

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.



May 5, 2024 * Sixth Sunday of Easter



Saint Jerome School * Blue Ribbon Awardee

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www.saintjermeschool.org



A Letter from Father Marcin

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday our Lord speaks to us in the gospel about love. The Eucharist is the greatest sacrament of love. Because in the Eucharist, our Lord offers himself or in other words lays down his life for us so that by his self-offering to the father we may receive pardon and forgiveness for our sins. In the Eucharist God offers us his love because he offers himself to us in total self-gift. God is love as John the apostle tell us so when we receive the Lord in the Eucharist, we truly receive love. We receive love that is not a feeling or sensual experience, but the One who is the source of love, because He is love itself. Every act of God is an act of love. Even when God exacts justice and punishment for evil it is always done in love and out of love. For God loves goodness and justice and therefore his love is always an act of perfect justice and perfect goodness. God's love is always perfectly just, because it is done in truth and in accordance with perfect harmony in God as the most perfect and supreme being, but also in relation to all of his creation.

The gift of the Eucharist helps us to grow in love, because the result of receiving our Lord into our being, causes our hearts to become inflamed with love. The Eucharist becomes like a fuel for our hearts and for our souls for it enables us to love God and others with ever new intensity and desire. The Eucharist increases our desire to love God and others and purifies that desire so that it is not contaminated by self-interest or by seeking one's own benefit. The Eucharist purifies our love so that we may be able to love God for his own sake, simply because he is God. Even though we receive many blessings from God, for which we should be eternally grateful yet our love for Him should be simply because he is Holy God. Also, the Eucharist increases our love for other people. By that love in the Eucharist, we see in them the love of God, because God created them out of love, and they are loved by him. Even though we must bear in love the imperfections of our lives and those of others we must never forget that we are God's loving creation and evidence of true wonder that all God' loving acts are.

Since the Eucharist is God who is love, who is the source of love and his gift of his love increases our desire to love, therefore we can understand why, when we are preparing ourselves to receive the Eucharist, we must respond with love to such a great gift that we are being offered. Jesus complained that many times when people or the clergy receive him, they do it with coldness, indifference, and little love. Such a great love that we receive in the Eucharist should be received with love that is burning with the desire for the love that comes to us so humbly and vulnerable. In the Eucharist we come to know God's great love that is so gentle and yet so intense. We need to receive the Eucharist with love that is full of gratitude that God would offer himself to us who are sinners and have many times spurn his love over the love of ourselves or other lesser things. We need to receive the Eucharist with love that is full of humility, that God almighty who is our Lord and King would desire to enter and abide in the heart of his creating beings who are his unworthy servants. We need to receive the Eucharist with love that is full of contrition that God show us his mercy and by the gift of his loving forgiveness spares us from the sufferings of losing his love forever but instead seeks to bring us to the joy of heaven to abide in his love forever.

The Eucharist is a heart of Jesus that beats with the love for us. Nothing brings to Jesus' heart greater joy and consolation for all the coldness and indifference with which his heart is being offended than by the love that we pour out from our hearts when we love him and adore him in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist. Therefore, whenever we come to the Church or even pass by the Catholic Church, may we always offer the act of love to our Lord, who is present in the Eucharist, inside the tabernacle waiting to be loved.

My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Fr. Marcin

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St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, May 4	4:00 PM	Robert Finnegan + Req. Connie & Richard Dominguez Tony Strollo + Req. Mom & Dad
Sunday, May 5	7:30 AM	James Harmer + Req. Maria Mazza
	11:00 AM	Rosemary Loeffler + Req. Connie & Richard Dominguez Salvatore Ferraro + Req. Ferraro Family
Wednesday, May 8	8:30 AM	Louis Ciarla + Req. Irene Ciarla
		William Nurthen + Req. Donna & Family
Friday, May 10	8:30 AM	William Stanton + Req. Irene Ciarla
Saturday, May 11	8:30 AM	Blessing for First Holy Communion Recipients
	4:00 PM	Michael Ioli + Req. Maryanne Ioli & Family Richard Bernier + Req. Richard & Connie Dominguez
Sunday, May 12	7:30 AM	Mary Beth Yost + Req. Husband
	11:00 AM	Living and Deceased Mothers of the Parish

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, May 4	5:00 PM	Deceased members of Wojcik Family + Req. Armand Zambrano Karen Daly + Barbara Compton
Sunday, May 5	8:00 AM	John Arege + Req. Mary Lou Arege & Family Karen Daly + Req. Victor & Barbara Calvo
	10:00 AM	Charles J. Ruggirello + Req. His Wife, Sandy Robert Scally + Req. Father George, Betty, & Tanya
Monday, May 6	9:00 AM	Father John Russell + Req. Ima Sylvia
Tuesday, May 7	9:00 AM	Thomas Cavanagh +
Wednesday, May 8	9:00 AM	Thomas Morrissey +
Thursday, May 9	9:00 AM	Blessing for First Holy Communion Recipients
Saturday, May 11	5:00 PM	Pat & Pat Russomanno + Req. Mary Pat Lehmann Pauline B. Kashi + Req. Repko Family
	8:00 AM	Living and Deceased Mothers of the Parish
Sunday, May 12	10:00 AM	Living and Deceased Mothers of the Parish

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.

Week 2: Fiona Lytle, Candace, Barbara Compton, Alfred Trapanese.

Week 3: Matthew & Julia Heasley, Nick Greico.

