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Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30 AM Confessions: Saturdays 4:00-4:45 PM



Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

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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.



May 15 2022 * Fifth Sunday of Easter



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St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, May 7/8, 2022					
5:00 pm Mass	\$761.00	65 people			
7:30 am Mass	\$1,839.00	95 people			
11:00 am Mass	\$2,049.00	145 people			
Online Giving	\$973.00	41 families			
Total	\$5,622.00	305 people			
Last year same weekend total	\$6,467.00	242 people			



Saturday/Sunday, May 7/8, 2022					
5:00 pm Mass	\$644.00	45 people			
8:00 am Mass	\$1,204.00	81 people			
10:00 am Mass	\$2,411.00	129 people			
Online Giving	\$681.00	29 families			
Total	\$4,940.00	255 people			
Last year same weekend total	\$4,129.00	172 people			

Lawn Maintenance: \$879.00 —Thank You!

Our Lady of Hope Parish Goal: \$60,000

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UPCOMING EVENTS



A Letter from Father Sheldon

My dear parishioner,

Peace be with you!

This year's season of spring, I can say, has been colder than usual. Winter could not seem to leave us. Many of us have been wanting to see warmer days. Finally this week, the temperature is in its normal spring-like level. We can now have more outdoor activities.

As we prepare or make plans for summer activities, we can also prepare liturgically that is to think of the coming feasts of Ascension and Pentecost. That is what Jesus did to his disciples. He prepared them for the big events they were about to witness.

Jesus told the apostles: "I will be with you only a little while longer. Love one another as I have loved you." This was a commandment to love. It was not just a feeling but an awareness and willingness to take action for the welfare of the other person. Jesus said this is a new commandment. What is new about it? Doesn't the Old Testament teach love?

For about three years the apostles walked with Jesus. They listened to his teachings. They were taught about God's love. Jesus now wants his disciples to practice among themselves what they learned from him. The purpose is so that the world will know they are his disciples. That their love for one another will have an effect on others. Now that is new? A love that requires the will. A love that doesn't depend on feelings.

This was how Jesus intended his abiding presence to be known. Not just that he will be remembered, but that they have a personal relationship with Jesus and based on this relationship, Jesus will continue to touch the lives of people through them.

As the new apostles of Jesus, We have heard many times this commandment. We can say this is not new anymore. But I believe today is a good time to reflect that even if if this is not new to us, the question is: have we responded truly to this commandment? Have we loved the way Jesus taught us to love?

May is the month of Mary, our heavenly Mother. We crowned her as our Queen who gave us Jesus who taught us that it is possible for man to love like God.

Have a happy Spring! Finally.

Fr. Sheldon



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AWE AND WONDER: LISTEN FOR GOD'S HEARTBEAT IN CREATION Monday, May 16 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Time will be spent outdoors listening and watching for God everywhere. Also, we will enjoy the writing of John Philip Newell as he helps us to see how Teilhard de Chardin, Thomas Berry and the Celtic world desired to move in harmony with all creation for the love of God. Donation: \$25, includes lunch.

EVANGELIZE - SOAP BOX NOT NEEDED! Tuesday, May 17 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

"Go and make disciples of all nations..." But, Lord, how do we do that? What is the plan? Where do I start? What about my own household? Come to brainstorm about how this all works. What does evangelization mean and where might we begin? Donation: \$25, includes lunch; Zoom \$20.

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY Wednesday, June 1 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction. Please bring your lunch.

Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions				
Saturday,	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Patricia Delehanty		
May 14		Diana Schaaff		
Sunday,	7:30 AM	Joseph Quigley The Quigley family		
May 15		Billy Guzzi		
		Greg & Terri Bordiuk		
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis Doreen & Mark Bulzis		
		Salvatore Ferraro		
		The Ferraro family		
Wednesday,	8:30 AM	Marion Karbowiak		
May 18		Irene Ciarla Angelo J. Lopano, MD		
		His wife, Amelia		
Friday,	8:30 AM	Mary Karbowiak Irene Ciarla		
May 20		Mary Beth Yost		
		Her husband, Paul		
Saturday, May 21	8:30 AM	Marie Robertello William & Debra Connor		
	5:00 PM	Michael Dannunzio		
		Mom & Dad Michael Ioli		
		Rich & Connie Dominguez		
Sunday,	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners		
May 22 Catherine Pusateri		l -		
		The Matier family		
		Billy Guzzi William & Maryann Ganley		
	11:00 AM	Frank Bulzis		
	11.00 AIVI	Doreen & Mark Bulzis		
		Lorraine Hausser Robert Hausser		



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.

Flowers in front of the Blessed Mother Statue week of May 14/15



In loving Memory of Alphonso Tomaino

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"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 \$15 each and can be for loving memorials, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special intentions. Please contact Robin Stillings for available dates at 908-309-2976 or email: gymwrat51@gmail.com

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Next weekend our diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Please prayerfully consider supporting the collection this year. Half of the collected funds stay right here in the Diocese of Trenton, and the other half support the collective communication work of the bishops as well as other national projects in the United States and around the world.

