



# *Our Lady of Peace*

**Luke 5:1-11**

Simon said in reply, Master, we  
have worked hard all night and  
have caught nothing,

**BUT AT YOUR  
COMMAND  
I WILL  
LOWER  
THE NETS.**

*February 9, 2025*

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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**The Sacrament of Baptism** is

celebrated each month on the 1st

Sunday at 11AM Mass & 3rd

Sunday at 12:30PM. A mandatory

prep class for parents is available.

**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.

**OCIA (Order 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.

**February 2024**



9th Canned Tuna/Salmon/Chicken  
16th Canned Fruit / Raisins  
23rd Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup

Pantry is OPEN February 11 & 25 (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 who are unable to attend the 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 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** - O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God. (Psalm 95:6-7).

**First Reading** - Here I am! Send me. (Is 6:1-2a, 3-8).

**Psalm** - In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord. (Psalm 138).

**Second Reading** - So we preached and so you believe. (1 Cor. 15:1-11).

**Gospel** - They left everything and followed Jesus. (Luke 5:1-11).

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**Family Discussion of the Week: Stretching Our Limits**

Simon Peter fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." (Luke 5:8, 10b)

**Adults:** When have you felt inadequate to a task or role you were given? How did you respond?

**Kids:** When have you been asked to do something you felt might be too hard for you? What did you do?

**THEOPHANIES**

Today's readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God's presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, "Holy, holy, holy." Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: "In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord" (Psalm 138:1).

Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commandeered Simon's boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.

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# MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025**

7:00AM Ellie Agnello - 7AM Mass Group  
 12:10PM Rosalie Manning - Ed & Loretta Balch  
 6:30PM Holy Hour for the Sick

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025**

**World Day of Prayer for the Sick**  
 7:00AM Special Intention - Andrea Fadrigio-Estrella  
 12:10PM Special Intention - Family

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025**

7:00AM Letitia "Tish" Szczesny - Family Friend  
 12:10PM George Kaufman - Wife & Family

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

7:00AM Eve Morettini Rogers - Brother, Tony  
 12:10PM Richard Abel - Family  
 2:00PM School Mass - Mogel Family - Ehrman Family

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025**

7:00AM Robert Nesselhauf - Friend  
 12:10PM Mary Feigh - Denise & Michael Gaines

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025**

8:00AM Frances Birchard - Linda Birchard?  
 5:00PM Peggy Pulice - Family

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025**

**Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Gerald Sargent - Sargent Family  
 9:00AM Ruth & Ed Franz - Bob & Patti Piatkowski  
 11:00AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP  
 4:30PM Deceased Members of Burkell Family - Family

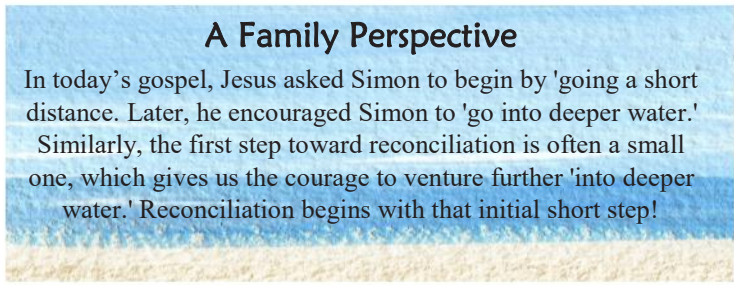
The church will remain open for private prayer  
 Monday through Thursday from 7:00AM - 8:00PM and  
 Friday 7:00AM - 4:00PM  
**Confessions available:**  
 Wednesdays 11:15-Noon  
 Saturday 8:30-9:00AM and 3:45-4:45PM

**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 children to pray her Rosary. Also, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed following the 12:10 Mass in the Chapel.

