



# *Our Lady of Peace*

*"Do not put the Lord your God to the test."*



## **THE TEMPTATION OF CHRIST**

**LUKE 4:1-13**

*March 9, 2025*

*First Sunday of Lent*

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Fr. Rich Toohey, Gina Adams,

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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**



- 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](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** - When he calls on me, I will answer him; / I will deliver him and give him glory, / I will grant him length of days.

**First Reading** - The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

**Psalm** - Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

**Second Reading** - All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

**Gospel** - Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

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**Family Discussion of the Week: Salvation Through Faith**

For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Rom. 10:13)

**Adults:** How willing are you to profess your faith in Jesus Christ openly to others?

**Kids:** Would you still be able to say that you believe in Jesus if others made fun of you for it?

**IN THE DESERT**

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, and then the devil tested him. Moses and the Israelites had been in the desert for forty years before being led to the land of milk and honey. There were times when they called out to God, sure that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." We sometimes spend time in the desert as well. Not a literal desert most of the time, but a desert in which it seems difficult to perceive God's presence, times when we face difficulty and are tempted to leave God's ways behind. On this First Sunday of Lent, Jesus shows us what to do in these moments: stand firm and trust in God.

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# MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025**

7:00AM Pat DeVore - Jerry & Mary Ann  
12:10PM Ted Marnen - Patty & Family

**TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025**

7:00AM Lucy Bujnowski - Son  
12:10PM Croce LaFuria - Wife & Family

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025**

7:00AM Frances Birchard - Linda  
12:10PM Msgr. Arthur Calkins - Judy & Rick Oros  
1:30PM Living Stations

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025**

7:00AM Wendy Smith - Friend  
12:10PM John Przbyein - Fred & Evelyn Fried  
2:00PM School Mass - Blanche & Tony Ciccozzi - Ehrman Family

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025**

7:00AM Aurelia Dilla - Paul Vojtek Family  
12:10PM John Kozak - Family  
6:00 PM Confessions  
7:00 PM Living Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025**

8:00AM Mary Ellen Grisier - Dan & Erin Rose  
5:00PM Charles Gerbracht - Daughter, Sally

**SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

7:30AM Bernie Straub - Peg & Gaylord Magoon  
9:00AM Wayne Newman - Family  
11:00AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP  
4:30PM Bob & Dolly Theiss - Malue 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



Our Lady of Peace  
... Pray for us

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

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Bob Fuller - Kathy & 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 9th*

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46  
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15  
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32  
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12  
Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19  
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48  
Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**A Family Perspective**

We may often feel like the Prodigal Son, but the gospel encourages us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?

**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 9: Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.
- Mar 10: Ann T., pat C., Pat M., Mary S.
- Mar 11: Dave D., Paul M.
- Mar 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Alice O., Chris P.
- Mar 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F., Donna R.
- Mar 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.
- Mar 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B.
- Mar 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...

Please pray for Pope Francis as his physical condition declines. We pray for him in the spirit of the Anointing of the Sick... that he of course be healed if that is God's will but also that he suffer with dignity and hope and that his suffering can be a source of his purification and perfection. We also pray that he has the grace to unite his suffering to the cross of Jesus Christ for the salvation of all souls and the renewal of the church and world.

Also this Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the Rite of Sending with our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) and OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation of children) candidates at the 11am Mass. We "send" the candidates to the Rite of Election with Bishop Persico which takes place at St. Peter Cathedral at 3pm. These rites are the beginning of the Period of Enlightenment which is the catechumens (those preparing for Baptism) and candidates (those preparing for Eucharist and Confirmation) final period of preparation for entering full communion with us in the Catholic faith (at the Easter Vigil- April 19<sup>th</sup>).

The following are the OLP catechumens and candidates, OCIA: Caleb Casey, Drew Dennington, Craig Johnston, Mark Keniath, Kyle Lazenby, Brandon Leuellen, Scott Russell, Devin Sharp, Joe Sierota, Nate Steis. OCIC: Francesa O'Neill Carino, Cassius Fyke. Please keep them in your prayers and consider joining them and Bishop Persico at the Rite of Election.

