

# 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 8:30 AM  
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.



September 10, 2023 \* The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

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## *A Letter from Father Marcin*

Dear Parish Family,

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows. The memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows falls on September 15<sup>th</sup>, the day after the Feast of Exultation of the Holy Cross. We may wonder why a whole month is dedicated to the title of Our Lady that is focused on a sad time in her life. It is because Mary is so intimately united to the mystery of our salvation. She was chosen to be the mother of our Savior Jesus Christ. She bore Him in her womb and under her heart. She gave birth to Him and raised Him. Mary's life was so intimately united to that of her Son, so that as she shared her life with Him, she also shared in His sufferings. Although Mary was without sin, she experienced suffering in this life. Therefore, Mary as Our Mother knows our sufferings and she through her motherly and tender care draws to comfort us her children. She consoles us through her words, through her presence in our lives and through her powerful intercession. Her words to Archangel Gabriel were "I am the handmaid of the Lord let it be done to me according to thy word". Mary speaks to us these words so that we may imitate her humility and bear our sufferings in this life with humility. She teaches us to surrender ourselves to God's will and God's plan. If God permits some cross or suffering to enter our life, we should with trust accept it knowing that all God wills or permits to happen is for our eternal good. Mary consoles us through her presence, for whenever we experience suffering, she is present to us as a loving mother who rushes to the aid of her children. She comes to us so that we may not fear or lose hope that we are abandoned in our suffering. She stands by our side because she is deeply concerned for our lives. As she was present to the sufferings of her Son, so she is now present to those children of God who are suffering. Mary has great love for her Son, and she most definitely loves those who belong to Him. Mary brings us consolation in our suffering because she through her intercession obtains from God the grace to endure and to patiently bear our sufferings. Not all suffering in life can be avoided as is evident in Mary's life. However, if we bear the suffering with faith, with trust, and with love, we can be confident that it will not be overlooked by the Lord. God will reward us in the next life with inexpressible joy and glory for the sufferings that we endured in this life just like Mary who endured great suffering and now is filled with great joys of heaven. To expect reward for our sufferings we must unite them to the sufferings of Christ on the cross and bear them with love for Him and with Him. Otherwise, our suffering will be in vain or useless. Mary's sufferings were so efficacious and of such a great value, because she suffered with her son whom she loved so completely and with such a purity of heart. This is important to remember, because sometimes we may think that just because someone suffer therefore God should reward them for it. The way we go through our sufferings matters and for what reason. Not all suffering earns heavenly rewards. For example, if we have done some evil or committed sin and as the result of the evil deed done, we suffer. Let us therefore turn this month to our mother Our Lady of Sorrows. May the contemplation of her sufferings that she endured bring us grace and wisdom to bear our sufferings in our lives. May our sorrowful mother inspire us to offer our sufferings with love and faith and humility to God, trusting in the un failing power of the cross of Christ.

The seven sorrows of Mary to meditate on are:

1. The presentation of Jesus in the Temple,
2. The flight to Egypt,
3. The loss of the child Jesus in Jerusalem,
4. The meeting of Mary and Jesus on the way to Calvary,
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus,
6. The taking down of Jesus' body from the cross,
7. The burial of Jesus.



## Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for us!

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Envelopes may be found in pews, back of church and offices. Other ways to donate may be found [www.dioceseoftrenton.org](http://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 \$60,000As of 8/21/23 paid so far \$40,156.23 which is 67% of our goal from 152 Donors. Thank you.



