

May 3, 2026 – The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

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The Week Ahead

For a complete calendar of events, please visit:
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- Mon. 05/04** 9:30 a.m. Steel Magnolias SCC
5:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation Mtg
5:30 p.m. Wild Hope SCC
- Tue. 05/05** 9:15 a.m. Prayer Shawl
9:30 p.m. Angels In Training SCC
1:00 p.m. Potters Clay SCC
4:00 p.m. Religious Ed. Gr. 3-6
6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council
- Wed. 05/06** 6:00 p.m. Pastoral Council
Discernment Session
- Thu. 05/07** 9:00 a.m. Painting/Crafting Group
6:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl
6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- Fri. 05/08** 6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus
Golf & Sports Raffle
- Sat. 05/09** 10:00 a.m. OLM Pickleball Club
3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
- Sun. 05/10**

The Sunday Silly.

Why do we never tell secrets
in a garden?

Because the potatoes have
eyes, the corn has ears, and
the beans stalk.

ha ha ha
ha ha ha

HELLO!
May

Mass Intentions

- Mon. 05/04** 8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**
- Tue. 05/05** 8:30 a.m. **Clarence Sontheimer**
(Tom Braeger)
- Wed. 05/06** 8:30 a.m. **Gerry Stauffer**
(Hallelujah Girls SCC)
- Thu. 05/07** 8:30 a.m. **Steve Smicker**
(The Mallin Family)
- Fri. 05/08** 8:30 a.m. **Hilda Sutton**
(John Abbate Family)
- Sat. 05/09** 4:30 p.m. **For the People of OLM**
- Sun. 05/10** 9:30 a.m. **Carol Perrotto**
(Leona Liebel)

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, May 9th at 4:30 p.m.

Lector	Tom Eckendorf
Bowl 1	Gerri Extein
Altar Server	Bill Matrogran
Greeter	Jason Rzodkiewicz
Greeter	Joyce Rzodkiewicz

Sunday, May 10th at 9:30 a.m.

Lector 1	Erica Erwin
Lector 2	Tim Fuhrman
Bowl 1	Nancy Clark
Bowl 2	Joann Collins
Cup 1	Giny Fuhrman
Cup 2	Judy Johnson
Cup 3	Marge Lefaiver
Cup 4	Tim Lynch
Altar Server	Falyn Baker & Violet Rizzo
Greeter	Marilyn Garwig
Greeter	Tony Gilmore
AV Ministry	Adam Baker
CLW	Sally Donikowski

Question of the Week

Question-of-the-Week winner for the week of April 21 was **Emily Schneider, grade 3**, who knew that the Blessed Sacrament is kept in the tabernacle.



olm book group

Join us on **Wednesday, May 20 @ 6:30** at the home of Bunny Weber, 3752 Harbor Ridge Trail, to discuss What Remains by Carole Radziwill. Our June title will be The River is Waiting by Wally Lamb.



Sister Parish

Sister Parish: Test your knowledge of the OLM sister parish. Here is our final question.

- Q. What large gift was given to Our Lady of Mercy by our sister parish?
- A. A statue of Our Lady Star of the Sea. A large statue is in the church in Peto.

Grief Support Group

The Grief Support group meets on the **third Wednesday of the month at 1:00**. Anyone dealing with the pain of loss is invited. There is no need to commit to a certain number of sessions. Come as you are, whenever you desire. The next gathering will be **Wednesday, May 20 @ 1:00** in the Ritchie Room.



Discover the Woman



The next Discover the Woman Within event featuring Rochelle Edwards & Sue Moreno titled: **Sister Act** will be held on **Monday, May 11th at 6:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of Mercy. All women are invited to attend this event.

Invitation to a Small Christian Community

Easter is a season of new life and new beginnings. Like the first disciples, we are invited to walk with the Risen Lord who is present in the Church. A Small Faith Group is an incredible way to become more aware of the Risen Christ in your life. Here is what one person has experienced as part of a SCC. "When it comes to importance in my life, my Small Faith Group is on the top of the list. I know that God is guiding me through my struggles and decisions and celebrating with me through the joys. My Small Faith Group is Christ on earth for me, reminding me of his contact attention and love. It reminds me of how close Christ is in my daily living and give me the support I need to have faith and determination to handle daily living. Through prayer, understanding of the bible and reminders of Christ's words, my Small Faith group provides the strength I need to give me a fulfilling life. It provides me with love and support, and I truly would be faltering without it. My Small Faith Groupe is the epitome of everything wonderful." Barbara Lye

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



Our Lady of Mercy Bus Trip Monday, June 22

Our Lady of Mercy is hosting a bus trip to Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and Basilica in Buffalo, NY. The trip includes a guided tour of the Basilica, time to visit the Father Baker Museum and Gift Shop there, and a stop at the Buffalo Botanical Gardens across from the Basilica.



