

JESUS SAID TO THEM AGAIN, PEACE BE WITH YOU. AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME, SO I SEND YOU.

JOHN 20:19-23

Pentecost Sunday

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Deacon Ralph DeCecco				

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 Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world / and that which contains all things / understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading - Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11). **Psalm** - Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading - In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13).

Gospel - Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Gifts for Service

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord. (1 Cor. 12:4-5)

Adults: What gift of service have you received from the Holy Spirit and how well are you using it right now?

Kids: What gift do you hope to receive from the Holy Spirit? How could you use it to serve others?

THE SPIRIT'S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as "the second person of the Trinity," but referring also to the Spirit as a "person" comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a "person" in recognizable human form. Today's readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit's active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul's letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and "workings." Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

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. Praver Request Line: Call the office: 814-833-7701 x0

PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 8, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025

7:00AM Mr. & Mrs. Betsy Solvedt - Friend **12:10PM** Special Intention for Family - Beaver Family

TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025

7:00AM Jean DoNofrio - Children & Family 12:10PM Gloria Marinelli - Deacon John & Tammie Mang

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025

7:00AM Peggy Cousins - Friends & Family 12:10PM James "Jimmy" Iesue - Family

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025

7:00AM The Suffering Souls in Purgatory -Dr. Hal Angeloff

- 9:00AM School Mass Lena Lucchetti Ehrman Family
- **12:10PM** Ruth Wise Cousin, Joan

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2025

7:00AM William Cain - Gaylord & Peg 12:10PM Louis Kwiatkowski - Wife

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025

8:00AM Mary Jane MacKrell - Family 5:00PM Ann Kostolansky - Daughter, Joan

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025

The Most Holy Trinity Father's Day

7:30AM Ralph Dangelo - Sargent Family

9:00AM Leonard Jankowski - Wife, Mary Ann

11:00AM George & Shirley Bosner - Family

- 2:00PM Wedding Michael Howard / Jennifer Skolnic
- **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 or by appointment - call the Church Office

BANN III Michael Howard / Jennifer Skolnic



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SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of James "Jimmy" Iesue - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Patricia Maciak - 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.

	<i>Readings for the Week of June 8th</i>
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
	Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	1 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135;
	Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4,
	5-6; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12,
	13-14; Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	1 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18;
	Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	1 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday:	Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5;
	Jn 16:12-15

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel tells us that God wants to be with us always and in all ways. Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today, the promise is given. The choice is yours.

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:

June 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P., Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.

- June 9: Elaine S., Jane D., Bill C.
- June 10: Ann T., Pat C., Pat M., Mary S.
- June 11: Dave D.
- June 12: Rose B., Madeline H., Alice O., Chris P.
- June 13: Sylvia B., Phyllis D., Joanie M., Charlie R., Sarah F., Donna R.

June 14: Nancy A., Mary Fran P., Peggy R., Alice S.

June 15: Jean H., Mary Alice W., Loretta B.

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

Serra Prayer for Vocations

From the Pastor's Desk...

Happy Birthday Church of God on this Solemnity of Pentecost! Over the last few months, our parish leadership has been introducing the concept of resurrection and new life coming to Our Lady of Peace Parish. Amidst all the transitions occurring in the Diocese, OLP has an opportunity and a responsibility to be a key pillar in the Erie Catholic community. The work that started back in 2018 with the Renovation Committee and now has renewed momentum with the Campus Vision Committee is focused on meeting this call.

I now share some examples of what we have identified by the 2018 Renovation Committee as we discern together how to move forward. After reviewing input from our ministry leaders, diocesan consultants and church liturgical teachings, the committee has identified limitations imposed by our current physical space and is interested in finding solutions that will allow us to continue to meet the physical and spiritual needs of our parishioners now and for years to come. Our physical worship space influences our liturgical experiences. For example, the placement of the Baptismal Font is a powerful statement of our role as Catholic Christians. Currently, it is hidden behind the ambo and its accessibility is limited due to the steps and its size. Ideally, the font would be in a location and of a size that would visibly remind us all of our own Baptism and our Baptismal promises.

