

# Our Lady of Hope Parish

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**Marymount Parish Center**  
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**Office Hours**  
Monday thru Friday  
9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
And  
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

**Bulletin Deadline**  
Articles and announcements  
must be submitted to the office in writing by Noon Monday.



**Pastor**  
Rev. John S. Terry M. Div.

**In Residence**  
Rev. Richard G. Ghezzi

**Pastors Emeritii**  
Msgr. Alexander T. Kulik  
Rev. Theodore L. Obaza

**Deacon**  
Joseph F. DeVizia

**Parish Secretary**  
Theresa Talacka

**Business Manager**  
Suzanne Cosgrove

**Director of Music**  
Andrea Yorkonis

**Liturgy**  
Noah Klinges

**Director of Religious Education**  
Diane Lakkis

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm  
Sundays: 9:00 am & 11:15 am  
Weekdays: 7:00 am (Rectory Chapel)

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:15 - 3:45  
Before Daily Mass or by appointment.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

You must be registered in the Parish for six months. Arrangements for the Baptism must be arranged by the parents. All sponsors should be carefully selected and must be at least 16 years of age. Non-practicing, fallen away Catholics are not eligible for sponsorship, even if they are close relatives or friends. The Sponsors are required to bring a letter of eligibility from their Church.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning a wedding must contact the rectory six to nine months before the date. Couples are obligated to follow Parish Policy and are required to attend the Diocese Pre-Cana Program.

## ANointing of the Sick AND SICK CALLS

In case of serious illness or advance age, please call the parish priest. Also notify the rectory if admitted to hospitals and nursing homes. Arrangements can be made to bring Holy Communion.



We are now on Facebook  
@olohweb

## RCIA

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

Adults interested in becoming Catholic and have not received First Eucharist or have not received Confirmation should call the rectory. Program runs from September through Pentecost.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes are held in Marymount Parish Center on South Hancock Street September through May. Grades K-8 10:00 am - 11:00 am

## NEWCOMERS

We welcome you! Register in the parish office Monday through Friday during office hours. If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the office concerning your move.

40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702



**Sunday, November 17**

9:00 AM Helen Robachefski - Stanley & Judy Matulewski  
 11:15 AM Mr. & Mrs. John Monczewski - Daughters Eleanor & Clara

**Monday, November 18**

7:00 AM Health & Blessings for John Jewell - Stella Page

**Tuesday, November 19**

7:00 AM Ann Nguyen - Family  
 5:30 PM St. Anthony of Padua Novena

**Wednesday, November 20**

7:00 AM Joe & Clara Dorzinsky - Claire & Joe Carmody

**Thursday, November 21**

7:00 AM Rev. Charles Zawol - Theresa Franckowiak

**Friday, November 22**

7:00 AM All Soul's Intention

**Saturday, November 23**

4:00 PM Helene & Alexander Ruth - Jim & Mary Ruth

**Sunday, November 24**

9:00 AM Victor Tarutis - Len & June Swida  
 11:15 AM Thaddeus & Julia Ostrowski - Daughter, Theresa

**SANCTUARY VOTIVES:** - In Memory of Frank T Revitt  
 By - Wife, Geraldine

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES:** Deceased Members of the Hertely Family - By Family

**SACRED HEART CANDLES:** Birthday Blessings for Chloe M Stosa- By Family

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION:</b>	\$3,823.00
<b>LOOSE:</b>	\$227.00
<b>CEMETERY: (St. Mary's Maternity)</b>	\$470.00
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**ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE** - Throughout the month of November, the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen is requesting **COFFEE**.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**- Every Monday from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm, this group meets to make hundreds of shawls for anyone who may be battling an illness, young or old. Also mittens and scarfs for children are made. All are made with the saying of prayers. All items are also blessed by Father Terry before distribution. We welcome anyone who would like to join. No experience is necessary as the good members will train. If interested call Rita Tarnalicki, at 570- 824-4744.

**CHRISTIAN WOMEN** - The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday, November 20th. A memorial Mass for all those who were members of our Women's Association will be celebrated at 6:00 pm in the Rectory Chapel. New members are invited. The society serves the parish in many ways, especially our children. Please consider joining. Plans will continue for the Annual Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 1st, at 1:00 at Genetti's Hotel. Cost is \$25.00

**ADVENT PROJECTS**

**CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS** - We will be collecting items for the homeless shelters during the Advent Season. There will be large Christmas Stockings hanging in the Church for you to drop in a donation of socks, underwear, hygiene products (trial size) etc.

