



# FOR MERCY'S SAKE

**December 2024**

the quarterly newsletter of Our Lady of Mercy Church  
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## The Season of Advent

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception:**

Monday, December 9—Masses 8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation Service:**

Sunday, December 22 at Our Lady of Mercy — 3:00 p.m.

There will be three priests available



## The Season of Christmas

### MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

**Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24**

4:30 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

**Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25**

10:00 a.m.

### MASS FOR NEW YEAR'S:

**Feast of the Solemnity of Mary:**

**New Year's Eve: Tuesday, December 31 - 4:30 p.m.**

**New Year's Day: Monday, January 1 — 10:00 a.m.**



## *A Merry Mercy Christmas*

DECEMBER 15, 2024

2:00 – 6:00 P.M.



Live Music – Crafts – Food, Drink & Craft Vendors  
Santa & His Reindeer – Cookies & Cocoa – Hayrides  
Christmas Tree Lane – Plus SO MUCH MORE!



# A PRAYER POEM

We pray to you, dear Queen of  
Peace,  
to make all wars cease.  
All wars are brothers killing  
brothers,...  
the brotherhood of man,  
so now it's time to take a stand,  
to love one another the same,  
for this is why Jesus came;  
to show our love once more  
before we reach heaven's door.

Our Lady of Mercy, come to our  
aid today,  
we earnestly pray.  
And keep us safe and well;...  
so we can tell;...  
our children of your love,  
as only you can send it down  
from heaven above.  
Amen

By: MaryAnn M.



Spaghetti  
Dinner  
Fundraiser

For the  
Religious Ed.  
Ministry

- Spaghetti & Meatballs
- Refreshments
- Salad
- Italian Bread
- Cookies
- Chinese Auction

**SUNDAY,**  
**FEBRUARY 2**  
**11:00 a.m. - 4:00**

**SAVE THE DATE!**



**Start your holiday shopping early - at a loss as to what to get those hard to buy for people on your gift list - consider gift cards - easy to wrap and a large variety available!**

### Gift Card Order Form

***Our Lady of Mercy earns cash with every gift card purchased. (1.7% - 14% depending on the gift card)***

The cards listed below are those available in the Parish Office or visit the RaiseRight mobile app or ShopWithScrip.com to see all 750+ brands and available denominations.

3 ways to order:

- ❖ Stop by the parish office after the weekend Masses or during the week between 9 and 2.
- ❖ Fill out the form below and drop it off or mail it to OLM 837 Bartlett Rd Harborcreek PA 16421
- ❖ Text (814)440-4890 or email pmm1955.erie@gmail.com

**Please make checks payable to: Our Lady of Mercy Church**

For questions or more information please call Pat Marshall at 814-440-4890

In stock

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Cards \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
or Cash

Store	Denomination	Quantity	Total Cost
Amazon	\$25		
Amazon	\$100		
Apple/iTunes	\$25		
Applebees	\$25		
Arby's	\$10		
Barnes & Noble	\$10		
Bath & Body Works	\$10		
Bath & Body Works	\$25		
Bob Evans	\$10		
Bob Evans	\$25		
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10		
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$25		
Burger King	\$10		
Chipotle	\$10		
Chipotle	\$25		
Cinnabon-Moes etc	\$25		
Country Fair	\$25		
Country Fair	\$50		
Country Fair	\$100		
Dairy Queen	\$10		
Darden Restaurants	\$25		
Domino's	\$10		
Dunkin	\$10		
Dunkin	\$25		
Giant Eagle	\$25		
Giant Eagle	\$50		
Giant Eagle	\$100		

Store	Denomination	Quantity	Total Cost
Home Depot	\$25		
Kohl's	\$25		
Michaels	\$25		
Old Navy	\$25		
Outback Steakhouse	\$25		
Outback Steakhouse	\$50		
Panera	\$10		
Panera	\$25		
Pizza Hut	\$10		
Sonic	\$10		
Sonic	\$25		
Stan's Garden Center	\$25		
Starbucks	\$10		
Starbucks	\$25		
Subway	\$10		
Target	\$10		
Target	\$25		
Target	\$50		
Tim Hortons	\$10		
Total Wine	\$25		
Ulta	\$25		
Walmart	\$25		
Walmart	\$50		
Walmart	\$100		
Wendy's	\$10		

Customer Info:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

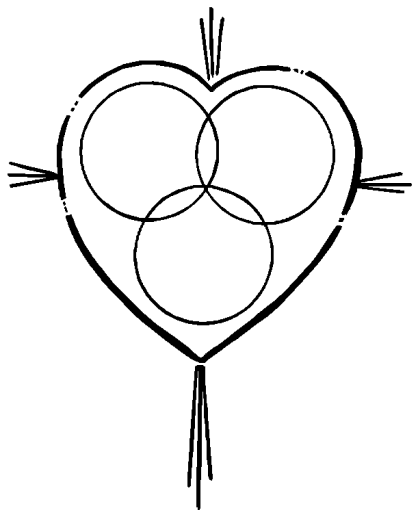
## CURRENTLY SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FOR THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE!

This committee serves the community of Our Lady of Mercy by developing programming aimed for adults in our parish. Our mission is to produce events that help us grow closer to Christ and learn more about our Catholic faith. Events that the AFFC has organized include the Sunday Cafés, Lenten Lecture Series, bus trips to sacred sites, Q&A with the Pastor, Symbols of Holy Week, and much more!

The committee meets every **First Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm**. Commitment is very flexible.

If you can't attend meetings, but have some suggestions for parish events, please let us know by contacting Irene Lucas ([ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org](mailto:ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org)) or Adriana Grosch ([adriana.alma18@gmail.com](mailto:adriana.alma18@gmail.com))!





# ***SANCTUS***

***March 1, 2025***

**Retreat! Step back from the hectic pace of life to spend a day with God. Give yourself the gift of time to hear afresh the story of God's great love, to renew your faith and deepen your walk with Christ.**

**Join us for prayer, reflection, sharing and renewal.**

 **Meals are provided**  **There is no cost** 

***To register, complete the bottom portion of this flier and return it to the RE Office or in the collection basket by Feb. 9.***

Questions? Call Irene @ 814-899-6132  
or email [\*\*ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org\*\*](mailto:ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org)

**Space is limited**



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any special needs? \_\_\_\_\_

**Check All That Apply**

☐ Female ☐ Male

☐ Married registering w/ Spouse

☐ Married registering alone

☐ Single

☐ Divorced

☐ Separated

☐ Widowed

☐ Catholic

☐ Non-Catholic