

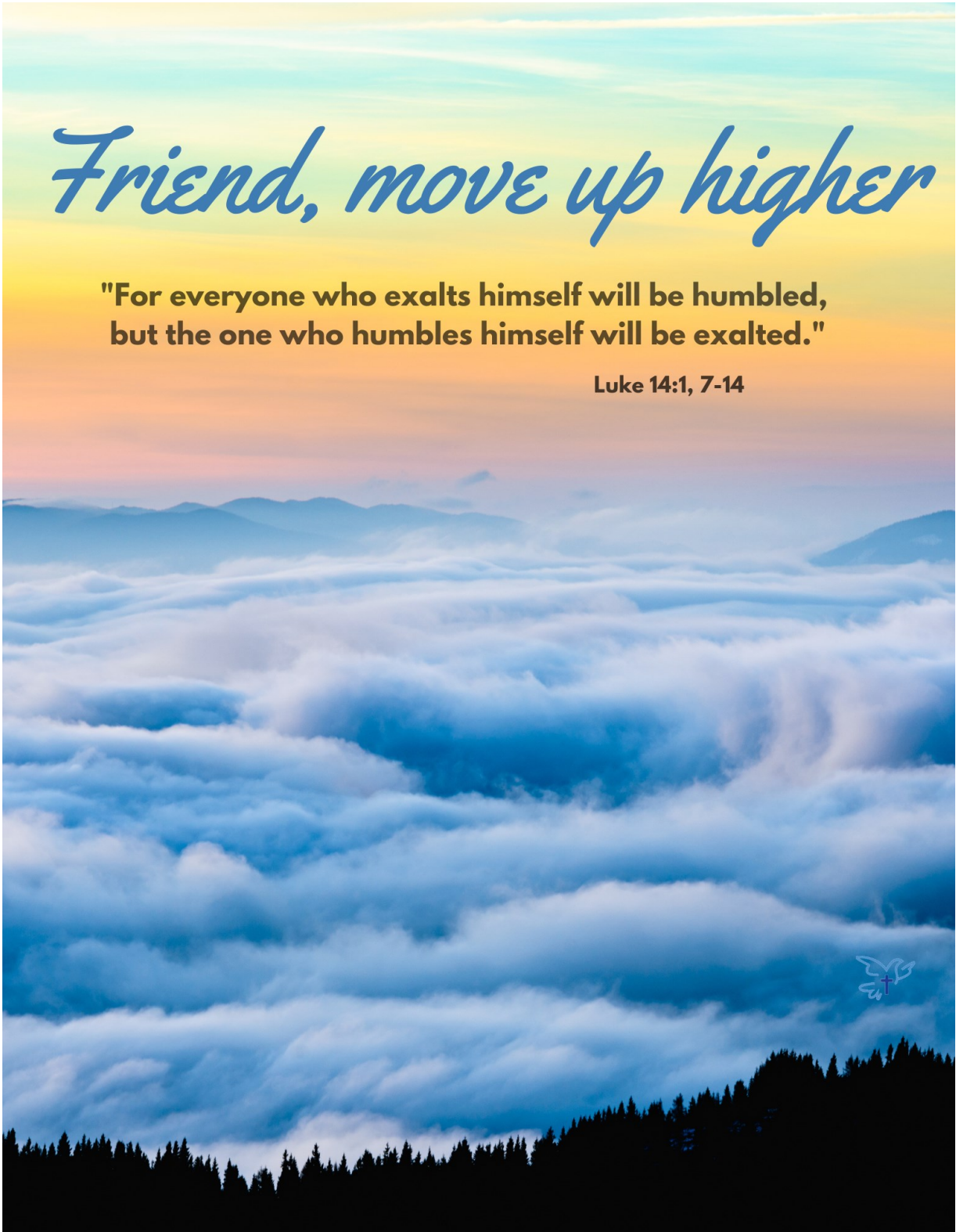


Our Lady of Peace

Friend, move up higher

**"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,
but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."**

Luke 14:1, 7-14



August 31, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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.



