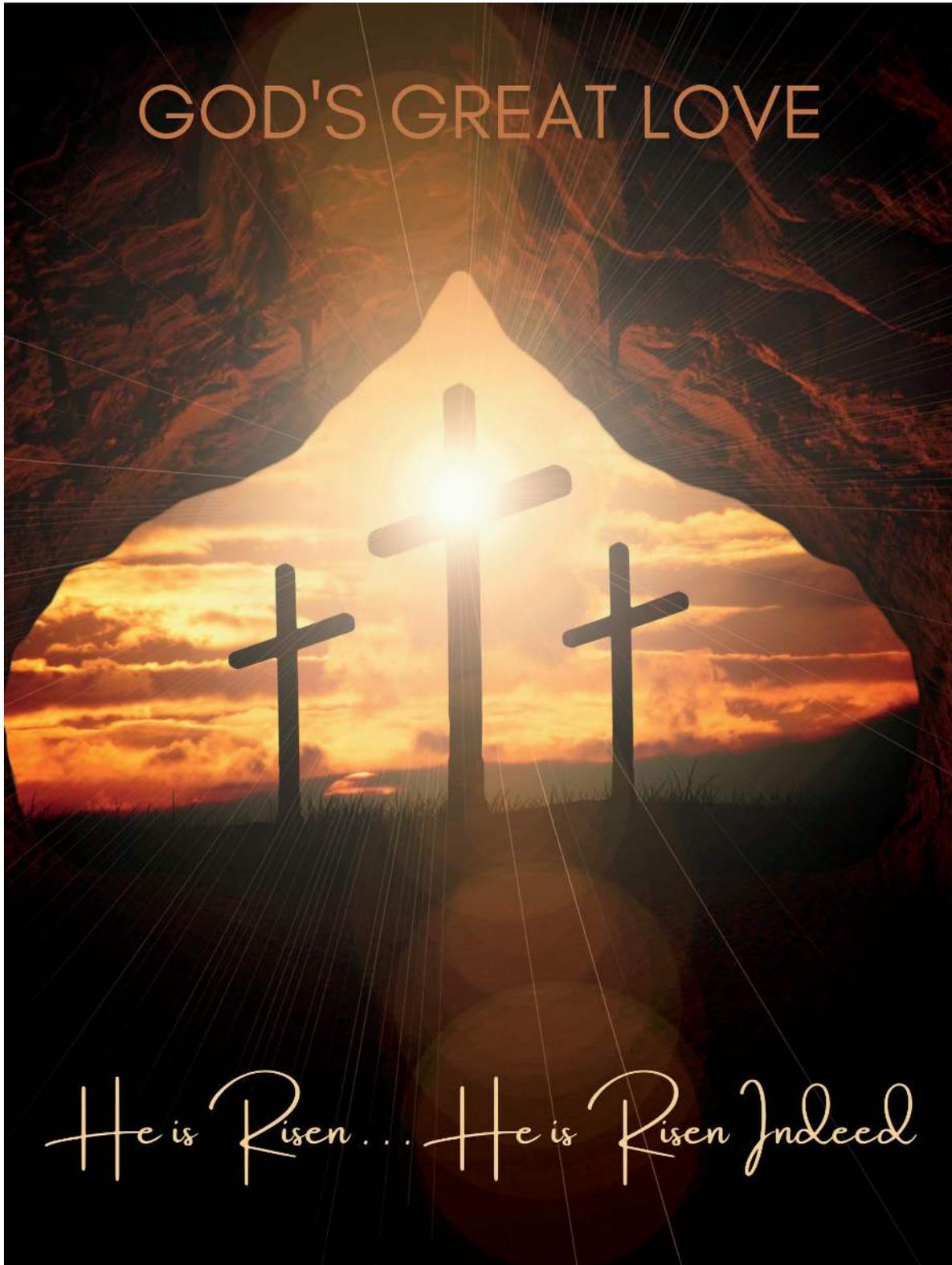




Our Lady of Peace



April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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Fr. Rich Toohey, Gina Adams,

Warren Beaver,

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: 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.



April 2026

- 5th Mac 'n Cheese / Applesauce
- 12th Cereal / Pancake Mix / Syrup
- 19th Canned: Chicken/Beef/Tuna/Salmon
- 29th Coffee / Tea / Juice

Pantry is OPEN April 14 & 28 (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 have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. / You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. / Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading - Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalms - This is the day the Lord had made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

Second Reading - Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Cor. 5:6b-8).

Gospel - Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, & John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9).

