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CATHOLIC CHURCH

Reverend Raymond Hahn Pastor

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January 9, 2022

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

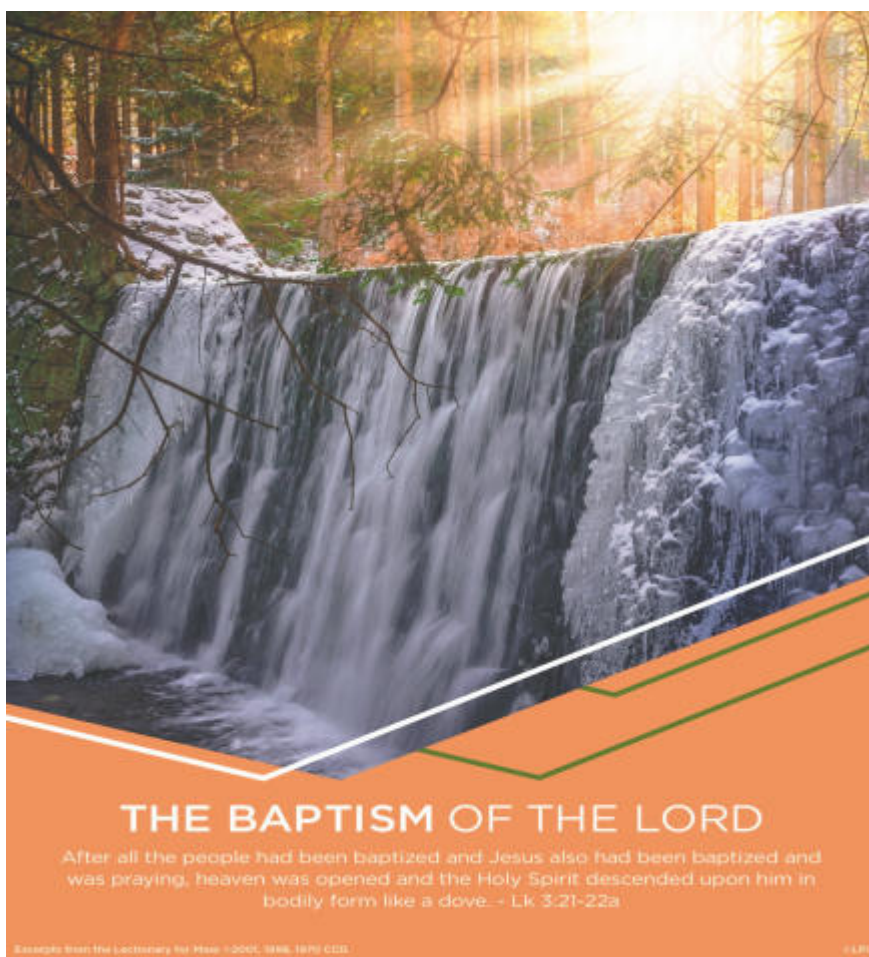
Monday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday Closed

Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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Parish Contacts

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The Sanctuary Lamp is burning in Memory of
Ed Siciliano
Requested by
Family

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday January 8
4:15 p.m. **For all Parishioners**

Sunday January 9
8:00 a.m. **Carol Renner**
Requested by Husband & Family

11:00 a.m. **Remembrance Mass for 2020 & 2021**

Monday January 10
7:00 a.m. **Robert Leise**
Requested by The Leise Family

Tuesday January 11
7:00 a.m. **Alice Silka**
Requested by Joann Klein

Wednesday January 12
7:00 a.m. **Wanda Wienczkowski**
Requested by The Robert Wienczkowski Family

Thursday January 13
7:00 a.m. **Poor Souls**

Friday January 14
7:00 a.m. **Fr. Daniel Prez**
Requested by Dr. Frank Pregler Family & Staff

Saturday January 15
4:15 p.m. **Jim Timko**
Requested by Family

Sunday January 16
8:00 a.m. **For all Parishioners**

11:00 a.m. **Ann Conroe**
Requested by John Mark Gannon Assm. 0943

END OF YEAR STATEMENT

If you need a copy of your financial giving for 2021, please call the parish office. Statements will only be mailed to those who call.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday January 10
3:00 p.m. Food Pantry (4:00 p.m.)

Tuesday January 11
8:30 a.m. Take down Decorations (Church)
9:30 a.m. Food Pantry (10:30a.m.)

Wednesday January 12
8:30 a.m. Church cleaning
8:00 p.m. Adult Basketball (Gym)

Thursday January 13
6:00 p.m. Folk Group Rehearsal (Church)
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday January 14

Saturday January 15
3:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday January 16
7:30 a.m. Praying the Rosary

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Observances for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday:

Saturday:

Sunday: 2nd 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!

Happy Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord

Desserts

Have you signed up for our next Bible Fellowship on the video series "The Chosen?" Last week I did a summary of the first two sessions. Here is a **sneak peek** at sessions three and four. **You don't want to miss this series!** Register online at www.olmc-erie.org.

On February 21st, we will watch Episode Five: "The Wedding Gift." In the fifth episode, we will see a flashback of Jesus as a child and his mother calling him into his time of ministry at a family wedding. The story in this episode is taken from the Gospel of John where we see Mary present at both the beginning and the ending of Jesus' earthly ministry. The miracle of turning water into wine also happens in this episode. To prepare for this session, read beforehand: **John 2:1-11**.

On March 14th, we will watch Episode Six: "Indescribable Compassion." In episode six, we see Jesus in action as he begins his public ministry and performs miracles by having two encounters with those who need healing. We will see the Pharisees and Romans sit up and take notice, not because they're looking forward to welcoming the new rabbi with open arms. While the following of Jesus is growing, His enemies are also increasing. To prepare for this session, read beforehand: **Matthew 8:1-4**.