August 2025

31st Granola Bars / Crackers

Pantry is OPEN

(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 - Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. / O Lord, you are good and forgiving, / full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading - Conduct your affairs with humility (Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29).

Psalms - God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor (Psalm 68).

Second Reading - You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

Gospel - Those who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 14:1, 7-14).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Seeking Humility

Jesus said, "But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Lk 14:13-14)

Adults: Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?

Kids: Does it make you a better person to be chosen first for a team or some other honor? Why or why not?

HUMILITY

Humility is a virtue we don't see much in our times. It seems that bragging, swaggering, and arrogance dominate our fashion for everything and our Internet conversations. Who hasn't been irritated by the "trolls" who try (usually with bad grammar and poor spelling) to start an online fight with those whose opinions do not align with theirs? Our stores, catalogs, and online shopping sites are full of useless items geared in use and price to the very rich, as ordinary, useful things seem to fade off the sales scene. As the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class is fading away. What is the antidote to this? Humility is a good place to start. Devotion to God is worth more than riches. "The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; [God] leads forth prisoners to prosperity."

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2025

Labor Day

9:00AM Dennis Dombrowski -
Jerry Dombrowski & Family

Church Offices Closed Today
Will reopen 8:00AM Tuesday



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

7:00AM Daniel Bukowski - Janice & Paul DiFuccia
12:10PM Special Intention for Dot Pitts -
Jack & Schatzie Chapman
2:00PM Mass at Walnut Creek Nursing & Rehab,
(4850 Zuck Rd.): Marjorie Hedderick - Friends

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

7:00AM Richard Milano, Sr. - Friend
12:10PM Laura Risinger - Denise & Michael Gaines

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

7:00AM Sylvia Rumberger - Sr. Claudia
12:10PM Betty Fidorra - Bill & Linda Habursky
2:00PM School Mass - Fr. R. David Ehrman -
Ehrman Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

7:00AM Andrew Polakowski -
Deacon Dennis & Lynn Kudlak
12:10PM Russ Madonia - Angie Czerwinski & Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

8:00AM Special Intention for Bill & Diane Stumpf
(60th Wedding Anniversary)
5:00PM John Pulice - Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Eva Dangelo - Sargent Family
9:00AM Chuck Rohrbach - Malue Family
11:00AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
4:30PM Patricia DeVore - John & Debbie Maciak

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

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory
of John Pulice - Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of
Fran & Don McDade - Fred & Evelyn.

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 August 31st

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;
Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

A Family Perspective

A well-lived family life affirms Jesus' words in today's
gospel: "Those who humble themselves will be exalted."
Commitment, intimacy, loyalty, and love are the rewards
of humble service and care for one another.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for
Samuel G. Benigni, Jr.. May his friends and family 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:

Aug. 31: Jim Z.
Sept. 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.
Sept. 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.
Sept. 3: Sister Peggy, Linda D., Virginia S.
Sept. 4: Arlene B., Catherine C., Denny D.
Sept. 5: Joyce K.
Sept. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.
Sept. 7: Margaret K.

*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...

A happy Labor Day Weekend to you! And labor day means one thing for us at OLP... the parish picnic is almost here (since we always have the picnic the Saturday after Labor Day)! So, THIS Saturday, September 6th we will gather for 5pm Mass in the Church where our Pastoral Council, PLT and Staff will recommit to serving our parish in the various capacities in which they serve. Then around 6-6:15pm we will have dinner served by our Pastoral Council and Picnic Committee. The Picnic Committee is made up in a large part by the Families Together Ministry. There will be music by Rooftop Project outside from 6:30-9pm, Face Painting and balloons with Magic Steve from 6:30-8pm, Bingo from 7-8pm, Bonfire at 8:30pm, basket raffle drawings and the OLP Parish Raffle drawings at 9pm and fireworks at 9:30pm to conclude the night. You won't want to miss this highlight of our parish year!

