



Our Lady of Peace

**"for many will come in my name,
saying 'I am he,' and
'The time has come.'
Do not follow them."**

**"by your perseverance
you will secure you lives."**

Luke 21:5-19

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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:

9AM-3PM Edie 814-651-5952

3PM-9PM Barb 814-392-8348

**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.

**November 2025**

16th Single Serve: Jell-O, Applesauce

23rd Cereal / Breakfast Bars

30th Juice / Mac 'n Cheese

Pantry is OPEN November 25

(every 2nd & 4th Tuesday) 9-11AM for those living in

Millcreek & for OLP Parishioners, at

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3642 West 26th Street.

The West Millcreek Food

Pantry is asking for extra food donations:

- Canned Soup
- Canned Vegetables
- Whole Grain Cereal
- Pet Food
- Laundry Supplies
- Toilet Tissue/Kleenex
- Paper Towels/Napkins
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Reusable Grocery Bags

Thank you!

The OLP Prayer Ministry

This is a ministry for those who are unable to attend the usual parish functions; perhaps due to an impairment, lack of transportation or illness. This active ministry can be done from home, a nursing home, the hospital, etc. Those who participate are asked to pray for a specific group, ministry or function as the meeting, ministry or function is occurring. Prayer is vital to our lives and keeps us connected as members of the Body of Christ.

For more info, contact: Deacon John Mang at deacon.john@olp.org or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983 or tammie.mang@olp.org.

Sunday's Readings:

Entrance Antiphon - The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. / You will call upon me, and I will answer you, / and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading - For those who fear the name of the Lord, the sun of justice will arise (Malachi 3:19-20a).

Psalm - The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

Second Reading - Those who are living in idleness are urged to earn their own living (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

Gospel - Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers (Luke 21:5-19).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Overcoming Difficulties

Jesus said, "You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls." (Luke 21:17-19)

Adults: When bad things happen, how do you deal with them?

Kids: Have you ever worried about something that might happen? What can help you worry less?

LIFE IS HARD, BUT HAVE NO FEAR

Today's readings take a fearless look at reality and reach a conclusion that we all know: life is hard. The prophet Malachi preaches fire and brimstone, warning us that evildoers will perish in flames. Saint Paul offers his own warning to the Thessalonians: keep busy, but never become a busybody. He reminds Christians that the apostles themselves worked in "toil and drudgery" as a model for how we ought to contribute to our community. The Gospel returns to the apocalyptic tone of Malachi, describing the utter chaos of the end-times. We will know the end is near when violence, catastrophe, and hatred dominate the earth. But we must not fear! God's saving plan brings peace to our hearts. Malachi speaks of the sun's "healing rays," and Jesus himself promises to protect every hair on our heads.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2025

7:00AM Robert Snyder - Matt Catrabone Family
12:10PM Sally & John Morettini - Son & Brother

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025

7:00AM Dave Bello - Wife, Ginny Bello
12:10PM Special Intention for Mr. & Mrs. Louis Fornelli
for 62nd Wedding Anniversary - Carroll Family

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2025

7:00AM Christina Perez - Friend
12:10PM Andrew Polakowski -
Deacon Dennis & Lynn Kudlak

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025

7:00AM Special Intention for Leslie
12:10PM Marilyn Schlecht - Alexander & Groner Families
2:00PM School Mass - Mr. & Mrs. John Wasielewski -
Family

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2025

7:00AM Nancy Wierzchowski -
Jack & Schatzie Chapman
12:10PM Dick Burr - Family

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025

8:00AM Special Intention for Edie Testa
5:00PM Robert Lapinski - Darrell & Nancy Meyers

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30AM Cecil Reinsel - Wife & Family
9:00AM Gary Bauschard - Family
11:00AM Eleanor Agnello - Frank Minichelli
Noon to 4:30PM Adoration
4:30PM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
5:15-6:00PM Adoration
6:00PM Solemn Evening Prayer & Benediction

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Stanley Scepora, father of Mary Lou Campbell; and for Margaret Mary "Peggy" Spangler. May their family and friends find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

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 November 16th

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;
Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,
11-12; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20;
Lk 23:35-43

A Family Perspective

Parenting is challenging with so many conflicting voices and influences. In today's gospel, Jesus encourages parents to bravely give testimony and trust that He will provide the "wisdom" needed to be good parents. Remember, you are not alone in this journey; a loving Father is standing with you.

