

# 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

**PILGRIMS OF HOPE**



**"HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT"**

**Romans 5:5**



**February 16, 2025 \* Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



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



## *A Letter from Father Marcin*

Dear Parish Family,

The month of February is dedicated to the Holy Family. The Holy Family is an example of the life of virtue and holiness for all families. Each one of us can look into members of the Holy Family and make a conscious decision to be more like them in a way that supports our place in our own family. We can look at Mary and see how humble and full of faith she was. Mary showed always great compassion and empathy. From the tradition of the Church we learn that Mary practiced great charity to the poor and needy with whatever means she was able. This example that Mary provides for us should be a reminder of our own life where charity for our family members should be event and constant. Love never fails but always is ready to give more. Let us never grow tired of loving and say, "what more can I give of myself?" Love can never be exhausted, but it only exhausts the energy of our bodies, which may require some rest to re-charge. However, we should be mindful at the same time that if we do not spend our energy on love then we may spend it on selfishness or vain pursuits, which will be of little benefit to our souls and our salvation.

Another member of the Holy Family that we should focus on is St. Joseph. St. Joseph was a hard-working man, a caring husband, man of faith and holy guardian of those entrusted to his protection. St. Joseph lived his life with devotion to God and his family. He knew and understood his responsibilities entrusted to him and was always ready to carry them out faithfully. He quietly took care of his family, and he did not complain that too much was on his shoulders. He knew himself and acted with great determination to do all his work, his tasks and in a manner that would glorify God. Each member of our family can draw so much wisdom and inspiration from St. Joseph's virtue and way of life. We too are called by our faith to work quietly in whatever responsibilities and tasks that we have. We too should humbly and faithfully carry them out without complaining that we need to do them. Spending any time complaining that we have work to do will not advance that work further to its completion. We will be only wasting our precious time and losing valuable grace that can be received when we do our work with gladness, thanksgiving, and love. Complaining can only make us more bitter, angry, and distracted, which may result in poorer outcomes of the work that we do. Every work that we do, or every task that is given to us should be done with diligence and care knowing that what I am doing is not just for me, but it is for the glory of God. When we seek the glory of God then we should remember that God deserves our absolute best and anything less may not please him, but even greatly offend him. God deserves our profound honor and respect, and St. Joseph was very aware of that. We too like St. Joseph should show great reverence for God even in the simplest moments of life. We Christians especially should act with reverence and adoration to God as the evidence of our true faith.

Finally, the central member of Holy Family is Jesus, son of God and son of Mary. We should recall how the gospels speak about Jesus who was obedient to Mary and Joseph and grew in grace and wisdom. Jesus hidden life at Nazareth reveals the intimacy and closeness of the Holy Family. Nothing is known about Jesus's hidden life until the day of his public ministry. This hidden life of Jesus also can teach us important element of the family life that each member should practice, and it is discretion and prudence. If every member of the family is doing what they are supposed to do and they do it with love of God and the family, then the family life will be peaceful and quiet, and enjoyable by all. When the members of the family are occupied with their own tasks and work with dedication and thankfulness then it will not give them the opportunity to speak anything negative about each other, or experience conflicts and divisions. Each member of the family will contribute fairly and justly to the life of the family with a loving concern and the family will grow stronger in its bond of love and respect. The harmony among the members of the family will provide the opportunity for all to grow in wisdom of true family life. Wisdom is not a mere knowledge, but the ability to apply the knowledge to the situations and circumstances of life. Since God is the source of all wisdom, it is therefore necessary and prudent to grow in the knowledge of God's ways so that our wisdom may not be limited only to human wisdom, but that we may be wise in true wisdom of God. Therefore, applying the knowledge of our faith to our daily life will help us to grow like Jesus in wisdom and grace.

There are so many other examples that we can draw from the life of the Holy Family that would help our families to be better, more virtues and more holy. Therefore, let us prayerfully ask in humility and with hope, the Holy Family to help us, so that our families may too become a holy family.

Mary and Joseph, pray for us! Jesus, have mercy on us!

Fr. Marcin

## Our Lady of Hope Parish

| St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions |             |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Saturday,<br>February 15            | 4:00<br>PM  | <b>Antonio Falvo + ( 29th Anniversary in Heaven)</b><br>Req. His Children<br><b>Richard English +</b><br>Req. Connie & Richard Dominguez |
| Sunday,<br>February 16              | 7:30<br>AM  | <b>Maryann Soberg +</b><br>Req. Monteleone Family  |
|                                     | 11:00<br>AM | <b>Frank Bulzis +</b><br>Req. Doreen & Mark Bulzis   |
| Wednesday,<br>February 19           | 8:30<br>AM  | <b>Gabriela Postigo</b>  |
| Friday,<br>February 21              | 8:30<br>AM  | <b>Mary Karbowskiak +</b><br>Req. Irene Ciarla   |
| Saturday,<br>February 22            | 8:30<br>AM  | <b>Living and Deceased parishioners and loved ones</b>   |
|                                     | 4:00<br>PM  | <b>Gabriela Postigo</b>  |
| Sunday,<br>February 23              | 7:30<br>AM  | <b>Living and Deceased parishioners and loved ones</b>   |
|                                     | 11:00<br>AM | <b>Donald Curtis +</b><br>Req. Marie Curtis  |

