

# 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 8:30 AM  
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.



January 14, 2024 \* Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



**Saint Jerome School \* Blue Ribbon Awardee**

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## A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

We have begun the Ordinary Time in the liturgical year. However, let us not be confused in thinking that it is a time during which nothing is happening. It actually refers to continuing our walking in the faith without additional solemnity. It is a time that we continue to order our lives in accordance with the gospel and we order our lives toward our greater union with Christ. We are in the time where we continue to grow in virtue and holiness of life, because our life in Christ needs continued attention and diligent work. We are never done, but we must always keep pushing forward toward greater spiritual progress in growing in the knowledge of God and of ourselves. We are only going to be done once we are in heaven itself, because even after we die, we might still need to go through purgatory. While many people with the start of a new year make resolutions to make changes to their lives, we Christians do not wait until new year comes. Because for us Catholics the time is a gift and we cannot afford waiting till the beginning of the new year in making changes to our lives, because the time is short to acquire new virtues, root out vices and to grow in grace. Our change in our lives in relationship with God continues year-round and we should always be eager to make new resolutions, because our Christian life demands it. As the disciples of Jesus Christ, we cannot remain the same. Also, we must be aware of another important fact that if we are not moving forward then we are sliding backward. This means that if we are not growing in virtue and holiness, then we will begin to fall back into our vices and sin and lukewarmness. Sometimes the thoughts may enter our mind that we have worked so hard in our spiritual life that we need a break. However, going along with such thoughts will only lead us to the loss of fervor and diminish in us the sense of urgency and may lead us to a deadly spiritual sloth. This may lead to undesirable results and the loss of all that we have gained through previous hard work and dedication. Let us remember that our love for the Lord should be our constant motivation and reason to keep ourselves on track in our commitment and resolve to follow Christ. Therefore, our prayer life needs to be well attended to so that the fire of love in our soul and in our heart may burn with ever greater intensity. We should constantly pray to the Holy Spirit that He may intensify our desire for prayer and love for the Lord. Our prayer will become more efficacious not for the multiplicity of words, but for the intensity of love with which we offer the prayer. Silent prayer of the heart can be more effective than prayer aloud because it demands a greater recollection of mind and focus on the one to whom we speak. The prayer of the heart also allows us to turn into ourselves and meet the Lord who is present inside our soul. While we can, we should always seek a place of silence, because it will be there that we are able to remove distractions and quiet our mind so that we can hear God speak to us more clearly. For it is particularly in silence that the Lord chooses to speak and reveal himself to us. The silence is golden not just in the movie theater, but especially for our good prayer life and spiritual growth. Let us remember that Christ prayed frequently, and he would go to isolated places, like the top of the mountain or outskirts of the town where he would not be distracted by the noise of the crowds, noise of the towns. We too should look for such places to have that intimate conversation with the Lord. In our parish we have Eucharistic adoration on first Fridays of the month. It is such a blessing to be with the Lord and in silence adore Him and speak with Him. It is my hope that more of us will participate in this special time with the Lord. If only we could realize what a blessing it is for us to be able to spend time with the Lord. The Church even offers a partial indulgence for those who would only spend half an hour before the Blessed Sacrament in adoration. Sometimes we wonder how I can grow in faith and love and hope more, but when opportunity arises, we pass it by and all those countless graces are not offered to us, because we do not seek them out. As we continue to walk in our Catholic Faith in following our Savior

Jesus Christ may this New Year be a time of making our resolution to take time to pray in silence and make an extra effort to spend time in front of His Divine presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Holy Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

### **Pastoral and Support Staff**

Administrator: Reverend Marcin Kania

Rev. Michael Lynch \* Rev. Jerome Nolan

Deacon Louis Jakub

Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, M.P.F. \* Sr. Elizabeth Toft, M.P.F.