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Mary Szocki - Husband.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Jack Dann - Family.

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:

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

If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or Kathy Wayman at 814-397-6443. 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...

Sunday, November 16, 2025, is **World Day of the Poor**, a day established by Pope Francis in 2017 for Catholics to "reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel." The theme for 2025 is *You are my hope (Ps 71:5)*. "Amid life's trials, our hope is inspired by the firm and reassuring certainty of God's love, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit," wrote Pope Leo XIV in his message for the day. "The living God is in fact 'the God of hope' (Rom 15:13), and Christ, by his death and resurrection, has himself become 'our hope.'" (1 Tim 1:1). Pope Leo said that the poor "can be witnesses to a strong and steadfast hope, precisely because they embody it in the midst of uncertainty, poverty, instability, and marginalization," not being able to "rely on the security of power and possessions." Pope Leo also reminded us that "the gravest form of poverty is not to know God."

After the Year of Mercy in 2016, Pope Francis said he wanted to set aside a day so that, throughout the world, Christian communities could become even greater signs of Christ's charity for those in need. We are called, Pope Francis wrote in his first World Day of the Poor message, "to draw near to the poor, to encounter them, to meet their gaze, to embrace them, and to let them feel the warmth of love that breaks through their solitude. Their outstretched hand is also an invitation to step out of our certainties and comforts, and to acknowledge the value of poverty in itself." The pope said that for Christ's disciples, "poverty is, above all, a call to follow Jesus in his own poverty," and he asked Catholics to take as their example St. Francis of Assisi, who kept his gaze fixed on Christ, allowing him to see and serve the poor.

I take this day focused on the poor to remind you of the ways we serve the poor in this season of Fall and Winter:

1. "Coats for Kids" drive hosted by Inter-Church Ministries in October.
2. Collection of desserts for the West Millcreek Food Pantry Thanksgiving Dinners through November 23rd.
3. Collection of non-perishable food items at all Masses, November 24th through November 30th (including Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday, November 27th) for the West Millcreek Food Pantry.
4. Advents Service Project: Donations of Gift Cards for the Shining Star Project for St. Martin Center Christmas Gift Distribution now until December 8th.
5. Advent Service Project: Donations of toiletries and cleaning supplies for the West Millcreek Food Pantry families, now through December 14th. The items are packed at our Advent Community Gathering on Tuesday, December 16th.
6. Opportunities to volunteer at Emmaus Soup Kitchen and Erie City Mission as part of our regular OLP monthly commitments.
7. Volunteer for the Our Neighbors Place Overflow Shelter for OLP's week of service, January 14-20, 2026 (there will be a signup weekend of December 20-21).
8. Keep an eye on the parish bulletin and weekly email for other opportunities to serve the poor of our community.

I thank the OLP Outreach Committee led by JoAnn Barnes and our Parish Outreach Coordinator, Andy Heinlein for all they do to help organize and execute these efforts. I have

said it before and I will say it again; I believe one significant way the Catholic Church is going to reclaim credibility in our society after the challenges we have faced is a renewed commitment to serving the poor and needy in our community. So let's all be part of that renewed commitment and renewed credibility by doing our part in serving those most in need in our community!

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...

****The OLP Jubilee for Armed Forces and Police and Security/ First Responders/ Governments is this weekend.** We will pray the Jubilee Prayer of Pope Francis and offer a solemn blessing for all of our veterans, first responders, police, firefighters and government leaders at all Masses. We thank all of our civil servants who are so dedicated to helping our community be safe and well ordered.

