

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

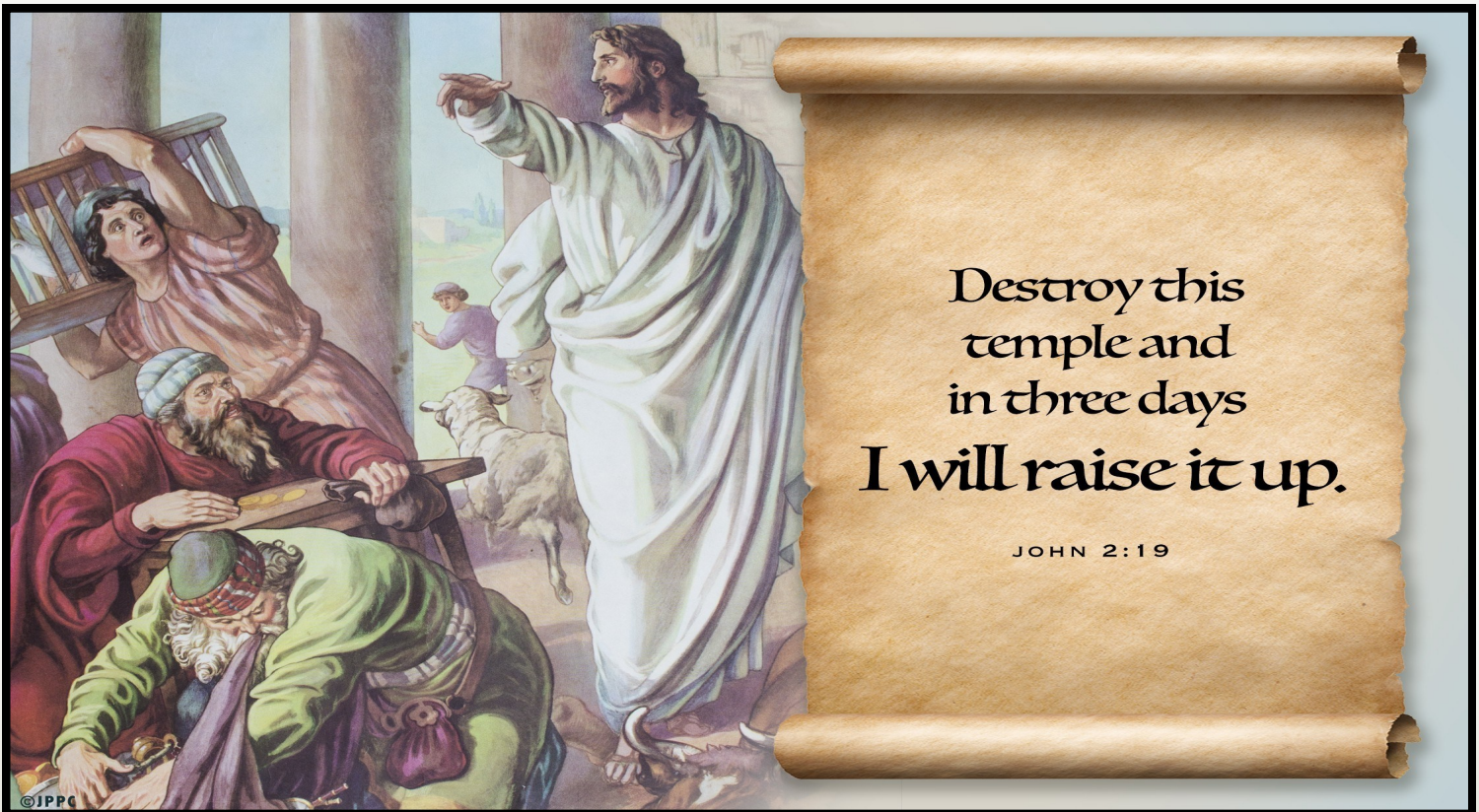
St. Jerome Church
254 Wall Street
West Long Branch, NJ 07764



St. Mary of the Assumption Church
46 Richmond Avenue
Deal, NJ 07723

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30 AM
Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 PM

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



March 3, 2024 * Third Sunday of Lent



Saint Jerome School * Blue Ribbon Awardee

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A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday from the Gospel of John we will hear about Jesus cleansing the Temple. The Temple where Jesus and apostles attended to pray. The Temple in Jerusalem was a central place of the Jewish faith. The temple in the times of Jesus was not the first temple that was originally built. The first temple was built by King Solomon, and it was much smaller, and it was in use until its destruction by the Assyrian army in year 586 B.C. After Babylonian exile ended and remnant of Jewish people have returned to Jerusalem a new temple was built by 516 B.C. This second temple subsequently was expanded by King Herod the Great.

