

# The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

St. Jerome Church  
254 Wall Street  
West Long Branch, NJ 07764

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM  
Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30 AM  
Confessions: Saturdays 4:00-4:45 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.



March 12, 2023 \* Third Sunday of Lent



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

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St. Mary's phone: 732-531-1409

Email Address: [stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org](mailto:stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org)

### Weekly Collection and Attendance

*May the good Lord bless you for your generosity*

St. Jerome

St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, March 4/5, 2023		
5:00 pm Mass	\$1,422.00	87 people
7:30 am Mass	\$1,881.00	95 people
11:00 am Mass	\$1,545.00	146 people
Online Giving	\$1,018.00	43 families
Total	\$5,866.00	328 people
Last year same weekend total	\$6,712.00	397 people



Saturday/Sunday, March 4/5, 2023		
5:00 pm Mass	\$475.00	68 people
8:00 am Mass	\$1,146.00	96 people
10:00 am Mass	\$2,233.00	130 people
Online Giving	\$787.00	30 families
Total	\$4,820.00	294 people
Last year same weekend total	\$3,507.00	232 people

**\*\*Please remember**

starting April 15 the 5:00 Vigil Mass at St. Jerome Church will be moved to 4:00 PM and confessions will be 3:00 –3:45 PM.\*\*



### **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](http://www.ladyofhopeparish.org) under the About us tab or email or call the Parish Office 732-222-1424 or [office@ladyofhopeparish.org](mailto:office@ladyofhopeparish.org). Thank you.

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### **CAREGIVER VOLUNTEERS**

Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey is an interfaith, non-profit organization providing free, supportive services to seniors who are 60+, are no longer driving and living in Monmouth or Ocean counties. With over 10 programs, including Respite Care, Food Shopping and Medical Transportation, Caregiver Volunteers is a well-rounded non-profit that seeks to decrease social isolation within the senior population and provide them with needs-based support. If you need services or would like to volunteer, please call 732-505-2273.

We will be speaking at Our Lady of Hope Parish both worship sites next weekend.

## A Letter from Father Sheldon

Dear Parish Family,

Water is a necessity. We can't live without it. Even if we are not thirsty, if we drink enough water everyday, it makes a lot of difference to our health because Water has also its natural healing power.

The Gospel for the Third Sunday of Lent, talks about water. Not the natural water but the living water that refreshes our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord.



A woman in Samaria needed water that day. She came to the well. Jesus was resting there. Jesus initiated a conversation by asking for a drink. The woman at the well did not know that her life will change that day. It was not her plan. But We can say. God has his plans for her. You see, Ordinarily there were already barriers for this to happen. First, The woman was Samaritan. Samaritans and Jews had a mutual resentment. Second, It was unlawful for women to speak to a rabbi. Third, She was known to be a sinner. But all these didn't matter to Jesus. He broke down all those barriers to bring new life to the woman. The woman have been fetching water from the well for her everyday survival. Jesus gave her the water that she did not even think she can still have- the loving mercy of God.

Let us come to the well of life made available by Jesus for all of us. For Jesus there are no social barriers. He wants us to engage in conversation with him in our prayers especially at Mass. The Eucharist is the wellspring of God's love. It is here the living water always refreshes us so we will find new meaning and purpose of our lives.

Stay on the Lenten Path.

Fr. Sheldon

The Holy Season of Lent brings with it the serious annual penitential obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent. This year, 2023, however, Friday of the third week of Lent corresponds with St. Patrick's Day (March 17), which has traditionally been an occasion for special celebrations. As Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton, I am granting a dispensation from the obligation to abstain from eating meat to Catholics of the Diocese of Trenton as well as to any visitors or travelers who may be physically present within the territory of this Diocese on Friday, March 17. Those Catholics taking advantage of the dispensation, however, are asked to transfer the Friday abstinence obligation to another day of their choosing in Lent or to perform a work of charity (for example, a donation to the poor) or some exercise of piety (for example, a visit to Church and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, a rosary, or some other prayer, etc.) to fulfill the spirit of the obligation.

