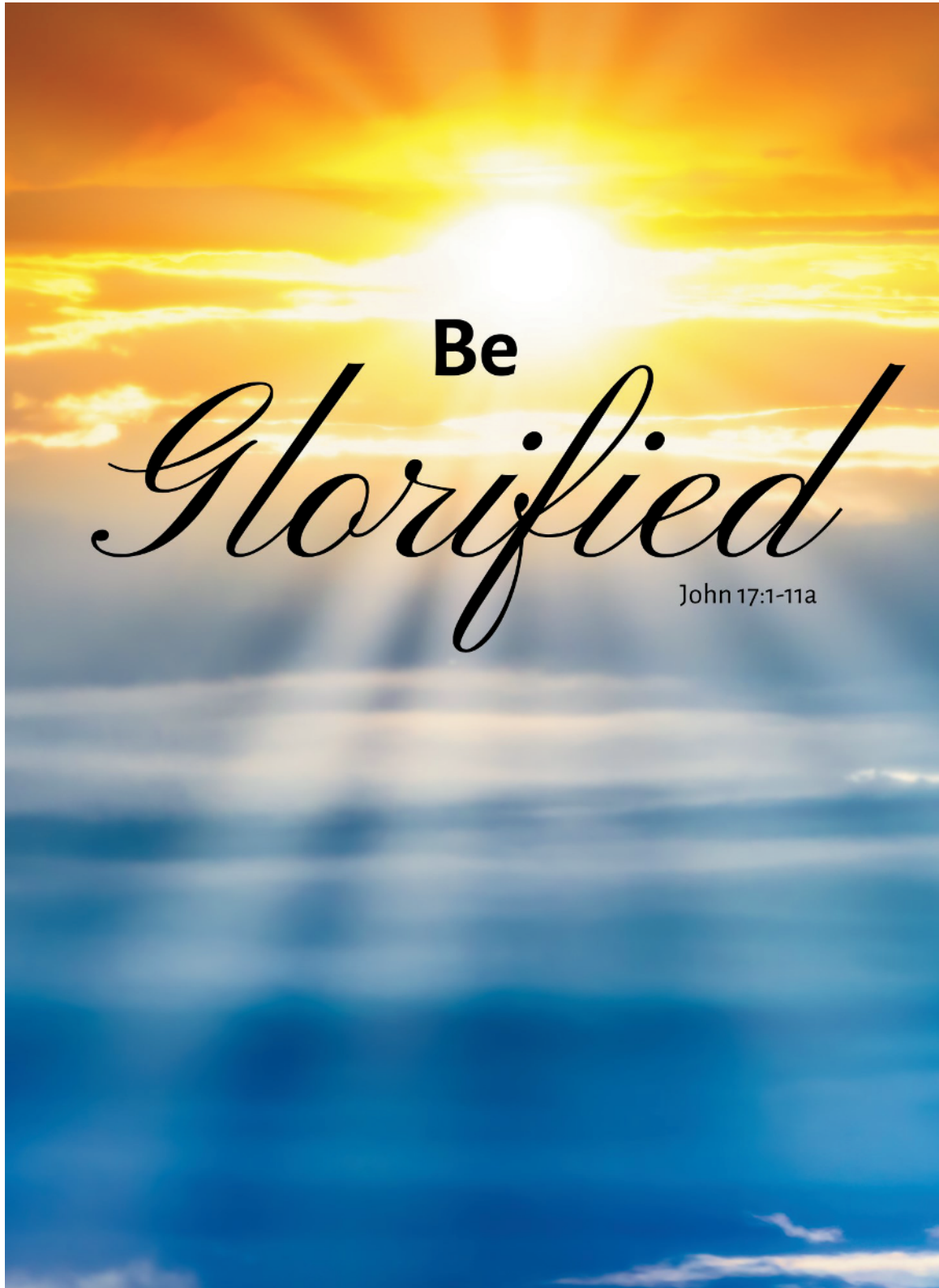




# *Our Lady of Peace*



**Be**  
*Glorified*

John 17:1-11a

May 17, 2026

*Seventh Sunday of Easter*

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**Parish Pastoral Team**

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Mr. Michael Przepierski

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Dr. Herb Morrow

**Finance Council Chairman**

Ms. Rami Sorge

**Parish Leadership Team**

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 Andy x 206

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.