Temple was a place where animal sacrifices were offered and burned. It was a place where incense was burned. We hear about it from Gospel of Luke when Zechariah exercised his priestly service in the ritual of burning incense while offering prayers to God. During this ritual of burning incense Zechariah received the message from Archangel Gabriel about the birth of his son John the Baptist. The temple was a place that signing of the various text from scripture would take place especially the psalms. In the most central part of the temple was a place called "Holies of Holies". This was a designated space that was enclosed by veil, the one that torn down the middle when Jesus died on the cross. In front of the veil was a table with 12 loaves of bread representing the twelve tribes of Israel and behind the veil a chair of mercy. The loaves of bread were replaced daily by the priests serving in the temple. No one could go past the veil into the "Holies of Holies", except the High Priest with the blood of sacrificed bull, once a year on the Day of Atonement. The Day of Atonement was a Jewish feast during which the priests and people would ask God for the forgiveness of their sins. While behind the veil the High Priest would sprinkle some of that blood on the mercy seat and would pronounce God's holy name, "Yahweh". The Jewish people believed that God rested his feet on that chair of mercy.

The temple was an important place of worship for Jewish people and so you can imagine the reaction of the people and priests when Jesus drew out the sellers of animals and money changers. The question raised to Jesus is he trying to destroy the temple was a genuine concern. As I mentioned above the temple was used to offer animal sacrifices, so the presence of those who sold the animals for that purpose was understandable. Therefore, Jesus' action of chasing out the sellers was a prophetic sign that the temple's animal sacrifices were at their end because Jesus was going to become the one perfect sacrifice. Driving animal sellers out of the area was therefore not a spontaneous act, but a deliberate sign, which during Jesus's trial was brought up as an act that was considered by the Jewish leaders as a threat to the Jewish faith. The money changers that Jesus threw out were there also for the similar purpose. Those who wished to purchase the animals for the sacrifices could not have been able to use the money that was in common use. They needed to exchange them for the temple money called shekels. Only with shekels one could then purchase the animal for the sacrifice. Whenever one deals with money, there is always a temptation to cheat and that did happen when money changers would use fake measuring weights and would take advantage of those seeking to practice their faith. Jesus in his mission was always concerned about justice especially when it came to acting with justice toward God and not using religion or faith for the purpose of enriching oneself, and in not taking advantage of the poor, because they are poor or uneducated.

Jesus foretold to the disciple who were admiring the beauty of the temple that the temple would be destroyed. The destruction of the temple in Jerusalem took place in 70 A.D., during Jewish revolt against the Roman Empire, which definitely stopped temple's sacrifices. Once Jesus offered himself on the cross there was no longer need for the animal sacrifices, therefore in God's divine providence the destruction of the temple was God's way of putting a period or closure to the Old Mosaic covenant worship, because the new and eternal covenant worship was now in force. There are some who wish to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem, however the Islam' Dome on the Rock is in its way. We Christians should not support such efforts, for that would be a denial of Christ, who is the new and true temple through whom we have access to God and union with Him. As Jesus said "No one can come to the Father except through me."

Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

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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, February 24/25, 2024

4:00 PM Mass	\$585	80 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$1,725	81 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$1,862	136 people
Online Giving	\$1,280	39 families
Total	\$5,452	298 people
Last year same weekend total	\$7,106	455 people



Saturday/Sunday, February 24/25, 2024

5:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,068	87 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,042	85 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 1,280	117 people
Online Giving	\$ 732	29 families
Total	\$ 4,122	289 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,422	282 people

- Heat and Snow removal \$1,414 Thank you!

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To Register please contact
Sister Elizabeth Toft at :

732-222-2016

April 20, 2024
9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

with

Rev. Msgr. George Hundt
Pastor, St. Gerard Majella
Paterson, New Jersey

OASIS 2024

WOMEN OF FAITH

Spend a day of spiritual reflection and renewal with the Sisters and women on the journey. The day includes:

- Mass
- Conference
- Reconciliation
- Rosary and /or Stations of the Cross
- Eucharistic Adoration

Registration Fee: \$15.00

For more information, contact:

Sr. Alice Ivanyo, MPF
sralicei@gmail.com or 732-238-9222

At Villa Walsh there are 125 acres of broad space, parking, 2 chapels, and outdoor Stations of the Cross.

Bring your own lunch. Beverages will be available throughout the day. Villa Walsh is handicapped accessible. There is also a Religious Gift Shop.

Hosted by:

The Religious Teachers Filippini
Villa Walsh
455 Western Avenue

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



Parish
Neighbors

Parish Giving
*Enhancing Stewardship through
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LENTEN WEEKLY CHALLENGE

Pray The Rosary everyday and if you already pray one then say an additional one

Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday during Lent for Stations of the Cross.

St. Jerome School every Friday of Lent at 1:30 pm.

7:00 Pm at alternating Churches.