### Lenten Soup for the Soul Series

#### San Alfonso Retreat House

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**Monday, March 27**

**6:00 – 8:30 PM**

**Soup Supper 6:00 PM, Presentation 7:00 pm**

**\$25 per person**

*Looking for some spiritual nourishment this Lent?*

*Come to our [Lenten Soup for the Soul Evening](#) this March!*

*Join us for some soup, fellowship, prayer and reflection to feed your body, mind, heart, and soul!*

**Monday, March 27, 2023**

***To Bear the Beams of Love***

**Presenter: Sr. Honora Nicholson, RSM**

**Registration is required**

**To register: e-mail [info@sanalfonsoretreats.org](mailto:info@sanalfonsoretreats.org) OR**

**register online: [www.sanalfonsoretreats.org/80](http://www.sanalfonsoretreats.org/80)**

**Phone: 732-222-2731, X140**

**Full program description available at**

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## February 22 to April 2 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

### HELP SAVE LIVES IN MONMOUTH COUNTY!

Protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide witness of prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach.

**Take part in 40 Days for Life in Monmouth County**

**Vigil Location:** Planned Parenthood at 69 E. Newman Springs Road, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702.

**Vigil Hours:** Monday through Friday 8 am to 6 pm.  
Saturday / Sunday - at will.

**Local Contact:** [monmouth4life@hotmail.com](mailto:monmouth4life@hotmail.com)

**Learn More...** [40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury](http://40daysforlife.com/shrewsbury)

Check our Resources for Educational Information, Prayer and Pregnancy Resources.

***Come and Bring a Friend... or 2... or 3!***

40 Days For Life/Shrewsbury is a peaceful, prayerful witness. There is no shouting, foul language or graphic signs. As always, stay on the sidewalk or public right of way. Do not go on private property, block driveway or park in Planned Parenthood lot.

Please follow current COVID-19 Protocols.



## Saint Jerome Church

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 11	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Tony Strollo <div style="text-align: right;">Mom &amp; Dad Gertrude Vona (14th Anniversary) Roseanne &amp; Dick English</div>
Sunday, March 12	7:30 AM	Dr. Angelo Lopano <div style="text-align: right;">Rose Marie Baret</div> Margaret Ricci <div style="text-align: right;">George &amp; Pamela Laufenberg</div>
	11:00 AM	Stephanie Sassola <div style="text-align: right;">The Scotti family</div> Frank Bulzis (10th Anniversary) <div style="text-align: right;">Doreen &amp; Mark Bulzis</div>
Wednesday, March 15	8:30 AM	Marion Karbowiak <div style="text-align: right;">Irene Ciarla</div>
Friday, March 17	8:30 AM	Mary Karbowiak <div style="text-align: right;">Irene Ciarla</div>
Saturday, March 18	8:30 AM	Anna Pagano <div style="text-align: right;">Her family</div> John Rathjens <div style="text-align: right;">The Pepitone family</div>
	5:00 PM	Jane & Edward English <div style="text-align: right;">Roseanne &amp; Richard English</div> Ivanna Portillo <div style="text-align: right;">Her parents</div>
Sunday, March 19	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Robert Rathjens <div style="text-align: right;">The Monteleone family</div> Stephanie Sassola <div style="text-align: right;">Rosemarie Scotti</div>
	11:00 AM	Lorraine Hausser <div style="text-align: right;">Robert Hausser</div> Bob Lefurge (10th Anniversary) <div style="text-align: right;">His wife &amp; children</div>

### REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please remember in your prayers the happy repose of the soul of long time parishioner :

**John Wengler**

*Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord,  
And let perpetual light shine upon him*

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

**Scott Cosentino, Jennifer Kamm and their children, Wyatt and Everly  
and  
Taylor Nelson**



### Our Lady of Hope Parish

#### Lenten Reconciliation Service

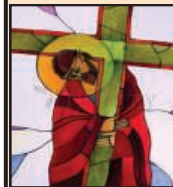
Tuesday, March 28 @ 7:00 PM St. Jerome Church

Everyone welcome!

Priests will be available for Confession after the prayer service concludes.



