### THE CHURCH BULLETIN

December 7, 2025 — The Second Sunday of Advent

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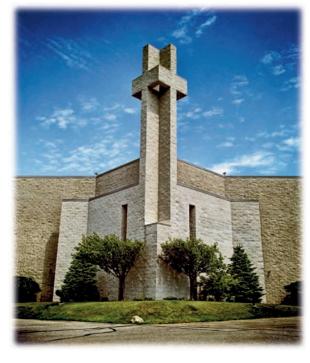
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For a complete calendar of events, please visit: ourladyofmercychurch.org/calendar

The Week Ahead

Mon. 12/08 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30 a.m. **Holy Day Mass** 9:30 a.m. Steel Magnolias SCC 4:00 p.m. Fruit of the Vine SCC 6:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass 6:30 p.m. Fireside Chatters SCC **Tue. 12/09** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club 9:15 a.m. Prayer Shawl 1:00 p.m. Potters Clay SCC Religious Ed. Gr. 3-6 4:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Wed.12/10 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Thu. 12/11 9:00 a.m. Painting/Crafting Group 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl 6:30 p.m. Advent Penance Service Fri. 12/12 Sat. 12/13 3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance **Sun. 12/14** 10:30 a.m. Religious Ed Gr K-2

Mass Intentions

Mon. 12/08 8:30 a.m. Joanne Fournier

(Frank Kaleta)

1:00 p.m. A Merry Mercy Christmas

6:00 p.m.

**Tue. 12/09** 8:30 a.m. **Fran Hatheway** 

(Barb & Joe Doyle)

Wed. 12/10 8:30 a.m. Ann Nagosky

(Richard Nagosky)

**Thu. 12/11** 8:30 a.m. **Jeffery Kress** 

(Irene Maloy)

Mass Intentions

Fri. 12/12 8:30 a.m. Richard Kozik

(John Abbate)

Sat. 12/13 4:30 p.m. Helen Heise

(The Heise Family)

Sun. 12/14 9:30 a.m. For the People of OLM



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

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

LectorGlory PiovarcyBowl 1Marilyn RinkeAltar ServerNick MauroGreeterLisa SpellingGreeterRochelle Edwards

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

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Lector 1	<b>Delaney Andrews</b>
Lector 2	Reagan Andrews
Bowl 1	Brian Meyer
Bowl 2	Ed Meyer
Cup 1	Karen Meyer
Cup 2	Marlene Meyer
Cup 3	Tom Palisin
Cup 4	Kathy Pearson
Altar Server	Kaylyn Still
Greeter	Paul Sacco
Greeter	Patty Sacco
AV Ministry	Adam Baker
CLW	Scott Gotham

### Question of the Week

Question-of-the-Week winner for the week of Nov. 23 was **Eleanor Shamburg, grade 1**, who knew that the Church dresses in purple for the Season of Advent.



Beginning in 2026, Our Lady of Mercy will be using a different envelope company. You may notice subtitle changes, but for the most part you should no be affected.

### Advent Penance Service

Please join us for our annual Advent Penance Service at OLM on Thursday, Dec. 11th at 6:30 p.m. If you can't make our service, please consider celebrating the sacrament with our neighbors at St. Mark on **Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** or St. Greg on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

### FOOD PANTRY CARING TREE

The Ella Cochran Food Pantry, Christmas Caring Tree Program gifts are due back to the church this weekend, **December 6/7.** Please bring your wrapped donation to the Gathering Space. Thank you for your continued support.

### OPERATION ASSISTING SANTA

It is that time of year again. Time for "Operation Assisting Santa" for Christmas presents for the children of needy veterans. Names for the children of needy veterans will be available in the Gathering Space for the weekends of November 29/30 and **December 6/7**. Please take a card and buy a gift for the child on the card and return it UNWRAPPED with the CARD ATTACHED to it by December 6/7. All names for gifts are from the Veterans Hospital. Thank you very much for your help!

### olm book group

Join us Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 at the home of Pat Marshall, 516 W Eaglewood Dr. to view "The Way". Our January book title will be Michael Without Apology by Catherine Ryan Hyde.



he <u>Sunday Si</u>

What do you call an old snowman? Water.





