

Our Lady of Mercy Church

MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Schedule

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
Monday - Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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The Week Ahead

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

- Mon. 08/18** 7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group
- Tues. 08/19** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club
- Wed. 08/20** 8:30 a.m. Food Pantry Distribution
 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 7:00 p.m. OLM Book Group
- Thurs. 08/21** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club
- Fri. 08/22**
- Sat. 08/23** 10:00 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
 3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
- Sun. 08/24** 10:30 a.m. Family Picnic

We Remember

Betty Reynaud,

who passed away recently.

Please hold her and her family in your prayers
 during this difficult time.

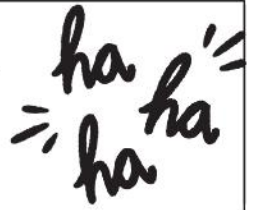
Mass Intentions

- Mon. 08/18** 8:30 a.m. NO MASS
- Tue. 08/19** 8:30 a.m. **Thomas Rzodkiewicz**
 (Dave & Peggy Jacquel)
- Wed. 08/20** 8:30 a.m. **Margaret Gross**
 (Family)
- Thu. 08/21** 8:30 a.m. **Ron Morris**
 (The Morris Family)
- Fri. 08/22** 8:30 a.m. **Special Intention for**
Dayle Calhoun
 (Dan Ott)
- Sat. 08/23** 4:30 p.m. **Larry Rogers**
 (Carol Rogers)
- Sun. 08/24** 9:30 a.m. **For the People of OLM**

The Sunday Silly.

What's Irish and sits outside in
 the summer?

Paddy O'Furniture!



BACK-TO-SCHOOL

The staff of Our Lady of Mercy is praying for
 all students, educators and school support
 staff during this back-to-school season.

Dear Lord, as teachers, students, and
 families begin this new season, please grant
 them patience, wisdom, and protection.

Patience among the chaos. Wisdom to see
 all as whole people. And protection against
 anyone seeking to harm. Amen

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 23rd at 4:30 p.m.

Lector	Tom Camillo
Bowl 1	Tom Eckendorf
Altar Server	Nick Mauro
Greeter	Jason Rzodkiewicz
Greeter	Joyce Rzodkiewicz

Sunday, August 24th at 9:30 a.m.

Lector 1	Addison Matusiak
Lector 2	Denise Lewandoski
Bowl 1	Tom Palisin
Bowl 2	Kathy Pearson
Cup 1	Donna Schersten
Cup 2	Chip Shamburg
Cup 3	John Skuce
Cup 4	Gary Smith
Altar Server	Kaylyn Still
Greeter	Marilyn Garwig
Greeter	Tony Gilmore
AV Ministry	Lisa Spelling
CLW	Carolyn Brigham

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 burritos **after the 9:30 Mass today Aug. 17.** All are welcome. There is no cost.

Grief Support Group

The pain of loss does not take a vacation. But the support of others can ease the load. All are invited to the monthly Grief Support group on the third Monday of the month at **7:00.** The August gathering will be on **Aug. 18.**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED



Ella Cochran Food Pantry is collecting school supplies. List can be picked up on table next to the Office. Please return **this weekend, August 17.**

olm book group

Join us on **August 20 @ 7:00** at the home of Rochelle Edwards, 8010 Lewis to discuss Born a Crime by Trevor Noah. Want to read ahead? Our September title will be James by Percival Everett.



Women of Light



On **Thursday, September 11th,** Lindsey Scott, a retired and disabled military vet will share her compelling story of resilience and survival. Lindsey signed up to serve in the military after 9/11/01. The challenges she encountered as a woman in the military, during wartime, will inspire you and give testimony to FAITH.

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
- 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 **today, Aug. 16 & 17.** If you are unable to register in person at this time, you can stop in the faith formation office at any time or register on line. 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.





Winner Winner Chicken Dinner Festival 2025 Winners



Grand Prize of \$1,000.....Bob Zaksheski

Second Prize of \$500.....Kristy Thornburg

Lottery Tree #1.....Terri Gross

Lottery Tree #2.....Don Kucharski

Restaurant Gift Cards #1.....John Sedelmyer

Wine Basket.....Carol Stauffer

Beer Basket.....Kathy Thorton

Limousine Party Bus.....Marilyn Rinke

Restaurant Gift Cards #2.....Molly Marchionna



ENCOUNTERING THE GOD OF FAITH HOPE AND LOVE

As we continue through this holy year of hope, we will reflect on our encounter with the God who is revealed to us through faith, in hope and by love. The study will run **Mondays from Sept. 29 thru Nov. 3**. Two time slots will be offered, **9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.** The book that will guide our study goes by the same title. It costs \$12 on bulk discount. If you would like a copy of that book, please add your name to the list in the Gathering Space by **Sept. 14**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO PRAY FOR LIFE SPONSORING SILVER ROSE PILGRIMAGE!

Join us Thursday August 21st at 7:30 a.m. Mass as the Silver Rose Pilgrimage, hosted by Knights of Columbus Council 519, visits Holy Spirit Parish. Each year, eight Silver Roses, honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe and a Positive Pro Life Culture visit every Province and State in Canada, the US and Mexico. Prayers are offered at each Parish visited to create and encourage life from conception to natural death. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the only known image of Mary as an expectant mother. The Rosary will follow Mass and there will be opportunities to photograph the Silver Rose.

Come and Pray for Life!
Knights Of Columbus Council 519

SAVE THE DATE

Aug 17	Sister Parish Breakfast
Aug 24	Family Picnic
Sep 11	Women of Light Event
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

**END OF SUMMER
FAMILY PICNIC
SUNDAY AUGUST 24TH
AT 10:30**



Join us to celebrate
God's love and presence
and our thankfulness with
**FOOD, GAMES, PRIZES &
FUN for all ages!**

RSVP number attending
by Aug. 17 to

ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org
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Music for Mass

Gathering: #585 **Rain Down**

Offertory: #678 **O God, You Search Me**

Communion: #781 **Seed, Scattered and Sown**

Recessional: #730 **Go Make A Difference**

BABY BOTTLE UPDATE

To all Parishioners, if you still have Baby Bottles, please return them ASAP with whatever donation you may have in them or unused. This helps reduce the expenses of running the fundraiser, and having to purchase bottles to replace them. They can be dropped off at the parish office or left in a marked container in the vestibule. Thank you for your help and cooperation.



PARISH FEAST DAY

The Feast of Our Lady of Mercy

September 28, 2025

Feast Day Mass is at 9:30 a.m.

Followed by a potluck meal in Sperry Hall.

Though Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 27th, we encourage our parish community to attend our special Feast Day Mass on Sunday September 28th.

Please bring a dish to share for the luncheon according to your last name:

A-G Casserole or Fruit

H-O Salad or Appetizer

P-Z Dessert or Snack

Gluten-free items are welcome

Eucharist to the Homebound

If you are unable to join us on Sunday morning, let us bring the eucharist to you. Contact Irene at ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or 814-899-6132 to let us know of your need.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy of the Word ministry is in need of new leaders. If you would be willing to help our young children to hear and reflect on the Word of God during the 9:30 Mass, contact Irene at ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or 814-899-6132. CLW leaders need state clearances. Training will be provided.

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.



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2-3:30 P.M.



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