessed Carlo attained sanctity at such a young age because the Eucharist was at the center of his life. He attended Mass daily and prayed each day before the Blessed Sacrament in adoration. He discovered the joy of friendship with Jesus and brought that joy, the joy of the Gospel, to others. He was an apostle of the Eucharist through the internet. He said: "To always be united with Christ: This is my life's program.""

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

**St. John Damascene (d. 749 AD):** "How can this come about?" Mary asked. "The Holy Spirit will come upon you," the angel answered, "and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow." And now you are the one who puts the question: "How can bread become Christ and wine His Blood?" I answer: "The power of the Holy Spirit will be at work to give us a marvel which surpasses understanding."

*"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." (Lk 9:23)*



# St. Joseph Table Dinner



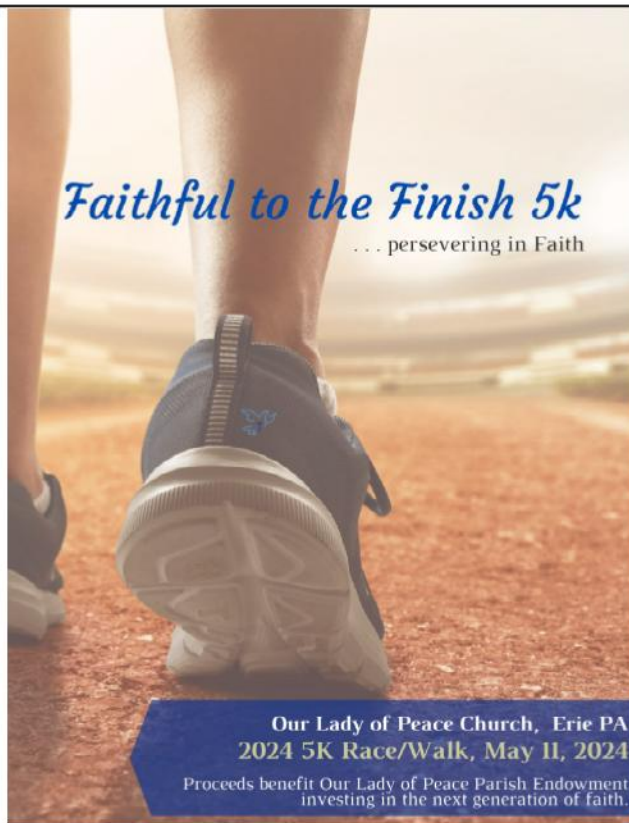
ST. JOSEPH - PROTECTOR OF FAMILIES

Tuesday, March 19th  
6:00pm in the cafeteria  
Meatless dinner and dessert provided.

All are invited to join us for this celebration of St. Joseph. Non-perishable or monetary donations to the Millcreek Food Pantry will be accepted. A St. Joseph Table Dinner is a table where **all** are welcome. A celebration of gratitude for the simple things in life, such as fava beans, and bread, and reflecting on almsgiving and care for the poor. . . St. Joseph pray for us.

## Faithful to the Finish 5k

... persevering in Faith



Our Lady of Peace Church, Erie PA  
2024 5K Race/Walk, May 11, 2024

Proceeds benefit Our Lady of Peace Parish Endowment investing in the next generation of faith.

Would you be able to be a sponsor at any level?

### Sponsorship Levels:

Gold Sponsor \$1,000 Silver Sponsor \$750  
Bronze Sponsor \$400 Sponsor \$250

Sponsorships received by March 15 will be printed on race t-shirt.



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
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

## OLP YOUTH MINISTRY SCHEDULE -SPRING 2024-



### MARCH

- 2nd**-Men's Conference 8am-1pm
- 6th**-MS/HS Ripple Effect 6-9pm, meet in chapel, pick up outside church
- 8th**-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**-Chrism 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

### Questions/RSVP

sarah.beaver@olp.org

# JOIN OUR STAFF



**We are seeking a Part-Time Outreach Coordinator.** As the Outreach Coordinator, you will play a vital role in coordinating various initiatives and programs aimed at serving our Parish and the surrounding community. From managing internal outreach efforts to collaborating with external organizations, you will lead with empathy, organization, and a commitment to making a difference.

Please visit [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org) for a full description of the position and qualifications. To apply, please submit your resume and cover letter outlining your qualifications and experience in community outreach. Additionally, include a brief statement explaining your alignment with our Parish's mission and values.

**Resumes should be delivered to Fr. Rich Toohey, Pastor or emailed to [olp@olp.org](mailto:olp@olp.org) by Monday, March 11th.**

The Parish is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to an active nondiscrimination program. Recruitment, hiring, placements, transfers and promotions will be on the basis of qualifications of the individual for the position being filled regardless of race, creed, color; religion, gender, national origin, age, disability or veterans' status. In the most unusual circumstance, however, where the essential element of the position requires membership and practice of the Roman Catholic faith, exception will be taken.



