

July 26, 2026 – Seventeenth 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
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. 07/27** 9:00 a.m. VBS
Tue. 07/28 9:00 a.m. VBS
Wed. 07/29 9:00 a.m. VBS
Thu. 07/30 9:00 a.m. VBS
Fri. 07/31 10:00 a.m. VBS
Sat. 08/01 9:00 a.m. Cursillo Team Meeting
 3:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
Sun. 08/02 Casserole Club Drop-Off
 10:30 a.m. Healing Ministry

The Sunday Silly.

How do you know if you are
 having circus weather today?
 The heat is in tents.

ha ha
 ha ha

We Remember

Roger Urmann, husband of Pat Urmann,
 who passed away recently.
 Please hold him and his family in your prayers
 during this difficult time.

Mass Intentions

- Mon. 07/27** 8:30 a.m. **NO MASS**
Tue. 07/28 8:30 a.m. **Suzanne Selleny**
 (Angels In Training SCC)
Wed. 07/29 8:30 a.m. **Justin Raydo**
 (Karen Sweeney)
Thu. 07/30 8:30 a.m. **Tim Eisert**
 (Marty Eisert)
Fri. 07/31 8:30 a.m. **Helen Frontino**
 (Tom & Linda Bleil)
Sat. 08/01 4:30 p.m. **For the People of OLM**
Sun. 08/02 9:30 a.m. **Linda Kaleta**
 (Laura Nagy Couch)

Erie Gives to Our Lady of Mercy



ErieGives is a wonderful opportunity for
 our parish to receive donations that are
 boosted by a matching gift from the
 Erie Community Foundation. Your
 support can make a big difference in
 helping us maintain our ministries, meet
 rising expenses, and keep our parish
 budget in the black. Please consider
 making a gift to Our Lady of Mercy
 during Erie Gives - and help spread the
 word to family and friends! More details
 to come soon.

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 1st at 4:30 p.m.

Lector	Tom Camillo
Bowl 1	Judy Iesue
Altar Server	Adam Spelling
Greeter	Maggie Wuerstle
Greeter	Colton Wuerstle

Sunday, August 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

Lector 1	Karen Sweeney
Lector 2	Joe Tarquinio
Bowl 1	Ginny Fuhrman
Bowl 2	Marge Lefaiver
Cup 1	Tim Lynch
Cup 2	Ken Marshall
Cup 3	Pat Marshall
Cup 4	Tom Palisin
Altar Server	Falyn Baker & Violet Rizzo
Greeter	Marilyn Garwig
Greeter	Tony Gilmore
AV Ministry	Adam Baker
CLW	

Food Pantry School Supply Collection

Ella Cochran Food Pantry is collecting school supplies. List can be picked up on table next to the Office. **Please return by August 8.**



olm book group

Join us on **Wednesday, August 19**
at **6:30** to discuss Judge Stone
by James Patterson.
Our September title will be
A Guardian and a Thief
by Megha Majumdar



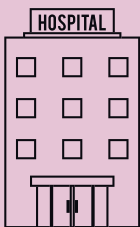
HOSPITAL VISITOR MINISTRY



It is a privilege to bring the love of God and the care of the community to our parish members who are in the hospital. If you would like to learn more about becoming a part of this ministry, contact Irene Lucas at ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or **814-899-6132**.

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.

St. James Parish Rummage Sale

St. James Parish will host a Rummage Sale at the St. Mark Campus, 695 Smithson Ave., Erie, on **Wednesday, Aug. 5, from 5 to 8 p.m.; Thursday, Aug. 6, from 2 to 6 p.m.; Friday, Aug. 7, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Saturday, Aug. 8, from 9 a.m. to noon.** Browse a wide variety of items and discover great bargains.
Everyone is welcome!

Grief Support Group

Grief does not take a vacation. Find support as you move through the pain of loss at the monthly Grief Support Group. The next gathering is **Wednesday, August 19** in the Ritchie Room. The Grief Support Groups meets the third Wednesday of each month and is open to everyone experiencing loss.