We are still in need of volunteers for set up and clean up as well other areas. Sign ups are in the vestibule of the church after Masses and throughout the week. Also, the basket raffle and the parish cover the cost of the picnic but donations to help defray the cost are welcome. Please see Mary Beth Whitman in the office if you would like to make a donation.

Lastly, remember that our parish raffle is drawn at the picnic, so this is a last call to get your tickets into the office. Tickets are also sold at the picnic if you do not get to purchase yours before then. Due to the recent issues at another parish in Erie, I want you to know that we draw the winners of the raffle at the picnic and do it in front of several staff members as well as people at the picnic so there is no way to alter the winners of the raffle.

I really do hope you can make an effort to be a part of the picnic- it is the biggest parish celebration we have all year and the best opportunity to just be together, to strengthen our relationships and to start new ones. As I say frequently... we as a parish are only as strong as the individual relationships within us!

May God bless our week ahead and our parish family picnic that will conclude it!

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...

****Labor Day** Come celebrate the Mass for the Sanctification of Human Labor on Monday, September 1st at 9am. We will also pray for the unemployed who seek work, for the underemployed and for those who are able to work to see the benefits of labor and to seek it.

****First Friday Adoration is this week on September 5th.** Come spend some time in adoration of our Lord between 7:30am and 7:00pm Benediction.

****There will be a new Synod Listening Session at OLP on Monday, September 15th from 6:30-8pm in the school cafeteria.** The topic will be the baptismal call of the Catholic Laity. This is following up on the synod on synodality that took place throughout the universal Catholic Church between 2022-2024. Listening sessions like this will be held at parishes throughout the Diocese of Erie throughout September and a Diocesan Report will then be submitted to the US Catholic Conference by November 1st. Then a US report will be submitted to the Vatican by the end of 2025. More information will be coming on our listening session in the next few weeks but for now mark your calendars to be a part of this ongoing movement in the church re-initiated by Pope Francis and being continued by Pope Leo XIV.

****OLP School Athletics Golf Outing is Friday, September 19th at 1:00pm at Beechwood Golf Course.** See page 12 for more info.

****Masses this Week** Monday, Sept. 1st- Mass for the Sanctification of Human Labor; Tuesday, Sept. 2nd and Thursday, Sept. 4th- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Wednesday, Sept. 3rd- St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (6th Century Pope who reformed music and liturgy, patron of music); Friday, Sept 5th- Votive Mass for the Sacred Heart of Jesus; Saturday, Sept. 6th- Votive Mass for the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

****Prayer Plan for OLP Recreation** Between August 15th and September 30th, which is the 70th Anniversary of the founding of our parish, you are asked to pray the Rosary once a week for the intention of a new birth of Jesus at Our Lady of Peace and to place a rose into the basket at our Marian Altar in the main church. I hope that this will not only be opportunity for our practiced Rosary prayers to seek Mary's intercession for our parish, but for those of us who are not used to praying the Rosary to explore a new prayer and devotion that is considered one of the most powerful and efficacious in our Catholic Tradition. So, let's pile up those roses as an expression of our love and devotion to our patroness, Our Lady of Peace!

****New Regional Youth Minister** Back in July, OLP partnered with St. Jude the Apostle and St. Francis Xavier in McKean to hire a Regional Youth Minister who will work with Sarah Beaver from OLP to expand youth ministry. **Chandler Villanueva is the new regional youth minister.** Chandler recently graduated from Gannon University with a degree in Philosophy and has been highly involved with youth ministry at OLP for several years as a volunteer. We are very excited to add Chandler to our team at OLP and look forward to the greater impact of our youth ministry in West Erie.

****Erie Catholic School System and OLP School** started last week. As I have mentioned over the summer, a new system president was hired and started August 1st. Mr. Travis Washko brings much experience to this position and I look forward to a new start under his leadership. I also have taken a position on the ECSS Board of Directors and plan to put more of my energy into helping Erie Catholic become a better version of itself. Mrs. Emily Fluegel and Mr. Corey Ferraro also start new positions as the principal and assistant principal. Please pray for all of those who are a part of leading ECSS, to do so with the gifts of wisdom, right counsel and fortitude from the Holy Spirit! School Masses will generally be on Thursdays at 2pm. Anyone is welcome to attend those Masses but must enter through the parish office door.