Initially Lent was a time just for the catechumens of the church to prepare for their initiation, but the church quickly realized that this was a great opportunity for all Catholics to be renewed through recommitment to Christian disciplines. So, it evolved into the annual "retreat" and basic training that we now experience it to be. Take advantage of it and unite with your brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the world in making more room for Jesus in your life and in your heart.

May God bless our OCIA/OCIC catechumens and candidates as well as our week and our 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...

**\*\*The 6th Grade students from OLP School will be leading us in prayer through the LIVING STATIONS this Friday, March 14th.** I thank the school for offering this to the parish and hope you will take advantage of it.

**\*\*Please keep the Blessed Sacrament Parish and School communities in your prayers as they deal with the decision of the Erie Catholic School System (ECSS) to close the school.** These are never easy decisions and it is understandably a very sensitive issue. I would like to address a few questions I have been asked and a few misconceptions that are out there. I heard some people suggesting that the parents of school families found out

the school was closing through the news. That is incorrect. ECSS made every effort to personally inform the faculty and staff as parents were being notified simultaneously via email. Not everyone agrees with the process of how it was handled but there is never a perfect way to ensure that everyone hears the way you hope with today's instant communication.

Some people have expressed that they were blindsided by the announcement. I know that the principals, pastors and faculty were all aware that a national company was conducting a study of the System over the last six months and that closures could be recommended. With the Blessed Sacrament School enrollment being 52% of what it was 8 years ago, it seemed that Blessed Sacrament School would most likely be the one recommended.

I know my first reaction was wondering if teachers, students and their families could have been notified that this was a possibility months ago or last year, so they had time to make an effort to turn things around. But the more I thought about that and talked to others, the more I understood that in past situations of this nature, when you bring up the possibility of future closings, it leads to a very unstable school environment where many teachers and families leave to get ahead of the closing and then it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy. So it really seems to me there is no good way to approach this; if you warn people it could be coming it leads to a quicker downfall and if you wait to say something until it has to be done then people are shocked. I am sympathetic with this challenge and believe the System did their best to handle this professionally and responsibly. As always, let me know if you have any questions or concerns on this.

**\*\*Please keep our children who celebrated their First Reconciliation this weekend 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!

**\*\*Stations of the Cross will be held on Fridays during Lent.** On March 14<sup>th</sup> students from OLP will present Living Stations.

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

**\*\*St. Joseph Table and Feast** OLP will continue its tradition of celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph, the patron of the Universal Catholic Church, with the traditional St. Joseph Table. **The Table will be held on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the cafeteria.** We will gather for a prayer service of 10-15 minutes followed by a meatless meal. Part of the tradition of the St. Joseph Table is to provide food for those in need **so you are asked to bring non-perishable food or monetary donations** that will go to the West Millcreek Food Pantry.

**\*\*OLP Cursillo... Strive for '25** Recently we had over 15 men of the parish participate in Cursillo #255; now the women are encouraged to sign up for **Women's Cursillo #263 taking place March 21-23 at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Harborcreek.** There are several women of the parish on the team as well.

Here's a little info about Cursillo: "Cursillo (kur-SEE-yo) literally means "little course" and is an intense three-day spiritual retreat, the purpose of which is a deep personal encounter with Jesus Christ. Those who experience the Cursillo Movement know it is more than just three days of religious instruction. It is an effort to change the spiritual environment, to bring Jesus Christ

into the world.” See [www.ericursillo.org](http://www.ericursillo.org) to register online or stop by the office for a form.

**\*\*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 are hearing confessions).

**\*\*Masses this Week** Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. Lenten Weekdays (first full week of Lent).

**\*\*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.

Your commitment to CSA supports 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. 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.

Thank you to all who have already committed. If you have not yet done so, please prayerfully consider 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** Our 5-part series on the American Saints begins this week. The journey is led by myself, Sr. Kathleen and Fr. Nick. 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 six Blesseds who are one step/approved miracle away from being canonized saints.

