

# Our Lady of Hope Church



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Rei Cornelius, Parish Office Manager

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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

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## 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

### AS WE AWAIT THE COMING OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR, JOY AND HOPE FILL OUR HEARTS IN ANTICIPATION OF THE MESSIAH

Prepare the way of the Lord! Today marks the Second Sunday of Advent, and we are filled with hope, joy and anticipation. The Lord enters the world to save us. Our paths will be made straight. Our burdens will be eased. Our darkness will be lightened. Salvation is at hand.

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

The first reading call Israel to abandon mourning and misery and replace it with the glorious splendor of God. Paul’s Letter to the Philistines is filled with hope and joy, embracing Christ’s message and mission. Hope continues in the Gospel as John prepares the way of the Lord, baptizing in His name and proclaiming that salvation is near.

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### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the Psalmist, “The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!”

Last Sunday’s collection 12/2/18	\$9,692.50
Same Last Year	\$9,164.50
Weekly amount needed	\$9,456.00
Attendance 12/2/18	770
Same Last Year	763
<i>Thank you for your generosity in returning to God some of what He has given you.</i>	

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Reflecting on our Parish Stewardship Appeal, I would like to extend my thanks to all those who increased their weekly offering. Your generosity will better allow us to keep our church and grounds properly and necessarily maintained. God bless you for your generosity!

I would also like to offer a great thanks to the ladies of our Parish Rosary Altar Society. Throughout the year these ladies meet for prayer, fellowship and fundraising. Their hard work and dedication raised enough money, \$5,000, to cover the cost of our recent roof repair and our ongoing electrical work inside and outside the church building. Please continue to support their yearly fundraising efforts. If you are a former RAS member please consider coming back and if you have never been part of this wonderful group of ladies please consider joining!

### FOOD PANTRY CHRISTMAS INITIATIVE

For the fifth year, the Food Pantry is asking for donations of \$25 Target gift cards from our parish community. We will distribute these cards to each of the 30+ pantry families, based on the number of people in each family. This way, each can determine their own personal needs for Christmas. Please donate \$25 Target gift cards by dropping them off at the church office or placing them in the collection basket (marked for the Food Pantry) by December 13.

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



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**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.

**THE GIVING TREE**

Thank you to all those who selected a tag from our Giving Tree which will benefit residents from Madonna Heights. We ask that your gift be returned no later than December 12, wrapped and with the tag you selected attached.



**RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION**

This weekend, we will participate in the National Religious Retirement Collection. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests ministered for years for little or no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

**TOY DRIVE**

We are again collecting new, unwrapped toys this year for PS 10x at 817, a small South Bronx school whose students have various disabilities. Gift suggestions for preschool children include: Barbie dolls, action figures, Fisher Price, learning toys, vehicles, trucks, games, etc. Gifts should be preschool appropriate. We ask that your donations are here for pick up by **December 14**. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity.



**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.



**Advent**

**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.

**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!

**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

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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 Andrew Acierno  
and President George H.W. Bush.



#### Sanctuary Candle

\$15



#### Rose for Life

\$5

### FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

Maria Acierno, Mary Alba, Elvia Aleman, Ronald Aman, Eleanor Angelis, Yvonne Angeles, Maya Annunziato, Mikey Armand, Jeanne (Porcelli) Aroyo, Reginald Ballantyne, 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 Farinaro, 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, Lorraine 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, 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 15 & 16				
	5:00pm	8:30am	10am	11:30am
PRESIDER	Fr. Arnao	Fr. Dowling, SJ	Fr. Kealey	Fr. Callan
LECTOR	D. Oreste	B. O'Donnell	S. Buffolino	L. Masucci
ALTAR SERVERS	C. Ferrandina	V. Natalie	E. Johnson	G. Winter
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	F. Barbuto R. Scott N. Moir D. Auguston <i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>	L. Boone N. Boone B. Horan A. Mandaro M. O'Leary <i>Volunteer needed</i>	R. Biggin D. Buttgerreit V. DeRicco R. Grillo A. Lonagan J. Messina	M. Cecere B. Dunphy E. DiFrisco J. Wilde P. Wilde <i>Volunteer needed</i>
MUSIC MINISTERS	Cantor/Organ		Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

**Level 6 is expected to visit the St Brigid Precipio of St Brigid Church on Post Avenue this week during regular class time.**

**Level 4** Think First & Stay Safe presentation is Wednesday, **December 12 at 5pm.** All Level 4 students are expected to attend.

