

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

Saint Jerome
Church

254 Wall Street
West Long Branch, NJ 07764

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am and 11:00am
Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30am
Confessions: By appointment and
Second Saturday 12:00– 12:45 PM



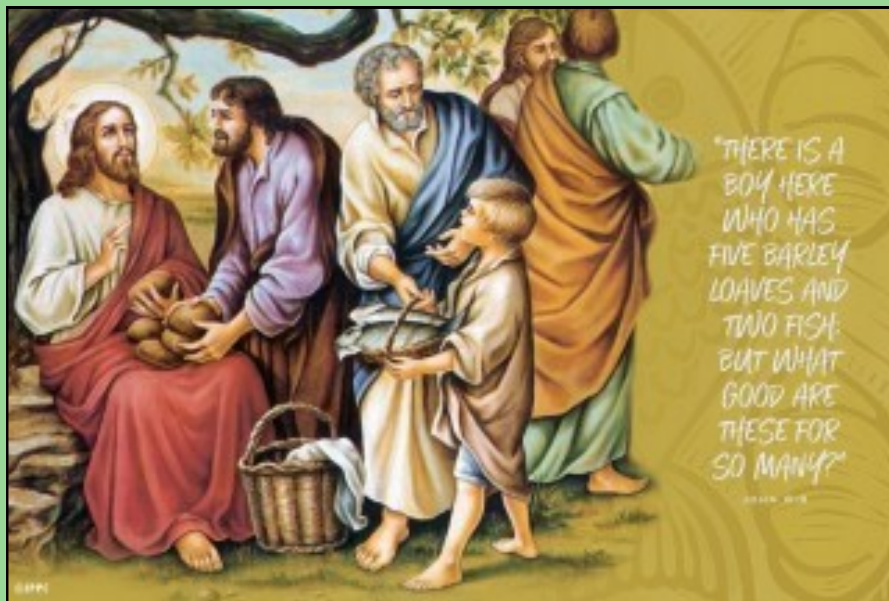
Saint Mary of the
Assumption Church

46 Richmond Avenue
Deal, NJ 07723

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am
Daily: Monday to Thursday at 9:00am
Confessions: By appointment and
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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.



July 25, 2021 * Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint Jerome School * Blue Ribbon Awardee

Office Number: 732-222-8686

Website Address: www.saintjermeschool.org



Pastoral and Support Staff

Pastor: Fr. Sheldon Amasa
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Weekly Collection and Attendance

May the good Lord bless you for your generosity and presence!

St. Jerome

Saturday/Sunday, July 17/18, 2021		
5:00 pm Mass	\$1,767.50	72 people
7:30 am Mass	\$1,542.00	107 people
11:00 am Mass	\$2,555.00	106 people
Online Giving	\$1,255.00	43 families
Total	\$7,119.50	285 people
Last year same weekend total	\$5,174.00	Mail In



St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, July 17/18, 2021		
5:00 pm Mass	\$641.00	72 people
8:00 am Mass	\$3,828.00	90 people
10:00 am Mass	\$1,356.00	94 people
Online Giving	\$592.00	26 families
Total	\$6,417.00	256 people
Last year same weekend total	\$2,616.00	Mail In

Interfaith Neighbors: \$1,899.00 —Thank You!

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!



Please help us meet our goal, donations can be made **on line** www.dioceseoftrenton/catholicappeal or cards with envelopes may be picked up outside the rectory from the box where the bulletins are kept.

Our Lady of Hope Parish Goal :

\$60,000 Collected \$33,990 by 156 Donors

NEIGHBORING PARISHES OF

Northeast Monmouth
Cohort 17

Christ the King • Our Lady of Hope Parish • St. Michael

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Michael (www.stmichaelnj.com)

Fr. Alphonse Stephenson and His 1940s Big Band will be performing an outdoor concert on the front lawn of St. Michael's Church on Sunday, July 25 beginning at 5:00 p.m. The concert is free-of-charge and open to the public. Please bring your own seating (folding beach chair, beach blanket, etc.) and feel free to bring a picnic basket. Additional information is on the parish website.

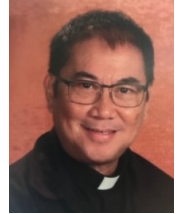
First Friday Mass in Latin on Friday, August 6th at 12:15 p.m. followed by Confessions until 1:15, Eucharistic Adoration 1:00 to 5:15, Mass (in English) at 5:30, and Confessions 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. **Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations** on Thursday, August 5th at 7:00 p.m. (Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Confessions).