### Our Lady of Hope Parish Stations of the Cross



Fridays during lent @ St. Jerome Church at 7 PM with Soup Supper before at 6 PM

Mondays during lent @ St. Mary's Church after 9 AM Mass

### ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL BELONG

## Sensory Friendly Sunday Mass



**Holy Innocents Roman Catholic Church**

**3455 West Bangs Avenue**

**Neptune, NJ 07753**

**March 26, 2023 2PM**

REFRESHMENTS AND CRAFTS AFTER MASS

RSVP: NORMONHIS@GMAIL.COM

Families are welcome to attend this Mass adapted to accommodate individuals with autism or other sensory needs.

Any questions email NORMONHIS@gmail.com



### Our Lady of Hope Rosary-Altar Society

Craft sales for Easter including **Baskets & Butterflies (and more)** at Masses on March 11 & 12 at St. Mary's and on March 18 & 19 at St. Jerome's. We'll have **Palm Crosses** available at all Masses at both churches on March 25 & 26. RAS Masses/ Meetings will be at the 8:30 Mass at St. Jerome's on April 1 and May 6. All are welcome!

## Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Mass Intentions		
Saturday, March 11	5:00 PM	Ann Marie Kalada Antonio Ferrao <small>Diane Ailor Patty &amp; Ron Carvalho &amp; family</small>
Sunday, March 12	8:00 AM	Alyce & Joseph Shenan Eileen McGurl <small>The Hughes family Mary Lou Arege</small>
	10:00 AM	Maria Nasta Terry Bolan <small>Dena Glynn Sally &amp; Bob Selden</small>
Monday, March 13	9:00 AM	Madeline Reiss Peeler <small>A friend</small>
Tuesday, March 14	9:00 AM	Therese Campagne
Wednesday, March 15	9:00 AM	John Wengler <small>Our Lady of Hope Parishioners</small>
Thursday, March 16	9:00 AM	Thomas Cavanagh
Saturday, March 18	5:00 PM	Joseph Dellomo Antonio De Barros Vasconcelos <small>Palmina &amp; sons Patty &amp; Ron Carvalho</small>
Sunday, March 19	8:00 AM	Clare McTague Kwang Soon Ham <small>The Buckley family Helen Kong &amp; family</small>
	10:00 AM	Tom Stratton Constance DeHaven Schaefer <small>Patty &amp; Charlie Brown Kathryn DeHaven Chambrovich</small>

### 12 Volunteer Apostles Needed

#### Washing of your feet at Mass

**Holy Thursday , April 6 at St. Jerome Church 7:00 PM**

\*Please email office with name and contact information and the first 12 volunteers will receive confirmation & names will be posted in bulletin.\*

office@ladyofhopeparish.org



Thank you to the following volunteers that have already signed up:  
Herbert Hagmann and Charlie Holtz



"If you knew who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

#### Sheepish Question:

Realizing it is all about Jesus, what must I do differently with my life?

### 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: Fr. Michael Lynch

Week 2: Arthur Marshall, Shirley Rible

Week 3: Donna Convery, Karen Daly, Joan Day, Jim Shanahan, Howard White, August Wreiole

Week 4: Sam Britton, Bernice Cobb, Marge Edelson, Frank Marsico, Carole Mueller, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Bob Scally, Frank Signorelli, David, Maureen & Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

*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 \*\*





*Pre-order Tickets Now!*

**Saturday, April 1, 2023**

**PRIZE LEVELS**

LARGE: \$100-\$200 value

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\*Values are approximate



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**Tickets can be purchased through the Sign-up Genius page by 3/25.**

[www.signupgenius.com/go/sjs2023](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/sjs2023)

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to sign up and  
purchase tickets*



Or complete the form below and return it along with your check payable to St. Jerome PTA in an envelope labeled "Gift Auction Advance Tickets".  
Mail to St. Jerome School, 250 Wall Street, West Long Branch, NJ 07764. (Must be postmarked by March 18, 2023)  
Your tickets will be waiting for you at the check-in table upon arrival.

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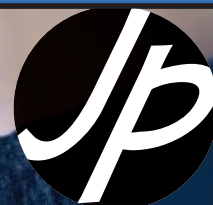
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