



# Our Lady of Peace

"COME AFTER ME, AND I WILL  
MAKE YOU **fishers** OF MEN"  
AT ONCE THEY LEFT THEIR NETS  
AND FOLLOWED HIM.



Matthew 4:12-23

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**The Sacrament of Baptism**

is celebrated each month on the 1st Sunday at 11AM Mass &amp; 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.

**January 2026**

25th Mac 'n Cheese / Applesauce

**Pantry is OPEN January 27th**(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](mailto:deacon.john@olp.org) or Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Office, at 814-838-9983 or [tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org).

**Sunday's Readings:**

**Entrance Antiphon** - O sing a new song to the Lord; / sing to the Lord, all the earth. / In his presence are majesty and splendor, / strength and honor in his holy place.

**First Reading** - God has restored the land, and brought great joy to the people (Isaiah 8:23-9:3).

**Psalm** - The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

**Second Reading** - Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**Gospel** - After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee (Matthew 4:12-23).

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**Family Discussion of the Week: Following Jesus**

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. (Matthew 4:23)

**Adults:** To whom could you preach the gospel of Jesus Christ this week with actions rather than words?

**Kids:** What could you do for someone this week that would tell them something about Jesus?

**SEEKING THE LIGHT**

In today's readings we find ourselves being drawn more deeply into relationship with Jesus. We are getting to know more about him as we see how he struggles with the news of his cousin John's arrest. His first response is to withdraw, to leave Nazareth and go to Capernaum. There he is perhaps both consoled and challenged by the words of Isaiah that Matthew quotes: "the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, / on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death / light has arisen" (Matthew 4:16). Jesus contemplates his cousin's death, perhaps his own death, and he seeks the light. Maybe it is these words of Isaiah that move Jesus out of his withdrawal and into action. He begins to preach, teach, cure disease and illness, and proclaim the gospel of the kingdom.

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# MASS INTENTIONS

## MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2026

7:00AM Fred Fiedler - Kids  
12:10PM Loni Lubin - Family

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2026

7:00AM Judith Lind - Kathy & Jim Luschini  
12:10PM Mary Louise Maracci - Family

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026

7:00AM Jeff Hickin - Friends  
12:10PM Joe Ott, Sr. - Family

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026

7:00AM Rhonda Frisina - Friends  
12:10PM Wilma Micholas - Barrett Family  
2:00PM School Mass - Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Dudenhoeffer - Family

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026

7:00AM Ann Snyder - Friends  
12:10PM Frank Santangelo - Wife, Joan

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026

8:00AM David Cooney - Family  
5:00PM Elizabeth Spirito - Husband, Mike  
**Throat Blessings at all Masses this weekend**

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2026

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP  
9:00AM Kathy Vash Ishman - Pociej Family  
11:00AM James Ballas - Ryan & Family  
4:30PM Ann Novak - 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

**SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week for a Special Intention.

**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Suzanne Palucki - Tom Prescott.

## PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for Ann Snyder, mother of Nancy Adams; for Wilma Micholas; for Marika Roberts; for Jeffrey Hickin, son of Sue Hickin and sister of Mary Hickin; and for Rev. Nicholas Fratus. 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 January 25th

Monday: 2 Tim 1:1-8; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;  
Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;  
Mk 3:31-35  
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14;  
Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17;  
Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;  
Mk 4:35-41  
Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-7, 8-10;  
1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

## Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

7:00AM Weekdays  
8:00AM Saturdays  
9:00AM Sundays



Go to [www.olp.org](http://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 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:

Jan. 25: Christine O.  
Jan. 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.  
Jan. 27: Ann R.  
Jan. 28: Ann F., Michael M.  
Jan. 29: Linda M., Janet A.  
Jan. 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.  
Jan. 31: Jim Z.

Feb. 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Evelyn V., Pat B.

*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...

