

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

St. Jerome Church

254 Wall Street
West Long Branch, NJ 07764

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30 AM
Confessions: Saturdays 4:00-4:45 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



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Weekly Collection and Attendance

May the good Lord bless you for your generosity

St. Jerome

St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, Dec. 17/18, 2022		
5:00 pm Mass	\$835.00	78 people
7:30 am Mass	\$2,399.00	80 people
11:00 am Mass	\$1,151.00	101 people
Online Giving	\$1,358.00	42 families
Total	\$5,743.00	259 people
Last year same weekend total	\$5,820.00	268 people



Saturday/Sunday, Dec. 17/18, 2022		
5:00 pm Mass	\$419.00	59 people
8:00 am Mass	\$1,240.00	96 people
10:00 am Mass	\$1,794.00	113 people
Online Giving	\$582.00	26 families
Total	\$4,035.00	268 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,621.00	242 people

* The Christmas collection will be posted at a later date *

Interfaith Neighbors: \$1,758.00 — Thank You!



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. Thank you.

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 Patty Carvalho at 848-466-0807 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

A Letter from Father Sheldon

Dear Parish Family,
Happy New Year!

The whole world today celebrates and welcomes the new year. It is only this day when people of different cultures and faith are united in one celebration. However for catholic Christians we believe there is so much more we need to celebrate. It is still Christmas season. Let us not forget that Jesus, God the savior, is with us as we begin this new year.



We start another year of our journey here on earth. we need to be aware of this presence of Jesus the next 365 days. The blessed Virgin Mary can best help us to know and see his presence in everything in life. We celebrate Mary as the Mother of God. Our Church sees that all this new beginnings especially the ones that concern our faith and love for God, can never be realized without the help of Mary, the mother of Jesus, the mother of God. In her, and through Her, God's final saving work has began.

As we begin this New Year of 2023, let us think that everything begins in God. But to begin His Life on earth as man, God needed Mary. Therefore Mary can be a powerful aid to make new things happen in our lives. That is why, as I make new plans for our Parish this year, I will pray to Mama Mary for guidance and inspiration.

For all of us, whatever we wish for this new year, whether Peace and prosperity, if we make the Blessed Mother part of it, that is if we imitate the virtues of Mary, God will also fill us with his grace this new year and the years to come.

Holy Mary Mother of God, pray for us! Protect us from all evil. Amen!

I wish happiness and peace to all of you!

Fr. Sheldon



Rosary-Altar Society

From all our Rosarians to all Our Lady of Hope parishioners, a blessed new year! And for members old and new, our next meeting will be Monday, February 6 at 7 PM in the St. Jerome Rectory Conference Room. Join us each month for our meeting, the Rosary and refreshments. Questions about membership? Call Rae 732-859-7538.

Our Lady of Hope Parish Holiday Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve Vigil –Saturday, December 31

5:00 PM –St. Jerome

5:00 PM –St. Mary's

Solemnity of Mary - Sunday, January 1

7:30 AM –St. Jerome

8:00 AM –St. Mary's

10:00 AM –St. Mary's

11:00 PM –St. Jerome



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ZOOM ONLY

OFF TO A PRAYERFUL START FOCUSING THE NEW YEAR



Tuesday, January 3 7:00 – 8:00 PM

Start out 2023 with an evening zoom retreat to set the direction for the year. "Well begun is half done," they say, and establishing a direction is essential for the journey. Where am I going in 2023? What is the desire of my heart, and God's as we begin this year together? Donation: \$15, includes materials.

CHOOSING SERENITY IN STRESS

Monday, January 9 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Is stress to be banished or befriended? Can I be serene and stressful simultaneously? Can I find a serene place within me which can embrace my stressful soul and let me live more peacefully? Donation: \$25, includes lunch; Zoom \$20.

Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 31 NY Eve	5:00 PM	Donna Holtz Connie & Rich Dominguez Healing for Joseph Mandica The Mandica family
Sunday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Rosemary Loeffler Connie & Rich Dominguez
	11:00 AM	Michael Dannunzio Mom & Dad Clement Corbo, Sr. Vito & Liz Paolantonio
Wednesday, January 4	8:30 AM	Rose Lee Irene Ciarla
Friday, January 6	8:30 AM	Salvatore Trocchia Lillian Trocchia Hollie Forman The Swinton family
Saturday, January 7	8:30 AM	Gerard Bushel Valerie & Davis Mintzer
	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Tony Strollo Mom & Dad Ivanna Portillo Her parents
Sunday, January 8	7:30 AM	Hollie Forman The Monteleone family Healing for Marek Vygado Ann Clarke
	11:00 AM	Marie Hausser Robert Hausser Irene Kallighan Doreen & Mark Bulzis

"The Rosary Altar Society of Our Lady of Hope Parish," invites everyone to reserve flowers in front of the Blessed Mother and Sacred Heart Statues at St. Jerome Church. The donation is \$15 each and can be for loving memorials, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special intentions. Please contact Robin Stillings for available dates at 908-309-2976 or email: gymwrat51@gmail.com

Attention Ladies Bowlers Needed

Join the St. Jerome Bowling League and help support the St. Jerome PTA

We bowl Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM Shore Lanes at the Asbury Circle

Call Kitty Mandica for more details or to join
732-259-0406



National Eucharistic Revival

The Church needs healing. And the world needs the Church. The National Eucharistic Revival is the joyful, expectant, grassroots response of the entire Catholic Church in the U.S. to this divine invitation.



