

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

St. Jerome Church

254 Wall Street
West Long Branch, NJ 07764

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30AM
Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 PM



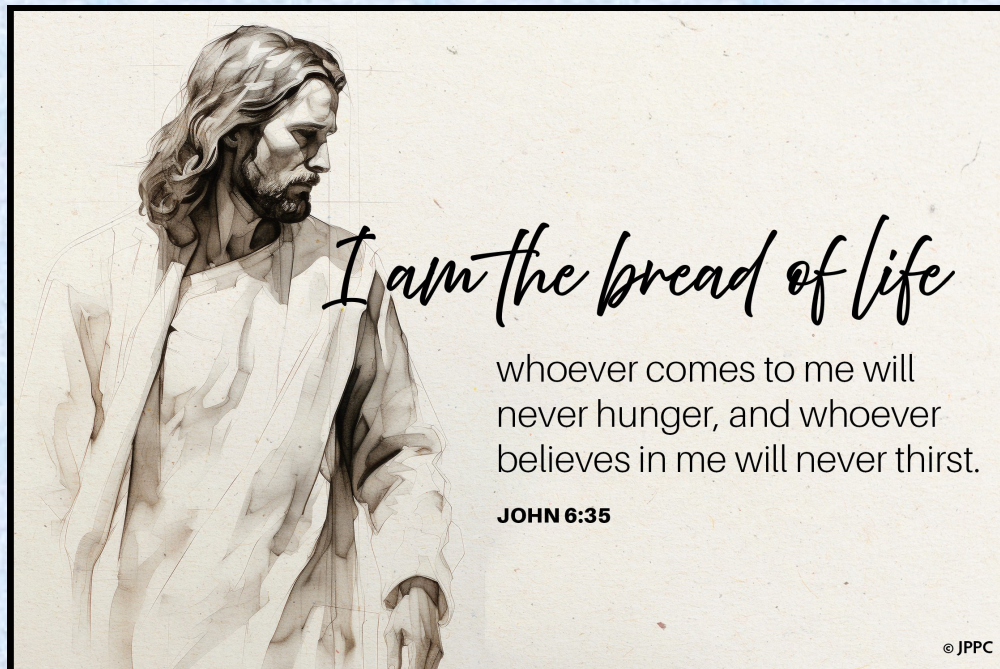
St. Mary of the Assumption Church

46 Richmond Avenue
Deal, NJ 07723

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
Daily: Monday - Thursday at 9:00 AM
Confessions: Saturdays 4:00-4:45 PM

Mission Statement

Through the intercession of Mary our Mother and Saint Jerome, we the parish families of Our Lady of Hope are called to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow as a vibrant and welcoming community through worship, evangelization, and ministry to those in need by sharing the resources, time, and talents given to us by God.



August 4, 2024 * Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

This past week we remembered two saints that were founders of two religious orders. The first Saint that we celebrated on July 31st is St. Ignatius of Loyola. He was the founder of the Society of Jesus or in short Jesuits. However, before he found the new religious order, Ignatius was a soldier who fought many battles. During one of the battles, he was wounded in the leg, and he was no longer able to continue his service. Ignatius had to spend a long time in bed waiting for his wounds to heal. You can imagine the boredom that he experienced waiting for his leg to heal. He tried to read books, however the place in which he stayed did not have any worldly books about some epic stories, but instead books on the lives of the saints. While reading those books Ignatius noticed that his heart was inflamed with the desire and longing to live like those saints. He felt a great peace in his heart contemplating these lofty ideals and heroic lives of the saints. He also would spend some time thinking about worldly life and he would recall some of those epic novels that he read in the past about knights, battles, and romantic encounters. However, the joy or satisfaction that he got from thinking about worldly life would not last long and he noticed that it caused him a feeling of anxiety and dryness. After a while Ignatius realized those differences that he experienced. He came up with a method of discernment using the knowledge from his own experiences to figure out whether he was following the spirit of God or the evil spirit. If he followed the spirit of God, then he would experience a profound and lasting peace and joy. However, if he would follow the evil spirit, who would try to keep him away from doing the will of God and to deceive him by leading him back to the worldly life and bodily passions, he would not have had this lasting peace and joy in his heart.

