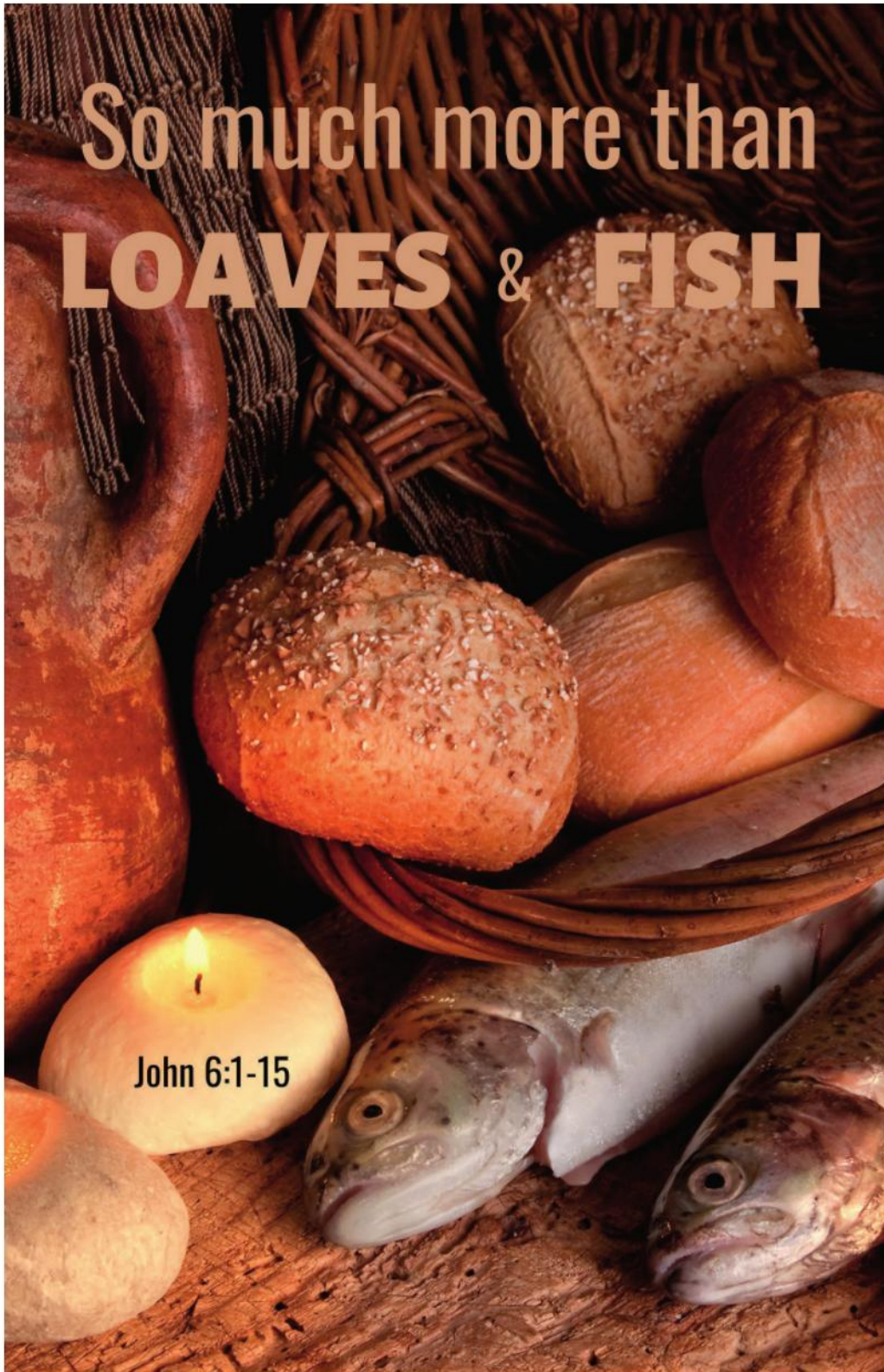




Our Lady of Peace



July 28, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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:

Call the office: 814-833-7701 x0



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.