****New Church Sanctuary Bell** There was a nice piece on Erie News Now recently about the new bell at OLP. We have had something in the bulletin over the summer about it, but I will review it here again. Nick Marinelli donated a new sanctuary bell to OLP in honor of his mother and father, Gloria and Nick Marinelli. Gloria passed away a year ago after being a faithful member of OLP for over 50 years and Nick wanted to fulfill her dream of having such a bell at OLP in her memory. It was made by the Marinelli Bell Company in Italy which is one of the oldest bell making companies in the world. And the bell at OLP is one of only 2 or 3 in the United States.

So what is a sacristy or sanctuary bell? If the bell is used when the Priest enters into the sanctuary area from the side Vesting Sacristy, it is called a sacristy bell and if it is used when the Priest enters the church's Worship Space at the beginning of Mass, it is called a Sanctuary Bell. So, the one at OLP is called a Sanctuary Bell. It is routinely used during daily Masses. Sanctuary bells are rung at the entrance of the clergy and are used as a warning that the Liturgy of the Mass is about to begin. Simultaneously, it signals for everyone to please stand for the entrance procession. I again thank Nick and his family for this generous donation!

Cash Bingo benefits: Benedictine Sisters of Erie

When: 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.*

Women's Faith Sharing Group

The Women of Faith group will begin meeting on **Wednesday, September 10, 2025, 6:30-8:30PM, in B-5**, which is the meeting room connected to the school cafeteria.

We will continue meeting the second Wednesday of each month.

All are welcome!

If you should have any questions please contact Maria Good at 570-594-8339.

Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

7:00AM Weekdays

8:00AM Saturdays

9:00AM Sundays



Go to **www.olp.org**, scroll down to 'Find Us on Social Media,' click on YouTube and you will be connected to our Channel. Once there you can watch previous Masses and also Subscribe by clicking the red Subscribe button.



OLP COOKS

PROVIDING MEALS FOR PARISHIONERS IN NEED



We have assembled our cooking team and are ready to begin providing meals for OLP Parishioners in need. If you need a meal or know of a parishioner who needs this ministry, please contact **Maria Prier**.

YOU are the eyes and ears of the parish. **If you know of someone who is having surgery, will be giving birth to a child, experiencing serious illness, or other special circumstances, contact our OLP Cooks Meal Coordinator, Maria Prier.** Thank you and let's start cooking!

Maria Prier, OLP Cooks Meal Coordinator
priermaria@gmail.com
334-614-3042



Are you cleaning out closets or spare rooms; found any **cotton, flannel or fleece material?**

Please consider donating it to the **Sew What?** group. Yarn,

thread and batting is also needed.

The group sews pillowcases, quilts, blankets, winter hoods, scarves, stuffed animals and other items for veterans, refugees and our Erie neighbors in need. Over the years **Sew What?** has delivered thousands of homemade items to community service agencies, relying solely on donations. **Please contact:**

Mary E., 814-866-2854 or Joni B., 814-881-8324.

Pickup available.



Our Lady of Peace...
Pray for us

Our prayer for re-creation at OLP which began in May entered the final phase on August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption.

The Parish Leadership Team has taken your prayers these last three months and made them into a rosary to use from August 15 - September 30th.

These rosaries will be blessed and placed near the altar. Please only one per family.

Use the rosary as you pray a **weekly** rosary through September 30th for the intention of the parish and for new birth in our campus vision.

Holy Mary, mother of God, pray with us.





FREE Puzzle Swap

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH


OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL CAFETERIA

- 2401 WEST 38TH STREET -

12:00 pm - Drop off puzzles
12:45 pm - Swap Begins
1:30 pm - Swap Ends
(or when puzzles are gone)



Questions? Call 814-969-4902 | Please tape all puzzle boxes closed



PRAY WITH MARY

THURSDAYS: MAY 29, JUNE 26, JULY 31, AUGUST 28, AND SEPTEMBER 25

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*

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration for Faith Formation was due Aug. 1, 2025. If you have not registered, please do so ASAP.