A Blessed Catholic Schools Week to you! This week is a good time to more deeply appreciate the mission of Catholic Education in our church and to recommit ourselves to that mission. I encourage everyone in our parish to seriously consider the Erie Catholic School System, ECSS (and more specifically, Our Lady of Peace School) for the education of your children. Do NOT assume you cannot afford it, I encourage you to speak to the administration of the school or myself if tuition is an issue for you. Also please pray for our Catholic Schools that they may be an instrument of grace and spiritual growth for our children and their families, as well as our adults who work and volunteer there.

As I have mentioned before, recently I have taken a more active leadership role in ECSS as I am now on their Board of Directors and the chairman of the Committee of Pastors. I am also a member of the Mission Enhancement Sub-Committee which is looking at ways to continually improve the Catholic Identity and Culture throughout the System. With the addition of our new President, Travis Washko, I truly believe the System is moving in the direction of what was envisioned at its inception 9 years ago. One key component of ECSS's success is the support and prayer of all the parishes in our broader community and especially the campus parishes.

Lastly, OLP will be hosting the "Great Mass" for the ECSS Middle School Students with Bishop Persico on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am. It is always a blessing to have our Bishop with us at OLP especially as this could be his last Catholic Schools Week as our bishop. Let's keep praying for Bishop Persico and for Pope Leo XIV and those who advise him as they continue the process of naming a new bishop for the Diocese of Erie (we will continue to pray the prayer for a new bishop the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month at all Masses as well as every Wednesday for weekdays Mass until a new bishop is named).

May God bless the process of naming our new bishop and our Catholic Schools Week ahead!

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...

**\*\*7am Mass Group Charity Bucket** I want to thank and commend everyone who has given donations as part of the 7am charity bucket this past year as they were able to donate \$500 to each of the following non-profit organizations in the name of Our Lady of Peace- St. Patrick's Haven, St. Martin Center, Emmaus Soup Kitchen, Erie City Mission, The Reason for Our Hope and Safe Net. Well done 7am Mass Group!

**\*\*2026 Paschal/Easter Candle Donor** If anyone would like to sponsor the 2026 Easter Candle in memory or honor of someone, please contact the parish office. The cost of the candle is \$800.

## \*\*Vocation Initiatives

This weekend we are promoting a new vocation initiative that OLP and several parishes are piloting for the Diocese of Erie. "Called By Name" involves proactively seeking suggestions from parishioners as to young men in the parish who show qualities and actions indicative of a call to the priesthood. See page 5 for more info and I hope and pray that our parish will have a great response. As you have heard me say recently, projections for the number of priests in our diocese are not good and "vocations are everyone's business!"

Also, this weekend you have the opportunity to sign up for the **Parish Vocation Chalice** for a week. We would love to have families and individuals who have never taken the chalice to volunteer. What does this involve? If you sign up, you are called up to take the chalice at the end of the Mass that you sign up for and commit to praying for vocations that week in an intentional way using the prayer resources provided or your own. You then return the chalice to the office by Saturday morning of your week. You can sign up in the vestibule of the church after Masses this weekend or contact Christine and Warren Beaver at [wcbeav@verizon.net](mailto:wcbeav@verizon.net).

**\*\*"Adult Night Out" Trivia Night** Families Together Ministry is organizing this great event for the adults (21+) in our parish on **Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 6pm**. Babysitting is available. It should be a great event so see page 6 for more information.

**\*\*Masses this Week** **Monday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>**- Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops (recipients of letters from St. Paul found in the New Testament); **Tuesday, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>**- St. Angela Merici, Virgin (16<sup>th</sup> Century Italian founder of the Ursuline Order); **Wednesday, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>**- St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church (13<sup>th</sup> Century Dominican, considered the pre-eminent theologian in Catholic Tradition); **Thursday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> and Friday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>**- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; **Saturday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>**- St. John Bosco, Priest (19<sup>th</sup> century Italian founder of the Salesian Order, called the "Apostle to Youth" and a window at OLP dedicated to him).

## \*\*Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Opportunities:

**1. The final week of our series Introducing Catholic Bioethics** Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8pm in the Cafeteria. It will focus on end of life issues. There is no need to register.