July 2024

28th Condiments / Pickles

Pantry is OPEN

(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 - God is in his holy place, / God who unites those who dwell in his house; / he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading - When they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm - The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading - Strive to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel - Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted (John 6:1-15).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Gifts of Hope

When (the People) were satisfied, he told his disciples, Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. (John 6:12-13)

Adults: When has the generous gift of another offered you hope?

Kids: What loving gift could you give to another person this week?

WEEKLY MIRACLE

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgical detour." We have been listening to Saint Mark's Gospel during this liturgical year (Year B). Today we begin to hear a long section from John's Gospel, starting with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This miracle story is a prelude to the Lord's statements that we will begin hearing in a few weeks, in which Jesus refers to himself as the "bread of life." Each week we witness a miracle at Mass. We do not see a multiplication of loaves before us. What our eyes of faith allow us to see is the miracle of the transformation of common elements—bread and wine—into the Lord's Body and Blood. Once we have received the Lord, the multiplication begins, for in the Eucharist we are strengthened to multiply our efforts to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and bring comfort to the despairing.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 29, 2024

7:00AM Special Intention - Family

12:10PM Patricia Smith - Family

TUESDAY, JULY 30, 2024

7:00AM Rita Walker - Craig & Loretta Schaal

12:10PM Louise Gaines - Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2024

7:00AM Victoria DeCoursey - Matt & Kelly Williams

12:10PM Marilyn Schlecht - Phil & Denise Rewers

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

7:00AM David Sanders - Wife & Daughters

12:10PM Joyce Wingenbach - Gloria Gibbs

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024**First Friday Adoration 7:30AM-7:00PM**

7:00AM William & Christine Walden - Family

12:10PM Steve & Ann Babick - Stan & Delores Nowak

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024

8:00AM Rose Chludzinski - Mary Zukowski

5:00PM John Hardner - Patricia

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

9:00AM Jake Carver - Gary & Cheryl Carver

11:00AM Mary Louise Maracci - Dan & Dee Renick

4:30PM Wanda Mozdy - Belinda, Joseph & Marie

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for
Stanley Niemic. May his family find hope and consolation
through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory
of Stanley Mackowski - Wife & Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of
John Alward - Family.

BANN III

Herb Morrow / Erin Shaffer

**Daily at 11:40AM All are welcome!**

The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary is prayed
daily prior to the 12:10 Mass. Mary invites all her chil-
dren to pray her Rosary. Also, the Chaplet of Divine
Mercy is prayed following the 12:10 Mass in the Chapel.

*Readings for the Week of July 28th*

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Jn 11:19-27

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;

Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18;

Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;

Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54;

Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Phillip worried about "enough food"
for the crowd. What is ENOUGH? When does our
ENOUGH deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus
performed today's miracle because one child was willing
to share and risk living with less. Can your family live
more simply so that other families can simply live?

**Our Lady of Peace...****Pray for us****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:

July 28: Ann F., Michael M., Mary Margaret M.

July 29: Linda M., Janet A.

July 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.

July 31: Jim Z.

Aug. 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.

Aug. 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.

Aug. 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.

Aug. 4: Arlene B., Catherine C., Denny D.

*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...

The National Eucharistic Congress was amazing last weekend! In addition to the 17 of us from OLP, there were approximately another 60-70 from the Diocese of Erie, probably over 1,000 religious sisters and brothers, 1,500 priests, almost 100 bishops, and over 60,000 people who gathered in Indianapolis for our first National Congress in 83 years. I look forward to sharing with you my experience and observations over the next few months but for now I thank you for your prayers and thank Fr. Nick and Fr. Shane for covering Masses and holding down the fort while I was away.

While the National Eucharistic Congress was a highlight for our National Church this summer, I now turn my attention to one of the biggest highlights of every summer at Our Lady of Peace... **Vacation Bible School! It will be held 8:30AM-12:45PM every day this week.** It includes bible lessons, games, music, crafts and snacks that all teach a lesson about God and His Word as well as highlighting aspects of our Catholic faith like the saints and Mary. The theme of the whole week is Daniel. Please pray for our team, youth volunteers and young participants, that VBS can be a week of growing in God's love and grace for all who are involved. **If you did not register, stop in between 8-8:15am on Monday to sign up before things start.**

VBS will conclude on Friday, August 2nd with a potluck dinner and bonfire at 6:30pm. We will eat at 6:30pm and the VBS kids will provide entertainment at 7pm. THIS EVENT IS FOR THE ENTIRE PARISH and will include a performance of songs by the children. Drinks, hot dogs and desserts will be provided, please bring a dish to share.

