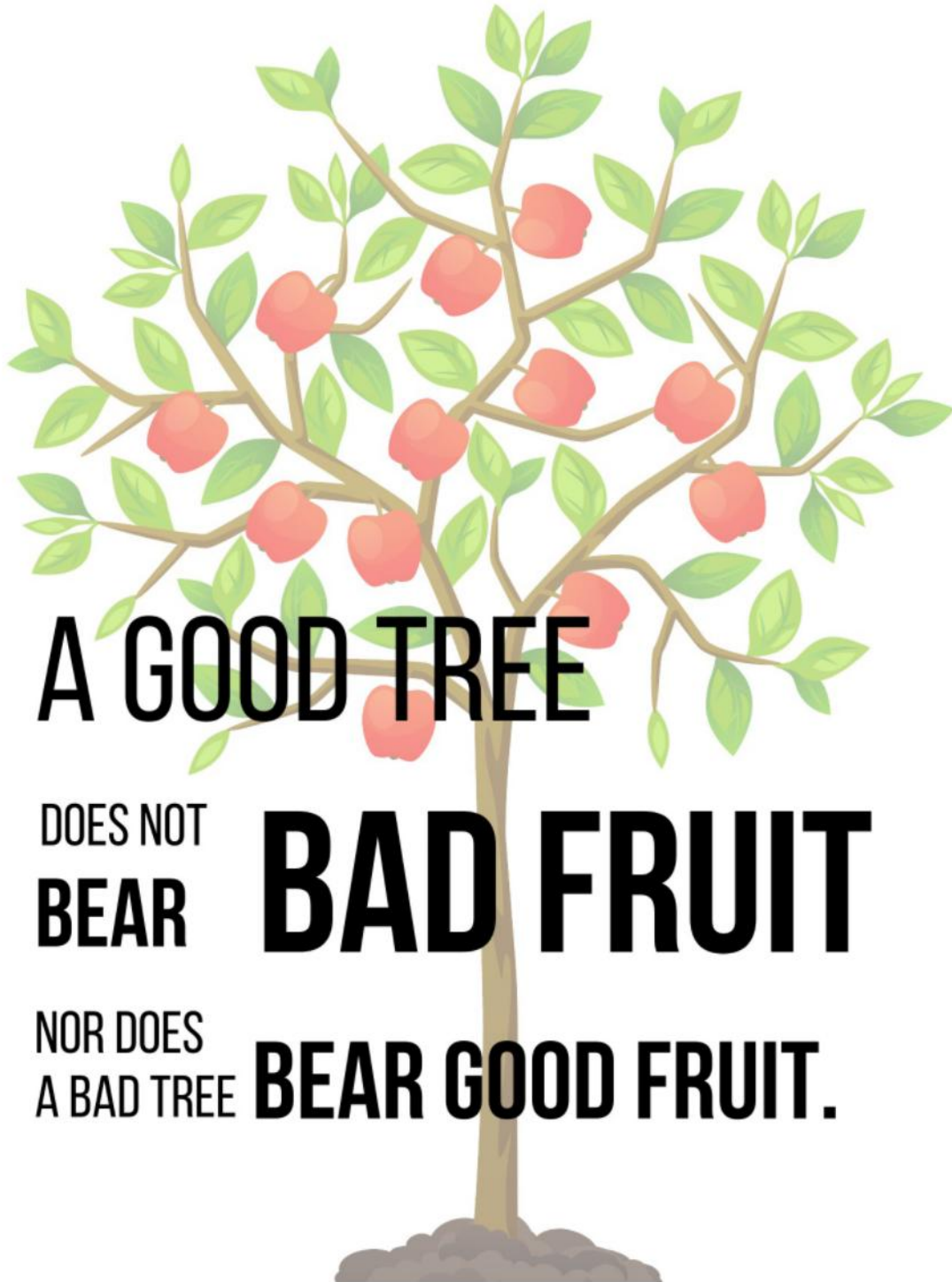




Our Lady of Peace

LUKE 6:39-45

What Do You Produce?



