Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Catholic Church

Reverend Raymond Hahn Pastor
1531 East Grandview Blvd
Erie, Pennsylvania 16510
www.olmc-erie.org

Baptism
First and Third Sundays of the month following 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Marriage
Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

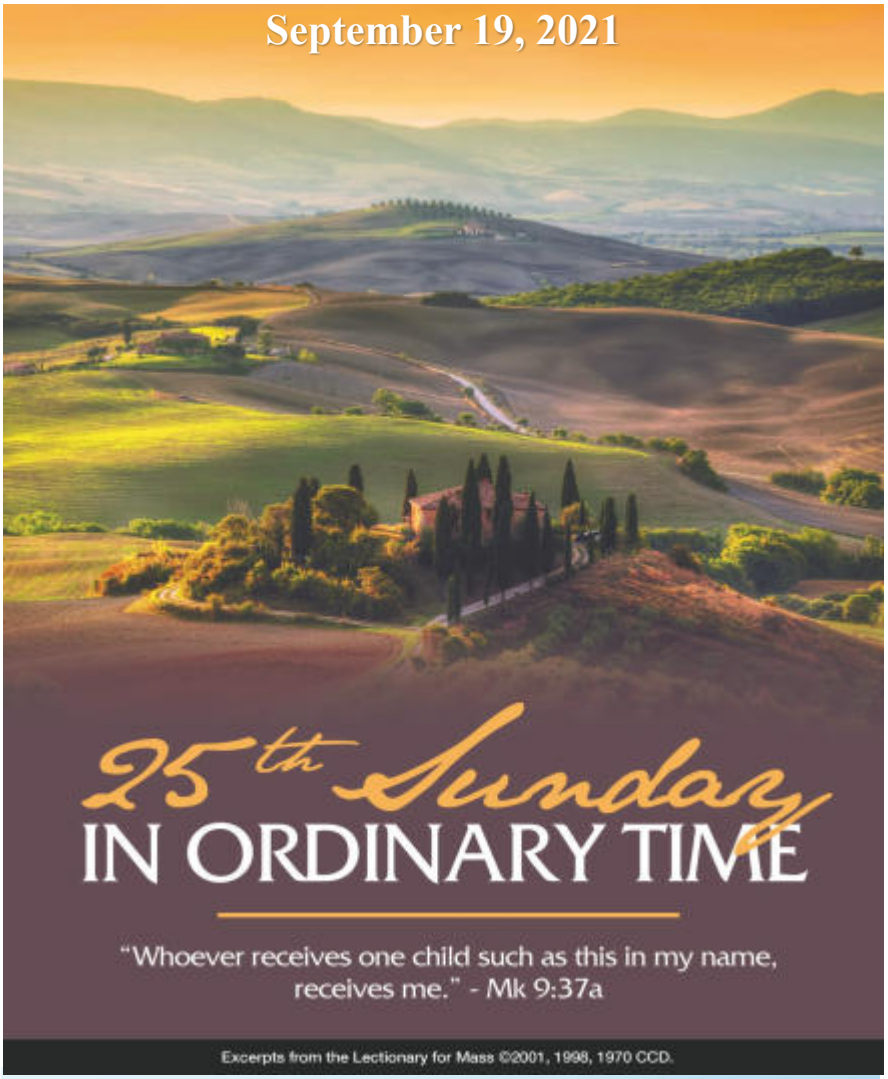
Ministry to the Sick
Please notify the parish if a member of your family is in the hospital or confined to home.

Prayer line request
Dave Piotrowicz 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. 814 825-4852

Bulletin: Announcements due by noon Monday.

Parish office hours
Monday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday Closed
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

September 19, 2021



Parish Contacts
Weekend Assistant Rev. Casimir Wozniak
Deacon Rev. Dr. Frank Pregler
Secretary Lynette Wozniak 814 825-7313 Ext. 1
Faith Life Coordinator Susan Berdis 814 825-7313 Ext. 5

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Ben Montifiori
Requested by Ed & Sharon

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday September 18
4:15 p.m. For all Parishioners

Sunday September 19
8:00 a.m. **Kathleen Nowak**
Requested by Florence Sova
11:00 a.m. **Ann Conroe**
Requested by Tom & Joan Prylinski

Monday September 20
7:00 a.m. **Clementine Adduci**
Requested by Family

Tuesday September 21
10:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Wednesday September 22
7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Thursday September 23
7:00 a.m. Communion Service

Friday September 24
7:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Saturday September 25
4:15 p.m. **Sophia Zaborowski**

Sunday September 26
8:00 a.m. **For all Parishioners**
11:00 a.m. **Carol Renner**
Requested by Jim & Mary Ann Weber

Sunday 9/05/21 -$7742.00 Online giving $2252.20
Sunday 9/12/21 -$3206.50 Online giving $1768.75
Sunday 9/19/21 -$
Sunday 9/26/21 -$

