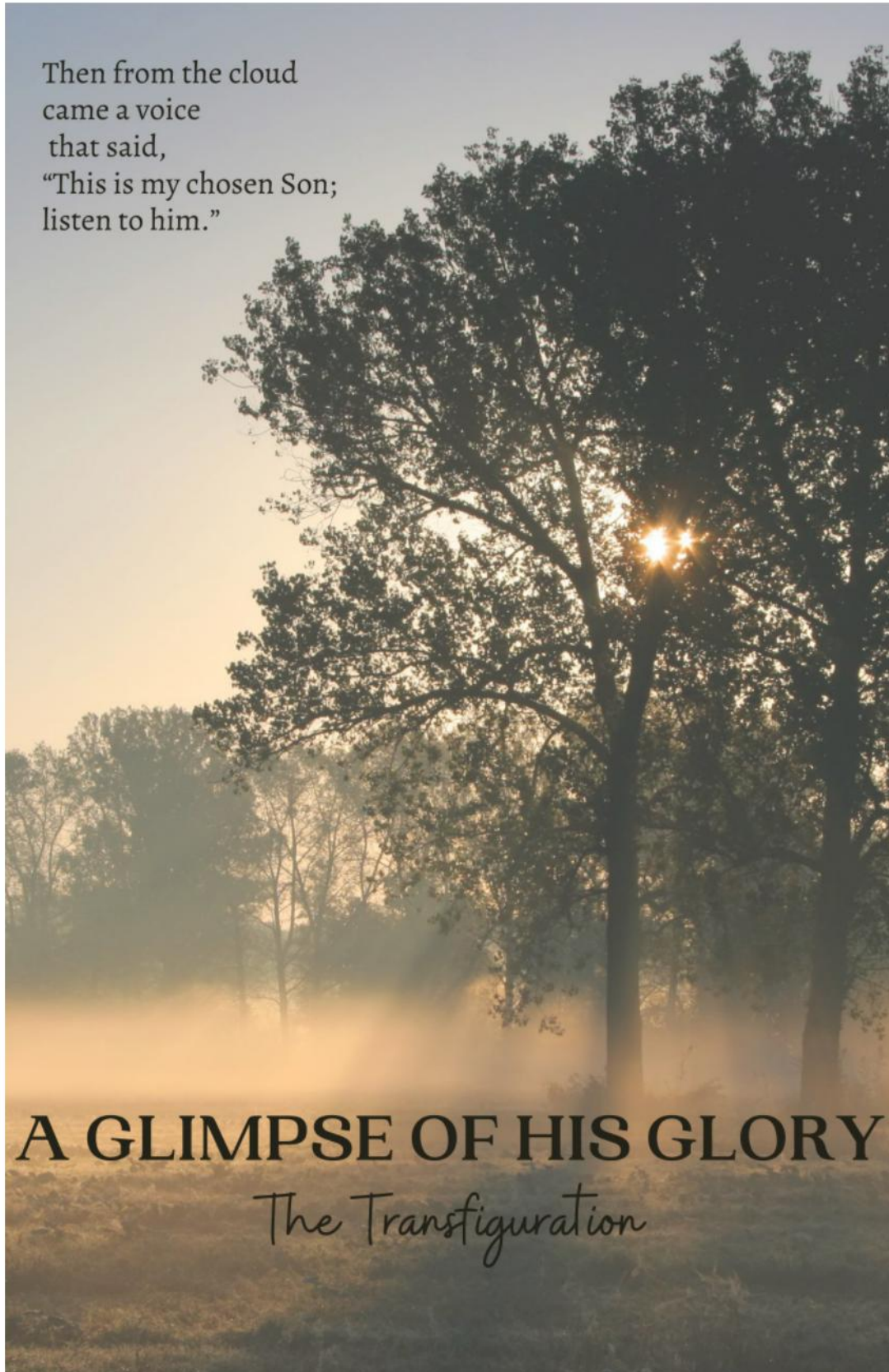




Our Lady of Peace

Then from the cloud
came a voice
that said,
“This is my chosen Son;
listen to him.”



A GLIMPSE OF HIS GLORY
The Transfiguration

March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent

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Warren Beaver, Justin Miles,

Mary Beth Whitman

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



16th Cereal/Baked Beans
23rd Canned Vegetables/Bar Soap
30th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup

Pantry is OPEN March 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 - Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. / It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; / hide not your face from me. (Psalm 27)

First Reading - The LORD made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)

Psalm - The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading - Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 - 4:1]).