**TEEN TREE** - A Tree with paper ornaments for you to pick with specific requests such as T-Shirt, Hair Dryer, Curling Iron, Hoodies, etc. for a homeless teen. Just pick an ornament by December 22 for delivery to the Homeless Shelters. No need to wrap. The tree will be lit and decorated with paper ornaments on November 30 for the 4:00 pm Mass. Thank you to all parishioners for your continued support and generosity to all of our Social Concerns projects.

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA** - We are better than half-way of our nine week Christmas Novena. Many have come to pray for a miracle or give thanks for blessings received. This Novena also features the Patron Saint of Cancer, Saint Peregrine. Many are afflicted with this illness. Come and join us on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm. Bring your heart and love of God as we pray for intercessions of these great saints.



**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL** - Since we are only at 40% of our goal, it is urgent that our parish family respond to the appeal. We really need your help. A letter from our pastor has or will be sent to those who have not yet made their pledge. Our parish reached its goal last year. So, it is possible. It is imperative that we do so this year. Please make your pledge today. Thank you.

**SHAPING A BLUE PRINT FOR THE FUTURE** - Recently the clergy of our greater Wilkes-Barre Deanery of parishes met together, and two weeks ago with Bishop Bambera and the rest of the clergy concerning the future of our Diocese and Churches. Unlike the "Call to Mission and Holiness", which determined the closure and merging of Churches, the meeting will bring in a representative of each parish to discuss the present situation of our local Church and how to best use our resources to promote our Catholic faith in the future. Questions like: How best do we use the limited number of clergy? How much more will the leadership and gifts of the laity play? What type of cooperation will be required between parishes to meet the need of our people?, to name a few. Father Terry will meet with those parishioners who are equipped for such a discussion. In December, a video message from our Bishop will help us all to understand better this matter.

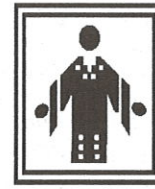
**CHRISTMAS FOOD AND TOY DISTRIBUTION**  
St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, a program of Catholic Social Services is once again teaming up with local parishes and the United States Marines "Toys for Tots" for this year's Christmas Toy Drive. This year's registration for **Toys and Food for Christmas will be held at St. Mary's (Our Lady of Fatima Parish), 134 S. Washington Street in Wilkes-Barre on: Monday, Nov. 25th - 10 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 6 pm. Children up to age 10 are eligible. Parents should bring the following: 1) Photo ID of Parent or Guardian, 2) Original Birth Certificates for each child and 3) Proof of address - such as a recent utility bill.**

**Food Distribution will take place at St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen, 39 E Jackson Street, Wilkes-Barre on Monday, December 16 from 10 am - 1 pm and 3 pm - 6 pm**

**Toy Distribution will take place at St. Mary's (Our Lady of Fatima Parish), 134 S Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre on Monday, December 16 from 10am - 1pm and 3 pm - 6pm.**

### **WE NEED DONATIONS OF TOYS!!!**

To donate toys or new outerwear for the children, please contact Dianne at 570-406-9843. They can also be dropped off at the Kitchen from 8 am - 1 pm daily. If the Church or organization has a large quantity of donations for the drive, contact Dianne prior to 12/10 to arrange for delivery or pickup.



## **FROM THE PASTOR**

There are a number of themes in this month of November that are noteworthy. The most significant being the praying for the Souls in Purgatory. Second but certainly of great importance is the issue of Vocations. There are different vocations or callings. There is marriage, the greatest in number. Some are called to live a single life. But when we think about a vocation in the Catholic sense, we think about Religious Life (Nuns, Brothers, etc.) and most especially the Priesthood. We currently have a little over 120 priests who are active in the Diocese of Scranton. In 1975 when I was ordained we had about 400. The projected number in the next five years will be less than 50. This is an alarming statistic. There are only 8 men in the Seminary studying for the Priesthood. The Church's sexual abuse scandal, no doubt, has been a factor. However, there are other reasons. We live a very secular and material culture. To embrace a life of celibacy and non-material concerns is quite a big decision today. There is great lament over the closing of Churches. There should be. But greater lament is the fact that even if there were Churches still open, there would be no clergy to serve in them. The answer is found in family life and influence. The attitude of parents regarding their son becoming a priest is huge. Many priests and sisters say "Growing up our family prayed together...We served others as a family. My parents often had clergy and religious over for dinner". I can't remember when I was personally invited over for dinner to a family with children. When I grew up it was an honor or privilege to invite our priest or religious sister. Well, I guess it's a different world today. Things have changed. But the future of our Catholic Faith is in great jeopardy. So much depends on our Catholic family life today.

### **LOTTERY WINNERS**

Wed. Nov. 6	497	Florence Williams
Thurs. Nov. 7	215	
Fri. Nov 8	357	Dorothy Faymore
Sat. Nov 9	572	