

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.



December 8, 2024 * Second Sunday of Advent



[Saint Jerome School * National Blue Ribbon School](#)
Office Number: 732-222-8686
Website Address: www.saintjermeschool.org



A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

The entire month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Apart from the solemn celebration of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th, which fell on Sunday this year and therefore it was moved to the next day, there are other Marian celebrations during this month. On December 10th we will celebrate Mary under the title of Our Lady of Loreto. This commemoration celebrates Mary as the one who housed in herself, but also in her dwelling Jesus, the Son of God. Loreto is a city in Italy where we will find the house in which in accordance with the tradition the Holy Family lived in. This house is not large, but it is believed that it was carried to this place by the angels. The house traveled miraculously from the Holy Land, and it arrived in the city of Loreto on December 10, 1294. The basilica in the city of Loreto contains this little house. It is believed that litany to our Blessed Mother was composed there and therefore it is known as litany of Loreto. Many miracles and favors devout Christians have received by praying this litany to our Blessed Mother throughout the centuries or at least since 1598 when it was officially presented to the pope. I would encourage everyone to discover and use this beautiful prayer, especially now in the season of Advent so that Mary may lead us in preparation for the celebration of our Lord's birth.

Another feast of our Blessed Mother is celebrated on December 12th under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe. About which I shared with you last year. It involved the apparition of our Lady to St. Juan Diego in Mexico and the miracles imprint of Mary's image on his tilma which was an apron that St. Juan Diego wore. Throughout this year we were encouraged to participate in the Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe. I have posted the text of this novena on our parish website along with the video message from Cardinal Burke. If you have not joined in praying this novena you may still join even now and pray until December 12th. This initiative was made by the Cardinal so that we may not lose hope in these confusing and dark times. It is in the times of struggle and difficulty in the world and in the church that we can always rely on the powerful assistance from our Blessed Mother. She has many times intervened throughout history and have come to the help of the Christians to provide us with encouragement and guidance. Even now our Blessed Mother is our refuge and help and we can confidently entrust ourselves to her and listen to her motherly voice. Mary always urges us to pray as much as we can and with great fervor and faith.

It is prayer that is seemingly insignificant that makes a profound impact on the world. Unfortunately, in the business of our life many times we can put aside prayer as something that can wait and prioritize other activities as more important to the wellbeing of our life and the good of our family and prosperous future. However, the benefits of prayer cannot be underestimated if we are aware of the true power of prayer. Not only can we obtain good results or outcomes for this life, but it will be of even greater benefit for our eternal life. It is important to remember, that "if we pray little, we will obtain little" God is always prepared to bestow on us great gifts and blessings if we are seeking to receive them from him. If we ask from God just a little, then why we should expect to receive more. God is always fair and just with us and gives us in proportion to our desire to receive. Therefore, let us renew our efforts to pray, the Litany to our Blessed Mother, the Novena and of course the rosary. May this season of Advent be a time of great prayer so that it may help us to better prepare ourselves for the celebration of the birth of our Lord.

Our Lady of Loreto, pray for us! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us! Our Lady of Hope, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, December 9, 2024

St. Jerome 8:30 AM

St. Mary 9:00 AM

St. Jerome 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, December 7	4:00 PM	William English + Tony Strollo + Req. Rosanne English Req. Mom & Dad
Sunday, December 8	7:30 AM	Charlie & Mary Holtz + Req. Son, Charlie Holtz
	11:00 AM	Antonio Falvo + Donald Curtis + Req. His Children Req. Marie Curtis
Wednesday, December 11	8:30 AM	Louis Ciarla + Req. Irene Ciarla
Friday, December 13	8:30 AM	William Stanton + Req. Irene Ciarla
Saturday, December 14	8:30 AM	Charlie & Mary Holtz + Req. Son, Charlie Holtz
	4:00 PM	Clement Corbo Jr. + Ivanna Portillo + Req. Vito & Liz Paolantonio Req. Her Parents
Sunday, December 15	7:30 AM	Denise Ingoglia Mullin + Rocky Christopher + Req. Dawn Miller Req. The Bordiuks
	11:00 AM	Eugene Venesky + (36th Anniversary) Frank Bulzis + Req. Wife & Children Req. Doreen & Mark Bulzis