## Our Lady of Hope Parish

St. Jerome's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, September 9	4:00 PM	<b>Mary Timpanaro</b> The Danback family <b>Armando Dacruz</b> His children
Sunday, September 10	7:30 AM	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b> <b>John Strollo</b> Fred & Helene Corcione <b>Joyce Klohn</b> John & Kitty Mandica
	11:00 AM	<b>Mary Falvo</b> Her children <b>Frank Bulzis</b> Doreen & Mark Bulzis
Wednesday, September 13	8:30 AM	<b>William Stanton</b> Irene Ciarla <b>Edward Hatfield (1st anniversary)</b> Our Lady of Hope Parish
Friday, September 15	8:30 AM	<b>Marion Karbowski</b> Irene Ciarla <b>Alia Rienzo</b> Her family
Saturday, September 16	8:30 AM	<b>Fr. Joe D'Silva</b> Charlie Holtz <b>William Mazza</b> Vito & Liz Paolantonio
	4:00 PM	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b> <b>Kevin Cieri</b> Rich & Connie Dominguez <b>Maria Lopes</b> Her children
Sunday, September 17	7:30 AM	<b>Robert V. Barziloski</b> Rose Marie Baret <b>Carmen Corcione</b> Fred & Helene Corcione
	11:00 AM	<b>Felicia &amp; Frank Esposito</b> Maryanne Ioli & family <b>Donald Curtis</b> Marie Curtis

St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions		
Saturday, September 9	5:00 PM	<b>John Wengler</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons <b>Bill Prihel</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
Sunday, September 10	8:00 AM	<b>John J. Adamitis (19th Anniversary)</b> The Adamitis family <b>Jerome Foley</b> Bob & Mary Waitt
	10:00 AM	<b>Vincenzo &amp; Maria Covello</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons <b>Veronica Szenzenstein</b> Rick Martel
Monday, September 11	9:00 AM	<b>Catherine B. Hughes</b> The Hughes family
Tuesday, September 12	9:00 AM	<b>Thomas Morrissey</b>
Wednesday, September 13	9:00 AM	<b>Emily &amp; Charles Gizenski</b> <b>Heather Melofchik Sullivan</b> The Melofchik family
Thursday, September 14	9:00 AM	<b>Thomas Cavanaugh</b>
Saturday, September 16	5:00 PM	<b>Silvestro Graffeo</b> Maria Carvalho & Joe Passalacqua <b>Guido Guazzoni</b> His friend, Theresa J. Trocchia
Sunday, September 17	8:00 AM	<b>Blessings for Leo Botwin</b> Ann Leuin
	10:00 AM	<b>Brian Rogers, Jr.</b> Ann Leuin <b>Stephen R. Carasia</b> Nancy Gerechoff & Abby Scheer



Did you know you can request Sanctuary Lamp dedication for the week ?  
Call or email either St. Jerome or St. Mary's church office to make arrangements.



### Rosary-Altar Society

Membership meeting Monday, September 11, at 7 PM, St Jerome Rectory Conference Room. To start the new year right, dues are due, payable in September! After that, we have a full year's activity ahead and look forward to seeing you all and having you join in. New members are welcome. Rosary and refreshments--what could be better!

### Congratulations

**Anthony D'Anton and Catherine Guerriero**  
on their marriage Friday, September 1, 2023.  
May God bless them in their new life together as husband and wife.

