

**"I**give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." **JOHN 10:28** 

Fourth Sunday of Easter

2401 West 38th Street, Erie, PA 16506

#### **OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH**

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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

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Parish Pastoral Team Pastor       Pantry is OPEN May 13th & 27th (every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, at Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.       • Toilet Tissue/Kleenex         Parochial Vicar Rev. Nicholas Fratus Priest in Residence Rev. Shane Mathew       • Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.       • Paper Towels/Napkins

#### 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 <u>deacon.john@olp.org</u> or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org.

#### Sunday's Readings:

**Entrance Antiphon** - The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; / by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

**First Reading** - The word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

**Psalm** - We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading - I had a vision of a great multitude (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

**Gospel** - My sheep hear my voice; I know them and give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

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Family Discussion of the Week: **Protected By Christ** 

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28) **Adults:** Whom do you try to protect as Christ protects you?

*Kids:* Who helps you feel safe and protected? Whom can you take care of and help feel safe?

#### SHEPHERDS LIKE JESUS

Each year this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrates Jesus the Good Shepherd. Today's Gospel seems especially timely, for as Christians worldwide suffer persecution like Paul and Barnabas, Jesus promises his sheep enduring, invincible safety: "They shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." But we who are free to live our faith peacefully sometimes take our membership in Jesus' flock for granted, wandering astray to seek our own pleasure and prosperity. The simple cross that Pope Francis always wears seems to show us how Jesus responds to that. Francis's cross features an image of Jesus, who has sought and found a lost sheep, then joyfully set it on his shoulders to carry it gently home. May Good Shepherd Sunday inspire us, so often lost and found ourselves, to assist Jesus in seeking, finding, and gently carrying home our fellow precious lambs.

**Coordinator of Adult Formation** Sister Kathleen Dietz, FSO Maintenance Supervisor Mr. Michael Przepierski Pastoral Council President Mr. Justin Miles Finance Council Chairman Ms. Rami Sorge Parish Leadership Team Fr. Rich Toohey, Gina Adams, 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

Sacrament of Reconciliation Wednesdays 11:15AM-12:00PM Saturdays 8:30-9AM; 3:45-4:45PM or by appointment.

months prior to the wedding date.

<u>New Parishioners</u> 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

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#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### MAY 11, 2025

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025

7:00AM Sue Beard - Paul & Shirley DiSanza
12:10PM Thomas Merrill - Bob & Cathy
6:30PM Holy Hour for Vocations

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025**

7:00AMPatricia Caldwell - Family12:10PMRuth & Frank Pulice - Family

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2025

**7:00AM** Paul & Mary Naguszewski - Jerry & Mary Ann **12:10PM** Sal Orlando - Nancy Miller

#### THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

#### 48th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church Building

7:00AM John Carr - Tom & June Carr 12:10PM Leonard "Merch" Bafik -Tom & Lucille Eberlein 2:00PM School Mass - Giuseppina Iantomasi - Family

#### FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025

**7:00AM** Irene Zaczkiewicz - Son, Jim **12:10PM** Louis Bruno - Haythorn & Swonger Families

#### SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025

**8:00AM** Marie Kuzmin - Jim & Barb Pelkowski **5:00PM** Living & Deceased Members of OLP

#### SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30AM Deceased Members of the Zaunegger Family -Nancy Milkowski

9:00AM Greg Bosner - Wife, Sylvia

**11:00AM** Deceased Members of the Tenney & Cerrona Families - Family

#### 4:30PM Ed Parry - 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

**<u>SANCTUARY LAMP</u>** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Ruth & Frank Pulice - Family.

<u>**CHAPEL LAMP</u>** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Bob Fuller - Kathy & Family.</u>



All are welcome!

#### Daily at 11:40AM

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 May 11th
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7;
	Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25: Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27;
	Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a;
	Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

#### **A Family Perspective**

Today's gospel reminds us to be shepherds for our children, who depend on us to be their guides and role models. Where are we leading them? When they "hear our voice" what message do they receive?

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED** - Please pray for Gordon Ketchel; for Mary Lee Smerkar; for Philip Eden; for Francis "Shelly" Czulewicz; for Shirley M. Nelson; for Karen Krugger; and for Russell Madonia. May their families find hope and consolation through his faith in the resurrected Lord.

## OLP 31 Club

Praying for vocations every day of the year!

Members agree to go to daily Mass on a particular day every month and offer that Mass for an increase of vocations to the Church. There is a great need for vocations. One of the best ways to increase vocations is through prayer, and the greatest prayer we have is the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

Upcoming Mass commitments:

May 11: Dave D.

