THE PARISHES OF ST. ANN'S, ST. MARY'S, OUR LADY OF HOPE, & CHAPEL OF THE ASSUMPTION



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice!

Philippians 4:4



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Our Lady of Hope

Roman Catholic Church

9 Wheeler Avenue Whitehall, NY 12887 Parish Phone: 518-499-1656

Chapel of the Assumption

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday: 4:00 pm Our Lady of Hope

6:00 pm *Chapel of the Assumption

(*summer schedule)

Sunday: 8:30 am St. Ann's

10:30 am Our Lady of Hope

12:30 pm St. Mary's

Weekdays: 6:30 am St. Mary's (Monday)

6:00 pm St. Ann's – LM (*Tuesday*) 9:00 am St. Mary's (*Wednesday*) 9:00 am O.L. of Hope (*Thurs. & Fri.*) 9:00 am St. Ann's (*First Saturday*)

6:30 am St. Ann's – LM

(other Saturdays except for the last)

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Ann's: Tues. 10am-1pm & 5-6pm

<u>St. Mary's</u>: Mon. 6-7pm, Wed. 8-9am, & Sun. 11:15am-12:15pm <u>O.L. of Hope:</u> Mon. 9am-Tue. 9pm, Wed. 9am-7pm, Thu. 7am-

9pm, Fri. 3am-6pm; and before Masses.

Devotions: The Holy Rosary or Divine Mercy

Chaplet, 30 minutes before all Masses.

Parish Staff

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Brian Brooks and Jeff Cuomo, Our Lady of Hope

Confession

Tues: 5:00-5:45 pm, 6:45-7:00 pm (St. Ann's)

Wed.: 8:00-8:30 am (St. Mary's)

Thurs: 8:00-8:30 am (Our Lady of Hope)

Fri.: 8:00-8:30 am, 5:00-5:45 pm (Our Lady of Hope)

Sat.: 3:00-3:30 pm (Our Lady of Hope)

Sun: 7:45-8:15 am (St. Ann's)

Additional Sacramental Celebrations

Baptism: Please call the parish office.

<u>Matrimony</u>: Please call the parish office to speak with Father at least six months prior to the proposed date.

Anointing of the Sick: Please see Father after Mass or call the office if you are expecting to undergo surgery, or are ill or know of someone who is

Holy Orders & Consecrated Life: Please call the parish office.

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SCOTT HAHN REFLECTS ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The people in today's Gospel are "filled with expectation." They believe John the Baptist might be the Messiah they've been waiting for. Three times we hear their question: "What then should we do?" The Messiah's coming requires every man and woman to choose - to "repent" or not. That's John's message and it will be Jesus' too (see Luke 3:3; 5:32; 24:47).

"Repentance" translates a Greek word, metanoia (literally, "change of mind"). In the Scriptures, repentance is presented as a two-fold "turning" - away from sin (see Ezekiel 3:19; 18:30) and toward God (see Sirach 17:20-21; Hosea 6:1). This "turning" is more than attitude adjustment. It means a radical life-change. It requires "good fruits as evidence of your repentance" (see Luke 3:8). That's why John tells the crowds, soldiers and tax collectors they must prove their faith through works of charity, honesty and social justice.

In today's Liturgy, each of us is being called to stand in that crowd and hear the "good news" of John's call to repentance. We should examine our lives, ask from our hearts as they did: "What should we do?" Our repentance should spring, not from our fear of coming wrath (see Luke 3:7-9), but from a joyful sense of the nearness of our saving God.

This theme resounds through today's readings: "Rejoice!...The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all," we hear in today's Epistle. In today's Responsorial, we hear again the call to be joyful, unafraid at the Lord's coming among us.

In today's First Reading, we hear echoes of the angel's Annunciation to Mary. The prophet's words are very close to the angel's greeting (compare Luke 1:28-31). Mary is the Daughter Zion - the favored one of God, told not to fear but to rejoice that the Lord is with her, "a mighty Savior."

She is the cause of our joy. For in her draws near the Messiah, as John had promised: "One mightier than I is coming."

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Mass Intentions

WELCOME TO ALL NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS!

