

Our Lady of Hope Parish

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Office Hours
Mon Tues Thurs Fri
9:00 am to 12:30 pm
Closed Wednesday

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

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am
Weekdays: Tuesday and Friday
8:00 am (Main Church)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 pm
After 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 Diocesan Pre-Cana Program.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND SICK CALLS
In case of serious illness or advanced age, please call the Parish Life Coordinator. Also notify the rectory if admitted to hospitals and nursing homes. Arrangements can be made to bring Holy Communion.

VISION STATEMENT
Faith-Family-Friendship
Casting a wide net to gather as many people as possible for the Kingdom of God.

MISSION STATEMENT
To be a welcoming community that encourages and empowers our family of believers to use their gifts and talents to be active, intentional disciples of Jesus Christ.

Parish Life Coordinator
Deacon Steve Frye

Sacramental Minister
Rev. Mark DeCelles

Pastors Emeriti
Rev. John S. Terry M. Div.
Rev. Theodore L. Obaza

Deacon
Deacon William Behm

Parish Secretary
Jean Behm

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Suzanne Cosgrove

Director of Music
Andrea Yorkonis

Director of Liturgy
Noah Klinges

Director of Religious Education
Diane Lakkis

OCIA
(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Adults interested in becoming Catholic or those who have not received First Eucharist or Confirmation should call the rectory. Program runs from September through Pentecost.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Classes are held in the Church Parish Hall
Sundays, September to May.
Grades K-8 10:00 am - 11:00 am

40 Park Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

We are now on Facebook
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11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2026



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 13

4:00 PM John R Quinn - Wife, Betty & Family

Sunday, June 14

9:00 AM Joseph & Mary Metura - Daughters & Family

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 AM Ruth Family - Mary Ruth

Friday, June 19

8:00 AM Daniel Luce - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Reilly

Saturday, June 20

4:00 PM Norbert & Dolores Falkowski - Son, Norbert and wife, Patty

Sunday, June 21

9:00 AM Janice Sidloski - Jim Wielgopolski

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is held after weekday masses until 9:00 AM, and on Thursday evening from 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Votives

Blessed Mother - In Memory of Eleanor Quinn
By Daughters, Sue & Family

Sacred Heart - In Memory of Vincent Aleo
By Wife & Family

Please pray for the Sick of our Parish:

Deacon Joe DeVizia	William McLaughlin
Lindsay Kurtz	Ron Reiss
Theresa Belcastro	Helen Novak
Rosalie Reiss	Maria Healey
Judy Manganello	Theresa Talacka
Fr. John Terry	Carol Zafia
Pat Kinsman	

Weekend of June 7th

Sunday Collection	\$5,401.00
Portion going to the Diocese	372.00
Remaining at OLOH	\$5,029.00

Finance Council Meeting

Our Lady of Hope Parish's Finance Council will meet on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 6:00 PM in the Rectory.

Christian Women's Mother's Day Dinner

The Christian Women of Our Lady of Hope are having their Mother's Day Dinner on June 24th, at 6:00 PM at R & D Catering in Hanover Township. The cost is \$25. For reservations call Mary Gluchowski at 570-825-3925.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Lady of Hope Parish has a dedicated group of women that meet every Monday from 12:30 to 3 PM in the Rectory. They crochet or knit prayer shawls, baby afghans, and hat, scarf, and glove sets to be given to those in need in our community. New (and inexperienced) members are always welcome. Materials and people willing to teach are available. Those with experience may work from home. Anyone who would like a prayer shawl or those interested in joining the Prayer Shawl Ministry can contact Helene Jewell (570-823-1800) or Mary Ruth (570-301-2509).

World Refugee Day 2026

World Refugee Day honors the strength, resilience, and courage of millions of refugees throughout the world. Everyone is welcome to come to this free event to share in the rich cultural heritage of the refugee communities in Northeast Pennsylvania. Come celebrate on Saturday, June 20th from 2:00-5:00 PM at the Diocese of Scranton Pastoral Center, 330 Wyoming Ave., Scranton. This is a Free Family event with cultural music and dance, games and activities for kids, and light refreshments.