**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 Thomas Dolak.

**Year End Giving Statements**  
 To request your giving statement, contact Mary Beth Whitman in the church office by: **Calling:** 833.7701 x 202 or **E-mailing:** marybeth.whitman@olp.org  
*Thank you for supporting the mission of OLP.*

*Readings for the Week of February 9th*  
 Monday: Gen 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10 & 12, 24 & 35 Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday: Gen 1:20-2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13  
 Wednesday: Gen 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday: Gen 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday: Gen 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37  
 Saturday: Gen 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10  
 Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2,3,4 & 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26



**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED** - Please pray for Mary Ann Kuna. May her family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

**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. 9: Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.  
 Feb. 10: Ann T., Pat C., Pat M., Mary S.  
 Feb. 11: Dave D., Paul M.  
 Feb. 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Alice O., 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.  
*If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or Kathy Wayman at 397-6443. There are no dues and no meetings, only opportunities for grace and the satisfaction that comes from helping to fulfill a great need in the Church.*

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

## From the Pastor's Desk...

Happy World Marriage Day (WMD)! WMD is celebrated every year on the second Sunday in February, sometimes coinciding with St. Valentine's Day. This year, it takes place on February 9. World Marriage Day officially began in 1983 in the United States of America. Popularized by the Catholic Church, the purpose of World Marriage Day is to emphasize the beauty of marriage and to honor husbands and wives for their faithfulness and sacrifices.

World Marriage Day highlights the promise of a marital union and the beauty of being a lawfully wedded couple under the eyes of Christ. It was brought into order by the Worldwide Marriage Encounter, an initiative that aims to improve the married life of struggling couples. World Marriage Day propagates the ethos of marriage and honors the sacrifices and faithfulness of husbands and wives. Catholic couples celebrate the day by attending the Sunday mass and recommitting themselves to the values of the institution of marriage.

May God bless all married couples, especially those who are part of our parish family of OLP, and our week ahead! Yours in Christ,

*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...

**\*\*Catholic Services Appeal 2025 Promotion Sunday at OLP will be next weekend (February 15/16) since I will be working the Men's Cursillo Retreat the following weekend. Commitment Sunday will then be March 1/2.** This is the annual appeal to financially and spiritually support the important work of the Diocesan Church of which we are a part. The theme of this year's Appeal is "One Faith, One Family."

**\*\*OLD Palms** Remember to return your old palms in the next month so we can burn them for our ashes for Ash Wednesday which is March 5<sup>th</sup> this year. There is a designated box in the vestibules of the church for you to place them in.

**\*\*Our Holy Hour for the Sick is Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.** It is the night before the World Day of Prayer for the Sick which was selected by St. John Paul II in connection with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes that day as well. Come pray for your sick loved ones or consider bringing them to the Holy Hour so we can pray with them.

**\*\*The weekend of February 15/16 we will be recruiting for liturgical ministries (Lectors, Sacristans, Ministers of Hospitality/Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Musicians).** Please consider joining one of these ministries to support our liturgical celebrations that are so essential to our purpose as a parish. There will be information available in the back of church as well as signups for the ministries.

## \*Other notes from the pastor...

**\*\*Masses this Week** Monday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>. St. Scholastica, Virgin (6<sup>th</sup> century twin sister of St. Benedict and patroness of Benedictine Nunneries); Tuesday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>. Our Lady of Lourdes and WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK (appeared to St. Bernadette in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century); Wednesday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>. Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Friday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. St. Cyril, Monk, and St. Methodius, Bishop (9<sup>th</sup> Century Brother "Apostles to the Slavs"); Saturday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>. Blessed Virgin Mary, Image and Mother of the Church.

**\*Thank you for Our Neighbors Place Overflow Shelter** Thank you to Andy Heinlein (Parish Outreach Coordinator), Lori Mungle (parish Overflow Shelter Coordinator), and those who helped with running the Shelter from January 15-21, and those who donated time and money and supplies. The overflow shelter provides shelter for 40-50 people each night and is a critical way to live out the Corporal Works of Mercy so well done everyone and all glory to God!

**\*\*OLP will be leading a Pilgrimage to Sights and Sounds Theatre in Lancaster to see their production of "Noah" on June 17-19, 2025.** "Noah" is the show that originally propelled Sights and Sounds to National awareness. We will also be stopping at St. Leo's Church in Ridgway, PA which Bishop Persico has designated as a special destination of pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year in the Diocese of Erie where special indulgences may be received. Mark your calendars now and more details will be coming in the next month.