# Join Our Lady of Peace Parish on a 3-Day Pilgrimage to Lancaster, PA

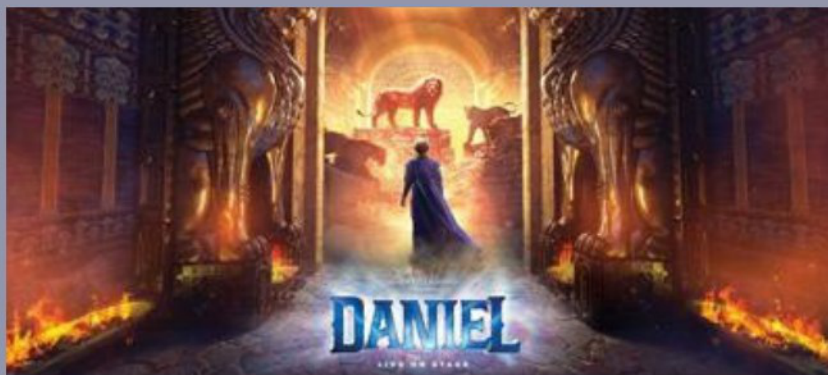
June 11-13, 2024

Cost \$475 per person (double occupancy)

\$625 per person (single occupancy)

## Package Includes:

- Transportation
- 2 Nights lodging
- 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners
- "Daniel" at Sight & Sound Theatre
- Tour/Mass - Sts. Cosmos and Damien
- Guided Tour of the Amish Countryside
- Shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village
- Mass - St. Stanislaus Kostka & Shopping Pittsburgh Strip District



\$50 Deposit due with reservation, balance due by May 1st.

Questions, call Cynthia at 814-833-7701 x0



Join the Diocese of Erie on a pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress

**Deadline to register is April 17th**

July 17-21, 2024, tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will experience an outpouring of grace on a scale this generation has never seen. This historic moment is called the 10th National Eucharistic Congress. Catholics from every corner of the U.S. will be in Indianapolis for this transformative gathering, and YOU are invited to represent our diocese at this pivotal moment!

You'll enjoy world-class teaching from some of the most trusted Catholic voices in the United States. Come encounter and worship Jesus in a new way, and be anointed to share those graces with our community when you return home.

More than ever, you will be proud to be Catholic and excited about the future of the Church in America.

*Any questions, email [eriedeac@gmail.com](mailto:eriedeac@gmail.com) or call Jo @ 724.699.3340*

**Adult Pricing**  
**\$1,129 Triple/Quad**  
**\$1,329 Double**  
**\$1,829 Single**

The Diocesan pilgrimage includes:  
~ NEC Congress Pass (5 Days)  
~ 4 nights' accommodations in Indianapolis  
~ Continental Breakfast (pending final hotel assignment)  
~ Roundtrip transportation from Erie PA/Warren PA/West Middlesex to Indianapolis via deluxe motorcoach  
~ Daily transportation to the Congress  
~ Gratuities payable to motorcoach driver

**BOOK NOW!**

## 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

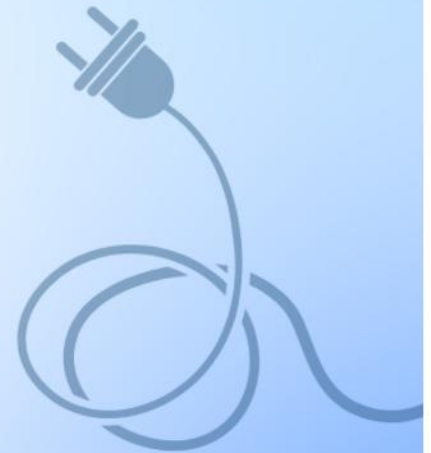
# Get Connected

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.ulp.org](http://www.ulp.org)
- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
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[cynthia.berarducci@ulp.org](mailto:cynthia.berarducci@ulp.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:**

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

**Contact:** Scott Barnes, 881-8889



Qualifies for  
service hours!

### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Grades 1-8:** Classes meet from 9:15-10:45AM in the school and church basement.