A GOOD TREE

DOES NOT
BEAR

BAD FRUIT

NOR DOES
A BAD TREE

BEAR GOOD FRUIT.

March 2, 2025

Eighth 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.

March 2025



- 2nd Spaghetti Sauce/Spaghetti
- 9th Mac & Cheese/Peanut Butter
- 16th Cereal/Baked Beans
- 23rd Canned Vegetables/Bar Soap
- 30th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup

Pantry is OPEN March 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 or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org.

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - The Lord became my protector./ He brought me out to a place of freedom;/ he saved me because he delighted in me (Psalm 18 (17): 19-20).

First Reading - One's speech shows the bent of one's mind. Praise no one before he or she speaks (Sirach 27:4-7).

Psalm - Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading - We are given victory over death through Jesus. In the Lord our labor is not in vain (1 Corinthians 15:54-59).

Gospel - A good person produces good, an evil person produces evil. The mouth speaks from the goodness of the heart (Luke 6:39-45).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Authentic Living

Jesus said, "How can you say to your neighbor, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye?" (Lk. 6:42a)

Adults: When have you most felt like a hypocrite? How did you overcome this feeling?

Kids: Is it a good thing or a bad thing to act differently from what you are really feeling? Why?

THE INSIDE SHOWS

In this third Sunday of our reading from the Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks of the inner soul and its outer expression. He uses images as he teaches. He addresses all of us.

Jesus sees a plumb line connecting the soul with the soul's expression-words and actions. He uses exaggeration to drive home his point. We are urged to clear out the debris that blinds us. He knows that we have an uncanny ability to be blind to our own weaknesses, though they be as big as a board. He knows, too, how willingly we seem to ferret out others' smallest speck-like flaws.

And this, too, is for our general consumption; solid old goodness and solid old badness will show eventually. The old Latin saying, which echoes Jesus' images, is true: "What is bred in the bone will out in the flesh." By and by, the inside will show through.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025

7:00AM Sue Ann Callari - Flannery Family
 12:10PM Joe Adamczyk - Rick & Judy Oros

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025

7:00AM Chludzinski Family - Mary Beth Passauer
 12:10PM Neil & Linda Christensen - Rick & Judy Oros

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

Ash Wednesday

7:00AM Leon & Wanda Polakowski - Family
 12:10PM Ralph Hummel - Cathy & Marge
 1:30PM **School Mass:**-Clarence & Ann Mogel -
 Ehrman Family
 5:30PM Ashes Distribution Service
 7:00PM Marilyn & Leo Schlecht -
 The Alexander & Groner Families

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025

7:00AM Stanley, Chris & Viola - Jerry & Mary Ann
 12:10PM Gloria Marinelli - Denise & Michael Gaines

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025

7:00AM Mark Borowy - Ray & Mary Jane Sheldon
 12:10PM Robert Urraro - Diane Urraro & Daughter
 6:00 PM **Confessions**
 7:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2025

8:00AM Thomas Boltz - Ellen DiSanti
 5:00PM John Hardner - Patricia

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

First Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
 9:00AM Dan Tacone - Bob & Patti Piatkowski
 11:00AM Harrington - Janulewski Family - Family
 4:30PM Tricia Siegel - Kohmuench 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
 or by appointment - call the Church Office

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for William Skadhauge and Thomas Fabin. May their families find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Peggy Cousins - Friends & Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Larrie Dudenhoeffer - Ehrman Family.

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.



Readings for the Week of March 2nd-
 Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
 Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
 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: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

A Family Perspective
 Today, Jesus reminds us: ‘Why do you notice the speck in your brother’s eye but fail to see the log in your own eye?’ It’s often easier to focus on changing others rather than addressing our own flaws. However, this is futile, as the only person we can truly change is ourselves.’

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.

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: Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.
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...