Support the collection and build community.

Sincerely in Christ,

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Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M. Bishop of Trenton

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.



Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for May

Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

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

Francesco and Adriana Panucci and their daughters, Francesca & Sofia &

Kathryn Harrington



Saint Mary of the Assumption Church

Mass Intentions					
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Saturday, May 14	5:00 PM	Deceased members of the Scally & McCormick families			
		Bob & Donna Scally			
		Jean Glynn Barbara & Victor Calvo			
Sunday, May 15	8:00 AM	Margaret Dix David Applegate			
IVIUY 13	10.00				
	10:00 AM	Chief Pat & Pat Russomanno Their family & Ann O'Mally			
		Michael Berzansky			
		Dennis & Pat Berzansky			
Monday, May 16	9:00 AM	Catherine McKenna Her family			
Tuesday, May 17	9:00 AM	Ethel Cavanagh			
Wednesday, May 18	9:00 AM	Deacon Paul Serafino (In remembrance of his birthday)			
Thursday, May 19	9:00 AM	Healing for Fr. Doug Freer Our Lady of Hope Parishioners			
Saturday,	5:00 PM	Francis Scally			
May 21		Bob & Donna Scally			
Sunday, May 22	8:00 AM	Donald Fornicola (In remembrance of his birthday)			
,		His Family			
	10:00 AM	Deacon Paul Kliauga (1st Anniv.) His family			
		Michael Berzansky			
		Michael & Tara Berzansky			

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. Doug Freer

<u>Week 2:</u> Peter Bernhardt, Karen Daly, Bob & Joan Day, Jim Shanahan, Howard White, August Wreiole

Week 3: Deacon Rene Perez, Stephanie Sassola, Pat Serafino

Week 4:

Also, we continually keep in our prayers all those who are serving in our Armed Forces and the people of Ukraine.

**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 **



Here's One Positive Encouragement

Written by a fellow parishioner

While trying to decide the content for this HOPE, the question rose in my mind, how do I read text? Do I read it for content, entertainment, for knowledge, understanding, or the relaxing and melodic flow of the text such as poetry? Depending on the written material, it can be any of the above. I then thought of our Bible and its' contents. Depending on the passages read, they encompassed one or all these reasons for reading. This led me to remember that I have read the same passages of the Bible but often with different intentions and have received different insights as I read those same passages. Have you experienced this also? At this point, one of my favorite passages came to mind, Psalm 23, A Psalm of David. Even though we all are familiar with Psalm 23, HOPEFULLY including the psalm in this HOPE was necessary reading for someone to gain an understanding that will comfort their body and soul at this time. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; he leads me in the paths of righteousness for His namesake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the House of the Lord forever. Psalm 23 New King James Version

Congratulations

Brian Paul Weil and Nicole Marie Lamoureux on their recent marriage Friday, May 6, 2022.

May God bless them in their new life together as husband and wife.



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The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

Saint Jerome School

Congratulations to our First Communicants!

Dearest Children,

Your parents, families, all the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope Parish, Saint Jerome School, are extremely happy for you. It is our hope that as you receive the Body and Blood of Christ, that you will know Jesus, His Father, and the Holy Spirit love you. We offer our heartfelt congratulations to all our First Communicants and their families. We will always do our absolute best to offer you our support, our example of faith and trust in God, and our love.

May God Bless You Today & Always!

The following parish children made their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 7, 2022:

Emily Adams	Mia DeSarno	Aria Hill	Caleb Sankar
Francesca Anders	Massimo DiFede	Kyle Kampf	Ayla Santiago-Alves
Dorothy Antony	Teresa Facchin	Claire Kelly	Enzo Silva
Victoria Francesca Auqui	Thomas Falivene	Valentina Kreiger	Isabella Souza
Giavanna Borden	Sofia Ferragina	Adrianna Lupo	Anna Summonte
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Emma Carney	Leonidas Galvano	Dominic Maranino	Kellan Varley
Mariana Carroll	Carly Gaynor	Lea Mae Marquez	Parker Youngs
Madden Castanon	Dylan Genc	Joao' Oliveira	Santiago Zapata
Charles Curbelo	Bryce Goetz	Lucca Papp	Mark Zboray
Talia Curbelo	Nathan Grindstaff	Michael Perrulli	
Ivy DeBorba	Gillian Hand	Maria Piccione	

A special thank you goes to Pastor Fr. Sheldon Amasa, Director of Religious Education Sr. Elizabeth Toft, School Principal Sr. Elizabeth Seton, Principal Emeritus Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Director of Youth Music Ministry Mrs. Stella Monteleone, Saint Jerome School's Children's Choir & Altar Servers, and the following catechists, who shared their faith as they prepared the children who made their First Holy Communion last weekend: Mrs. Gale Swinton and Mrs. Elizabeth Nolin.





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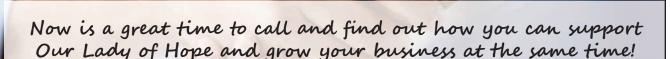
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