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

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.



June 30, 2024 * Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint Jerome School * Blue Ribbon Awardee

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A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

This past week we celebrated the memorials of two Saints. Saint Irenaeus from 3rd century who was a bishop and martyr and Saint Cyril of Alexandria a bishop and doctor of the church from 5th century. Both these saints battled with the groups and individuals who proposed erroneous beliefs, which undermined the Christian faith. These saints understood the importance of following the authentic teaching of Christ and they defended the orthodox teaching of the Catholic Church. Their stance should be ours as well. We too as Faithful Catholics in our times are called to defend our faith and seek to preserve it intact for generations of those who will come after us. Throughout Church's history the Christians struggled to preserve the purity of faith from any innovations or erroneous presentation of Christ's teaching, which would result in derailing people from the right path of salvation and endangering their hope for eternal life in heaven. As the world of today proposes to the people many erroneous beliefs, falsehoods, misinformation and misleading interpretations of reality, so too the Church of today, like in past centuries, has to face the same struggles to hold on to the faith.

Saint Irenaeus dealt with the groups called Gnostics, who believed that there is God, however he cannot be known and therefore they rejected God's self-revelation. On the other hand, they believed that salvation can only be achieved through possession of secret knowledge and only those who have this secret knowledge will attain eternal life. Sadly, to say that those groups would form from within the Christian communities and through misleading individuals would eventually split apart to create their own groups that no longer followed the right Christian teaching or right gospel, but instead a false gospel and erroneous teaching. In the effect, those groups would cause divisions and confusion among the Christians faithful. This would stifle the missionary work of evangelization and would undermine the credibility of the Christian faith, which was undergoing persecution from the Roman Empire, but also opposition from those practicing other religions like for example the Jewish religion. Saint Irenaeus published writings in which he would explain the erroneous claims Gnostics made and he would extensively explain the true Christian Gospel. Thanks to his writings not only those Christians of his time were of benefit to know and understand the true Catholic Faith, but even those Christians who lived up to and including our times. Thanks to St. Irenaeus writings we can demonstrate to those Christians believers who are not following the true Gospel of Jesus Christ why they need to abandon their erroneous believes and accept the one and unaltered Faith of the Catholic Church. Because St. Irenaeus closed proximity to the times of the apostolic era provides clear evidence to the protestants believers and other sects like for example Mormons that the Catholic Faith is the authentic faith established by Christ that leads us to salvation and is the right one to follow. St. Irenaeus writings show that the Catholic Faith of his time is the same as professed by Catholics now. Due to many myths and lies that were spread by protestants that the Catholic Faith became corrupted and therefore it is no longer the true Church and true Faith established by Christ. The witness of the Faith in St. Irenaeus writings debunks those myths and lies and defend our claim that we are the one true Faith. When St. Irenaeus explained the Faith in his writings, he could not have known the profound impact and priceless good that his work will provide for the good of the Church and the salvations of souls.

Saint Cyril of Alexandria too was concerned with preserving the authentic Faith of Christ, which was put into doubt by a Catholic Bishop Nestorius of Constantinople (today called Istanbul in Turkey). St. Cyril received the word that Nestorius taught that Mary was not the mother of God, but only the mother of Jesus. Nestorius claimed that Mary only gave birth to the human part of Christ and therefore was only the mother of human Jesus. This claim raised a doubt not only against Mary being truly the mother of Christ, but it directly attacked the person of Jesus Christ. The Church is 325 A.D. (Anno Domini) during the Ecumenical Council of Nicaea affirmed and declared that Jesus is one divine person who possesses two natures human and divine. This teaching about Christ was firmly held by the Church and it was expressed every time the Nicaean Creed was professed during Mass. The Nestorius claim put this believe about Christ into question. In 431 A.D. the Church convened the Ecumenical Council in Ephesus which was led by St. Cyril of Alexandria and with the approval of the current pontiff. St. Cyril pronounced the decree that was issued by the pope that condemned the erroneous claims of Nestorius and called for him to recount his erroneous believes so that he may return into union of one Faith with the Catholic Church. The bishop Nestorius did renounce his errors and the council was joyfully concluded and the rightful title to Mary as the Mother of God (Theotokos – God-bearer) was reaffirmed. In order that this believe about Mary and Christ would be upheld throughout the Church, the pope established the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God on the first day of the year.

May the example of these two saints help us to take to heart the need to know our Catholic Faith well, but also the inspiration to have courage to defend it. Let us remember that it is an act of mercy to instruct the ignorant and to call those in error to the truth. Let us grow in love for the Truth, because to love the Truth is to love Christ, who is the Truth as he said: "I am the way and the truth and the life".