Ignatius method of discernment of spirits was quite innovative for his time, since using of feelings to discern spiritual life was not used. The feelings that can change so quickly and be affected by so many different stimulants of the bodily senses were not thought to be reliable for spiritual progress. The spiritual masters warned about the feelings as a way that the evil spirits or demons can use to influence our thinking, our decision making and our discernment about our relationship with God. Although, feelings by themselves were not considered bad, yet they were considered unreliable and discernment by use of reason and logic and truth as more certain for this purpose. Ignatius provided spiritual exercises as an aid to use his method of discernment of spirits in order that one may acquire greater certainty. To check that one was making a correct conclusion in the discernment, his method also involved the use of spiritual director for the purpose of greater objectivity and clarity. Today Ignatius' spiritual exercised and discernment of spirits are well known means by which Catholics can better discern whether they are truly growing spiritually and whether they are truly being led by the Spirit of God. Since Ignatius spirituality involves a method, therefore it means that one needs to learn the method in order that he may achieve the spiritual benefit from it.

The second Saint that we celebrated this week on first of August was St. Alphonsus Liguori, the founder of Redemptorists. This saint did not come up with any new spiritual method instead he was involved in teaching moral theology and was excellent in his explanation of application of moral law, natural law, law of God in Christian life. Every Christian that seeks to have a good relationship with God and to make a good progress in spiritual life needs to be aware of the truths of morality and its principles. A good moral life is the beginning of true spiritual progress and a necessary foundation, without which no spiritual progress will be possible. Moral life trains us in virtues and in upholding God's commandments. Good moral life is a just life. Jesus in his teaching many times addressed various moral issues because living justly reflects that we are using our will and intellect with the purpose that God has given them to us. Christian morality is much more demanding, and it requires greater effort, commitment, and sacrificial love. This higher level of morality flows from the necessity to live a new life of grace and from our participation in the life of Holy Trinity. Our Christian participation in the life of God calls us to a greater perfection of life. The perfection that we seek is achievable due to the gift of divine grace while without grace it is not. Since Christians are true children of God it demands of them to live as a visible reflection of God. The Christians must be different from the rest of the world because their relation to the world have changed once they became adopted children of God. The Christian must live in the world, but not be of the world. The Christian must be of God because he belongs to God and not to the world. When Christian does not seek to live a good moral life, then he betrays his relationship with God who bestowed on him such a great honor and dignity as a child of God. Living a good moral life for a Christian is always focused on giving glory to God and desire to love God more.

Our Lady of Hope Parish

Both St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. Alphonsus Ligouri in their own way have provided a guidance to live authentic Christian and Catholic life. We are grateful to God that he blessed us with these great men of faith, and through them as his instruments have helped us to live faithfully our Catholic Faith. May the benefits of their wisdom that they share with us help us to advance in our own spiritual life and bring us evermore closer to our salvation and the life of heaven.