Family Discussion of the Week: Made New by Christ

Clean out the old yeast so that you may be a new batch, as you really are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. (1 Corinthians 5:7)

Adults: What change could the hope of the resurrection of Christ inspire you to make?

Kids: What bad habit would you like to "clear out" during the hopeful time of this Easter season?

REJOICE AND BE GLAD

If Christmas is the "most wonderful time of the year," then Easter is the most joyous, glorious, awesome time of the year! Really? Today's readings don't exactly bring over with the kind of holiday cheer we find at Christmas—except for the responsorial psalm, which admittedly rings with gleeful joy. But otherwise, not so much. In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter gives a dry, condensed rendering of the story of Jesus to a group of Gentiles in Caesarea. Most underwhelming, though, is the Gospel proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. When we want to hear about angels and earthquakes and trumpets and glory, we hear about a dark, silent, empty tomb. This Easter Sunday story from John's Gospel is startling in its emptiness. Like Peter in the story, we must enter into this mystery.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026

7:00AM Rudy Passauer - OLP Knights of Columbus
 12:10PM Stan Scepora - Eric & Dee Campbell
 Church offices closed today, will reopen Tuesday

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026

7:00AM Helen Bruno - Haythorn & Swonger Families
 12:10PM Lawrence Smith - Family
 2:00PM Mass at Walnut Creek Nursing & Rehab,
 (4850 Zuck Rd.): Living & Deceased Members of
 the Walnut Creek Community

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026

7:00AM Fr. Nick Fratus - OLP Knights of Columbus
 12:10PM Ron Visnoski - Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026

7:00AM Gert & Larry Milkowski - Daughter, Nancy
 12:10PM Jeanne Johannesmeyer - Cindy & Nick Forne

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026

7:00AM Robin Murphy - Corky
 12:10PM Marcy Lubin - Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026

8:00AM Flip & Colleen Travis - Good Family
 5:00PM Marie & Vince Gardner - Gardner Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026

Sunday of Divine Mercy

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP
 9:00AM Deceased Members of the Staszak & Pociiej
 Families - Family
 11:00AM Bill Dann - Family
 2:00PM Confessions
 3:00PM Divine Mercy Holy Hour
 4:30PM Terri & Rick Ferko - Kelli & Kevin Ferko

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

Fridays during Lent 6:00-7:00PM
 Saturday 8:30-9:00AM and 3:45-4:45PM
 Sundays during Lent after all the Masses
 or by appointment - call the Church Office

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory
 of Bob Fuller - Wife, Kathy and Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of
 Major Tom Carr - Mom & Dad.

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 April 5th

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;
 Mt 28:8-15
 Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
 Jn 20:11-18
 Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
 Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
 Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
 Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;
 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

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

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



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 '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.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for
 Kandace Lyons; and for Nancy Krowicki. May their family and
 friends find hope and consolation through their 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:

- Apr. 5: Joyce K.
- Apr. 6: Maxine B., Denise & Michael G., Susan F.
- Apr. 7: Margaret K.
- Apr. 8: Peggy C., Tim G., Pat H., Catilda M., Patricia P.,
 Diane & Bill S., Jean V., Ann S.
- Apr. 9: Elaine S., Jane D.
- Apr. 10: Ann T., Pat M., Mary S.
- Apr. 11: Dave D.
- Apr. 12: Rose B., Chris P.

*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...

"Christ Is Risen Alleluia...He is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!"
On behalf of myself, Fr. Luke, Deacons John and Ralph, our Parish Leadership Team and Staff, I want to wish you and your loved ones a truly blessed Easter Sunday and Season! I pray that the joy and hope of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is renewed and strengthened in you on this incredible Solemnity of our Church.

This weekend I wanted again to share an update on the status of our Parish Vision and Re-creation Plan.

First let's review where we have been- we prayed for Mary's intercession to help bring a new birth of Jesus and his mission at OLP from May through September of 2025. We welcomed Nate Schaff from Amazing Parish in October for a Parish Mission to renew us in our parish core values of **Passionate Faith**—a deep, joyful love for God rooted in prayer and the richness of our Catholic tradition, being **Committed to Mission**—seeking to serve Christ and others with dedication, generosity, and a willingness to give our very best, and serving with a **Heart like Mary**—aiming to love as she loved, and serve with humility, compassion, and courage.

In late fall we studied the Sacraments and how the church calls us to celebrate them as well as some of the guidelines the church has for building design. The parish hired LaBella, an architectural firm with significant religious architecture experience, to conduct a feasibility study on possible renovations to our campus and buildings. Focus groups were held as well as discussions with parish leadership and clergy. In response to our needs and hopes concepts were created. As those concepts became more defined and the significant costs became clearer, it was evident to the Parish Vision Committee that we needed insight from a fundraising firm to determine how much money we can realistically raise. Again, after a thorough search, our team selected the firms we would like use to conduct the study and communicated with the Bishop for his permission to move forward. Each step of this process that exceeds \$25,000 must be approved by the Bishop.