**March 3** - Regular classes

**March 3-** First Communion Parent mtg. 12:15 in the church

**March 9-** First Reconciliation 9:30 and 11:00AM

**March 10** - No Religious Ed. Classes

**March 17-** Regular classes

**March 24** - No Religious Ed. Classes

**March 31** - No Religious Ed. Classes

**Grades 9-10:** Classes meet 5:30-7:30PM

**March 3** - Regular classes, **\*Sponsor night\***

**March 10** - No Religious Ed. Classes

**March 17** - Regular classes, **\*Service Hours due\***

**March 24** - No Religious Ed. Classes

**March 31-** No Religious Ed. Classes

**\*Church Activity Forms for Grades 1-8 are due on March 17th \***

Questions: Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director,  
814-838-9983 or [Tammie.mang@ulp.org](mailto:Tammie.mang@ulp.org)

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## OLP'S KID'S NIGHT OUT SCHEDULE

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5:30-9pm  
Dinner, snacks, crafts, games, & prayer included.  
Must RSVP, no walk in's. Limited spots. Sign in/out  
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RSVP to [sarah.beaver@olp.org](mailto:sarah.beaver@olp.org) by the Wednesday before!

## 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,  
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May it be done to me  
according to your word."

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## Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

**An Invite to Eucharistic Revival: Lenten Soup, Salad & Soul Mass: 5:15PM, Dinner 6:00PM, Speaker to follow**  
**St. George Cafeteria** 5145 Peach St., Erie

Mar. 5: Fr. Marc Stockton

Mar. 12: Fr. Chris Beran

Mar. 19: Joseph Preston (Seminarian)

**Fridays in Lent: Mar. 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**; seating provided inside to enjoy your "take-out" meal. Every 25th vehicle receives 1 free dinner coupon; each week one winner will receive a \$50 Country Fair gas card; enter Chance of a Lifetime Cash Raffle.

**Select Fridays in Lent: Mar. 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 info: Marty 814-460-6338

**Fridays in Lent: Mar. 8, 15, 22**

**Fish & Shrimp Dinners 4:30 - 7:00PM**

**Holy Cross Church** 7100 West Ridge Rd, Fairview

*Your choice of Fish, Shrimp, Combo or Mac & Cheese*

**Fish/Shrimp Dinner:** Adults \$15 Children \$7

Includes: homemade coleslaw/potato salad/roll & butter/ beverage/dessert

**Mac & Cheese Dinner:** \$5

Includes: roll & butter/beverage/dessert

*Dine In or Take Out, Questions: 814-474-2605*

**Fridays in Lent: Mar. 8, 15, 22**

**Fish Fry 4:30 - 7:00PM**

**All Saints Parish** 711264 RT. 97 N., Waterford

Baked or Fried White Fish/French Fries or Baked Potato/Roll/ Coleslaw/Applesauce/Homemade Desserts/Coffee/Tea/Fruit Drinks. Take-Out available: call 814-796-3023.

Adults \$15, Children under 12 \$5.00, Toddlers Free

**Select Fridays in Lent: 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

**Sunday, March 10**

**71st Annual Spaghetti Dinner Noon-5:00PM**

**Sacred Heart Church** 816 West 26th St., Erie

Tickets: \$15 Child Dinner (10 & under) \$10

Includes: Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, Bread/Butter, Dessert Bucket of Meatballs & Sauce \$10

Sit down & take outs; Bake sale, theme baskets, 50/50 raffle

**Select Fridays in Lent: Mar. 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.

**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

**St. Joseph Table 6:00PM**

**Our Lady of Peace Cafeteria** 2401 West 38th St., Erie  
 Watch for more info.

**Thursday, April 18, 2024 6:00PM**, doors open at 5:00PM

**St. Mark Seminary Auxiliary Annual Card Party**

**St. Mark's Catholic Center Gym** 429 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie  
 Admission \$10, light meal served. Evening includes: Raffle, Grand Prizes, Gift Auction, Money & Lottery Tree and much more...

Raffle Tickets will be sold after all the Masses the weekend of March 2/3 and March 9/10

*For Card Party Reservations*, call Kathy 814-440-3406 by Tuesday, April 9th.

Please pray for the vocations of our seminarians.

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**

**47th Annual Erie March for Life**

**Downtown Erie, PA**

Please prayerfully consider joining the march.

**Saturday, May 11, 2024 8:00AM**

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

**Presque Isle State Park, Beach 1**

Gather your family/friends and enjoy the morning with a run/walk. Sign-up at RunSignUp:

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

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- Use kit axles, wheels, & body.

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- Only powdered graphite or silicone lubricant. Graphite will be provided at the race.

- No loose materials.

- Avoid pointed noise designs.

- Put most weight in the rear of car.

- Make max weight (5 oz).

- Be sure judge can tell front from back.

- Make it aerodynamic.

- Grind down any burrs on the axles.

- Align axles straight.

- Once a car passes inspection and is turned into the race administrators, no further modifications can be made to the car during the races.

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