It is hard to believe that Lent, our "great annual Catholic retreat," is already upon us. This is a special time we set apart as Catholics to 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 (March 5th) 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 NOW for your Lenten commitments in those areas of prayer, fasting and almsgiving (giving to the poor). Here are some opportunities at OLP to consider to intensify your spiritual commitment during Lent:

1. DAILY MASS (it has been a powerful Catholic tradition to commit to this prayer more regularly during Lent). Celebrate Mass on 3 special feasts in March: the Feast of St. Patrick, the Patron Saint of the Diocese of Erie on Monday, March 17th; the Solemnity of St. Joseph, the Patron Saint of the Universal Church on Wednesday, March 19th (see below about the Table that day as well), and the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord on Tuesday, March 25th (when we genuflect during the Creed like at Christmas).
2. Daily Rosary is said at 11:35am in the main church from Monday through Friday.
3. "Walking with the American Saints" Series Tuesdays in Lent from 7-8pm in the church.
4. Stations of the Cross at 7pm on all Fridays during Lent.
5. St. Joseph Table on Wednesday, March 19th at 6pm in the school cafeteria which includes a prayer service and blessing of the food and then a meatless meal. People are encouraged to bring non-perishable food or monetary donations for the West Millcreek Food Pantry.
6. 24 Hours for the Lord at St. Peter Cathedral with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions available for 24 straight hours from 5:45pm Friday, March 28th until Saturday, March 29th at 3:30pm. Special thanks to Sr. Kathleen for organizing this.
7. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at OLP on Friday, March 7th and Friday, April 4th from 7:30am-7pm (First Fridays) and Holy Week 24 Hour Adoration beginning on Tuesday, April 15th at 1pm through Noon on Wednesday, April 16th.
8. Operation Rice Bowl a church and school effort supporting Catholic Relief Services.

9. "the Light is On for You" where confessions are heard at all participating local parishes from 5-7pm on Wednesday, April 9th.

In addition to these communal opportunities, see below in my notes for the full Confession schedule for Lent. Also, the Hallow App has another great Lenten Challenge called Pray40 that I would recommend.

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

****Please keep our children** celebrating their First Reconciliation next weekend (March 8th) in your prayers. May they know the great gift of peace and joy that comes from this concrete encounter with the love and mercy of God!

****Mardi Gras Join your parish family for a Mardi Gras dinner in the school cafeteria from 5:30-8pm, dinner served at 6pm on Tuesday, March 4th.** I thank our Families Together Ministry for organizing and sponsoring this celebration so there is no cost to you before we enter into our penitential season of Lent.

****Burning of Palms** We will burn the palms for this year's ashes on **Tuesday, March 4th at 1:00pm** with the OLP School Community in the parking lot. All our welcome to join us as we prepare for Ash Wednesday.

****Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays in Lent.** On March 14th students from OLP will present Living Stations. **Confessions will be heard from 6-7pm each night before Stations.**

****Lenten Practices 2025 (From the Erie Diocesan Office of Worship)**

The season of Lent begins this year on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 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, April 17, 2025.

The following practices and regulations are promulgated and binding for all Latin Rite Catholics in the Diocese of Erie for Lent and the Paschal Triduum, 2025.

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. **ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** are also 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.)

4. On **HOLY THURSDAY**, no celebration of the Mass is to begin anywhere in the diocese earlier than 4:30 pm without the explicit approval of Bishop Persico.

5. Although it does not include the Liturgy of the Eucharist, by its very nature the **GOOD FRIDAY** service is celebrated by a priest only.

6. All celebrations of the **EASTER VIGIL** are to begin after nightfall (which is defined as approximately one hour after local sunset). Nightfall is about 9:00 pm this year. To balance pastoral need and liturgical prescriptions, Bishop Persico has decreed that the Easter Vigil in the Diocese of Erie is to begin at 8:30 pm or any later time. Any start time earlier than 8:30 pm must receive explicit approval from the Bishop.