All registration forms can be found on our website, olp.org under the Faith Formation tab.

Parent meetings are as follows:

Grade 1-5: September 7 at 9am in the school cafeteria

Grade 6-8: September 7 at 10:15am in the school cafeteria

Grade 9: September 7 at 5:30pm in the church; this is for parents and students.

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

OLP PRAYER LINE

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

PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE

Harrisburg, September 22, 2025



PEOPLE FOR LIFE BUS TRIP \$50 / SEAT

Join us for this very important and powerful public pro-life statement.
Leave Erie at 5 a.m.

March and Rally at the State Capitol
Return to Erie by 8 p.m.

Use the QR code (peopleforlife.com/pamarch) to reserve your seat(s) or send your payment to People for Life; PO Box 1126; Erie, PA 16512.
Include contact information and a name for each reservation.

Time will be available to tour the capitol building and visit your legislators.

www.PeopleforLife.org



MUSIC MINISTRY HAS A CHAIR FOR YOU!

OLP's music ministry groups will be kicking off their 2025-2026 season at our Parish Picnic Mass on Saturday, September 6, at the 5:00pm Mass.

Selah Praise Band and Voice of Peace Choir are joining together as the Festival Ensemble and would love to have you join us for this special Mass. This is a great opportunity for you to meet the directors and members of OLP's music groups while experiencing what it's like to sing with a choir! No experience necessary! All you need to bring is your smile and a willingness to try something new!

WHO CAN JOIN US? Everyone is welcome from youth through adults. Bring a friend or family member!

INTERESTED? Simply show up 20 minutes before Mass so we can meet you and get you settled into your seat.

We hope you will join us for this special Mass, and help us kick off our 2025-2026 season with your friends in music ministry!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Director of Music and Liturgy: Brian Kuzmin

Email: brian.kuzmin@olp.org; Phone: 814-833-7701, x203

Selah Praise Band: Debby Holmes, Director

Email: debbyholmes75@gmail.com; Phone: 814-746-1539

Voice of Peace Choir: Lesley Lopez, Director

Email: leslopez62@yahoo.com; Phone: 814-464-7177



August 18, 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The humanitarian crisis in Gaza prompts concern from all people of goodwill. As Catholics, we especially are called by Christ to care for the suffering and the needy.

Pastoral concern has prompted the bishops of the United States to take up a collection for the assistance of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas. Many are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions.

I ask you to give generously to this special collection, held in our parishes on the weekend of September 6-7, 2025. Funds received will be passed on to Catholic Relief Services. This group has a long-standing relationship with the Catholic Church in the region, which allows them to provide humanitarian relief and medical assistance quickly and efficiently.

Thank you for doing what you can to support our suffering brothers and sisters in Gaza and surrounding areas. I join with you in praying for peace.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

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Youth Ministry Schedule September 2025

Youth Group (YG) for Middle School (MS) and High School (HS) all begin at 6:30PM and conclude at 8:30PM. Dinner is always provided, and there are always adult chaperones at each event. For YG, drop off and pick up will always be at the Church's main entrances.

These events are open to youth of any parish, school or faith background.

Sept 2nd: Youth Pilgrimage to the Cathedral, meet for 5:15pm Mass, tour to follow, ending by 8pm

6th: St. Francis Movie Night. *Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati* following the 6pm Mass
Our Lady of Peace Parish Picnic starting with the 5pm Mass

9th: MS YG, at Our Lady of Peace

10th: HS YG, at Our Lady of Peace

11th: 4th/5th Gr YG, at Our Lady of Peace, starting in the social room-downstairs of the Church, ending in the chapel, snacks provided, 4-5:30pm

13th: Men's Conference in Pittsburgh-contact Chandler if interested (for HS)

