

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

Saint Jerome
Church

254 Wall Street
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am and 11:00am

Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30am

Confessions: By appointment and

Second Saturday 12:00– 12:45 PM



Saint Mary of the
Assumption Church

46 Richmond Avenue
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am

Daily: Monday to Thursday at 9:00am

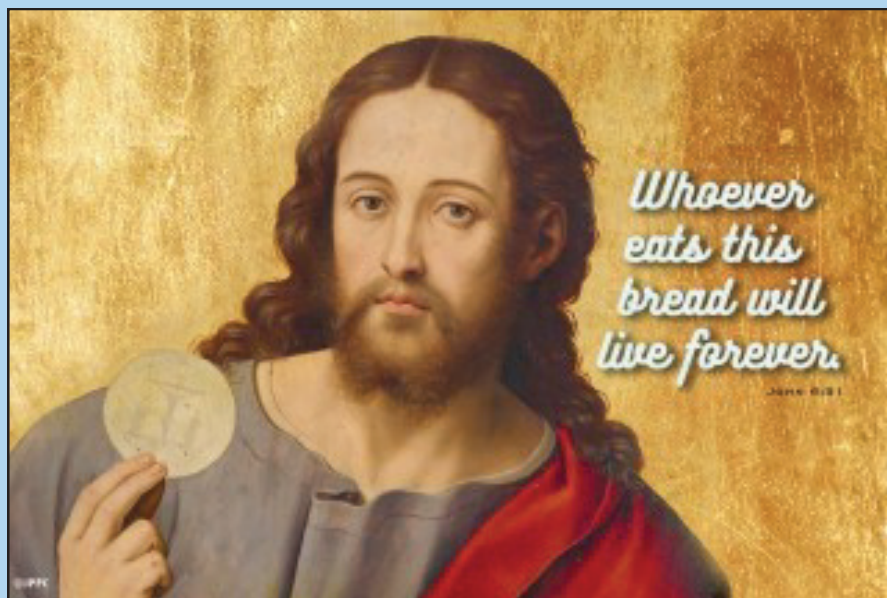
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Mission Statement

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 8, 2021 * Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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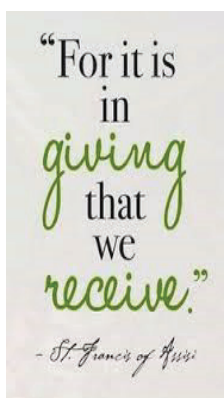
Website: www.ladyofhopeparish.org

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Email Address: stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org

Weekly Collection and Attendance*May the good Lord bless you for your generosity and presence!***St. Jerome**

Saturday/Sunday, July 31/Aug. 1, 2021		
5:00 pm Mass	\$2,296.00	86 people
7:30 am Mass	\$2,070.00	89 people
11:00 am Mass	\$1,599.00	130 people
Online 2 weeks	\$1,961.66	82 families
Total	\$7,926.66	305 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,655.00	184 people

**St. Mary of the Assumption**

Saturday/Sunday, July 31/Aug.1, 2021		
5:00 pm Mass	\$980.00	77 people
8:00 am Mass	\$2,019.00	97 people
10:00 am Mass	\$1,636.00	108 people
Online 2 weeks	\$1,334.00	55 families
Total	\$5,969.00	282 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,193.00	138 people

Debt Reduction: \$2,380.00 —Thank You!

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

Our Lady of Hope Parish Goal : \$60,000

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UPCOMING EVENTS**St. Michael (www.stmichaelnj.com)**

Fr. Alphonse Stephenson and His 1940s Big Band will be performing an outdoor concert on the front lawn of St. Michael's Church on Sunday, August 8 (rescheduled from July 25) beginning at 5:00 p.m. The concert is free-of-charge and open to the public. All are welcome and invited. Please bring your own seating (folding beach chair, beach blanket, etc.) and feel free to bring a picnic. Additional information is on the parish website.

A Letter from Father Sheldon

Barbecues and picnics! It's the season.

But what have you been eating? Are you careful with your diet? That is a very common question nowadays for grown ups. However even youngsters must also learn what kind of food to eat to become healthy and maintain physical well-being.



In Spiritual life we also need a healthy diet. The Lord Jesus is offering us this diet— His Body and Blood, the Eucharist. We need to be spiritually nourished to be spiritually strong. We may not be physically strong, but we will have inner strength. We will build a stable Christian character. This food from heaven sustains us as we meet all kinds of challenges in our life's pilgrimage.

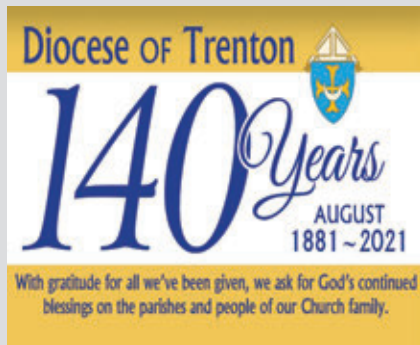
Talking about pilgrimage, on Sunday, August 15, The Solemnity of the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary, our Patroness, we will have a "mini pilgrimage". After the 10:00 AM Mass at St Mary' church, there will be a simple short procession around the church block. Altar servers will be needed to lead us. We miss you at St. Mary's church.