****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 Wednesday, April 9th from 5-7pm (local churches are open and priests hearing confessions throughout Erie).

****Masses this Week** Monday, March 3rd, St. Katharine Drexel (20th Century Pennsylvanian heiress who founded a religious order and 49 foundations); Tuesday, March 4th, St. Casimir (15th century Polish prince known as the "brother and defender of the poor"); Wednesday, March 5th, Ash Wednesday; Thursday, March 6th, Thursday after Ash Wednesday; Friday, March 7th, Friday after Ash Wednesday and feast of Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs (3rd Century Carthage); Saturday, March 8th, Saturday after Ash Wednesday and feast of St. John of God, Religious (16th Century in Granada).

****Catholic Services Appeal 2025** In the Gospel of John, Jesus prays: "That they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you" (Jn 17:21). One Faith, One Family is an invitation for all of us at Our Lady of Peace Parish to deepen our commitment to live this unity in our shared faith and common mission as one family in Christ.

Each year, through the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA), we manifest our unity in Christ as we support essential daily ministries and programs of the Catholic Church that serve all our parishes and communities throughout our Diocese of Erie. Through our generosity to the CSA, we proclaim and live out the Gospel in northwest Pennsylvania beyond what our parish can provide, through our Catholic Schools Office, Catholic Charities, Office of Faith Formation, Clergy Services, Office of Communications, Diocesan and International Missions Office and pastoral services.

This weekend, we invite you to make a commitment to the CSA. These gifts support our parish by funding our annual

contribution that helps make the work of vital diocesan ministries possible. OLP 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. This year our parish CSA project is the renovation of the Rectory Kitchen. In order to pay for this project as well as our assessment to the Diocese, our Parish goal is \$227,600.

Please prayerfully review the letter you received recently and reflect on how you and your family can further the work of Christ in our world through your pledge to this year's CSA. Each gift is a tangible expression of our unity in mission and love. I also encourage you to send us your prayer intentions so that we may pray for them collectively during Mass in the upcoming weeks. Thank you for your generosity, prayers and commitment to Our Lady of Peace. Through the CSA, united in One Faith, One Family, we build a stronger, more vibrant Church.

****Walking with the American Saints** As you probably already know, I consistently promote devotion to and learning about the American Saints as a way to reinforce the call we have to be saints in this time and in this place. Saints are not just individuals who lived long ago in far of places. They have lived the call to holiness in recent centuries and on our continent and hopefully they inspire us to strive for that holiness in our lives. There are presently 11 Saints who lived on US soil either before or after the founding of our country and there are 6 "Blesseds" who are one step/approved miracle away from being canonized saints.

With that in mind, we will have a 5-part series on the American Saints during Lent led by myself, Sr. Kathleen and Fr. Nick. See elsewhere in the bulletin for the details; but I am looking forward to my presentations on St. Theodore Guerin from Indiana who's shrine I was able to visit last October when I was on my annual retreat, and on St. Katherine Drexel who is from our very own state of Pennsylvania and who's shrine I visited during Pope Francis' first papal visit to the United States in 2015 for the World Gathering of Families. Since then, St. Elizabeth's tomb was moved to the Cathedral in Philadelphia.

****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. *A \$50 deposit will hold your spot (we expect the bus to fill up quickly); more details will be coming soon.*

Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

7:00AM Weekdays

8:00AM Saturdays

9:00AM Sundays



Go to www.olp.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.

