

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope

Saint Jerome
Church

254 Wall Street
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am and 11:00am

Daily: Wednesday-Friday-Saturday 8:30am

Confessions: By appointment



Saint Mary of the
Assumption Church

46 Richmond Avenue
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am

Daily: Monday to Thursday at 9:00am

Confessions: By appointment

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 23, 2021 * Pentecost Sunday



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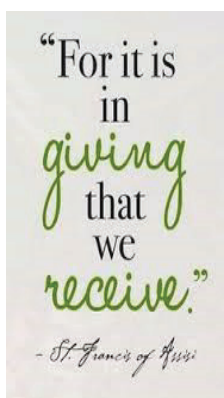
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Weekly Collection and Attendance*May the good Lord bless you for your generosity and presence!***St. Jerome****St. Mary of the Assumption****Saturday/Sunday, May 15/16, 2021**

5/16/2021	\$3,892.00	
Online Giving	\$1,315.00	43 families
Total	\$5,207.00	252 people
Ascension	\$632.00	
Last year same weekend total	\$4,679.00	Mail In

**Saturday/Sunday, May 15/16, 2021**

5/16/2021	\$2,590.00	
Online Giving	\$457.00	24 families
Total	\$3,047.00	180 people
Ascension	\$335.00	
Interfaith	\$1,291.00	
Last year same weekend total	\$2,797.00	Mail In

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

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

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UPCOMING EVENTS**Christ the King (www.cklb.org)****SAVE THE DATE July 9, 2021 7:30 pm****Our Lady Star of the Sea Church of Christ the King Parish****Blow Out multi-genre concert featuring:****Nicolette Mavroleon, Soprano—David Smolokoff, Tenor—Peter Isherwood, Organist****Tickets will go on sale in early June Cost \$35.00**

A Letter from Father Sheldon

My dear sister and brothers,

Peace and joy to all of you!

This weekend we celebrated the Feast of Pentecost. This is another glorious Feast. It was the day when the Apostles received the Holy Spirit as promised by the Lord Jesus. This Feast culminates our Easter Celebration. Many people call this feast the birthday of the Church. It is because the Holy Spirit that descended upon the Apostles empowered them to proclaim the Gospel. Thus, the Church as an evangelizing institution began that day. It was by the power of Holy Spirit, that the apostles were able to speak many languages. It was the Holy Spirit who gave the Apostles fire to preach the good news to many nations unafraid of all the perils and obstacles that may come their way.



We are the Church. We are the apostles of our time. We also received the Holy Spirit at our Baptism and Confirmation. It is the same Holy Spirit, that descended upon the Apostles on Pentecost, who comes to us and guides us in our daily tasks of spreading the Gospel. We must also make our effort to live our lives in the Holy Spirit. To live in the Holy Spirit is to live in the fullness of Faith, Hope and Charity. So that it is the Holy Spirit that moves us and empowering our whole being to be used for God's purpose.

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of thy faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth."

God bless you!

Father Sheldon

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Mother Angelica, EWTN, was once asked, "Do you think St. Joseph was old or young?" Mother Angelica replied, "Well, my dear, that's a good question. There is no official Church teaching on whether or not St. Joseph was old or young, but I prefer a young Joseph. All I know, sweetie, is old men don't walk to Egypt!"

(a distance of over 120+ miles between Egypt & Nazareth!) (Fr. Calloway, *Consecration to St. Joseph*, 113).

If Mother Angelica and many others, including saints, imagine a young St. Joseph, why is he so often depicted as an old man in Christian art? And why does the age of St. Joseph really matter? Venerable Fulton Sheen articulately addressed these issues in his book, *The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God*, 91-95. Here are a few excerpts as quoted by Fr. Calloway in *Consecration to St. Joseph*, pages 115-117:

"...when one searches for the reasons why Christian art should have pictured Joseph as aged, we discover that it was in order better to safeguard the virginity of Mary. Somehow, the assumption had crept in that senility was a better protector of virginity than adolescence. Art thus unconsciously made Joseph a spouse chaste and pure by age rather than by virtue." Sheen explains, "He was not in the evening of life, but in its morning, bubbling over with energy, strength, and controlled passion. Mary and Joseph brought to their espousals not only their vows of virginity but also two hearts with greater torrents of love than had ever before coursed through human breasts..."