Summer Festival

St. Leo the Great Parish Summer Festival, 33 Manhattan St., Ashley, will be held Friday, June 26 (6-11 PM) and Saturday, June 27 (5-10 PM). All are invited to come and enjoy live music, homemade food, games and air conditioned bingo.

St. Vincent DePaul Donations

For the month of June the request from the St. Vincent DePaul Kitchen is **Coffee and Tea**. God Bless You!

Reflection

After celebrating the fifty-day season of Easter, culminating with Jesus' ascension to heaven and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, we are emboldened to become disciples ourselves, proclaiming Jesus' message of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven through our words and actions. Let Jesus' final words in today's Gospel propel us on our mission: "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." Without cost we have received the salvation Jesus won for us; without cost we are to share this gift.

What I would like you to PRAY ABOUT:

Like the first apostles, we are ALL called to be part of Christ's mission. Like the first apostles, we must have faith. We can all imagine that the apostles might have felt inadequate or unprepared for the task Jesus gave them. But it is faith that moves us forward - and it is faith that guides our way. We should pray that we might have the faith to respond to God's calling in our lives today, not ignoring our fear or apprehension - but trusting that God will provide and care for us throughout the process.

Thoughts from Deacon Bill:

I am honored to sit on the board of directors of St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen. Whenever I think of the work performed there, I think of the words of President Kennedy who said, "Here on earth, God's work must truly be our own." What we do in the Kitchen truly is God's work. But that doesn't mean everything is smooth sailing. I'm thinking of a time when I was in Formation and working-the-line at the Kitchen one noon. As I watched everyone approaching their meal, I saw a familiar face. This was a guy I once worked with - someone I'd even occasionally given money to help him make it to the next payday. When he got to my station, I looked at him and smiled a hello. He looked back and said, "What the *@#* are you looking at?" Mean spirited as this comment was, I was left with two alternatives: I could return his comments in-kind - or I could feed him. It was a difficult decision at the moment. The lesson I learned from this encounter was simple. Christ told us to love those who don't love us back, and to turn the other cheek. It might have been easier to show anger, but it was in a Catholic-spirit to show love. May we ALL and ALWAYS be willing to show love. Whenever we encounter anger directed at us.



**Now You Know....
From the PLC**

How about a brief history lesson?

Do you know we are in National Flag Week? The week containing June 14, Flag Day, is designated as "National Flag Week." Flag Day is a celebration of the adoption on June 14, 1777, by the Continental Congress, of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States. For 246 years we have celebrated June 14 as Flag Day, however, it wasn't officially recognized until President Truman signed it into law in 1949. In 1966, Congress requested that the President annually issue a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as National Flag Week. The President calls on government officials to display the flag on all government buildings and urges us to observe Flag Day. The flag of the United States represents freedom and has been an enduring symbol of our Nation's ideals since its early days. Many people honor this day by displaying the American flag at homes and public buildings. Other popular activities include: flag-raising ceremonies; Flag Day services; school quizzes and essay competitions about the American flag; musical salutes; and parades. With this significant focus on a symbol of our nation, why not spend time each day this week to focus on the symbol of our Faith, the Sign of the Cross? It has been around nearly 2,000 years and is the Gospel in one simple motion. With it we believe, without explanation, the central mystery of our Faith, Three Persons in One God. In this country, we have the freedom to live our Faith. Why not begin and end each day with a Sign of the Cross? Of course, prayers in between would be a joyful plus.

Now you know!

Deacon Steve



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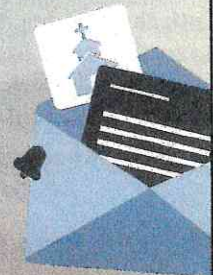
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