We wish you every blessing in the Lord! Visit our website at: www.olhstann.org

Sat 12/14, 6:30 am	St. Ann's	Frank McCabe (d) by James & Wendy McCabe
Sat 12/14, 4:00 pm	OLH	Tony & Jean Barber (d) by Paula Steves & family For the Intentions of Fr. Victor by Bridget Mount
Sun 12/15, 8:30 am	St. Ann's	Joseph A. & Lorraine Carbotti, Sr. (d) by Daughter Merilee Howard (d) & Jim Lewis (d) by Gina & Steve Neron
Sun 12/15, 10:30 am	OLH	For the living & deceased members of the O'Brien family & their friends Jack & Mary Ann St. Clair (d) by Susanne & Chris Grady
Sun 12/15, 12:30 pm	St. Mary's	People of our Parishes
Mon 12/16, 6:30 am	St. Mary's	For the Souls in Purgatory by Bridget Mount
Tue 12/17, 6:00 pm	St. Ann's	Emil Keller (d) by Karen & Bill Burnes
Wed 12/18, 9:00 am	St. Mary's	For the healing of Andrew Mount by Mom
Thu 12/19, 9:00 am	OLH	For Deceased Members of the Hewitt family
Fri 12/20, 9:00 am	OLH	Josephine Twyman (d) by the Twyman children
Sat 12/21, 6:30 am	St. Ann's	Edwin Belanger (d) by James & Wendy McCabe
Sat 12/21, 4:00 pm	OLH	William Whalen (d) (63 rd Ann.) by Eileen Rozell For the Living & Deceased Members of Court McLoghlin #596 Catholic Daughters of the Americas & their Families by Court McLoghlin #596 CDA
Sun 12/22, 8:30 am	St. Ann's	People of our Parishes
Sun 12/22, 10:30 am	OLH	Gene McKenna (d) by Toni McKenna Carol Kimball (d) by the Brooks family
Sun 12/22, 12:30 pm	St. Mary's	Joan Jones (d) by John Jones & family Angelo Scott (d) by the Scarlotta family

Sacrificial Giving

DECEMBER 1, 2024

Regular collection: \$1,672.00 Christmas flowers: \$542.00

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UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION

This Weekend: December 15 **Monthly Collection**

LECTOR SCHEDULE

12/15—Victoria Palmer 12/22 - Peter Beyer

12/25 - Walt Anderson

12/29 - George Olsen

HOMEBOUND VISITS

To arrange for a visit please call Deacon Andrew at 1-802-770-9487.

PRAYER LIST

Walt Anderson, Peter Beyer, Karen Powhida Booker, Raymond Boudreau, The Brooks Family, Valerie Brooks, Tom & Christine Brown, Gloria Cahill, Helen Caivana, Daniel Campbell, Jennifer Cruz-Marulanda, Gloria Dalton, Rita Devine, Ellen Favro, Jason Frost, Fr. Tom Holmes, Sherri Humphries, Alyssa Kelsey, Ed Lobo, Dr. Michael Lynch, Helen Macura, Karen Moulder, Charles Olsen, Debbie Parker, John Post, David Powhida, Florie Riegert, Kathy Ryan, Richard Schulz, Emy Shephard, Gary Squires, Elaine Starr, Theresa Sulzer, William Swindell, Wayne Toon, Miette & Simone Trevino, Mary Tutino, Richard Warner, Pat Watrous, & Vicky.



BLANKETS NEEDED!

The Granville Coat Closet is in need of clean blankets. They can be dropped off on Saturday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. at 3 Morrison Ave.,

Granville (where the food pantry is located). Thank you!

St. Mary's Monday Rosaries



Please join us at St. Mary's Church on **Mondays** for the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary, honoring our Lady of Fatima, at 2:00 pm and The Flame of Love Rosary at 3:10 pm.



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GOSPEL READING FOR DECEMBER 22, 2024 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

(LUKE 1:39-45)

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah. where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said,

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached

the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."





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St. Mary's Memorial Donations



Memorial donations given in memory of loved ones will be used for the upkeep of **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery.**

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Sacrificial Giving

COLLECTION TOTALS TO BE DETERMINED

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UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION

This Weekend: December 14 & 15 **Monthly Collection**

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for those who are ill in our daily prayers: James Aubin, Lois Austin, Matthew & Stephanie Austin, John Barber, Alexandra Bisol, Karen Powhida Booker, Thomas & Christine Brown, Rita Clark Burroughs, Dominic Cappello, Debbie Charpentier, Ann Corcoran, Paul Cramer, Al & Betty DeLuca, Art Donaldson, Andrew Donovan, Francis Donovan, Fran Doty, Jimmy Frasier Jr., Jane Gendron, Arlene Green, Caral Heffernan, Laura Ingalls, Gay Jarvis, Katie Jarvis, Kevin Jarvis, Antoinette Kelly, Charles Kelly (& parents Steven & Diane Kelly), Gerald Kissko, Kathy Kissko, Andre LaBier, Tom Lampkins, Nick LaPlaca, Azélie Lechner, Bennett Lechner, Maria McCrea, Bruce & Kim McLean, Marie Monty, Joe Moses, Jim Neiles, Tom Nells, Barb O'Rourke, Kathleen Paige, James J. Parrott, Joan Peterson, Patricia Plantor, Scott Roberts, Ada Rubino, Katana Sanchez, Jim & Mary Simonson, Jimmer St. Clair, John Wood, John Yetto.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MASS INTENTION



There is a Mass intention scheduled for the Living and Deceased Members of Court McLoghlin #596 Catholic Daughters of the Americas and their families, on Saturday, December 21st at 4 p.m. at OLH.