May God bless our Vacation Bible School and the rest of our week ahead!
Fr. Rich

Our Lady of Peace, patroness of our parish & school.... pray for us!
St. Nicholas, patron of the Erie Catholic School System. pray for us!
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the Catholic Church of the USA... pray for us!
St. Joseph, universal patron of the church.... pray for us!
St. Patrick, patron of the Diocese of Erie.... pray for us!

Other notes from the pastor...

****OLP Serves** Our next OLP Serves is on Saturday, August 17th from 8am-3pm. Please help us identify projects at parishioners' homes and consider volunteering to work on that day. See the bulletin to sign up to volunteer or to let us know what your needs are.

****OLP Raffle** We are only 2 months from the big drawing for our Parish Raffle on Saturday, September 7th at the Parish Picnic and we are half way to our goal! Remember that this is our main fundraiser for the parish for the whole year so please make every effort to sell the tickets you received and consider taking extras if possible. Thank you!

****Masses this Week** *Monday, July 29th*- Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus; *Tuesday, July 30th*- St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor; *Wednesday, July 31st*- St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest; *Thursday, August 1st*- St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; *Friday, August 2nd*- St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest; *Saturday, August 3rd*- BVM on Saturday.

****Erie Gives August 13th** New this year: Online donations will be open from midnight to midnight on the 13th. In one day, the Erie community generates community spirit beyond measure! Last year thousands of donors gave \$8.2 million in support of 492 nonprofits! This year the properties committee has recommended donations to OLP be used for rectory renovations. There have been very few changes to the rectory in the last 40 years. All donations will go to wallpaper removal, painting and flooring for the main living areas. Donations can be made online on August 13th or checks can be dropped off at the parish office by noon on August 12th. Checks should be made payable to the *Erie Community Foundation*.

****Missionary Cooperative** If you missed Sr. Cecibel, the missionary from the Servants of the Plan of God, it's not too late to financially support her mission which serves the poor in the rural parts of Peru. You can drop a donation in an envelope marked "Missionary Cooperative" or "Sr. Cecibel" at the office or in the offertory. Checks should be made out to Our Lady of Peace. Thank you to those who have already responded- we raised around \$6,500 for their mission work.

****Comments on Butler Shooting and Political Environment**

Recently there was an attempt to shoot former President Donald Trump at a political rally in Butler, PA. I wanted to share with you the press release from the Diocese of Erie on July 14th.

"Statement from The Most Rev. Lawrence T. Persico, bishop of Erie, regarding the shooting in Butler, Pa., on July 13 - Our hearts are saddened and we offer prayers for all who were affected by the shooting at a political rally in Butler on July 13. Although some are already using the moment to stir up anger and distrust, I urge people, instead, to search for unity and peace. This is no small event for our country. While we all cherish American ideals, the challenge is in living them out. Respect must permeate every aspect of our lives. We have the responsibility to ask ourselves, "In what small ways can I promote a more tolerant, thoughtful approach to others?" Healing our nation starts within ourselves, our families, our neighborhoods and our communities. May God bless us as we seek his guidance."

As I stated at my Masses that weekend, we must pray for all the victims of this horrible act including former President Trump. We must insist to the people of our country that violence is never acceptable in our country's politics, and as Bishop Persico said, we must insist on respect and civil dialogue. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops started a new initiative in the last decade that I believe hits the nail on the head when it comes to our country's political environment. It's called "Civilize It" (I love that name!). Here's an excerpt from their material. "As Catholics, we take to heart Jesus' invitation to follow the example of the Good Samaritan, who challenges us to "become neighbors to all" (no. 80). As a Church and a nation, we are polarized and divided. But as Pope Francis writes in *Fratelli Tutti*, we can seek "a better kind of politics, one truly at the service of the common good" (no. 154). We can see ourselves as members of one family. We can seek to encounter and to grow. We can identify common values. We can listen to understand. We can seek the truth together. We can jointly come up with creative solutions to the problems that face our world."