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

Maria Lozano \* Carolyn Silva

Norma Adamitis \* Joann Fischer

John Dufford \* Christine Scholtz

Dennis Melofchik & Theodore Ferraro, Jr., Trustees

### **Contact Information**

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

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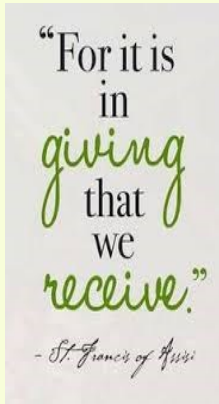
## Our Lady of Hope Parish Weekly Collection and Attendance

May the Good Lord bless you for your generosity

St. Jerome

St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, January 6 / 7, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$1,594	75 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$1,786	72 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$1,381	141 people
Online Giving	\$1,010	38 families
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,771</b>	<b>288 people</b>
Last year same weekend total	\$5,111	295 people



Saturday/Sunday, January 6 / 7, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 486	50 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 952	74 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,058	90 people
Online Giving	\$ 687	26 families
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,183</b>	<b>214 people</b>
Last year same weekend total	\$4,307.23	243 people

**Solemnity of Mary \$1,012 Thank you!**

**Solemnity of Mary \$1,545 Thank you!**



Just as ripples spread out when a single pebble is dropped into the water, the actions of individuals can have a far-reaching effect. Our Lady of Hope Parishioners and the students at Shore Regional High School donated enough toys to our Giving Tree Program to help 180 families have gifts to celebrate the holidays. \$960 worth of Gift cards were also donated. There were smiles all around when we delivered the toys.

**Thank you very much for your participation**

### 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](http://www.ladyofhopeparish.org)



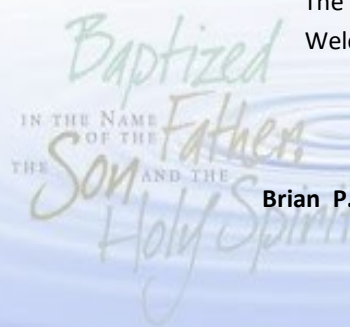
**Flowers at Side Altars  
In memory of: Marie Aldarelli  
Requested by: Granddaughter Kristie  
Linington and Family**

All donations, contributions, and payments to the Parish for both churches including Inter-faith Neighbors should be made payable to:

**The Parish of Our Lady of Hope**



The Parish of our Lady of Hope  
Welcomes our Newly Baptized



**Avery James Weil**

Son of:

**Brian P. Weil & Nicole M. Lamoureux**

## Our Lady of Hope Parish

**January 19, 2024**

**ALL ARE WELCOME** for the 51st annual **MARCH FOR LIFE** in Washington DC

The work to build a culture of life in the United States is not finished, even after the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*. Many national legislative battles lay ahead including keeping Hyde protection limiting government funding for abortion.

We, along with thousands of pro-life advocates, will march to voice our support for the unborn and mothers in need! The goal of the national March for Life is to not only change laws at the state and federal level, but to change the culture.

**We will continue to march every January at the national level until a culture of life is restored in the United States of America.**

### Transportation Details

- Luxury coach bus sponsored by St. Michaels, St Luke's, Our Lady of Hope, and Christ the King
- Arrive in time for Rally on the National Mall  
March up Constitution, past the Capitol, and finish between the Capitol and Supreme Court  
\$15 per person – Students and Clergy FREE

Schedule:

**6:30 am – Depart from St. Michael's (mass prior)**

**7 am – Pick up St. Luke's parishioners at Garden State Parkway Exit 98 Park and Ride lot**

**9 pm (approximately) – Drop off at Garden State Parkway Exit 98 Park and Ride lot**

**9:30 pm (approximately) – Return to St. Michael's lot.**



For details, reservations, and donations, please call Kathryn Perez: 732.581.9735, email [prolifekp@aol.com](mailto:prolifekp@aol.com) or email by scanning this QR code:



### 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: Fiona Lytle, Sharon DeVito, Tom Smith.

Week 2: Karen Daly, John Day, James Shanahan, August Wreiole, Nick Greico, Catherine Troglen.

Week 3: Sam Britton, Bernice Cobb, Frank Marsico, Carole Mueller, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Frank Signorelli, David, Myra, Maureen Walther, and Sammi Gianni, Alfred Trapanese.

