



Our Lady of Peace

LABORERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD

"THE LAST WILL BE
FIRST
AND THE FIRST
WILL BE LAST."
Matthew 20:1-16a

September 20, 2026

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Fr. Rich Toohey, Gina Adams,

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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated each month on the 1st Sunday at 11AM Mass & 3rd Sunday at 12:30PM. A mandatory prep class for parents is available. **Sacrament of Matrimony** An appointment with a parish priest six months prior to the wedding date. **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Wednesdays 11:15AM-12:00PM Saturdays 8:30-9AM; 3:45-4:45PM or by appointment.

New Parishioners Welcome! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or online.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation) Anyone seeking information on becoming Catholic or completing one's initiation into the Catholic faith should call the Parish Office.

Prayer Request Line:

9AM-3PM Edie 814-651-5952

3PM-9PM Barb 814-392-8348



Our Mission Statement

Our Lady of Peace is a Catholic community of faith called to proclaim the greatness of the Lord through Worship, Service, Education and Ministry.

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

Heart
Like Mary

**A spirit that rejoices in God,
my savior.**

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**.



20th Dried Fruit / Raisins / Nuts

27th Mac 'n Cheese / Rice

**Pantry is OPEN September 22nd
(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 - I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. / Should they cry to me in any distress, / I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading - Turn to the Lord who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalm - The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading - Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel - The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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Family Discussion of the Week: *God's Generosity*

(The landlord) said "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" (Matthew 20:14-15)

Adults: What lessons do you draw from today's Gospel? How has God been generous to you in this way?

Kids: Who is generous to you, even when you do not always deserve it?

DIRECTION

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we're confused and troubled and can't figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord's behalf and explaining that God—who is on a much more, well, Godly wavelength than we are—moves in ways we can't even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life—to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

7:00AM Marie DiTullio - Laura Ott

12:10PM Sara Gerbracht - Daughter

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

7:00AM Mary Jane Daughtery - 7AM Mass

12:10PM Stephen Fuller - Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

7:00AM Rudy Passauer - Annmarie Harrington

12:10PM Kathleen Obert - Good Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

7:00AM Marge Wojtkielewicz (Ward) - Family

12:10PM Beth Spirito - Husband, Mike

2:00PM School Mass - Bob Dzikowski -
Frank & Nancy Hodas

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026

7:00AM Gerald Arnold - Swahn & Sullivan Families

12:10PM Marie Roberts - Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

8:00AM Joe Cuzzola - Jay & Marcia

5:00PM Kathy Masolotte - Malue Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Jack Smith - Sargent Family

9:00AM Living & Deceased Members of OLP

11:00AM Robert Szczesny, Jr. - Judy & Esko Tarto

4:30PM Fima Galla - 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

A Family Perspective

Today, Jesus asks us, "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Our family is the vineyard entrusted to us, as mentioned in today's gospel. Successful families are built by "laborers" who actively work on their relationships, not by spectators who merely watch from a distance.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Dennis Buto. May his family and friends find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

Daily at 11:40AM All are welcome!

The Rosary of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary is prayed daily prior to the 12:10 Mass. Mary invites all her children to pray her Rosary. Also, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed following the 12:10 Mass in the Chapel.



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

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

Readings for the Week of September 20th

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration for Faith Formation was due Sept. 1, 2026. If you have not registered, please do so ASAP. All registration forms are found on our website, olp.org under the Faith Formation tab.

Parent meetings are as follows:

Grades 1-5: Sept. 27 at 9AM in the school cafeteria

Grades 6-8: Sept. 27 at 10:15AM in the school cafeteria

Confirmation parent meetings were held August 23rd and September 3rd.

The first Confirmation class is this Sunday, September 20th at 5:30PM in the school cafeteria. One parent is required to attend this class with their child.

The first day of class for grades 1-8 is October 4th from 9:15 to 10:45AM.

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

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:

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

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

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

Sept. 23: Heidi A.

Sept. 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.

Sept. 25: Christine O.

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

Sept. 27: Ann R.

