



Our Lady of Peace



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September 21, 2025

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

September 2025

21st Rice / Applesauce / Juice

28th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup



Pantry is OPEN September 23rd

(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 - I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. / Should they cry to me in any distress, / I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading - The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalm - Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading - God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

Gospel - The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

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Family Discussion of the Week: The Value of Honesty

Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. (Luke 16:10)

Adults: Can cheating and deception ever be justified?

Kids: If someone treats you unfairly, do you have the right to do the same to them?

GOD IS ON THE SIDE OF THE POOR

Two of today's readings make it quite clear that God is on the side of the poor. Amos describes in detail the exploitation of the poor and needy. The psalm repeats that God acts to benefit the poor and lowly. But Luke turns things upside down, telling a tale of a conflicted steward, about to be fired, who demonstrates his cleverness and is rewarded. Like the community to whom Paul writes in Timothy, these readings are personal, directed to believers, members of the Jewish and Christian communities, who struggle to deal with personal choices about how to conduct their lives. They offer an outline for how God wishes us to live in a world as complicated and as confusing as our own.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

7:00AM Bob Fuller - Grandson, Dylan
12:10PM Heidi Willmoth - Mary Lou Wiesen

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

7:00AM Douglas Dennington - Family
12:10PM Kathleen Obert - Good Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

7:00AM Marge Wojtkielewicz - Family
12:10PM Atephen Fuller - Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

7:00AM Roberta Johns - Family
12:10PM Artie Cannavino - Kevin Helsley Family
2:00PM School Mass - Michael & Chelsea McGrorey - Ehrman Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

7:00AM Caroline DiPlacido - Foti Family
12:10PM Don DiPlacido - Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

8:00AM Gerry Smith - Jay & Marcia
5:00PM Kathy Masolotte - Malue Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Pat Ahlum - Jay & Marcia
9:00AM Karen J. Johnson - Luniewski Family
11:00AM William Krasnesky - Family
4:30PM Ronald Visnoski - Family

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

Confessions available:

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



Our Lady of Peace...
Pray for us

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Gerrie Svirbly - Husband, Mike.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Anthony Gumino - Daughters.

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 September 21st

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

A Family Perspective

Despite all our time-saving gadgets, we still have less leisure and family time. To address this, we created the Myth of Quality Time. Don't be fooled: Quality Time is Quantity Time. Jesus counsels us today that we "cannot serve two masters" and expect to be happy. Dedicate time to your family. No one in their final hours regretted not spending more time at work.

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:

Sept. 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.
Sept. 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y.
Sept. 23: Heidi A.
Sept. 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.
Sept. 25: Christine O.
Sept. 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.
Sept. 27: Ann R.
Sept. 28: Ann F., Michael M.

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...

Happy Fall! This weekend we celebrate our Parish Jubilee for Catechists and Education, the kick-off for another Faith Formation Year for Grades one to nine; and a "Registration Weekend." For the Jubilee for Catechists and Education, we will continue our custom of saying Pope Francis' Jubilee Prayer at the end of the intercessions. There will also be a blessing of our Catechists for the new Faith Formation year, school teachers, and all involved in education at the end of all Masses. I thank all our catechists at OLP Parish, the teachers at OLP School, and the Erie Catholic School System for their dedication and sacrifice. Their role is an essential one in helping hand on the faith to future generations and I hope you will help me in showing your appreciation to them. The names of the catechists and teachers can be found below. Also, at all Masses there will be a second collection for Catholic Education which is split between our Diocesan Education Office (which oversees both Catholic Schools AND Faith Formation) and our parish faith formation program.

For more about the Registration Weekend see my note below. May God bless our catechists, our educators and our week 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...

****Catechists at OLP Parish** Sarah Beaver, Maria Good, Renee Heinlein, Dave Heintzel, Scott Hinman, Natalie Kelly, Mary Lakari, Asher Lamb, Evan Lamb, Darrell Meyers, Jessica Munch, Linda Russell, Sanibel Stravinsky, Mary Yochim.

