



Our Lady of Peace

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE
A TREASURE BURIED IN A FIELD,
WHICH A PERSON FINDS & HIDES AGAIN,
AND OUT OF JOY GOES AND SELLS
ALL THAT HE HAS AND BUYS THAT FIELD.

Matthew 13:44-52

WHAT DO YOU TREASURE?

Parish Office Phone

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Website

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Faith Formation Office

814-838-9983

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Priest in Residence

Rev. Shane Mathew

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Faith Formation Director

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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.

We lead people into communion with God through Jesus Christ. We are passionately faithful, committed to mission, and have hearts like Mary.



Anchored in prayer. Ablaze with faith.

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 as well as **reusable grocery bags**.

July 2026

26th Cereal / Pancake Mix / Syrup

Pantry is OPEN July 28th

(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

A ministry for those who are unable to attend the usual parish functions. This ministry can be done from home, a nursing home, the hospital, etc. Those participating are asked to pray for a specific group, ministry or function as it 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 - God is in his holy place, / God who unites those who dwell in his house; / he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading — Solomon prays for an understanding heart (1 Kings 3:5, 7-12).

Psalms — Lord, I love your commands (Psalm 119).

Second Reading — All things work for good for those who love God (Romans 8:28-30).

Gospel — The one who knows of the kingdom of heaven brings new and old from the storeroom (Matthew 13:44-52 [44-46]).

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Family Discussion of the Week: Commitment

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. (Matthew 13:44)

Adults: What would you be willing to "sell," or do without, in order to achieve your dreams for yourself or your family?

Kids: What good thing do you want so much that you would give up something else to get it?

A SHARE IN GOD'S KINGDOM

Today concludes a three-week series of Gospel texts in which we have listened to a total of seven parables about the Kingdom. The believer is asked to consider the request that God made of Solomon in today's first reading: "Ask something of me and I will give it to you" (1 Kings 3:5). Today's parables about the treasure buried in the field and the pearl of great price should prompt us to answer, "A share in your kingdom, O God!" Today we discover that the kingdom of God is beyond value, a priceless treasure. Unfortunately, our culture bombards us with things that it believes are priceless treasures—the bigger and better SUVs, anti-aging and anti-balding creams and salves, miracle diets, and so much more. Having a share in God's kingdom and helping to bring about that kingdom are the greatest treasures that we can ever hope to gain.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2026

7:00AM Rich Young - Wife, Corky

12:10PM Ray Lubin - Family

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026

7:00AM Mary Ann Arnold - Joan (Cooney) Tiberio

12:10PM Mary Louise Maracci - Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026

7:00AM Special Intention for the Souls in Purgatory - Friends

12:10PM Kandace Lyons - Prayer Line Sisters

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026

7:00AM Elizabeth Franklin - Paul Vojtek Family

12:10PM Jeanne Johannesmeyer - Art & Audrey Cavicchio

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026

7:00AM Tony Colonna - Shirley Colonna

12:10PM Marian Yochim - Joe & Dianne

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

8:00AM Special Intention

5:00PM Helen & Neal Finnucan - Daughter, Helen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

9:00AM William & Christine Walden - Family

11:00AM Ray & Freida Dombrowski - Family

4:30PM Leon Mackowski - 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 in memory of Suzanne Palucki - Visosky Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Jeff Hickin - Sally Zyck.

Special Collection: Thank You

Thank you for your generous support for last week's National Needs Collection. Money raised will go towards strengthening the Church at home and spread the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give!

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 July 26th**

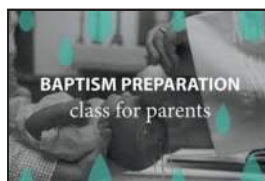
Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13;
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;
Mt 14:1-12Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
Mt 14:13-21**Baptismal Prep Class For Parents:**

Monday, Aug. 17, 2026

Class is held in the Church Social Room
from 6:30 to 7:30PM.

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

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Kathy Losasso. May her 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:

July 26: Cynthia B., Dave W., Joe S., Deb T., Corky Y.

July 27: Ann R.

July 28: Ann F., Michael M.

July 29: Linda M., Janet A.

July 30: Bethann D., Linda D., Julie M., James S.

July 31: Jim Z.

Aug. 1: Maxine R., Mark S., Pat B.

Aug. 2: Kathy W., Deacon Dennis K.

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...