****Masses this Week** Monday, Nov. 17th- St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (13th Century wife, mother and Franciscan Tertiary who is now patron of Catholic Charities and the Franciscan Third Order); Tuesday, Nov. 18th- St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin (19th century missionary from France to Missouri who opened the first American free school west of the Mississippi); Wednesday, Nov. 19th and Thursday, Nov. 20th- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Friday, Nov. 21st- the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saturday, Nov. 22nd- St. Cecelia, Virgin and Martyr (3rd century patron of sacred music because of the song of God in her heart).

****#iGiveCatholic2025 will take place on Tuesday, December 2nd, with advanced giving beginning on November 17th.** This is the 7th year the Diocese of Erie is participating and we are grateful to the Catholic Foundation of NWPa for it's work in facilitating it. Last year #iGiveCatholic raised \$561,531 for catholic non-profits throughout our diocese. What is #iGiveCatholic? It's an annual giving day for the faithful across the nation (and globe!) to join together and give thanks for the churches, schools and ministries that work tirelessly to share the Good News. So, save the date and prayerfully consider sharing your blessings this year.

****Christ the King Adoration, Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction** We did not have a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration in November but instead will have extended hours of private adoration of our Eucharistic King and Lord on Sunday, November 23rd from 12 Noon until 4:15pm and 5:15-6pm. At 6pm we will have Solemn Evening Prayer for the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of Universe followed by Benediction around 6:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor Jesus Christ as our King on this special feast so I hope you can be a part of the extra prayer opportunities next Sunday!



****OLP Parish Vision and Re-creation Plan:**

STEP ONE- Intentional Prayer from May 15 to Sept. 30, 2025.

STEP TWO- Parish Mission from October 5-7, 2025.

STEP THREE- "Sacraments and their Celebration" Formation on the Sacraments until November 20, (see page 10 for details).

STEP FOUR- Listening Sessions with LaBella Associates, architect, in January 2026.

****Vocations are everyone's Business!** As we reflect on the universal call to holiness on All Saints Day, the US Catholic Church invites us to celebrate National Vocation Awareness Week the first week of November every year. To help us all grow in awareness of the Vocation situation in the Diocese of Erie regarding clergy vocations, I present these most recent statistics.

Current statistics (2025):

Active Diocesan Priests: 87

Retired Diocesan Priests: 37

Diocesan Permanent Deacons: 61

Total Seminarians: 8

Propaedeutic Year: 2

St. Mark Seminary: 3

Major Seminary: 3 (no priesthood ordinations until 2028)

The number of active diocesan priests has decreased from 130 in 2012 and 210 in 1990, and is projected to be 62 by 2031. So what can we do to encourage our young people to be open to the vocations to Holy Orders and Religious Life?

1. Pray: Dedicate time each day to pray for vocations or join the 31 Club that commits to offering Mass for vocations once a month.

2. Offer gentle encouragement to youth and create space for individuals to hear God's call. Consider joining the Serra Club of Erie that specifically seeks to find ways to support vocations. Initiate or support parish activities like a monthly Holy Hour for vocations, and don't be afraid to courageously ask young men and women if they have considered a vocation.

3. Build a close-knit spiritual family within the parish that nurtures vocations.

4. Donate to the work of vocations to help support current and future priests and seminarians.

I hope we all believe that fostering vocations is ALL of our responsibility and not just the work of priests and religious. Let's keep praying that God provides laborers for the harvest!

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



12 "Knights" of Christmas

RAFFLE

84 Prizes

There will be 12 winners chosen and each will get to choose 7 prizes from the list on the back of the ticket.

Winners will be drawn on Saturday, December 13th

On Saturday, December 20th each winner will choose a prize and then continue in rotation until all prizes are gone.

