

# Our Lady of Hope Church



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Deacons Thomas B. Rich,

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## Sunday Priests

Rev. Edward Dowling, SJ

## Staff

Rei Cornelius, Parish Office Manager

Mr. Raymond Henderson, Liturgical Music Director

Mrs. Anne Lonagan, Coordinator of Religious Education

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 am

Holy Days as announced

Weekday Mass Schedule-Mon to Fri 9:00 Mass

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday at 4:00 pm or by appointment

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 3rd Sunday at 1:00 pm.

Please register in advance. There is a Baptismal Preparation Class on the last Sunday of alternating months after the 10:00 am Mass. Parents must attend the class prior to the child's baptism. Godparents are welcome.

**Godparent Pre-Requisites** - Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Church Office at least nine months in advance to begin the process.

## CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Church Office when someone is seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.

## OFFICE HOURS

Parish Office 334.6288

Mon to Fri 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, Sat 9 am to 2 pm

Sunday closed

Religious Education Office 334.4781

Email [rel-ed@olhope.org](mailto:rel-ed@olhope.org)

See [www.olhope.org](http://www.olhope.org) for more information

**St. Brigid / Our Lady of Hope Regional School**  
333.0580

101 Maple Ave, Westbury, NY 11590

Mr. Paul Clagnaz, Principal

**St. Vincent de Paul Society 334.6288 x 18**

## REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Church Office.

## ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact the Church Office at 334.6288.

## PRAYER

Novena Tues after 9:00 am Mass

Rosary after each weekday Mass

Holy Hour Thurs 1:00 pm

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the parish family of Our Lady of Hope, commit ourselves to continue the mission of Jesus Christ, to proclaim His Gospel, and to love one another as He loves us. We are a welcoming community of faith, guided by the Holy Spirit and centered on God's Word and the Eucharist.

Through the Sacraments, prayer, and the stewardship of our God-given gifts, we provide opportunities to grow closer to God and to serve members of the community.



## Our Lady of Hope This Week

### THE LORD IS NEAR, WE REJOICE AND GIVE THANKS

On this *Gaudete Sunday*, we rejoice as we look forward to the return of Christ. His coming in glory fills us with confidence and prayer-all fear is removed and our hearts sing for joy.

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Zephaniah presents a vision of a great festival where God's love and forgiveness will be celebrated and His mercy shared with all. Saint Paul reminds the Philippians to be happy and prayerful as they await the return of Christ. John the Baptist proclaims the good news of the kingdom in the Gospel, and challenges his listeners to act with justice and generosity.

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### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Today's Gospel provides a blue print for good stewardship: "Let the man who has two coats give to him who has none. The man who has food should do the same."

Last Sunday's collection 12/9/18	\$11,827.51
Same Last Year	\$9,490.00
Religious Retirement Collection	\$2,178.00
Same Last Year	\$2,127.00
Weekly amount needed	\$9,456.00
Attendance 12/9/18	682
Same Last Year	581
<i>Thank you for your generosity in returning to God some of what He has given you.</i>	



### FOOD PANTRY CHRISTMAS INITIATIVE

Thank you for your participation in this program. You always amaze us with your generosity! God bless you all!

### VIRTUS TRAINING-PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!

Virtus is a program that gives us a specific plan in identifying and preventing child sexual abuse. The training is required of all diocesan personnel and volunteers in all parishes.

If you are a volunteer and still need to fulfill this obligation check the Long Island Catholic or the Diocesan website, [www.drvc.org](http://www.drvc.org) for training sessions available in the area. Please register for the class online or stop in the Church office.

The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People maintains a confidential phone line: 516 594-9063. We are available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. All calls are responded to within 24 hours.



2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL	
Goal	\$51,900.00
Pledged	\$57,754.00
Paid	\$56,984.00
% of Goal pledged	111%
% of Goal paid	110%
Donors	232

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**CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

All members of ministries; Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Finance Committee, Ushers, Steering Committee, Young and Adult Altar Servers. Please remember to pick up a small token of thanks from the parish. Monday through Friday come to the Church office. On Sunday-they will be in the sacristy. Thank you for all you do! Merry Christmas!