To my spiritual family of Our Lady of Peace-

I share with you a **MESSAGE FROM HIS HOLINESS LEO XIV FOR THE SIXTH WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY...**

"Dear brothers and sisters,

Through the prophet Isaiah, the Lord promises that he will never forget any of us. He assures us that he has engraved our faces on the palms of his hands (cf. Is 49:16) and that his love is greater than a mother's love for her child (cf. Is 49:15). The prophet gives us a glimpse of an intimate and intense dialogue in which God addresses, in familiar terms, each person individually and the people as a whole. Even today, we can read these words as referring to each of us, and everyone can hear that "I will never forget you" spoken directly to them.

These are words that fill us with comfort and hope. They are the answer to an agonizing feeling that troubles the heart: "The Lord has forsaken me; my Lord has forgotten me" (Is 49:14). How often in Sacred Scripture, especially in the Psalms, does prayer spring from the despair of those who feel that their lives are of no interest to anyone and are being neglected! The painful feeling of being forgotten is, unfortunately, shared by many people, and among them are quite a few elderly people.

God's love, which forgets no one, offers itself as an act of justice and a response to the anonymity in which human life all too often ends up lost. The lives of many elderly people, in particular, seem to be covered by a veil that blurs the features of their faces and shrouds them in oblivion. This is what happens in homes where loneliness reigns and also in those care facilities where each person's uniqueness risks being reduced to a bed number or an illness.

The celebration of the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to rediscover that the Church is called to be a mother to all and that at any age it is always possible to recognize ourselves as sons and daughters of God. May this day, therefore, be an inspiration for everyone, especially the young, to revive the beautiful custom of visiting their grandparents, the elderly members of the family and even those who have no one to visit them. Bring them, through this message and your presence, the closeness and affection of the Pope. Ensure that the words of the prophet, "But I will never forget you," take the form of a tender and affectionate encounter. "In an era that favors speed and fragmentation, the human person still yearns to receive care and recognition from attentive minds, kind words and hands capable of tenderness. The digital culture multiplies connections and offers new opportunities for interaction; yet, the human heart retains an irrevocable need for genuine closeness" (Encyclical Letter, *Magnifica Humanitas*, 239).

The Church understands the suffering of her elderly members; she knows full well that they are all too often viewed through the lens of stereotypes and considered a burden; she is aware that a profit-driven economy weakens family ties; she knows that many elderly people are left behind by children who are forced to migrate or, in some cases, to fight in wars. For each of these reasons, she joyfully proclaims the Lord's promise:

"But I will never forget you!"

It is a joy, at any age, but especially when we are no longer young, to discover, as John Paul I said, that we are the recipients "of undying love on the part of God. We know: he has always his eyes open on us, even when it seems to be dark. He is our father; even more he is our mother" (Angelus, 10 September 1978). Even if it does not come naturally to think this way, the truth is that even in old age we do not cease to be sons and daughters; therefore, the invitation to return to the arms of God — whose love is both paternal and maternal — remains worthwhile at any age.

For many, the discovery of God's tenderness takes place over the course of their lives, sometimes even in its final stages. Indeed, unlike in the past, it is increasingly common to reach old age without having had a genuine experience of faith. In such cases, old age — beginning with the questions that arise with greater urgency during this season of life — can become the right time to begin or resume a spiritual life. On this new journey, one can recognize that God, as Saint Augustine says, "is a mother because he cherishes, because he nourishes, because he nurses, because he protects" (Commentary on Psalm 27, II, 18). It is an awareness that helps us not to feel ashamed of the fragility that emerges and also to understand that we are always in need of one another and in need of attention and care. To God, who draws near to us and whom we learn to recognize in his tenderness, we can now turn with filial trust in prayer. It is never too late to begin turning to him. It can be a great gift for everyone.

Dear elderly men and women, Pope Francis spoke of you as a "new people" (Catechesis, 23 February 2022), since the number of older adults has never been so large in human history. It is, therefore, more important than ever to reflect with you, this "new people," on what our vocation might be when fragility — the human person's companion from birth — seems to take over. I would like to say to you: do not be afraid of fragility! It is precisely this weakness that holds within itself a new potential that also illuminates the other stages of life. Indeed, when "we acknowledge our fragility, our hearts become open to supporting one another and to invoking the One who can grant what no human power can ensure: the profound reconciliation of hearts and, with it, true peace" (Meeting with the Algerian community, Basilica of Our Lady of Africa, Algiers, 13 April 2026).