16th: MS YG at St. Jude

17th: HS YG at St. Francis

23rd: MS YG at St. Jude

24th: HS YG at St. Jude with Chick-Fil-A for dinner, 6:30-8:30pm

25th: 4th/5th Gr YG at St. Jude, 4-5:30pm, starting and ending at the Church main entrance

26th: Kid's Night Out (babysitting opportunity for those K-5th) at OLP 5:30-9pm contact Sarah to RSVP by Sept. 24th

30th: MS YG at Our Lady of Peace

Oct 1st: HS YG at Our Lady of Peace

Oct 2nd-4th/5th Gr YG at Our Lady of Peace, starting in the Church social room, ending by the Church entrance, 4-5:30pm, snacks provided

Oct 4th: MS NET Retreat, details to follow

Oct 5th: HS NET Retreat, details to follow

Contact Info

Sarah Beaver: sarah.beaver@olp.org

Chandler Villanueva: youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org

Yard Signs Available:

These yard signs,
with the metal stake,
are available in the church office.

**PRAY
FOR OUR
NATION**



Share Your OLP Memories!

Building Our Future on the Foundation of the Past

As Our Lady of Peace Parish prepares to celebrate 50 years of our Church building in 2027 and 75 years of our Parish in 2030, we're inviting you to help us tell the story of OLP — from our humble beginnings to the vibrant community we are today.

We are collecting photos and memories from all eras of Parish and school life:

- Early days when Mass was held at McDowell High School
- Worship in the OLP school gymnasium before the Church was built
- Celebrations, sacraments, school plays, OLP Theater, ministries, festivals, and more
- Family traditions tied to OLP over the decades



You can upload photos or stories directly using our online form (scan the QR code or visit the link below), and include a short description.

Have printed photos or historical items you'd like to share? We'd love to borrow them for display — with your permission, we'll safely preserve and showcase these treasures at OLP throughout the anniversary celebrations. More details will be shared soon about how and when to submit physical items, so stay tuned!

Let's honor our past and celebrate the faith-filled legacy that continues to grow.



Our Lady of Peace Parish, an "Amazing Parish" Parish

Upload your photos here:
<https://forms.gle/zR85CtruppHirZWn8>



Cub Scout Pack 59



Cub Scout Pack 59 welcomes boys and girls in grades K-5.

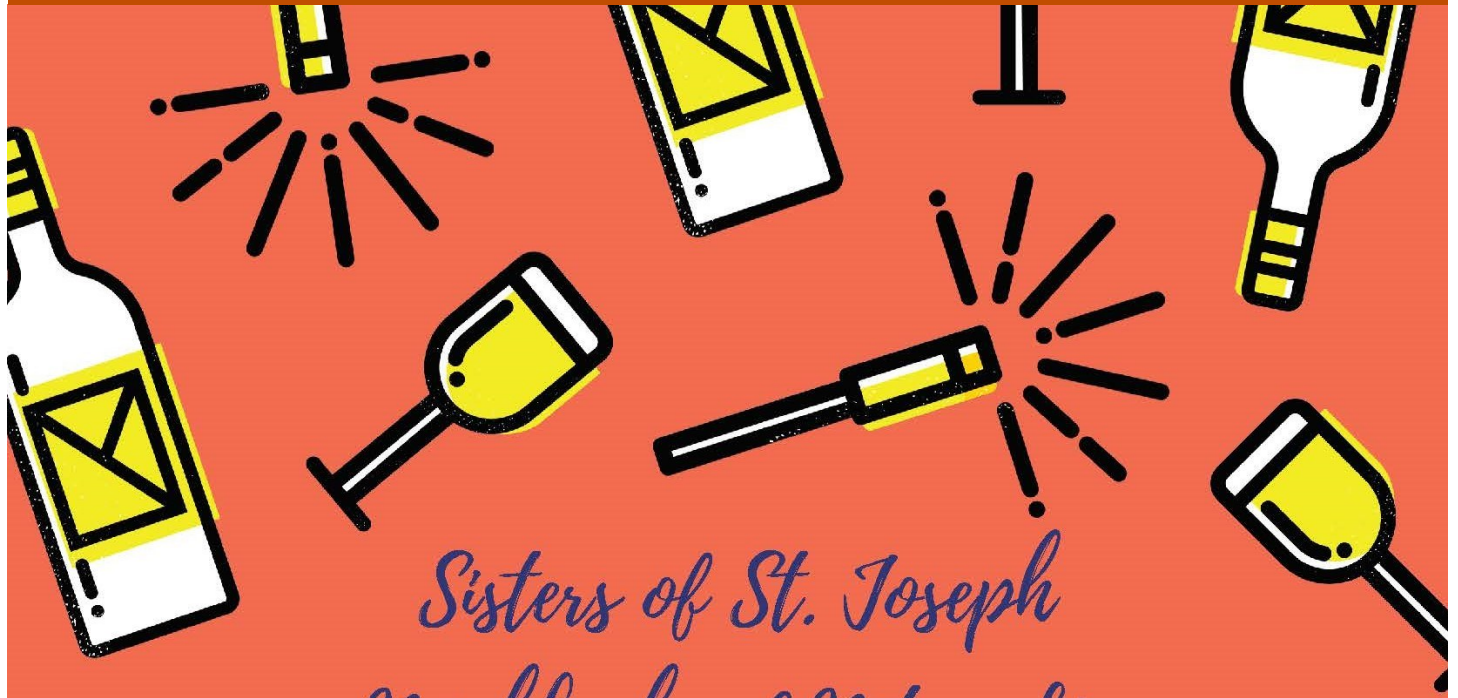
Stop by and learn about what scouting has to offer, and the adventure that awaits.