I look 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. We hope to see you on Tuesday’s during Lent from 7:00-8:00PM in the church.

**\*\*Personal Lenten Spiritual Plan** I cannot encourage you enough to make a plan for your Lenten commitments in those areas of prayer, fasting and almsgiving (giving to the poor). Here are some opportunities at OLP to consider during Lent:

**-DAILY MASS** (it has been a powerful Catholic tradition to commit to this pray 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). **-Daily Rosary** is said at 11:35am in the main church from Monday through Friday. “Walking with the American Saints” Series on Lenten Tuesdays from 7-8pm in the church, **-Stations of the Cross** at 7pm on all Fridays during Lent. **-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 meal. People are encouraged to bring non-perishable food or monetary donations for the West Millcreek Food Pantry. **-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 (which Sr. Kathleen and OLP is organizing). **-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Friday, March 7th and Friday, April 4th from 7:30am-7pm and April 15th and 16th (Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week) from 1pm to 12 Noon (23 hours straight). **-Operation Rice Bowl** (given to all children in Faith Formation or at the school and in the bulletin) to support Catholic Relief Services. **-“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 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.

**\*\*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 per person deposit will hold your spot.* The bus fills quickly, so get your deposit in now! See page 7 for the details on this annual unforgettable pilgrimage.



## Carrying the Cross with Christ this Lent

We are used to “giving up” something for Lent. This Lent, let’s also “add” something.

Let’s really walk with Christ through all that happens these 40 days—through taking the kids places, preparing meals, our work, commuting, difficulties with co-workers or family, the joys and sorrows which come with life.

When we go for a walk with a friend, we talk with one another, we warn each other of something in the path, we point out interesting things we see, we begin to look at things with the other’s perspective.

Let’s intentionally walk with Jesus this Lent. Carry your twig cross in your pocket—or a medal or rosary or crucifix or whatever will help remind you to walk with Jesus through each day.

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

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

- 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. 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](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org)

### OLP YOUTH MINISTRY SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE

<p><b>March</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1st-Men’s Conference</li> <li>4th-Mardi Gras Party 6-9pm</li> <li>12th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm</li> <li>13th-St. Francis Adoration</li> <li>15th-Bingo Fundraiser OLP gym</li> <li>16th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm</li> <li>18th-4th/5th Gr YG</li> <li>19th-St. Joseph’s Event 6pm</li> <li>21st-Kid’s Night Out</li> <li>23rd-MS NET Retreat 9am-3pm</li> <li>25th-MS YG</li> <li>26th-HS NET Retreat 4-9pm</li> <li>28-30-DME Retreat</li> </ul> <p><b>May</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2nd-4th-OLP Musical</li> <li>3rd-Confirmation Mass at 5pm</li> <li>7th-Ripple Effect 6-9pm</li> <li>10th-Faithful to the Finish 5K</li> <li>12th-OLP Adoration @6:30pm</li> <li>13th-MS YG</li> <li>14th-HS YG</li> <li>16th-Kid’s Night Out</li> <li>17th-OLP Serves</li> <li>18th-HS YG 5:30-7:30pm</li> <li>20th-4th/5th Gr YG</li> <li>21st-MS/HS End of Year Party 6-9pm</li> <li>22nd-St. Francis Adoration</li> <li>23rd-Priest Ordination</li> <li>27th-MS YG</li> <li>28th-HS @12th St. Chick-Fil-A</li> </ul>	<p><b>April</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2nd-Ripple Effect 6-9pm</li> <li>3rd-St. Francis Adoration</li> <li>3rd-6th-Cathedral Prep Musical</li> <li>8th-4th/5th Gr YG</li> <li>9th-MS/HS YG</li> <li>10th-13th-Mercyhurst Musical</li> <li>17th-Holy Thursday Mass at 7pm and visiting the Seven Churches tradition</li> <li>18th-Good Friday Service at 1:30pm, Tenebrae at 7pm</li> <li>19th-Holy Saturday Sunrise Hike Asbury Woods 6am, Easter Vigil 8:30pm</li> <li>23rd-MS/HS Easter Party 6-9pm</li> <li>27th-Divine Mercy Sunday Service 3pm with HS YG to follow (4-6pm)</li> <li>29th-MS YG</li> <li>30th HS @12th St Chick-Fil-A</li> </ul>
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-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](mailto:sarah.beaver@olp.org)