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-

Happy Fall! This weekend we celebrate the kick-off for another Faith Formation Year for grades one to nine; and a "Registration Weekend." We start the new Faith Formation year with a blessing of our Catechists, as well as teachers and all involved in education at the end of all Masses this weekend. I thank our catechists at OLP Parish and our teachers at OLP School and the entire Erie Catholic School System for their dedication and sacrifice. Their role is an essential one in helping hand on the faith to our future generations and I hope you will join me in showing your appreciation to them. The names of our catechists and OLP School teachers can be found below. Also, there will be a second collection for Catholic Education at all Masses this weekend. This collection is split between our Diocesan Education Office (which oversees both Catholic Schools AND Faith Formation) and our parish faith formation program so your support is greatly appreciated.

For more about the Registration Weekend see my note below. May God bless our catechists, our educators 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...

****Parish Picnic Thank You** We had another great parish picnic last weekend! Thank you to everyone who attended and a special thank you to everyone who helped plan and execute the event! Our Picnic Committee, which is primarily our Families Together Ministry with a few others who join in, did an incredible job. The picnic committee is very grateful to many volunteers whose help was invaluable. In addition to many individuals I thank the Knights of Columbus and the Parish Pastoral Council. There were an estimated 600+ meals served; so great attendance despite the threat of rain and moving mostly inside. We had 93 baskets donated for our basket raffle; which is the most so far. We also sold the most tickets for our parish raffle (see other note for details). All indications of the continued momentum at our parish so well done OLP and let's keep it going!

****Parish Raffle Results** We sold 3,370 tickets! Though we did not reach the goal of 3,700, the annual parish raffle raised \$49,826! This is a new record for the raffle since it began in 2021. Thank you to all who sold or bought tickets! Again, well done OLP!

Congratulations to our winners:

\$500-Steve Potthoff
\$500-Joe Spero
\$500-Michelle Newell
\$1,000-Diane Dennington
\$2,500-George Opron
\$10,000-Skip Glover!

****Considering becoming Catholic/OCIA** Anyone considering becoming Catholic or completing your Catholic Initiation through the Sacrament of Confirmation should contact Fr. Rich, Fr. Luke, Deacon John or Tammie Mang at the parish office and find out more about the process. **We have just begun a new year of OCIA (the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) but it is not too late to join us.**

****Parish Registration Weekend September 19/20** Why register as a member of OLP? Here are a few reasons to consider: ONE- registration is a way of committing to living out your Catholic faith in an intentional way through the mission of our parish through stewardship of your time, talent and treasure. It formally engages you in the financial support of our parish mission and also allows us to provide documentation of your financial support for tax purposes; TWO- registration is a concrete way to show you are actively practicing your faith and is typically required for those seeking to be Godparents or Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation; THREE- registration allows our welcome committee to get to know you and share information about our parish community and life as well as invite you to one of our Welcome Luncheons; FOUR- registration allows you to receive all parish mailings and communication through email as well as placing you on the mailing list for our Diocesan FAITH Magazine which is published six times a year.

So we would love you to consider registering at OLP if you are not registered at a parish already and please consider inviting your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers who are Catholic and do not have a parish to formally register at OLP.

****PA March for Life** Please pray for Fr. Luke, Sarah Beaver, our youth and all others who are traveling to Harrisburg this Monday, September 21st for the PA March for Life.

Remember, since the overturning of the Roe Vs. Wade Supreme Court Decision a few years ago, it is now left to our state government to establish the laws on abortion. So we also pray that abortion and all offenses to life be outlawed in our state.

****Masses this Week** Monday, Sept. 21st- St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist; Tuesday, Sept. 22nd, Thursday, Sept. 24th and Friday, Sept. 25th- Weekdays in Ordinary Time; Wednesday, Sept. 23rd- St. Pius of Pietrelcina (20th Century Italian Capuchin Mystic and Stigmatist); Saturday, Sept. 26th- Sts. Cosmos and Damian, Martyrs (4th century brother physicians).