**2. The Chosen- Season 5 Study** will begin Tuesday, February 3rd and continue through Tuesday, March 24th. Registration is requested for this 8-part series- see page 10 for more info.

**\*\*Christmas Thank Yous** Now that our Christmas Season is over, I again thank everyone who helped make Christmas at OLP a beautiful celebration and season! I specifically thank our staff members who put in overtime, all of our liturgical ministers, our music ministry and our environment committee led by Brian Kuzmin and Chris Ehrman and his crew from Allburn Florist who did a wonderful job in decorating the church and getting us in the Christmas Spirit (I received many, many compliments on how beautiful the church looked!). And thank you to the Boy Scout leaders who helped move the nativity pieces to and from storage. Lastly, on behalf of Fr. Luke, Fr. Shane and myself, I want to thank all of you who gave us personal Christmas gifts and cards. Your generous support and affirmation of our ministry is a true blessing to us, and we continue to thank God for you, Our Lady of Parish family!

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

**Jan. 25** Class 9:15-10:45AM, Grade 4 Parent Day, Church Activity form due for Grades 1-5  
**Jan. 25** 1st Reconciliation Parent meeting:12:15PM in the church

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

**Jan. 25** Class 5:30-7:00PM, Completed Bishop letter due

Questions: Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director, 814-838-9983 or [tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto: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](mailto:ejt1125@gmail.com)

3:00pm - 9:00pm Barb Turner  
at 814-392-8348 or [dylewski49@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:andrew.heinlein@olp.org)



## Called By Name

Helping young men discern God's call in their lives

Next weekend our parish will begin participating with 8-10 other parishes in a pilot launch of **Called By Name**, an initiative to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. During this pilot phase, parishioners are asked to submit the names of Catholic single young men between the ages of 14 and 40 who might have a calling to a religious vocation. This pilot phase is focused only on young men; a broader launch of Called By Name will occur later in 2026 and will include women and be diocesan-wide. This pilot phase gives the Vocations Department an opportunity to monitor, evaluate and tweak the process of implementing Called By Name prior to the broader diocesan-wide launch.

In preparation for this special weekend, we are asking you to participate by spending time this week thinking and praying about someone in our parish whom God may be calling to the priesthood or religious life - someone with the qualities that you would want in your priest or a religious brother. You will be able to submit the names of those young men online or by submitting a printed form beginning next weekend. More information will be shared next weekend.

## Diocese of Erie Pre-Lenten Retreat

FEBRUARY 13 - FEBRUARY 14, 2026

Step away from busyness and stress to join other single and married adults in a weekend of prayer and community. The Virtue & Integrity Education Office of the Diocese of Erie is sponsoring a pre-Lenten retreat. Opportunities for the sacraments, time for quiet prayer, and community will be available.



<https://www.vancoevents.com/us/DMYY>



Healing for adult children of divorce or separation

Join us for a healing retreat.

Has your parents' divorce or separation left lasting wounds in your life-affecting your faith, relationships, identity, or sense of belonging?

You're not alone.

The Life-Giving Wounds Retreat offers a safe, supportive space to begin (or continue) your healing journey as an adult child of divorce or separation.

Through talks, guided reflection, small group sharing, and prayer, you'll discover the power of Christ's love to transform even the deepest pain.

### Retreat Details

Experience deeper peace, restoration, and hope

St. Joseph / Bread of Life - Erie

February 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> 2026

LED BY  
**DR. DANIEL MEDLA**  
LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS FOUNDER  
SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS  
**REV. STEPHEN SCHREIBER**  
**REV. MICHAEL POLINEK**

2 DAY COMMUTER RETREAT

FEBRUARY 21-22, SATURDAY 8 A.M. TO 8 P.M.  
SUNDAY 8 A.M. TO 6 P.M.  
OPTIONAL YOGA 8:30 A.M.

