

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.



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Rev. John S. Terry M. Div.

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Rev. Richard G. Ghezzi

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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.

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.

We are now on Facebook
@olohweb

40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 22

10:30 AM Angela Azat - Cousin, Mary Gallamo & Family

Tuesday, May 24

8:00AM Anthony Lisiewski - Daughter, Theresa
5:30 PM St. Anthony of Padua Novena

Thursday, May 26 ASCENSION

5:30 PM Peace in Ukraine

Friday, May 27

8:00 AM Mary Nguyen - Family

Saturday, May 28

4:00 PM Margaret & John Kinsel Sr. - Johanna Sobeck

Sunday, May 29

10:30AM Sister Ann Patrice - Mr. & Mrs. James Tomasura

SANCTUARY VOTIVES: End of War

SACRED HEART CANDLES: In Memory of Louis Marsicano By Cousin Carolyn Graziano

SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$3,045
LOOSE:	\$24.00
DUES:	\$878.00

CHRISTIAN WOMEN- The Annual Mother's Day Dinner sponsored by the Confraternity of Christian Women will be held on June 5th at 1:00 pm. at the Woodlands, 1073 Highway 315.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Remembering God's goodness always puts a song in your heart.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

In our Diocese this feast day is still celebrated on this Thursday, May 26th. Mass will be celebrated at 5:30 PM only. **It is a Holy Day of Obligation.** On this day we celebrate that day when Jesus Christ, having risen from the dead and appeared to all His disciples with His gift of peace and His command to preach to all the nations, ascended to heaven to be with the Father forever. The portion of His mission which necessitated His physical presence here on earth had ended, but the mission was far from over. It was entrusted first to His disciples, then in turn to every baptized Christian. Let us pray for the courage and wisdom to carry on Christ's mission in our world today.

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE - We have four cemeteries to maintain. Two of them are no longer active. However, the other two require a lot of care. We owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Thomas Buckler who has done an outstanding job to best supervise and keep in good condition to the best of his ability the two main cemeteries. Thank him for his work, he is really an unassuming and taken for granted custodian. Our cemeteries are quite expensive. Financial support is critical. The contributions are appreciated, but many have not been supportive. As we approach Memorial Day, keep this in mind. Thank you.

PRAYER TO END ABORTIONS

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that You have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son, I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself never to be silent, never to be passive, never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice not just for some, for all, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary, a special Mass will be celebrated in June, 2022 at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. Reservations are required by May 29, 2022. Call Father Terry or contact Jennifer Housel at 570-207-2213 ext. 1104.

HOW MOTHERS ARE "TABERNACLES" FOR THEIR UNBORN CHILDREN

Mothers hold within themselves the life of another human being, making them tabernacles safeguarding the image of God. Each Catholic Church has a tabernacle within it, protecting and guarding the Eucharistic presence of God. In a similar way, the Blessed Mother was the first "tabernacle" holding within herself Jesus Christ. This is why in some places a tradition was established of constructing tabernacles within statues of the Virgin Mary. Above all, during the months immediately preceding the birth of her child, the mother should keep close to God, of whom the infant she bears within her is the image, the handiwork, the gift and the child. She should be for her offspring, as it were, a temple, a sanctuary, an altar, a tabernacle. In short, her life should be, so to speak, the life of a living sacrament, a sacrament in act, burying herself in the bosom of that God who has so truly instituted it and hallowed it, so that there she may draw that energy, that enlightening, that natural and supernatural beauty which He wills, and wills precisely by her means, to impart to the child she bears and to be born of her. St. Zene provides a beautiful reminder to all mothers that the one they bear is holy to God. It is why mothers should do all they can to protect the unborn human life they hold and to cherish the time of pregnancy. Being pregnant is certainly not easy, but mothers can look to the Blessed Mother for inspiration and strength, recognizing the divine calling they have received to be a "tabernacle" of human life.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN - The Christian Women will be awarding a monetary award to eligible members of the high school graduating class of 2022. To be eligible for this award, the graduate must be a member of Our Lady of Hope Parish or the child or grandchild of one of our Christian Women members. An essay title "What My Catholic Faith Means To Me and How I Apply it In Everyday Life, must be submitted by May 15th. Awards will be given out at 10:30 am Mass on June 5th. A special ceremony will take place at a later time and date. You will be notified. Please return your application and essay to either Monica Jendrzejewski or June Swida. For more information, call June Swida 570-825-4966



FROM THE PASTOR

Sharing with you a good article for reflection: **Virtues are the antidotes to sin.** Virtues are good moral habits that shape our hearts to be like God's. They help us habitually do what is good. As the building blocks for Christian moral living, virtues help to encounter sin. For example: **HUMILITY** - This virtue is the antidote to pride. Humility helps us to recognize that God is worthy of our worship and obedience. Rather than focusing on ourselves, humility helps us to be willing to focus on God, live according to His ways. Ideas for practicing this virtue include always taking the less important position, drawing attention to others rather than ourselves, learning to love simple things. **FORGIVENESS** - This sin of anger is defined as an uncontrolled feeling of hatred and wrath. Indulging in anger pauses us to hold onto hateful feelings for others. The antidote is forgiveness. When offended by someone, forgive quickly and work to heal the relationship. Refrain from gossip and avoid criticizing unless you can offer reasonable and useful solutions. **GRATITUDE AND GENEROSITY** go hand in hand. They remind us God is the source of all good, and that everything good we have is a gift to be enjoyed and shared. Stop the "compare-despair" cycle of envy and greed. Limit your time on social media and impulse shopping. Name something you appreciate daily or find a way to show kindness each day.

ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE - For the month of May, St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen is requesting a donation of **CANNED FRUIT**. Your generosity has been wonderful. Please help and the good Lord won't forget, "Whenever you feel hungry...you did it for me!"

LOTTERY WINNERS

Wed. May 11	514	Joan Charnetski
Thurs. May 12	169	
Fri. May 13	817	
Sat. May 14	446	Theresa Talacka