**May 2026**

17th Dried Fruit / Raisins / Nuts

24th Potato Flakes / Gravy / Soup

31st Mac 'n Cheese / Rice

**Pantry is OPEN May 12th & 26th**

**(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 Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; / of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; / hide not your face from me, alleluia.

**First Reading** - The Eleven and the women devoted themselves to prayer (Acts 1:12-14).

**Psalms** - I trust that I will know God's grace in the heavenly land (Psalm 27).

**Second Reading** - Glorify God if you suffer for the name of Christian (1 Peter 4:13-16).

**Gospel** - The Son will give eternal life to all those who are given to him by the Father (John 17:1-11a).

**Family Discussion of the Week: Praying for Others**

(Jesus prayed to his Father,) "I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours." (John 17:9)

**Adults:** Who needs you to pray for them this week, as Jesus prayed for his disciples?

**Kids:** Who will you pray for this week?

**PREPARING FOR THE NEXT CHAPTER**

There is a simple, detailed intimacy in our reading from Acts today. Instead of just saying "the disciples returned to Jerusalem," each one is listed by name, along with Mary, some other women, and some relatives. The absence of Judas is painfully obvious. In contemporary terms, we might think of this as Jesus' "entourage" or "posse." This was the community devoted to prayer. Psalm 27 is called a "womb to tomb" scripture, as it is commonly used for baptisms and funerals. How appropriate it is as we hear the next chapter in God's plan. First Peter foreshadows the pain and suffering that these individuals will undergo for the sake of Christ as they continue to glorify God. This echoes the language of the Gospel, where Jesus speaks of glorifying God and himself being glorified as he prays for these followers who are now left in the world to carry out the message and the vision.

**MASS INTENTIONS****MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026**

7:00AM Larry Gala - Family

12:10PM Kathleen McCloskey - McCloskey Family

**TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026**

7:00AM Mary Jane MacKrell - Family

12:10PM Sarah Harrington -  
Mom, Dad Kayleigh, Josh & Daniel

6:30PM Holy Hour for Pentecost

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026**

7:00AM John Stanek - Family

12:10PM Ted Marnen - Patty &amp; Family

**THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026**

7:00AM Joe Cuzzola - Darleen &amp; David Wilkinson

12:10PM Greg Bosner - Malue Family

2:00PM School Mass - Vilma & Pete Battista -  
Ehrman Family**FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2026**

7:00AM Jordan Haas - Friends

12:10PM Deceased Members of the Meter Family -  
Peggy & David**SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2026**

8:00AM Rev. Fr. John D. Hummel, CM - Cathy

5:00PM Jack &amp; Millie Fatica - Family

**SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026****Pentecost Sunday**

7:30AM Living &amp; Deceased Members of OLP

9:00AM Chuck Rohrbach - Malue Family

11:00AM Barbara Eiswerth - Sister

4:30PM Stanley &amp; Emily Malinowski - Son, Andrew

5:15PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00PM Solemn Evening Prayer &amp; Benediction

*Birthday Cake, in the Rectory, Following Benediction***MONDAY, MAY 25, 2026****Memorial Day****The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

9:00AM Chuck Harranty - wife, Bev

*Offices Closed and will reopen Tuesday*

The church will remain open for private prayer

Monday through Thursday from 7:00AM - 8:00PM and  
Friday 7:00AM - 4:00PM**Confessions available:***Wednesdays 11:15-Noon**Saturday 8:30-9:00AM and 3:45-4:45PM  
or by appointment - call the Church Office***SANCTUARY LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Joe Prischak - Wife, Isabel.**CHAPEL LAMP** - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Mary Holland - husband, Ken.**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 May 17th**Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab;  
Jn 16:29-33Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;  
Jn 17:1-11aWednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;  
Jn 17:11b-19Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;  
Jn 17:20-26Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;  
Jn 21:15-19Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;  
Jn 21:20-25Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34;  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23**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:**

May 17: Len &amp; Cathy K., Nancy D.

May 18: Rachel O.

May 19: Amber D., Chris L.

May 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G.

May 21: George O., Maureen T., Rami S.

May 22: John G., Sally R., Dianne Y.

May 23: Heidi A.

May 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey &amp; Robert H.

*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...