Sister Parish Celebration

The Sister Parish Ministry invites all to a Taco Night in celebration of the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Lady of the Assumption is the name of our sister parish in Peto, Mexico. Join us on **Saturday, August 15 after Mass** in Sperry Hall for a taco bar and time with friends. No reservations needed. All are welcome. The event is free, a gift from the Sister Parish Committee.



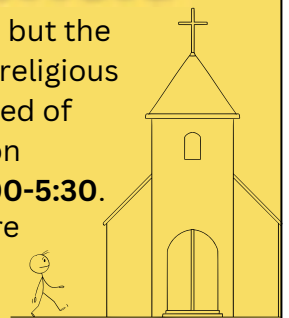
Religious Education Volunteer Needed

It is hard to think September, but the school year is not far off. The religious education ministry is in need of a 6th grade catechist on

Tuesday afternoons from 4:00-5:30.

If interested in learning more about this ministry, contact Irene at

ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org
or **814-899-6132**.



Mercyfest Winners

Thank you so much to everyone for supporting Mercyfest 2026. Whether you bought tickets, volunteered your time, donated to our auction or enjoyed time at any of our 3 events...YOU are what makes Mercyfest something the whole community looks forward to every year. Thank you!

Congratulations to the Mercyfest 2026 big winners!

Grand Prize \$1,000	Catherine Dombrowski	Second Prize \$500	John Abbate
Lottery Tree #1	Steve Hulings	Lottery Tree #2	Pam M.
Restaurant Gift Cards #1	Lori Needham	Restaurant Gift Cards #2	Christa Morris
Third Prize \$250	Linda Erikson	Fourth Prize	Leo Gallina
Fifth Prize \$100	David Kaschak	Beer Pyramid	Joy Cypher

We can't wait to see everyone at Mercyfest 2027...we hear that it's going to be...

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Parish Spending Update

As we continue to work together to be good stewards of the resources entrusted to our parish, the Finance Council is introducing a new process to help us better manage parish expenses.

Beginning July 1, 2026, a purchase order will be required for any parish purchase over \$250.00.

This will apply to all parish activities, ministries, and events. Purchase orders may be obtained through the parish office. This process is meant to help us maintain clear communication, proper budgeting, and responsible use of parish funds as we move forward together. If you have any questions or need assistance with this new process, please feel free to speak with a member of the Finance Council or Father Matt. Thank you for your understanding, cooperation, and for all you do for Our Lady of Mercy Parish.

An Invitation to Explore the Catholic Faith

Some days, the world feels as if it is spinning out of control. Natural disasters, international crisis, political discord, economic uncertainty, ecological threat, we often find ourselves grasping for an anchor to steady our lives. God is the one anchor that remains sure and stable, no matter what troubles shake the ground under our feet. A relationship with God, our Creator, our Savior, our Advocate lived in the supportive arms of the Church family and nourished by the grace of the sacraments can help us live with peace and joy no matter what life throws at us. Would you like to learn more about the Catholic faith? Have you toyed with the idea of being baptized? Would you like to explore your questions about what life as a Catholic Christian would mean? If you would like to start a conversation or learn more about the process of preparing to join the Catholic faith, contact Irene Lucas at

ilucas@ourladyofmercychurch.org or 814-899-6132.

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.



Music for Mass

Gathering: Praise to the Lord - # 585

Offertory: You Are Near - # 687

Communion: Eye Has Not Seen

Recessional: O God Beyond All Praising - # 589

Eye Has Not Seen

Refrain

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has ready for
those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the mind of
Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

Verses 1-3

1. When pain and sor - row weigh us down, be near to us, O
2. Our lives are but a sin - gle breath, we flow-er and we
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ev - er
Lord, for - give the weak - ness of our faith, and
fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so
near, re - flect - ed in the fac - es of
bear us up with - in your peace-ful word.
we re - turn in love what love has made,
all the poor and low - ly of the world.

Verse 4

4. We sing a mys-t'ry from the past in halls where saints have
trod, yet ev - er new the mu - sic rings to
Je - sus, Liv - ing Song of God.

Text: 1 Corinthians 2:9-10; Mary Haugen, b.1950
Tune: Mary Haugen, b.1950
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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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