## CASH BINGO

**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

**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**

**TO BUY TICKETS EMAIL:** [sarah.beaver@olp.org](mailto:sarah.beaver@olp.org)

## 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](mailto:Sarah.beaver@olp.org)

To sign up, enter this link:  
<https://forms.gle/TFtmqNcJqv4NyHwr8>

**Join us for a Pilgrimage to Lancaster, PA**

**June 17-19**  
**\$625/double**  
**\$813/single**

**Day 1** Depart from Our Lady of Peace and travel to St. Leo Church in Ridgway for Mass.  
 Arrive in Lancaster and check into our hotel then enjoy the Jukebox Generation Dinner Theater Show.

**Day 2** Enjoy a visit to the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and tour of the Amish countryside by train.  
 Experience the 30th Anniversary production of Noah at the Sight and Sound Theatre followed by dinner at an Amish family home.

**Day 3** Depart for Pittsburgh Strip District and stop for Mass and tour at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in Pittsburgh.  
 Arrive back to Our Lady of Peace with new friends and great memories.

**Pilgrimage includes bus transportation, show tickets, event tickets, (2) breakfasts, (1) lunch and (2) dinners.**



**A \$50 deposit per person holds your spot. If we fill the bus, everyone receives a \$40 refund, so let's fill the bus!**  
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 Checks payable to Our Lady Peace. Questions call 814-833-7701.

**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).**  
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We invite YOU to join us on a journey of discovery this LENT. Saints started out as ordinary people just like you; come and learn how they turned their ordinary lives into extraordinary ones.

WHEN: Tuesdays in Lent (March 11, 18, 25 and April 1 and 8)  
 WHERE: OLP Church  
 TIME: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

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# FISHING

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.





## Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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- New Registration
- Change of Address
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- Want envelopes

# Get Connected

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

- Register your family with the parish
- Check out the "events" page on our website, [www.olp.org](http://www.olp.org)
- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
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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:**

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



**Qualifies for service hours!**

### OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



"Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day." ~Sally Koch

The Casserole Club at OLP, serving Maria House Project may seem small to some, but to the residents, volunteers staff & board at Maria House it's very big and makes a difference in many lives. We are grateful for your participation. Thanks for everything you do!

The March **casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, March 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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# OLP COOKS

PROVIDING MEALS FOR PARISHIONERS IN NEED

## WHAT

OLP is excited to offer a new ministry to the parish called **OLP COOKS** which will provide meals for parishioners in need. The goal is to provide a meal or two (homemade or purchased) to parishioners after the birth of a child, surgery, major illness or other special circumstances.

## HOW

We are assembling our team of volunteers who are willing to SERVE those in need. Volunteers will prepare, purchase and deliver the meals. We are looking for 25-30 individuals/families to get involved.

**Signups will take place March 15th & 16th after all masses.**

We will be using the Meal Train website to coordinate the meals. It's fast and easy, you can even purchase gift cards and have the meal delivered all in one place! Once the team of "cooks" has been assembled, we will offer meals to parishioners in need.

### OLP Cooks Coordinators:

Meal Coordinator: Maria Prier  
priermaria@gmail.com  
334-614-3042

Volunteer Coordinator: Maria Good  
mober53@hotmail.com  
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## JOIN THE TEAM

Email Andy at [andrew.heinlein@olp.org](mailto:andrew.heinlein@olp.org) or fill out form below

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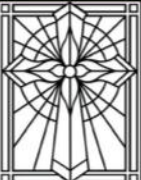
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