**OLP YOUTH MINISTRY  
SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE**

January	February	March
10th-Kid's Night Out	5th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm	1st-Men's Conference
12th-HS YG 6-8pm	6th-St. Francis Adoration 8pm	4th-Mardi Gras Party 6-9pm
14th-MS YG	7th-Night to Shine Service Hour Opportunity	12th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm
(start in chapel, end in cafeteria)	10th-OLP Adoration @7pm	13th-St. Francis Adoration
15th-HS YG	11th-MS YG	16th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm
chapel to social room for whole year	(start in chapel, end in cafeteria)	18th-4th/5th Gr YG
16th-19th-Mercyhurst Play	12th-HS YG	19th-St. Joseph's Event 6pm
21st-4th/5th Gr YG	14th-15th-MS/HS Lock in @Meadville	21st-Kid's Night Out
22nd-MS/HS YG	18th-4th/5th Gr YG	23rd-MS NET Retreat 9am-3pm
23rd-St. Francis Adoration 8pm	19th-MS/HS YG	25th-MS YG
23rd-26th-Cathedral Prep Play	25th-MS YG	26th-HS NET Retreat 4-9pm
28th-MS YG	26th-HS @12th St Chick-Fil-A	28-30-DME Retreat
(start in chapel, end in cafeteria)	27th-St. Francis Adoration	<b>May</b>
29th-HS @12th St Chick-Fil-A		2nd-4th-OLP Musical
31-2-DME Retreat		3rd-Confirmation Mass at 5pm
<b>April</b>		7th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm
2nd-Ripple Effect 6-9pm		10th-Faithful to the Finish 5K
3rd-St. Francis Adoration		12th-OLP Adoration @6:30pm
3rd-6th-Cathedral Prep Musical		13th-MS YG
8th-4th/5th Gr YG		14th-HS YG
9th-MS/HS YG		16th-Kid's Night Out
10th-13th-Mercyhurst Musical		17th-OLP Serves
17th-Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm and visiting the Seven Churches tradition		18th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm
18th-Good Friday Service at 1:30pm, Tenebrae at 7pm		20th-4th/5th Gr YG
19th-Holy Saturday Sunrise Hike Asbury Woods 6am, Easter Vigil 8:30pm		21st-MS/HS End of Year Party 6-9pm
23rd-MS/HS Easter Party 6-9pm		22nd-St. Francis Adoration
27th-Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm with HS YG to follow (4-6pm)		23rd-Priest Ordination
29th-MS YG		27th-MS YG
30th HS @12th St Chick-Fil-A		28th-HS @12th St. Chick-Fil-A

**\*MS YG will start in the chapel and end in the cafeteria ONLY on the following dates: Jan 28th, Feb 11th & 25th\***

-4th/5th Gr YG: 4-5:30PM meets in social room, OLP students can come over @3pm.  
-MS/HS YG's: 6:30-8:30pm starts in chapel, optional silent Adoration 6pm.  
-HS Chick-Fil-A @12th St Chick-Fil-A 6:30-8:30pm, permission form required.  
-St. Francis Adoration in McKean, 8pm, with fellowship.

Any questions or concerns please email sarah.beaver@olp.org



**St. Martin Center** provides financial literacy counseling, basic budget counseling and home buying education to the Erie community.

February 15th we will host a  
Pre-Purchase Home Buying Series  
from 10am-2pm  
at 1701 Parade St.

This class is designed to simplify the process of buying your first home, reviewing available assistance programs and explaining the paperwork involved in buying a home. It is recommended for those with a FICO score of 580-680 who are planning to purchase a home within 3-6 months.

Classes are free and open to everyone, but registration is required. To register, call 814-452-6113 x206 or email [housing@stmartincenter.org](mailto:housing@stmartincenter.org)



A FAMILY & COMMUNITY WIDE  
CELEBRATION

# Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, March 4th, 5:30pm - 8:00pm  
IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Dinner served at 6:00pm and includes some delicious Gumbo as well as some kid friendly foods.  
**NO NEED TO BRING ANYTHING.**

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



May the Lord bless you with peace and love.



## JOIN OUR LITURGICAL MINISTRY TEAM

God gave each of us talents with which to serve the Church

FEBRUARY 15TH-16TH  
MINISTRY FAIR IN THE VESTIBULE

### Liturgical Ministries

Sacristan  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
Lector  
Ministers of Hospitality/Usher  
Selah Praise Band  
Voice of Peace Choir  
Cantor

MINISTERS WILL BE ON HAND TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS  
AND HELP YOU  
FIND THE PLACE TO SERVE.