Information and sign-up night is
Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 6:00PM in the OLP Scout House.

Please contact Cubmaster Jonathan McLaughlin, 814-602-2328, with any questions.

Scouting  **America**

Stop out and support Fr. Rich as a Celebrity Bartender
from 7:30 - 8:30PM



*Sisters of St. Joseph
Neighborhood Network's*

CELEBRITY BARTENDING FUNDRAISER

Friday September 19th from 5:30-10pm

Nuova Aurora Club

1518 Walnut St, Erie, PA 16502

FREE ADMISSION (\$10 SUGGESTED DONATION)

GAMES OF CHANCE

LIVE MUSIC FROM THE BREEZE BAND

SNACKS AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

BASKET RAFFLE



Saturday October 11, 2025

JPT Event Center 2319 W 38th St, Erie

Doors open 12pm / Bingo at 1pm

\$30 admission

Instant,
Chinese
auction,
50/50

BYOB
&
food

Includes 10 games of \$CASH\$ bingo

50/50, Chinese auction baskets, instant and tip boards

Benefits Our Lady of Peace Knights of Columbus

Purchase tickets in advance Pete (814) 600-5386

or OLP Church office

Tickets also sold at the door

Please consider supporting our Knights so they
can continue their works of FAITH and CHARITY

JOIN US FOR A



Spaghetti Dinner

Fundraiser

Benefitting French Creek Council Jamboree Contingent

Sunday September 14

12:00-5:00 PM

**Our Lady of Peace
School Cafeteria**

2401 West 38th St Erie

INCLUDES:

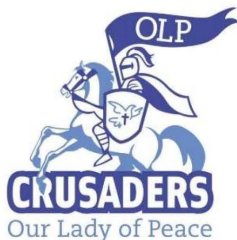
**Spaghetti, salad,
bread, drinks,
dessert**



**Sponsored by West Lake
Fire Dept Ladies Auxiliary**

**50/50
and
Basket Raffle!**

**Suggested Donation at the Door:
\$15 (12+), \$10 (6-11), Under 5 Free**



Beachwood Golf Club
6401 Gorski Road, Fairview, PA 16415

F●RE! Our Crusaders

5th Annual Our Lady of Peace Athletic Board Golf Tournament

Friday, September 19, 2025

Sponsorship Form

Company: _____

Contact Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone#: _____

Sponsor Levels (check one):