St. Ignatius of Loyola, pray for us! St. Alphonsus Ligouri, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions			St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, August 3	4:00 PM	Matthew Mandica + Req. Connie & Richard Dominguez Tony Strollo + Req. Mom & Dad	Saturday, August 3	5:00PM	Rev. John Flanagan + Req. Flanagan Family Ruth & Howard Douglas + Req. Paul Edelson Family
Sunday, August 4	7:30 AM	Alice DeSante + (1yr) Ivanna Portillo + Req. Her parents	Sunday, August 4	8:00 AM	John L. Wengler + (-In Memory of his Birthday) Req. Beth Wengler Jacqlene Lucia + Req. Selden Family
	11:00 AM	Tom Smith + Richard Van Volkom + Req. Robert Hausser Req. Family		10:00 AM	Charles Ruggirello + Req. His Wife, Sandy Rosemarie Stanek + Req. Nick & Colleen Grieco
Wednesday, August 7	8:30 AM	Rose Lee + Maryellen Blaney + Req. Irene Ciarla Req. Paul Travers	Monday, August 5	9:00AM	Robert Scally + In Memory of Wedding Anniversary Req. His Wife, Donna
Friday, August 9	8:30 AM	Louis Ciarla + Joyce M. Klohn + (1 Yr) Souls in purgatory Req. Karen Sheppard	Tuesday, August 6	9:00 AM	Antoinette De Nise + Req. Carmela & Michael Sylvester Marie Scally + Req. Donna Scally
		Saturday, August 10	8:30 AM	Sr. Simonne Camire (68th Anniversary of Religious Life) Living Req. Dennis ,Eileen Pepitone & Family	Wednesday, August 7
	4:00 PM	Paul Mandica + (4 yrs in Heaven) Req. John & Kitty Mandica Steve Strollo (Happy Birthday) Living Req. Funzie	Thursday, August 8	9:00 AM	Frank Scally + Betty Lumley + Req. Donna Scally Req. Donna Scally
Sunday, August 11	7:30 AM	Margaret Ann Schlogl + Req. Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio	Saturday August 10	5:00 PM	Katherine Mueller + In Memory of her Birthday Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons Betty Lumley + Req. Donna Scally
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis + Donald Curtis + Req. Doreen & Mark Bulzis Req. Marie Curtis	Sunday August 11	8:00 AM	Msgr. William Carton + Req. Ima Sylvia Peter & Terry Bolan + Req. Sally & Bob Selden
				10:00 AM	Edward kaiser + Req. Frances Minneci Marge Edelson + Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons

Schedule your weekly offering online!

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Did you know you can request Sanctuary Lamp dedication for the week ? Call or email either St. Jerome or St. Mary's church office to make arrangements.



Our Lady of Hope Parish

Please register as a parishioner

Why is it so important to register with a parish? Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Some people think they automatically are registered just by attending Mass regularly in a particular parish but it requires a form to be submitted to the parish office with copies of sacrament records. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of your parish. Registration is also necessary for certain benefits and administrative purposes such as, scheduling sacraments, obtaining a sponsor or godparent eligibility form if requirements are met, a qualification letter from the pastor and receiving a year end donation tax statement. Weekly collection envelopes are used to track attendance at Mass. Registration in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish. Registration forms may be found on our website www.ladyofhopeparish.org under the About us tab or email or call the Parish Office 732-222-1424 or office@ladyofhopeparish.org.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Holy Matrimony is the covenant a man and woman make to one another and to God to work as partners for the rest of their lives. The woman and man marry one another before a witness of the Church and representatives of the community. Are you prepared, as you follow the path of Marriage, to love and honor each other for as long as you both shall live?

You must be actively registered for 6 months to schedule a marriage preparation meeting at least 1 year in advance of the wedding date. Please do not book venue before choosing date with the parish. Anyone interested in receiving the Sacrament of Matrimony, please contact Parish office : **732-222-1424** or Email office@ladyofhopeparish.org to book a wedding date and for additional documentation and paperwork that will need to be completed.

More information regarding Sacraments can be found under the Sacrament link @ www.ladyofhopeparish.org

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

Please pray for the sick, the homebound and those who have requested us to remember them in prayer, especially:

Week 1: David Applegate, Don Hopkins, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Peggy Hildebrand, Gary Edelson, Rimas Lukas.

Week 2: Fiona Lytle, Candace, Barbara Compton, Alfred Trapanese, Linda Boxer.

Week 3: Nick Greico, Michael Romano, Vincent Covello Jr.

Week 4: Sam Britton, Regina Roche, Frank Marsico, Frank Signorelli, Rob Norman, Sammi Yanni, David, Myra and Maureen Walther, Bernice Cobb, and Carole Mueller.

Also, we continually keep in our prayers all those who are serving in our Armed Forces .

****The names will be listed for four weeks unless you contact the rectory office at office@ladyofhopeparish.org or call 732-222-1424 to extend ****



St. Mary's: 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after 10:00 Mass.

St. Jerome: 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month after 11:00 Mass.

Baptismal preparation classes are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the St. Jerome Rectory Conference Room. Both parents and godparents are expected to attend. Please call the rectory 732-222-1424 to register and for further assistance.