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May 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Alice O., Chris P.

- May 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F., Donna R.
- May 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.
- May 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B..

May 16: Dee Dee B., Kathi K., Laura D., Kevin D.

May 17: Len & Cathy K., Helen W., Barbara W., Nancy D. May 18: Rachel O.

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...

Last weekend I announced that our parish leadership has reinitiated the process for consideration of a significant renovation to our Church and Parish Campus that initially began back in 2018. More will be coming in the weeks and months ahead about that RE-CREATION plan but for now I want to ask our entire parish to join our parish patron, Our Lady of Peace, in the "upper room" to seek the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for a new Pentecost for our parish that will lead to a new birth of Jesus at our parish through this process.

The prayer plan will look like this... between May  $15^{th}$  (the anniversary of our Church Dedication-May 15, 1977) and September  $30^{th}$  (the  $70^{th}$  anniversary of the founding of our parish-September 30, 1955) everyone in our parish will be asked to pray specific Marian prayers. There will be some creative ways for you to acknowledge the prayers you have said. We hope to accumulate thousands of prayers to Mary for this purpose of new birth at OLP by September  $30^{th}$  and that these prayers will pave the way for the next steps in our re-creation process in the Fall.

The first prayer we will pray collectively starting on THURSDAY, May 15<sup>th</sup> (the 48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of OLP Church) is to Mary Undoer of Knots. Pick up a prayer card at any of the church exits or stop by the office. It seems fitting to start with this devotion that was popularized by Pope Francis as we continue to consider his legacy. Of the many devotions Pope Francis promoted during his pontificate, perhaps none is better known than his devotion to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots (also referred to as Our Lady, Untier of Knots), whose feast day is observed Sept. 28.

While it has been reported that Pope Francis encountered the painting while studying in Germany, the pope pointed out in a 2017 interview with German news outlet Zeit that he has never been to Augsburg. What happened, he explained in the interview, was that a nun whom he had met while in Germany sent him a card at Christmas with the image on it. The picture made an impression on the future pope, who noted that the devotion is based on a quote from St. Irenaeus: "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith" ("Against Heresies," 3, 22, 4, as quoted in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 494).

The pope said he liked the image so much that he started sending postcards of it, too. Replicas of the image were painted in the pope's home country, Argentina, and devotion there spread. Once Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected pope in 2013, devotion to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots spread throughout the world. Francis has talked about the devotion throughout his pontificate, even praying specifically to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots in 2021 during the coronavirus pandemic.

Say the prayer to Mary Undoer of Knots (prayer on the next column) every day for our parish re-creation plan and for whatever personal intentions you may have and then untie one of the fabric pieces from the prayer fence and place it in the prayer bowl. This will continue until May 31<sup>st</sup>, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at which time we will start a Novena until Pentecost on June 8<sup>th</sup> (more details to come).

#### Prayer to Mary Undoer of Knots:

"O Virgin Mary, faithful Mother who never refuses to come to the aid of your children; Mother whose hands never cease to help, because they are moved by the loving kindness that exists in your Immaculate Heart, cast your eyes of compassion upon me, and see the snarl of knots that exists in my life. You know all the pains and sorrows caused by these tangled knots. Mary, my Mother, I entrust to your loving hands the entire ribbon of my life. In your hands there is no knot which cannot be undone. Most holy Mother, pray for Divine assistance to come to my aid. Take this knot (mention need) into your maternal hands this day; I beg you to undo it for the glory of God, once and for all, in the name of your Divine Son, Jesus Christ. Amen. Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for me."

May God bless our parish re-creation and our 4<sup>th</sup> week of Easter 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...

\*\*A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations will be held Monday, May 12th at 6:30pm (Sunday, May 11th is World Day of Prayer for Vocations).

\*\*Our Parish Jubilee for Bishops (June 25)/Priests (June 25-27)/ Deacons (Feb 21- 23)/ Seminarians (June 23-24)/ and Consecrated Life (Oct 8-9) will be THIS weekend of May 10/11. Remember the dates parenthesis are when the Vatican will be celebrating these jubilees but we have packaged them differently for our celebrations at OLP. This weekend is the 4th Sunday of Easter and also traditionally called Good Shepherd Sunday and has been designated as World Day of Prayer for Vocations for years. Recall that at our monthly jubilee Masses, we include those designated in our intercessions, we pray Pope Francis' Jubilee Prayer and we offer a special blessing for the "jubilarians" at the end of Mass (in this case, bishops, priests, deacons, seminarians and those in consecrated life. Please join us in praying for all of those who have responded to these important religious vocations in our church.