As catholic christians, we practice procession, this ceremonial or liturgical walk to celebrate and express special devotions to Saints and Feasts. Also, we remember from the Bible when our ancestors, walked from slavery in Egypt to the promised land. So this is also a reminder that we are the pilgrim Church. We walk together on this journey towards our "promised land".

I pray for you and with you,

Father Sheldon

Giving thanks for God's blessings



Did you know that this August marks the 140th anniversary of the Diocese of Trenton? In 1881, Pope Leo XIII established the Diocese of Trenton to serve the Catholics of the southern part of New Jersey and named Father Michael J. O'Farrell of New York as its first bishop. At the time, the Diocese had 68 churches, 23 parochial schools and 51 priests spread out across Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, as well as all of the territory that is now part of the Dioceses of Camden and Metuchen. For more on the history of the Diocese, go to dioceseoftrenton.org/our-history, and watch for a special feature in the August issue of The Monitor Magazine and on TrentonMonitor.com.

There will be an information and training session for Eucharistic Ministers(EMs) of Holy Communion of Our Lady of Hope Parish at 7 PM on Wednesday Aug 25 at 7 PM in Sr Angelina Hall (hall below the church at St Jerome's). All existing EMs and those interested in becoming an EM are invited to attend. The session will include the role, responsibilities, and requirements for EMs as well as specific procedures and instructions.

There is a continuing need for EMs at the churches of St. Jerome's and Our Lady of the Assumption, a need for EMs to bring Holy Communion to the homebound and sick, a need to restart and continue the ministry at the Jersey Shore Center on Industrial Way, and a need to support a new cohort based ministry at Monmouth Medical Center,

What a beautiful ministry to bring Jesus to another!!!

Any questions or concerns will be addressed.

For additional information about this session kindly contact Deacon Lou (shadowlakekids@aol.com) Tele 732-741-2620.

Eucharistic Ministers



Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions			
Saturday, August 7	5:00 PM	Tony Strollo Marion Marotta	Mom & Dad Rae Marsico
Sunday, August 8	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Raffaele DeLeonardis Daria McCue	Sean Ettore Teresa & Gregory Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis Donald Curtis	Doreen & Mark Bulzis Marie Curtis
Wednesday, August 11	8:30 AM	William Stanton John Robert Greco	Irene Ciarla Denise & Frank Colford
Friday, August 13	8:30 AM	Marion Karbowskiak Robert Finnegan	Irene Ciarla The Mills
Saturday, August 14	8:30 AM	Mitch & Norm Erceg	Charlie Holtz
	5:00 PM	Steve Strollo Paul Mandica (1st Anniversary)	Funzie Strollo John & Kitty Mandica
Sunday, August 15 Assumption of Mary	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Daria McCue	Teresa & Gregory Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Donald Curtis In Thanksgiving 60 years of marriage	Marie Curtis Tony & Gretchen DiCesare

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: Kaleigh Britton, Bernice Cobb, Diane Latshaw, Frank Marsico, Carol Mueller, Frank Signorelli

Week 2:

Week 3: Pat Serafino

Week 4: Alan Dunphy, Linda Hopkins, Tim Sicilano, David, Maureen & Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

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 ****

Be Blessed as You Present the Gifts



Would you like to present the Bread and the Wine at mass? Please see Vito or any of our ushers for your preferred Mass weekend time.

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope joyfully welcomes our newly baptized:

Lorenzo Patrick Douglas
Son of Adam and Alyssa Douglas
And
James Rassas
Son of Jacob and Anna Rassas



*Baptized
in the name of the Father
the Son
and the Holy Ghost*

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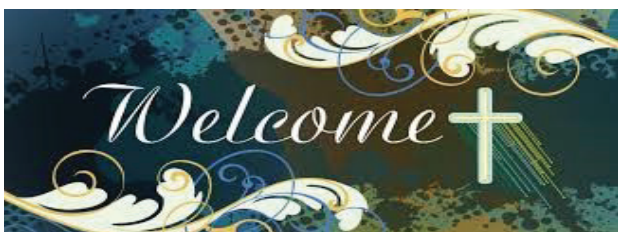
Saturday, August 7	5:00 PM	Rosemary K. Macksey <i>Her daughter, Margaret</i> Maria Do-Carmo Marques <i>Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Carvalho</i>
Sunday, August 8	8:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners John Murphy <i>David Applegate</i>
	10:00 AM	Gayle Mansuy <i>Rick Martel</i> James Duncan <i>Kathleen McCann</i>
Monday, August 9	9:00 AM	Healing for Fr. Doug Freer <i>Norma & Pat</i>
Tuesday, August 10	9:00 AM	Daria R. Amoroso-McCue <i>Nella</i>
Wednesday, August 11	9:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners
Thursday, August 12	9:00 AM	Ethel Cavanagh
Saturday, August 14	5:00 PM	Salvatore Marchese <i>Theresa Trocchia</i>
Sunday, August 15 Assumption of Mary	8:00 AM	Patricia Mecca <i>Nella</i> Edwin K. <i>Mary & Bob Waitt</i>
	10:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Joe Giroux <i>Joan & Mike Berzansky</i>



Join us at St. Mary of the Assumption Church after the 10:00 AM Mass on August 15, 2021 for a short procession honoring the Blessed Mother.

