

# 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**

*Celebrating*  
**THE HOLY YEAR**

**"HOPE DOES NOT DISSAPOINT"**

**Romans 5:5**



*January 19, 2025 \* Second Sunday In Ordinary Time*



**Saint Jerome School \* National Blue Ribbon School**  
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## *A Letter from Father Marcin*

Dear Parish Family,

I have mentioned in the previous bulletin that we are celebrating the Holy Jubilee Year of Hope, but also a 1700-year anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. The most familiar consequence of that council is the Nicæan Creed that we profess at every Sunday or Solemnity. This Creed or declaration of the faith is much longer version than the apostle's creed that we use for example when starting to pray the rosary. We may wonder why do we need a lengthier creed, which expresses the fundamental articles of our Catholic Faith? The reason for a lengthier creed was for the purpose of expressing more precisely the believes about God, about each divine person of the Blessed Trinity, so that the authentic and correct understanding would defend and preserve the Church and its members from falling into erroneous belief about God. We Catholics and Christians believe specific truths about God, which He himself revealed to us about himself. We do not believe like Agnostics or Deists, that God is unknowable, and one can only believe that he is or exist, but nothing more can be known. We do not believe in any God that we can imagine or think off, but a clear and precise believe in one God that is a communion of three divine persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in short Blessed (Holy) Trinity. We would not have this knowledge if God himself did not choose to reveal it. We do not believe in a non-personal God, but one who is a communion of three divine persons. Therefore, we do not relativize the belief in God saying, "we all believe in the same God," because we do not. We Catholics believe in God as he truly is and not based on some made out idea of God. Our believe in God is not based on human experience of God, but rather on God's own self-revelation.

It was the man's struggle to understand God's revelation that brought out difficulties and problems and wrong conclusions, which resulted in bringing about erroneous believes about God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. From the first centuries of the Church the Christians wrestled to understand and correctly express the truths about God. We have received the revelation through Christ, but it did not automatically translate into precise doctrine. Some truths about Christ or the Holy Spirit, were not yet clearly understandable and it required clarification. The clarifications were not an alteration of the faith or add-ons to the revelation but rather a deepening of understanding of the truths of our Faith. Those truths needed to be clearly spelled out to remove confusion and doubts, so that the entire Church could profess one Faith with confidence and certainty. The Nicæan creed became a safe lock to rely on to keep intact the authentic Faith and to profess the true faith in one and true God.

One major erroneous belief that was debunked by the Council was denial of the divinity of Christ. The believe that Christ was just a man had a strong hold on many bishops and large portions of the Christian faithful in different regions of the world that Christianity was practiced. Thanks to great minds like St. Athanasius this erroneous belief was exposed and condemned as a contradictory belief, which undermined Christ and his work of salvation. Unfortunately, after 1700 years since the council this error has resurfaced once again in our Church. This error impacts both clergy and lay faithful due to error of rationalism and modernism, which has also a strong hold on the world today. It is, therefore, once again the task of both the clergy and faithful to reaffirm the Divinity of Christ as it is clearly expressed in the Nicæan Creed. Just like in the past so today this error is expressed in a very subtle way, and it requires vigilance of mind in keeping to the authentic Catholic Faith as was always taught and not allowing our-selves to be swayed by proposals that undermine it, question it or put it into doubt. I will be explaining the meaning of the articles of

Nicæan Creed in future bulletins. Because we also have a Jubilee Year of Hope, I will be interweaving the presentation on Creed and on Hope, so please check in the bulletin every week, so that you may not miss out on anything.

Our Lady of Hope, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

## Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday January 18	4:00 PM	Julio Cesar Galicia + Req. Family
Sunday, January 19	7:30 AM	Thanksgiving mass for Ben D'Silva (50th Birth- day) Phyllis Thompson + Req. Family Req. Greg & Terry Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Jean Lenzo + Frank Bulzis + Req. Marie Curtis Req. Doreen & Mark Bulzis
Wednesday, January 22	8:30 AM	Richard Loeffler, Sr + Req. Richard Loeffler
Friday, January 24	8:30 AM	Daniel Del Tufo + Req. Rosemary Finnegan
Saturday, January 25	8:30 AM	Constance Panzarella + Req. Richard Loeffler
	4:00 PM	Joan Severino + Joan Haggblom + Req. Margaret & Steve Req. John, Patricia Mackin & Family
Sunday, January 26	7:30 AM	Living and deceased parishioners and loved ones
	9:00 AM	Frances and Guido Monteleone + Josephine Agostino + Req. Monteleone Family Req. Monteleone Family
	11:00 AM	William Yuchinskas Peggy Ager + Req. Ferraro family Req. Carmella Sylvester & Family