Gospel - Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Transformed by Christ

But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. (Phil. 3:20)

Adults: How are your priorities affected by your faith in Jesus Christ?

Kids: When you have important choices to make, do you and your family pray to make the right choice?

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1).

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025

7:00AM Patricia Eller - Sister
 12:10PM Mark Borowy - Wife & Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025

7:00AM Special Intention for Susan & Gary Mitchell - Flannery Family
 12:10PM Linda Smith - Judy & Rick Oros

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025

7:00AM Ellie Agnello - Jean Verdecchia
 12:10PM Deceased Members of the Daugherty Family - Family
 1:30PM **School Mass** - Gloria Marinelli - Mary Beth & Cynthia

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

7:00AM Ernesto & Jane Caserta - Olds Family
 12:10PM Roberta Bucci - Joan Santangelo

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025

7:00AM Chipley Family - Mary Beth Passauer
 12:10PM Pauline Case - Denise & Michael Gaines
 6:00 PM **Confessions**
 7:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025

8:00AM Joseph Ambro - Family
 5:00PM David Kensinger - Jackie, Danny & Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Roseann Smith - Sargent Family
 9:00AM Thomas Boltz - Barb & Dave
 11:00AM Marie Lasky - Family
 4:30PM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

The church will remain open for private prayer Monday through Thursday from 7:00AM - 8:00PM and Friday 7:00AM - 4:00PM

Confessions available:

Wednesdays 11:15-Noon
 Saturday 8:30-9:00AM and 3:45-4:45PM
 Sundays during Lent after all the Masses or by appointment - call the Church Office

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Silvio (Sam) DeMichele, Jr.. May his family find hope and consolation through his faith in the resurrected Lord.

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Deceased Members of Daugherty Family - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Gloria Marinelli - OLP Friends.

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 16th

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
 Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

A Family Perspective

Jesus "went up the mountain to pray" and he was "changed." Prayer has the power to transform us. This Lent, set aside a few minutes each day to pray for your family members. Pray before each meal, and if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.

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 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin D.
 Mar 17: Len & Cathy K., Helen W., Barbara W., Nancy D.
 Mar 18: Rachel O.
 Mar 19: Amber D., Chris L.
 Mar 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G., Donna G.
 Mar 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.
 Mar 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y.
 Mar 23: Heidi A.

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...

As we continue through our JUBILEE YEAR 2025, I want to share with you *our* schedule for celebrating this special year at OLP. Masses on the weekends listed below will include intentions for jubilarians, we will pray the jubilee prayer after the Prayer of the Faithful, and there will be a blessing of Jubilarians at the end of Mass (for example, at the end of Masses this weekend-March 15/16- there will be a blessing offered at the end of Mass for all workers and entrepreneurs). So, you are encouraged to come to Masses for the Jubilees that pertain to you (maybe you are in a band or play sports so you would come the weekend of June 14/15 for a special blessing) and to invite others to join us for the blessing as well. The groups identified in our schedule are all being invited to the Vatican where they will have Jubilee days of prayer (the dates are listed next to their title). We could not celebrate all these groups individually or at the same times as the Vatican; so we grouped them together in a way that works for our parish schedule.

Weekend Jubilee for...

March 15/16	Workers (May 1-4)/Entrepreneurs (May 4-5)
April 5/6	Sick/World Health (April 5-6)/Disability (April 28-29)- ANOINTING OF THE SICK at the 5PM Mass on April 5th
May 10/11	World Day of Prayer for Vocations/Good Shepherd Sunday/ Bishops (June 25)/Priests (June 25-27)/Deacons (Feb 21- 23)/Seminarists (June 23-24)/ Consecrated Life (Oct 8-9)
June 14/15	Artists (Feb 15-18)/Bands and Popular Music (May 10-11)/Sports (June 14-15)/Choirs (Nov 22-23)
July 26/27	Youth (July 28-Aug 3)/Teenagers (April 25-27)/Families/Grandparents and Elderly (May 30-Jun 1)
August 16/17	Volunteers (March 8-9)/Confraternities-Rosary Society (May 16-18)/ Knights (October 3-9)
Sept 20/21	Catechists (Sept 26-28)/Education (Oct 31-Nov 2) (1700th Anniversary of the Council of Nicea)
Oct 11/12	Jubilee of Marian Spirituality (Oct 11-12)
Oct 18/19	Digital Missionaries and Catholic Influencers (July 28-29)/ Communications (Jan 24-26)/ Missions (Oct 4-5)
Nov 1/2	Days for the Promotion of Holiness (Oct 31- Nov 1)
Nov 15/16	Armed Forces and Police and Security (Feb 8-9)/ First Responders/ Governments (June 20-22) Veterans Day Nov 11
Dec 13/14	Migrants (Oct 4-5)/ Justice (Sept 20)/ Consolation (Sept 15)/Poor (Nov 16)/ Prisoners (Dec 14)
Jan 6, 2026	Closing of the Holy Door

I will share more information as the Jubilee Year continues about the history and purpose of the Jubilee Year and about indulgences.