**WE SHARE ONLINE GIVING**

Online giving is available at Our Lady of Hope and it's safe, simple and convenient. Please visit [olhope.weshareonline.org](http://olhope.weshareonline.org) to get started. The site is very "user friendly", but if you still have questions please do not hesitate to call the church office or WeShare directly at 855 800-4273.

**GIVING TREE AND TOY DONATIONS**

Thank you for all your donations to the Giving Tree and the Toy Drive. Through your generosity, we are able to help provide for so many, which includes, Madonna Heights, PS 10x at 817 in the Bronx and the Mental Health Association of Nassau County (serving Veteran's and civilians moving through their recovery from mental issues). Thank you for your unfailing generosity.

**OUR LADY OF HOPE ADULT CHOIR**

Any adult who enjoys singing and is able to match pitches correctly is most heartily encouraged to participate in the Adult Choir which sings at the 11:30am Sunday Masses (October through June). It is not necessary to have music reading skills, only the room in your schedule to join with us on most Sundays and rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30pm. If you have ever considered singing in the choir, now is the ideal time to come and check us out. Please call Ray Henderson at 334-6288 ext. 19 for any further information.

**BAPTISMS AND THE PREPARATION CLASS**

Coming in 2019, Baptisms will be celebrated ONLY on the third Sunday of every month.

The class for Baptism will be held every other month on the last Sunday of the month at 11am in the lower church. The next class scheduled is December 30.



**KING KULLEN RECEIPTS**

Please save your register tapes from King Kullen in Garden City Park. 1% of your purchases are donated to the parish. Proceeds from register receipts are forwarded to various charities through the St. Vincent de Paul Conference of Our Lady of Hope.

**ALTAR BREAD, ROSE FOR LIFE & SANCTUARY CANDLE**

If you wish to donate the bread and wine for the week's Sunday and daily Eucharist celebrations, the offering is \$50. Opportunities to donate a Rose for Life are also available. The offering is \$5 per week. The sanctuary candle is available for memorialization. The offering is \$15.

**FREE FOOD FOR LOW INCOME SENIORS**

The CSFP (Commodity Supplemental Food Program), funded by USDA, NYSDOH and administered by Catholic Charities is offering free food for 6 to 12 months post-partum women, children from the age of 5 up to their sixth birthday, and seniors age 60 and over, who are income eligible. The food package includes cheese, milk, starches, cereals, juices, canned fruits, vegetables, canned fish, meats and more. Income guidelines for seniors are as follows: Gross monthly income; for single senior-\$1,180 or less, for senior couple-\$1,594 or less. For further information and income guidelines for women and children in Nassau and Suffolk, please call 631 623-4568 or 631 491-4156.

**OUR LADY OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

Heartfelt thanks to our parishioners, school groups, organizations, and local businesses for their generous donations. It truly was a bountiful Thanksgiving for our Food Pantry Families. Bless you all in this joyous Advent season and the coming New Year!

Gratefully,  
The Food Pantry Staff

**\*\*\*Please note\*\*\***

**There is no parking directly in front of the church. This is reserved for emergency vehicles if needed. Please respect the safety of the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope Church. Thank you!**

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## Let us pray...

### FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN UNIFORM

Michael B. Kilgannon, USAF, AC2 Eric Cullum, US Navy (D), Captain Kristofer Seibt, US Army (D), Cpl. Matthew Ketcham (D), Lt. Col. Matthew Kessler, USMC, Master Sgt. James Higgins, USMC, Robert Weingartner, Matthew Ziminsky, Daniel J. Vincent USAF, Timothy Vincent USMC, Captain Caitlin M. Drumm, USAF-MC, LTJG Joe Wengler, US Navy.

*\*D = Deployed*

### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

especially Reginald Ballantyne.