# 22:32 MEN *Strengthen Your Brothers!*

## 2025 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 1st

8:30 AM - 1:00 PM Event

At St. Jude Parish, Erie, PA and at

local parishes in NW PA and NE Ohio

*All Faiths are Welcome!*

Inspiring NATIONAL SPEAKERS including:



FATHER LARRY RICHARDS



DAN DEMATTE



JEFF JOAQUIN



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

*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](http://www.2232Men.com)  
[info@2232Men.com](mailto: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 6 or more  
**\$15 Adult - first time attendee ONLY**  
**High School and College Students - FREE**  
Please register beforehand.

**BE RENEWED IN CHRIST!**

## Save the Date

# YOUTH MINISTRY BINGO

Saturday, March 15, 2025



Help support the youth as they seek to grow closer to Christ this summer at the Steubenville Youth Conference and Catholic Heart Work Camp.

## February Cursillo

**POLANKA PARTY!**

Monday, February 17, 2025

OLP Cafeteria - 6:30pm-8:00pm

We have over 17 candidates from Our Lady of Peace. Please come and support them!

# CROP, CRAFT AND CREATE

## ALL DAY SCRAPBOOKING & CRAFT EVENT!

Presented by the Our Lady of Peace Families Together Ministry

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025**

OLP CAFETERIA - 2401 W. 38TH ST.

\$45/person

**9:00am - 9:00pm**

\*option to drop off your crafting supplies on Friday, February 14th between 6:00-7:00pm

WIFI and Electric available

**Breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and drinks provided.**

(please let us know any dietary needs when registering)

### RESERVATIONS:

Debbie Patterson - 814-504-8400 or [deb.patterson1914@gmail.com](mailto:deb.patterson1914@gmail.com)  
call, text or email

Please leave your name, phone and who you want to sit with.  
Payment will be collected at the door.

Scrapbooking supplies and paper will be available for purchase.

## WOMEN'S FAITH SHARING GROUP

Every day women of faith courageously pursue lives to glorify God. This evening is a chance to encourage and journey with other women in their walks with Christ.

**All are welcome** to join us on second Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8:30pm in B2 (meeting room down cafeteria hall and up the stairs, last room on the right).

Contact Maria Good at 570-597-8339 with any questions.

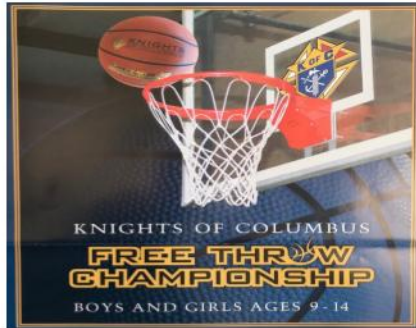
She was stronger than she ever imagined. Jesus was closer than she ever realized. and she was loved more than she ever knew.





Knights of Columbus  
Free-Throw Championship  
Boys & Girls ages 9 - 14

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest.



**The local competition will be held on Sunday, February 16th at 1:00PM in the OLP gym.**

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is held annually with winners progressing through local, district, regional, and state competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years of age are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions.

Entry forms will be available at the competition. All participants will shoot 15 Free Throws to determine the winners who will advance to the District competition.

*Are you looking for a community of true Christian friendship and an chance to grow in your faith?*

A Cursillo retreat is for you...

Cursillo is a weekend retreat that focuses on the teachings of Jesus and is designed to help you come to a new awareness of the ways you can live out your faith. It runs from a Friday morning through a Sunday afternoon.

The weekend is open to all adults who are ready to learn, grow and experience their Catholic faith through talks, worship, fellowship and self reflection.

Women's Weekend  
March 21-23, 2025

**Cursillo has made a huge difference in the lives of millions of people throughout the world, and is frequently described as the gift that keeps on giving...**

**Join us!! Register online at [eriecursillo.org](http://eriecursillo.org) or stop by the office for a form.**

*Say Yes!*  
*to the tenth annual*

**1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025**

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie  
TIME: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:  
8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church  
COST: \$25  
College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!  
Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession, Mass, Basket Raffle, Book/Media Sales, and 138 Women attire for sale.  
ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



**Danielle Bean**  
Danielle is a Catholic writer and speaker. She helps women to know their dignity and worth so they can find peace, balance, and joy in faith and family living.