Last weekend I started taking a closer look at our Parish Core Values that were established through our work with Amazing Parish. Last weekend we looked at our core value of Heart Like Mary, you can see a summary of that Core Value below. As a reminder, a core value is not just a high-sounding word or phrase on a website, but rather the fundamental, behavioral "unspoken code" that defines how people act and make decisions within that specific community.

This weekend I would like to look closer at our second core value.... Passionately Faithful. At OLP we exhibit a contagious love for the Lord rooted in prayer and our Catholic Tradition. We are dedicated, faithful, and have a zealous and passionate love for God and dependence on the Catholic Church. The word passion hits close to home for me because "a search for passion" is part of my vocation story. I was looking for a purpose or passion in my life for which I was willing to give my life away. Eventually I came to understand that it was God's passion... the cause for which He was willing to die for; and I grew in my desire to have God be my passion, the cause for which I was willing to dedicate my life. Here at OLP we seek to not just give part of ourselves, but **all** of ourselves to God in Jesus Christ. And we know that Jesus Christ's presence here on earth is uniquely manifest through His Mystical Body, the Catholic Church. So, to give ourselves fully to God is to give ourselves fully to the Catholic Church and its mission. I would like to share the lyrics of a song that represents my journey with (CLI) Catholic Leadership Institute in the early 2000s. The song is called "Magnificent Obsession" by Stephen Curtis Chapman. It goes like this...

"Lord, You know how much I want to know so much  
In the way of answers and explanations  
I have cried and prayed and still I seem to stay  
In the middle of life's complications

All this pursuing leaves me  
Feeling like I'm chasing down the wind  
But now it's brought me back to You  
And I can see again

This is everything I want and this is everything I need  
I want this to be my one **consuming passion**  
Everything my heart desires, Lord I want it all to be for You  
Jesus be my magnificent obsession

So capture my heart again  
Take me to depths I've never been  
Into the riches of Your grace and Your mercy  
Return me to the cross and let me be completely lost  
In the wonder of the love that You've shown me

Cut through these chains that tie me down  
To so many lesser things  
Let all my dreams fall to the ground  
Until this one remains

This is everything I want and this is everything I need  
I want this to be my one consuming passion

Everything my heart desires, Lord I want it all to be for You  
Jesus be my magnificent obsession, my magnificent obsession

You are everything I want  
And You are everything I need  
Lord You are all my heart desires  
You are everything to me

You are everything I want, You are everything I need  
I want You to be my one consuming passion  
Everything my heart desires, Lord I want it all to be for You  
I want it all to be for You

'Cause You are everything I want, You are everything I need  
I want You to be my one consuming passion  
Everything my heart desires, Lord I want it all to be for You  
Jesus be my magnificent obsession, be my magnificent obsession."

I believe this song describes our spiritual family of Our Lady of Peace and what we are seeking to grow in through our Parish Vision and Re-creation process. Let's pray for this grace in this time between the Ascension and Pentecost. Come Holy Spirit... Help Jesus and his Body, the Church, be our magnificent obsession!

And may God bless our 7<sup>th</sup> week of Easter 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...

**\*\*The Knights of Columbus** will have more baby bottles this weekend for their annual Women's Care Center Fundraiser. You are asked to fill the bottles with cash or checks and return by Father's Day.

**\*\*Pentecost Holy Hour** In anticipation of Pentecost next weekend, we will have a Holy Hour on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to Prayer for a New Pentecost at OLP through our continued Parish Vision and Re-creation Plan. These days between the Ascension and Pentecost we go to the upper room with Mary and the Apostles and pray for new birth through the Holy Spirit and this holy hour is a great way to do that!

### **\*\*Pentecost Sunday NEXT WEEKEND**

**RED-** Next Sunday we celebrate the birthday of the Church and the end of the Easter Season at Pentecost. You are encouraged to wear Red for the liturgical color of the Holy Spirit.

**VIGIL-** We will again celebrate the full Pentecost Vigil on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the 5pm Mass that will involve extra readings and responsorial psalms. We did this for the first time last year and received positive feedback.

**SOLEMN EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION-** On the evening of Pentecost Sunday (May 24<sup>th</sup>) we will have Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction at 6pm which will be the official liturgical conclusion of the Easter Season. Deacon Paul McCoy will preside. Everyone is invited to the Parish Social Room for **BIRTHDAY CAKE** after evening prayer (around 6:45pm).

