

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



The Spirit
of the Lord
is upon me.

Luke 4:18

January 26, 2025 * Third Sunday In Ordinary Time



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A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

This third Sunday of the Ordinary Time is a Sunday of the Word of God. It was designated by pope Francis as a day of focus, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. The Word of God is an essential element of living the Christian life. The Word of God instruct and corrects, encourage and helps in coming to know our God. Through the Word of God, God makes himself known to us. It is therefore an intrinsic part of our day-to-day life. Reading the Word of God and meditating on it provides us with the needed knowledge that transform our lives by informing our mind and heart about realities and truths that are not perceptible to our senses that cannot be known through human experience or created reality. The Word of God uses analogies from the created world for the purpose of being an instrument by which the truths of God can be communicated to our mind for better understanding.

St. Paul compares the Word of God to the sword, because of God's Word being able to penetrate beyond external physical reality into interior and hidden reality of the heart and soul. Because the human person operates on a much deeper level than just physical body. It is within the human heart and soul that the truth is being discerned and known. It is the human heart that directs our choices in life and guides us in the life of both virtue and fulfilment. It is the heart that stirs our will to pursue different goods in the hope of finding in them satisfaction for the happiness of our life. Therefore, truly receiving the Word of God is not just a matter of reading it or listening to it in the external sense but bringing it into the heart so that our heart can be changed by it and in consequence to bring about the change of our life.

It is therefore important for every Christian to learn to truly listen to the Word of God. I remember once speaking to a mother who was bringing her child to religious education. It was good that she wanted her child to receive instruction in the Catholic Faith. I engaged her in conversation and in the process of exchanging our words, she made me aware that she no longer came to Mass. She explained that she has heard the readings of the Word of God, and it is constantly the same, in a sense it was not bringing to her anything new. This is the example of a Christian who thought that the Word of God could be exhausted, because of its limited amount on the pages of copied paper. Would I fall into this same reasoning? How do I listen to the Word of God? Is it just the same thing over and over and there is nothing new? Even if my ability to listen to the Word of God is not yet developed on the level of contemplative life, I can start by simply listening to the Word of God as a holy reminder of those things that I need to incorporate into my life. There are so many different parts of human life that the Word of God addresses, and I may need to amend or adjust, that the repetitive aspect of listening to the Word of God is quite helpful since it is so easy for us to forget or to be distracted from the goal of our life.

One aspect of listening to the Word of God is that it has a power to lift us up. The Word of God gives us hope when life is hard or when we face trials and sufferings. The Word of God gives us hope because it reminds us of what God has done in the past and how those generations or individuals received help from God in a time of their difficulty. The Word of God gives us hope because it reminds us that God is constantly present to us and is with us in very moment of our current life. The Word of God gives us hope because it offers us the knowledge of wonderful future things that are yet to come and to which our life draws near. Even the most difficult passages of the Bible are the source of hope because they provide us with wisdom how God acts, and they teach us to understand those things that are of value to Him and therefore should be to us as well. It is my hope that we all may continue to grow in listening to the Word of God, not just with our ears but most importantly with our hearts.

Our Lady of Hope, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday January 25	4:00 PM	Joan Severino + Req. Margaret & Steve Joan Haggblom + 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 + Req. Monteleone Family Josephine Agostino + Req. Monteleone Family
	11:00 AM	William Yuchinskas Req. Ferraro family Peggy Ager + Req. Carmella Sylvester & Family
Wednesday, January 29	8:30 AM	Matilda "Dolly" Piccione + Req. Monteleone Family
Friday, January 31	8:30 AM	Vivian Margaret Drew + Req. Monteleone Family
Saturday, February 1	8:30 AM	Kathleen Celli + Req. Monteleone Family
	4:00 PM	Tony Strollo + Req. Mom & Dad Ivanna Portillo + Req. parents
Sunday, February 2	7:30 AM	Living and deceased parishioners and loved ones
	11:00 AM	Julio Cesar Galicia + Req. Family Francis "Bucky" Grimm + Req. Robert & Rose Van Brunt

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, January 25	5:00PM	Jose Garcia Ferreira Req. Patty Carvalho & Family Joseph Cilento + 1st Anniversary Req. Cheryl & Family Sophie Pierog Callaghan Req. Cheryl & Family
Sunday January 26	8:00 AM	Caitlin Nora Rochan + Req. Flanagan Family Ginny & Joe Marmor + Req. Elizabeth Hardy
	10:00 AM	James & Kathy McCann + Req. Katie McCann Charles Ruggirello + Req. His Wife, Sandy
Monday, January 27	9:00AM	Deceased members of the McCormick Family Req. Donna Scally
Tuesday, January 28	9:00 AM	Pray of Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Wednesday, January 29	9:00 AM	Marie Sally + Req. Donna Scally Robert (Bob) Wade + Req. His Family
Thursday, January 30	9:00 AM	Jack Lumley + Req. Donna Scally
Saturday, February 1	5:00 PM	Rimas Lukas + - In memory of his Birthday Req. Joann Fischer Sophia Chang & Family Req. Helen Kong
Sunday, February 2	8:00 AM	John McTague + Req. White Family James Meola + Req. Jamie & Donato Saponaro
	10:00 AM	Rob Stratton + Req. His Wife, Barbara Marie Ferragine + 17th Anniversary Req. Maria & Kent Croft