**There will be a Level 1 Catechist meeting on Thursday, December 13 from 5:30–6:30pm. Please make every effort to attend.**

**Our Lady of Hope Christmas Pageant** program is having its final Dress Rehearsal on **Friday, December 14 from 5–7pm.** Performance is **Monday, December 17 at 6:30pm.** See flyer in bulletin. If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact Annemarie Federlein at [AFederlein@verizon.net](mailto:AFederlein@verizon.net).

Level 8 students are needed to help with the Christmas Pageant at rehearsals and with the performance.

## ☉ Come All Ye Faithful

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

### Rehearsal Date's:

Friday 12/7 and Friday 12/14 from 5:00 - 7:00pm

### Parts Needed:

Mary, Joseph, Baby Jesus, 3 Kings, Inn Keeper, Roman Soldiers, Angels, Shepherds, Narrators, Drummer Boy, and more!

### Parent and Student Volunteers Needed!

All volunteers must meet in the Church Basement at 4:30 on 12/7 to go over assignments to ensure rehearsals run smoothly

Parts will be chosen at the December 7<sup>nd</sup> rehearsal and you must be able to attend both rehearsals to perform.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact Annemarie Federlein at 516-503-5977 or email [AFederlein@verizon.net](mailto:AFederlein@verizon.net)



# St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School



## ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LITURGY & LUNCHEON

For 26 years our school has hosted a Thanksgiving celebration for local senior citizens and grandparents. From food prep to clean-up, on this day everyone in the school community has a part in saying "thanks" to our seniors and grandparents!



*"Give thanks to the Lord,  
for He is good!"*

## Breakfast with Santa!



### Sunday, December 16th

9:15 am Mass in Our Lady's Chapel followed by breakfast in Code Auditorium

Meet Santa! Enjoy pancakes, sausage, and more!  
Tickets cost \$7 per person and are available at the School Office and the Parish Center. To purchase admission online, visit: <http://bit.ly/santabkfst>

*No tickets will be sold at the door*



# Growing in FAITH™

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

December 2018

## Our Lady of Hope Church

Rev. Thomas V. Arnao, Pastor

### One Minute Meditations

#### St. Dominic of Silos

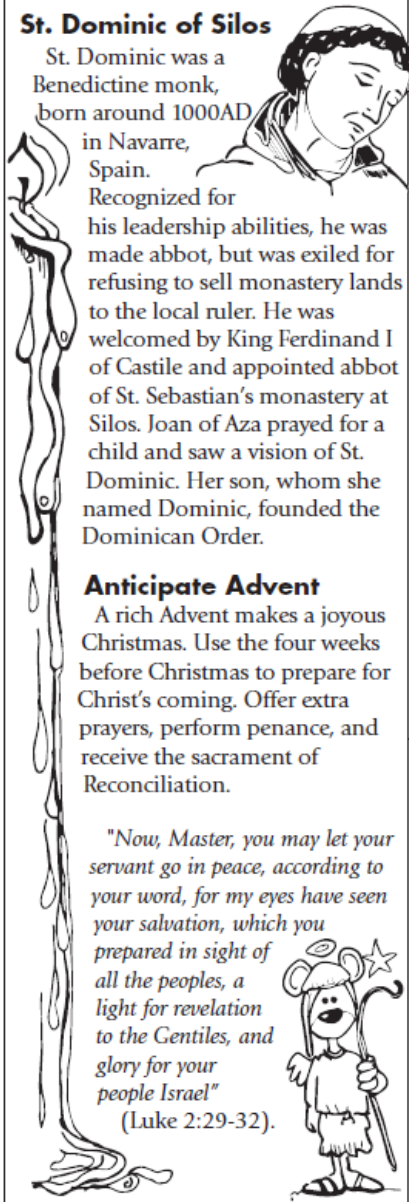
St. Dominic was a Benedictine monk, born around 1000AD in Navarre, Spain.

Recognized for his leadership abilities, he was made abbot, but was exiled for refusing to sell monastery lands to the local ruler. He was welcomed by King Ferdinand I of Castile and appointed abbot of St. Sebastian's monastery at Silos. Joan of Aza prayed for a child and saw a vision of St. Dominic. Her son, whom she named Dominic, founded the Dominican Order.

#### Anticipate Advent

A rich Advent makes a joyous Christmas. Use the four weeks before Christmas to prepare for Christ's coming. Offer extra prayers, perform penance, and receive the sacrament of Reconciliation.

*"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel"*  
(Luke 2:29-32).