**\*\*Upcoming Confirmation** I ask your continued prayers for members of our parish community who are preparing for the great Sacrament of Confirmation to be celebrated with Bishop Persico on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**\*\*Catholic Services Appeal 2026** As of Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, OLP had **414 pledges for \$236,798**. We have 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 make a pledge if you have not had a chance to do so.

**\*\*Masses this Week** *Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>*- St. John I, Pope and Martyr (6<sup>th</sup> Century Vicar of Christ who died in exile); *Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>* and *Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>*- Weekdays in Easter; *Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>*- St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest (15<sup>th</sup> Century Franciscan Reformer and Preacher); *Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>*- Sts. Christopher Maganalles, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (20<sup>th</sup> Century victims of the Mexican Civil "Cristeros" War of the 1920s); *Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>*- St. Rita of Cascia, Religious (14<sup>th</sup> century mother and nun and stigmatist who is patron saint of desperate situations).

**\*\*2026 OLP Raffle** The OLP Raffle is our only fundraiser of the year. Please pick up your tickets in the back of Church and get your sold tickets back to the office so you are eligible for our first of three early bird drawings (June 15, July 15, August 12). Remember when you sell or purchase 10 tickets you get a bonus ticket for all the drawings. We will give away \$15,000 in cash prizes at the Parish Picnic on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support in helping us reach our goal of 3,700 sold tickets

**\*\*OLP Parish Core Value... Heart Like Mary** Mother's Day is also a time to share more about one of our parish's three Core Values... Heart Like Mary. Let's look at what a core value is based on the philosophy of Amazing Parish. A core value is the fundamental, behavioral "unspoken code" that defines how people act and make decisions within that specific community.

So, what does having a Heart Like Mary say about OLP? Let's ponder Mary's heart with the help of the eight adjectives found in the Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Preface reads: "You gave the Blessed Virgin Mary a wise and obedient heart, that she might perfectly carry out your will, a new and gentle heart, in which you were well pleased and on which you inscribed the law of the New Covenant. You gave her an undivided and pure heart that she might be worthy to be the Virgin Mother of your Son and to rejoice to see you forever. You gave her a steadfast and watchful heart, so that she could endure without fear the sword of sorrow and await in faith the resurrection of her Son."

We can ponder each of the attributes and how we live them out at OLP:

**Wise** — A heart like the young Solomon's, because of her pondering and treasuring everything as pieces of a mosaic within. This is the type of heart that we see at the end of the Gospel, as Mary pondered all of what her Son said and did, treasuring it within. At OLP we ponder all that Jesus said and did at our liturgies and prayers.

**Obedient** — A heart that hears the word of God and keeps it, that says fiat. At OLP we seek to be obedient to God's will and His guiding arm through the Church/Magisterium being faithful to

what the Church teaches and seeking to surrender to God's will every day.

**New** — A heart that is the fulfillment of God's promises through Ezekiel to give us a new heart, taking away our stony hearts and giving us hearts of flesh, hearts that beat in love. At OLP we are uniquely seeking to made new through our current Parish Vision and Re-creation Plan as well as looking at new ways to "be church."

**Gentle** — A heart that learns from her Son, who says, "Learn from me for I am gentle and humble of heart."

**Undivided** — A heart that seeks above all God's kingdom as the pearl of great price, a heart that is a pure echo chamber of an Amen to all God's desires. At OLP we acknowledge the diversity of faith and expression in our parish while celebrating our oneness in seeking to know, love and serve Him with all our hearts.

**Pure** — A heart that sees God, a heart full of God with no room for sin. Because her heart is pure and sees God it can rejoice, like we see in Hannah's famous canticle which is one of the threads which Mary weaved into her Magnificat. A pure heart "exults in the Lord," At OLP at every Mass we seek to be purified from all that is not of God in our motives, intentions and actions.

**Steadfast** — A heart that perseveres through unexpected circumstances, like the Seven Sorrows, and ultimately stands at the foot of the Cross of her Son. At OLP we seek to stand with each other at the foot of the Cross, whether it is our sorrows or others that bring us there.

**Vigilant** — A heart that awaits her Son's resurrection with faith and hope and that awaits our responding to God's graces until we, by God's mercy, come to be with her forever. At OLP we keep watch with each other through our consistent culture of prayer. Desiring to be like the servant who was prepared upon his masters return from a wedding.

