



Parish of Our Lady of Hope

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December 5, 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent

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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December 5, 2021

2nd Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126

**The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.**

2nd Reading: Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Gospel: Luke 3:1-6
Setting: Belmont

Readings for December 11th and 12th

1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a
2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

Attendance

Nov. 25th- 37
Nov. 26th- 59

Weekly Stewardship

weekly stewardship will be published in next weekend's bulletin. I apologize for the delay.

Advent and Missals:

Please pick up your Advent materials and New Missals in the commons. (Suggested donation is \$5)

Remember our deceased loved ones

Larry Proper, Martin Schmitt, Reggie Crowley, Rita & Angelo Cutone, Mario Di Re, Tommasina & Nicola Di Re, Carmela & Fiorentino Liberta, Palmerina & Libero Di Re, Giovanni De Vita, Dr. Patrick DelGrande, Yvonne DelGrande, Chuck DelGrande, Daniel Fusco, Dr. Joseph Fusco, Dr. Vincent Longobardo, Mary Theresa 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, Captain John Lapoint USMC, PFC Matthew Bosnick, USMC, MSGT Thomas R. Tripp, Richard Patterson USMC, LCPL John Weiler USMC.

Save the Dates

Missionaries of Jesus- Mondays at 7pm

Men's group- Tuesdays at 7pm. December 7th and 21st

Rosary and communion service- Wednesday's at 11am

Kids Club- Thursday Dec. 16th- 3:30pm-6:00pm

Jr/Sr High Faith Formation- Thursday Dec. 16th- 6:30pm-8:00pm

Immaculate Conception- Wed. Dec. 8th mass at 11am and 7pm

Food Drive-thru- Friday December 10th 10am-4pm

Reconciliation Service- Friday Dec. 10th- 7:00pm (snow date of Dec. 17th)

Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe- Sunday Dec. 12th at mass

OLH Bake Sale- Dec. 18th and 19th after masses

OLH Elves for Elders Project- Dec. 18th and 19th (flyer in commons)

Worship/Study Groups:

In addition to our weekend masses, in our parish there is a worship/study group every single weekday or evening.

Here is a list of the groups and people to contact:

Mondays: Asamblea de fe (7-9pm)
Manny Saavedra (413) 464-1895

Alternate Tuesdays: Men's Group (7-9pm)
Bill Von Ancken (518)755-1285

Alternate Tuesdays: Book Group (7pm)
Bruce Frishkoff (518)528-8735

Wednesdays: Rosary, Communion
(11am-noon)
Jackie Elder (518)821-9467

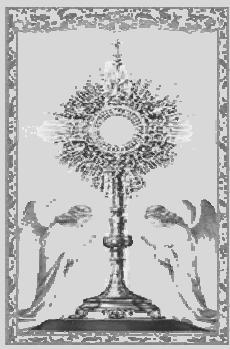
Fridays: Discussion Group (7:30-9pm)
Bruce Frishkoff (518)528-8735

Please uphold those in need of prayer

Bishop Edward Scharfenberger, Fr. Joe Falletta, Pastor Jack Wilder, Edwin Acevedo-Torres, Denise Montague, Brendan Longobardo, John LaCurto, Richard Rose, Carol Novak, James Montross, Patricia Wildermuth, Danny Mecca, Jeff Gaylord, Jim Dougherty, Joseph Martino, Barbara Duksa, John Olyha, Tommy C, Christina Legere, Judy Alvarez, "Rollie" Mazelie, Jose Luis Torres, David Silvernail, Ted Slezak, Esther Horn, Gerard Crepeau, 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 AT OUR LADY OF HOPE



O Sacrament Most Holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine.
The Most Blessed Sacrament **will be exposed for adoration after the Saturday Mass from 6p-7p on the first and last Saturdays of each month.**

Next dates: 11/27 & 12/4

Blessing Box:

Our blessing box and local food pantries can always use essential, non food items like soap, detergents, toothpaste and paper products.



Elves for Elders:

Please consider making a donation in support of the project, and sign up to bake or volunteer on Sat. Dec. 18th at 2pm. Then, we could make our fourth year even bigger and brighter!! See the flyer for more details.

Please contact Christina Dellea after masses, or phone 518-821-0859 or email cmgd4music@gmail.com

Bruce's Notes:

To really penetrate this week's Gospel passage (Luke 3:1-6) we need to find a way to make Isaiah's powerful images our own:

A voice of one crying in the desert,
"Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight his paths.
Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Try seeing the passage as a description of something inward, happening in our own souls. Into our inner "desert" of pain and doubt and confusion comes a voice (the prophet's voice, God's voice!) instructing us to make our inner way ready, ready for the Lord to come to us. That is the same message Jesus keeps bringing us: get ready, be ready, for the coming of the Lord. And Isaiah promises us that the way will be made ready, all the barriers will be cleared away, so that God the Lord can come to us, change us, save us.

How do we fill in our inner valleys, make low our inner mountains, straighten out our winding inner roads, and smooth out the rough places in our souls? We know the answer, though sometimes we don't like it: prayer, learning to listen to the Holy Spirit...in other words, practice.

But is all that hard work ever worth it! This passage from Isaiah is an exultant cry of triumph: spiritual victory is coming! "All flesh shall see the salvation of God." In other words, we, humanity ("all flesh") will see, will experience being saved, being transformed, being in that deeply desired "kingdom of heaven."

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