#### Sanctuary Candle

\$15



#### Rose for Life

In loving memory of Lou & Carol Sypien  
-by their daughter

### FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

Maria Acierno, Mary Alba, Elvia Aleman, Ronald Aman, Eleanor Angelis, Yvonne Angeles, Maya Annunziato, Mikey Armand, Jeanne (Porcelli) Aroyo, Anthony Barbera, Concetta Basso, Bernard Dicks, Susan Blum, Marion Bonura, Deborah Bourassa, Mary Broyles, Peter Burkhardt, Giuseppe Burro, Diana Cabral, Eustacia Calderone, Michael Caplice, Brianna Cardenas, Maria Carrillo, Richard Casella, Gianna Casella, Marcel Chaillol, Joan Clarke, Judy Clickner, Gina Corleto, Marie Corte, George Costidis, Lona Cruz, Esther Curran, Dana Day, Peter DeFilippo, Kim DeRidder, Marie DeSimone, Joseph DiBiasi, May Dong, Hailey Eimer, Joe Farinano, Alice Feldt, Margaret Flahive, Marie Francis, Grace Franzese, Mario Gaigan, Gerry Georgio, Linda Gildea, Donna Girardi, Susan Goode, Emily Grimm, Joan Hogan, Art Howell, Helen Jara, Jacqueline Klein, Sue Klein, Barbara Knapp, Tom Knapp, Susan Goglia Kopas, Dorothy Kuchler, Marietta Lettau, Lois Lewis, Raymond Licata, Vincent Luciano, John Malavolta, Sherrie Mayzie, John McDonald, Elaine Medoro, Maria Merz, Heather Morella, Baby Viviana Mortellaro, William C. Murphy, Angelina Muzio, Danny Noble, Theresa Noto, Maureen Ostrowski, Angela Pascarella, April Pascarella, James Passarella, Rylie Pederson, Antonio Perrino, Ann Peters, Loraine Pino, Joseph Piscitelli, Lorraine Poduch, Victor Praete, Fran Precipuo, Vincent Purcell, Kathleen Rainone, Joel Rivera, Daniel Roche, Nicole Roeder, George Rottkamp, Alex Salvaggio, Sara Sammartino, Rosa Santos, John Saunders, Joseph Schaefer, Maureen Schroeder, Randy J. Smith, Donna Spano, Mark Sterlacci, Sr., Darrell Stone, Nancy Tandl, Kerri Taylor, Florence Theroux, Joan Thue, James Tirone, Marie Tricarico, Flo Vaccaro, Christopher Velez, Joseph Vigotty, Marie Wachter, Frank Wetmore, Peggy Wilde, Maureen Wotten, Sondra Yannone, Rose Youngblood

*Please call the parish office, if someone on this list has returned to reasonable health and can be removed from the list. At times, names may be taken off when we do not have any information about the person listed.*



#### Altar Bread & Wine

\$50

MINISTERS AT MASSES December 22 & 23				
	5:00pm	8:30am	10am	11:30am
PRESIDER	Fr. Callan	Fr. Tomaz	Fr. Dowling, SJ	Fr. Kealey
LECTOR	B. Ruth	B. Kilgannon	D. Restivo	A. Santana
ALTAR SERVERS	C. DeOliveira C. DeOliveira	C. DeSimone L. DeSimone	G. Iannucci	Adult
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	S. Dowling G. So L. Heller <i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>	J. Blum P. Kelly M. Evans A. Rich E. Kelly <i>Volunteer needed</i>	R. Reilly M. Schultz J. Waters R. Winter M. Barilla T. Barilla	R. Harrs F. Stein P. Walsh E. Santana A. Santana <i>Volunteer needed</i>
MUSIC MINISTERS	Cantor/Organ		Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Please consider teaching Level 1 Tuesdays @ 4-5pm beginning January 7 to April 1.*

**Our Lady of Hope Christmas Pageant is Monday, December 17 at 6:30pm.** See below. If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact Annemarie Federlein at [Afederlein@verizon.net](mailto:Afederlein@verizon.net).