If you always imagined St. Joseph to be aged, try imagining him as a young husband, father and laborer. If you never gave St. Joseph's age much thought, look over the titles the Church assigns to St. Joseph in his *Litany*. Do any titles take on new or greater meaning and depth when assigned to a young man versus an elderly man? And if you are a young man, imagine a young Joseph, pray to a young Joseph, and know that "... young men can be chaste, heroic and holy." (Calloway, 120.)

St. JosephChaste Guardian of the Virgin, pray for us. Zealous Defender of Christ, pray for us.

Model of Workmen, pray for us. Pillar of families, pray for us. Protector of the Church, pray for us.

Saint Jerome Church

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 22	5:00 PM	Sophia Domogala John & Kitty Mandica George Marz Charlie Holtz
Sunday, May 23	7:30 AM	Gennaro Meffe The Mandica family Mary DeMarco Rich & Connie Dominguez
	11:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Frank Bulzis Doreen & Mark Bulzis Donald Curtis Marie Curtis
Wednesday, May 26	8:30 AM	Marion Karbowskiak Irene Ciarla Gennaro Meffe SJS PTA Board
Friday, May 28	8:30 AM	Mary Karbowskiak Irene Ciarla Robert & Liliana Godfrey Rizzo family
Saturday, May 29	8:30 AM	Mitch Erceg Charlie Holtz George & Virginia Kopach George & Joan Clooney
	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Mildred Marasco The Danback family John Matthew Mandica The Mandica family
Sunday, May 30	7:30 AM	John Paul McKenna Maureen & Ted Ferraro Theresa O'Connell Doreen & Dennis Flanagan
	11:00 AM	Eulalia Griffith Dr. & Gretchen DiCesare John Marotta Vito & Liz Paolantonio



Sanctuary Lamp week of May 23, 2021

In honor of Father Fred Jackiewicz
50th year of Ordination

Requested by his family

"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

The Parish of Our Lady of Hope
joyfully welcomes our newly baptized:

Franklin Scott Schwake
Son of Kevin and Jenna Schwake



The Grocery Gift Card Program supporting Saint Jerome School PTA is resuming operations!

If you are interested in purchasing ShopRite, Wegmans or Foodtown gift cards, please contact Richard Loeffler via text message or phone call @ (732) 614-1838.

Your support of Saint Jerome School is greatly appreciated!

We would like to thank the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope parish who participate in this fundraiser.

Pope Francis Prayer Intentions for May

The World of Finance

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

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: Al Dunphy, Marge Edelson, Linda Hopkins, Maureen & Myra Walther, Sammi Yanni

Week 2: Sam B., Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Stephanie Sassola

Week 3: Angela Borelli

Week 4: Pat Serafino

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, May 22	5:00 PM	Amadeu Carvalho Caroline & Freddy Guiscardo Chief Pat Russomanno The DiLieto family
Sunday, May 23	8:00 AM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Rose Lucci Dennis D'Alterio Anthony & Paul Mauro
	10:00 AM	Edward & Kathleen Basaman The Basaman family Dr. Anthony Micale The Basaman family
Monday, May 24	9:00 AM	Ivanna Portillo Her parents
Tuesday, May 25	9:00 AM	Deceased members of the Morrissey family
Wednesday, May 26	9:00 AM	Deceased members of James J. Smith family Jim
Thursday, May 27	9:00 AM	Richard J. Harmyk The Harmyk family
Saturday, May 29	5:00 PM	Living and Deceased Parishioners Richard Start Patricia White
Sunday, May 30	8:00 AM	Don" Ducky" Fornicola His loving family Calvin & Jennie Applegate David Applegate
	10:00 AM	Lorraine McCarthy Her family Marie Sicilaino Howard & Carole White Joan Battle Howard & Carole White