We desire to establish an environment that encourages us to gather as a community. For example, the vestibule or narthex should be large enough to accommodate fellowship before/after mass as well as ministry activities. Ideally, it should be a place that serves as a transition point physically and spiritually to and from worship. While we have made our current space work over the years, we know there is an opportunity to make it better.

In addition to addressing our current limitations, we are also looking for opportunities to grow our ministries and our parish community. Over the years, I have heard your feedback on the need for a larger gathering space or community center. A multi-purpose space connected to our existing church building would assist us in further forming youth and adults in the Catholic faith and provide new ways to serve the parish family and the greater community. Additionally, we currently do not have an accessible meeting space where all can participate. And finally, as our parish has grown, we are running out of office space for our staff and seriously lack adequate storage space for our ministries and parish needs.

So where do we go from here? Over the summer, the ministry leaders who previously provided feedback will be given a chance to review and update their suggestions. Then, in the fall several things will happen. First, we will provide you with some education on church architecture and liturgical rituals and then explain the physical limitations that we see in our present space. We will be surveying parishioners on what you see as the biggest needs in renovation and will have listening sessions where we will provide more details on the work of the committee so far and seek your feedback on all of this so we can move forward together united in mission. In the meantime, I ask for your continued prayers for growth and re-birth. As I have mentioned before, prayer has to be at the center of this process. I have already introduced the Marion prayer plan. Hopefully you have been participating in this, and if not, you can begin at any time. Currently, we are finishing up the "Pray with Mary for a New Pentecost" Novena and we are getting ready to move into the "Litany of Our Lady of Loretto." As we pray together, learn together and go deeper in experiencing our relationship with our God, we will grow in our faith and as a parish community.

May God continue to bless our parish re-creation and our return to Ordinary Time this week! 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...

<u>OLP Raffle</u> If you have not picked up your raffle tickets in the back of church, please do so this weekend. We appreciate your help in reducing the cost of mailing them. **Remember to get your sold tickets back in time for the first early bird "Gift Card Palooza" on June 17th which includes gift cards to Amazon, Outback Steakhouse, Olive Garden, Walmart and Target.

**This is the last weekend that our two music groups, Selah Praise Band and Voice of Peace Choir, will lead us in worship until the Fall. I want to thank the members of both of these groups who significantly enhance our liturgy at Our Lady of Peace Parish and who put in many hours to do so. I specifically thank Brian Kuzmin who oversees all of our music ministry, and Debby Holmes who leads Selah Praise Band, and Lesley Lopez who leads Voice of Peace. We are very blessed to have the diversity and beauty of music at our liturgies at OLP and Selah and Voice of Peace are a huge part of that. Please make an effort to personally thank our music ministers for their service! **Pentecost Solemn Evening Prayer This Sunday, June 8th, we will celebrate the last liturgy of the Easter Season with Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6pm. There will be exposition

and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from the end of 4:30pm Mass (5:10 or so) until the start of Evening Prayer. Also, since Pentecost is the birthday of the church, we will gather for birthday cake in the rectory right after prayer!

****Italy Presentation** This Wednesday, June 11th there will be a presentation on the Parish Pilgrimage to Italy in May. A slide show and commentary will be led from 6:30-7:45pm in the school cafeteria and pilgrims will have an opportunity to share some of their experiences.

**<u>Scouts Garage Sale</u> The annual Troop 59 Garage Sale will take place on Saturday, June 14th from 8am until 1pm. Donations can be dropped off at the school cafeteria on Thursday, June 12th and Friday, June 13th from 6-8pm.

**<u>Masses this Week</u> Monday, June 9th- the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (established by Pope Francis in 2018); *Tuesday, June 10th* and *Thursday, June 11th*- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; *Wednesday, June 11th*- St. Barnabas, Apostle (1st Century Companion of St. Paul); *Friday, June 13th*- St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church (13th Century Franciscan contemporary of St. Francis); *Saturday, June 14th*- The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Good Counsel.