A Letter from Father Sheldon

My dear sisters and brothers,

It is a fact that there is still a problem of hunger in many peoples around the globe. United Nations reported that more than 811 million people still go hungry — days without eating a meal.

It is also a fact that more than enough food is produced to feed the global population. To me, that means there is not enough effort made by governments and even our Church to solve this problem of hunger. It is not just the problem of “food delivery”. It is first a problem of global hunger for God. Unless we unite seriously to respond to God’s call to live His Word, we can never win our fight over greed and selfish lifestyles. They are the root of this problem.



Only God can satisfy our hunger. In the Gospel, Jesus miraculously fed more than five thousand people. The crowds following Jesus were eager to hear his teachings. They were hungry for his words Jesus knew it. But Jesus also saw their physical needs and he had pity for them. You see when we really seek The Lord, there is no need to worry. God sees what we really need and will provide. Many of us would first think of our immediate physical needs before giving time to God.

Remember Jesus is God who feeds. It is by feeding us that he unites us. He gathers us together to be God’s people. This Holy Mass is an act of having meal. The feeding of the five thousand prefigures this Eucharistic meal. In this meal, He will satisfy the hunger of all God’s people With His own Body and blood. Jesus is The bread from heaven whose power is to nourish and unite us here on earth, so that we will all reach together with Him our heavenly homeland.

Let us not forget that we have brothers and sisters who are homebound or in the hospital who need God in the Eucharist brought to them. We NEED **Eucharistic Ministers** to bring them communion. Our Cohorts are working together to form a new team of EMs to minister to the sick at Monmouth Medical Center. If you are a EM or would like to become one please contact Debbie Ronan : debora.ronan@gmail.com.

I’m praying for you and with you.

Fr. Sheldon

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

For centuries St. Joseph has remained behind the scenes. Jose Rodriguez, author of *The Book of Joseph*, 2020, reminds us that everything is done in *God’s* time. During the first millennium of Christianity, the early Church “focused on who Jesus was and continues to be for His followers.” The second millennium “focused on knowing Christ more intimately” and so it turned to Mary. Who better to teach us how to love Jesus than His mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary? That brings us to the current millennium. Rodriguez describes the current millennium as troublesome times. We are living in the midst of a war that is being waged against manhood, marriage, family, the unborn, and the Church, just to name a few. Our world is in desperate need of a model of manhood and fatherhood. We need a protector of families and children, both born and unborn, and a protector of the Universal Church. Enter - St. Joseph! (Rodriguez, p. 175-180).

Men, reflect on the manhood of St. Joseph and strive to model him, pray to Joseph for guidance and help.

Fathers, reflect on St. Joseph’s role as earthly father of Jesus, loving spouse of the Virgin Mary and head of the Holy family. Pray to St. Joseph to help you become the husband and father God meant you to be.

Parents, St. Joseph knows that parenthood is not easy. You can always go to St. Joseph to help you model your family on the Holy Family, a family grounded in faith and trust in a loving God. You can always call upon St. Joseph to help you create a loving and nurturing environment for your children. And don't forget to pray to St. Joseph for his protection of your children. Remember when St. Joseph, upon an angel’s warning, fled to Egypt with the Holy Family to save Jesus from Herod’s murderous sword? According to Catholic mystics, while St. Joseph led the Holy Family to safety, he wept for the innocent children who were slaughtered by Herod. Joseph loves children, therefore, call upon him to help protect your children from today’s “Herods.”

Dear parishioners of OLOH, pray to St. Joseph for his continued protection of the Church, which is being assaulted on all fronts. Also, pray to St. Joseph for the protection of the unborn, life in the womb is very precious to him.

Go to Joseph! He’s waiting for you to seek his intercession in all your needs.

Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions		
Saturday, July 24	5:00 PM	Dolores Fraterrigo Rosemary & Rob Finnegan Ivanna Portillo Her parents
Sunday, July 25	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners In memory of Giacomina Paonessa Gulli The Laugelli family Josephine Torchia Her daughters
	11:00 AM	John Marotta John & Theresa Addeo Joseph Marotta Maryanne Ioli
Wednesday, July 28	8:30 AM	Captain Richard Toft US Navy , USN (retired) The Toft family Irene & Dusty Baldwin Charlie Holtz
Friday, July 30	8:30 AM	In honor of Raffaele and Lori DeLeonardis 22nd Wedding Anniversary SJS Faculty & Staff Joan Mary Thomas Pat & Al Choback
Saturday, July 31	8:30 AM	Raffaele DeLeonardis Richard Loeffler Donna Holtz Charlie Holtz
	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Tony Strollo Rich & Connie Dominguez Robert Finnegan Marianne Calise
Sunday, August 1	7:30 AM	John Chapski Terri & Colleen Bordiuk Raffaele DeLeonardis Greg & Terri Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Anibal Gomes Vasco Gomes Donald Curtis Marie Curtis



Did you know you can request Sanctuary Lamp dedication for the week ?
Call either St. Jerome or St. Mary's parish office to make arrangements.