This is how we can live out our old age as Christians: "fragile" yet at the same time "called." A man and a woman can, in fact, be born anew in old age (cf. Jn 3:4-6) and exclaim, with the prophet: "In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength" (Is 30:15). This strength can become an invitation not to resort to the ways of arrogance and power to ensure human coexistence, but to the ways of reconciliation and true peace. In this time, so harshly marked by the violence of war and social unrest, many wonder what the world in which their grandchildren will grow up will be like. I urge you, dear friends, to join me in praying earnestly that peace may soon come to the whole world.

Dear elderly brothers and sisters, I thank you for supporting me every day with your prayers, especially when you recite the Holy Rosary. I return this gratitude from the bottom of my heart and leave you with this prayer: may the Lord always renew us in faith, hope and love — He who never forgets us!"

May God bless all grandparents and the elderly... and our 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...

****The OLP Men's Picnic is Tuesday, August 4th at 5pm at the Parish Pavilion.** This is great opportunity for the men of our community to just be together and strengthen our friendships. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased in the office or after Masses. Basket Raffle items are needed, please see the flyer on page 8 for more information.

****OLP Raffle** Congratulations to John Pichette winner of the July Early Bird Prize. Get your tickets in for your chance at our August Early Bird gift card package. Thank you to all who have already purchased or sold tickets. We are at 65% of our goal. Need tickets? Stop by the church office.

****Vacation Bible School at OLP will be August 10-14, 2026.**

VBS is one of the most joyful weeks of the year. It's not too late to register. Please see page 6 for registration details.

****Other Upcoming Parish Events....**

-Friday, August 14th Parish Bonfire at 6pm at pavilion with entertainment provided by the VBS children

-Sunday, August 16th Milestone Wedding Anniversary Mass at 11am

-Thursday, August 20th OLP Parish Feast Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction with Fr. Tom Brooks, pastor of OLP from 1999-2009, preaching.

-Friday, August 21st Parish/School Outdoor Movie Night (dusk)

-Saturday, August 22nd Mass for the Queenship of Mary at 8am (Parish Feast)

-Sunday, August 30th Fr. Rich 25th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration- 11am with Reception to follow in the cafeteria

****Masses this Week** Monday, July 27th and Tuesday, July 28th. Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Wednesday, July 29th. Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus of Bethany; Thursday, July 30th. St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (5th Century Ravenna, Italy); Friday, July 31st. St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (16th Century Spanish Founder of the Jesuit Order; Saturday, August 1st. St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (18th Century Founder of the Redemptorist Order).

****OLP Partnership with Hallow Prayer App** Our Lady of Peace has entered into a parish partnership with the popular prayer app, Hallow, as of July 1st. We will be offering more information on what that means over the next few months and then have an official Launch Weekend September 12/13 (Parish Picnic is September 12th!).

Everyone has access to the free version of Hallow. Please join our parish page (Our Lady of Peace Erie) where you can share prayer requests and participate in prayer challenges with the parish. If you are interested in the full paid version of Hallow our partnership offers a 25% discount; contact Mary Beth in the parish office. More information will be coming.

****OLP Pilgrimage to Northern France in October 2027**

Recently I announced our next parish pilgrimage which is to Northern France on October 10-20, 2027. It is part of the three-year parish anniversary celebration that we are planning for Our Lady of Peace. The celebration will begin on May 15, 2027, the 50th Anniversary of the dedication of our church in 1977 and will continue through September 30, 2030, the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of Our Lady of Peace Parish in 1955.

A highlight of the pilgrimage will be a visit the oldest statue of Our Lady of Peace found in the Chappelle de Picpus in Paris, France. The statue dates back to the 16th century and is only 11 inches tall, and the chapel that houses it is also dedicated to the martyrs of the 18th Century French Revolution. It is also the burial place of Marquis de Lafayette, the French General who played a significant role in helping the United States gain their independence.