February menu

Side Dish

February 13th is the next Side Dish where we will honor Saint Valentine. **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 Valentine on the website under Side Dish.

Main Course

February 20th is the next "Parish Connection."

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 parishioner, we will be more than happy to add them as well. 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 Rita Trabert

Charles D. Payne Ron Matlock

Toni Jakubowski

Christopher Pentz many surgeries & recovery

Together, let us pray for the repose of souls, especial

Doris Zawistowski Doug Baird

Betsy Mahoney Dorothy Marshall

Robin Carrier Helen Janosco

CHILD PROTECTION

Online Gaming: 72% of teens, both male and female (ages 13-17) play video games. More than half of those teens said they have made new friends online. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children analysis of Cyber Tipline reports has found that gaming platforms are more often used in the online enticement of young boys than any other group of children. It is important for parents to talk to their child about safety in online gaming. Some important questions to ask are: Have you ever been cyberbullied while gaming? Do you know what information is OK to share about yourself while gaming? Has anyone talked about sex while you were gaming or asked you to send pictures of yourself? If your child answers yes, report the matter to law enforcement. Visit www.eriecd.org/childprotection/ for additional resources.

Sunday 12/05/21-\$6241.80 Online giving -\$2701.61

Sunday 12/12/21-\$4083.00 Online giving -\$1066.26

Sunday 12/19/21-\$4730.00 Online giving -\$1030.05

Sunday 12/26/21-\$6741.75 Online giving- \$652.30

We are truly grateful for your support and generosity to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish.

Please consider Our Lady of Mount Carmel in your estate planning.

CHANGE DURING MASS

Have you noticed a change in where the lector reads the week's announcements at Mass? Have you ever given any thought to the Ambo in our church? Many Catholics don't understand the full significance of the Ambo within the Mass and the reverence which it deserves.

The Ambo is the large wooden stand on the right side of the Sanctuary where we read the Scriptures from. Many people call it the pulpit, lectern, or podium. Our Scripture readings in Mass are liturgical acts. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) tells us: "When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel."

Like the Altar reveals Christ physically with His people in the Eucharist, **the Ambo reveals Christ amidst His people in His word.** That makes it much more than just a podium for speeches. The Ambo is the platform from where Jesus speaks and should be revered similarly to how we respect the Altar. That's why our Ambo is designed to match our Altar.

To show the importance of the proclaimed Scriptures, we have made a **small change** that all announcements will occur from Cantor's stand.

You asked, and we listened!! Some of the responses for the survey done in May asked to enhance our Mass experience. We hope with this new small change and explanation; you will more fully embrace the **richness of the Liturgy of the Word.**

MARRIAGE MOMENT

A new year has begun. Perhaps you've made a New Year's Resolution. Perhaps not. Today, just think about today! What kindness can you offer your beloved to-

TAKING DOWN DECORATIONS

Well it's that time again, when we put things up we must take them down! The Christmas decorations must come down. If you have some time on Tuesday the 11th starting at 8:30 a.m. your help would be greatly appreciated! Thank You!

CURSILLO NEWS

The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently planning and accepting candidate applications for a Men's Cursillo Feb. 11-13, 2022, and a Women's Cursillo April 29 to May 1, 2022.

Applications can be found at www.ericursillo.org or by calling the Cursillo office at 814-824-1119. If interested, ask someone you know who has completed a Cursillo weekend to serve as your sponsor.

A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP

January 3, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am grateful every day for the resources we have to help spread the Gospel message. Imagine how different our experience of the pandemic would be if we did not have the ability to Zoom or to livestream. It is changing the way we approach so many aspects of our lives.

At the heart of all that communicating is strong content. That's why the Diocese of Erie continues to invest in a team dedicated to providing you with thoughtful publications, social media posts, web resources and more, all designed to help me in my role as shepherd of the Diocese of Erie. Some of it comes right to your mailbox in the form of Faith, an engaging magazine filled with the stories and testimonies of Catholics striving to grow closer to Christ in northwest Pennsylvania. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, we have not missed a beat with this important resource, and in fact, have used it to provide much-needed encouragement and updates.

When I emphasize the need for strong communications, I am thinking first and foremost of you. My work is done in service to Christ and to you. I strive to take full advantage of every tool at our disposal to keep you informed about what is happening with the Catholic Church worldwide, across the United States, and here in northwest Pennsylvania. Do you know why the upcoming Synod on Synodality at the Vatican is important? Are you aware that the US bishops are collaborating on an effort to help American Catholics understand and embrace the church's teaching on the Eucharist over the next three years? And what's the latest on pastoral planning in our diocese?

This year we've reported on all this and more in Faith, in the weekly Diocese of ErieEnews, at www.ErieRCD.org and on our social media platforms. Thanks to your generous support, all of it remains available free of charge.

Please consider participating the 2022 Help Spread the Faith collection scheduled for the weekend of January 22nd – 23rd . It's one important way to fulfill Jesus' command to go forth and make disciples of all nations.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Good and faithful God,
you have given us so many people in our lives
that have given us joy and solace.
On this day we ask you to remember
our dearly departed, especially N.
Keep them close to you as we all wait
for that day when we all will come
and worship in your presence.
We ask this through your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

RETREAT FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

Engaged couples are invited to attend an Engagement Encounter this January 28-30, 2022. Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to provide a meaningful environment for deepening the conversations and habits necessary in a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here is what a past participant had to say: "I cannot thank you enough for an amazing experience this weekend. My fiancé and I will never forget it and all of the special moments." Learn more or register at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html>. We would love to welcome you this January!

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