****Catholic Services Appeal 2025** We had 413 Pledges for \$224,390. Thank you to all who have pledged! We have exceeded our assessment to the Diocese of Erie (\$152,600) and reached our goal of 400 pledges but are just about \$3,500 short of our monetary goal. 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.

******<u>Marian Prayer Effort for the Re-Creation of our Parish</u> This week we enter the 3rd phase of our Parish Re-Creation Prayer Plan. We completed the first phase of praying the Mary Undoer of Knots prayer from May 15-30 and the second phase with the Novena to Our Lady of the Pentecost from May 31 to June 8. From June 9th until July 15th we will pray the Litany of Loreto which is the only approved Litany to Mary in our Catholic Tradition. Please pick up a prayer card and each day that you pray the litany you are encouraged to transfer a bead to the prayer bowl. Again, we will continue to see the prayers for our parish's new birth build up as the beads fill up our prayer bowl. ****Marian Formation Summer Series: 6:30-7:30PM Cafeteria**

Date	Doctrine				
Spirituality/Title	Prayer				
Thursday, June 26 th	Ever Virgin				
Our Lady of Loreto	Litany of Loreto				
Thursday, July 31 st	Assumption				
Our Lady of Mount C	armel Angelus				
Thursday, Aug. 28 th	Coronation as Queen				
Our Lady of Peace	Hail Holy Queen				
Thursday, Sept. 18 th	Co- Redemptrix				
Our Lady of Sorrows	Rosary				

Faithful to the Finish 5k ... persevering in Faith Thank you to our sponsors:



Family

Jim and Mary Margaret Malue Family

Family Taco Bell and the Kupniewski Family

With the generosity of our sponsors and participants we were able to raise \$2,000 for the Parish Endowment.

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

OLP Casserole Club benefiting Maria House Project



"Kindness is like snow. It brightens everything it covers." ~Kahlil Gibran

Your "kindness" shown with the **casseroles** you've brought for many years has "brightened everything" at Maria House Project. The residents, volunteers, guests, staff and board are grateful for your caring!

The June **casseroles**, benefiting Maria House Project, can be brought to the Our Lady of Peace church social room (basement) on *Saturday, June 21st*, 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.



PRAY WITH MARY

THURSDAYS: MAY 29, JUNE 26, JULY 31, AUGUST 28, AND SEPTEMBER 18

FROM 6:30-7:30PM IN THE CAFETERIA

JOIN US THIS SUMMER AND DEEPEEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER

Learn about the Doctrine and Spirituality of:

The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Our Lady of Loreto, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Our Lady of Peace and Our Lady of Sorrows



Wednesday, June 18, 2025 St. George Church - 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Praise & Worship Witness Prayer Food Fellowship





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PRAISE & WORSHI BRIANNA ERDMAN

SUSAN YURKEWICZ Calling all women seeking community and authentic connection this event is for YOU! Join us for:

- raise and worship with the soul-stirring voice of Brianna Erdman
- Powerful, transformative witness by Jessica Laus Lifegiving Scripture reflection & prayer with Susan Yurkewicz
- **Refreshments & Fellowship**

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Our own Brian Kuzmin sings with the Lake Erie Choral Artists and this is their last concert as they are retiring the group.

> Please mark your calendars and support Brian and this Farewell Concert!



Garage Sale Proceeds

Two parishioners plan a huge annual garage sale to benefit Hekima Place - a girls' orphanage and school in Kenya, Africa.

Hekima Place is a non-profit started by a women, from Pittsburg, with a big heart. Arlene Chaney and Jeanne Marie Ryan have supported this orphanage/school for 10 years. The girls at Hekima Place are from infant through university. They are dedicated to housing and educating the girls so they can grow up to a better life and change how girls and women are viewed and treated in Africa.