****Catechists at OLP Parish** Please keep all our catechists in your prayers as they start a new year of Faith Formation:

First Grade- Renee Heinlein

Second- Cristina Leuellen

Third- Sanibel Stravinsky and Matt Drabant

Fourth- Jessica Munch

Fifth- Still looking for a teacher

Edge Grades 6-8- Maria Good, Evan Lamb, Brennen Schwartz, Aubrey Good

Confirmation- Mary Lakari, Brandon Leuellen, Scott Russell, Linda Russell, Natalie Kelly, Brennen Schwartz

OCIA- Deacon Jonh Mang, Tammie Mang, Denise Gaines, Michael Gaines, Fr. Rich Toohey, Fr. Luke Daghir

****Teachers and Administrators at OLP School** Please keep everyone in your prayers as they start a new school year: *Emily Fluegel, Lori Hess, Amanda Wawrzyniak, Patty Hoffman, Lindsay Irvin, Rachel Nicle, Christina Theiss, Lindsay Irvin, Amy Izbicki, Adrienne Steppic, Jessica DiLuzio, Maggi Gammon, Becky Jubulis, Kate Kapp, Kristen Tregaskis, Deb Sanden, Anne Tellers, Lisa Dietrich, Rose Girard, Peyton Marzka, Alicia Coletta, Alyssa Nientimp, Sarah Hart, Julie Ferraro, Amy Cass, Abbie Harrington, Heather Riley, Heather Kimball, Maria Ehrman, Jess Villanueva, Natalie Sorge, Lisa Chicco, Ellen Cass, Debbie Bowen, Danielle Kirsh, Lynn Gwinn, Andrea Quint, Joyce Wickles, Alivia Koech, Joe Scibor, Chris Osterberg, Carol Sciarrino, Kathy Maciak, Denae, Abby Little, Stephanie Dahlkemper, Maria Prier, Carol Ohmer, Erica Trapp, Vicki Gambatese, Emily Senita, Jim Cardman*

Hallow Partnership Last weekend was the official launch of our parish-wide partnership with Hallow, the #1 Catholic prayer and meditation app in the world. In the midst of our busy and often noisy lives, finding time for quiet, meaningful prayer can be a challenge. Hallow is a wonderful tool designed to help us bridge that gap. Whether you have thirty minutes or just three, the app offers prayer resources that fit seamlessly into your daily routine.

What is Hallow? Hallow is a digital prayer space that helps you look inward and connect with God. It features over 10,000 audio-guided prayers, meditations, and scripture readings led by familiar voices like Father Mike Schmitz, Mark Wahlberg, and Jonathan Roumie.

What can you find on the app?

Daily Prayers: The Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Daily Gospel reflections.

Spiritual Growth: Mental prayer, Examens, and spiritual writing prompts.

Family Content: Bible stories, prayers for children, and peaceful sleep music.

Novenas & Challenges: Community-wide prayer challenges for Advent, Lent, and holy days.

How do I get started? Through our special parish partnership, every parishioner receives access to our Hallow page and premium access to parish wide prayer challenges.

It's not too late to join **our first parish challenge on Hallow called "How to Pray."** In this challenge we will join Fr. Mike Schmitz, Bishop Barron, Sr. Miriam, SOLT, Jonathan

Roumie, Mark Wahlberg, and other world class spiritual guides as we experience the transformative power of prayer. Over the course of fourteen sessions, our guests will cover fourteen different prayer methods, focusing on the themes of listening to God in prayer, and then being transformed to bear the fruits of charity and service.

Signing up is simple: Scan the QR Code (or on the banners in the church vestibule). Or visit hallow.com and search for our parish: Our Lady of Peace. Create your free account and download the app on your phone or tablet. If you need assistance setting up the app, members of our parish staff and volunteers will be available in the vestibule after all Masses this weekend to help you download it and answer any questions. Let us take this opportunity to grow closer to Christ together as a parish family.



****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, go online to www.selectinternationaltours.com/product/saints-of-france-with-fr-rich-toohey/ or scan the QR Code. 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.



Volunteers may contact OLP liaison
Darrell Meyers at 814-450-3697
or email: darrell.meyers@olp.org

**OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH
MUSIC MINISTRY RECRUITMENT WEEKEND**

Praise the Lord with music!

God has given each of us the gift of song. This song lives in our hearts. When we sing, or play our instrument, that song lifts our praises to our Lord. OLP's music ministry provides an opportunity for any person, of any skill level, to share their musical gifts with the parish community. Join us!

CANTORS:

- Leads sung music at Sunday Masses, funerals, weddings and other liturgical events.
- No rehearsals. Music and recordings are emailed to Cantors throughout the year.