EARLY BIRD (UNTIL FEBRUARY 5, 2026)  
AGES 26+ \$175 AGES 18-25 \$100

AFTER FEBRUARY 5, 2026  
AGES 26+ \$200 AGES 18-25 \$125



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OLP Families Together Ministry  
presents another...

## Adult Night Out

# TRIVIA NIGHT

### JANUARY 31, 2026

Fellowship and Food at 6:00pm  
Trivia at 7:00pm

PRIZES AWAIT OUR WINNERS!

Gather your OLP family and friends for an evening of fun and friendly competition!

Form a team of up to 6 players OR let us know and we'll connect you with a team.

Registration your team or self by emailing  
[mohmer99@gmail.com](mailto:mohmer99@gmail.com) or call 814-397-5581

Babysitting  
Available

# introduction TO BIOETHICS A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

Led by Sr. Kathleen Dietz, FSO

Tuesdays, January 13, 20, 27  
6:30-8pm in the cafeteria



- January 13 - Introduction to Bioethics and the Dignity of the Human Person
- January 20 - Sexual and Infertility Ethics
- January 27 - Ethics in End of Life Issues

A Catholic Approach to Ethical Questions

## Music Ministry HAS A CHAIR FOR YOU!



OLP's Music Ministry is inviting you to join us for Mass  
on Sunday, February 8.

We'll have a chair for you at the Mass of your choice:  
9:00am, where you will sing with Selah Praise Band  
11:00am, where you will sing with Voice of Peace Choir

This is a fun opportunity to try us out! Everyone is welcome, youth  
through adult. Don't want to come alone? Bring a friend!

**INTERESTED:** Simply arrive 15 minutes before Mass so  
we can meet you and get you settled into your chair.  
Don't worry, we'll have everything you need to join us!



### QUESTIONS:

Debby Holmes, director of Selah Praise Band  
Cell: (814) 746-1539; email: debbyholmes75@gmail.com  
Lesley Lopez, director of Voice of Peace Choir  
Cell: (814) 464-7177; email: leslopez62@yahoo.com

## Special Collection This Weekend: Help Spread the Faith Communications

Communicating the Gospel has always been at the heart of the Catholic Church's mission. Today, that mission takes on renewed urgency as we work to reach the faithful across our 13 counties through meaningful stories, clear teaching, and accessible outreach.

Thank you for prayerfully considering  
supporting this collection.

## Risen & Rooted KID'S NIGHT OUT SCHEDULE

OPEN TO KIDS FROM ANY SCHOOL

For those  
IN K-5TH  
GRADE

RISEN & ROOTED  
RCYM  
FUNDRAISER

FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> AT OLP  
MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER  
APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup> AT OLP  
MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> AT OLP  
5:30-9:00PM

\$30+ \$5 PER  
ADDITIONAL  
CHILD IN THE  
SAME FAMILY

Dinner, snacks, crafts, games, & prayer included.  
Must RSVP, no walk in's. Limited spots.

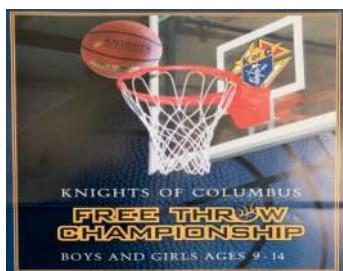
Sign in/out Cafeteria at OLP, Parish Center at St. Francis!

Regarding volunteers, we will have youth group  
participants due to this being a fundraiser

RSVP to [sarah.beaver@olp.org](mailto:sarah.beaver@olp.org) by the Wednesday before!

## Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Championship Boys & Girls ages 9 - 14

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are invited  
to participate in the  
Knights of Columbus  
Free Throw Contest.



The local  
competition will be  
held on  
Sunday, February 7th  
at 1:00PM in the OLP Gym.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is held annually with winners progressing through local, district, regional, and state competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years of age are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions.

Entry forms available at the competition. All participants will shoot 15 Free Throws to determine the winners who will advance to the District competition.

