

Our Lady of Hope Parish

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Office Hours
Monday thru Friday
9:00 am to 12:30 pm

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

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday evening: 4:00 pm
Sundays: 10:30 am
Weekdays: Tuesday and Friday
8:00 am (Rectory Chapel)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 pm
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 con-tact 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 advanced 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.

OUR LADY OF HOPE MISSION STATEMENT

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Pastor
Rev. John S. Terry M. Div.

In Residence
Rev. Richard G. Ghezzi

Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Theodore L. Obaza

Deacon
William Behm

Parish Secretary
Jean Behm

Business Manager
Suzanne Cosgrove

Director of Music
Andrea Yorkonis

Liturgy
Noah Klinges

Director of Religious Education
Diane Lakkis

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 9:15 am - 10:15 am

40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

We are now on Facebook
@olohweb

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 6, 2025



Sunday July 6

10:30 AM James Wasilewski - Wife, Dyann &
Son, Jason

Tuesday July 8

8:00 AM Filomena Aiello - Family

Friday July 11

8:00 AM Mary Ann Krushin - Nephew, Norbert
Falkowski & Wife, Patty

Saturday July 12

4:00 PM Carole Kane - Rosemary Bogumil

Sunday July 13

10:30 AM Maryanne Charnichko - Prayer Shawl
Ministry

Sanctuary Votives— In memory of Ronald Royek -
By Sue Cosgrove and Family

Pastoral Council/Finance Committee Meeting

It is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 10th, at 6:30 in the rectory. This is a very important meeting as we prepare for the new Administrator/ Pastor. Please let the office know if this works in your schedule.

Prizes for Fall Raffle— Our Raffles have been very well received and supported. Now is the time for donations to be made to put together an excellent ticket. When out shopping, how about picking up something of worth. Also, gift certificates are great. Consider putting together a nice basket that has been previously done; e.g. a wine basket, household basket, an entertainment basket, etc. The summer goes by fast, so please help and drop them off at the rectory or church.

St. Joseph's Table— For the month of July, our request for the poor of our area will be Coffee. God will bless our parish if we help the helpless. God Bless

Mass in Remembrance of Victims of Violence or Tragic Death

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violence or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide and accident.

The Mass is scheduled for Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 7:00 pm in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.

All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV: Catholic Television and also by livestream on the diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org.

Names of deceased loved ones will be inscribed in the Book of Remembrance.

Visit www.dioceseofscranton.org to register the name of a loved one, or use the registration form available in the parish office. All forms must be received by July 11, 2025.

Annual Summer Stewardship Campaign

Every year it is necessary to conduct this campaign. Some local bazaars have ceased because of a lack of workers and the amount of hard work and conceded time from family and leisure. Volunteer help is asked of those doing public service to assemble and take apart the platforms and stands. Here, we make a humble appeal from each household to make a significant gift. As of today we have collected \$11,000.00 toward our goal of \$25,000.00. Please help!

St. Nicholas-St. Mary Parish Summer Bazaar-

226 S. Washington St, W-B, will be held

July 17, 18 & 19 on the parish grounds of St. Nicholas Church. This year's 50/50 Raffle Drawing will feature a Cash Grand Prize, plus 50 additional prizes. The Bazaar will feature American, Ethnic, Mexican & Caribbean foods, Giant Flea Market opens Thursday 1PM-10 PM, Fri & Sat 3PM-10PM. Baskets, games, and a variety of booths for all ages. Live music from 7PM-10:30PM on Thursday by "Flaxy Morgan", Friday by "Popstar Drive" and Saturday by "Kartune."

Bazaar times: Thurs-Fri— 5:30PM-10:30PM and Saturday opens after the 4:00 PM Mass until 10:30PM. For more info, please call their parish office 570.823.7736

Scripture Reflection

Imagine that on this day Jesus sends you and several dozen of your fellow parishioners to nearby towns or neighborhoods to spread the gospel. Today we hear Jesus do just that with seventy-two of his disciples. He empowers them to call for repentance, heal the sick, drive out demons, and preach of the kingdom of God. "The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few," he tells them then and us now. May God's word inspire us to spread the Good News and may the Eucharist nourish and sustain us as we labor in the fields of the Lord.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP POLICY

You are reminded that only persons, who are registered as members of our parish and identified as such by being on our envelope and mailing list, are considered parishioners of Our Lady of Hope Parish. It is expected that members of this parish will participate at Mass here on a regular basis and contribute their fair share to the support of the Parish. The fact that you may live locally or may have attended school here years ago or received the sacrament here or your family "used to belong" does not make you a member of our parish. Please remember this fact when seeking sponsor cards, baptisms, planning weddings, etc. We open our arms to you if you want to be a member, but you must be open to the responsibility which such membership challenges you to. Please feel free to call us or drop by the office during office hours if you wish to become part of our Parish Family.

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**FROM
THE
PASTOR**

I'd like to share with you this article entitled Spring Cleaning for the Soul. When a home is closed up during a long stuffy winter, Spring is the time to open it up, air it out, and give it a brisk, thorough cleaning. The last few weeks of Spring offers us the opportunity for a brisk thorough cleansing of our souls too. Let in the sunlight. Raise the shades and illuminate the dark and dusty places of your life to reveal whatever is keeping you from a close relationship with God. Is accumulating money or possessions your top priority? Are you trying harder to impress others than working to please God? Do bad habits (excessive food, alcohol, drugs, pornography) dominate your life? Make an honest spiritual assessment and get busy cleaning. Clear out cluttered closets. Is there something stuck in the corners of your conscience that needs to be cleaned out and thrown away so you can put God first in your Life? Do you harbor unconfessed sin or an old grudge or unresolved disagreements? Seek forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation (Confession), perform your penance, make amends, and let it go. Freshen up. What spiritual change have you been meaning to make? Do you need to make weekly Mass more of a priority? Does your prayer life need refreshing? Have you wanted to learn more about your faith?

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us in to tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever.

Amen