May God bless our Jubilee Year and our 2nd week of 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...

****St. Joseph Table** 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 Wednesday, March 19th at 6pm in the cafeteria.** We will gather for a short prayer service 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.

****Monday, March 17th is the Feast of St. Patrick who is the patron saint of the Diocese of Erie.** Remember that one of the saint windows on the north side of the church is dedicated to him so consider learning more about St. Patrick and our window through the video on that window on our parish website (<https://www.olp.org/faith-formation/spiritual-resources>). And consider joining us for Mass!

****24 Hours for the Lord at St. Peter Cathedral** This Lenten initiative was introduced by Pope Francis. It encourages 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration AND the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The faithful are invited to spend time in Adoration and to experience God's mercy. It will begin on *Friday, March 28* with a 5:15pm Mass with Bishop Persico, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm, Evening Prayer at 10pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3am (Saturday, March 29th), Morning Prayer at 6:30am, the Rosary at noon, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm, Benediction at 3:30pm and a concluding Mass at 4pm. Throughout the 24 hours, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and Confession will be available.

****Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday of Lent (March 14 (Living Stations presented by students of OLP School), 21 and 28; April 4 and 11) at 7pm. Confessions will be heard from 6-7pm every night of the Stations.**

****Lenten Confessions** In addition to our normal weekly confession times (Wednesdays from 11:15am-Noon, Saturdays from 8:30-9am and 3:45-4:45pm) we have extra opportunities 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 17th*- St. Patrick, Bishop (4th century missionary to Ireland); *Tuesday, March 18th*- St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (4th century pastor and teacher); *Wednesday, March 19th*- Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary; *Thursday through Saturday, March 20th-22nd*- Lenten Weekdays.

****Walking with the American Saints** Our 5-part series on the American Saints continues. This 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 live 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. Katherine’s tomb was moved to the Cathedral in Philadelphia.

****Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) and OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation for children)** Lent is 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 19th).

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.

****Catholic Services Appeal 2025 (CSA)** 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 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 CSA commitment 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 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.

****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.



Sponsorship Levels

Gold - \$1000 - GCXC Race Timing Mgmt.

Silver - \$750 - SWAG

Bronze - \$400 - Award Medals

Sponsor - \$250 - RunSignUp

Business Name _____

Contact Person _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Amount _____

- Checks payable to : Our Lady of Peace, 2401 W. 38th St., Erie PA
- Questions? Cynthia Berarducci 814-833-7701 x 0 cynthia.berarducci@olp.org
- **Sponsorship Commitment due 4-8-25**
- **Sponsorship Commitment received by 3-28-25 includes your name on race t-shirt**

Your sponsorship will be publicized on our website, social media, OLP bulletin, GCXC Race Timers and RunSignUp websites and in the racers SWAG package.

All Proceeds benefit the **OLP Parish Endowment...** funding the next generation of faith.

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. Let’s share with Him all that is going on in our lives, let’s listen to Him warning of obstacles in our path and pointing out beautiful things along the way. Let’s soak up his encouragement and strength. Then we will begin to know His perspective on our lives and His will for us. Let us, in turn, give Him our dedication and love.

Have your twig cross in a prominent place (and perhaps a medal, rosary or crucifix in your pocket) to 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. 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. 16 No Confirmation class

Mar. 23 Class 5:30pm-7pm

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

Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Pledge to Heal:
The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping survivors of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. The diocese will provide counseling assistance for those who have been abused by a member of the clergy. For more information, please contact Dr. Gerard Tobin, our Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 814-451-1521. *The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact their local law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email ErieRCD@KLGates.com. Victims/survivors or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543.*

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

The Mass Book for July-December 2025 will open on

Wednesday, April 2nd, at 8:00AM.

We thank you for your patience and understanding in the delay.

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>

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!
 Seats are reserved on a first come first served basis.
 Checks payable to Our Lady Peace. Questions call 814-833-7701.