A big THANK YOU to everyone who purchased a Poinsettia Plant during our fundraising sale. We are truly grateful and have great plans for our Religious Education program.

**All Religious Education students, Levels 1-5 are expected to attend the Christmas Pageant on Monday, December 17 at 6:30pm.** You will sit with your class in the upper church, unless you sit with your family. This event will take the place of your regularly scheduled class for the week. There will be **no** Level 1-5 classes held this week.

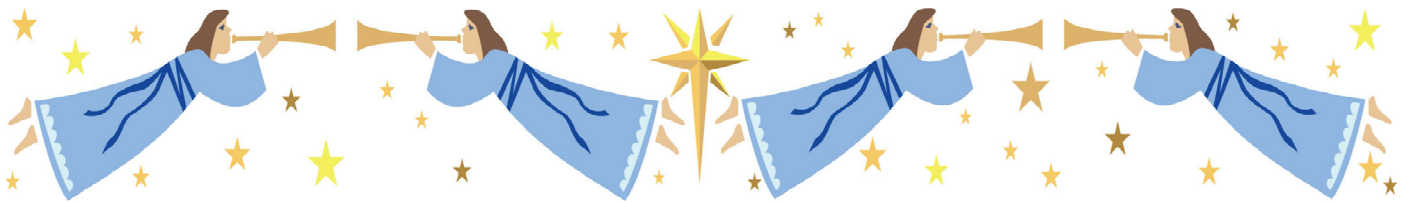
**Level 6** is expected to have their regular class on Monday or Tuesday of this week.

**Level 7** will not be meeting due to the Pageant, feel free to attend.

**Level 8** will be meeting on Tuesday, December 18 at 7pm.

**We invite all our Religious Education teachers to come to the office to receive a small token of our appreciation and our sincere best wishes for a Blessed Christmas Season.**

The Religious Education office will be open on Wednesday, December 20 from 10–12pm and closed all day Thursday through Monday, January 1. All Religious Education classes resume on Monday, January 7. After the New Year, the office will be open Tuesday and Thursday 1–6pm and Wednesday 10am–3pm.



© Come All Ye Faithful

Our Lady of Hope Christmas Pageant  
Monday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm

Please join us!  
All are welcome!



## St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School



### CELEBRATING ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT SCHOOL

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! But first, we've been busy celebrating the holy season of Advent at school. We find many ways to pray, celebrate, serve and rejoice together during this beautiful time of preparation. Here's a peek at some of the activities on our calendar this month:



- Dec. 10-11: Advent Reconciliation
- Dec. 13: Christmas Pageant & Fellowship, Grades Pre-K through 2
- Dec. 16: Bambinelli Sunday Liturgy
- Dec. 20: Christmas Pageant & Concert, Grades 3 through 8
- Dec. 21: Christmas Liturgy

Join us at our

### OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 27th, 2019 at 2 PM

School tours also available the week of Monday, Jan. 28th at 10:30 AM each day



- Providing a quality Catholic education in our community since 1918
- Transportation provided by your local school district for Grades K through 8
- Tomorrow's Hope Foundation provides tuition assistance to qualified families in Grades K through 8
- Flexible tuition payment plan available
- Solicite tours en español

St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope: A place where *faith* shapes the spirit,  
*family* shapes the heart, and *knowledge* shapes the mind.



**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE  
2018**

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

**Saturday, December 22**

**4:00 pm - 4:30 pm**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve**

**Monday, December 24**

**4:00 pm**

**5:30 pm**

**9:30 pm Choir Concert**

**10:00 pm**

**There is NO Mass at Midnight**

**Christmas Day**

**Tuesday, December 25**

**9:00 am, 11:00 am**

**NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

**New Year's Eve**

**Monday, December 31**

**5:00 pm**

**New Year's Day**

**Tuesday, January 1**

**9:00 am**



**Focus on Religious Freedom**  
 From Catholics for Freedom of Religion  
[www.cffor.org](http://www.cffor.org)

*"To the American People: Christmas is not a time or a season but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas. If we think on these things, there will be born in us a Savior and over us will shine a star sending its gleam of hope to the world."*  
 ~Calvin Coolidge