That's the heart of our parish that is like Mary and the heart she desires to strengthen us in. At Mass Jesus responds to our prayers and gives us his heart and his whole body, blood, soul and divinity with it. This is how he makes our hearts more and more like unto his Mother's and ultimately to His.



Our Lady of Peace...

Pray for us



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.

# The 2027 Mass Book will open on May 21st



Call or stop by the office during office hours (Mon-Fri from 8am-Noon or 1-4pm) to schedule a Mass for your loved one.

## Office for the Protection of Children/Youth

### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - Digital Safety

**Tips for Parents:** Your child's personal info online is easy to track - and hard to erase. Protect them with these simple steps: Never share personal details like full name, address, phone number, email, school, or birthday on social media. Keep passwords private - never give them to anyone. Check privacy settings on games, apps, social media, and devices. Turn off GPS sharing to prevent location leaks. Avoid public Wi-Fi when sharing personal info.

For more resources: [www.eriercd.org/childprotection](http://www.eriercd.org/childprotection).

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### Grade 9 Confirmation:

**\*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](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org)

## America's 250<sup>th</sup>



On July 4, 2026 the United States of America will commemorate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and its 250<sup>th</sup> birthday.

In a historic moment, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States to the Sacred heart of Jesus and **we invite you join us.**

- **June 4:** *Novena to the Sacred Heart* begins. Join us daily at Noon in person or on YouTube.
- **June 9:** 6:30pm *Holy Hour in Honor of the Sacred Heart*
- **June 12:** *Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*- We will pray the consecration prayers at the 12:10pm Mass. Join us in person or on YouTube.

*Through this consecration we have the opportunity to encourage all Catholics to honor our Lord and to infuse the spirit of the Gospel into communities and lives.*

**IMITATING THE LOVE AND MERCY OF CHRIST  
MADE KNOWN TO US THROUGH HIS SACRED HEART**

Our Lady of Peace Parish

2401 W. 38<sup>th</sup> St, Erie



## Our Lady of Peace Campus Playground Fence Fundraiser

The safety of our students is always one of our highest priorities, and we are excited to work together on an important improvement to our school playground.

We are raising funds to replace the fence behind the playground, helping create a safer, more secure space for children during recess and outdoor activities. This new fence will offer better protection from nearby traffic and help keep the playground more fully enclosed for our students.

Thanks to the generosity of our community, \$6,000 has already been raised through Erie Gives. We are now hoping to raise an additional \$6,000 through the support of our church and school families to fully fund the project and move forward with installation.

This improvement will benefit our entire school community by enhancing safety, giving families greater peace of mind, and creating a more welcoming outdoor environment for our students.

If we are blessed to exceed our goal, additional donations will go toward replacing older picnic tables on the playground that are worn and beginning to splinter.

To donate, please make a check payable to 'Our Lady of Peace School' or 'Erie Catholic' and return it to the school office.

## Our Lady of Peace

VBS AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup>-14<sup>TH</sup>

# PASSPORT



# to PEACE

**Time:** 8:45am-12:45pm

**Grade:** Going into K-5 in the Fall

**Cost:** \$20/child or \$25/family

**Contact:** [tammie.mang@olp.org](mailto:tammie.mang@olp.org)

**Registration:** <https://www.olp.org/faith-formation/vacation-bible-school>

**GARAGE SALE**

**Save the Date**  
**OLP Boy Scout**  
**Garage Sale**

**Saturday, June 20, 2026**

**8AM to 1PM**

Start cleaning out your basements,  
closets, attics, etc.

Drop off donated items to the  
school cafeteria, 6:00-8:00PM:

Thursday, June 18

Friday, June 19th

Questions or need assistance, please call  
Nicole Kleckner, 814-403-5565

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Celebrate the gift of life and support the work of The Women's Care Center. Over the last 5 years we have been able to purchase several state of the art Ultrasound Machines and a Mobile Ultrasound Clinic and 800 babies have been born to women after they viewed their ultrasound.

The Women's Care Center always promotes childbirth as an option. They've had great success by providing pregnancy, partenting, and adoption support services. They continue to depend on donations for financial support.