St. Joseph Table Dinner



ST. JOSEPH - PROTECTOR OF FAMILIES

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

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




March Cursillo
PALANCA PARTY!
 Sunday, March 16, 2025
 Church Social Room - 10:00am

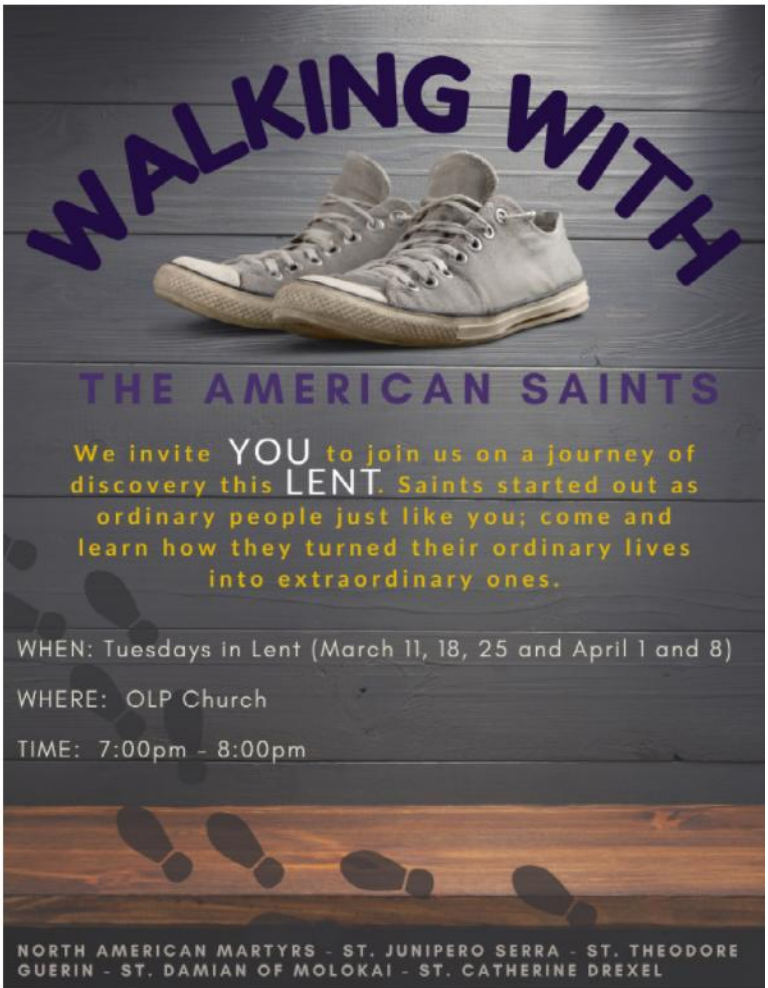
We have 10 candidates from Our Lady of Peace for Women's Cursillo #263. Please come and support them!

NEW book available at the kiosk located in the vestibule; \$5

The papal encyclical *Humanae Vitae* (On Human Life) made headlines worldwide. Many talked about the encyclical when it was issued in 1968, but few actually read it. Why is it perhaps the most controversial document in modern Church history?



Humanae Vitae is Pope Paul VI's explanation of why the Catholic Church rejects contraception. The pope referred to two aspects, or meanings, of human sexuality: the unitive and the procreative. He also warned of the consequences if contraception became widely practiced—consequences that have since come to pass.



WALKING WITH THE AMERICAN SAINTS

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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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

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- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
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- Check out the great Catholic content on FORMED. Register through the website www.olp.org by clicking on the FORMED image. Enter your name & email and create a password.



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

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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. 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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Start: 8:00AM Race starts and ends at Beach 1

Proceeds benefit the OLP Parish Endowment, investing in the next generation of faith.

Entry: \$30.00 Registered before April 28th w/T-shirt; \$40.00 Registered April 29th or after/no T-shirt

Mail Entry and Payment to: Faithful to the Finish, Our Lady of Peace, 2401 W. 38th Street, Erie PA, 16506.

Please make checks payable to: *Our Lady of Peace.*

Online Registration: www.runsignup.com

Donations also accepted if you cannot participate.

Packet Pick-Up/New Registrations: **Thursday, May 8, 2025, 4:00 - 6:00PM, Church Office: 2401 W. 38th St.**

Event Day Registration and/or Packet Pick-Up: 7:00 - 7:45AM

Contact: Cynthia Berarducci - cynthia.berarducci@olp.org - (814) 833-7701 x 0 (Cell: 814-392-9130)

Awards: Medallions awarded to First/Second/Third Place Finishers in the following age groups for both male and female: 15 & Under, 16-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60 & Over.

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