

# 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

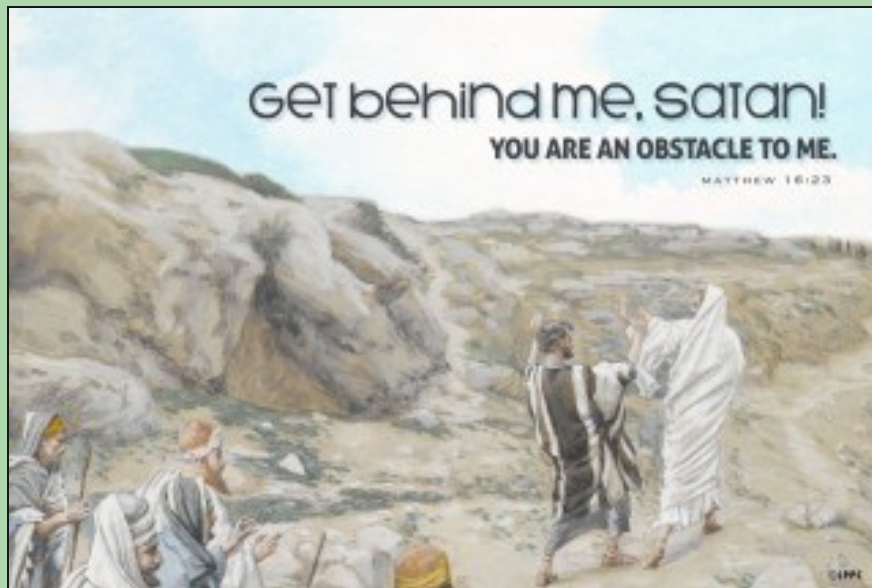


St. Mary of the Assumption Church  
46 Richmond Avenue  
Deal, NJ 07723

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 3, 2023 \* The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Office Number: 732-222-8686

Website Address: [www.saintjermeschool.org](http://www.saintjermeschool.org)



**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  
 Carolyn Silva  
 Norma Adamitis \* Joann Fischer  
 John Dufford \* Christine Scholtz  
 Dennis Melofchik & Theodore Ferraro, Jr., Trustees

**Contact Information**

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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, August 26/27, 2023		
4:00 PM Mass	\$1,231.00	59 people
7:30 AM Mass	\$1,852.00	102 people
11:00 AM Mass	\$1,561.00	120 people
Online Giving	\$645.00	36 families
Total	\$5,289.00	281 people
Last year same weekend total	\$5,406.66	266 people



Saturday/Sunday, August 26/27, 2023		
5:00 PM Mass	\$850.00	61 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,606.00	78 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,078.00	101 people
Online Giving	\$887.00	29 families
Total	\$4,421.00	240 people
Last year same weekend total	\$4,770.00	251 people

Air Conditioning: \$988.00 —Thank You!

Air Conditioning: \$967.00 —Thank You!