# RISEN & ROOTED

REGIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY

## January & February Schedule

**December 31st**-Holy Hour for Peace 11pm at OLP, open to all  
**Jan 2nd**-Youth Group Christmas Party at Sinai Sports-  
 RSVP by Dec 29th  
**Jan 6th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Jan 7th**-HS YG at OLP  
**Jan 8th**-4th/5th Gr YG at OLP  
**Jan 13th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Jan 14th**-HS YG at SFX  
**Jan 17th**-11am-1am Festival of Praise Trip to Steubenville  
**Jan 20th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Jan 21st**-HS YG at OLP  
**Jan 22nd**-Eucharistic Adoration with Praise & Worship 8pm  
**Jan 27th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Jan 28th**-HS YG at 12<sup>th</sup> St Chick-Fil-A  
**Jan 30th-Feb 1st**-Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat, open to those in high school and up, 15 years or older  
**Feb 3rd**-MS YG at OLP  
**Feb 4th**-HS YG at OLP  
**Feb 5th**-4th/5th Gr YG at OLP  
**Feb 10th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Feb 11th**-HS YG at SFX  
**Feb 13th**-Kid's Night Out at OLP 5:30-9pm  
**Feb 17th**-OLP Mardi Gras Party-families welcome  
**Feb 24th**-MS YG at OLP  
**Feb 25th**-HS YG at 12<sup>th</sup> St Chick-Fil-A

**Please Note:** Middle School Youth Group (MS YG) is 6:30-8:30pm, no optional silent Adoration due to a scheduling conflict. High School Youth Group (HS YG) is 6:30-8:30pm, with optional silent Adoration/prayer at 6pm.

Dinner is provided at MS and HS. 4th/5th Grade YG is 4-5:30pm, if an OLP student, they can come over at 3pm until 4pm.

CONTACT US AT: [Sarah.beaver@olp.org](mailto:sarah.beaver@olp.org) or [youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org](mailto:youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org)

### PRAYER for a NEW BISHOP

O Almighty God,  
 Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father  
 and those who assist him  
 in the discernment of our new bishop.  
 May the one chosen have the strength  
 to be a compassionate leader,  
 who models humility and joy.  
 Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,  
 the courage of the apostles,  
 and the tenderness of your Son, the Good Shepherd.

We also pray for the Diocese of Erie  
 that he is called to serve.  
 may we welcome him with open hearts  
 and work with him in a spirit of synodality,  
 called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

Through the intercession of the  
 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,  
 St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,  
 and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,  
 may we journey the path of life  
 with an unwavering focus  
 on the hope we have in Christ.

For he lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.



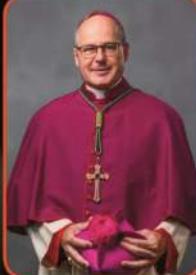
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**Saturday, February 7, 2026**  
**Bayfront Convention Center**







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

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to rectory.*

### CHECK ONE:

- New Registration
- Change of Address
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- Want envelopes

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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](http://www.olp.org)
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**Our rosary repair ministry will take a winter pause...**



Please hold onto your rosaries that need repair until the Spring. There will be an announcement in April when we will resume.

*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:**

Feb. 21, Mar. 21, Apr 18, May 16

**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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**6:30-8:30pm**

**Tuesdays, February 3 - March 24\*, 2026**

\*March 24<sup>th</sup> will take place in the cafeteria

**Where: Our Lady of Peace Church**

**NO COST: All materials provided**

**Please drop off or mail registration form to:**

**Our Lady of Peace Church, 2401 W. 38th St., Erie, PA 16506**

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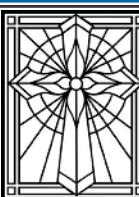


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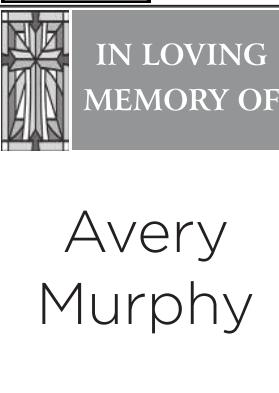
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