INSTRUMENTALISTS:

- Participate as needed: instrumentalists will be invited to participate for special Masses and events as needed throughout the year.
- Or instrumentalists may join one of our choral groups and participate on a weekly basis.

SELAH PRAISE BAND:

- Contemporary Praise and Worship Band
- Ministers at the 9:00am Sunday Mass
- Rehearses on Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00pm
- Director: Debby Holmes, debbyholmes75@gmail.com; 814-746-1539

VOICE OF PEACE CHOIR:

- Traditional 4-part Choir
- Ministers at the 11:00am Sunday Mass
- Rehearses on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm
- Director: Lesley Lopez, leslopez62@yahoo.com; 814-464-7177

September 19th and 20th Sign-up in the back of church

Brian Kuzmin, Director of Music & Liturgy, brian.kuzmin@olp.org, 814-833-7701 x203

Introducing OLP PRAYS

The OLP Prayer Ministry has undergone a few changes recently to better help us serve the prayer needs of the parish. Most notably our new name, OLP PRAYS!

OLP PRAYS is made up of three parts.

Parish Ministries Prayer Team

This prayer team has been active for many years. They pray for specific OLP groups, ministries, events or functions as they are happening. Team members receive a monthly calendar with their assigned dates and times to pray for the many events in the parish.

OLP Prayer Line

The prayer line is made up of several prayer teams that pray for parishioner intentions that have been submitted by phone or email. The prayer team members pray during their private prayer time for those intentions.

Parish Book of Intentions

Beginning September 26th, parishioners may write their prayer intentions in the Book of Intentions located near the Blessed Mother statue. These intentions will be included during our Sunday "Prayers of the Faithful."

OLP PRAYS Ministry has a place for everyone who has a desire to pray for the needs of our fellow parishioners and our parish.

Get involved in OLP Prays:

- Join a prayer team
- Submit a prayer request for you or a loved one
- Write your intentions in the Book of Intentions at church.

Contact Dee Yeager at 814-241-8767



Let's pray



Our Lady of Peace Risen & Rooted RCYM Fall Schedule 2026



September

9-1: MSYG
9-2: HSYG
9-8: MSYG
9-9: HSYG
9-10: 4th/5thGr YG
9-12: Parish Picnic-bring the WHOLE family! 5pm Mass, food and fun to follow!
9-15: MSYG
9-16: HSYG
9-21: PA March for Life (see additional flyer)
9-29: MSYG
9-30: HSYG @12th St Chick-Fil-A (permission form required)

November

11-1: All Saint's Day Party 6-8pm (WHOLE family invited!)
11-3: MSYG
11-4: HSYG
11-10: MSYG
11-11: HSYG
11-12: 4th/5thGr YG
11-13 to 11-15: Divine Mercy Encounter Retreat for HS
11-17: MSYG
11-18: HSYG @12th St Chick-Fil-A (permission form required)

October

10-1: 4th/5thGr YG
10-6: MSYG
10-7: HSYG
10-9: Kid's Night Out
10-11: MS Retreat 9:15am-3pm (RSVP)
10-13: MSYG
10-14: HSYG
10-27: MSYG
10-28: HSYG @12th St Chick-Fil-A (permission form required)

December

12-1: MSYG
12-2: HSYG
12-3: 4th/5thGr YG
12-8: MSYG
12-9: HSYG
12-11: Kid's Night Out
12-15: Advent Packing Party (MS/HS Event School Caf)
12-16: HSYG @12th St Chick-Fil-A (permission form required)
12-20: Caroling at some nursing homes (Families welcome) RSVP
12-31: 11pm Holy Hour for Peace 11pm

****PLEASE NOTE-We take one week off of YG a month!!!****
MSYG: 6:30-8:30pm, dinner provided, drop off/pick up by the front Church doors. For those in 6th-8th Gr.
HSYG: 6:30-8:30pm, 6pm optional silent Adoration. Dinner provided, drop off/pick up by Church entrance. For those in 9th-12th Gr.
4th/5thGrYG: 5-6:30pm, no dinner, just snacks. Drop off/pick up by Church entrance. For those in 4th and 5th Gr.
Kid's Night Out: 5:30-9pm for K-5th Gr. Volunteers only YG members as it's a fundraiser for YG. RSVP to participate (K-5) by the Wed before event. Sign in/out at School Cafeteria.
RSVP, Permission Forms or Questions to: sarah.beaver@olp.org

Bethany Retreat Center

We are all searching. We want God to hear us, our cry for help, for understanding of our circumstance, our search for happiness. "Lord, hear my prayer," we speak in the silence of our hearts. "Come to me," Jesus says (Matthew 11:28).



