

February 8, 2026 —The 5th 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: Saturday	3:45 p.m.

## OFFICE AND CHURCH HOURS

837 Bartlett Rd. Harborcreek, PA 16421  
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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](http://ourladyofmercychurch.org/calendar)

- Mon. 02/09** 9:30 a.m. Steel Magnolias SCC  
 1:00 p.m. Sophia's Circle SCC  
 4:00 p.m. Fruit of the Vine SCC
- Tue. 02/10** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 9:15 a.m. Prayer Shawl  
 10:00 a.m. Angels In Training SCC  
 1:00 p.m. Potters Clay SCC  
 4:00 p.m. Religious Ed Gr 3-6  
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Facilitator Mtg
- Wed. 02/11** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 1:00 p.m. Hallelujah Girls SCC  
 6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration  
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus
- Thu. 02/12** 8:30 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 9:00 a.m. Painting/Crafting Group  
 6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl  
 6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
 6:00 p.m. OLM Pickleball Club
- Fri. 02/13**
- Sat. 02/14** 10:00 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club  
 3:45 a.m. Sacrament of Penance
- Sun. 02/15** 10:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast  
 10:30 a.m. Confirmation Interviews  
 10:30 a.m. Healing Ministry  
 11:00 a.m. Gr. K-2 Family Faith Event  
 11:00 a.m. Religious Ed. Gr. 7 & 8

## Mass Intentions

- Mon. 02/09** 8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**
- Tue. 02/10** 8:30 a.m. **Dan Sweeney**  
 (Karen Sweeney)
- Wed. 02/11** 8:30 a.m. **Dr. Loren Prichard**  
 (Family)
- Thu. 02/12** 8:30 a.m. **Analida Braeger**  
 (Tom Braeger)
- Fri. 02/13** 8:30 a.m. **Donna Cregan**  
 (Richard Nagosky)
- Sat. 02/14** 4:30 p.m. **Clemens & Millie Herrmann**  
 (Family)
- Sun. 02/15** 9:30 a.m. **For the People of OLM**

## 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, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

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| <b>Lector</b>       | Tom Eckendorf   |
| <b>Bowl 1</b>       | Marilyn Rinke   |
| <b>Altar Server</b> | Bill Matrogran  |
| <b>Greeter</b>      | Maggie Wuerstle |
| <b>Greeter</b>      | Colton Wuerstle |

### Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

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| <b>Lector 1</b>     | Reagan Andrews  |
| <b>Lector 2</b>     | Delaney Andrews |
| <b>Bowl 1</b>       | Tom Palisin     |
| <b>Bowl 2</b>       | Kathy Pearson   |
| <b>Cup 1</b>        | Donna Schersten |
| <b>Cup 2</b>        | Chip Shamburg   |
| <b>Cup 3</b>        | John Skuce      |
| <b>Cup 4</b>        | Rachel Still    |
| <b>Altar Server</b> | Kaylyn Still    |
| <b>Greeter</b>      | Paul Sacco      |
| <b>Greeter</b>      | Patty Sacco     |
| <b>AV Ministry</b>  | Adam Baker      |
| <b>CLW</b>          | Scott Gotham    |



# CSA 2026

The 2026 Catholic Services Appeal In Christ, We Are One Commitment Sunday will be held next weekend in our parish. Please be on the lookout for your personal invitation in the mail. The CSA is an opportunity for Catholics throughout the diocese to unite in carrying out the work of the Gospel. The CSA reminds us that we are all part of the same Catholic family and that the work of the diocese is the work of the Church.

The Church serves each of us and our support is essential in continuing God's work in our area. Every CSA donation also brings us closer to being able to close our budget gap. No gift is too small, but please give as generously as you can.



## Question of the Week

Question-of-the-Week winner for the week of Feb. 1 was **Samantha Lehman, grade 3**, who knew that we get our throats blessed on Feb. 3, the feast day of St. Blaise.



## 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](mailto:ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org) or **814-899-6132** to let us know of your need.

## The Amigo Program Needs You

The Amigo Program from the Mission Office of the Diocese of Erie partners parishioners in our diocese with families in Merida. Families hold each other in prayer, exchange letters of friendship and learn about each other's lives. Erie partners are asked to make a monthly monetary donation to assist their family who is struggling to provide for their basic needs. The suggested monthly donation is \$35. For more information, see the brochures and registration forms on the bulletin tables.



## Sanctus

The annual Sanctus retreat at OLM will be held **Saturday, March 7**. The event is free and open to all out of high school. Looking for a way to deepen your spiritual life this Lent? Register for Sanctus. Forms can be found on the bulletin tables. Deadline to register is **Feb. 22**.

## No Greater Love

Join us for a Lenten study. "No Greater Love" is a biblical journey through the Passion of Christ. Dr. Edward Sri will bring together the events of Holy Week with their Old Testament allusions and current spiritual implications. Each week will begin with a 30 minute video presentation followed by group discussion. The study will be offered twice each week, **9:30 Thursday morning or 5:30 Saturday evening** in the Conference Room. There is no cost, no registration, no obligation to attend every week. Participants can purchase a companion book at Ascension Press, but it is not needed for the study.