**The Twelve Rules of Christmas – Part 1:** Compiled by The Rutherford Institute Attorneys

1. Public school students' written or spoken personal expressions about Christmas (e.g. "Jesus is the Reason for the Season" t-shirts) may not be censored by school officials.
2. Teachers are permitted to wear Christmas-related clothing or jewelry so long as they are generally permitted to wear clothing or jewelry about other holidays.
3. Public schools may teach students about the Christmas holiday, including its religious significance, so long as it is taught objectively for secular purposes such as its historical or cultural importance.
4. Teachers may send Christmas cards to the families of their students so long as they do so on their own time, outside of school hours.
5. Public schools may include Christmas music, including those with religious themes, in their choral programs if the songs are included for a secular purpose such as their musical quality or cultural value or if the songs are part of an overall performance including other holiday songs.
6. Public schools may not require students to sing Christmas songs whose messages conflict with the students' own religious or nonreligious views.

**"Mankind is a great, an immense family... This is proved by what we feel in our hearts at Christmas."** ~Pope John Paul XXIII



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*"It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas when its mighty Founder was a child Himself."* Charles Dickens

**The Twelve Rules of Christmas - Part 2**  
 Compiled by attorneys for The Rutherford Institute

7. Public school students may not be prohibited from distributing literature to fellow students concerning the Christmas holiday or invitations to church Christmas events on the same terms that they would be allowed to distribute other literature that is not related to schoolwork.
8. Private citizens or groups may display a crèche or other Christmas symbols in public parks subject to the same reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions that would apply to other similar displays.
9. Government entities may erect and maintain celebrations of the Christmas holiday, such as Christmas trees, lights and a creche, at least so long as the purpose is placed in context with other symbols of the Holiday season through their traditional symbols.
10. Employees may decorate their offices for Christmas, play Christmas music, and wear clothing related to Christmas, so long as these activities are not used to intimidate others.
11. Employees whose sincerely held religious beliefs require that they not work on Christmas must be reasonably accommodated by their employers.
12. Government recognition of Christmas as a public holiday and granting government employees a paid holiday for Christmas does not violate the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment.

**"How many observe Christ's birthday! How few, His precepts!"** ~Benjamin Franklin  
**Take Action!** Let your December explode with joy as you anticipate the Birth of the Christ Child with a manger on your lawn, Christmas lights on your bushes, a glowing tree in your window, a magnet on your car, a pin on your coat, a donation to the local soup kitchen, a gift under your church's Giving Tree and a "Merry Christmas" greeting for all.





## MASS INTENTIONS for the week of December 15



### Saturday – December 15, 2018

#### *Anticipated Mass for Sunday*

- 5:00 PM – Deceased members of Araya & Valdivieso families (by the family)  
 -Anthony Lapczynski (by the Lapczynski family)  
 -Robert Wetzell (by the Lapczynski family)  
 -For the intentions of Marie Marcelle Henry (by Marie Mayard)

### Sunday – December 16, 2018

8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish

In the missions:

- Kathleen Fleming & Salvatore Tranchina (by the family)
  - Lee Giordano (by the family)
  - Andrew Acierno, Jane Oliviero, Lena Schiano, Joan Rezar, Vern Smith, John Licata, & John Frame (by Rosalie Mediate)
- 10:00 AM – Maria Wirth (by Terry & Cathie Beeker)  
 In the missions:  
 -In thanksgiving to the Holy Family (by Jennifer & Dinesh Turvankar)
- 11:30 AM – Jeanine Spensieri (by her parents)  
 In the missions:  
 -Domenica Ferrante (by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sforza)  
 -Emilia Cuda (by Elena Santana)  
 -Andrew Acierno (by Dominic & Susan Mastroianni)  
 -Mansour Alhijazin (by the family)