Monica Nachman
Facilitator



Mary Retreat

Monday, October 5, 2026

9 am - 3 pm / \$25 includes Lunch
1031 Germania Road, Frenchville, PA
814-780-8101 / anawimministries.com



Is God Calling YOU?

Have you ever considered becoming a priest? Have you wondered if God might be calling you to a religious vocation?

SEMINARY DISCERNMENT WEEKEND

OCTOBER 24-25, 2026

FOR CATHOLIC COLLEGE-AGED YOUNG MEN, 18 YEARS OLD AND OLDER

To register: Use the QR code or go to erievocations.org. There is no charge to attend.

For more info: Contact Fr. Scott Jabo, Vocation Director, at 814-824-1198 or swjabo@eriercd.org

St. Mark Seminary - 429 East Grandview Blvd - Erie, PA



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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The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L., Bishop of Erie



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



Go to www.olg.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.

DIOCESE of ERIE
BLUE MASS
SEPTEMBER 29
Tuesday
St. Boniface Parish
9367 Wattsburg Rd, Erie

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YOU are invited to volunteer with OLP at



WHEN: Saturday, September 26th and
Tuesday, September 29th

TIME: 8:00am until Noon

WHERE: 1734 & 1740 East 26th Street (new build)

WHAT: There is a variety of tasks.
Tools and equipment provided!
Dress for indoor and outdoor weather

WHO: Anyone 16 years of age or older
(All must complete a waiver, parent signature
needed for youth waiver)



Register at
<https://www.jotform.com/build/242903971179061>

CONTACT: Nancy Milkowski at nemilkowski14@gmail.com
or signup in the vestibule September 19th-20th

OLP PRAYER LINE

The OLP Prayer Line is ready to pray for you!
Prayer intentions for yourself, someone else or a
special intention can be sent in by phone or email.

9:00am - 3:00pm Edie Testa
at 814-651-5952 or ejt1125@gmail.com

3:00pm - 9:00pm Barb Turner
at 814-392-8348 or dylewski49@hotmail.com

If you would like to become a member of the prayer
team for this important ministry and pray for your
fellow parishioners, contact:

Andrew Heinlein - Outreach Coordinator
814-833-7701 x 206 or andrew.heinlein@olg.org

Have you officially registered as a parishioner?

Becoming a registered member helps us connect with
you about church events and programs, allows you to
fully participate in parish life, and shows your desire to
journey in life and faith together with others also on the
same road.

We are holding a **Registration weekend** on **Sept 19th/20th**.
Stop by our table in the vestibule after mass to register or for
more information or to enjoy refreshments!

Registration forms are always
available in the church office or
online at www.olg.org.



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:

Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 19

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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Return 6:30 p.m.
Beloved Disciple Church — Grove City
Depart 8:30 a.m.
Return 4:30 p.m.
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Advance Tickets call: Pete 814-600-5386
Tickets available in the church office and at the door the day of the event.

BYOB & Food

TICKET

New Date: September 26th



SOCCER OF C CHALLENGE

All boys and girls ages 9 through 14 are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge.

The local competition will be Saturday, September 26th at 11:00AM at the OLP Soccer Field.

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

- Entry forms will be available at the competition.
- All participants will shoot 15 penalty kicks.
- Points are awarded based on the location of the kick in the goal.



FREE Puzzle Swap

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
- 2401 WEST 38TH STREET -

12:00 pm - Drop off puzzles
12:45 pm - Swap Begins
1:30 pm - Swap Ends
(or when puzzles are gone)

Questions? Call 814-969-4902 | Please tape all puzzle boxes closed

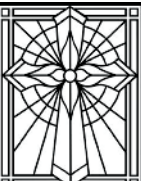
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