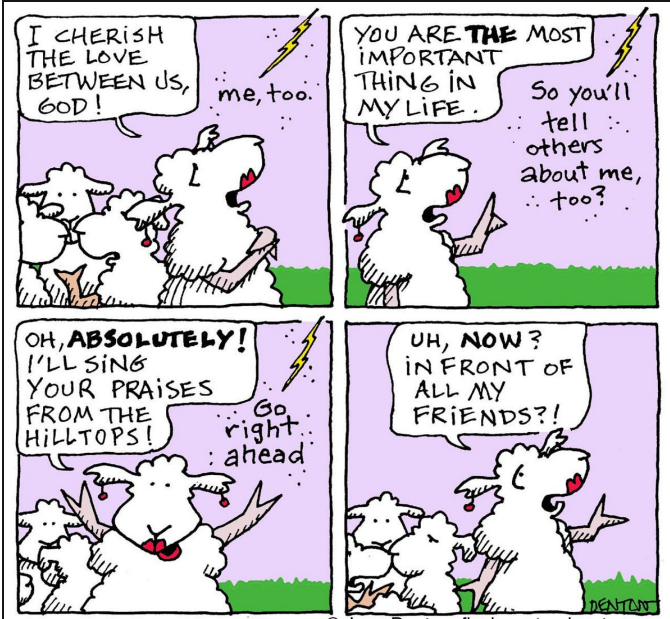


### Be Blessed as You Present the Gifts



*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.*

## Our Lady of Hope Parish



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“Whatever you bind on earth is bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

### Sheepish Question:

What is it about the good news of Jesus that I'm keeping from people I love? Why?

### 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, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Bob Scally, Howard White

Week 2: Fiona Lytle, Arthur Marshall, Bill Nurthen

Week 3:

Week 4: Sam Britton, Bernice Cobb, Frank Marsico, Carole Mueller, David Myra, Rob Norman, Regina Roche, Frank Signorelli, Alfred Trapanese, David, Maureen and Myra Walther, Sammi Gianni

*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](mailto:office@ladyofhopeparish.org) or call 732-222-1424 to extend \*\*



### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This process is for anyone who is interested in joining the Catholic Church. It is also for any baptized Catholic who needs to complete their initiation by receiving the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. For more information please call Sister Elizabeth Toft at 732-222-8686.



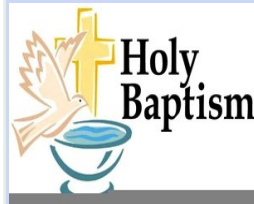
### 2024 Mass Book is now OPEN

For mass intentions, please call or email the Parish Office for Church of request. The \$10 stipend is due at time of request for each mass intention once availability is confirmed. Please include date and time of preferred mass, who intention is for and requested by. Please note mass intentions are on a first come first serve basis as only 2 are scheduled per mass.



St. Jerome: 732-222-1424  
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St. Mary: 732-531-1409  
[stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org](mailto:stmary@ladyofhopeparish.org)



### Baptisms

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. The next prep class is October 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

*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**



**Pastoral and Support Staff**

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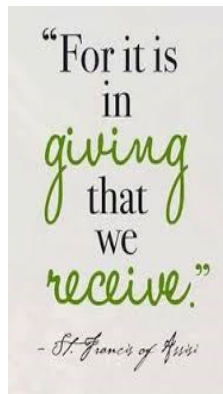
**Our Lady of Hope Parish Weekly Collection and Attendance**

*May the good Lord bless you for your generosity*

St. Jerome

St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday/Sunday, September 2/3, 2023		
4:00 PM Mass	\$731.00	64 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$2,862.00	96 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$1,331.00	113 people
Online Giving	\$950.00	41 families
Total	\$4,924.00	273 people
Last year same weekend total	\$6,280.00	263 people



Saturday/Sunday, September 2/3, 2023		
5:00 PM Mass	\$467.00	58 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$2,467.00	71 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$981.00	121 people
Online Giving	\$687.00	27 families
Total	\$4,602.00	250 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,582.00	288 people

Catholic Universities: \$391.00 —Thank You!

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**Bishop's Anniversary Blessings 2023**

**Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 3:00 PM**

**Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold**

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during 2023 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and reception at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 8, 2023 at 3 pm. For more information and to register for this event online [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing). The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2023.



**It's Simple:**

- Log onto our parish website and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

**It's Secure:**

- Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

**It's Convenient:**

- No more searching for the check book on Sunday morning or stops at the ATM machine.
- You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed.

**Tax Benefits:**

- You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

**Parish Benefits:**

- Weekly or monthly contribution choices
- Significant reduction of parish administrative costs.

**Contact the parish bookkeeper with questions or email: [stjerome@ladyofhopeparish.org](mailto:stjerome@ladyofhopeparish.org)**