****Teachers/Administrators at OLP School** Emily Fluegel, Corey Ferraro, Jessica Budacki, Jim Cardman, Kelly Cass, Alicia Coletta, Janice Daeschner, Stephanie Dahlkemper, Lisa Dietrich, Jessica Diluzio, Maria Ehrman, Julie Ferraro, Rose Girard, Angela Griffith, Abigail Harrington, Amy Izbicki, Rebecca Jubulis, Kathleen Kapp, Jessica Kibbe, Meghan Lawson, Peyton Marzka, Katherine Meyer, Rachel Nickle, Carol Ohmer, Maria Prior, Heather Riley, Debbie Sanden, Anne Tellers, Kristin Tregaskis, Kent Tucker, Amanda Wawrzyniak, Joyce Wickles, Kevin Zirol.

****Registration Weekend** This weekend we invite families or individuals to consider officially registering as parishioners at Our Lady of Peace Parish if you have not done so. Please stop in the vestibule and we can help you with registration or provide more information.

So why register as a member of OLP? Here are a few reasons to consider: ONE- registration is a way of committing to living out your Catholic faith in an intentional way through the mission of our parish through stewardship of your time, talent and treasure. It formally engages you in the financial support of our parish mission and also allows us to provide documentation of your financial support for tax purposes; TWO- registration is a

concrete way to show you are actively practicing your faith and is typically required for those seeking to be Godparents or Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation; THREE- registration allows our welcome committee to get to know you and share information about our parish community and life as well as invite you to one of our Welcome Luncheons; FOUR- registration allows you to receive all parish mailings and communication through email as well as placing you on the mailing list for our Diocesan FAITH Magazine which is published six times a year.

So we would love you to consider registering at OLP if you are not registered at a parish already and please consider inviting your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers who are Catholic and do not have a parish to formally register at OLP.

****I will be away** from the parish this week as I attend my Annual Retreat required by the church's law. I will be joining Fr. Steve Schreiber (from St. Joseph BOL and Sacred Heart) and other pastors from around the country who are participating in the Amazing Parish Movement. I thank Fr. Luke and Fr. Shane for covering things at OLP while I am away. As always... Pray for me as I will surely be praying for you, my spiritual family!

****Becoming Catholic/New OCIA Year** OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the program through which adults become members of our Catholic faith through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). If you are interested in becoming Catholic (meaning you were never baptized or were baptized in another Christian denomination) or want to complete your Catholic initiation (you were baptized Catholic but never Confirmed), please contact the office to register for the program or if you just have questions about the program. It is not too late to get involved.

****Parish Picnic Thank You** We had a great parish picnic two weekends ago! Thank you to everyone who attended and a special thank you to all who helped plan and execute the event! Our Picnic Committee, which is primarily our Families Together Ministry, did an incredible job and they were very impressed with the amount of volunteers who got involved. In addition to many individuals who help, the scouts, the Knights of Columbus and the Pastoral Council had many members help. Well done OLP!

****Parish Raffle Results** Congratulation again to all our raffle winners! The OLP raffle raised \$48,505 which is over \$2,000 more than last year and the second highest total since we started the raffle back in 2021. Thank you to all who sold or bought tickets! Again well done OLP!

****Masses this Week** Monday, Sept. 22nd, - Wednesday, Sept. 24th and Thursday, Sept. 25th - Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Tuesday, Sept. 23rd - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (20th Century Italian Capuchin, Mystic and Stigmatist); Friday, Sept. 26th - Sts. Cosmos and Damiam, Martyrs (3rd Century brother physicians); Saturday, Sept. 27th - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest (17th Century French founder of the Vincentians Religious Order).

****PARISH MISSION** The next step in our Parish Vision and Re-Creation Plan after our 4 and a half months of intentional prayer is a parish mission. **The Mission will take place October 5 -7, 2025 and is called "Passionate Faith: Growing in Holiness and Mission with Nate Schaff from Amazing Parish."** Nate is also the coach for our Parish Leadership Team (PLT). The Parish Mission is three evenings of inspiration and prayer from 6:30-

8pm and I hope you will join in this time to grow in faith. Please mark your calendars and plan around this essential step in our re-creation plan.

****Parish Vision and Re-creation Plan Letter sent to all**

Parishioners the Week of September 8th "Of all the letters that I have written to you over the last 8 years I would suggest this is among the most important. Today I write to you about our Parish Vision and Re-Creation Plan (PVRP) that we have all been praying about this summer. I shared from the pulpit and bulletin in April and May how we got to this point and how prayer is laying the foundation for the next steps. Remember that we are still in the last phase of that prayer plan; praying the rosary once a week for the intention of rebirth at our parish.

