

Our Lady of Mercy Church

MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Schedule

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| Saturday | 4:30 p.m. |
| Sunday | 9:30 a.m. |
| Weekday: Tuesday-Friday | 8:30 a.m. |
| Confessions: Saturday | 3:45 p.m. |

OFFICE AND CHURCH HOURS

837 Bartlett Rd. Harborcreek, PA 16421
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The Week Ahead

For a complete calendar of events, please visit:
ourladyofmercychurch.org/calendar

- Mon. 07/28** 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- Tues. 07/29** 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
 10:00 a.m. Angels In Training SCC
- Wed. 07/30** 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- Thurs. 07/31** 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- Fri. 08/01** 9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- Sat. 08/02** 10:00 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
- Sun. 08/03** **Casserole Club Drop Off**
Newsletter Deadline
 10:30 a.m. Healing Ministry

From the Office

The deadline for articles for the August edition of our For Mercy's Sake Newsletter is **Sunday August 3rd**. Please send all articles to Katie at secretary@ourladyofmercychurch.org

Mass Intentions

- Mon. 07/28** 8:30 a.m. NO MASS
- Tue. 07/29** 8:30 a.m. **Justin Raydo**
 (Gerry & Sandy Raydo)
- Wed. 07/30** 8:30 a.m. **Timothy Eisert**
 (Family)
- Thu. 07/31** 8:30 a.m. **Special Intention for Jerry Miele**
 (Madeline Miele)
- Fri. 08/01** 8:30 a.m. **Ray Simpson**
 (Diamonds in the Rough)
- Sat. 08/02** 4:30 p.m. **Lisa Baronner**
 (Candy Henry)
- Sun. 08/03** 9:30 a.m. **For the People of OLM**

We Remember

Dorothy (Dee) Zarycki, & Pat Buckel, aunt of Pat Marshall; who passed away recently.
 Please hold them and their families in your prayers during this difficult time.

The Sunday Silly.

Where do ghosts like to boat on vacation?
 Lake Erie

ha ha ha
 ha ha ha

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

If you cannot make your scheduled Mass, please contact another minister to sub for you & notify the Parish Office of any schedule changes.

Saturday, August 2nd at 4:30 p.m.

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| Lector | Clara Camillo |
| Bowl 1 | Marilyn Rinke |
| Altar Server | Rochelle Edwards |
| Greeter | Marilyn McDaniel |
| Greeter | Rochelle Edwards |

Sunday, August 3rd at 9:30 a.m.

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| Lector 1 | Maria Carney |
| Lector 2 | Joann Collins |
| Bowl 1 | Maureen Brainard |
| Bowl 2 | Steve Brainard |
| Cup 1 | Nancy Clark |
| Cup 2 | Carole Peters |
| Cup 3 | Lorraine Bucklin |
| Cup 4 | Ginny Fuhrman |
| Altar Server | Colton Catrabone |
| Greeter | Gary Smith |
| Greeter | Mary Beth Smith |
| AV Ministry | Adam Baker |
| CLW | Scott Gotham |

The Ins & Outs of Finishing & Restoring Wood

Interested in restoring or refinishing a piece of furniture?! Have you ever wondered if there is a difference between a factory finish and what's on the shelf at a box store?! Join master carpenter, Nick Heise, at **10 a.m. on August 9th** in the picnic pavilion to learn the basics and truth about working with one of God's first creations (wood).

SISTER PARISH CELEBRATION

The Sister Parish Committee invites the parish to a celebration in honor of our sister parish's feast day, the Assumption of Mary. Join us for breakfast tacos after the 9:30 Mass on Aug. 17. All are welcome. There is no cost.

Join a Small Faith Group

Let the Gospels touch your heart and guide your life. Reflect on the Word of God in an intimate and honest setting of fellow parish members. Small Faith Communities are an opportunity to listen deeply to what God is saying, to gain insights from others and to develop communities of mutual support. SFCs meet at various times at OLM, accommodating every schedule. To get connected and find an SFC best for you, contact Irene at ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or **814-899-6132**.



olm book group

Join us on **August 20 @ 7:00** to discuss Born a Crime by Trevor Noah.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Through our baptism and confirmation, we have all been called and equipped to proclaim the Good News to others. Catechists fulfill this commission in a powerful way. If your children are grown, would you consider supporting young families by volunteering to teach religious ed? If you are a parent with a child in the program, would you share the experience with your child? Clearances are required on all religious education volunteers. You do not need to be a trained teacher, just a person who loves God.

The following volunteers are needed for the coming year:

- Kindergarten Sunday morning
- Grade 2/First Reconciliation Sunday morning
- Grade 5 Tuesday after school
- Junior High Team Sunday morning
- We also need a volunteer to supervise a small group of Klein children who arrive 45 minutes before the other schools on Tuesday afternoons.

For more information, contact Irene Lucas at ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or **814-899-6132**.

It's that time of year, time to think about the start of another school year. We will be holding religious ed registration **after the weekend Masses Aug. 16 & 17**. The policy of the Diocese of Erie is for children to attend a full year of faith formation prior to beginning the preparation for First Reconciliation. Our religious education ministry at OLM begins with Kindergarten.