> You can help by supporting their sale, 9:00-5:00PM: June 20 21, 22 June 27, 28, 29

> > July 4, 5, 6

3309 Asbury Road

There is something for everyone at this sale: household items, yard/workshop items, vintage, misc. items; and two 25¢ tables



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Sat, June 14, 2025, 4:00 pm

Christ First United Methodist Church, Jamestown, NY

Sun, June 15, 2025, 4:00 pm

St. Paul Episcopal Cathedral, Erie, PA

Choral Works by Arcadelt, Clausen, Consolacion, Dawson, Dolanc, Elgar, Fauré, Forrest, Gjeilo, Halmos, Hassler Kennedy, Lauridsen, des Prez, Pearsall, Schütz, Sixten, Whitacre

FAREWELL CONCER

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, intervoven with each other."

Our Lady of Peace Parish - Adult Faith Formation

Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

CHECK ONE:

□ New Registration

Name

Address

City

Phone _____

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

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

Zip



The OLP Prayer Line is ready to pray for you! Prayer intentions for yourself, someone else or a special intention can be sent in by phone or email.

9:00am - 3:00pm Edie Testa at 814-651-5952 or ejt1125@gmail.com

3:00pm - 9:00pm Barb Turner at 814-392-8348 or dylewski49@hotmail.com

If you would like to become a member of the prayer team for this important ministry and pray for your fellow parishioners, contact: Andrew Heinlein - Outreach Coordinator 814-833-7701 x 206 or andrew.heinlein@olp.org

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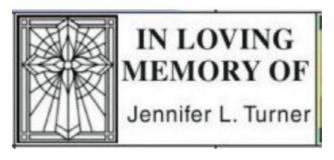
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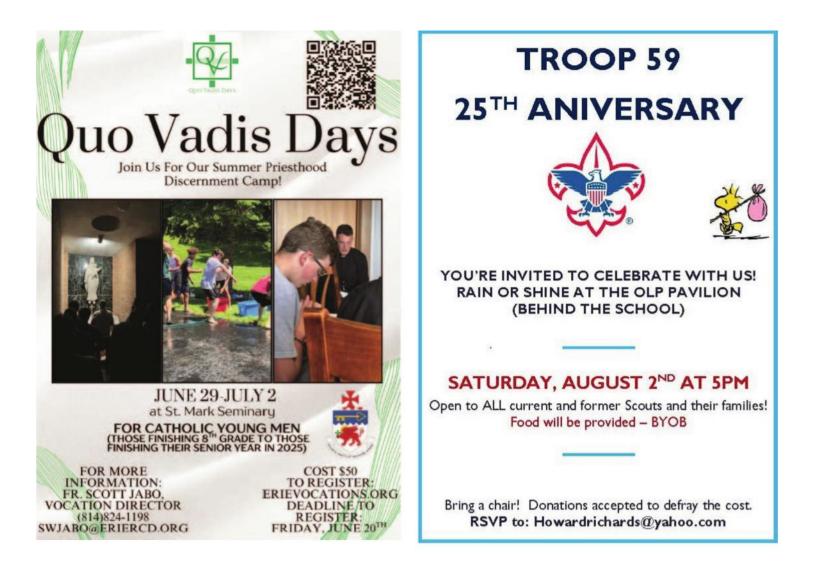


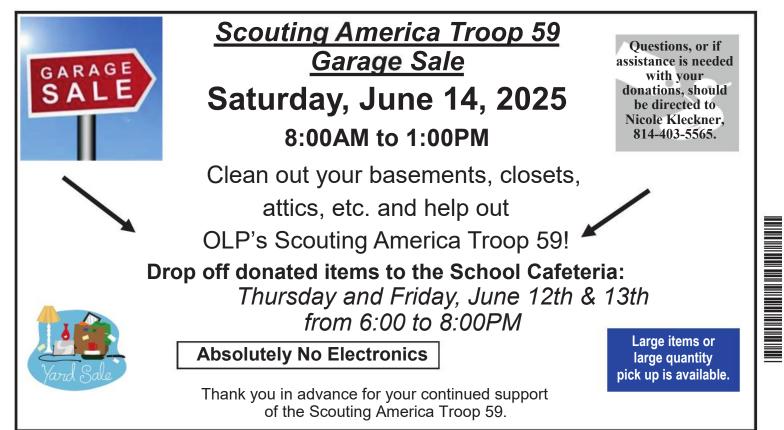
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