In May, I mentioned that the Parish Vision and Re-Creation Plan is a plan to allow God to bring new life and new mission to Our Lady of Peace. It is a plan to help move our community from living our parish mission on Sundays to living out our mission seven days a week. It is a plan that cannot happen without you.

This plan also cannot happen without the help of a team of committed parishioners and professionals who can guide us. With that in mind, back in the Spring we created a Parish Vision Committee (PVC) to help lead us through the practical steps of this re-creation process. This team consists of Herb Morrow, Mike Zavasky, Gina Adams, Kevin Cooney, Brian Kuzmin, Joe Rys, Dominick Sisinni, Andrew Wawrzyniak, Mary Beth Whitman and myself. The PVC solicited the help of local Liturgical Design Consultant, Dr. Michael DeSanctis, a retired professor at Gannon University and member of St. Jude Parish. Also, we have contracted with LaBella Associates, an architecture firm out of Rochester, NY who specializes in liturgical design and will walk with us through most of the steps outlined below starting with a feasibility study. LaBella was chosen after a significant process that included interviews with several local firms.

I am very excited to announce that the next step in our PVRP is a Parish Mission; "Passionate Faith: Growing in Holiness and Mission" will take place from October 5-7. It will be led by Nate Schaaf from Amazing Parish. Nate is also the coach for our Parish Leadership Team (PLT). The Parish Mission is three evenings of inspiration and prayer from 6:30-8pm and I hope you will join in this time to grow in faith. Please mark your calendars and plan around this essential step in our re-creation plan.

After the parish mission, we will take a deeper dive into the Sacraments, learning more about how we are called to worship and celebrate them in our Catholic tradition. This will take place over 4 weeks, with each session being offered twice a week:

WEEK 1 Monday 10/27 -6:30-8pm
Thursday 10/30 -10-11:30am
WEEK 2 Wednesday 11/5 -6:30-8pm
Thursday 11/6 -10-11:30am
WEEK 3 Thursday 11/13- 6:30-8pm
Thursday 11/13 -10-11:30am
WEEK 4 Monday 11/17 -6:30-8pm
Thursday 11/20 -10-11:30am

Once we have been inspired by our parish mission, have learned about the Church's teaching on the Sacraments and their celebration, the next step is listening sessions. In January 2026, LaBella will lead listening sessions to get your input on how to build our parish campus to incorporate what we have learned and how to improve what we do.

So, how can you participate in this process fully?

1. Continue to pray for our parish vision and re-creation- especially the Rosary in September.
2. Come to the Parish Mission on October 5-7.
3. Attend the four Formation Sessions between October 27- November 20.
4. Join the Listening Sessions in January.

Thank you for your support and participation in this Parish Vision and Re-Creation Plan! I cannot wait to see what the Holy Spirit is going to accomplish in and through Our Lady of Peace Parish in the next 5 years as we go through this process! May God bless our parish and our Parish Vision Re-Creation Plan!"



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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to all who supported the Baby Bottle Fundraiser.

The Our Lady of Peace Church community donated **\$4,256** to support the good work of the Women's Care Center of Erie.

Thank you

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

Special Collection: Catholic Education

Today is the 2025 Catholic Education Collection! As we bless our catechists, know that half of what you give today will remain at our parish to support our catechists who volunteer for our religious education and faith formation programs! You can make a gift by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet or online at www.olp.org or at the Diocese of Erie, www.eriecd.org/cc.html. Thank you! and please remember in your prayers all who are involved in educational ministries in our parish and throughout our diocese.



Saturday October 11, 2025

JPT Event Center 2319 W 38th St, Erie

Doors open 12pm / Bingo at 1pm

\$30 admission

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

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 OLP

17th-HS YG at St. Francis

23rd-MS YG at OLP

24th-HS YG at 12th St Chick-Fil-A

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



Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

Saturday, Sept. 27th at 11:00AM
OLP Soccer Field

All children ages 9 through 14 are invited to participate in the **Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge**. The local competition will be held at the **OLP Soccer Field** on **Saturday, Sept. 27th at 11:00AM**. Youth will compete by age groups, with winners progressing through local, regional, and state competitions. Participants will shoot 15 penalty kicks and points are awarded based on the location of the kick in the goal. **Entry forms will be available at the competition.**

**A Stewardship of Sharing July 2025
Fiscal Year July 2025 - June 2026**

	Monthly	YTD
Weekly Envelope	\$65,898	\$65,898
Loose	4,972	4,972
Holy Days	5	5
Monthly School Support	1,443	1,443
Christmas/Easter/Flowers	0	0
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Total Offertory	\$72,319	\$72,319
Budgeted Offertory	\$96,458	\$96,458
(Deficit) Surplus	(\$24,139)	(\$24,139)
Diocesan Designated Fund	\$ 2,572	\$2,572

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\$183,072
Total Pledges\$235,778
425 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.