The pilgrimage will include 3 days in Paris (visits to the Cathedral of Notre Dame; San Chappelle-the home of the crown of thorns; Sacre Cuore (the tomb of St. Louis); the church of St. Catherine Laboure and the origins of the Miraculous Medal; the shrine and tomb of St. Vincent de Paul; and the church and tomb of St. Denis and his companion martyrs who founded Christianity in Paris), as well as stops in Rouen (St. Joan of Arc), Lisieux (St. Terese and her parents, St. Louis and St. Zellie), Normandy (location of D-Day), Mont Saint-Michel (the iconic tidal island and medieval abbey in Normandy, famous for its dramatic tides and breathtaking architecture), Le Mans (shrine of Blessed Basil Moreau- founder of the Holy Cross Order who founded the University of Notre in Indiana, USA), Solesmes (Benedictine Abbey known to be the place of the renewal of Gregorian Chant in the Catholic Church) and Chartres known for its famous Cathedral.

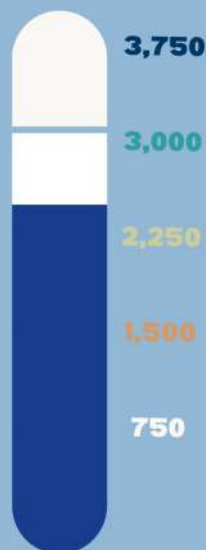
For more information on the pilgrimage (cost is presently \$3,995 but does not yet include airfare) please see the flyers at the doors of the church or in the office or go online to www.selectinternationaltours.com/product/saints-of-france-with-fr-rich-toohey/. Please note that registration is being handled by Select International Tours so all questions and attempts to register should be done through them and not at the parish office.



Our Lady of Peace...
Pray for us

OLP RAFFLE 2026

... PEACE, PRAYERS AND PRIZES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 @ 7PM DRAWING AT PARISH PICNIC



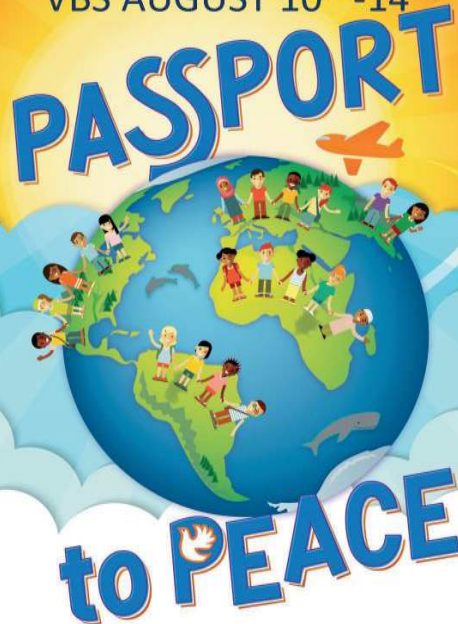
1ST PRIZE - \$10,000
2ND PRIZE - \$ 2,500
3RD PRIZE - \$ 1,000
4TH PRIZE - \$ 500
5TH PRIZE - \$ 500
6TH PRIZE - \$ 500

WON'T YOU HELP US
REACH OUR GOAL OF 3,700
TICKETS

Every ticket helps to fund ministry and programming.
Together we can reach the goal!

Our Lady of Peace

VBS AUGUST 10TH-14TH



Time: 8:45am-12:45pm

Grade: Going into K-5 in the Fall

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

Contact: tammie.mang@olp.org

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



**VATICAN
NEWS**

Want to learn more about Pope Leo's
teachings as well as other Vatican News?

Register to receive the Vatican News
Newsletter at [vaticannews.va/en/newsletter-
registration.html](https://vaticannews.va/en/newsletter-registration.html).

Young AT HEART

SENIORS GROUP

Our next meeting will be on
Thursday, September 10th
at 1:00pm at Presque Isle
East Pier.

YOUNG AT HEART

Calling all seniors. . .



The East Pier is on the bay side after you
cross the first bridge & before you get to
Perry Monument (the exit is before the
entrance). Bring your own lunch and drink.

Questions? Sr. Kathleen at 814-218-9400 or
sr.kathleen@olp.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.

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



IT'S PICNIC TIME!
DIOCESAN
CURSILLO
PICNIC



Bring a dish to share and your own chair!
Chicken, hotdogs, corn, watermelon and drinks provided.
All family members are welcome.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
(DINNER SERVED AT 1:30PM)

Our Lady of Peace
Picnic Pavilion (behind the school)
2401 W. 38th St.
Erie, PA



*Please RSVP by July 27th by email
or the contact link below.*

<https://eriecursillo.org/contact.us>



If you are able to help with set-up, clean-up, or food
please call or text Debbie Patterson at 814-504-8400.