| St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions |          |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------|---|
| Saturday,<br>February 15          | 5:00PM   | <b>Maria &amp; Vincenzo Covello +</b><br>Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons<br><b>John Covello +</b><br>Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons<br><b>Chris Lehmann +</b><br>Req. Mary Pat |
| Sunday,<br>February 16            | 8:00 AM  | <b>Donald Fornicola +</b><br>Req. Daughter Kristie Linington & Family<br><b>Peter &amp; Terry Bolan +</b><br>Req. Bob & Sally Selden                                    |
|                                   | 10:00 AM | <b>Joseph Cilento +</b><br>Req. His wife, Cheryl & Family<br><b>Vera Ciavaglia +</b><br>Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons   |
| Monday,<br>February 17            | 9:00AM   | <b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Young—Woong Kong</b><br>Req. Helen Kong   |
| Tuesday,<br>February 18           | 9:00 AM  | <b>Deceased members of the McCormick Family +</b><br>Req. Donna Scally  |
| Wednesday,<br>February 19         | 9:00 AM  | <b>Rose &amp; John Capizzi +</b><br>Req. Liz & Sal Scaffidi<br><b>Patrick O'Grady Boyce +</b><br>Req. The McNulty Family  |
| Thursday,<br>February 20          | 9:00 AM  | <b>Jack Lumley+</b><br>Req. Donna Scally<br><b>Raffaele Bariscillo +</b><br>Req. Beth Wengler   |
| Saturday,<br>February 22          | 5:00 PM  | <b>Peggy Hildebrand +</b><br>Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons<br><b>Victor Giunco +</b><br>Req. Mike Rosemarie Lyons   |
| Sunday,<br>February 23            | 8:00 AM  | <b>James Meola +</b><br>Req. Meola Family   |
|                                   | 10:00 AM | <b>Rimas Lukas +</b><br>Req. Charles & Patty Brown<br><b>Joseph Marmora +</b><br>Req. Richard & Margaret Buckley  |

### *Be Blessed as You Present the Gifts*

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



**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 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.



### Contact Information

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

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### Pastoral

Reverend Marcin Kania, Administrator

frmarcin@ladyofhopeparish.org

### Weekend Assistant Priests

Rev. Michael Lynch \* Rev. Jerome Nolan

### Support Staff

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John Dufford \* Maintenance

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### 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

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## Our Lady of Hope Parish

On Saturday March 1, 2025 at 10 AM the MOST REVEREND DAVID MICHAEL O'CONNELL, C.M., J.C.D., D.D. BISHOP OF TRENTON will celebrate Mass at Saint Rose [603 7th Ave, Belmar, NJ](#) at the Annual Investiture Mass for the Belmar and Lake Como Saint Patrick's Day Parade. The Mass will be dedicated in memory of Bob Jenkins, 2011 Grand Marshal and will invest 2025 Grand Marshals for the Parade, Matthew Lee and Fran Griffin. A luncheon will follow at the Taylor Pavillion, advance tickets must be purchased. Contact Pat Feehery for tickets at 732-771-7599.

The Society of St. Cecilia at  
the Oratory Church of St. Anthony of Padua  
presents

## *Kairy Koshoeva* Classical Pianist

### *Performing*

Preludes by Sergey Bortkiewicz  
Chopin's Ballada No. 3 and  
Rachmaninov's Sonata for  
Cello & Piano with guest  
cellist, Jordan Enzinger.



**Sunday**  
**February 23, 2025**  
**3:30 p.m.**

**Admission**  
**A Free Will Offering**

For Further information contact  
The Oratory Church of St. Anthony of Padua  
27 Oratory Way, Red Bank, NJ 07701  
(732) 747-0813  
[web.stanthonysofredbank.net](http://web.stanthonysofredbank.net)

**REQUIESCAT IN PACE**  
Please remember in your prayers the  
happy repose of the soul of:

**Lucille Petillo**  
*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine  
upon her.*



**Parish Giving**  
*Enhancing Stewardship through  
Electronic Funds Transfer*



**2025**  
**Jubilee year of Hope**

I ask you to contribute to our Educational Fund. Together we ignite dreams and transform lives together! Thank you for your on-going support of our students, teachers and Filippini Sisters. Your dedication helps fulfill the Filippini sisters mission, "Go and Teach the word of God"!