**Sister Mary Gabriel, SV**  
Sister Mary Gabriel is a member of the Sisters of Life, a religious community dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the sacredness of human life.

**MORE INFO**  
[www.138women.com](http://www.138women.com) or 814-455-7364  
**ALL FAITHS WELCOME!**



**SERVERIE**

WINTER PROJECT

Building relationships through volunteering in the Erie community by connecting volunteers with agencies in need. This is a great opportunity for volunteers to apply their God-given gifts to impact the community.

Volunteers Needed for:

February 22 - 9:00am-3:00pm

We will launch from OLP (gym) with transportation to work site provided. Check In/Registration begins at 7:45am with kick off/send out of teams at 8:30am.

For more information or to register: contact Darrell Meyers, OLP ServErie liaison at [darrell.meyers@olp.org](mailto:darrell.meyers@olp.org) or 814-450-3697



## Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Digital Dating Abuse** can be defined as “a pattern of behaviors that control, pressure, or threaten a dating partner using a cell phone or the internet.” One quarter of youth (12-17) who have been in a romantic relationship during the previous year report that they'd been the victim of digital dating abuse. So, what are some of the best ways for a parent to open up communication with their child about a delicate topic like online dating? First and foremost, ask your child what they are doing online and then really **listen** to why they like or don't like what's going on there. Parents must be diligent about staying on top of the latest trends. Great online dating tips can be found at [www.cyberwise.org](http://www.cyberwise.org). To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth visit [www.eriercd.org/childprotection/](http://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/)



St. Martin Center supports the immediate needs of those in crisis; everyone from seniors, students, veterans and families needs a helping hand sometime.

Our Food Pantry, located at 1701 Parade St., is in need of volunteers (18+). Whether you have a few hours a week or just one day a month, you can make a huge impact on those in need.

Hours needed are:  
Monday-Friday from 8:45am-12:15pm  
Monday-Friday from 1pm-3:30pm

Contact Wanda at 814-452-6113 x 227 or  
Stacy at 814-452-6113 x 208

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

**Feb. 9** No Religious Ed. Classes,  
**Feb. 16** No Religious Ed. Classes  
**Feb. 23** Class 9:15 to 10:45, 1st Reconciliation Retreat, Church Activity forms due, Grade 5 parent day, Mass day

Grade 9, Confirmation class meets from 5:30-7:30PM in the church Social Room.

**Feb. 9** No Confirmation Class  
**Feb. 16** No Confirmation Class  
**Feb. 23** Class 5:30pm-7pm

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

**Thursday, February 6 | 7:00-8:00pm**  
Father Brandon Kleckner will kick us off in the church with a discussion on the sacrament. Bring your questions!

**Thursday, February 13 | 7:00-8:45pm**  
Movie Night! Alfred Hitchcock's 1953 "I Confess" shown in the Saint George School Multipurpose Room.

**Thursday, February 20 | 7:00-8:30pm**  
Father Patrick Smith from the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. will speak on the sacrament, with Confessions to follow.

**Thursday, February 27 | 7:00-8:00pm**  
Join us for a Holy Hour to conclude our month-long series! Fellowship to follow in the Saint George Multipurpose Room.

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

#### Dates are Saturday's:

Feb. 15, Mar. 15, Apr. 19, May 17

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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The February **casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, February 15th*, 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](mailto: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.

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On behalf of Fr. Rich, Lori Mungle (Parish Coordinator) and Andy Heinlein (OLP Outreach Coordinator) we say **THANK YOU** to all the parishioners and ministries who helped make **OLP's week of leadership at Our Neighbor's Place Homeless Shelter** such a tremendous success. Thank you for your prayers, financial contributions, clothing donations as well as gift cards and bus passes. Your support for this ministry was extremely generous and much appreciated. We'd like to give a "shout out" to the Rosary Society, Knights of Columbus, Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, Families Together and Sunday Suppers groups for your food donations during the week.

We had over 60 parishioners (adults and youth) volunteering to work the evening and morning shifts at the shelter. God Bless you for all your support in addressing the needs of our homeless brothers and sisters in the Erie community.

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