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, January 18	5:00PM	Deceased members of McCormick Family + Betty Lumley + Req. Donna Scally Req. Donna Scally
Sunday January 19	8:00 AM	Elizabeth Chang & Family Dr. Thomas Young –Tae Kong Req. Helen Kong Req. Helen Kong
	10:00 AM	Deceased members of Scally Family+ Charles Ruggirello + Req. Donna Scally Req. His Wife, Sandy
Monday, January 20	9:00AM	Thanksgiving for Ben D'Silva Celebrating his 50th Birthday Req. His Family
Tuesday, January 21	9:00 AM	Vera & Jim Ciavaglia + Req. Elizabeth Hardy
Wednesday, January 22	9:00 AM	James Meola+ Req. Meola Family
Thursday, January 23	9:00 AM	Victims of California Fires
Saturday, January 25	5:00 PM	Jose Garcia Ferreira Joseph Cilento + 1st Anniversary Sophie Pierog Callaghan Req. Patty Carvalho & Family Req. Cheryl & Family Req. Cheryl & Family
Sunday, January 26	8:00 AM	Caitlin Nora Rochan + Ginny & Joe Marmora+ Req. Flanagan Family Req. Elizabeth Hardy
	10:00 AM	James & Kathy McCann + Charles Ruggirello + Req. Katie McCann Req. His Wife, Sandy

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK :**

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

**THANK YOU!**



### Contact Information

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

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### Weekend Assistant Priests

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# Our Lady of Hope Parish

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 the Filippini Sisters. Your dedication helps fulfill the Filippini Sisters mission, "Go and Teach the word of God"!

God bless you.

Sister Elizabeth Seton Dalessio, MPF  
Principal



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

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope



## Preparing SJ Church for Christmas '24 Garland, Trees & Wreaths — Flowers & Creche

Thank you to the SJC parishioners who set aside time from their busy schedules to help prepare SJ church so beautifully for Christmas:

Ben D'Silva  
Richard & Connie Dominguez  
John Duff  
Michael & Tracy Paolantonio  
Dennis & Eileen Pepitone  
Amanda Prascsak (Nativity design)  
Elizabeth Rathjens  
Kate Sbailo (Main altar arrangement)  
Ed Scholtz  
and the helping hands of SJS altar servers.

May God bless you this New Year!

Christine Scholtz  
OLOH Parish Staff

*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:** David Applegate, Don Hopkins, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Gary Edelson, Vincent Covelto Jr, Nick Grieco, Michael Romano, Fiona Lytle.

**Week 2:**

**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 \*\*



# 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, Jan 11/ Jan 12, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$1,610	74 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 1,866	60 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,529	100 people
Online Giving	\$ 1,023	39 families
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6.028</b>	<b>234 people</b>



Saturday/Sunday, Jan 11/Jan 12, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 734	67 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 942.22	87 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1037	122 people
Online Giving	\$ 777	25 families
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,490.22</b>	<b>249 people</b>

**Pro Life \$1,480 Thank you!**

**Respect Human Life \$1,138 Thank you!**

The Parish of our Lady of Hope  
Welcomes our Newly Baptized  
**LEONARDO DOMINIC PERRI**  
Son of:  
**Michael A. Perri & Sarah C. Beharry**

*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 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.

### YEAR OF HOPE CORNER

***“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord. He is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream. It fears not the heat when it comes, its leaves stay green. In the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit.” Jeremiah 17:7-8***

### MARCH FOR LIFE 2025 WASHINGTON, DC, FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

Chartered Bus Transportation from Star of the Sea Church in Long Branch;  
All are Welcome; First Come, First Served for Reserved Seats on the Bus

The annual National March for Life is scheduled for Friday, January 24, 2025 in Washington, DC. Christ the King Parish (Star of the Sea Church and Holy Trinity Church) and St. Michael's Parish (both in Long Branch) are partnering to provide chartered bus transportation to the March. All are welcome on this bus; parishioners and non-parishioners alike.

The bus will be departing from the Star of the Sea parking lot (111 Chelsea Avenue, Long Branch), on January 24 at 6:45 a.m. following a 6:00 a.m. Mass in the Holy Family Room in the former parish office next door to the Star of the Sea Church. You may park your car for the day in the Star of the Sea parking lot. To sign-up for the bus (reservations in advance are required) and for additional information, please contact Kathryn Perez via phone at (732) 581-9735 or via email at [prolifekp@aol.com](mailto:prolifekp@aol.com).

The fee for the bus is \$10.00 per passenger. Cash or check payable to St. Michael's Church may be mailed to the St. Michael's parish office or dropped-off at the St. Michael's parish office (800 Ocean Avenue, Long Branch, NJ 07740) or paid as you board the bus. Please write on the memo line of your check "Bus to the March for Life". The deadline to reserve a seat on the bus is Tuesday, January 21. Seating on the bus is very limited, so it is important to sign-up for a seat as soon as possible (first come, first served).

The bus will return to the Star of the Sea parking lot at approximately 9:30 p.m. on Friday night the 24th. The bus will have a restroom on board. There will be a brief 15-minute break at an I-95 rest stop during our morning southbound travel and during our evening northbound travel. Students may travel on the bus at no charge. Children under 18 years of age accompanied by a parent may travel on the bus at no charge.

Please see the St. Michael's parish bulletin of January 12, 2025 at Pages 3, 6, and 7 for additional information (available at [www.stmichaelnj.com](http://www.stmichaelnj.com)). Please pray for an end to abortion; for competent and compassionate care for pregnant women and new mothers in need; and for conversion, reconciliation, and healing. Also, please note that NJ Right to Life's Rally for Life and March for Life in Trenton will be on Thursday, September 25, 2025.

*Saint Jerome Students*

2025 Jubilee Year  
Pilgrims of Hope



**Saint Jerome School**  
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*Join us for our* **OPEN HOUSE**  
Sunday, January 26th following  
the 9:00 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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