Where does that put us now? **I am happy to report that we have received the Bishop's permission and are beginning to move forward with the Capital Campaign Feasibility Study.** The study should take several months and depending on the results, a capital campaign could begin in the fall. Once we know more, we will return to finalizing the architectural plan. Initially I had expressed hope that we could start a capital campaign this spring but doing our due diligence requires a slight adjustment in that plan. In the meantime... Come Holy Spirit- lead us, guide us, meld us, mold us, inspire us in your will and mission! And Our Lady of Peace... keep praying for us!

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...

****Paschal Greeting** Each Easter I like to remind you of the traditional Paschal greeting which is still used in many Eastern Catholic and Orthodox churches, and some Roman Catholic Churches. This greeting goes back to the early church and reinforced the ultimate significance of what we celebrate on Easter Sunday... that the resurrection of Jesus Christ is the defining truth for all Christians. It was said in a dialogue form in which one Christian would greet another with "Christus resurrexit!" (Latin for Christ is Risen!) and the other would respond "Vere resurrexit!" (He is Risen Indeed!). This form of greeting reminds us that our identity as Christians should be the first and most significant dimension of who we are.

****Sacred Triduum and Easter Thank You** I extend much gratitude to everyone who helped plan and execute the Liturgies of Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum- Brian Kuzmin (Director of Music and Liturgy), the Environment Committee and Alburn Florists, our Festival Ensemble Choir as well as our cantors, all liturgical ministers who volunteered to serve; including our Masters of Ceremony and our sacristan, Karen Martin, who worked all the liturgies, our staff who put in overtime including our parochial vicar, Fr. Luke Dagher and our two deacons- John Mang and Ralph DeCecco. Every year I receive many compliments on our beautiful celebration of the Triduum and we could not do it without the effort of many people so thank you very much to them!

****Congratulations to our newly initiated members of the Church-** Jodi Brennan, Carl Briggs, Carmine Bordon, Cat Buckley, Angela Durkin, Brevin Flowers, Lucy Galla-Jones, Dave Gehrlein, Brianna Grieshaber, Camryn Kaul, Jaisen Kohmuench, Jenifer Piccirillo, Dawn Ross, Lizzie Torres, Kishon Williams, Roy Welser, Steven Yudt, and Rachel Yoder. **And I thank the OCIA Team-** Tammie and Deacon John Mang, and Denise and Michael Gaines, **who worked with them since August to prepare for this special step in their journey of faith.** This year's "class" of 18 was the largest that I have worked with in my 25 years of priestly ministry and it gives me great hope for the future of our church. I cannot wait to see the great things that God will continue to accomplish in and through them!

****Easter Octave** The celebration of Easter cannot be exhausted or limited to one day, so we as Catholics reserve eight of them, the OCTAVE of EASTER, to celebrate as Easter Day. The celebration of this most central part of our Christian faith, the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, reminds us that the resurrection of Jesus, and its result, the conquering of sin and death FOREVER, requires a full week, plus one, to celebrate. We know that the celebration of the hope and joy the resurrection brings is actually what we celebrate EVERY SUNDAY (and what we celebrate for the 50 days of the Easter Season), but in these eight days we amplify the FESTIVE REALITY of Easter. The most concrete way we celebrate the octave is at daily Mass where the prayers for Easter Sunday are said every day. The Gospel readings at Mass recount many of the post resurrection appearances of Jesus to the apostles and disciples. Also, the Easter dismissal at Mass ("Go in Peace, Alleluia, Alleluia") is used all week. So, consider joining in daily Mass or find your own way to honor the octave but the key is to celebrate all week!

****Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Confessions** We will have an hour of confessions from 2-3pm next Sunday, April 12th and a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration from 3-4pm.

