

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Catholic Church

*1531 East Grandview Blvd.
Erie PA. 16510*

January 1, 2023

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:15 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Confessions Saturday 3:30 p.m. and upon request.

Ministry to the Sick

Please notify the parish office 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. 814 825-485

Parish office hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Friday CLOSED

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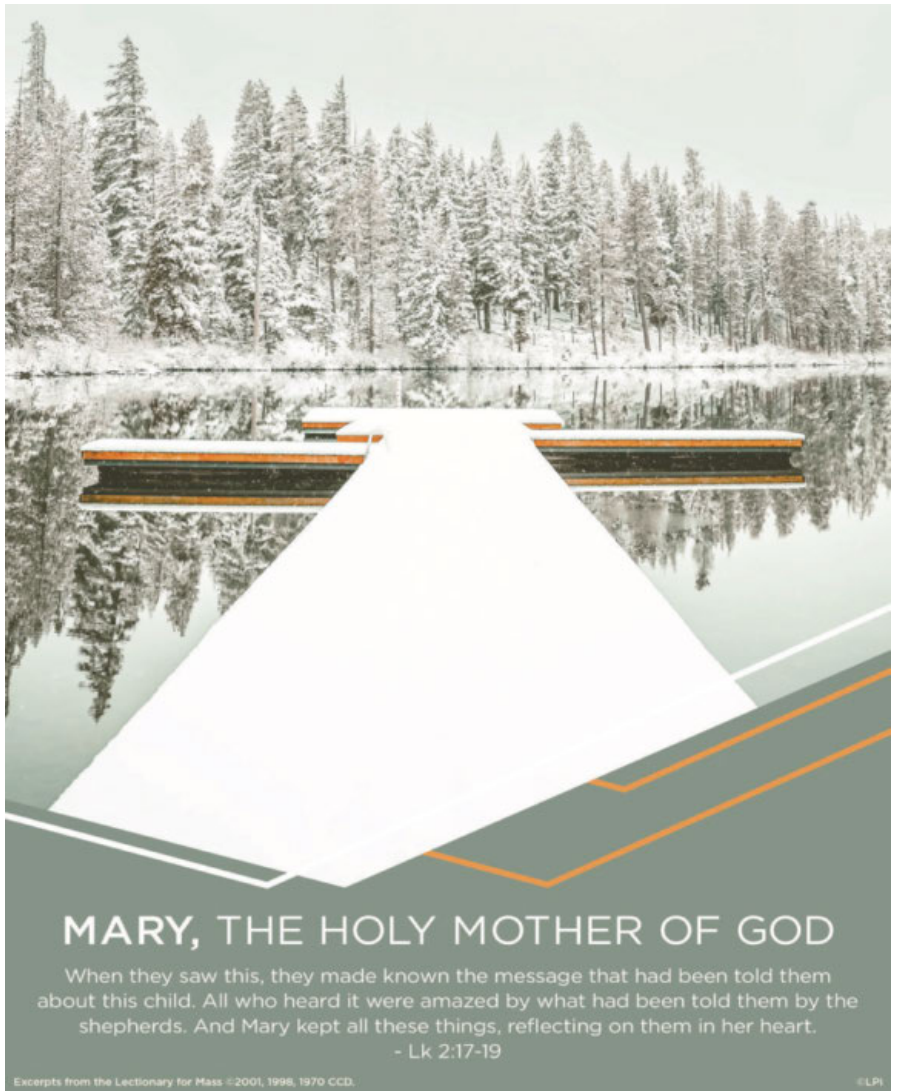
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www.olmc-erie.org

Baptism

Usually following 11:00 a.m. Mass.
Please contact parish office one month in advance.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with the parish office at least six months in advance.



Parish Staff

Parochial Administrator — Very Rev. Nicholas J. Rouch, S.T.D., E.V.
Weekend Assistant — Rev. Casimir Wozniak, Ph.D.
In Residence — Rev. Ian McElrath
Deacon — Rev. Dr. Frank Pregler
Faith Life Administrator — Rebecca Wiest
Parish Office Administrator — Susan Berdis