Hallow

You have heard Fr. Rich talk about Hallow for years and recently he announced our parish partnership but are you still wondering **“What is Hallow?”**

Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic faith, Hallow helps people find peace and grow in faith, every day. As the #1 prayer app in the world, Hallow provides a wide variety of audio-guided meditation, prayer challenges, mental health content, sleep stories, and sacred music. Users are able to pray with Fr. Mike, Sr. Miriam, Jonathan Roumie, Mark Wahlberg, Immaculee Illibagiza, Bishop Barron, + many others.

How do I join our parish on Hallow?

Everyone is invited to be a part of our parish community page. There, you can create a profile, add friends, share/respond to prayer intentions, and take part in prayer challenges with the parish. The steps are simple:

Part A: Join the Parish Page (Free for Everyone)

Already Have Hallow?

- Open the Hallow app
- Tap Church (bottom menu) + Explore (top left menu)
- Search [Parish Name or Zip]
- Tap Join



New to Hallow?

- Download the Hallow app
- On the account set up page, tap the “Church Icon” in the upper right corner of the screen
- Follow the prompts to create your account & join your parish
- Visit your parish page on the Church tab in the bottom right

Part B: Optional - Redeem the Parish Subscription Offer

If you'd like access to all of Hallow's premium content, you can redeem the parish's discounted subscription directly from the parish page.

New Subscribers

- Go to the parish page
- Tap Claim Subscription
- The parish discount will automatically apply

Already-Existing Subscribers

- Cancel your current subscription (This does NOT delete your account or prayer history.)
- When your subscription ends and your account downgrades:
- Return to the parish page
- Tap Claim Subscription

If you have any issues, please contact Mary Beth Whitman in the office at 814-833-7701 x202 or marybeth.whitman@olp.org. We look forward to praying with you!



Maria House Project **AN EVENING OF HOPE**

**Please join us for “An Evening of Hope”
featuring guest speakers Tim Joncas
and Antonio Howard**

*Tim Joncas,
Executive Director
of Maria House
Project “The Evil Is
In the Lie”*

*Antonio Howard, Autodidactic
Artist, sentenced to life in
prison at the age of 15 and
released after serving over 26
years in prison. “It’s My Story
and I’m Sticking to It.”*



AUG 6 | 6:30-8:30 PM

Our Lady of Peace
2401 W. 38th St, Erie

Light refreshments will be served in the church
vestibule following the program.



New Booklet available

Cost: - \$3

What is the New Age movement all about?

How have New Age beliefs infiltrated our popular culture?

What are the Church's warnings about the spiritual dangers of New Age ideas?

How should a Catholic approach things like "mindfulness," yoga, crystals, Reiki, meditation, alternative medicines, and other practices associated with the New Age?

With the modern hunger for spirituality created by the vacuum of declining religious belief, Western interest in the so-called New Age is stronger than ever. Whether its ideas are ancient and mystical as its promoters believe or just leftovers from hokey novelties from the sixties, they're finding millions of devotees today - leading Christians away from revealed truth and potentially even opening the door to demonic influence. **20**

Answers: The New Age explains the roots and substance of New Age beliefs and contrasts them with Catholic teaching, showing you how to protect yourself and your family from their seductive errors.





CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, LEVEL I

COME AND SEE

A hands-on, immersive way for children to encounter God

Parents & Grandparents Invited

Experience a glimpse into the prayerful life of the Atrium, where children encounter Scripture, liturgy, and the love of Jesus in a deeply personal way. Level I formation is designed for children ages 3-6.

During the evening you will:

- ✓ Experience a short Atrium presentation
- ✓ Explore hands-on materials used by the children
- ✓ Learn how CGS fosters prayer and contemplation
- ✓ Discover fall enrollment opportunities
- ✓ Learn ways to support the ministry through prayer and giving.



Let us know you are coming by registering here!

The 3-6-year-old child is particularly capable of receiving and enjoying the most essential elements of our faith—the announcement of God's love.

What is CGS?