****Divine Mercy Sunday** The Octave of Easter ends next Sunday, April 12th. The fact that it is the last day of the Easter Octave is reason enough to be joyful, BUT it is also the celebration of a relatively new feast in our Catholic calendar called **Divine Mercy Sunday**. In April 2000, Pope John Paul II declared the 2nd Sunday of Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday in the Universal Church. In 1931, Our Lord appeared to Saint Faustina (Helen Kowalska) near Krakow, Poland. She writes about this vision in "The Diary of St. Faustina, Divine Mercy in My Soul." In the vision she saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. She gazed intently at the Lord in silence, her soul filled with awe, but also with great joy. Jesus said to her: "Paint an image according to the pattern you see with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You ... I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory" (47, 48)... "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You' " (327). The **Divine Mercy Image** painted to St. Faustina's description will be displayed in Church throughout this week. Jesus also asked St. Faustina to promote a new prayer for devotion to Divine Mercy. This led to the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** which we will sing during our Divine Mercy Holy Hour next Sunday at 3pm. There are pamphlets detailing how to say this prayer (as well as explaining the Divine Mercy Devotion) at all the doors of the church. Hopefully, this feast can motivate all of us to learn more about this great devotion to God's love and mercy, but even more importantly to ask for it!

****Catholic Services Appeal 2026** Currently OLP has **360 pledges for \$214,601**. We reached our diocesan assessment and our parish goal!! Well done and thank you to everyone who pledged! Remember that all we raise now goes towards our Parish Vision Plan and potential renovations so please consider a pledge if you have not yet made one.

****Masses this Week** April 6th- Monday of the Octave of Easter; April 7th- Tuesday of the Octave of Easter; April 8th- Wednesday of the Octave of Easter; April 9th- Thursday of the Octave of Easter; April 10th- Friday of the Octave of Easter; April 11th- Saturday of the Octave of Easter.

****Women's Cursillo 2026** I am one of the spiritual directors, along with Deacon Ralph and his wife Janet, and several other OLP members are also on the team for the Women's Cursillo on **April 17-19, 2026**, at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Harborcreek. I would love to have a good crew of women from OLP join us for this great opportunity for renewal.

"Cursillo (kur-SEE-yo) literally means "little course" and is a three-day spiritual retreat, the purpose of which is a deep personal encounter with Jesus Christ. Cursillo seeks to change the spiritual environment, to bring Jesus Christ into the world." See www.ericursillo.org for more information. Please contact me or go to the website if you have questions or to sign up.

OUR LADY OF PEACE

YOUNG AT HEART

Calling all seniors. . .

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

gather at 10:00am in the school cafeteria

We will share ideas on how we can support each other as well as coffee and danish.



If you are interested in a seniors group, but are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Sr. Kathleen at 814-833-7701 x206 or sr.kathleeneolp.org

RISEN & ROOTED RCYM FUNDRAISER

For those IN K-5TH GRADE

RISEN & ROOTED KID'S NIGHT OUT SCHEDULE

OPEN TO KIDS FROM ANY SCHOOL

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

APRIL 10TH AT OLP
MAY 8TH AT OLP
5:30-9:00PM

Dinner, snacks, crafts, games, & prayer included.
Must RSVP, no walk in's. Limited spots.
Sign in/out Cafeteria at OLP!
Regarding volunteers, we will have youth group participants due to this being a fundraiser

RSVP to sarah_beaaver@olp.org by the Wednesday before!



Happy Easter! He is Risen...He is Risen Indeed!

Thank you for joining Our Lady of Peace for Easter Mass! We are so blessed to welcome you to our church. Whether you attend Mass regularly or are just passing through the area to visit family, welcome to OLP!

If you have been away from the church, we are especially glad you are here. You have been missed. Our parish is a community that desires to walk with you throughout the year, sharing both the joys and challenges of life.

Why choose Mass each week? Those who attend regularly often say that it changes them. They discover a family, a community and place to call "home." They find rest, love, and mercy and come to see that offering one hour a week is nothing compared to the peace it brings to their lives, their family, their work, and their faith.

Not only is going to Mass what we owe to God because he has given us life and salvation in Christ, but also it's the most complete way we can commune with Him which is what we were created to do. God does not want to wait until heaven to share His life and love with us. He longs to share it with us now, and He does in a special way at every Mass.

May this Easter season renew your faith, strengthen your hope, and remind you that you always have a home here at Our Lady of Peace.

We hope we see you again soon.

Peace of Christ...beyond all understanding.

WALKING WITH



THE AMERICAN SAINTS

We invite **YOU** to join us on a journey of discovery this Easter Season. Saints started out as ordinary people just like you; come and learn how they turned their ordinary lives into extraordinary ones.

WHEN: Tuesdays (April 7, 14, 21, 28 and May 5, 12)

WHERE: OLP Church

TIME: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA - ST. EIZABETH ANN SETON - ST. ROSE
PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE - ST. JOHN NEUMANN - ST. MARIANNE COPE
- ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4321 &
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WILD GAME, FISH & FELLOWSHIP DINNER



**SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026
AT 5:30PM**

SAINT GEORGE SCHOOL CAFETERIA



Join us for a great evening of freshly prepared wild game meats & fish with friends, and a guest speaker!