If you are interested in volunteering for A Merry Mercy Christmas, please see the sign up sheets in the Gathering Space for available time slots.







### Prayer for a New Bishop

O Almighty God,

Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father and those who assist him in the discernment of our new bishop.

May the one chosen have the strength to be a compassionate leader, who models humility and joy.

Grant him the wisdom of Solomon, the courage of the apostles, and the tenderness of your Son, the Good Shepherd.

We also pray for the Diocese of Erie that he is called to serve. May we welcome him with open hearts and work with him in a spirit of synodality, called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, St. Joseph, the protector of the Church, and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese, may we journey the path of life with an unwavering focus on the hope we have in Christ.

For he lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen.

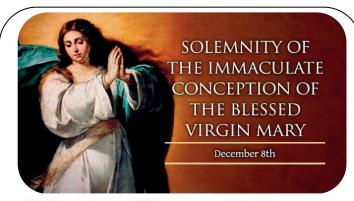
Imprimatur, October 28, 2025 The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, J.C.L Bishop of Erie



### From the Diocese

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments** Bullying is defined as any unwanted aggressive behavior by another youth or group of youths that involves an observed or perceived power imbalance and is repeated multiple times or is highly likely to be repeated. 20% of vouth ages 12-18 experience bullying. When adults respond quickly to bullying behavior, they send the message that bullying is not acceptable. There are ways parents can make a positive difference. Parents can educate themselves on the signs that a child is being bullied or is a bully. Parents should keep the lines of communication open with their child and model for their child how to treat others. Encourage your child to be inclusive by welcoming others to join their activities and groups. For more information on how to prevent bullying in your community visit

<u>www.stopbullying.org</u>. For additional resources visit <u>www.eriercd.org/childprotection</u>



### Holy Day Mass

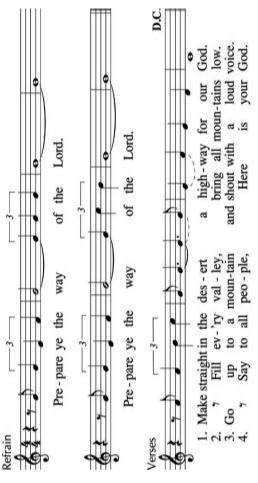
Monday, December 8, 2025 8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

### SAVE THE DATE

Dec 8	Holy Day - Immaculate Conception
Dec 11	Advent Penance Service @ OLM
Dec 14	A Merry Mercy Christmas
Dec 15	Parish Office Closed
Dec 20	Parish Clean Up Day

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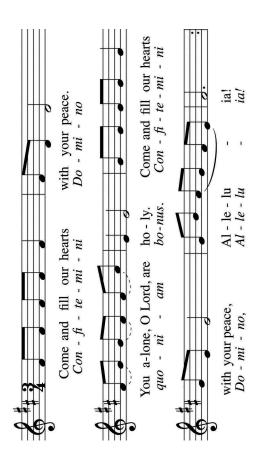
Gathering: Prepare Ye The Way of the Lord



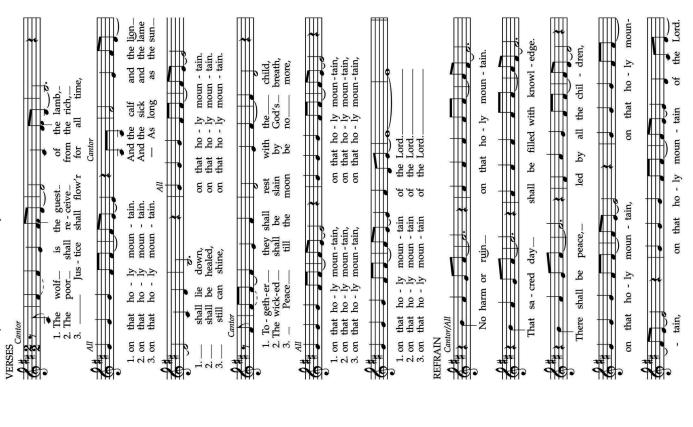
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Tune: James E. Moore, Jr., b.1951
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Communion: Christ, Circle Round Us - #284

Recessional: Come and Fill Our Hearts



## Offertory: On That Holy Mountain



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