### Monday – December 17, 2018

9:00 AM – Lottie & Walter Skipka (by the Light family)



### Tuesday – December 18, 2018

9:00 AM – Ryan family (by Maureen Judge)

### Wednesday – December 19, 2018

9:00 AM – For the intentions of Nathaniel Gabrielson on the occasion of his birthday (by Ellen Weglarz)

In the missions:

-In thanksgiving to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (by Jennifer & Dinesh Turvankar)

### Thursday – December 20, 2018

9:00 AM – Joseph Keegan (by his wife, Trudy)

### Friday – December 21, 2018

9:00 AM – Alfonso Valdivieso (by daughter/granddaughters)

-Deceased members of Marrinan, McGovern, & White families (by the McGovern family)  
 -For the intentions of Gertrude Yannuzzi  
 -For the Soul of Rajani & Chandrakant Turvankar (by Jennifer & Dinesh Turvankar)

### Saturday – December 22, 2018

#### *Anticipated Mass for Sunday*

5:00 PM – Paul Burgdorf (by his wife, Fran)

-Pasquale N. Bavaro (by the Bavaro & Flach families)  
 -Deceased members of the Michaelis & Lapczynski families (by the Lapczynski family)  
 -Msgr. Midura (by Nadine Moir)  
 -Rosalia Pesce (by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sforza)  
 -Thomas & Elizabeth Burke (by the family)

### Sunday – December 23, 2018

8:30 AM – Frances & Edward Chiusano (by the family)

In the missions:

-Maria & Anthony Suppa (by Fran & Richie Comito)  
 -Dante Vigliotti & John Waters (by Donna Vigliotti)  
 -Lee Giordano (by the family)  
 -John Ryan (Merry Christmas in Heaven) (by Mary)

10:00 AM – For the People of the Parish

11:30 AM – Teresa Mansfield (by Susan Eliasoph)

In the missions:

-Emilia Cuda (by Dominic & Susan Mastroianni)  
 -Mansour Alhijazin (by the family)

**SOMETHING FROM DEACON JOHN**

1. In what city was Jesus born? Nazareth, Bethlehem or Jerusalem?
2. Who were the first to visit the baby Jesus on the night he was born? The Wise Men, the innkeeper or the shepherds?
3. What guided the Wise Men to find Jesus? A star, the sun or the moon?
4. When the Holy Family fled Bethlehem, where did they flee to? Israel, Egypt or Jordan?
5. What does the name "Emmanuel" mean, which is another name for Jesus? God is love, God is with us or God provides?
6. In what city did the Holy Family dwell after their exile? Nazareth, Bethlehem or Jerusalem?

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**MEMORIAL BRICKS**

We are accepting orders for the memorial bricks which are being placed in front of the Grotto on the parking lot side of the church. Order forms are available in the church office. The cost of a memorial brick is \$125. If you have any questions, please call the church office.



**THIRD SUNDAY**  
OF  
*Advent*



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

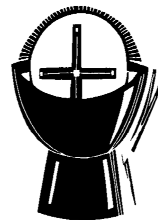
*...bringing hope for a better future to people in need.*

*In today's Gospel, John the Baptist says, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise..." Christmas is a time of love and gift giving...please share your abundance with those who do not have much.*  
**(516) 334-6288 ext. 18**

**Our Lady of Hope Parish Library**

Please visit the Library, located in the front, right stairwell of the Church. If you have a question about your faith, you can find the answer in many of the library's titles. There are books on meditation and spiritual healing. The video collection contains lives of the saints and other religious subjects.