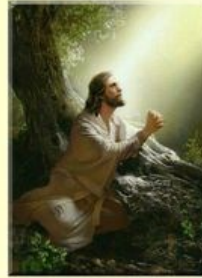
- ♦ Feb 16—St. Jerome
- ♦ Feb 23—St. Mary
- ♦ March 1—St. Jerome
- ♦ March 8—St. Mary
- ♦ March 15—St. Jerome
- ♦ March 22— St. Mary



THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

(Tuesdays and Fridays)

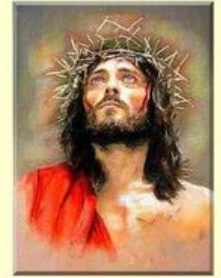
O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of Thy Mercy.



1. The Agony in the Garden



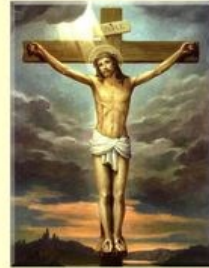
2. The Scourging at the Pillar



3. The Crowning with Thorns



4. The Carrying of the Cross



5. The Crucifixion

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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**. Thank you! Upon

reaching our Goal 15% will be returned to the

Parish and any additional amount donated above our Goal 50% will be returned to our Parish.

ANNUAL
CATHOLIC
Appeal
2024



Diocese of Trenton

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

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Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, March 2	4:00 PM	Michael Patrick Turrero + (In memory) Req. Ann Clark Tony Strollo + Req. Mom & Dad
Sunday, March 3	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners
	11:00 AM	Robert Apicelli + Req. The Durnien Family
Wednesday, March 6	8:30 AM	Rose Lee + Req. Irene Ciarla Mary T. Sheldon + Req. Tami Pyskaty & Family
	8:30 AM	Louis Ciarla + Req. Irene Ciarla Mary Dominianni + Req. Madeline Kerns
Saturday, March 9	8:30 AM	Gertrude Vona (Anniversary) Req. Rosanne English
	4:00 PM	Maria G. Inzitari + Req. Danback Family Monica Mandica + (45 years in heaven) John & Kitty Mandica
Sunday, March 10	7:30 AM	Susan Fox + Req. Teresa & Greg Bordiuk
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis + Req. Doreen & Mark Bulzis Bob Lefurge + Req. Wife & Children

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, March 2	5:00 PM	Carolyn Holmes + Req. Her Friend, Patricia White John Senyszyn + Req. Joseph & Kimberly Repko
Sunday, March 3	8:00 AM	John Mc Tague + Req. Mike and Rosemarie Lyons Glenn & Peggy Morgan + Req. Victor & Barbara Calvo
	10:00 AM	Edmund Leonard + Req. Sharon McCloskey & Family Joseph P. Mc Tague + Req. Martel Family
	9:00 AM	Joseph Dellomo + Req. His Wife Palmina & Son
Monday, March 4	9:00 AM	Frank Rosano + In memory of his Birthday Req. Nella
Tuesday, March 5	9:00 AM	Leo & Florence Morrissey + Howard White + Req. Diane Ailor
Wednesday, March 6	9:00 AM	Charles Ruggirello + Req. Carole White Arline Solecki + Jerome Foley + Req. Bob & Mary Waitt
Thursday, March 7	9:00 AM	Howard White + Req. Theresa Dilieto Katherine Mueller + Req. Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
Saturday, March 9	5:00 PM	Noel Vassallo + Req. Joseph & Kelina Vassallo John McTague + Re. Jim & Sue Berner
Sunday, March 10	8:00 AM	Charles Ruggirello + Req. His Wife, Sandy Donald C. Patt + Req. Rick Martel & Family
Sunday, March 10	10:00 AM	

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: Karen Daly, John Day, James Shanahan, August Wreiole, Nick Greico.

Week 2: Sam Britton, Bernice Cobb, Frank Marsico, Carole Mueller, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Frank Signorelli, David, Myra, Maureen Walther, and Sammi Yanni, Alfred Trapanese.

Week 3: David Applegate, Don Hopkins, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Peggy Hildebrand.

Week 4: Fiona Lytle, Sharon DeVito, Tom Smith, Holger Lozano.

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 **



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 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.



Angels@Work CSW Service Project

The SJS School Community needs help gathering supplies for the homeless in the tri-state area. This gift of giving project will continue to help the **Blessing Bag Brigade**.

Requested Items

Bottled Water (Small)	Toothbrushes (Travel Size)
Breakfast Bars/ Snacks	Toothpaste (Travel Size)
Men's Socks	Soap/Body Wash (Travel Size)
Deodorant (Travel Size)	Body Lotion (Travel Size)
Disposable Razors (Travel Size)	Shampoo (Travel Size)

Scan Me to visit Blessing Bag Brigade Amazon Wish List :-)



Drop off Locations: SJS School and/or SJS Church

Thank you all so much in advance and God Bless!