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based religious formation program rooted in Scripture and the liturgy of the Church. Along with teaching about faith, CGS invites children into relationship with Christ the Good Shepherd. Learn more at cgsusa.org

JOIN US

Tuesday, August 11
6:00–7:00 PM
St. Mark Catholic Center Cafeteria
429 E. Grandview Blvd.
Erie, PA

—†— **Connection.Inclusion.Community.** —†—

CATHOLIC DISABILITIES

networking meet-ups

This gathering is a welcoming opportunity to connect, share experiences and build community in faith. Individuals with disabilities, family members, caregivers and supporters are invited to join us as we celebrate the gifts and dignity of every person. All are welcome.

Refreshments will be provided. All are welcome.

AUGUST 09 | 3-5 PM
ST. JOSEPH BREAD OF LIFE
147 W 24TH ST., ERIE, PA 16502

Contact Stacey Badowski for more details:
stacey.badowski@gmail.com

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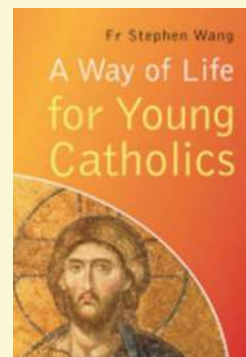


Event made possible by a grant from the Catholic Foundation of NWEA.

New Booklet available

Cost: - \$3

Written for young Catholics who want to live their faith more deeply but are not sure what steps to take, this booklet contains practical, down-to-earth advice on many aspects of daily life, whether spiritual (prayer and confession), moral (alcohol and drugs, dating and chastity), emotional (coping with worrying or suffering), or vocational (discovering my vocation, finding a good husband or wife). It will be especially helpful for older confirmation candidates, students and young adults hoping to learn more about their faith.



FORE! Our Crusaders

6th Annual Our Lady of Peace Athletic Board Golf Tournament Friday, September 18, 2026

Beachwood Golf Club
6401 Gorski Road, Fairview PA

Registration: 11:45am-1:00pm
1:00pm: Shotgun Start Scramble

Dinner, Awards and Raffle immediately following

Golfers:

\$400 - Foursome
\$100 - Single Golfer
\$25 - Dinner Only

Sponsors:

\$1,500 - Crusader
\$1,000 - Blue
\$500 - White
\$100 - Hole

Registration Form

Foursome - \$400
Single - \$100
Dinner Only - \$25

Golfer Name (#1) _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Golfer Name (#2) _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Golfer Name (#3) _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Golfer Name (#4) _____
Phone _____
Email _____

If there is another team you would like to play
with please list a member of that team.

Sponsor Form

Company _____
Contact Name _____
Email Address _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____

Crusader - \$1500

2 Foursomes*, Hole sign, recognition on
Social Media & at Registration Table and
Score Card. Opportunity to provide
giveaways & speak at dinner.

Blue Sponsor - \$1000

Foursome, Hole sign, Recognition on Social
Media & at Registration Table

White Sponsor - \$500

Foursome, hole sign

Hole Sponsor - \$100

Hole sign

Total for Sponsorship _____
Total Additional Donation _____
Total for Golf/Dinner _____
Grand Total _____

*Please list foursome names on registration form

Pay by Check: Make check payable to Our Lady of Peace Athletic Board

Pay via Venmo: @Tony-Demichele

Mail forms and payment to: Mr. and Mrs. Tony DeMichele, OLP Golf Tournament, 5698 Bear Run Cir,
Fairview PA 16415. Sponsors must submit a logo (in pdf format) to Tony at tony.demichele.k2o6@statefarm.com

Golf package includes greens fees, cart, course lunch & dinner. Register by September 4th

Proceeds benefit OLP athletics and the Hank Starr Memorial (OLP Endowment Scholarship)

The Usher's and Knights of Columbus
invite all men of the parish. . .

MEN'S PICNIC

Tuesday, August 4th

5pm at the Pavilion (behind the school)
Dinner served at 6pm - Catering by Serafins

Tickets \$12 - available in the office
or from an usher

Donations for Basket Raffle Needed.
Call Paul Wickles at 814-838-7038
with questions or to donate.
Drop off donations at the office.