Envelopes may be found in pews, back of church, and offices. Other ways to donate may be found on our website www.dioceseoftrenton.org use parish name or code P3655 when donating. Checks should be written to Catholic Appeal not the parish. Our goal this year is **\$55,000**. As of **07/29/2024** paid so far **\$36,865.00** which is **67%** of our goal from **137** Donors. Thank you!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2024



Our Lady of Hope Parish

Our Lady of Hope Parish Weekly Collection and Attendance

May the Good Lord bless you for your generosity

St. Jerome

St. Mary of the Assumption


Saturday/Sunday, July 27/28, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$ 2,652	65 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 1,687	85 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,263	88 people
Online Giving	\$ 1,070	38 families
Total	\$ 6,672	238 people



Saturday/Sunday, July 27/28, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 850	60 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,059.44	79 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 896	115 people
Online Giving	\$ 732	25 families
Total	\$ 3,537.44	254 people

Retirement fund for Priests: \$1, 653.91 Thank you!


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CONGRATULATIONS

Anthony J. Focht & Molly O. Henderson
on their marriage Saturday, July 26,
2024.

May God bless them in their new life
together as husband and wife.

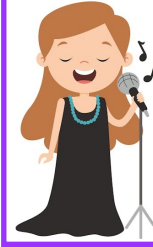


VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Share your Faith - Become a Catechist

Our parish Religious Education program is seeking dedicated volunteers to serve as Catechists, helping to shape the faith of our young children. Please contact Sister Elizabeth Toft for additional information. 732-222-8686.




Our Lady of Hope Parish is seeking parishioners to serve as cantors for our 4pm and 11am masses. If you have a passion for singing and would like to share your talent please contact the parish office to learn more.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This process is for anyone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church. It is also for any baptized Catholic who needs to complete their initiation by receiving the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information please call Sister Elizabeth Toft.

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Pastoral and Support Staff

Administrator: Reverend Marcin Kania
Rev. Michael Lynch * Rev. Jerome Nolan
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Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio, M.P.F., School Principal
Maria Lozano * Carolyn Silva
Norma Adamitis * Joann Fischer
John Dufford * Christine Scholtz
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Contact Information

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St. Mary's phone: 732-531-1409
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Eucharistic Revival 2024!

Indianapolis , Indiana: July 17—July 21, 2024: Known for the Indy 500, Indianapolis Colts, the NCAA , Indianapolis transformed into the largest Eucharistic Congress in 83 years! Taking place in downtown Indianapolis at the city's convention center and Lucas Oil Stadium—which only a few weeks before had been converted into a natatorium for the U.S. Olympic Team swim trials—the Congress had upward of 55,000 attendees.



The Filippini sisters were also represented at the Revival. Four of our sisters caught up with Brother Dominic who was taught by our sisters over 30 years ago. This too, is part of the miracle of the Congress. Midst thousands of people connections were made. He told the sisters that his Filippini education has sustained him through his life.

The mile long Eucharistic procession through the streets was accompanied by over 60,000 participants singing hymns and praising God, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. The sisters and all who attended were so impressed that when the Eucharistic procession entered the stadium, all were silent and spent much time in adoration.

Perhaps one of the most poignant moments during the Revival came when Cardinal Luis Tagle of the Philippines shared a story of going to a refugee camp in Lebanon. A girl there commented on the strangeness of his visit from her perspective, as there were no Christians in the camp: “Why did you come here if there are no Christians?” The cardinal said he then told her, “My friend and mentor Jesus tells us that we should love everyone.” The girl then tugged on the cardinal’s garment and replied, “I want to meet your friend Jesus.”

Consider this: The lesson of the Revival is simple. We too, are called to our own personal revival , our love of Jesus in the Eucharist. We are called bring His Love to a world, to another person who so desperately need’s Christ’s love. God bless you.



It's that Time again!

We are very busy this summer preparing for the opening of school on September 3, 2024!

Enrollment: We have availability in Pre-K3, Grades 1,2,3. Be part of a Saint Jerome School in excellence and in the finest Catholic Tradition! Call the office. 732.222.8686