Tickets: \$10 for 1
or \$20 for 3



*Tickets are available
in the church office*



NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2025 RISEN & ROOTED RCYM SCHEDULE

November 1st-All Saint's Day Party, in OLP Gym 6-9pm, all ages and families welcome

Nov 5th-Middle (MS) and High School (HS) Youth Group (YG) at OLP 6:30-8:30pm

Nov 6th-4th/5th Grade YG 4-5:30pm

Nov 8th-Diocesan Confirmation Retreat

Nov 11th-MS YG at OLP

Nov 12th-HS YG at St. Francis Xavier McKean

Nov 14-16th-Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat contact us to sign up for HS's

Nov 18th-MS YG at OLP

Nov 19th-HS YG CANCELED

Nov 20-23rd-NCYC, National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis, IN

Nov 25th-MS YG CANCELED

Nov 26th-HS YG at 12th St Chick-Fil-A (bring a signed permission form-found at www.olp.org/faith-formation/youth-ministry-2)

Dec 2nd-MS YG at OLP

Dec 3rd-Parish Celebration at SFX for HSYG time tbd (around 6-8:30pm)

Dec 4th-4th/5th Gr YG at OLP 4-5:30pm (more details below in red)

Dec 9th-MSYG at OLP

Dec 10th-HS YG at OLP

Dec 12th-YG Bingo Fundraiser and Kid's Night Out

Dec 16th-OLP's Community Advent Experience 6-8:30pm in Cafeteria open to all ages

Dec 17th-HS YG at OLP

Dec 19th-HS Movie Night at OLP 6:30-9:30pm

Dec 31st-11pm Holy hour for Peace at OLP, ring in the New Year with Jesus open to all!

MS/HS YG starts with optional silent Adoration 6-6:30pm, and includes dinner.

4th/5th Gr YG includes snacks-if it is an OLP student, they can meet at 3pm in the school lobby.

Every Thursday 8-9pm there is Eucharistic Adoration with praise & worship at SFX, open to all ages!

CONTACT US AT:

Sarah: sarah.beaver@olp.org

Chandler: youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Grades 1-8: Classes meet in the school & church basement.

Nov. 23 Classes 9:15-10:45AM,
Faith Formation Mass day at 11:00AM

***Grade 6-8 choose a Youth Group night to attend:**
either Nov. 18th or 25th

Grade 9 Confirmation class: Classes meets from 5:30-7:00PM in the Church Social Room.

Nov. 23 Classes 9:15-10:45AM

Nov. 14 Confirmation Youth Group Night 6:30-8:30PM

***Confirmation students choose a Youth Group night to attend:** either Nov. 19th or 26th (Chic Fil-A)

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



ST. MARK SEMINARY

"What is God calling me to do with my life?"



If you've ever asked yourself that question, please join us for a discernment weekend at St. Mark Seminary. This opportunity is for any College-age, Catholic male, 18 or older, who is interested in learning more about the priesthood. There is no cost to attend.

**SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 6 -
SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 7**



**TO REGISTER: CONTACT FR. SCOTT JABO,
VOCATION DIRECTOR, AT 814-824-1198
OR SWJABO@ERIERCD.ORG**



Prepare the way of love this Advent

Parish Advent Service Project:

Millcreek Food Pantry. . . The parish is hosting a Community Advent Experience on **Tuesday, December 16th**. We will be making care packages for the families of the Millcreek Food Pantry.

The following items are needed:

laundry detergent	fabric softener	tissues
cleaning products	dish detergent	toilet paper
deodorant (men/women)	shampoo	paper towels
soap/bodywash	toothbrush/paste	
razor/feminine products	diapers	

There are 150 families that regularly rely on the Millcreek Food Pantry for their daily needs.

St. Martin Center Shining Stars. . .

\$25-\$50 Gift cards from Target, Walmart, Kohl's, McDonalds or Little Caesars are needed by Tuesday, December 9th. The parish is sponsoring 175 children again this year.

You can make a difference in the life of a child this Christmas.

Drop off donations in the "Advent Project" bins in the vestibule



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nwpaFaith:

nwpaFaith connects Catholics in NW PA across the Diocese.

It's the place to get Parish and Diocesan news, sign up for events, read the daily readings, make a donation to the church, even print out your current Giving Statement.



