# THE CHURCH BULLETIN

September 7, 2025 –23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

# 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: 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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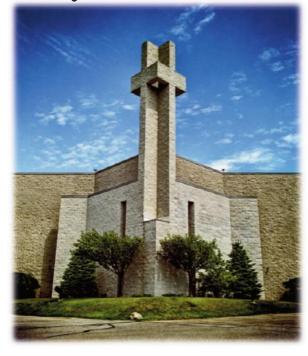
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The Week Ahead

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

Mon. 09/08 6:00 p.m. Roman Candles SCC

Tue. 09/09 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club

10:00 a.m. Angels in Training SCC

1:00 p.m. Potters Clay SCC

2:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl

4:00 p.m. Religious Ed. Gr. 3-6

6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club

Wed. 09/10 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club

6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus

Thu. 09/11 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club

9:00 a.m. Painting/Crafting Group

6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl

6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club

6:30 p.m. Women of Light Event

Fri. 09/12

Sat. 09/13 10:00 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club

3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance

Sun. 09/14 10:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast

11:00 a.m. Religious Ed. Gr. K-2 & 9

Mon. 09/08 8:30 a.m. NO MASS

Tue. **09/09** 8:30 a.m. **Kim Peters** 

(Carole Peters & Family)

09/10 8:30 a.m. Dr. Loren Prichard

(Family)

Thu. **09/11** 8:30 a.m. **Tom Rzodkiewicz** 

(Dave & Rochelle

Edwards)

Fri. 09/12 8:30 a.m. Christopher Kaeberlein

(Fred & Kay Kaeberlein)

09/13 4:30 p.m. For the People of OLM Sat.

09/14 9:30 a.m. Dorothy Barbarini Sun.

(Vera Powell Family)

# We Remember

Carol Perrotto, who passed away recently. Please hold her and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.

# The Sunday

Why did the kid cross the playground? To get to the other slide.

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**Liturgical Ministers -** Please have your schedule conflicts to Katie no later than **September 21**st. Any conflicts sent after that date may not make it on the schedule. Thank you!

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

### Saturday, September 13th at 4:30 p.m.

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

# Sunday, September 14th at 9:30 a.m.

Lector 1	Chrissy Saber
Lector 2	Chip Shamburg
Bowl 1	Candy Henry
Bowl 2	Pat Marshall
Cup 1	Ken Marshall
Cup 2	Geoff McCreary
Cup 3	Christine Morealli
Cup 4	Greg Morealli
Altar Server	Zachery Henry
Greeter	Jill Henry
Greeter	Maureen Rizzo
AV Ministry	Lisa Spelling
CLW	Rachel Still

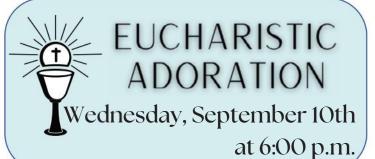
# Women of Light

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.

# olm book group

Join us on September 17 @ 7:00 at the home of Bunny Weber, 3752 Harbor Ridge Trail, to discuss James by Percibal Everett. Our October title will be The Aviator's Wife by Melanie Benjamin.







# **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.

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Through our baptism and confirmation, we have all been called and equipped to proclaim the Good News to others. Catechasts 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

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. All children who will be participating in the 2025-2026 year of religious education at OLM need to be registered. This can be completed on-line or in person by signing the paperwork. Stop by the Faith Formation Office after any weekend Mass or during working hours.

#### Important Dates As We Begin the Rel. Ed. Year:

#### **Grades K-2**:

Our year begins with a Family Faith Event on Sept. 7. Every child should be joined by a parent (siblings are welcome) for a faith-filled event to kick off the year. We will meet immediately after Mass in the large classroom. The morning will also include time for the children to be with their catechists and the parents to have an orientation meeting.

#### Junior High Edge:

Our first session for grade 7 & 8 religious ed will be on September 7 immediately after Mass in the gym. This will be a shared event for parents and teens. It will be part informational session and part faith formation.

Grief Support Group

The Grief Support Group is open to anyone who is living with the pain of grief. The group meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:00. Come once or come every month. Together we can ease one another's burden.









# 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 27<sup>th</sup>, we encourage our parish community to attend our special Feast Day Mass on Sunday September 28<sup>th</sup>.

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

# SAVE THE DATE

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Sep 10	Eucharistic Adoration
Sep 11	Women of Light Event
Sep 14	Pancake Breakfast
Sep 28	Parish Feast Day
Sep 29	Fall Bible Study Begins
Sep 29	Women of Light Event
Oct 5	Parent Baptismal Prep Class
Oct 8	Eucharistic Adoration
Oct 12	Pancake Breakfast
Oct 12	Women of Light - Leslie Goddard
	presenting Lucille Ball
Oct 17-19	Women's Cursillo Weekend
Oct 25	Trunk or Treat
Nov 6	Blood Drive
Nov 7	KofC Dance w/ The Groove

# From the Diocese

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments
Diocesan Child Protection Policies

The Diocese of Erie, is committed to protecting minors who are entrusted to our care. The Diocese has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse, to aid in the prevention of abuse and to develop and maintain safe environments. All those who minister to minors are screened, trained, and agree to a Code of Conduct. To read the Policy that includes the Code of Conduct, go to:

https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/policies-1.html For more information, contact the diocesan Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

# **Baptismal Prep Parent Session**

All parents desiring the baptism of their child is asked to attend a preparation session. These are held semi-annually at OLM The next session will take place on **Sunday, Oct. 5 immediately after**Mass. Those intending to attend are asked to register by calling the parish office

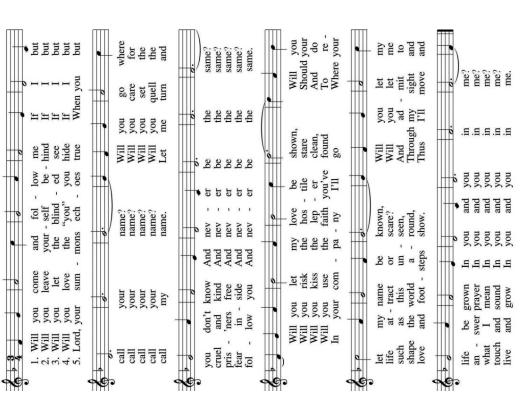
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# Music for Mass

As Christ Is For Us

Communion:

Gathering: The Summons



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Only This I Want

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Offertory:

air that we breathe, waters that run, flowing with life for the good of all. (to Verse 3) 1: to Verse the and we work, as work we must, chil-dren's de 5 us, to re-store and the fruit of fam - 'ly in the help o mon home. hon - or God's an - cient de - sign. in the kind-ness we show For the sake of our chil Let the whole hu-man fam 2 as Christ .0 as Christ is for com share with the hun-gry, May the bread we share give us cour-ageMay the bread we share keep us mind-ful . of our So we rise with him each morn-ing, we find Christ cry oth-ers let us heed the to be Christ for oth-ers And as we care for each other so must we care for our home: for we time. poor, one. 2. May the bread to be Christ the bread the 3. vine make us 2. scen-dants 3. geth - er 1. strang - er geth - er 9 earth give

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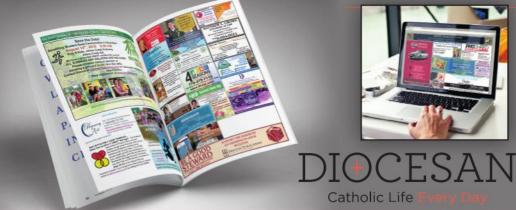


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