HAT & MITTEN TREE

Our Lady of Hope Catholic Daughters Court McLoghlin #596 are collecting hats and mittens during the Advent season for the children of Whitehall. Please place donations on the tree in the vestibule at Our Lady of Hope Church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATING AT OUR LADY OF HOPE



Christmas decorating at Our Lady of Hope will take place on **Sunday**, **December 22**nd, immediately following Mass. All are welcome to help!

ADORERS NEEDED AT

OUR LADY OF HOPE'S CHAPEL OF PEACE: Tuesdays from 5 to 6 p.m., and Fridays **from 5 to 6 p.m.** (in the church). If interested in any of these hours please contact *Nancy Gordon* at 499-2620 or AdoreHisMercy@gmail.com

ST. Ann's: To extend Adoration we need adorers on Tuesdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Commit to every week, once a month, or as a substitute. Please call St. Ann's office to sign up.



Hope After-School program which meets Monday thru Thursday. We currently have 8 students enrolled in the program and would like to potentially have more but we need more volunteers in order to do so. We could use help 4 to 5 pm! If interested please call the parish office.



St. Ann's ADVENT COFFEE HOUR

This Sunday, December 15th St. Ann's Parish Hall (Following 8:30 am Mass)

Pancakes and sausage will be provided. Bring a dish to share if you'd like. Come join us for food and fellowship!

St. Ann's Christmas Caroling



BRING FRIENDS AND FAMILY! SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21ST

- Faith Formation students at Slate Valley Nursing Home at 10 am (others welcome too!)
- Fort Ann Village at 2:30 pm



THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of our parishioners at St. Ann's who generously donated towards the Adopt-A-Family program this year!



OUR LADY OF HOPE'S CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Join us on Saturday, December 28th at 5 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope parish hall for our Parish Christmas Party! We'll be having a pork dinner with all the trimmings. Please R.S.V.P to Emily

in the parish office at 518-499-1656 by Monday, Decem**ber 23**rd. Please bring a dessert to share if you'd like.



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The *next* Knights of Columbus meeting at Our Lady of Hope will be *this Tuesday*, *Dec.* 17th, at 7:00pm (OLH Parish Hall).

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CHRISTMAS WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 23rd 6:30 am—St. Mary's

<u>Tuesday, December 24th</u> 9:00 <u>am</u>—St. Ann's—**Latin Mass** (holy hour at 8 am)



<u>Christmas Eve Mass</u> *Tuesday, December 24*th 6:00 pm—Our Lady of Hope

Christmas Day Masses
Wednesday, December 25th
8:00 am—St. Ann's
10:00 am—St. Mary's
Noon—Our Lady of Hope

Thursday, & Friday, December 26th & 27th
No Mass

(Friday—holy hour at 4 pm & confessions at 5 pm— Our Lady of Hope)



SOLEMNITY OF MARY

(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

Mass Schedule:
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025
7:00 am—Our Lady of Hope
9:00 am—St. Mary's
(holy hour at 8:00 am)
6:00 pm—St. Ann's
(holy hour at 5:00 pm)

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Why do Catholics honor Mary as Mother of God? Simple: Jesus is the son of Mary. Jesus is God. Therefore, Mary is the Mother of God.

On this holy feast day, we take a moment as we start our new year to honor our Blessed Mother, who in her "yes" to God brought our Savior into the world to redeem us. Lost & Found Tip: Jesus says on the cross, "Behold your Mother" (John 19:27). As we all jump into the frenzy of the new year and start attempting to bring our resolutions to fruition, let us call on the aid of our Mother Mary to give us the strength to draw closer to her Son every day this year.



CATECHISM CORNER

"That in this sacrament are the true Body of Christ and his true blood is something that 'cannot be apprehended by the senses,' says St. Thomas, 'but only by faith, which relies on divine

authority.' For this reason....St. Cyril says: 'Do not doubt whether this is true, but rather receive the words of the Savior in faith, for since he is the truth, he cannot lie." (CCC, 1381)

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with Thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

EXTRA HOURS OF CONFESSION & ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

- St. Ann's Extra Hours of confession Wed., December 18th from 6 to 8 p.m.
- O.L. OF HOPE ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
 Thurs., December 19th at 6 p.m.
 (*several priests will be available)
- ♦ St. Mary's Extra Hours of confession Mon., December 23rd from Noon to 2 p.m.





Church Envelopes

Beginning this January...

Parishioners of **Our Lady of Hope** will receive their church envelopes bi-

monthly, instead of monthly.

Parishioners of **St. Mary's** will receive a yearly box set of envelopes which will be available at the church in a few weeks for pick up.

WELCOME

We would like to welcome everyone to our parishes.

To those of you who are joining us after an absence or for the first time, we are truly glad to see you. We hope that you will consider being a permanent part of our parish family. We hope you enjoy your visit and look forward to seeing you again. From all of us, WELCOME HOME!

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