**\$25 ADULTS
\$12 KIDS**
*TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW
IN THE RECTORY OFFICE.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

- Apr. 5** Easter - No Religious Ed Classes
- Apr. 12** Regular classes, last day *Church Activity Forms due*

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

- Apr. 5** Easter - No Religious Ed Classes
- Apr. 12** Regular Classes
- Apr. 19** Confirmation Youth Group Night 6:30-8PM
- Apr. 26** Last Class

***Practice for Confirmation: Sunday, May 17th, 5:30PM for students and sponsors.**

***Confirmation Date: Wednesday, May 27th, 7:00PM**

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



Our Lady of Peace...
Pray for us

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REGIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY
Summer Events 2026 COLOSSIANS 2:6-7

HS RETREAT & SERVICE TRIP

June 23rd-
June 27th

DIVINE MERCY ENCOUNTER RETREAT

July 10th-
July 12th

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

July 17th-
July 19th

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

August 19th

4TH/5TH GRADE RETREAT

July 8th

OLP VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 10th-
August 14th



Contact Us!

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youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org



Sign ups can be accessed at this link/QR code, as well as our website and social media.

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.

Imprimatur, October 28, 2025
The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L., Bishop of Erie



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 NWPFAfaith 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.



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.

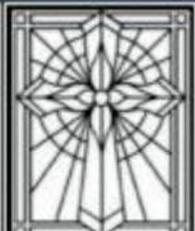
Dates are Saturday's:
Apr 18, May 16, June 20
Time: 9:45AM to 1:00PM
Where: 11th & French St.
What: Prepare/Serve the Lunch Meal
Time: Any parishioner 15 yrs or older
Contact: Scott Barnes, 881-8889



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Jennifer L. Turner

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REGIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY COLLEGIATE 34-47

Spring Schedule

April

April 1st: HSYG, OLP
April 4th: Holy Saturday Sunrise Hike meet at Brown's Farm 6am, youth under 18 must have an adult with them, open to all ages and families
April 10th: Kid's Night Out, at OLP 5:30-9pm-all are welcome, sign up by Wednesday, April 8th to sarah.beaver@olp.org
April 14th: MSYG, OLP
April 15th: HSYG, St. Francis Xavier
April 16th: 4th/5th Gr Youth Group, OLP
April 18th: Women's Conference at St. Jude-Reach out to Sarah if interested
April 21st: MSYG, OLP
April 22nd: HSYG, OLP
April 24-26: Divine Mercy Encounter-Retreat-for HS & up
April 28th: MSYG, OLP
April 29th: HSYG at 12th St. Chick-Fil-A

May

May 5th: MSYG, OLP
May 6th: HSYG, OLP
May 7th: 4th/5th Gr YG
May 8th: Kid's Night Out, OLP-5:30-9pm, sign up by May 6th
May 12th: MSYG, OLP
May 13th: HSYG, at St. Francis Xavier
May 19th: MSYG, OLP
May 20th: HSYG, OLP
May 26th: MSYG and HSYG, at OLP with 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, alternates between OLP and St. Francis Xavier. 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 or youth@stfrancisxaviermckean.org

LENT AND CRS RICE BOWL

Happy Easter!



As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world.



Please return your Rice Bowls to the large rice bowl in the church vestibule. Thank you for your generosity, it is greatly appreciated.

All Volunteers Welcome

Sunday Supper Mission

Meal served at First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant

Volunteer to help feed our brothers and sisters in need by preparing and serving the meal, or kind monetary contribution to help defray the costs.

Planning Meeting: Wednesday April 8, 7:00PM
Where: OLP School Cafeteria
What: Select Menu and volunteer for tasks
Who: Any parishioner 15+ years
Date to Serve: Sunday, April 19th, 4:00-5:30pm
Contact: Pete Piotrowski, 814-600-5386 or Debbie Piotrowski, 814-812-0122

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1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie
TIME: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Registration and Refreshments: 8:00 - 8:30 AM
Cost: \$25

College and High School students & Religious - FREE!
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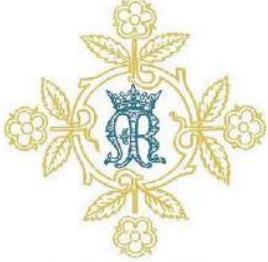
SPEAKERS: Jeff Joaquin with his message of Mercy and Paula Umama with her message of Hope
ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



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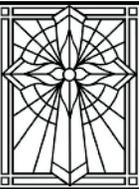

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