\*\*Remember next weekend the Knights of Columbus have two options to support them:

-The first is the annual Spring Flower Sale on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 12noon or until sold out. If they don't sell out by weekend Masses they will be available after Mass.

-The second is the Pancake Breakfast for Mothers (who eat for free!) on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 8-11:30am. Please see page 7 for more information. **\*\*<u>Masses this Week</u>** Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>- Weekdays in Easter; Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>- Our Lady of Fatima; Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>- St. Matthias, Apostle; Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>- St. Isadore, 12<sup>th</sup> Century Spanish layman and farm laborer who's wife, Maria de la Cabeza, is also canonized.

**\*\*Catholic Services Appeal 2025** As of May 5<sup>th</sup>, we had 379 **Pledges for \$218,185.** Thank you to all who have pledged! We have exceeded our assessment to the Diocese of Erie (\$151,600) but our goal is 400 pledges for \$227,600 so we are 21 pledges and about \$9,500 short of our goals. Remember our parish project is the renovation of the rectory kitchen as well as the replacing of the flooring for the first floor. Please consider making a pledge if you have not already. Pledge envelopes are at the doors of the church or at the parish office.

\*\*Death of Pope Francis/ Conclave to Elect New Pope Let us continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis and thank God for his ministry of shepherding the Universal Catholic Church for the last 12 years. I spoke at our parish memorial Mass for Pope Francis about his legacy and I would like to summarize my comments here... I have been inspired by the following characteristics of Pope Francis' heart over the last 12 years- ONE- a true heart for the poor as he sought throughout his papacy and episcopacy to reach out to and serve those on the margins and challenged other bishops and priests "to know the smell of the sheep" and to not isolate themselves in their rectories or churches; TWO- a humble heart that he displayed from the very beginning of his papacy on the balcony of St. Peter Basilica when he was first introduced and asked for the prayers of the people before offering his first Papal Blessing to us and that he continued to show throughout his shepherding; THREE- a heart for the environment in the spirit of St. Francis which was the topic of one of his three encyclicals and in which he challenged our church and culture to be weary of the "throw away" attitude that much of the world has adopted; FOUR- an accompanying heart through which he challenged Catholics to allow others to experience and see Christ's love in us before challenging them to conversion and to live out the Church's moral tradition; FIVE- a synodal heart in which Pope Francis encouraged us to grow in our willingness to dialogue about issues and not just divide ourselves from others who do not think like we do.

I did not always agree with Pope Francis' methods and ways of communicating but I greatly admired his shepherd's heart and am grateful for the ways he challenged me and our church, and inspired me to be a better shepherd after the heart of the Father in heaven. Thank you, Pope Francis, and may your soul through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Also, the conclave was scheduled to begin on May 7<sup>th</sup> so the assumption is that by the time you are reading this we will have a new Pope. So let's join the universal church in praying for our new Vicar of Christ and Successor of Peter to guide us and unite us in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Look for more information to be shared about any special prayers and liturgies we will have for the new Holy Father on social media or our weekly email.

# Our Catholic Faith:

learning more about the what, the why and the how we live our faith.

## Silence before Mass

**SILENCE IS** sacred. No words can adequately express the mystery of God. Everything we try to say falls short. In quiet, we can sense God's presence even more deeply than in sound.

At designated times of the Mass, we fall silent to offer prayers, to reflect on the Scripture or to thank God for the Eucharist. But "it is a praiseworthy practice for silence to be observed in the church, in the sacristy, in the vesting room, and in adjacent areas, so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred celebration in a devout and fitting manner" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 45).

Many sounds precede Mass. At home and in the car, you may have the television or radio on, or you may be conversing with family and friends about many things. At church, in the minutes before Mass begins, you might hear people greeting people, someone leading a Rosary, musicians tuning their instruments, cantors rehearsing the Responsorial Psalm, or coins plunking in the poor box. The organist might play a prelude, or the song leader might rehearse a hymn with you. All these sounds serve some purpose, and they help prepare us for the Eucharist.

But some time of silence beforehand helps everyone enter the Mass devoutly. In silent prayer, we think about the role we are to play, the songs we will sing, the prayers we will offer, the Scriptures we will hear, the sacrifice we make, the service we give to our neighbor, and the presence of Jesus Christ, who comes to us in sacrament to nourish us at this Mass and throughout the week. His holiness renders us speechless.