**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)**

## *A Letter from Father Marcin*

Dear Parish Family,

The Summer months have passed very quickly, and the Labor Weekend is upon us as another school year begins. Labor Day, that is celebrated Monday highlights the value of human work. Living our Catholic Faith demands from us a great deal of work, which is a work that is both natural and supernatural. For us Catholics work is not just limited to the human activity on natural level. We work within the boundaries of our limited human nature, but because of grace that we receive from God we have the opportunity to use our daily work as a means of our sanctification. Work done apart from God's grace has only temporal benefit, while doing work in the state of sanctifying grace has eternal benefits. Every morning as we rise to a new day of life, we must keep in mind that the tasks and responsibilities that we are going to engage in will be for us a source of blessing and the opportunity to grow in grace. Therefore, upon our rising from the bed we should dedicate a moment to pray to our Lord in thanksgiving for another day that we are being blessed with. We should offer and dedicate the day and all our works to our God for His glory. Knowing that on our own we are unable to do anything that is truly pleasing to God, we should ask the Lord for the grace that we may do all our work well, with holy intention and that He may bring it to completion in accordance with his holy will. Throughout the day we should continue to offer our supplications to God for the help of his grace before we start some particular action or work, and after its completion offer a thanks to God for his assistance in the work completed. This ongoing supplication and thanksgiving will keep our mind and heart aware of God's presence in our daily life and every activity. We will experience and learn to walk our daily life humbly with the Lord and at the same time it will help us to grow in faith. This practice will provide us with the means to strengthen our trust in God and place greater dependence on Him. Every Catholic is called to be holy, to live saintly life, to become a saint. Saints walked their human lives as we do with various activities and responsibilities. What distinguished them was their use of work as an opportunity to train in virtue, as proves of their faith and love of God. There are many activities or work that we do, which is not known or seen by others, however nothing is hidden from God's gaze as He looks upon the Earth from his celestial throne. The word of God reminds us that "God does not judge by appearances but looks into the heart". Although, we engage in many external activities, the full reality of how they are being done is known to God. We may do some good work, but if our intention, or the way we do it, or its end is not good but evil or sinful, then the entire action or work becomes evil or sinful. Therefore, the offering and dedication of our work to God keeps us aware of this reality, that we are imperfect and insufficient in ourselves, but God who is perfect and all-powerful can help us in our work so that it will become authentically good. Living our Catholic Faith and growing in holiness is intertwined with prayer and work, as Benedictine charism states "Ora et Labora". Not all Catholics are called to live as monks, yet all Catholics are called to live their lives engaged in prayer and in good works. That is why every daily activity that we do can be for us a means to pray, to do good works and to result in our sanctification. Prayer will unite us to God and the grace that we will obtain from it will become evident in our daily work. St. James the apostle says, "Faith without works is dead". Pope, St. Gregory the Great whose memorial falls on this Sunday was aware of this truth. During his papacy he removed many clerics from the ministry, who were lazy and unwilling to engage in good works. St. Gregory had no tolerance for such evil behavior. Those lazy clerics were causing scandal to the faithful in not providing good example of the Catholic Faith and could have been the cause of the lost of salvation to those who imitated them. Therefore, let us live our Catholic Faith with Faith in our hearts, with prayer on our minds and lips and with good works in our daily lives. St. Benedict, Pray for us! St. Gregory the Great, Pray for us! Our Lady of Hope, Pray for us!

Fr. Marcin

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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 2	4:00 PM	<b>Living and Deceased Parishioners</b> <b>Tony Strollo</b> Mom & Dad <b>Ralph Vona</b> Roseanne & Richard English
Sunday, September 3	7:30 AM	<b>Marie DelMaestro</b> Rose Marie Baret <b>Joyce Klohn</b> The Monteleone family
	11:00 AM	<b>John R. Rathjens</b> Rich & Connie Dominguez <b>Theodore Ferraro (5th Anniversary)</b> The Ferraro family
Wednesday, September 6	8:30 AM	<b>Rose Lee</b> Irene Ciarla <b>Thomas F. Bruno</b> The Monteleone family
	8:30 AM	<b>Louis Ciarla</b> Irene Ciarla
Saturday, September 9	8:30 AM	<b>Nicanor Victoriano, Jr.</b> Bella Victoriano & family
	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

### St. Mary's Church Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 2	5:00 PM	<b>Robin Horner</b> The Rapuano family <b>Gerarda Vitiello</b> Mr. & Mrs. Carvalho
Sunday, September 3	8:00 AM	<b>Mike Maxwell</b> Bob & Mary Waitt
	10:00 AM	<b>Brian Rogers, Jr.</b> Michael & Beth Paterno <b>Nancy Rose Connors</b> The Martel family
Monday, September 4	9:00 AM	<b>Lucille Maloney</b> Norma
Tuesday, September 5	9:00 AM	<b>Jean Wengler</b> The Wengler family
Wednesday, September 6	9:00 AM	<b>Ethel Cavanagh</b>
Thursday, September 7	9:00 AM	<b>Helen Carr</b> Sally Welch
Saturday, September 9	5:00 PM	<b>John Wengler</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons <b>Bill Prihel</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons
	8:00 AM	<b>John J. Adamitis (19th Anniversary)</b> The Adamitis family <b>Jerome Foley</b> Bob & Mary Waitt
Sunday, September 10	10:00 AM	<b>Vincenzo &amp; Maria Covello</b> Mike & Rosemarie Lyons <b>Veronica Szenzenstein</b> Rick Martel

**Flowers at all altars Blessings for Sr.  
Angelina**



### 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!

### *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.*

Did you know you can request Sanctuary Lamp dedication for the week?