OLP YOUTH MINISTRY SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE

March

1st-Men's Conference
4th-Mardi Gras Party 6-9pm
12th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm
13th-St. Francis Adoration
15th-Bingo Fundraiser OLP gym
16th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm
18th-4th/5th Gr YG
19th-St. Joseph's Event 6pm
21st-Kid's Night Out
23rd-MS NET Retreat 9am-3pm
25th-MS YG
26th-HS NET Retreat 4-9pm
28-30-DME Retreat

May

2nd-4th-OLP Musical
3rd-Confirmation Mass at 5pm
7th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm
10th-Faithful to the Finish 5K
12th-OLP Adoration @6:30pm
13th-MS YG
14th-HS YG
16th-Kid's Night Out
17th-OLP Serves
18th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm
20th-4th/5th Gr YG
21st-MS/HS End of Year Party 6-9pm
22nd-St. Francis Adoration
23rd-Priest Ordination
27th-MS YG
28th-HS @12th St. Chick-Fil-A

April

2nd-Ripple Effect 6-9pm
3rd-St. Francis Adoration
3rd-6th-Cathedral Prep Musical
8th-4th/5th Gr YG
9th-MS/HS YG
10th-13th-Mercyhurst Musical
17th-Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm and
visiting the Seven Churches tradition
18th-Good Friday Service at 1:30pm,
Tenebrae at 7pm
19th-Holy Saturday Sunrise Hike Asbury
Woods 6am, Easter Vigil 8:30pm
23rd-MS/HS Easter Party 6-9pm
27th-Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm
with HS YG to follow (4-6pm)
29th-MS YG
30th HS @12th St
Chick-Fil-A

-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

Men's Faith Sharing Group

All are welcome to join with men of the
parish for fellowship and faith.



First Wednesday of
the Month in the
school cafeteria.
6:30-8pm



OUR LADY OF PEACE
YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER
\$30 FOR ONE TICKET; \$25 FOR TWO OR MORE

BYOB | THEMED BASKETS | 50/50

AT OLP GYM

2401 W. 38TH ST. ERIE, PA 16506

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SATURDAY, MARCH 15TH

DOORS OPEN @ 5PM; BINGO @6PM

MUST HAVE TICKET TO ENTER

SNACK FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN FOOD &

BEVERAGES AS WELL

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TO BUY TICKETS EMAIL: sarah.beaver@olp.org



Julia's BOWLING FOR HOPE



Saturday, March 15

Doors open at 1 pm, Bowling starts at 1:30 pm

Eastway Lanes, 4110 Buffalo Road, Erie

Admission: \$25/person; includes 2 games, ball and shoes

Purchase tickets at door; no presales

Team/lane, 4-5 on a team

Families welcome; Individuals will be grouped into a team

Basket raffle and 50/50 drawing

Kitchen open for purchase of food/beverage

Proceeds will be used to build Julia House,
Erie's first hospice house and palliative care clinic.

For further information, contact Karen Adams,
814-315-4245, smada49@verizon.net

Our Lady of Peace Youth Ministry

NET Retreats



This year we're offering **TWO** NET Retreats for our
middle and high school youth.

Middle School NET Retreat (6th-8th graders):

March 23rd 9am-3pm

High School NET Retreat (9th-12th graders):

March 26th 4-9pm

\$10 cost, limited spots

Must fill out form listed below

You'll receive an email once signed up with location
details!

Questions: Sarah.beaver@olp.org

To sign up, enter this link:

<https://forms.gle/TFtmqNcJqv4NyHwr8>

Carrying the Cross with Christ this Lent

On the First Sunday of Lent, we invite you to take a small cross from the baskets at the foot of the cross located to the left of the sanctuary.

Consider praying with your twig cross each day as a reminder of the cross which Christ carried for us or use the cross as part of your family prayer. There are some slightly larger crosses as well for families to take.

Throughout Lent there will be a spiritual tidbit in the bulletin which you can use along with your twig cross to enrich your Lenten observance. On Good Friday you will be invited to place your Lenten twig cross at the foot of the cross during the Good Friday Passion of the Lord at 1:30pm (the basket will remain there until the Great Easter Vigil on Saturday) as a sign that our crosses are a participation in His Cross.



*Lord, help me to unite my cross(es)
with Your Cross this Lent.*

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.

Cash Bingo benefits: Benedictine Sisters of Erie

When: Mar. 23, July 29, Oct. 12, Nov. 23

Where: Polish Falcons, 421 East 3rd Street, Erie

Cost: \$25.00

~Doors open at Noon, bingo at 1:00PM, bar & kitchen open.