Jesus needs each one of us to be his hands and feet throughout this Eucharistic Revival.

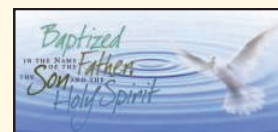


I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

John 6:51

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

Russell Brannick Paone-Hurd
Son of Eric and Krysten Paone-Hurd



Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 31 NY Eve	5:00 PM	Deceased members of the Carbone & Fischer families
Sunday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary	8:00 AM	Deceased members of the Adamitis, Gizenski & Regulski families
	10:00 AM	Deacon Paul & Mrs. Patricia Serafino
Monday, January 2	9:00 AM	Ethel Cavanagh Constance Marie Garrity Kathleen Garrity
Tuesday, January 3	9:00 AM	Ann Mulchay (5th anniversary) Norma
Wednesday, January 4	9:00 AM	Elizabeth Wengler John Wengler
Thursday, January 5	9:00 AM	Mike Maxwell
Friday, January 6		Adoration 3:00—6:00 PM
Saturday, January 7	5:00 PM	Mary Carvalho Mr. & Mrs. Illiano Maria & Cesare Di Iusto Carmela & Michael Sylvester Townley Carr Sally Welch
Sunday, January 8	8:00 AM	Adelaide Bariscillo (39th Anniversary) John Wengler Forgotten Souls in Purgatory Joseph & Kelina Vassallo
	10:00 AM	Ginny Marmora Charlie & Patty Brown John Squeo David & Janis Henderson

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for January

For educators

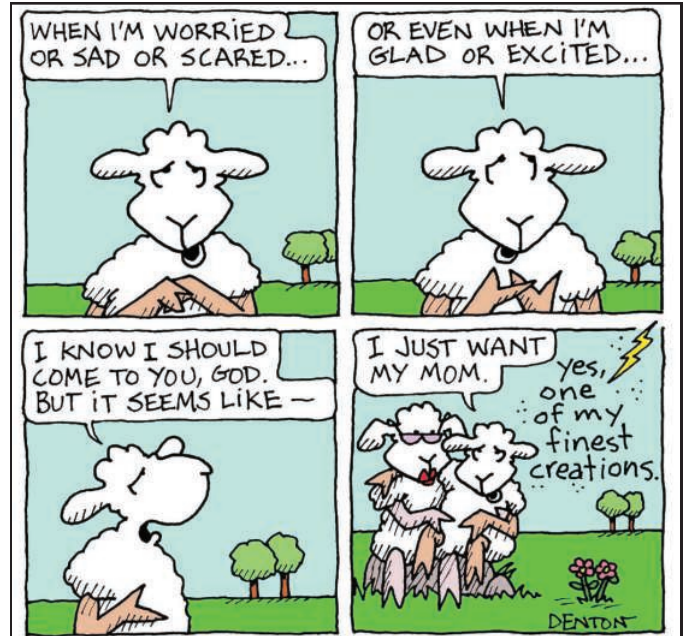
We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please remember in your prayers the happy repose of the souls of :

**Jeanette Pezzella
&
Angelina Scibetta**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them*



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“When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman ... so that we might receive adoption as sons.”

Sheepish Question:

As an adopted child of God, how do I relate to the maternal care of Jesus' mother?

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: Donna Convery, Karen Daly, Joan Day, Jim Shanahan, John Wengler, Howard White, August Wreiole

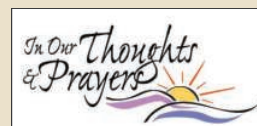
Week 2: Sam Britton, Bernice Cobb, Marge Edelson, Joseph Mandica, Frank Marsico, Carole Mueller, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Stephanie Sassola, Frank Signorelli, David, Maureen & Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

Week 3: Fr. Doug Freer, Cathy Mueller, Bill Prihel, Dan Sloan

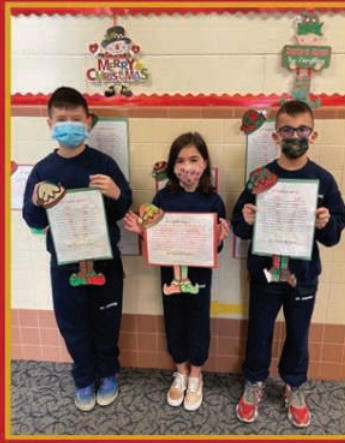
Week 4:

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 **



Surprises



From Polar Express, to making Gingerbread cookies with Stella and Guido Monteleone, to decking the halls with the sights of Christmas, the children celebrated the true meaning of Christmas both here in school and with their families Christmas 2022!



A New Year Prayer



We Pray...

For healing...prepare us for surprises.
For strength...prepare us for surprises.
For vision...prepare us for surprises.
For transformation...prepare us for surprises.
For messengers and messages...prepare us for surprises.
For community...prepare us for surprises.
For acceptance - of ourselves and others...prepare us for surprises.
For making room at our tables...prepare us for surprises.
For Truth-seeking...prepare us for surprises.
For support...prepare us for surprises.
For Common Ground...prepare us for surprises.

Written by Sister Mary Ann Barret, O.P.

**We pray that Our lord fill your year with surprises and grace.
God bless you.**

Sisters Elizabeth Seton, Angelina, Elizabeth, Donna

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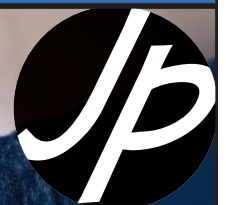
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