**Holy Hour**



Thursday's at 1 pm



**This holiday, make a difference while you shop**

Shop for holiday gifts and supplies at [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) and Amazon donates

You shop. Amazon donates.  
**amazonsmile**



## Courtesy Announcements

*The following are published as courtesies for a two-week period as space allows. They are not an endorsement of any functions or persons. If there are any difficulties or problems experienced with any ad, please call the Church Office so that we can remove the ad immediately. We apologize for any typographical errors.*

### FIRST NOTICE

HAVE YOU HEARD THE GOOD NEWS-Fr. Edward Dowling's wonderful books of our *Sunday Gospel Reflections* are available for you to read anytime! His collection of homilies are for everyone who would like to be better acquainted with the Sunday readings. Wonderful and thorough, these books are an absolute treasure! **Three volume set is \$25.** Please contact Tam Musella [tmmc4me@aol.com](mailto:tmmc4me@aol.com) or 790-7778.

BALLOONS BY DESIGN-decorate your next event with balloons. Communion, Graduations, Birthdays, Showers. Table centerpieces, arches, floor displays and much more. Contact OLH parishioner Margie Fiorillo at 445-0831. 10% of Balloon by Design's profit will be donated to Our Lady of Hope.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER-"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." Light a spiritual fire in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are February 8-10, 2019 in Huntington and April 26-28, 2019 in Huntington. For more information call John & Toni Torio at 877 697-9963 or [www.menyli.org](http://www.menyli.org)

APARTMENT FOR RENT-CP, 2nd floor, 1 bedroom, close to all-LIRR, bus, shopping, church, restaurants. Available 1/1/19. Please call 516 778-3789.

CONGRATULATIONS!-to those students from our parish who attend St. Anthony's HS and have achieved Honor Roll for the first quarter. They are: Teresa Carillo, Christian Micheli, Emily Mogavero and Karina Mogavero. Keep up the good work!

### SECOND NOTICE

DO YOU HAVE A CARING HEART?-Are you being called to serve others? If so, we want you to know that St. Francis Hospital, the Heart Center is looking for you. The Department of Nursing has open positions for compassionate care givers to become Nursing Assistants. On the job training is provided. High School Diploma or equivalent is required. Responsibilities include: providing direct patient care such as bathing, toileting, feeding, ambulating, turning and positioning. We are the only specialty Cardiac Center in NYS. We provide health care benefits for yourself and your family, as well as paid time off. If you are interested in this position, please contact: Jaime Slone 562-6893.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT IN OUR DIOCESE-Please visit our helpful website: [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org). Simply click on the word **Bereavement** on the bar in the middle of the home page and then click on **Support groups available**

**now** and you will find: Monthly & weekly support groups, groups for children, memorial programs, Help for the Holidays, Conferences and much more. Or for more information call Kathleen Logan, Bereavement Coordinator, 516 678-5800 ext. 236.

PROJECT INDEPENDENCE-Senior Transportation Program for all Town of North Hempstead residents age 60 and over for non-emergency medical visits and food shopping. Registration required. Call 311 or 869-6311 and get your Project Independence membership card. Shopping service is free, taxi rides to the doctor, dentist or treatment center are at half price. Call for brochure and more information.

STEADFAST CAREGIVERS-provides home companion services to seniors and home-bound adults. Our home care professionals are comprehensively screened, bonded, insured and monitored on an ongoing basis to ensure the highest quality care and companionship. Whether you need care on an hourly or live-in basis, Steadfast Caregivers offers affordable care. We offer a free and confidential in home assessment and are happy to answer any questions. 516 747-0570.

MEALS ON WHEELS-EAC Network program is available to individuals 60 years and older in Westbury, Carle Place and New Cassel. The basic requirements are; living alone, no longer driving and have a limited support system. 516 539-0150 ext. 219.

EAC NETWORK'S IN-HOME RESPITE PROGRAM-is a not for profit social service agency that provides respite for caregivers of the elderly in Nassau County. This service provides 2-6 hours of in-home companion care/week, serve any Nassau County resident caring for an adult 60 or older and companions are screened and trained. Call 539-0150 ext 215 or Christine ext 218 to find out more about the program.

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### ANSWERS TO DEACON JOHN'S QUESTIONS

1. Bethlehem
2. The shepherds
3. A star
4. Egypt
5. God is with us
6. Nazareth