**Flowers on Blessed Mother and St. Joseph side altars
in memory of Don "Ducky" Fornicola**

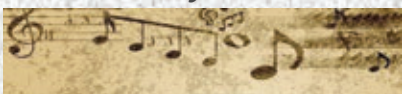


Given by his family

PLEASE NOTE:

**At the request of the Fornicola family for the
8 AM Mass on 5/23 only, Charlie Brown will
be singing hymns in memory of**

Don "Ducky" Fornicola



Here's One Positive Encouragement

Written by a fellow parishioner

I do not know about you, but I miss the Saturday morning cartoons that I watched as a child sitting in front of our black and white TV set eating my breakfast cereal. My life was simpler than, no school on Saturdays and fewer responsibilities. Do you remember Donald Duck, Tom and Jerry, Yosemite Sam, Bugs Bunny, Wile E. Coyote, Road Runner, and the Acme safe dropping out of the sky, Mickey Mouse, Mighty Mouse etc.? Did you wear a towel or scarf around your neck when you watched Mighty Mouse or Superman so you could fly with them to help save the world? We always knew no one was really getting hurt and the good guy would always win. One of my favorite scenes in any cartoon was when a character had a little Angel on one shoulder and a little devil on the other both whispering in his ear as to what bad or good decision the character should be making. Today those cartoons and our childhood are gone but the little Angel on one of our shoulders and the devil on the other shoulder are still ever present in our lives. We now realize what they really are, that being the devil is usually our ego and the Angel our conscience. Have we become too lazy or too busy to have a conversation with our conscience about a decision we should be making? Remember not making any decision automatically by default is a negative decision letting the devil win. I call on the Holy Spirit to help with the answer to important decisions I must make. Sometimes I get a clear answer back as to what I should do. Other times I feel the Holy Spirit is letting my conscience be my guide. Knowing that, I realized NO decision is a decision for the devil. Think about how many times in the past and how many times in the present we let our ego win out. If we did let our ego win out, the outcome and consequences were probably not good for us. Every time an Acme safe fell on a cartoon character, he was able to get up but had an awful headache.... remember the stars circling his head? It is my HOPE we do not let the Acme safe stop us from praying to the Holy Spirit and listen to our conscience, both will help us with having a better Catholic life here and now. Today as adults, we know what is right and what is not, yet we do not always do the things that we know are right. Why is that? Do we think that we are better than our fellow men? Do we think that we know more than God? Do we think that we will not get caught doing things that are not right? Why play with the devil when we can soar with the Angels and be with God forever? Remember we cannot follow both our ego and God.



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May 2021

Dear Parishioners and School Families,

Thank you for your generous response to our annual project for the Religious Teachers Filippini. Your goodness helps to support our work and the care for our Sisters at Villa Walsh, our motherhouse in Morristown as well as our healthcare center and the various programs and people we serve.

Through your donations, you help us to fulfill our responsibility to care for our Sisters. These Sisters have enriched numerous lives, especially children. Their efforts, sacrifices, dedication, and zeal have instilled faith and goodness in the hearts of their students through a quality education.

The Filippini Sisters have served here for 65 years in the parish. They have been here since the beginning, first serving and the birth of the parish through the religious education program and visiting homes to the opening of the school in 1957. We consider ourselves as blessed. You have enriched our lives and help give fullness to our own consecration. You are truly a blessing to us.

Be assured of our constant prayers for you. Each Thursday, we have a Eucharistic Holy Hour in the convent chapel where we remember each and everyone one of you, the good people of Our Lady of Hope Parish. We place before our Lord, your needs and pray for God's blessing for you.

Sincerely,

Sister Angelina, Sister Elizabeth and Sister Elizabeth Seton



*We give thanks to God always for all of you,
constantly mentioning you in our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2

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