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday	September 20
10:00a.m.	Bible Study (MPR
3:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary (Church)
6:00 p.m.	Stitching Group (Stitching Room)
6:00 p.m.	Bible Study (MPR)
Tuesday	September 21
6:00 p.m.	Ladies Guild Installation of Officers(MPR)
10:00 a.m.	Gathering & Connecting meeting (MPR)
Wednesday	September 22
8:30 a.m.	Church cleaning
8:00 p.m.	Adult Basketball (Gym)
Thursday	September 23
6:00 p.m	Folk Group Rehearsal (Church)
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Church)
Friday	September 24
Saturday	September 25
3:30 p.m.	Confessions
Sunday	September 26
7:30 a.m.	Praying the Rosary

Readings for the week of September 19, 2021
Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Observances for the week of September 19, 2021
Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
Monday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs
Tuesday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Friday:
Saturday: BVM
Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith Life "Around the Table"

Welcome to a **new evangelization** and faith formation that is **encouraged by our Holy Father**, Pope Francis. It is a journey that we hope will help us even more **fully live out our parish mission,** one that the Our Lady of Mount Carmel community is well known for! **All parishioners** are invited to participate! We are one community in the one Body of Christ and **lifelong learners** in the Catholic Faith!

September Menu

Main Course
September 26th is the next Main Course at home Scripture Focus on the Sunday Gospel. You can find the reflection under Main Course on the website. By reflecting on what God is saying to us through the words of Sacred Scripture, **we will grow in our relationship** with Him and discover how **scripture inspires** and guides our daily living.

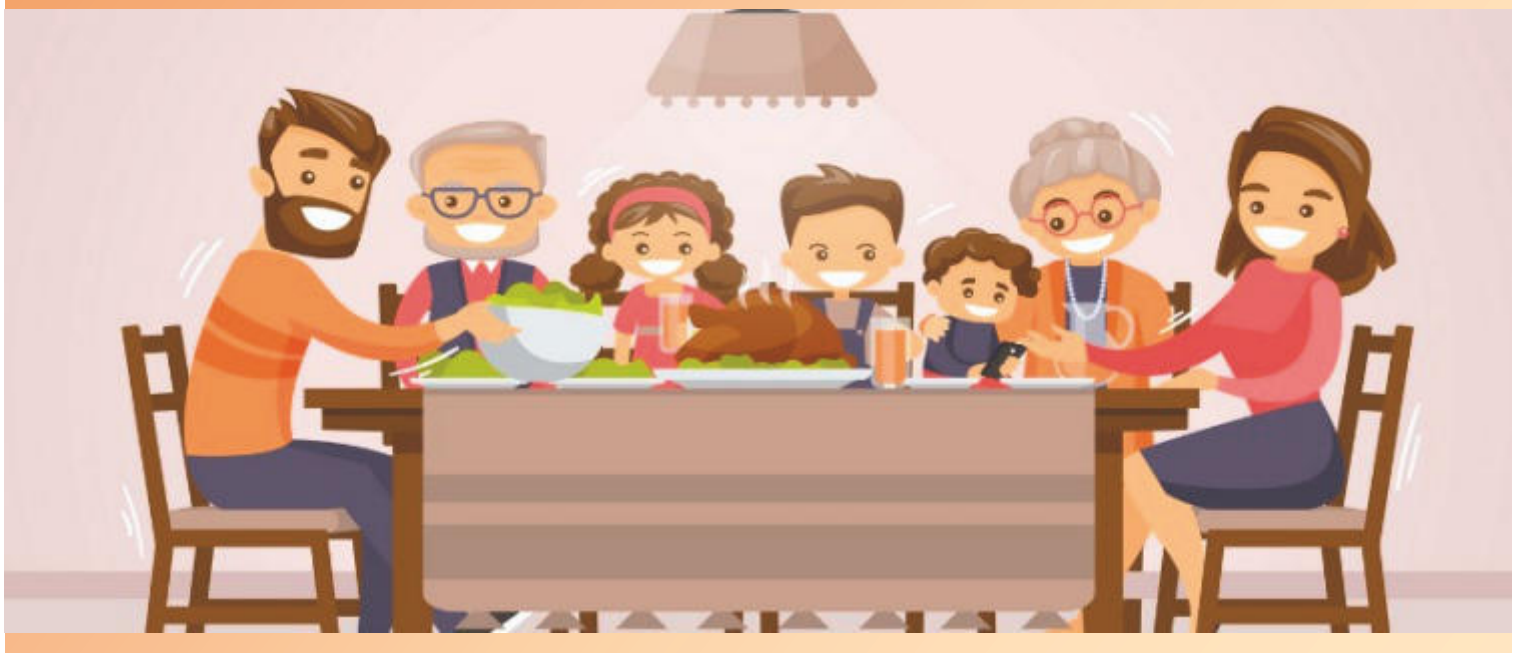
Side Dish
October 3rd is the next Side Dish. This month we honor Saint Francis of Assisi. **Students will meet and connect** with their peers **in the education building from 9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Adults can learn exciting facts** about Saint Francis on the website under Side Dish. We will also have **Blessing of the Pet's** in the picnic shelter at **10:10 a.m.** for all the furry friends of the parish!