Week 4: 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 **



Sanctuary Candle at St. Mary

First two weeks of May the Sanctuary candle is being lit
"In Loving memory of Vincenzo Covello & Maria Covello"

Second two weeks of May the Sanctuary candle at St. Mary will be lit **"In Loving memory of John Covello"**

Candle on the Blessed Mother's altar in St. Mary for the entire month of May:



"Healing of Vincent Covello, Jr"

Req. Rosemarie & Michael Lyons



Be Blessed as You Present the Gifts

Would you like to present the Bread and the Wine at mass? Please see Dennis, Ed or any of our ushers for your preferred weekend Mass time.

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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 Patty Carvalho at 848-466-0807 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



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.



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.



**Second Collection
next week is for:
Lawn Maintenance
Thank you!**



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 Giving

*Enhancing Stewardship through
Electronic Funds Transfer*

- It's Simple
- It's Secure
- It's Convenient



Rosary Altar Society: Next Mass and meeting, SECOND Saturday, May 11. Mass at 8:30 am, at St. Jerome's, followed by a brief but special meeting, our last one for this fiscal year.. We will have a May crowning and a brunch. Details will be in our President's e-mail to our members at the appropriate time. In the meantime, HEADS UP: There's another bake sale coming--at St. Mary's Masses on June 22-23! If anyone would like information on joining the Rosary Altar Society, please call Rae at 732-859-7538 or 732-222-6399

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!** As of 04/29/2024 paid so far \$ 25,369 which is 46% of our goal from 117 Donors.



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Our Lady of Hope Parish Weekly Collection and Attendance

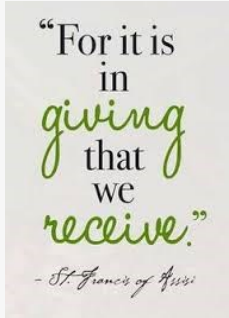
May the Good Lord bless you for your generosity

St. Jerome

Saturday/Sunday, April 27/28, 2024		
4:00 PM Mass	\$ 473	49 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$ 2,602	89 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$ 2,031	96 people
Online Giving	\$ 940	36 families
Total	\$ 6,046	234 people

St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, April 27/28, 2024		
5:00 PM Mass	\$ 1,061	83 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$ 810.24	76 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$ 956	109 people
Online Giving	\$ 692	27 families
Total	\$ 3,519.24	268 people



Catholic Home missions: \$991 Thank you!

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GUIDELINES FOR GODPARENTS/SPONSORS

Have you been asked to be a GODPARENT? Have you been asked to SPONSOR someone ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, or for an adult in the RCIA program?

It is an honor and a privilege to be asked. You are seen as someone that a family, child, teenager, or adult looks up to as living a strong, Christian Catholic faith. You model that behavior in the way that you live your life.

To receive a sponsorship form signed and sealed by the Pastor, please keep the following in mind:

- I am age 16 or older.
- I am actively registered in the parish for at least 6 months.
- If married, the marriage is recognized by the Catholic Church.
- I attend Mass on a regular basis.
- I contribute to the support of the Church, as best I can. (Attendance is taken by the envelopes in the collection basket, even if empty).
- I receive Sacraments according to the Laws of the Church, and I fulfill the requirements listed above.

The Church takes very seriously the role of being a sponsor. Choosing a sponsor would be based on the person's dedication to the faith and regular practice thereof. **Please do not ask us to sign if you do not meet criteria above.**

CHRIST THE KING PARISH FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Monday, May 13th
6:30 pm Holy Rosary
Followed by Holy Mass at 7:30 pm
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church
101 Chelsea Ave, Long Branch, NJ 07740



**PAROQUIA CRISTO REI
FESTA DE NOSSA
SENHORA DE FATIMA**

Segunda-feira 13 de Maio
6:30 pm Santo Rosario
7:30 pm Santa Missa
Igreja Star of the Sea

**PARROQUIA CRISTO REY
FIESTA DE NUESTRA
SEÑORA DE FATIMA**

Lunes 13 de Mayo
6:30 pm Santo Rosario
7:30 pm Misa Solemne
Iglesia Star of the Sea

Pastoral and Support Staff

Administrator: Reverend Marcin Kania
Rev. Michael Lynch * Rev. Jerome Nolan
Deacon Louis Jakub
Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, M.P.F. * Sr. Elizabeth Toft, M.P.F.
Sr. Elizabeth Dalessio, M.P.F., School Principal
Maria Lozano * Carolyn Silva
Norma Adamitis * Joann Fischer
John Dufford * Christine Scholtz
Dennis Melofchik & Theodore Ferraro, Jr., Trustees

Contact Information

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St. Mary's phone: 732-531-1409
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Support Saint Jerome School Drama Club

The Saint Jerome School productions not only help develop a love of musical theater in our students, but our program provides students with a chance to develop confidence and teamwork skills in a safe and comfortable environment.

Senior Citizens, please be our guests for a special performance
on Thursday, May 16th at 12 noon!

Saint Jerome School Drama Club
presents...



**** LIMITED TICKETS SOLD ****

**** NO RESERVED SEATING... FIRST COME... FIRST SERVE ****

Performances:

Saturday, May 18th, 2024, at 7pm

Sunday, May 19th, 2024, at 2pm

Tickets:

Adults: \$10.00 | Children (13 & younger): \$7.00

Checks payable to: *Saint Jerome School*

Please return reservations with money to Saint Jerome School

Attn: *Mrs. Monteleone & Mrs. Schaefer by May 8th, 2024.*

Tickets will be distributed the week of May 15th, 2024.

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Performance Date	# of Adult Tickets (\$10.00)	# of Child Tickets (\$7.00)	Total # of Tickets	Total Cost
Saturday, May 18, 2024				
Sunday, May 19, 2024				

Grand Total of Ticket #/Cost: _____

Opportunity to wish the cast and crew success and a "broken leg" is in the insert.

Please see details in the insert. Thanks you.