Risen & Rooted Summer Schedule 2026

Middle School

Those going into 6th-8th

2026-27 School Year

- Mon, July 6th-MSYG 6-9pm
- Wed, July 15th-MSYS 6-9pm
- Tues, July 28th-MSYG 6-9pm
- Wed, Aug 19th-MS Retreat 11am-4pm
 - (RSVP to sarah.beaver@olp.org by Aug 15th)
- Tues, Sept 1st-MSYG (School Year Kick Off)
 - 6:30-8:30pm, 6pm optional silent Adoration
 - Same day and time throughout the school year

Note: Dinner at each YG unless said otherwise. Location will be at OLP, specific spot TBD, unless specifically noted.
Questions: sarah.beaver@olp.org

High School

Those going into 9th-12th

2026-27 School Year

- Sun, June 14th-Parent/Student Summer Trip Meetings
 - 4-4:30pm for Mission/Retreat Trip to DuBois
 - 4:45-5:15pm for Steubenville Youth Conference
- Fri, June 19th-HSYG Movie Night 7-10pm
- June 23rd-June 27th-HS Mission/Retreat Trip to DuBois
 - Spots still available, email Sarah asap with questions
- Tues, July 14th-HSYG Vocation Panel 6-9pm
- July 10-12th-Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat
- July 17-19th-Steubenville Youth Conference
 - Spots still available, email Sarah asap with questions
- Wed, July 29th-HSYG 6-9pm
- Tues, Aug 25th-HSYG 6-9pm
- Wed, Sept 2nd-HSYG (School Year Kick Off)
 - 6:30-9:00pm, 6pm optional silent Adoration
 - Same day and time throughout the school year

For the Whole Family!

- Sun, June 7th-Corpus Christi Pilgrimage 2-3:30pm at the Cathedral
- Sat, June 13th-Parish Bonfire 6pm (food provided!) At Pavilion
- Wed, July 1st-Family Beach Day 5-8pm
 - Beach 6, entrance nearest to volleyball courts
 - Bring a dish to share, subs provided. Bring your own drinks/towels/toys etc.
 - RSVP by June 30th with how many coming
- Wed, July 22nd-Family Beach Day 5-8pm (same details above, RSVP by July 21st)
- Tues and Wed Aug 4th/Aug 5th-VBS Prep 6-9pm
- Sun, Aug 9th-VBS Set Up in gym 12pm-3pm (pizza provided at noon)
- Aug 10th-14th-Vacation Bible School! Volunteers are from 8am-1pm
 - Friday stay until 3pm for clean up, pizza provided for clean up
- Aug 14th-Parish Bonfire with VBS Presentation, 6pm-Bring a side dish to share
- Fri, Aug 21st-Parish Movie Night, behind gym, starts at dusk
- Sun, Aug 23rd-Family Beach Day 1-5pm (same details above, RSVP by Aug 21st)



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.

Each year we host a missionary as part of the Diocesan Missionary Cooperative to share with us about the Mission work they are doing as part of the Church today.



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meals

a simple solution
to world hunger

August 8th & 9th we welcome Mary's Meals to OLP.

Mary's Meals is a global movement dedicated to ensuring that no child is too hungry to learn. We provide one nutritious meal every school day to children living in some of the world's poorest communities.

By serving meals in a place of education, we encourage children to attend school, helping them receive both the nourishment they need for today and the education that can transform their future. Named in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **Mary's Meals believes that every child deserves enough to eat and the opportunity to receive education.** Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

Watch Our Lady of Peace Mass On Our YouTube Channel

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



Go to www.olp.org, scroll down to 'Find Us on Social Media,' click on YouTube and you will be connected to our Channel. Once there you can watch previous Masses. Subscribe by clicking the red Subscribe button.

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:

Aug. 15, Sept. 19, Oct. 17

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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September 14, 2026 through November 23, 2026

OR

Wednesday mornings: 10:00 to 11:30am
September 16, 2026 through November 25, 2026

WHERE: Our Lady of Peace Church Social Room

Pre-Registration is required by August 28, 2026.

COST: \$10.00, which includes workbook and materials.

Please drop off or mail check and registration form to:
Our Lady of Peace Church, 2401 W. 38th Street, Erie, PA 16506
Attn: OLP Bible Study

NOTE: You will receive an email with instructions to pick up materials before the start of class.
No previous experience necessary. All are welcome.
Any questions, please call Sr. Kathleen at 814-218-9400 or sr.kathleen@olp.org.

Our Lady of Peace Bible Study: Minor Prophets

You will be registered upon receipt of payment-due by August 28, 2026
Make checks payable to: Our Lady of Peace Church

Name _____
Address _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Parish _____
Email _____

Please specify: Monday night session _____
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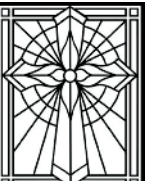
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