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#### All Volunteers Welcome <u>Sunday Supper Mission</u> Meal served at First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant

Volunteer to help feed our brothers and sisters in need by preparing and serving the meal, or kind monetary contribution to help defray the costs.

Planning Meeting: Wednesday May 21, 7:00PM Where: OLP Church Meeting Room What: Select Menu and volunteer for tasks Who: Any parishioner 15+ years Date to Serve: Sunday, June 1st, 3:30-5:30pm Contact: Pete Piotrowski, 814-600-5386 or Debbie Piotrowski, 814-812-0122



Are you looking to join a winning team and help those that are disabled to gain mobility?

The OLP Ramp Team is seeking volunteers to join the team. No experience necessary, "If you can lift a board, we have a place for you." We volunteer for **Ramps for Hope**, a non-profit organization that has built over 850 ramps since 2010 with over 70 built in 2024.

All ramps are built at no cost to the recipient and all materials are purchased through grants and private donations. If you need a ramp or would like to help build with the OLP Ramp team, contact Tony Wujcik at 814-790-8663 for more information.





### Save the Date

## <u>OLP Boy Scout</u> <u>Garage Sale</u>

<u>Saturday, June 14, 2025</u>

Start cleaning out

your basements, closets,

attics, etc. and get ready to donate...

More information to follow: Watch the bulletin and the eNewsletter...

#### This Weekend Special Collection: Good Shepherd Collection

This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Erie are taking a special collection to support the needs of our retired Diocesan priests. This special collection will assist those dedicated priests who are elderly, seriously ill or incapacitated, and in need of supplementary assistance for expenses such as non-insured medical costs, nursing home and long-term care assistance. As the number of retired priests increases in the upcoming years, the Priest Retirement Plan will need additional funding to cover future needs. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of priests who have served faithfully and serve now as a "thank you" for their many years of faithful service. Help provide them the same love and generosity they provided for us for generations.

#### OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



"It's the heart that gives, the hand only lets go."

Maria House Project is grateful for the "hearts and hands" that have brought **casseroles** for the residents at Maria House. Your giving is some of the "hands" that make it work!

The May **casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, May 17th*, 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 <u>scottiedippy@gmail.com</u>. 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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#### A Stewardship of Sharing March 2025 Fiscal Year July 2024 - June 2025

	Monthly	YTD
Weekly Envelope	\$86,834	\$801,596
Loose	6,075	43,239
Holy Days	20	16,306
Monthly School Support	1,394	14,925
Christmas/Easter/Flowers	2,899	47,032
Total Offertory	\$97,222	\$923,098
Budgeted Offertory	\$89,792	\$808,128
(Deficit) Surplus	\$ 7,430	\$114,970
Diocesan Designated Fund	\$ 250	\$25,063

#### Ways to Support Our Parish

- Electronic Giving (for more information, contact Mary Beth Whitman at marybeth.whitman@olp.org or 814-833-7701 x 202).
- Online at www.olp.org
- Via Paypal app or www.paypal.com and send to olp@olp.org.
- By mail (Our Lady of Peace Parish, 2401 W. 38th St, Erie PA 16506).
- Drop your envelope in the collection basket at Mass or at the Parish Office.

#### Thank you for your support.

#### 2025 CSA February 2025 to January 2026

Goal	\$ 227,600
Pledge Payments Received to Date	\$134,314
Total Pledges	\$ 209,538
364 Families - Goal is 500 Families	

Every dollar raised supports important Diocesan services and every dollar raised over our assessment will be kept in the parish for parish improvements. **Our 2025-2026 Diocesan assessment is \$152,600.** 

#### **IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution**

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help our parish and reduce your taxable income.

Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as Our Lady of Peace.

#### Cash Bingo benefits: Benedictine Sisters of Erie

When: 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

Proceeds benefit the Benedictine Sisters of Erie ministries: InterCity Day Care; Erie Art House & scholarships.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Celebrate the gift of life and support the work of The Women's Care Center. Over the last 4 years we have been able to purchase several state of the art Ultrasound Machines and 702 babies have been born to women after they viewed their ultrasound.

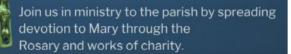
The state of Pennsylvania has cut funding to pregnancy and parenting support services causing a significant financial loss for The Women's Care Center. Join us in saving the lives of the unborn.

Pick up your baby bottle in the church on Mother's Day. Fill it with your change, currency or check. Return your full bottle on Father's Day.

> Checks should be made payable to the Knights of Columbus

> > *Rosary Oociety* Meeting & Tureen Dinner

#### Thursday, May 15th 6:00pm in the cafeteria



Bring a dish to share and your own table wear. Questions, call Marilyn or Pat. Pope Francis taught: We are a single family living in a common home.

# CATIOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

# Join us to explore Catholic Social Teaching with the help of the words and writings of Pope Francis

When: Tuesdays, May 13, 20 and June 3, 10

Where: School Cafeteria

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Understanding the principles of Catholic Social Teaching gives us the foundation for us to address current social questions using consistent moral guidance.

Catholic Social Teaching challenges us to live our faith, and to transform society with the light of faith. As Pope Francis said: "Faith and service cannot be separated...they are intimately linked, interwoven with each other."

Our Lady of Peace Parish - Adult Faith Formation

#### **Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form**

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□ New Registration

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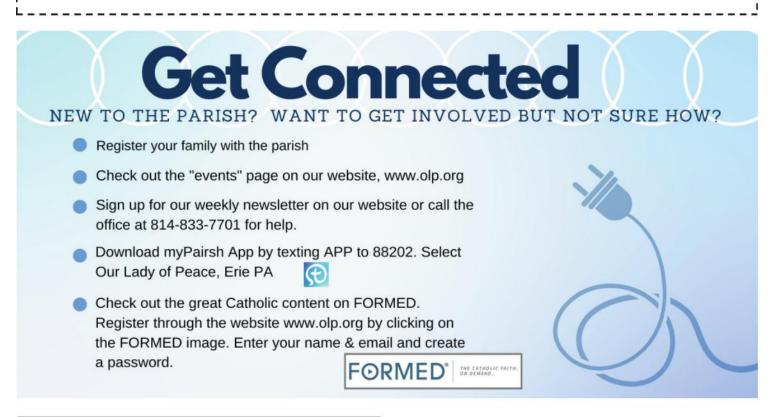
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- □ Change of Address
- □ Moving out of Parish
- □ Want envelopes

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to rectory.



#### **CRS RICE BOWL**

Eucharist

Happy Easter! As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the



**UCRSR** continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit

to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world.

Please turn in your Rice Bowl to the vestibule of the church in the large rice bowl set up on the table.

#### 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: May 17, June 21, July 19 Time: 9:45AM to 1:00PM Where: 11th & French St.

What: Prepare/Serve the Lunch Meal Time: Any parishioner 15 yrs or older Contact: Scott Barnes, 881-8889

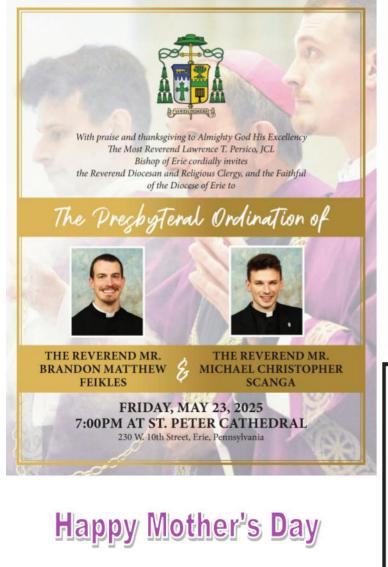


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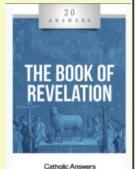




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#### NEW book available: \$3

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### OLP YOUTH MINISTRY: SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE

#### May

12th-OLP Adoration @6:30pm 13th-MS YG 14th-HS YG 14th-HS YG 16th-Kid's Night Out 17th-OLP Serves-sign up through bulletin 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 @ Cathedral 7pm 27th-MS YG 28th-HS @12th St. Chick-Fil-A

Please Note: -4th/shi Gr YC: 4-5-30PM meets in social room, OLP students can come over (#3gm, -MSHS YG's: 6-30-8-30pm starts in -MSHS YG's: 6-30-8-30pm starts in -HS Chick-FI-A (#)12th SI Chick-FI-A (50-8-30pm, permission form required, St. Francis Addration in McKean, 8pm,



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The Knights of Columbus Council of Our Lady of Peace

Pancake Breakfast Sunday, May 18th

OLP Cafeteria from 8:00 to 11:30AM

#### Bring Mom for Breakfast (Mom's eat for FREE) Menu:

Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns/Sausage/Juice/Coffee/Tea **Now Accepting Credit Cards** Adults \$10 Child \$6 (6-15) 5 & Under Free Join us for the "Best Breakfast Deal" in town, and support your KofC organization.



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From **May 15 - May 30** we call upon Mary and the Holy Spirit to give birth to Jesus anew at Our Lady of Peace.

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