End of Summer Family Picnic

Let's gather **after Mass on August 24** in the picnic pavilion to celebrate the blessings of another summer. Enjoy a hotdog, play corn hole or other yard games, try to win a gift certificate in a family friendly game of bingo. Please let us know if you are coming by adding your name to the sign-up list on the easel in the Gathering Space.

SAVE THE DATE

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| Jul 28-Aug 1 | Vacation Bible School |
| Aug 9 | Wood Refinishing with Nick Heise |
| Aug 17 | Sister Parish Breakfast |
| Aug 24 | Family Picnic |
| Sep 28 | Parish Feast Day |
| Oct 25 | Trunk or Treat |
| Nov 7 | KofC Dance w/ The Groove |
| Dec 14 | A Merry Mercy Christmas |



FEATURED EVENT

We are excited to announce that Our Lady of Mercy will take part in Erie Gives Day on Tuesday, August 12th



This is our first year participating, and it's a wonderful opportunity for our parish to receive donations that are boosted by a matching gift from the Erie Community Foundation. Your support can make a big difference in helping us maintain our ministries, meet rising expenses, and keep our parish budget in the black. Please consider making a gift to Our Lady of Mercy during Erie Gives - and help spread the word to family and friends! More details to come soon.

Dear Parishioners,

As we reflect on our parish's financial health, we want to thank you for your continued generosity and support. Your contributions allow Our Lady of Mercy to serve the spiritual and practical needs of our faith community.

Even though envelope giving was short by **\$16,441.89**, we are grateful to report that we received **\$35,890.98 in qualified charitable distributions (QCDs)**—which more than makes up the difference. These gifts have helped keep our parish finances on solid ground.

We're also excited to announce that **Flocknote is now our new online giving platform**. If you haven't already, we invite you to sign up on Flocknote to continue your online support of Our Lady of Mercy. It's simple, secure, and helps us maintain accurate records.

If you need assistance getting started, please contact **Sue Berdis, our Business Administrator**—she'll be happy to help.

Also, we're thrilled to share that **Our Lady of Mercy will be participating in Erie Gives for the first time this year!** Erie Gives is a special opportunity for nonprofits in our area to receive bonus matching funds. Please consider making a donation to Our Lady of Mercy on **Tuesday, August 12**, and help us continue our mission of faith, service, and community.

Thank you once again for your generosity. **Every gift makes a difference in the life of our parish.**

May & June Stewardship

| | Offertory | YTD Offertory | Budgeted |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Electronic Envelopes | \$22,922.54 | \$149,453.65 | \$189,043.00 |
| Regular Envelopes | \$33,928.00 | \$198,147.46 | \$175,000.00 |
| Total | \$56,850.54 | \$347,601.11 | \$364,043.00 |
| Difference | | | (16,441.89) |

Music for Mass

Gathering: #609 Gather Us In

Communion: #798 Spirit and Grace

Offertory: **O How Blessed**

Recessional: #589 O God Beyond All Praising

Verses

1. O how blessed are the poor in spir - it, the
 2. O how blessed are the meek and low - ly, for
 3. O how blessed are the pure of heart, for
 4. O how blessed those who fight for peace, the

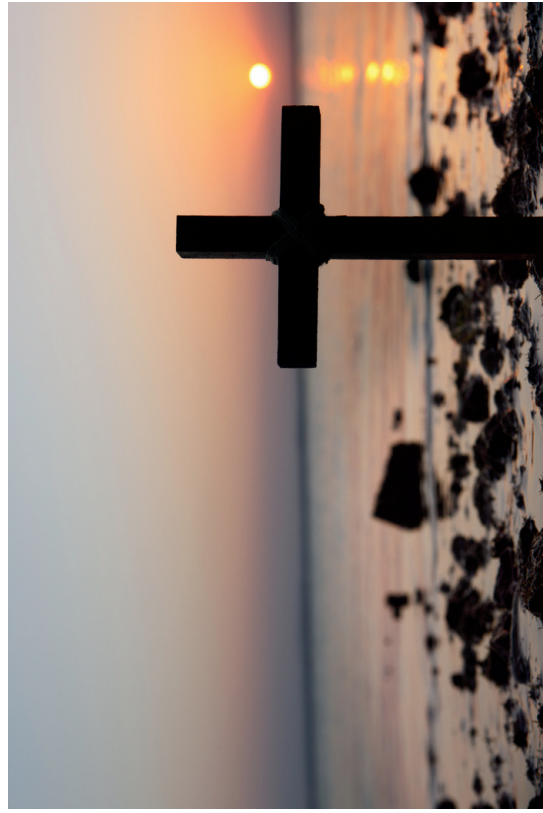
1. king - dom of God is theirs. O how blessed those who
 2. they shall pos - sess the earth. O how blessed those who
 3. they shall be - hold God's face. O how blessed those who
 4. chil - dren of God are they. O how blessed those de -

1. dwell in sor - row, they sure - ly will be con - soled.
 2. thirst for jus - tice, they sure - ly will have their fill.
 3. mend with mer - cy, for - give - ness is their re - ward.
 4. spiced and hat - ed, who bear it be - cause of me.

Refrain

Re - joice and be glad, be - loved of the Lord, the
 king - dom of heav - en is yours. The first shall be last, the
 last shall be first, for such is the wis - dom of God.

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