**Pick up your baby bottle in the church on Mother's Day. Fill it with your change, currency or check. Return your full bottle on Father's Day.**



Checks should be made payable to the Knights of Columbus



**FAMILY SERVICE WEEK**

Young People Who Care  
1031 Germania Rd  
Frenchville, PA 16836

814-263-4177



We are looking for families who would like to serve others for a day, or 2, or 4 days!

**JUNE 28 - JULY 3, 2026**

**OUR ACTIVITIES**

- ✓ Yardwork - gardens
- ✓ Clearing garages, attics, bacements
- ✓ Outdoor painting
- ✓ Cleaning - visiting Elderly



**HOW TO JOIN OUR TEAM?**

- FILL OUT THE APPLICATION FORM
- CALL TO SPEAK TO SISTER SUZANNE



814-263-4177

YPWCMISSION@GMAIL.COM

**BAPTISM PREPARATION**  
class for parents

**Baptismal Prep Classes**  
**For Parents:**

*Monday, June 15, 2026*

Classes are held in the Church Social Room  
from 6:30 to 7:30PM.

To pre-register please call or email: Tammie Mang,  
814-838-9983, tammie.mang@olp.org

**DOWNLOAD OUR NEW MOBILE APP NOW!**

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nwpaFaith connects Catholics in NW PA across the Diocese.

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**MAKING IT EASY TO ENGAGE IN THE MISSION OF OLP!**

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May 5, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As members of the worldwide Catholic family, we can be proud of the Church's outreach to our fellow brothers and sisters of the human family. Believers and non-believers alike know first-hand of the generosity of Catholics the world over. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and shelter the homeless, wherever and whomever they may be. The Church has been doing this work for centuries, and today I ask your assistance so that it may continue.

The annual Collection for International Needs, to be taken up in the Diocese of Erie on the weekend of May 23-24, offers a concrete way for us to reach out to those who live in distant lands. It is actually a combination of three national collections.

- It provides aid to Catholics in the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** to help build churches; train and educate seminarians, clergy, and lay leaders; publish Catholic newspapers; support orphanages; and support evangelization among children, youth, and adults.
- It also helps all people, regardless of race, creed, or nation through **Catholic Relief Services**, providing for the victims of war and natural disasters, aiding the Church suffering under persecution, alleviating poverty, and educating the poor.
- It provides needed assistance to the **Church in Africa**, a rapidly growing and vibrant Church which is rich in vitality but poor in resources.

I ask for your generous response to the Collection for International Needs on May 23-24. Just as important is your prayer for those in need, whether here in the Diocese of Erie, or across the globe. Please know that your gift is appreciated. You and your family remain in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+Lawrence T. Persico*

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### Need a rosary repaired?



Just drop of 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:

May 16, June 20, July 18, Aug. 15

Time: 9:45AM to 1:00PM

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# Spring Schedule

## April

**April 1<sup>st</sup>:** HSYG, OLP  
**April 4<sup>th</sup>:** 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 10<sup>th</sup>:** Kid's Night Out, at OLP 5:30-9pm-all are welcome, sign up by Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> to sarah.beaver@olp.org  
**April 14<sup>th</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**April 15<sup>th</sup>:** HSYG, St. Francis Xavier  
**April 16<sup>th</sup>:** 4th/5<sup>th</sup> Gr Youth Group, OLP  
**April 18<sup>th</sup>:** Women's Conference at St. Jude-Reach out to Sarah if interested  
**April 21<sup>st</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**April 22<sup>nd</sup>:** HSYG, OLP  
**April 24-26:** Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat-for HS & up  
**April 28<sup>th</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**April 29<sup>th</sup>:** HSYG at 12<sup>th</sup> St. Chick-Fil-A

## May

**May 5<sup>th</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**May 6<sup>th</sup>:** HSYG, OLP  
**May 7<sup>th</sup>:** 4th/5<sup>th</sup> Gr YG  
**May 8<sup>th</sup>:** Kid's Night Out, OLP-5:30-9pm, sign up by May 6<sup>th</sup>  
**May 12<sup>th</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**May 13<sup>th</sup>:** HSYG, at St. Francis Xavier  
**May 19<sup>th</sup>:** MSYG, OLP  
**May 20<sup>th</sup>:** HSYG, OLP  
**May 26<sup>th</sup>:** 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

**QUO VADIS DAYS**

# Quo Vadis Days 2026

**Join Us For Our Summer Priesthood Discernment Camp!**  
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**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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