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

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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Gift Amount: ___ \$500 ___ \$250 ___ \$100 ___ \$ 25 ___ Other \$ ___

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Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Check Payable to Saint Jerome School

Credit Card Payment please visit saintjermomeschool.org or ladyofhopeparish.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday-February 7

3:00-6:00 pm

St. Mary Church



Parish Giving

Enhancing Stewardship through
Electronic Funds Transfer



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: 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 2: 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 3:

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 **



Altar Rosary Society: Happy New Year to all our parishioners! Hope you all had a wonderful holiday and that a wonderful 2025 is in store for you! Our first get-together this year will be the first Saturday of next month - February 1, at the 8:30 am Mass at St. Jerome's, followed by our meeting in the Rectory conference room. We'll be planning our events for the year and invite you to join us. If interested-- and we hope you are--call Rae at 732-859-7538.



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.



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 18/ Jan 19, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$1,494	82 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 609	77 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,757	181 people
Online Giving	\$ 1,103	39 families
Total	\$ 4,963	340 people



Saturday/Sunday, Jan 18/Jan 19, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 780	73 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 832	70 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1027	135 people
Online Giving	\$ 697	25 families
Total	\$3,336	249 people

Thank you!

Interfaith Neighbors \$1,233.22 Thank you!

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



**The Parish of our Lady of Hope
Welcomes our Newly Baptized
Zoe Chang Gallagher
Daughter of:
William J. Gallagher & Lilian Chang-Gallagher**

REQUIESCAT IN PACE
Please remember in your prayers the happy repose of the soul of:
Rose Mahedy
*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon her.*

YEAR OF HOPE CORNER

Be at Peace
Do not look forward in fear to the changes of life; rather look to them with full hope as they arise. God, whose very own you are, will deliver you from out of them. He has kept you hitherto, and He will lead you safely through all things; and when you cannot stand it, God will bury you in his arms. Do not fear what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you then and every day. He will either shield you from suffering, or give you unflinching strength to bear it. Be at peace, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imagination.

2024 Contribution Statements

Parishioners who would like to receive their 2024 Contribution Statement can cut this out and return it to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket. You may also request a Contribution Statement by emailing either:

office@ladyofhopeparish.org
or **stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org**

The statements will be available at the end of January.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

If you would like your statement emailed to you, please provide your email address:
Email: _____

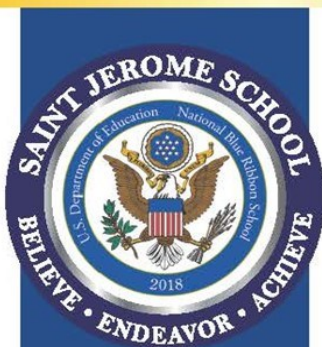
The church statements will only reflect the donations given in your envelopes at Church. To get a statement for your online donations, go directly to the Parish Giving Website and log into your account or call 866-307-7140 for additional assistance.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

BELIEVE ENDEAVOR ACHIEVE

Please join us for our annual celebration of National Catholic Schools Week. The theme, “Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.,” highlights our focus on faith development, academic excellence and dedication to community service. On Wednesday, January 29th, Bishop O’Connell will celebrate Mass with the children. After the Liturgy, the Bishop will bless the new STEM mobile classroom. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit but service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. This year we are proud to once again partner with Blessing Bag Brigade NJ to help deliver bags of hope and comfort to the homeless of Monmouth County and surrounding areas. On Wednesday evening, January 29th, prospective students and their families are invited to meet teachers and students, discover our classrooms and learn more about what makes **Saint Jerome School the BEST!**



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YOU’RE INVITED TO ATTEND SAINT JEROME SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

JANUARY 26, 2025 | 10:30AM - 12:30PM
JANUARY 29, 2025 | 6:00PM - 7:30PM

2018 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

The Saint Jerome School community strives to guide and motivate all students to achieve their greatest success in intellectual and spiritual development by providing an academically excellent education rooted in Catholic values.

Saint Jerome School lessons are aligned with the Diocesan curriculum.
Welcoming and secure environment | Accredited PreK- Grade 8

Students score in the top 15% of the country in English Language Arts and Math.

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