God bless you.  
Sister Elizabeth Seton Dalession, MPF  
Principal



### 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. 732-222-8686.



### 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, Gary Edelson, Vincent Covello Jr, Nick Grieco, Michael Romano, Fiona Lytle.

**Week 2:** Anthony Lamorte

**Week 3:**

**Week 4:** 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.

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](mailto:office@ladyofhopeparish.org) or call 732-222-1424 to extend \*\*



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# Congratulations Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio, Ed.D.!



The Amerigo Vespucci Society, the nation's oldest Italian American Mutual Aid Society (founded in 1875 and incorporated in 1893), will be honoring

**Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio Ed.D. with the Mother Cabrini Award.**

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025

Eagle Oaks Country Club  
Farmingdale, New Jersey

\$125.00 per person ~ 6:00 p.m. Cocktails ~ 7:00 p.m. - 11:00p.m. Plated Dinner ~ One-hour open bar  
You are invited to attend and are welcome to purchase an ad or sponsorship.

~ Also HONORING ~

**Joseph Sirianni** Man-of-the-Year Award

**Cosmo Scardino** Business Proprietor Award

**Luanne Peterpaul, Esq. (New Jersey Assemblywoman)** Public Service Award

**Christine Giordano Hanlon, Esq. (Monmouth County Clerk)** Public Service Award

**Dr. Richard Neibart MD** Medical Professional Award

Contact Roberto Ferragina to purchase tickets, ads, sponsorships.

732-245-6135 / [ROBFERRAGINA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ROBFERRAGINA@GMAIL.COM)

**NB: Tickets will not be sold at the door. Checks made payable to Amerigo Vespucci Society.**

## Flowers the Blessed Mother Statue

(St. Mary)

in loving memory of: Marie Aldarelli

requested by: Granddaughter Kristie Linington & Family



SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

HEAT & SNOW REMOVAL

THANK YOU!



## YEAR OF HOPE CORNER

"Kindness costs nothing, yet it has the power to change lives"

### St. Scholastica

O God, to show us where innocence leads, you made the soul of your virgin Saint Scholastica soar to heaven like a dove in flight. Grant through her merits and her prayers that we may so live in innocence as to attain to joys everlasting. This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

### St. Scholastica



## OLH Adult Faith Enrichment News - Lent 2025

Coming this Lent: The Resurrection and the Life

"Resurrection does not just describe what happened to Jesus after his death and burial. Resurrection is a past event, a future prospect, and a present reality." (Stephen Binz)

This Jubilee Year of Hope is a perfect time to focus on the source of our Christian hope, the Resurrection of Jesus. Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life." What does that mean to us and for us? How does the resurrection of Jesus give purpose to everything we do? How did the notion of resurrection develop? In this 6 week Threshold Bible Study we will attempt to answer those questions and more as we read and reflect on selected passages from the Old and New Testaments of the Bible, and read the informative and insightful commentaries prepared by Stephen Binz.

As a study, there will be assigned readings and reflection questions to completed at home each week, in preparation for the weekly 90 minute gatherings. These reflection questions will provide the topic for discussion during our gatherings. The weekly gatherings will also provide an opportunity for fellowship and prayer. All are welcome to attend, especially first time participants as well as those who are "listeners" rather than "talkers."

WHEN: Thursday mornings: 10:00AM-11:30AM, March: 6, 13, 20, 27 & April: 3, 10.

WHERE: St. Jerome Church, office meeting room

REQUIRED RESOURCE:

Threshold Bible Study: The Resurrection and the Life by Stephen Binz, from Twenty-Third Publications, 2016.

You can purchase a copy through Amazon or [twentythirdpublications.com](http://twentythirdpublications.com).

Also, I will have 5 copies available for purchase on a "first come, first serve" basis.

Do not hesitate to order your copy - you will need it for the first session!

**REGISTRATION & QUESTIONS:**  
contact Christine Scholtz BEFORE February 23

call: 732-222-2927;

text: 908-309-0030



# Saint Jerome School



**SAINT JEROME SCHOOL**  
*Believe Endeavor Achieve*  
**Catholic Schools Week 2025**

Take Two! During Catholic Schools Week, the children and teachers participated in many activities that showcased many of the excellent programs we offer. Together with the Bishop we blessed the new STEAM classroom. Jonathan D'Silva made it all official when he signed his artwork. After the ribbon cutting the children got to work.

We enjoyed Blue and White day. Thank you parents. The children expand their knowledge through the Book Fair. The children completed the week as always with generosity and kindness as they prepared the gifts for both the Blessing Bags and Operation Life!