"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 \$12 each and can be for loving memorials, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special intentions. Please contact Donna Tomaino for available dates at 732-996-6037 or email: tomainotippycat@comcast.net

Bishop's Anniversary Blessings 2021; October 3, Burlington/Mercer; October 10

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2020 or 2021 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Burlington and Mercer Counties may attend the Sunday, October 3, 2021 Mass and Blessing at 3:00 pm at St. Mary Cathedral in Trenton. Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and Blessing at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 3 pm. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, attendance at Mass is limited but both events will be livestreamed. Couples may register online .

For more information or to register online go to www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing. The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is **September 15, 2020**.



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: Pat Serafino

Week 2: Alan Dunphy, Linda Hopkins, Tim Sicilano, David, Maureen & Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

Week 3: Sam B., Kaleigh Britton, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Stephanie Sassola,

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 ****



Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Mass Intentions		
Saturday, July 24	5:00 PM	Rosa Maria Mazzone Sue & Jim Berner Louise Flanagan-Armstrong (In remembrance of her 100th birthday) John Flanagan-Armstrong
Sunday, July 25	8:00 AM	Rose Lucchi Grace Foley Mary & Bob Waitt
	10:00 AM	Michael Shinn Jane Hughes Teresa Chollowinski Jane Hughes
Monday, July 26	9:00 AM	Anna Rosano Nella Joseph Trad
Tuesday, July 27	9:00 AM	Peter & Mary Lillis Ann Flanagan family Dr. Edo Joseph Salva Elaine Salva & Vince Troniec
Wednesday, July 28	9:00 AM	Dora Holler Robert & Irene Burney
Thursday, July 29	9:00 AM	Dr. John Sears (5th Anniversary) Anne Sears
Saturday, July 31	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Dr. Yoo-Hack-Hahn Helen Kong
Sunday, August 1	8:00 AM	Frank Regulski (28th Anniversary) Norma Don Bennett David Applegate
	10:00 AM	James, Lorraine & Brian McCarthy Their family William Rogers Rick Martel

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

*Joseph and Jo-Anne Heggie and their daughters, Emma
and Anna*

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Mr. and Mrs. Jason Burke

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Mr. and Mrs. Kent Croft

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Copperthwaite

&

Jim and Sue Berner



Here's One Positive Encouragement

Written by a fellow parishioner

"You have nothing to FEAR but FEAR itself". We say we are Catholics; we follow Jesus' teachings and the 10 commandments given by our Father in heaven. How often during the day do we fortify our day with the following: "In God we trust", "Trust in God", "God does not make junk", "Jesus loves me"? Yet if we follow the above teachings as a Catholic, how can we be afraid of anything? In these past months did you continue your daily routine as well as you could without FEAR, or did you succumb with resentment to the circumstances which were out of your control? Were you afraid of losing a loved one or your loved ones' losing you? We are here as Catholics on earth to learn to love and to enjoy the beauty of God's earth, it is all around us to enjoy. We must take the time to realize the beauty that surrounds us and deeply appreciate what we encounter. We are here to honor God through our good works and deeds which will show Him how much we love Him and our fellow man, while preparing for our soul to be one with Him in heaven. So, what are you afraid of? Joining God is what we as Catholics HOPE for, yet we worry we will meet Him before our time. Is not this thought presumptuous of us that we should be telling God when we should become one with Him? In my opinion, the two greatest gifts God has given us is our free will and our time on earth. These are the same gifts we can share with others through our good works. Are you giving God daily, the gift of you? Hopefully, as a Catholic, you are doing this and once you truly give your life to God, you will realize that there is nothing in this world that is as satisfying. Understand that all your so-called trials and tribulations are manageable, there is nothing that cannot be solved if in fact it does exist at all. It is my HOPE that you will truly give yourself to God. Remember "Don't worry be happy", that is why you are here. Ignore the negatives, instead, amplify and enjoy the positives in everything. "Whatever will be, will be, the future's not is not ours to see". God made us all different, we all have our own unique qualities and challenges. Accept these qualities and challenges equally with humility, love and grace. Remove the word FEAR from your vocabulary because if you believe, you have nothing to FEAR!