A warm welcome to the following parishioners who have just registered in our Parish:

Julia O'Grady and her son, Kevin Potente



Here's One Positive Encouragement

Written by a fellow parishioner

How often do we wish we had taken a stand for or against what someone was saying, a situation we were in, or something about to happen to us or someone else and did nothing? Were we happy and satisfied with our action or inaction, more importantly, do you think God was pleased with our decision? Every day our actions or lack of them have an effect and repercussions on both ourselves and others, some of which we will never see or realize, while others will have immediate results. Do we realize that a non-action on our part in most cases is an automatic favorable action for something? Example: we do not like who is running for public office, so we do not vote. This non-vote is saying both candidates are okay with us, when in fact we do not like either one. Another example: your town has a lot of deer, which is affecting traffic, people and gardens. The town council is having a meeting about this situation for people to voice their opinions. You have already hit a deer with your car, you do not attend to voice your opinion, therefore, by default you are acknowledging that there isn't a deer problem. If people before us did not voice their opinion and say what they felt, we would still be governed by monarchies and living in a feudal society. Our Mass would still be said in Latin, not the native language of the people attending so they could more freely participate in the mass. What I am saying is that we have a basic obligation to ourselves, our society, our church and to each other. To participate in life, we need to use our experiences, our free will and our love for God in making decisions and not be afraid of the consequences. How many times can we say we stood up for God, our religion and something we strongly believed in? Did we ever risk family, friends or our job for our beliefs? Are we afraid of people thinking that we are wrong or stupid, or that they may not want to be associated with us because of what we say and do? We have no right to intentionally hurt anyone, however, we do have as much right to our actions and beliefs as others have to theirs. We have an obligation to ourselves, and others to not allow our thoughts and beliefs to be cancelled. I HOPE we have the stamina and fortitude to prevail in our thoughts and beliefs knowing that God is with us.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for August

The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.



August is the month where we begin to slowly come off the waves of the beach and begin to surf toward the beginning of school. It is the month where not only the Monarch butterflies are on the move but the butterflies in the stomachs of students and teachers alike, flutter like the Monarch migration down to Mexico. Did you know that Monarchs fly over 3,000 miles to Mexico for the winter months? One of their “stop overs” is right here at Sandy Hook! The next rest stop in New Jersey is in Cape May!

So let us begin! Saint Jerome School Kindergarten through Eighth grade return to school on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 7:40 a.m. The Pre-K program begins on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Religious Education program for Grades 6,7,8 begins on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. and Grades 1—5 begin on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. The Saint Jerome school calendar and handbook are published on the school website: saintjeromeschool.org.

We still have much to do as we prepare for the beginning of school. We are working on the new science lab and hopefully moving into the next stage of the fields. The work on the field is contingent on raising money through donations. We appreciate so much all the help in time and donations from our parishioners, parents, alumni and friends.

We need help setting up classrooms and unpacking books. Please contact Sister Elizabeth, 732.222.8686 if you can give of your time and generosity. May all of us experience the new life that the butterfly brings realizing the “changes it had gone through to achieve that beauty”. *Maya Angelou* God bless you!



CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Did you know that St. Joseph is the Patron of a Happy Death? By happy death I do not imply freedom from pain or anxiety of the unknown, but rather, being peaceful, full of faith and hope in Jesus Christ, our Savior. It is appropriate to honor St. Joseph with this title, since it is traditionally believed that he died with Jesus and Mary at his side. Joseph’s holy death reflects his holy life, a life dedicated to doing God’s will, loving and serving Jesus and Mary. Take a few moments now to pause and reflect on Joseph’s final hour, peacefully dying in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Let us “go to Joseph” as our spiritual father, who will lead us to Jesus throughout our lives, and, in a particular way, at the hour of our death. There are many prayers of intercession for a happy death, the following is just one:

Prayer of St. Alphonsus Liguori for a Happy Death

St. Joseph, by that assistance which Jesus and Mary gave you at death, I beg you to protect me in a special way at the hour of my death, so that dying assisted by you, in the company of Jesus and Mary, I may go to thank you in heaven, and in your company sing God’s praises all eternity. Amen.

F.Y.I. Check out this beautiful song-prayer to St. Joseph composed and sung by Christian composer/singer Angelina: “Prayer to St. Joseph (husband of Mary)” from her album, *Songs of the Faithful*.

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