Crusader Sponsor	* 2 Foursomes* * Hole Sign * Recognition on Social Media * Name Displayed at Registration Table * Name on Score Card * Opportunity to provide giveaways and speak at dinner	\$1,500	
Blue Sponsor	* Foursome* * Hole Sign * Recognition on Social Media * Name Displayed at Registration Table	\$1,000	
White Sponsor	* Foursome* * Hole Sign	\$500	
Hole Sponsor	* Hole Sign	\$100	
Total for Sponsorship (A)			\$

*PLEASE LIST NAMES UNDER REGISTRATION FORM SECTION

I am unable to participate, but please accept this donation towards the Our Lady of Peace Athletic Program (B)	\$
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Registration Form

Foursome	\$400	
Single Golfer	\$100	
Dinner Only	\$25	
Total for Golf / Dinner (C)		\$

Golfer's Name (#1): _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Golfer's Name (#2): _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Golfer's Name (#3): _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Golfer's Name (#4): _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

If there is another team you would like to play with, please list a member of that team here: _____

Total for Sponsorship \$_____ (A)

Total Additional Donation \$_____ (B)

Total for Golf / Dinner \$_____ (C)

GRAND TOTAL \$_____

2 Ways to Pay:

- Pay by Check:** Make checks payable to Our Lady of Peace Athletic Board
- Pay via Venmo:** @Tony-DeMichele

Erie Catholic School System is a 501c3 non-profit organization

Please complete sponsorship and registration forms and submit with payment by September 5th.

*All sponsors must submit a logo (in pdf format) to
 Tony DeMichele
tony.demichele.k2o6@statefarm.com*

Please mail forms and payment to:

Mr. and Mrs. Tony DeMichele
 OLP Golf Tournament
 5698 Bear Run Circle,
 Fairview, PA 16415

All proceeds benefit OLP athletes and the Hank Starr Memorial

Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____


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

CHECK ONE:

- ☐ New Registration
- ☐ Change of Address
- ☐ Moving out of Parish
- ☐ Want envelopes

Get Connected

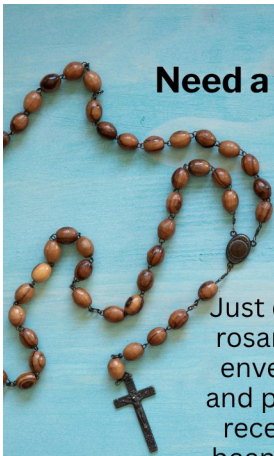
NEW TO THE PARISH? WANT TO GET INVOLVED BUT NOT SURE HOW?

- Register your family with the parish
- Check out the "events" page on our website, www.olp.org
- Sign up for our weekly newsletter on our website or call the office at 814-833-7701 for help.
- Download myPairsh App by texting APP to 88202. Select Our Lady of Peace, Erie PA 
- 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.

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Need a rosary repaired?



Just drop off your rosary or rosaries at the office in an envelope with your name and phone number. You will receive a call when it has been repaired and is ready for pick up.

Thank you Dianne for taking on this important ministry.

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:

Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 15, Dec 20

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!

Advertiser of the Week:

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Counseling And Adoption Services

We offer individual, family and couples counseling to help people overcome stressors and difficulties in their lives. Our licensed therapists use strength-based practices to help people manage the problems that they may be encountering.

Services include Mental Health, Substance Abuse Counseling and Group Therapy

ACCEPTING NEW CLIENTS

329 West 10th Street Erie Pa 16502
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Save the date PARISH PICNIC

SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

Join us for a great family fun time with our church community.
Make some new friends as we share faith and fellowship together.

Mass at 5pm followed by dinner, games, activities
and everyone's favorite basket raffle and bonfire.

OLP Raffle prize drawing at 9pm (\$15,000 in cash prizes); get your tickets in!

We will end the night with a big BANG of fireworks.

Come and enjoy an evening of
fun and celebration!
There is no need to bring
anything,
we've got it all covered.