And to comment on one last part of this, I had a few people express disappointment at the fact that we did not address this situation at all of our Sunday Masses that weekend. I make every effort to ensure that we pray about and address significant events in our country and world when we gather for prayer. That weekend Fr. Nick and I were helping cover mass at St. Patrick Church as well as a helping with Mass and presentations at a PreCana Marriage Prep retreat at St. Mark Catholic Center. Additionally, we were hosting Sr. Cecibel from Peru for our missionary cooperative, and it was Fr. Nick's first weekend at our parish. So needless to say there was a lot going on. In the midst of that I believe we were able to address the shooting at all but the 9am Mass. I appreciate your patience and understanding for us not being completely on top of that and I hope that oversight would not be interpreted as being politically motivated.

****Join Miracles of the Eucharist Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Rich: May 5-16, 2025 (12 Days) Tour company: Select International Pilgrimage Tours & Cruises.** This pilgrimage features visiting 4 Eucharistic Miracles in Orvieto, Siena (St. Catherine), Lanciano and Cascia (St. Rita) and visiting other towns like Florence, Assisi (St. Francis and Clare as well as Blessed Carlo Acutis who is one of the patron saints of the Eucharistic Revival), Loreto (the House of the Holy Family), San Giovanni in Rotondo (St. Padre Pio), and Rome (St. Peter, St. Paul, St. John Paul II, St. Paul VI, St. John XXIII, St. Gregory and Leo the Great, St. Monica and more)! Flyers are available in the church vestibule. For more info contact: Select International Tours: phone: 1-800-842-4842; jane@select-intl.com or their website: selectinternationaltours.com. If you are interested in this pilgrimage you must call Select International Tours.

****Summer Events** Mark your calendars with our parish activities:

Monday, July 29-Fri., Aug 2	Vacation Bible School	
Friday, August 2 nd	Potluck Dinner/Bonfire	6:30pm
Thursday, August 15 th	Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary	
Saturday, August 17 th	OLP Serves	8am-3pm
Wednesday, August 21 st	Parish Feast Community Gathering- Potluck Dinner	6:30pm
	Bonfire	7:15pm
	Movie	8:00pm
Thursday, August 22 nd	Parish Liturgical Celebration (Queenhip of Mary)	7pm
	Solemn Evening Prayer with guest clergy	
Saturday, September 7 th	Parish Picnic:	
	Mass	5pm
	Dinner	6:15pm
	Entertainment	6:30-8:30pm
	Raffle Drawing/Fireworks	9pm

Thank you: Special Collection: National Needs

Thank you for your generous support of last week's National Needs Special Collection. Monies raised will go to strengthening the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the collection, its not too late to give! Drop off your donation to the church office in an envelope marked "National Needs."



**1701 PARADE STREET
ERIE, PA 16503**

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FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Must be 18 years of age.
Some heavy lifting required.**

**Monday through Friday
9AM-12:15PM
1PM-3:30PM**

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Interested? Contact:

**Stacey Hellmann 814-452-6113 x208 or
Wanda Rodriguez 814-452-6113 x227**





St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Comfort Through Grief Ministry

**Meeting on the 4th Monday of
every month**

**St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community
Center 147 W. 24th Street Erie Pa . 16502**

**Meeting will be upstairs in the
Multi Purpose Room**

**Doors open for Registration - 5:30 pm
Program 6:15 - 8:00 pm**

**The program will feature a speaker who will
highlight the elements that our Catholic faith
provides to assist us in our
journey through Grief.**

**Monday, June 24th the guest speaker is
Father Larry Richards. Fr. will be speaking on
Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell, the four
last stages of the soul in life and the afterlife.**

For more information contact Barb at 814-323-2806 or dulcibarb@aol.com

Blessed are they who mourn for they will be comforted
Matthew 5:4



OLP YOUTH GROUP SUMMER SCHEDULE 2024

June 28th-Youth Group, MS&HS 6-9PM, start in chapel, with snacks.
July 7th-Sundae for Sunday following 4:30PM Mass.
July 9th-Youth Group, MS&HS 6-9PM, start in chapel, with snacks.
July 19th-21st-Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat.
July 25th-Family Beach Day 3-8PM, Potluck. Beach 8, near accessible entrance.
July 29th-August 2nd-Vacation Bible School.
August 2nd-Family Potluck Bonfire, hot dogs provided, 6:30PM meal, 7PM VBS Presentation.
August 16th-Altar Server & Youth Ministry Trip to Darian Lake-all day.
August 17th-OLP Serves.
August 21st-Parish Feast Day Social! Bonfire/Movie Night. Meal provided 6:30-7:30PM, Bonfire 6:30-8:30PM, Movie 8:30PM.
August 22nd-Solemn Evening Prayer and Guest Preacher for Parish Feast Day 7PM.
August 28th-Youth Group, MS&HS 6-9PM, start in chapel, with snacks.