Cost for the trip is \$80, which includes admission to the Botanical Gardens. Payment is due by **May 17**. A sign-up sheet is located in the Gathering Space.

KofC Golf & Sports Raffle

31st Annual KofC
Golf and Sports Raffle

Friday, May 8, 2026

Tickets on sale

NOW in the Parish Office.



KOFC SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship applications from graduating high school seniors are being accepted by the Our Lady of Mercy Knights of Columbus Council. The scholarship program began over 30 years ago with the purpose of awarding a portion of the annual Golf and Sports Raffle proceeds to college-bound students, who along with their parents are members of the parish. An application form, including a brief essay, along with a certified and sealed transcript from the applicant's school are required and should be submitted to the church office. The deadline is **Sunday, May 17**. It is understood that the transcript will only include grades through the most recent grading period. Please remind others who may be interested in applying. The application form is available on the OLM website. Watch the bulletin for reminders.

2026 Baby Bottle Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus in Erie and Crawford Counties are conducting our 5th annual Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Your charitable donations thus far have enabled the Knights to purchase five state of the art Ultrasound Machines and a Mobile Ultrasound Clinic for the Women's Care Center of Erie. Since 2018, 793 babies have been born to women after they viewed their ultrasounds. They chose life for their babies even though they were originally abortion bound.

The Women's Care Center continues to face a financial crisis due to a large cut in funding by the state of PA that began in 2024. They actively promote childbirth as an option, rather than abortion by providing pregnancy, parenting, and adoption support services.

In order to keep providing these vital services, the Women's Care Center depends on our financial support.

Baby bottles will be distributed at the Church entrances on Mother's Day weekend (May 9-10th). Please take one home and fill it with spare change, cash, or checks. Donation envelopes will also be available as an option to the Baby Bottles. The bottles and envelopes should be returned Father's Day weekend. June 20-21st.

We thank you in advance for your kind generosity, and pray you will once again join us in our continuing efforts in saving the lives of unborn children. God Bless!

3-Day Mercy Fest

Save the Date for OLM's, first of it's kind, 3-Day Mercy Fest!

Friday, July 10th 5-9 p.m.

Food Truck Friday
with live music from: Key West Express

Saturday, July 11th 6-9 p.m.

Cash Bingo
@ Harborcreek Fire Hall
Concessions Available | BYOB

Sunday, July 12th 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Traditional BBQ Chicken Dinner & Mercy Fest
Chicken Dinner, Children's Tent, Games of Chance & Corn Hole Tournament

**Raffle Tickets, Book Sale
& Basket Auction all 3 days!**

KofC Basket Raffle Donations Needed



The Knights are currently accepting donations for the basket raffle. Please drop items off in **Classroom 1**. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Marshall at **814-440-4890**.

Music for Mass

Gathering: This Day Was Made By the Lord - # 419

Offertory: Alleluia! Love Is Alive

Communion: Here At This Table - # 777

Recessional: Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks - # 413

ALLELUIA! LOVE IS ALIVE

Steve Angrisano, Jesse Manibusan, and Sarah Hart

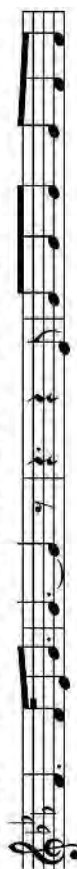
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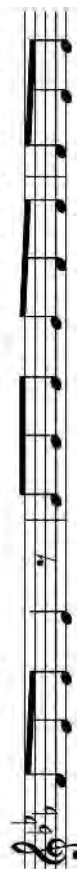
1. Peo-ple of God, see the morn-ing is new; 7 rise from your
2. Peo-ple of God, let your fear fall a - way. Your chains have been
3. Peo-ple of God now re - joic-ing in Christ, 7 car - ry your



1. sleep-ing and run to the tomb. Come and see! Come and
2. bro - ken; a - ban - don your shame. Lift your hearts! Lift your
3. joy to the dark-ness of night. Tell the world! Tell the



1. see! He is a - live! A grave that is emp - ty, a
2. hearts! He is a - live! 7 Here now is mer - cy em -
3. world! He is a - live! 7 Hear the good news of this



1. prom - ise ful - filled. God who was with us is here with us
2. brac - ing your soul; here the ful - fill - ment that once was fore -
3. glo - ri - ous day, ev - ery heart sing - ing as heav - en pro -



1. still, He is here! He is here! He is a - live!
2. told. It is true! It is true! He is a - live!
3. claims: He is Lord! He is Lord! He is a - live!



Al - le - lu - ia! Love is a - live;



con- quered the grave and de - feat - ed the night. Al - le -



lu - ia! Love is a - live! The Son has a - ris - en for



all. Your peo - ple sing al - le - lu - ia!

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.



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