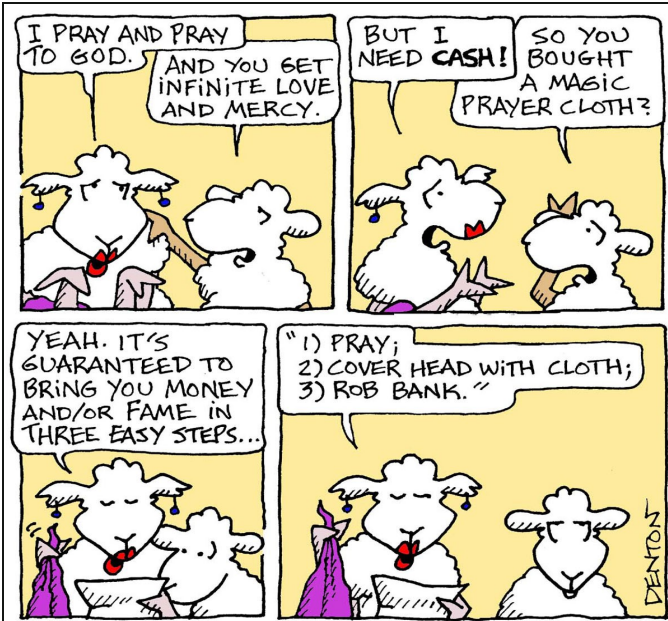
Call or email either St. Jerome or St. Mary's church office to make arrangements.

### Congratulations

**Alexander Leo & Lauren Hughes**

on their marriage Saturday, August 26, 2023.  
May God bless them in their new life together as husband and wife.





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“Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God.”

**Sheepish Question:**

How do some “easy steps” to attaining worldly desires lead me astray from following Jesus?

**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: Fiona Lytle, Arthur Marshall, Bill Nurthen

Week 2:

Week 3: 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

Week 4: David Applegate, Fr. Doug Freer, Fr. Michael Lynch, Sr. Angelina Pelliccia, Bob Scally, Howard White

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 \*\*



**Going to Rutgers in New Brunswick?**

The Catholic Student Assoc. at The Catholic Center at Rutgers, located at 84 Somerset Street on the College Avenue Campus, is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses. Please note the following information:

**Mass Schedule**

**Sunday Masses**

- Saturday Vigil, 5:00 pm, St. Peter’s Church
- 8:00 AM St. Peter’s Church, 94 Somerset St.
- 10:00 AM St. Peter’s Church
- 12:00 PM St. Peter’s Church
- 6:00 PM St. Peter’s Church
- (St. Peter’s is in between the Catholic Center and Barnes & Noble) CAC

**Daily Mass**

- 7:30 AM St. Peter’s Church
- 12:15 PM The Catholic Center Chapel (located inside the Catholic Center)

**Opening Activities**

- Sunday, Sept. 3: Opening Mass, 6 pm, St. Peter’s
- Saturday, Sept. 4: Welcoming Luau, 5-9 pm
- Thursday, Sept. 7: CSA Night at the Catholic Center, 7:30-9:30 pm
- Friday, Sept. 8: Service Event. Meet at the Catholic Center at 12 pm
- Sunday, Sept. 10 : Sign Up Sunday at all Masses

Visit us online at [www.rutgerscatholic.org](http://www.rutgerscatholic.org)

[www.stpeternewbrunswick.org](http://www.stpeternewbrunswick.org)

Also check us out on Facebook:

Rutgers Catholic Student Association





**SCHOOL BEGINS:**

**Grades Kindergarten through Eight,** Tuesday, September 5, 2023 7:40 a.m

**Pre- K Three and Four Orientation Days** Thursday, September 7, 2023

**Pre-K School** begins on Monday, September 11, 2023.

**Opening School Mass:** Friday, September 8, 2023 at 8: 30 a.m. Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Mother. Please join us for Mass.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN.**

Grades Six though Eight: Monday, September 11, 2023

Grades One through Five: Wednesday, September 13, 2023

**At the beginning of this new school year,  
We pray, Lord  
bless the students, teachers, and staff,  
that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love  
as we learn from you and each other.  
Expand the horizons of our minds,  
that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and knowledge;  
deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways;  
and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need. Amen.**