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www.olp.org

Yard Signs Available:

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





CHRISTMAS GARAGE SALE

Drop off donations at the Scout House:
 Monday, November 24th, 6-8pm
 Monday, December 1st, 6-8pm

Decorations Sale in the cafeteria:
 Saturday, December 6th, 8am-Noon
 Sunday, December 7th, 8am-Noon

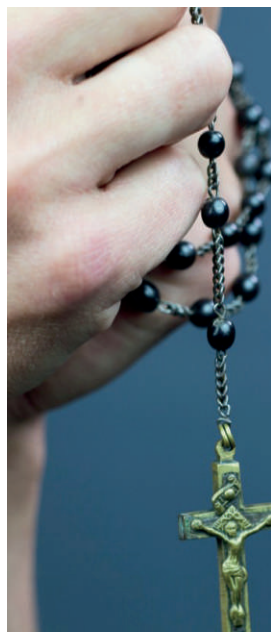
Clean out your old Christmas decorations and then choose some "new to you" ones. Donations benefit Troop 59 activities.




OLP School Cafeteria: 2401 W. 38th St, Erie



Questions, please contact: Alyson Dana, 814-490-3493



Rosary Society Meeting

**Thursday, November 20th
6:30pm in the cafeteria**

Join us in ministry to the parish by spreading devotion to Mary through the Rosary and works of charity.

We will be taking reservations for the Christmas Lunch on Thursday, December 4th at 1:00pm at the Shrine Club, cost is \$20. Questions, call Debbie at 814-812-0122 or Marilyn at 814-833-4683

Special Collection: Local Needs Collection

(formally known as Campaign for Human Development)

"Your support for the Local Needs Collection brings change to communities across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their communities into reflections of the Kingdom of God. For more than 50 years, Campaign for Human Development has helped people with low income address the root causes of poverty and injustice, not by giving "one-size-fits-all" handouts, but by funding local organizations that empower people to make positive impacts in their own communities. This grassroots model allows people to use their experiences and knowledge of their communities to build coalitions of faith leaders, local businesses, and other neighbors who work together to find solutions that benefit everyone.

This work is not possible without the support of dedicated Catholics like you. Your contributions are helping to build more merciful and just communities in the Diocese of Erie and throughout the country. Please consider helping us to uphold human dignity and eradicate poverty by giving generously to the second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development/Local Needs."

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



CASH BINGO

**RISEN & ROOTED
REGIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12TH
AT JPT FOUNDATION, 2401 W. 38TH ST., ERIE
TICKETS \$30/EACH

DOORS OPEN @ 5PM; BINGO @6PM
 MUST HAVE TICKET TO ENTER-AVAILABLE AT DOOR IF NOT SOLD OUT. BRING YOUR OWN FOOD & BEVERAGES, OR PURCHASE PIZZA NEXT DOOR

BYOB / THEMED BASKETS / 50/50

**NEED BABYSITTING: KID'S NIGHT OUT AVAILABLE IN
OLP SCHOOL CAFETERIA 5:30-9PM FOR GRADES K-5TH**
 \$30 PER KID, +\$5 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL IN THE FAMILY
 RSVP BY DECEMBER 9TH TO SARAH.BEAVER@OLP.ORG

TO BUY TICKETS EMAIL: sarah.beaver@olp.org OR youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org

Don't get so caught up in preparing for Christ's coming that you forget to prepare yourself to participate in it.

PRAY'N PACK'N PLAY'N

Community

ADVENT EXPERIENCE 2025

- **Tuesday, December 2nd** - Holy Hour at 6:30pm. Come and join us in prayer for charitable organizations and those they serve.
- **Tuesday, December 9th** - Advent is a season of hope, waiting and growing closer to Christ. Prepare your heart for His coming with an hour of reflection. 6:30-7:30pm in the church.
- **Tuesday, December 16th** - Parish Advent Community Experience with Dinner, packing of our food pantry Service Project items, activities, and cookie decorating. 6:00-8:00pm in the cafeteria.



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 NWPAfaith our new parish App at the App Store
- 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.



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:

Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, Mar. 21

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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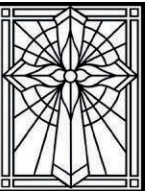
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