Questions: sarah.beaver@olp.org



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50 YEARS OF MARRIAGE AND
40 YEARS WITH OUR OLP FAMILY

Mike & Jane Zavasky

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8:30PM

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NO GIFTS PLEASE!
In lieu of gifts consider making a donation to
one of the charities we support:
*Erie Catholic School System Endowment for
Teachers or
Our Lady of Peace Parish Endowment*
 Both payable to Catholic Foundation of NWPA,
 429 E. Grandview Blvd, Erie, PA 16506
 Please indicate "in Honor of Zavasky 50th" as
 well as the name of the fund. This will help
 identify gifts that qualify for matching (dollar
 for dollar up to \$50,000) from us.



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

OLP is a community where caring for each other is a priority.
 Can you spare a day for your neighbor?
 Do you have special skills to share?

OLP SERVES
August 17, 2024

Volunteer and work with a team helping fellow
parishioners with small household projects.

Are you ready to serve your neighbor?
 Contact Chris Turner at 401-580-1655.

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone Number: _____

Special Skills:

Leadership _____	Organizing _____	Carpentry _____
Electrical _____	Plumbing _____	Roofing _____
Yard Work _____	Painting _____	House Cleaning _____
Masonry _____	Other _____	



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

OLP is a community where caring for each other
is a priority. Could you use help with a household
project such as landscaping, gardening, painting
or small house repair? We want to serve you.

OLP SERVES
August 17, 2024

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS
 Questions, contact Chris Turner at 401-580-1655

Tell us about your needs. Completed forms can be dropped off at the
church office, please return by August 9th.

Name/Phone/Address _____

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH

POTLUCK & bonfire



**August 2nd
6:30-9pm**

Join us for a potluck dinner and bonfire at 6:30pm. Hotdogs and drinks provided, please bring a dish to share for the potluck and a chair to enjoy the bonfire. At 7pm there will be a short closing ceremony with our 2024 VBS families.

All Volunteers Welcome

Sunday Supper Mission

Meal served at First Presbyterian Church

We need your help in preparing, cooking and feeding our brothers and sisters in need.

Planning Meeting: Wednesday August 14, 7:00PM

Where: OLP Church Meeting Room

What: Select Menu and volunteer for tasks

Who: Any parishioner 15+ years

Date to Serve: Sunday, August 25th, 4:00-5:30PM

Contact: Pete Piotrowski, 814-600-5386 or
Debbie Piotrowski, 814-812-0122

St. Paul's Catholic Church

Italian Festival

August 9th, 10th, & 11th

West 16th & Walnut Street, Erie

Grounds open:

Friday 5-10PM

Saturday 1-10PM

Sunday Noon-6PM

Pasta e Fagioli Dinner: Friday 5-9PM

Spaghetti Dinner: Sunday 12-6PM



Mark Your Calendar for Area Events

Sunday, July 28

NFP Awareness Mass & Reception

St. Peter Cathedral 230 W. 10th, Erie

Light refreshments to follow. For more info visit:

www.eriecd.org/chastity/awareness-mass.html

Sunday, August 11 1:00PM, Doors Open Noon

Holy Trinity Bingo

Polish Falcons 431 East 3rd St.

\$25/packet; \$5 each add'l; pkt.

Zabawa Special: Special Raffles; Buy your food/beverage tickets early. Kitchen food available; 50/50 game, instants.

Future Games: September 8th and October 6th

Friday, September 13, 2024

4th Annual OLP Athletic Board Golf Tournament

Beechwood Golf Club 6401 Gorski Road, Erie

Registration forms available in church office. More info soon...

