



Parish of Our Lady of Hope

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March 14, 2021

4th Sunday of Lent

Parish mission statement

Our mission as the parish community of Our Lady of Hope is to give witness to the love of Jesus in our families, our parish community and the world.

Holy Communion:

To request Holy Communion for someone who is not able to get to church, please call the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please contact the parish office.

Marriage Preparation:

Please contact the parish office at least 6 months before you make your wedding date.

Sacramental Preparation:

contact Mary Burntitus.

Emergency Assistance:

CAN (Churches Assisting Neighbors)

Please call: (518) 821-6931

A Representative from CAN will assist you.

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1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23
Psalms 137

**Let my tongue be silenced,
if I ever forget you!**

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10
Gospel: John 3:14-21
Setting: Mass of Creation

Readings for March 20th and 21st

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34
2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9
Gospel: John 12:20-33

Save the Dates

Missionaries of Jesus- Mondays at 7pm

Men's group- Tuesdays at 7pm.

Email Bill VonAncken (billvonancken@gmail.com)

Rosary and communion service- Wednesday's at 11am

Lent Presentation and Discussion-

Wednesday March 17th w/Bruce Frishkoff

Wednesday March 24th w/Steve Wildermuth
from 7:00pm-8:00pm (via Zoom)

Reconciliation Service- Friday March 19th at 7:00pm

Church/Grounds Clean-Up- Saturday March 20th
8:30am-12:30pm

Food Drive Thru- Friday March 19th from 12-5 and
Saturday March 20th from 12-4 at OLH.

Attendance

Sat. Feb. 27th-30

Sun. Feb. 28th-44

Sat. March 6th-30

Sun. March 7th-53

Weekly Stewardship

Sat. Feb. 27th- \$519

Sun. Feb. 28th-\$690

Sat. March 6th-\$602

Sun. March 7th- \$855

Sent in the Mail-\$2,445

FOOD DRIVE THRU:

Our Lady of Hope will be hosting another Food Drive Thru for those families in need in our area and beyond. Free food will be available for pick up on Friday March 19th from 12-5pm and Saturday March 20th from 12-4pm. If you would like to assist with this worthwhile endeavor please contact Mary at 518-755-9763.

Remember our deceased loved ones

Father Carl Johnson, Alfred J. Conti, Danuta Bokina, Arlene Callahan, Beatrice Lombardi, Mary Patricia Byrnes, Dr. Vincent Longobardo, Mary Considine and Mary Francis Considine.

Our military and their families

Brandon Preusser, Pvt. U.S. Army, Nicholas J. Arre U.S. Army O-1, Stephanie Peters S/Sgt USAF, Nolan Boice Spc. US Army, Colonel Mark Slusar U.S. Army, Major Joseph Kevin Byrnes, US Army, Staff Sgt. Damian Schwab U.S. Army, James B. Westfall Technical Sergeant USAF, Lt. John Lapoint USMC, PFC Matthew Bosnick, USMC, MSGT Thomas R. Tripp, Richard Patterson USMC, LCPL John Weiler USMC.

Please uphold those in need of prayer

Fr. Joe Falletta, Pastor Jack Wilder, Tommy C, Christina Legere, Paul Apecilla, Judy Alvarez, "Rollie" Mazelie, Jose Luis Torres, David Silvernail. Ted Slezak, Esther Horn, Gerard Crepeau, Joan Dianda, Catherine Doyle, Sylvia Crippen, John McKinnon, Eugenia Pluta, Richard Bartolomeo, Louie and Gerard Gagliano, Carmela Biondi and Mary Ann Curry.

Please renew your request every month.

ADORATION CHAPEL NEWS

All are invited to attend a Lenten Day of Reflection on Saturday, March 27 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon.

Fr. Guiseppe Siniscalchi, C.F.R., will be our special guest, speaking on *"St. Joseph, Our Guide"*. The morning program includes Eucharistic Adoration, Reflections, Confession and Benediction. This program will help us prepare for Holy Week and the Triduum in a very special way! There is no charge, but pre-registration is required. To register, call Pat at **518 -947-0621** or Cheryl at **518-755-5781**.

Church and Grounds Clean-Up Day:

Saturday March 20th 8:30am-12:30pm

Please join us as we work to spruce up the church, cemetery and grounds in preparation for Lent and Easter. If you can, please bring gloves, rakes, tarps, clippers, rags, sponges, paper towels, etc. Sign up sheets are on the easel in the Commons.

Lenten Zoom Gatherings:

Reorder the Disorder: Lazarus Moments

What we can learn from the story of the Raising of Lazarus, especially in times when our faith is tested.

Please join Bruce Frishkoff for the fourth zoom gathering held on Wednesday, March 17th at 7:00PM.

Zoom link to use for the Lenten Wednesday Presentations and Discussions is the following:

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85085922572?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85085922572?pwd=NitrU3IZeVhFRWdBdTRXRVMxcFpadz09)
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Via regular phone: +1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

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Bruce's Notes:

"One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." These words, spoken by the blind man in this week's gospel, are full of meaning and import; they, and the whole story of the healing of the blind man, can be an ongoing source of inspiration.

This blind man is a wonderful model for us in terms of Christian behavior and spiritual growth. He is modest and honest, and he reacts and behaves appropriately. At first he answers simply, and solely when asked, and he doesn't give his opinion unless called on to do so. It is only after being provoked -- asked by the Pharisees to repeat exactly what he has told them already (as if they still don't believe him or trust him after all their investigating) -- that he becomes impatient and indignant and begins to challenge and question his questioners (even though they *are*, remember, the authorities).

And as he engages with these powerful, learned men in the temple (most likely for the first time in his life), we watch him begin to grow into this new person: a man increasingly sure of what he has seen (in more ways than one!) and what he knows. By the end of the story, he has become a believer, a Christian, a disciple! He has truly "seen."

This man has gone from being blind to: 1.seeing physically 2.seeing with his mind 3.seeing with his heart. The Pharisees, by contrast, can see only physically and, to some degree, with their minds. (After all, they are good at learning and disputing points of Jewish law.) But they don't have the sight that Jesus gives, that he gave the blind man: the ability to see on a deeper level, and so to believe. That is the sight Jesus offers each of us, now and always.

"I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see." I love these words from "Amazing Grace" (for me one of the most beautiful and important songs of our Christian faith). As I stay open to Jesus' teaching and healing, may I come to see on more and more levels.

DIOCESAN APPEAL

One great opportunity -- and challenge -- we have each year is our Diocesan Appeal campaign (formerly the "Bishop's Appeal").

The appeal runs from the beginning of July to the end of June, so we are a little over halfway to the campaign deadline, but unfortunately, with all the struggles we have all had to face since July, only about one-third of the way to meeting the \$30,000 the diocese needs and expects from us. (And as we know, whatever we cannot raise through donations will have to come from our parish savings.)

With all this in mind, we will be putting out a second-collection basket each Saturday and Sunday. We will then mail all the checks we receive to the diocese. (Checks should be payable to **"Diocesan Appeal."** NO CASH, PLEASE.) Thank you!

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