St. Irenaeus, pray for us! St. Cyril of Alexandria, pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions				
Saturday, June 29	4:00 PM	Frank Ambrosino + Req. Madeline, Jackie, George Ottino Anthony Ambrosino + Req. Madeline, Jackie & George Ottino		
Sunday, June 30	7:30 AM	Luis & Eduardo Lozano +		
	11:00 AM	Katherine Sparendeo + Req. Ann Clarke John Marrotta + Req. Maria Graziano Serrao		
Wednesday, July 3	8:30 AM	Rose Lee + Req. Irene Ciarla Bruno J. Mandica + Req. John & Kitty Mandica		
Friday, July 5	8:30 AM	Margaret Corbo + Req. Vito & Liz Paolantonio		
Saturday, July 6	8:30 AM	Living and Deceased members of the Parish		
	4:00 PM	Bruno J. Mandica + Req. John & Kitty Mandica Tony Strollo + Req. Mom & Dad		
Sunday, July 7	7:30 AM	Albert & Marie Del maestro + Req. Phyllis Del maest		
	11:00 AM	Robert Finnegan + Req. Rosemary Finnegan Donald Curtis + Marie Curtis		



It's Secure: It's Convenient:. Tax Benefits: Parish Benefits:





PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, July 4th & Friday, July 5th

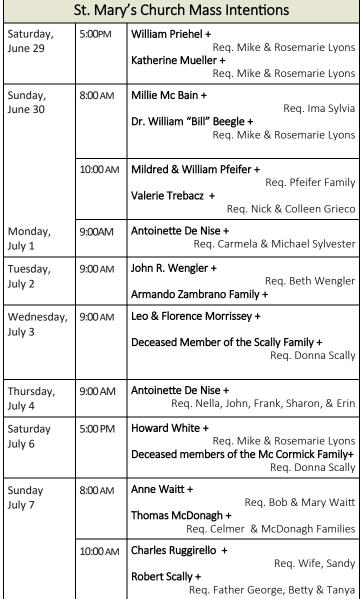
We will reopen Monday, July 8th



HAPPY 4TH OF JULY GOD BLESS AMERICA

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



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This process is for anyone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church. It is also for any baptized Catholic who needs to complete their initiation by receiving the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. For more

information please call Sister Elizabeth Toft.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS



732-222-8686.

Second Collection Next week:

Lawn Maintenance

Thank you!



Our Lady of Hope Parish

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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Friday-July 5th

3:00-6:00 pm St. Mary Church.



Daptismo

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.



Envelopes may be found in pews, back of church, and offices. Other ways to donate may be found on our website 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 \$55,000. As of 06/24/2024 paid so far \$36,515.00 which is 66% of our goal from 130 Donors. Thank you!





Please join us, the Associates of Saint Lucy Filippini, on a spiritual and pleasurable pilgrimage to Italy from November 4 to 14, 2024. We celebrate the life of Saint Lucy visiting places in Rome; Vatican City, Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel, Tarquinia, Montefiascone, Castel Gandolfo, Santa Maria Goretti's Shrine and more. Some of the special highlights will be joining Pilgrims from the world over for a Papal Audience with Our Holy Father Pope Francis and a visit with the Generalate of the Filippini Sisters. For further information please contact Sr. Lucy Battistuz ...lucybattistuz@gmail.com

(Note from Rae Marsico: I have been on this pilgrimage and it's a wonderful experience. You may call me for information as well at 732-859-7538.)

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

Saturday/Sunday, June 22/23, 2024					
4:00 PM Mass	\$ 624	59 people			
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 1,947	83 people			
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,641	105 people			
Online Giving	\$ 1,040	38 families			
Total	\$ 5,252	247 people			



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Saturday/Sunday, June 22/23, 2024				
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 688	47 people		
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,131	85 people		
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,258	102 people		
Online Giving	\$ 757	26 families		
Total	\$ 3,834	234 people		

St. Mary of the Assumption

Thank you!

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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, Peggy Hildebrand.

<u>Week 2:</u> Fiona Lytle, Candace, Barbara Compton, Alfred Trapanese, Rimas Lukas.

Week 3: Nick Greico, Michael Romano.

<u>Week 4:</u> Sam Britton, Regina Roche, Frank Marsico, Frank Signorelli, Rob Norman, Sammi Yanni, David, Myra and Maureen Walther, Bernice Cobb, and Carole Mueller. 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 **



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 Parish office: 732-222-1424 or Email office@ladyofhopeparish.org 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



Pastoral and Support Staff

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Saint Jerome School

Congratulations Father Nolan

50th Anniversary of Ordination



"We need them in life's early morning, we need them again at its close; We feel their warm clasp of friendship, we seek them when tasting life's woes. At the altar each day we behold them, and the hands of a king on his throne Are not equal to them in their greatness; their dignity stands all alone; And when we are tempted and wander to pathways of shame and sin, It's the hand of a priest that will absolve us - not once, but again and again; And when we are taking life's partner, other hands may prepare us a feast, But the hand that will bless and unite us is the beautiful hand of a priest. God bless them and keep them all holy For the Host which their fingers caress; When can a poor sinner do better than to ask Him to guide thee and bless? When the hour of death comes upon us may our courage and strength be increased. By seeing raised over us in anointing the beautiful hands of a priest!"





We offer you our sincere thanks and gratitude for having faithfully served as a priest for 50 years. We thank you for the grace you have bestowed upon us and for the gift of your ministry.

We thank you for providing us with hope, healing, and your many words of wisdom.

May you be blessed with joy, peace, strength and courage as you continue to serve God in the years ahead. May God bless you and always keep you in the Palm of His Hand.