Have you officially registered as a parishioner?

Becoming a registered member helps us connect with you about church events and programs, allows you to fully participate in parish life, and shows your desire to journey in life and faith together with others also on the same road.

Stop by our table in the vestibule after mass to register or for more information or to enjoy some cookies!



Registration forms are always available in the church office or online at www.olp.org.

Thank you Felton family for sharing your journey to Our Lady of Peace. . .

We moved to Erie last summer from Jamestown, NY to send our kids to Catholic school. With a wide-open social calendar, we decided to start showing up to any and all events that were posted in the OLP bulletin. Within a month we attended beach day, VBS & bonfire, OLP Serves, and the Parish Picnic. There were so many warm welcomes and great conversations at those events. We could tell that we had found the kind of parish we had been praying for - one in which there is intentional community and a growth mindset.

Over the course of the year, we found ourselves at a new parishioner luncheon, the Community Advent Experience, comedy night (with free babysitting!), youth group, Altar Server luau, St. Joseph's Table dinner, and more. It feels like there is something for everyone here - no matter what your stage of life or faith practice. As busy parents, we are so grateful to have a church where the children can see the beauty of the faith on full display - all you have to do is show up!

Whether you've been attending for years and never officially registered, or you're new like us and considering making OLP your home parish, we encourage you to stop by the table in the back of church today.

Craig, Kaitly and family

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO JOIN US!

OLP Music Ministry

WANTS
YOU

Music ministry is an easy way to get involved and experience the joys of making beautiful music with other parishioners. Whether you enjoy singing or playing an instrument, we have a place for you. We are welcoming new members from youth through adults.

Try us out by signing up in the back of church this weekend or contact Brian Kuzmin for more information on the various opportunities we have for YOU!

For more information contact:
Brian Kuzmin: Brian.Kuzmin@olp.org



Stop in the church vestibule to
see what's new
at the OLP Catholic Resource Kiosk

Cost: - \$3

Learn about our
NEW SAINT's great
generosity and care
of the poor in this
small booklet.

It summarizes the
life of a handsome
and active young
man from an
influential family in
Turin who
dedicated his short
life to the care of the poor and the sick and
working for social and political reforms.



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.



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.

YOU are invited to volunteer with OLP at



WHEN: Saturday, September 27th and
Thursday, October 2nd

TIME: 8:00am until Noon

WHERE: 2849 East 29th St., Erie 16510

WHAT: New construction: variety of tasks.
Tools and equipment provided!
Dress for indoor and outdoor weather

Non-construction volunteers also needed to provide snack at break time.

WHO: Anyone 16 years of age or older
(All must complete a waiver, parent signature
needed for youth waiver)

*Need at least 4 and no more than 12
construction volunteers

CONTACT: Nancy Milkowski at nemilkowski14@gmail.com
or sign up in the vestibule September 20th-21st

31ST ANNUAL Rosary March

108th Anniversary of the
Miracle of the Sun, Mary in Fatima



OCTOBER 12, 2025 at 2:00 PM

St. Peter Cathedral - 10th and Sassafras Streets, Erie
Please arrive by 1:30 pm

HOMILY BY: Bishop Lawrence Persico

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: Father Jerry Piscaro

MORE INFO: John Walsh 814-868-1100

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Dates are Saturday's:

Oct 18, Nov 15, Dec 20

Time: 9:45AM to 1:00PM

Where: 11th & French St.

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Time: Any parishioner 15 yrs or older

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OCTOBER 5-7

6:30PM

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Nate has been an Amazing Parish Coach for 4 years. He spent 3 years as a full-time missionary with Life Teen serving on retreats, at summer camps and in multiple parishes. He worked as a youth minister for another 3 years in Massachusetts before joining the Amazing Parish team. He and his wife homeschool and homestead with their 5 beautiful children in Parker, Colorado.

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