

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.



Pastor
Rev. John S. Terry M. Div.

In Residence
Rev. Richard G. Ghezzi

Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Theodore L. Obaza

Deacon
Joseph F. DeVizia

Parish Secretary
Theresa Talacka

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Suzanne Cosgrove

Director of Music
Andrea Yorkonis

Liturgy
Noah Klings

Director of Religious Education
Diane Lakkis

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm Sundays: 10:30 pm

Weekdays: 800 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 9:15 am - 10:15 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



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 10

10:30 AM Carl J. Check - Rosemary Gawat

Tuesday, July 12

8:00 AM William & Shirley Lynch - Mary,
Nancy & John Lynch

Friday, July 15

8:00 AM Mary Buczynski - Daughter, Mary
Frances

Saturday, July 16

4:00 PM Dorothy & John Kinsel, Jr. - Johanna
Sobeck

Sunday, July 17

10:30AM Mary Buczynski - Daughter, Mary
Frances

SANCTUARY VOTIVES: End of War

SPECIAL NOTICE - If your check to the Church has not been recently cashed, please notify us. Recently there was a problem we would like to resolve. Your contributions are critical and we want to be accurate giving you credit.

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE- For the month of July, the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen requests from our parish **COFFEE**.

ST. ANN'S SOLEMN NOVENA to be held in St. Aloysius Church, Corner of Barney and Division Sts. Wilkes-Barre on July 18 - 26th, 7:00 pm nightly. Father Paul A. McDonnell, OSJ Oblates of St. Joseph, Pittston will be conducting this nightly Mass and Novena to St. Ann.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN - To date we have received \$9,390.00. The response has been good. We all know the significance of this drive. As parishes labor to raise necessary funds, we have successfully, achieved our goal without the sweat and hard work. Someone from a neighboring parish wished this Church would do the same. Volunteers are difficult to find, too. So let's get behind this important endeavor and reach our goal of \$25,000.00. God bless all who have contributed so far.

PRIZES NEED FOR FALL RAFFLE - We were pleasantly surprised for the wonderful donations of really good prizes for the Fall Festival. Due to the Covid and the refurbishing of the Parish Hall, we don't feel comfortable in conducting the Fall Festival. The raffle was very successful. We hope that it can be accomplished again this year. Bring them to the Rectory during office hours or to the Sacristy.

ALTAR SERVERS: We are short in our young people willing to embrace the ministry of Altar Server. There are plenty of youngsters in the congregation. Parents, encourage them to become involved in parish life, after all they are our future. They need to know that they have an important role to play in the life of the Church. Please step-up!

SOCIAL CONCERNS - SUMMER PROJECT. We are grateful for the decision rendered by the Supreme Court concerning the "Right of Life". We are asking your help for our local Pro-Life Center. Diapers, baby powder, shampoo, brushes and combs, Soap, Q-tips, baby lotion, etc. Place them near the St. Joseph's Table.

ST. NICHOLAS PARISH BAZAAR -226 S. Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, will be held on July 14, 15 and 16 on the parish grounds. This year's 50-50 raffle drawing will feature a cash grand prize, plus 32 additional prizes. The Bazaar will feature American, Ethnic, Mexican & Caribbean foods, Giant Flea Market opens Thursday 1:00 pm - 10:00 pm, Friday and Saturday, 3:00 pm - 10 pm, Bountiful baskets, games, a variety of booths, (something for all ages). Music entertainment on Thursday by "Flaxy Morgan", Friday by "The Sperazza Band" and Saturday by "Luongo Brothers Band". Bazaar times: Thursday & Friday. 6:00pm - 11:00 pm. and Saturday opens after the 5:00 pm Mass until 11:00 pm. For more information call 570-823-7736

CASH BINGO in St. Maria Goretti Parish Hall, 42 Redwood Drive, Laflin, Pa. on Saturday, August 13, 2022. Doors open at 11:00 AM Bingo from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Tickets \$30 pre-sale, \$35 at the door. Includes 20 games of Bingo. Regular Game prizes of \$100. Specials (\$5 each) \$200 - \$500 (extra games may be purchased) Food & Beverages will be available for purchase. Basket raffle, door prizes, bake sale. For tickets contact parish office at 570-65-8956 Monday - Friday 9:00 am- 2:00pm. Facilities are handicapped accessible, ample & free parking.

LADY OF HOPE MISSION STATEMENT

The people of Our Lady of Hope are called to be a welcoming community of faith, hope and love; committed to Jesus Christ and to His Gospel; to grow in our love for others as Jesus loves us. Through the prayerful intercession of Mary, our Patroness, we seek to live in unity and hope as we strive to assist those in need through our good works, sacrifices and stewardship.

By celebrating the Mass and Sacraments, by providing various opportunities for Catholic Education, by calling forth more of our members to ministries and service, we seek to help one another to grow closer to the Lord in this life as we journey together towards the complete happiness that awaits us in Heaven

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.



FROM THE PASTOR

I would like to share this story with you. A young boy was walking home from school with his hands filled with books. He was struggling to hold them all. A group of fellow students approached him and smacked the books out of his hands and onto the ground. Across the street, a fellow student saw this and ran over and helped him pick up the books. The boy with the books had tears in his eyes. They were not friends at the time but walked together and talked. They soon became inseparable and best friends. The boy who had his books thrown to the ground blossomed in high school. He became an athletic star and exceptional student. His best friend who helped him was not athletic and an average student. Yet despite their different lives, they remained best friends. High school graduation approached and the athletic boy was named valedictorian. During the ceremony, he approached the microphone to give his speech, never turning his gaze from his best friend. He began thanking many people and then just stopped. Staring right at his best friend, he thanked him with a pained expression and no one, not even his best friend knew why. Then he went on. The day he had his books knocked to the ground was very difficult for him. He had no friends, felt alone and was sad. That day, he had planned to take his own life. This is when his soon to be his best friend entered his life. Everything changed that day. A small act of kindness saved a life. The speaker and his friend both had tears in their eyes as the story was told and the magnitude of the one day became apparent. You never know what your kindness towards others can mean. Be that difference maker and be kind.

IN MEMORIAM - We are thankful for those who remembered **John Quinn** who recently died with a memorial gift. Unfortunately, many forget the Church. On John Quinn's behalf, they are: Keith Jayma, Marvin Jayma III, Janet Brenias, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Kurtz, Laura & Andy, Joelle Dougherty & Family, Russ Halchak, Jean Goham, Louise Kubek and Michael & Dorothy Kashula.