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration forms for the 2024-25 Faith Formation year are now online on our website under the Faith Formation tab. Confirmation registration forms for grade 9 can be found on the Confirmation page. Forms were emailed the first week of June.

We are now accepting registrations for Vacation Bible School (VBS) from those students going into Kindergarten – those going into 5th grade in the Fall. Registration forms can be found on the website, olp.org under the Faith Formation tab on the Vacation Bible School page. Registrations are due by July 22nd.

Please note: any of the summer events here at OLP can be counted towards the Church Activity forms throughout the year. Forms can be found on our website: www.olp.org

Questions: Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director,
814-838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org

The Usher's and Knights of Columbus
invite all men of the parish. . .

MEN'S PICNIC

Thursday, August 15th

5pm at the Pavilion (behind the school)

Dinner served at 6pm - Catering by Serafins

Tickets \$12 - available in the office
or from an usher

Donations for Basket Raffle Needed.
Call Paul Wickles at 814-838-7038 with
questions or to donate.
Drop off donations at the office.

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The Our Lady of Peace
Church/School community
donated **\$7,259** to support
the good work of the
Women's Care Center of
Erie.

Thank you



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

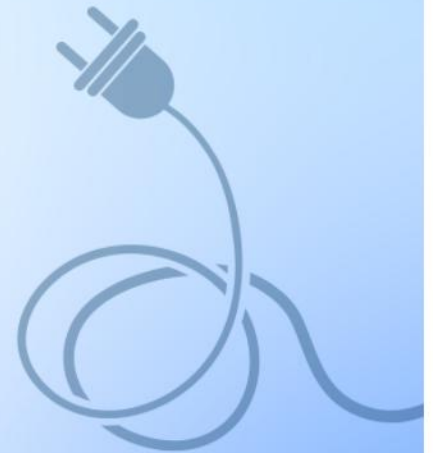
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NEW TO THE PARISH? WANT TO GET INVOLVED BY NOT SURE HOW?

- 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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Erie City Mission Volunteers Needed

We need your help in preparing and cooking food for our brothers and sisters in need.

Dates are Saturday's:

Aug. 17, Sept. 21, Oct. 19

Time: 9:45AM 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



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7:00AM Weekdays

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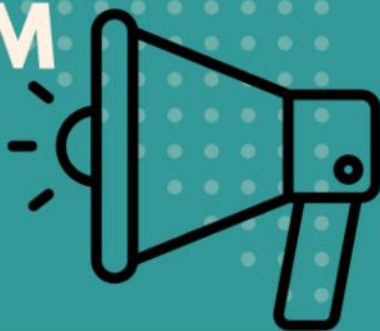
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THE OUTREACH COORDINATOR



Thank you for the warm OLP welcome.

I am excited to be working with Fr. Rich and the staff to serve Our Lady of Peace. One of my goals is to re-establish the **Hearts and Hands Ministry**, which is focused on needs in our parish community. Currently we in need of volunteers for the following ministries:

- **Hospital Visitation** - Involves visiting parishioners in our local hospitals (typically a specific day of the week in the afternoon) and offering Holy Communion, and then updating the parish office so we are aware of their needs. This ministry requires becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Training is provided.
- **Nursing Home Ministry** - Involves conducting Communion Services and/or offering Holy Communion individually to residents in their rooms at local care facilities. This ministry requires becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Training is provided.

Additionally, if you know of a **homebound parishioner** who is in need of the Eucharist brought to them in their home, please let me know so we can make sure that happens.

Finally, our next **OLP Serves** date is **Saturday, August 17th from 8am-3pm**. You can volunteer to assist parishioners with small household projects and repairs. Signups for projects and volunteers will take place after all Masses this weekend.

If you are interested in serving in any of these ministries or have questions, please contact me.



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On the following dates we could use a couple extra people at the Emmaus Soup Kitchen:

Thursday, August 15

Monday, August 19

Hours are 3:00 - 6:00PM.

Please contact
Darrell Meyers:
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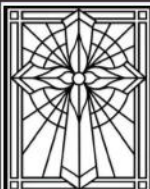
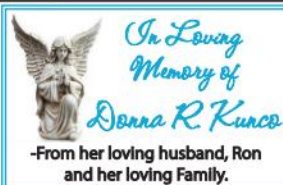
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