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, December 7	5:00PM	Jerry H. Kaplan + Zoltan S. Nagy + Req. Repko Family Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
Sunday December 8	8:00 AM	Deceased members of Scally Family + Rimas Lukas + Req. Donna Scally Req. His Family
	10:00 AM	Charles Ruggirello + Rob Stratton + Re. His Wife , Sandy Req. His Wife, Barbara
Monday, December 9	9:00AM	Jack Lumley + James & Kathy McCann + Req. Katie McCann
	9:00 AM	Thomas Cavanagh + Theresa Consoletta Bariscillo + Req. Beth Wengler
Tuesday, December 10	9:00 AM	Margaret Dix + Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
Thursday, December 12		Deceased members of the McCormick Family+ Req. Donna Scally
Saturday, December 14	5:00 PM	Christine Sutton + Birthday wishes for Irene Burney Req. Evamarie Keller Req. Evamarie Keller
Sunday, December 15	8:00 AM	Danielle Mason + Maria & Vincenzo Covello + Req. John & Joyce Armstrong Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
	10:00 AM	Dr. Joseph Formichella + Charles Ruggirello + Req. Formichella Family Req. His Wife, Sandy

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.



Contact Information

The main office is operating preferably by phone, email or appointment **Monday—Friday 9 AM—1 PM**

254 Wall Street, West Long Branch, NJ 07764

Phone 732-222-1424 • Fax 732-222-2291

Email Address: office@ladyofhopeparish.org

Website: www.ladyofhopeparish.org

St. Mary's phone: 732-531-1409

Pastoral

Reverend Marcin Kania, Administrator

frmarcin@ladyofhopeparish.org

Weekend Assistant Priests

Rev. Michael Lynch * Rev. Jerome Nolan

Support Staff

Deacon Louis Jakub

Maria Lozano * Parish Secretary

Carolyn Silva * Bookkeeper

Norma Adamitis - Joann Fischer * Volunteers

Christine Scholtz * Adult Faith Formation

John Dufford * Maintenance

Dennis Melofchik & Theodore Ferraro, Jr., * Trustees

School Staff

Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio, M. P. F., School Principal

Sr. Joan DiRienzo, M.P. F., Assistant Principal

Sr. Elizabeth Toft, M.P.F., Director Religious Education

Mrs. Stella Monteleone, School Secretary

Saint Jerome School Contact Information

www.saintjermeschool.org

Phone: 732-222-8686

Smonteleone@saintjermeschool.org

THE LITANY OF LORETO

Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.

God, the Father of heaven,
have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary,
pray for us.
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of the Church,
Mother of Mercy,
Mother of divine grace,
Mother of Hope,
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother inviolate,
Mother undefiled,
Mother most amiable,
Mother admirable,
Mother of good counsel,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Saviour,
Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Mary, ever Virgin,
Virgin most faithful,
Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,

Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honour,
Singular vessel of devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of ivory,
House of gold,
Ark of the covenant,
Gate of heaven,
Morning star,
Health of the sick,
Refuge of sinners,
Solace of Migrants,
Comfort of the afflicted,
Help of Christians,
Queen of Angels,
Queen of Patriarchs,
Queen of Prophets,
Queen of Apostles,
Queen of Martyrs,
Queen of Confessors,
Queen of Virgins,
Queen of all Saints,
Queen conceived without original sin,
Queen assumed into heaven,
Queen of the most holy Rosary,
Queen of families,
Queen of peace.



Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.
Grant, we beseech thee,
O Lord God,
that we, your servants,
may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body;
and by the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary,
ever Virgin,
may be delivered from present sorrow,
and obtain eternal joy.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SAINT MARY'S 2024 GIVING TREE

Make a wish upon a star and a child's Christmas dream can come true. Beginning Saturday November 30th you can pluck a star from the tree, purchase the suggested gift item, and return the UNWRAPPED item at any time before December 16th. Items are only suggestions and feel free to make any donation of your choice. Your generosity and support in the past to Interfaith Neighbors has been greatly appreciated so let's continue the spirit of giving this Christmas.



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, Nov 23/Nov 24, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,153	106 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 1,946	84 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,238	101 people
Online Giving	\$ 1,273	40 families
Total	\$ 5,610	291 people

"For it is
 in
giving
 that
 we
receive."
 - St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday/Sunday, Nov 23/Nov 24, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,174	61 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,145	85 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,418	106 people
Online Giving	\$ 757	26 families
Total	\$3,592	252 people

Thank you!

Thank you!

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, Nov 30/Dec 1, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,820	84 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 1,551	75 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,620	133 people
Online Giving	\$ 1,023	38 families
Total	\$ 6,014	292 people

"For it is
 in
giving
 that
 we
receive."
 - St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday/Sunday, Nov 30/Dec 1, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,119	72 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 847	78 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,643	104 people
Online Giving	\$ 632	24 families
Total	\$4,241	254 people

Thanksgiving: \$1,588 Thank you!
The Legacy Fund: \$2,950 Thank you!

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: Jeff Miles, Betty D' Achino.

Week 2: Sam Britton, Regina Roche, Frank Marsico, Frank Signorelli, Rob Norman, Sammi Yanni, David, Myra and Maureen Walther, Bernice Cobb, and Carole Mueller, Anthony Dannunzio, Lynne Britton, Kate, Ben and Claire B.

Week 3: David Applegate, Don Hopkins, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Peggy Hildebrand, Gary Edelson, Vincent Covello Jr, Nick Grieco, Michael Romano, Fiona Lytle.

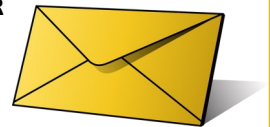
Week 4:

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 **

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK FOR

ST. MARY :
INTERFAITH NEIGHBORS



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 12/02/2024 paid so far **\$42,083** which is **77%** of our goal from **151 Donors**. Thank you!

ANNUAL
CATHOLIC
Appeal 2024



Saint Jerome School

When I was a child, a new student came to our school. Her family was from Uganda. Every day, she would bow to her fellow students and teacher and say, “Webali”. Finally, our teacher asked the child’s mother the meaning of the gesture and the word.

The mother explained, in Uganda “webali” is an expression of gratitude. They are grateful for everything they receive but more importantly, webali means to be grateful for all of God’s gifts. More importantly, it is a greeting because the both the guest and host are grateful that each has taken the time to recognize the presence of God in each other. It is living life with a grateful heart.



The lesson is well taken this especially this year in Saint Jerome school this year. The **sisters reaffirmed their Oblation.**

The children gave thanks to God during our **Thanksgiving day Service.** They lit candles as part of their prayers for all that help them. Our **parishioners were among those remembered.**



Our children and parishioners collected over \$8,000.00 for their sister school in Ethiopia.



Our **Pre-school and Kindergarten children** enjoyed their beautiful feast...



and parishioners, students and alumni brought the joy of Thanksgiving to our neighbors during the annual **Op-Life Thanksgiving Feast.**

So my dear Parishioners, Parents, Families, Students, Teachers, Staff, Friends, and my Sisters with whom I live consecrated life, thank you for sustaining me and by your own lives reminding me to always live with a grateful heart! I remember you always during the greatest form of thankfulness, the Holy Eucharist. And so simply stated, “Webali” !

Sister Elizabeth Aetna Dalessio, M.P.S.