Prayer and Worship

MASS INTENTIONS

Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of † **Ryan Trejchel**

Requested by Mom and Dad

Saturday December 31st

4:15 pm † **Carol Renner**

Requested by Scott and Shirley Torrance

Sunday January 1st

8:00 am † **Deceased Members Rao Family**

11:00 am † **Helen Prizinsky**

Requested by Family

Monday January 2nd

7:00 am † **Ryan Trejchel**

Requested by Frank and Jane Pregler

Tuesday January 3rd

7:00 am † **Ed Siciliano**

Requested by Ron and Eileen Bukowski

Wednesday January 4th

7:00 am † **Joan Prylinski**

Requested by Ray and Georgette Powell

Thursday January 5th

7:00 am † **Rose Rexford**

Requested by Family

Friday January 6th

7:00 am † **Jennifer Moravek**

Requested by Mom and Dad

Saturday January 7th

4:15 pm † **Gerald Skolnik**

Requested by Judd and Patty Italiani

Sunday January 8th

8:00 am † **Jim and Fran Wheeler**

Requested by Family

11:00 am † **Carol Renner**

Requested by Frank and Jane Pregler

ROSARY

Join us every **Sunday morning at 7:30** a.m. in the church for reciting the Rosary offered for requests on the prayer chain, written in the intention book located in the vestibule.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please call the parish office if you know of someone in need of our prayers.

Carolyn St. George

Jim Kitts

Linda Lafferty

Pat Dunn

Marleen McCommons

Dorothy Vash

Kathy Ishman

Doug Trabert

James Wienczkowski

Andy Estok

Rose Mary Kowalczyk

Barb Charles

Marlene Kuzma

Joseph Saber

Bob Bauer

Ginny Bello

Ken Rettger

Dennis Stazer

Karen Leo

Rita Trabert

Joe G.

Toni Jakubowski

Lorrie Holtz

Florence Sova

Together, let us pray for the repose of souls.

Rose Waldemarson

Walter Ore

Margaret Glover

Jean Farmer

Elaine Tuholski

Anthony Zonna

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a, and 9b/Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Around the Parish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Mon., 1/02	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Tues., 1/03	7:00 p.m. Men's Council
Weds., 1/04	8:30 a.m. Church cleaning 8:00 p.m. Adult Basketball
Thurs., 1/05	6:00 p.m. Folk Group 6:30 p.m. Choir
Sat., 1/07	Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Sun., 1/08	7:30 a.m. Rosary

CHOSEN TWO

The communities of Saint Boniface, Saint John/Holy Rosary, and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishes will offer the series "**Chosen Two.**"

We will **meet Jesus in a new way** through the eyes of the people who walked on earth with him.

This series brings the **story of Jesus to life.** It shows the people he cared about, the problems he faced, and the message he came to earth to give us in a new and compelling way.

No matter where you are in your journey with Jesus, this study is for you!

We will begin on **Thursday, February 2nd,** and continue each Thursday through **March 23rd.,** from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Sign up on our website www.olmc-erie.org or call the parish office.

We look forward to studying God's word together! Deacon Denis Coan from Saint John/ Holy Rosary, Rosanne Jaworski from Saint Boniface, and Sue Berdis from Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

NEW YEAR'S PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed for New Year's on **Monday, January 2nd** and will re-open on **Tuesday, January 3rd** at 9:00 a.m.

Remember if you need to drop off envelopes or anything else, you can use the parish **office mail box** outside of the education building.

If there is an emergency during this period, please **leave a message** on the parish office voicemail and we will return your call as soon as possible.



As we wrap up 2022, on behalf of Father Nick, Father Cas, Deacon Frank, and the staff at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, we want you to know it has been a **great privilege** for us to serve the parishioners and families at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Thank you for your cards and gifts sent over the past few weeks. Your love and support are indeed the **heart of this parish.** Thank you also for your continued prayers for the parish. **We always pray for you,** especially as we begin this new year.

May 2023 be filled with joy, happiness, prosperity and peace.

2022 TAX STATEMENTS

We will **not mail statements** this year. Please call the parish office if you would like your statement mailed.

AROUND THE PARISH AND COMMUNITY

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT TREE

Thank you to all who supported the "Christmas Spirit Tree" this year. **Your generosity** has helped families in our community who are less fortunate than us, may it be because of unemployment, illness, family death, etc. have gifts under their tree.

We also want to **thank the Lutterbaugh family** for overseeing the gift-giving again this year. **We appreciate your time** and dedication!