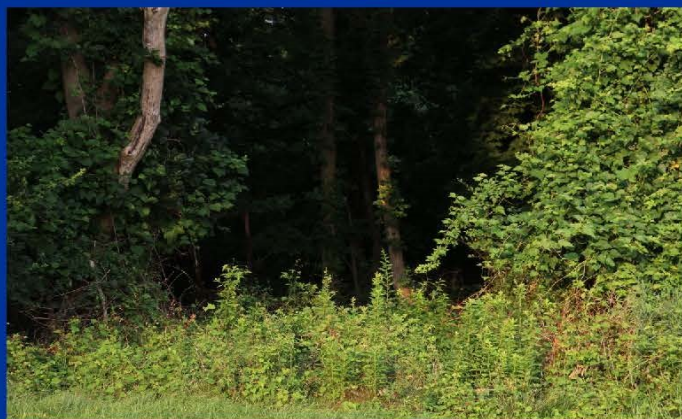
Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for July

Social Friendship

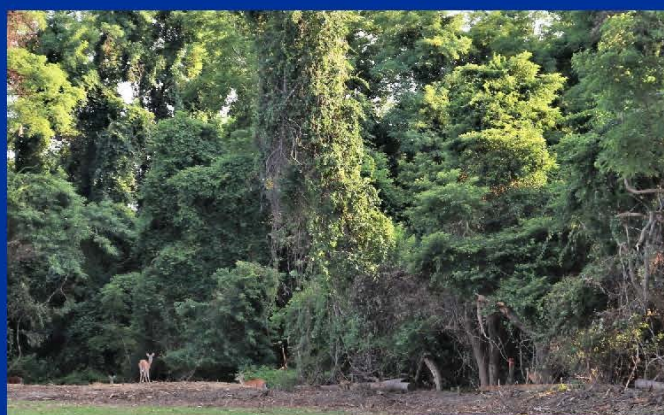
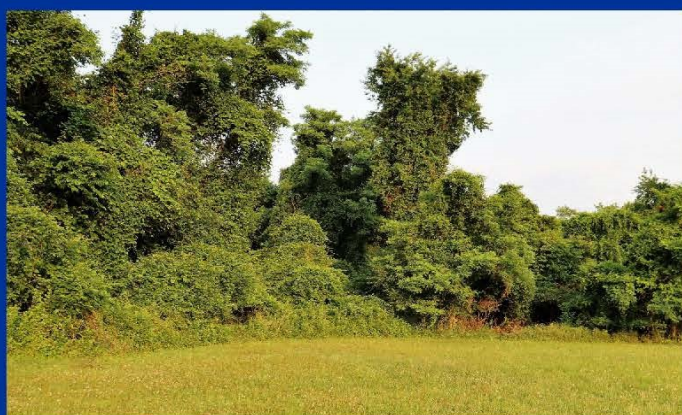
We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

PROGRESS WITH A PURPOSE: PHASE ONE!

BEFORE



AFTER



YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK!

This year, the children spent much more time outside. It soon became clear that our fields needed a facelift! In order to reintroduce softball and cross country and add soccer, we needed to clear the diseased and dead trees and underbrush and regrade the fields. The children, with the help of the faculty and parents organized our first Jump-a-thon with the Knights of Columbus! We need \$60,000 to complete the entire project. We hoped to raise \$10,000 with the Jump-a-thon. But as usual, our students never cease to amaze us. With the support and generosity of our Parishioners, friends and families, the children raised \$25,000, enough for the first phase!

Through the goodness of our Alumni, the Pillari Brothers Construction Corp. will start the second phase. Using the latest drone technology, they are providing the topographic study to create the plan for grading the fields. We still need your help! We are working with another vendor to complete the fields.

Obviously, we need additional funds (\$35,000) to complete the field. We are looking for masons to build our dugouts. The Blessed Mother Shrine is also getting a facelift. The diseased trees and deadly vines were removed. Now, we need to plant new trees to honor the Blessed Mother. Please let us know if you can help us or if you know of anyone that we can ask to help us with the next phase.

For now, we are excited that the field is ready for Our Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 26, 2021. Make sure you join us to reunite our parish after the restraints of the past year and of course to ***enjoy the view!***