Desserts
Check out many options on the website just for fun! **www.olmc-erie.org.**

AROUND THE TABLE "WISH LIST"

We are still collecting items or monetary donations for things needed. If you would like to help with this new initiative, you can go to amazon and purchase or send your donation to the Faith Life office. Thank you for your consideration and to those who have donated thus far! **We are GRATEFUL!**

With Gratitude in His Service,
Sue Berdis Faith Life Coordinator



THOSE FOR WHOM WE PRAY

As a community of faith, we are brothers and sisters-one family-in the Lord. One of the gifts we can give to one another is to hold each other and our special intentions in prayer. If you have a loved one who passed away recently and is not a parishioners, we will be more than happy to add them as well. Please call the parish office or go to our website and fill out a prayer request form. We desire to pray for you and your loved ones in your times of need.

Together, let us pray for
Ken Kelley (Bill Macrino's family member recently diagnosed with stage 4 liver cancer. Pray for healing.
Pray for my son's cancer recovery.
Rose Mary Kowalczyk
Dennis Stazer pray for recovery from serious surgery.
Connor who has a traumatic brain injury and fractured pelvis.
Lisa Christopher pray for cancer recovery
Karen Leo
Charles D. Payne
Ed Siciliano
Together, let us pray for the repose of souls, especial

Lillian Maciulewicz	Carol Renner
Eugene Rougeux	Ryan Trejchel
Raymond Wolfe	Jean Bouchard

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION

Today is the 2021 Catholic Education Collection! Please support this important program that funds faith formation opportunities. Half of what you give will remain at our parish to support our own religious education and faith formation programs. You can make a gift by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet or **online at www.ErieRCD.org/Catholic-Education-Collection.htm.**

Thank you!

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Our Lady of Mount Carmel is in need of a part-time housekeeper for the rectory and to assist with the Mercy Center Pre-School classrooms. Hours and times are flexible. Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

Fr. Ray

ROSARY MARCH

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OUR SUNDAY STORY

"It is time for us to come together again as disciples of Christ and to "re-member" our Sunday story," Bishop Lawrence Persico says in his new pastoral letter written in time of pandemic. "By this I do not mean only a re-calling of the teachings and legacy of Jesus Christ that deepen our faith; I also mean that we need to come together again as the Body of Christ…and to become in Christ the faith-filled disciples that we are called to be." The letter, along with questions for reflection and discussion, can be found in its entirety on the *Remembering Our Sunday Story* webpage at www.Eriercd.org/sundaystory.html

LADIES GUILD SAVE THE DATE

Our monthly meeting with installation of new officers will be held **Tuesday, September 21st at 6:00 p.m.** in the MPR. A light supper and refreshments will follow the meeting. We welcome all ladies of the parish to attend this wonderful ritual and see what our Ladies Guild has to offer.

Please join us for the 12th Annual Fall Luncheon and Auction Sunday, October 17th from 1 - 4 p.m. Tickets for the event and 50/50s as well as Boscov's Friends Helping Friends tickets will be on sale beginning September 17th at the Fish Dinner. Tickets will also be sold after all masses starting **September 25&26** and all October masses or until we sell out. Only 200 tickets will be sold this year. Get yours soon! Tickets can also be purchased at the Parish office. Please call **Carolyn at 814-825-3895 for further information.**

FIRST READING

Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him. (Wis 2:20)

PSALM

The Lord upholds my life. (Ps 54)

SECOND READING

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. (Jas 3:18)

GOSPEL

"The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." (Mk 9:31)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 | 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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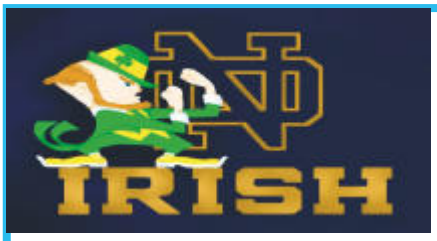
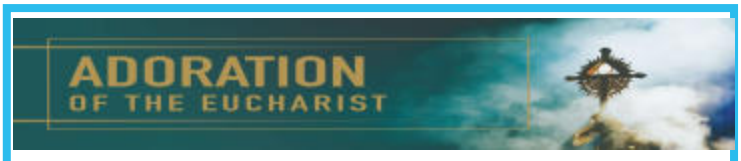


ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL

Attention all Notre Dame fans! Win $2,000 and tickets for two to see the Fighting Irish play Navy on November 6 in a drawing sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy. The drawing will be on September 24th during the Mercy Day celebration. Tickets are $10 each and are available at the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse, 444 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie, or by calling Sister Bernadette Bell RSM at 814-824-2516. Tickets may also be purchased online at: https://45751.thankyou4caring.org/football.



Please join us for Adoration of the Eucharist on Sunday September 26th .

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 12:30 p.m. Adoration ends with Benediction at 1:30 p.m.

Please come and spend some quiet time with God!

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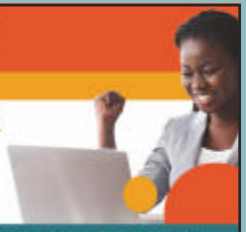

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