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love." ~Mother Teresa

STEWARDSHIP

Due to the early submission of bulletins over the holidays, some weekly stewardship was unavailable and, therefore, not inserted.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY November 20th

Needed each week **\$9000.00**

Weekly offering **\$5096.00**

Online Offering **\$742.11**

WEEKLY OFFERTORY December 11th

Needed each week **\$9000.00**

Weekly offering **\$9303.00**

Online Offering **\$2081.13**

WEEKLY OFFERTORY December 18th

Needed each week **\$9000.00**

Weekly offering **\$4871.15**

Online Offering **\$1087.54**

Thank you for your financial support. Your continued support enables us to operate and maintain both the Church and Education building. **We are grateful!**

MEN'S COUNCIL NEWS

Attention all men of the Parish. Are you looking for **something worthwhile** to do on the first Tuesday of the month in the New Year? Please consider joining us for our Monthly meeting on **Tuesday January 3rd at 7 o'clock p.m.** in the Multi-purpose room.

Hope to see you there! **Bring a friend!** 50/50 tickets for the 1st quarter will be ready for pickup.

Thank you, Your Men's Council Board.

HELP NEEDED AT CARING PLACE

Highmark caring Place is a center for grieving children, adolescents and their families. Grieving children and adults come to the caring place after a loved one dies, **seeking the safety and comfort of being with others** who understand because they are going through similar circumstances.

They are in **desperate need of volunteers** and are offering training on the following three dates. **NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!**

Thurs., Feb, 2nd from 5:30-9:00 p.m.

Sat. Feb. 4th from 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Mon. Feb. 6th from 5:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m.

(Attendance is mandatory at all three.)

For more information please contact Kristen Huber at 814 528-0934 or Kristen.huber@highmark.com

NEW MERCYHURST NURSING BUILDING

Mercyhurst University has a new Nursing Building (the old Mercy Center) at 444 East Grandview. They are offering a **Diabetes Prevention Program**, facilitated by The Sight Center of NWPA, that provides participants the opportunity to learn and implement better nutrition & exercise lifestyle habits over the course of one year with the goal of preventing type 2 diabetes. Other potential benefits include weight loss, lowering blood pressure, and improving cholesterol.

RSVP by calling 814-455-0995 to attend a **FREE informational session** on **Wed., January 18th, at 5 pm**

Around the parish

THOUGHTS ON THE WAY UP MOUNT CARMEL

As 2023 begins, many folks consider new year's resolutions. While I appreciate the "fresh start" a new year brings to following through on our priorities, I tend to scale it back to daily resolutions. I have found **much comfort and challenge in the "Daily Decalogue"** of Pope St. John XXIII (1881-1963). This great man of faith launched the Second Vatican Council. He had high aspirations for himself and for the Church, but he realized that they need to be put into practice every day. As the new year begins, maybe **we can all benefit from his insights** to the importance of daily goals:

1. Only for today, I will seek to live the **livelong day positively** without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
2. Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behaviour; **I will not criticize anyone**; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
3. Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that **I was created to be happy**, not only in the other world but also in this one.
4. Only for today, **I will adapt to circumstances**, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
5. Only for today, **I will devote 10 minutes of my time** to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
6. Only for today, I will **do one good deed** and not tell anyone about it.
7. Only for today, I will do at least **one thing I do not like doing**; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
8. Only for today, **I will make a plan for myself**: I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.
9. Only for today, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good **Providence of God cares for me** as no one else who exists in this world.
10. Only for today, I will have no fears. In particular, **I will not be afraid to enjoy** what is beautiful and to believe in goodness. Indeed, for 12 hours I can certainly do what might cause me consternation were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Pray for us!
Pope St. John XXIII - Pray for us!

Fr. Nicholas Rouch

MASS INTENTIONS

Requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a **beautiful and meaningful part** of our Catholic tradition. As we end 2022, we are still scheduling Mass Intention requests submitted earlier in the 2021 calendar year. **Please be patient** with us as the **requests exceed the available Masses** being said within a month. This creates a backlog. Canon Law does not permit us to keep Mass intentions beyond those we can schedule in a year.

Consequently, **some intentions may have to be sent** to the Chancery or Mission Office for distribution to other priests who will be able to celebrate these Masses promptly.

Father Ian McElrath will offer Masses for the following intentions received at OLMC during school Masses at Mercyhurst Prep. Raymond Wolfe, David Janosky, Doug Baird, Cynthia Sylvis, Nancy Kala. **Thank you for your understanding and patience.**

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