## olm book group

Join us on **Wednesday, Feb. 11 @ 6:30**, at the home of Pat Marshall, 516 W. Eaglewood Dr., to discuss Emperor of Gladness by Ocean Vong. In March we will discuss Queens of Crime by Marie Benedict.



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## Invitation to a Small Christian Community

Lent is just around the corner. If you are looking for something to enrich your Lenten journey, consider a small faith group. Here is what one parishioner has experienced.

When I reflect on my spiritual journey, it's foundation of Catholic teaching is evident and perhaps the guard rails- Beyond the church walls, the reflection of God's love has been enhanced by my participation in a small faith group. For almost 40 years, I've been a member of Sophia Circle. It's not without bumps, but that's part of the beauty. This group of women have been the face, hands, and heart of a living Christ.

Their acceptance, challenges, tears and laughter have shaped my growth and spiritual development. It has taught me that everyone has a gift. To look around at such a diverse group of strong women and yet see the gifts and service that each share is profound and a testament to the presence of the Christ consciousness. I'm a better person because of their acceptance and the knowledge on so many levels that I am loved. And that is the message of Christ's life. So, I encourage you to consider SCC – explore the opportunities, start a group – who know where it will lead you. -Sharon Kestler

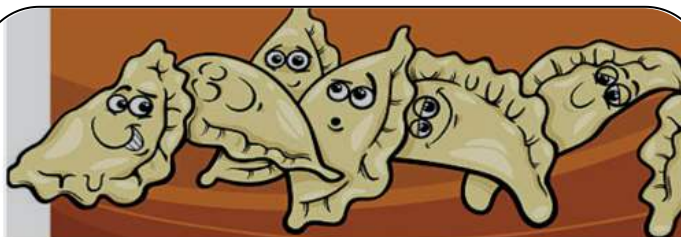
If you would like more information about joining a small faith group, contact Irene at **814-899-6132** or [ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org](mailto:ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org). We have communities to meet a variety of schedules.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Wednesday, February 11 at 6:00 p.m.

**Pancake  
Breakfast**  
**February 15, 2026**  
**10:30 a.m.**  
**in Sperry Hall**

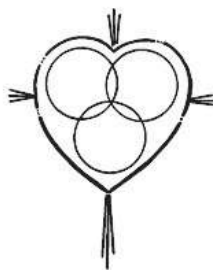


## WHO DOESN'T LOVE PIEROGIES!

**Ever wish you knew how to make them?**

**Join us on Saturday, February 21 from 11:00 – 1:00 in Sperry Hall as Karen Sweeney and Tina Piotrowicz demonstrate how to make their delicious pierogies and various fillings.**

**Best of all, we will be able to sample them at the end!**



## SANCTUS

*March 7, 2026*

**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. 22.**

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

**Space is limited**



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

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☐ Catholic ☐ Non-Catholic

# Music for Mass

Gathering: **Gather Your People** - # 768

Offertory: **Bearers of Peace** - # 704

Communion **Bread for the World** - # 780

Recessional: **Glory and Praise to Our God** - # 574

## Ash Wednesday Wednesday, February 18th

Mass with distribution of Ashes at  
8:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.



## The Sunday Silly.

Did Adam and Eve ever have a date?  
No, they had an apple.

ha ha  
ha ha

## OL' MERCY FEST & PARISH FESTIVAL

Over the last few years, our festival numbers have been dwindling. We have heard from numerous people that our festival has turned "stale". As part of our planning process, we want to hear from YOU!

Do you have ideas to make this years festival truly the **BEST FESTIVAL EVER**? Please share your ideas by dropping them in the collection basket or sending an email to the Parish Office at [secretary@ourladyofmercychurch.org](mailto:secretary@ourladyofmercychurch.org)  
Please include your name with your idea.  
No suggestion is too big or too small, so please share your thoughts with us!

## 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.

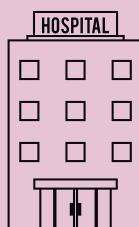
May we welcome him with open hearts  
and work with him in a spirit of synodality,  
called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

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.

## UPMC Patients

Due to a recent change in their database system, UPMC Hamot can no longer inform Our Lady of Mercy when a parishioner is in their hospital.



If you or a loved one is a patient at UPMC Hamot and would like to have a visit from one of our hospital visitors, please notify Our Lady of Mercy by calling **814-899-5342** and telling us the room number. Thank you for your understanding on this new protocol.

## BAPTISMAL PREP SESSION

The next Baptismal Prep Session for Parents will be held at OLM on **March 8 immediately after the 9:30 Mass**. Any family who is looking forward to the baptism of a child is asked to attend a session prior to scheduling the sacrament. To register, call the parish office at **814-899-5342**.







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