~Cash bingo, tips, \$100 lottery tree chances

*Proceeds benefit the Benedictine Sisters of Erie ministries:
Day Care at 9th St. Neighborhood Art House & scholarships.*



Our Lady of Peace
... Pray for us

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

- Mar. 2** First Communion Parent Meeting-12:15 in the church
- Mar. 8,** First Reconciliation 9:30am and 11am
- Mar. 9** Class 9:15 to 10:45am. No class for 2nd grade
- Mar. 15** First Communion Retreat 9:30-11:30am in the church
- Mar. 16** No Religious Ed. Classes
- Mar. 23** Class 9:15-10:45am, church activity forms due, Mass day
- Mar. 23** Edge Retreat by NET team, 9am Mass-3pm

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

- Mar. 2** No Confirmation class
- Mar. 9** Class 5:30pm-7pm, **Sponsor Night**
- Mar. 16** No Confirmation class
- Mar. 23** Class 5:30pm-7pm

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

All Health Care Professionals and their families are invited to

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For Dinner this Lent



All Saints Parish-Waterford - Fridays, March 7-April 11 from 4:30-7:00pm. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 children ages 2-11. Menu includes baked or fried fish, baked potato or fries, coleslaw, applesauce, homemade dessert and beverages. Take out available beginning at 4:30pm, 814-796-3023

Blessed Sacrament Parish, Erie - March 7, 21 and April 4 from 4:30-7pm in the school cafeteria. Menu is baked cod with your choice of fries, macaroni & cheese or ravioli, green beans, coleslaw, sherbet and beverage. Cheese ravioli and macaroni & cheese dinners also available. \$16 fish dinner, \$12 cheese ravioli dinner, \$10 macaroni & cheese dinner. Half portions available. Take outs through the take out window in cafeteria or curbside pickup through online ordering.

Holy Cross Parish, Fairview - Fridays, March 7-April 11 from 4-6pm. Menu includes fish and shrimp dinners with choice of fish, shrimp, fish/shrimp combo or macaroni & cheese. Fish/shrimp dinners \$15 for adults, \$7 for children and includes homemade coleslaw, potato salad, roll & butter, beverage and dessert. Mac & Cheese dinners are \$5 and include roll & butter, beverage and dessert. Dine in or Take out.

Our Lady of the Lake, Edinboro - Fridays, March 7-April 11 from 4:30pm until sold out. DRIVE THRU ONLY. After picking up your order seating is available in the social hall. Menu includes baked or fried fish, baked potato, mac & cheese, green beans, coleslaw, dinner roll and cookie. Cost is \$15 cash or credit. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 6191.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Erie - Fridays, March 14, 28 and April 11 from 4-7pm in Scheffner Hall (1531 E. Grandview Blvd). Menu includes Fish & Pierogi Dinner. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$7 for children 6-12, under 6 are free. Take out is available and there will be homemade baked goods for sale.

St. Luke Parish, Erie - Fridays in March from 5-7pm. Menu includes baked fish, pierogis and mac & cheese with fries, green beans, coleslaw or applesauce, roll & butter, dessert and beverage. \$15 Adults, \$7 for children under 12. Fish and Shrimp platter \$17. Shrimp Basket with fried shrimp, fries, coleslaw, dessert and beverage \$10. Take out available. Cash or Check accepted.

St. Stanislaus Parish, Erie - March 7, 21 and April 4 from 4-7pm or until sold out. Good Friday, carry out only from 3-6pm. Menu includes fish dinner with (2) sides, pierogi dinner with (2) sides or combo with (2) sides. Side choices are: potato salad, coleslaw, fries, mac & cheese or green beans. Adults \$15 and children under 12 are \$6. Held in the social hall, 516 E. 13th St.



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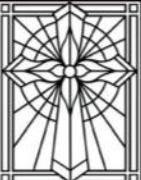
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