Week 4: David Applegate, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Charlie Ruggirello.

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 \*\*



### It's Simple:

- Log onto our parish website and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

### It's Secure:

- Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

### It's Convenient:

- No more searching for the check book on Sunday morning or stops at the ATM machine.
- You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed.

### Tax Benefits:

- You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

### Parish Benefits:

- Weekly or monthly contribution choices  
Significant reduction of parish administrative costs.

Contact the parish bookkeeper with questions or email: [stjerome@ladyofhopeparish.org](mailto:stjerome@ladyofhopeparish.org)





## Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, January 13	4:00 PM	<b>Laura Ryan &amp; Olivia Pepitone +</b> Eileen & Dennis Pepitone <b>James Hosey +</b> Eileen and Dennis Pepitone
Sunday, January 14	7:30 AM	<b>Albert Del Maestro +</b> Phillis Del Maestro <b>Col. William Huffcut +</b> Anthony and Gretchen DiCesare
	11:00 AM	<b>William Yuchinskos +</b> Ferraro Family <b>Joanne Caltabilota +</b> Maryanne Ioli & Family
Wednesday, January 17	8:30 AM	<b>Marion Karbowiak +</b> Irene Ciarla <b>Maryjeanne Mcdonald +</b> Anthony & Gretchen DiCesare
Friday, January 19	8:30 AM	<b>Mary Karbowiak +</b> Irene Ciarla <b>Col. Charles Scwendinger +</b> Anthony & Gretchen DiCesare
Saturday, January 20	8:30 AM	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b>
	4:00 PM	<b>Frank Minton +</b> Eileen & Dennis Pepitone <b>Raymond Camire +</b> Eileen & Dennis Pepitone
Sunday, January 21	7:30 AM	<b>Edgar V. McGinley +</b> The Mills Family <b>William Galvin +</b> Anthony and Gretchen DiCesare
	11:00 AM	<b>Frank Bulzis +</b> Doreen & Mark Bulzis <b>Irene Kallighan +</b> Doreen & Mark Bulzis

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, January 13	5:00 PM	<b>Beth Pfeiffer +</b> Req. Kim & Joe Repko <b>Howard White +</b> Req. Cathy Malta Campanella
Sunday, January 14	8:00 AM	<b>Howard White +</b> Req. Richard & Margaret Buckley <b>Maria Malta +</b> Req. Cathy Malta Campanella
	10:00 AM	<b>Robert Stratton +</b> Req. Hughes Family <b>Donald Fernicolla +</b> Req. Daughter Kristi Linington & Family
Monday, January 15	9:00AM	<b>James P. Hughes +</b> Req. Hughes Family
Tuesday, January 16	9:00 AM	<b>Thomas Cavanagh +</b>
Wednesday, January 17	9:00 AM	<b>Agnes Sally +</b> <b>Irene Scott +</b>
Thursday, January 18	9:00 AM	<b>Joseph &amp; Adelina Fischer +</b>
Saturday, January 20	5:00 PM	<b>Howard White +</b> Req. Catherine McCabe
Sunday, January 21	8:00 AM	<b>Howard White +</b> Req. Sue & Jim Berner
	10:00 AM	<b>Robert Stratton +</b> Req. Frances Minneci <b>Eileen McGurl +</b> Req. Her Children

Baptism

**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.



Welcome

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

*The Guarella Family*

Envelopes may be found in pews, back of church and offices.  
 Other ways to donate may be found  
[www.dioceseoftrenton.org](http://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 \$60,000. **As of 01/08/2024 Pledged: \$45,451.23 paid so far \$45,251.23 which is 75% of our goal from 163 donors. Thank you.**

ANNUAL  
**CATHOLIC**  
*Appeal*  
 2023  
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# **Saint Jerome School**

*The Parish of*  
**Our Lady of Hope**



*Join us for our* **OPEN HOUSE**  
Sunday, January 28th following  
the 9:30 am Mass

Learn about our school,  
visit our classrooms, meet  
our teachers, and talk to  
current school families  
over coffee.

*Call us for more  
information!*



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