### Celebrate Christmas with child-like wonder

There is no greater miracle than the gift of love Christmas represents. We didn't earn it and we can't deserve it. Yet, we get so harried with the holiday rush that we miss the wonder of it. Ever notice how children never do? This year, slow down and celebrate Christmas like a child.

Tie gifts with heartstrings. Instead of boosting credit card balances or draining your checking account, keep what you give simple, meaningful, and from the heart. For example, give a coupon for babysitting to friends with children. Prepare a meal for someone who needs a break from cooking.

Offer your hearth. The holidays can be lonely for people separated from

their loved ones by distance, death, or circumstance. Watch for anyone who needs a "home" and invite them to yours.

Choose peace. Instead of enduring the Christmas commercials and bad holiday specials, record the good shows and watch while you relax. Or rent your favorite spiritual movies. Better still, turn off the television, computer, and cell phone, and enjoy the silence.

Greet the Babe with joy. Seek reconciliation in Confession so you can receive the Eucharist at Christmas.

Sing like an angel. Check your local listings for Christmas concerts, Messiah sing-a-longs, or other spiritual songfests. Host a caroling party in your home and sing loud with Christmas joy.



### Why Do Catholics Do That?

### Why do Catholics celebrate Christ's birth?

Every Christmas, we celebrate that Jesus, the Son of God, became man—while retaining his divinity—and died for our sins and rose again. We believe this because God, who is Truth, revealed it.

*"For to us a child is born, to us*

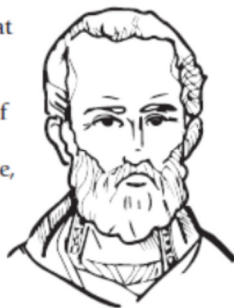


*a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called 'Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace'"*  
(Isaiah 9:6). God came to Earth and lived among us.

# Honor the spirit of St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas is one icon of the holiday season that has meaning in both the secular and spiritual celebrations of Christmas.

We know that St. Nicholas was born at the end of the third century in Asia Minor. His parents died when he was young and left him well off. His uncle, the archbishop of Myra (southeast of Turkey), ordained him and upon his uncle's death, Nicholas served as bishop until his own death. Throughout he suffered imprisonment and persecution.



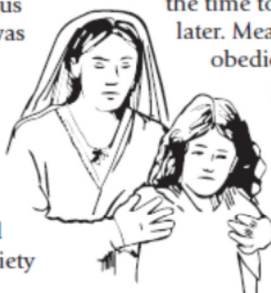
One legend involving St. Nicholas concerns a desperate man on the verge of selling his daughters into slavery to pay his debts. Nicholas secretly threw a bag of gold into an open window (some say down the chimney) in the man's house to stop him.

Our present-day Santa Claus stems from the legends of St. Nicholas, but in the Church he is a saint, a confessor of the faith, and a holy bishop. We can learn from his generosity to the poor, and imitate his acts of kindness to others.

## from Scripture

### Luke 2:41-52, Living in the world

In this reading, the Holy Family went to Jerusalem when Jesus was twelve years old. This was an important time in Jesus' life. Back then, a Hebrew boy became a man around that age, and was recognized in a ceremony called a Bar Mitzvah. On this occasion, Jesus decided to stay behind, causing anxiety to his parents.



heavenly Father but he understood the time to fulfill them would come later. Meanwhile, he returned obediently with his earthly

parents to Nazareth and fulfilled his duties to them.

Jesus respected his family, yet he continued to pursue his place in God's plan. The lesson is that we can grow in holiness in wherever

God has placed us. Christians can be found in neighborhoods, schools, and workplaces. In all these places, we have to find ways to live a holy life in the world.

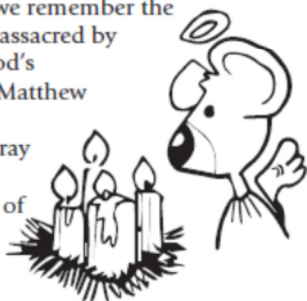
## Feasts & Celebrations

Dec. 4 – St. John Damascene (749). A Doctor of the Church and the last of the Greek Fathers, St. John was born in Syria when it was under Muslim rule and was counselor to the caliph. He is known for his writings in favor of the use of sacred images for devotion. These writings brought him into serious conflict with the heretical Christian emperor. He later became a monk under the direction of St. Sabas.

Dec. 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe (1531). The Blessed Mother appeared as a Native American maiden to St.

Juan Diego, also Native American. She asked that the bishop of Mexico build a chapel for her, and had him carry roses to the bishop as a sign. When the roses were emptied from his tilma (cape), it retained the image of the Blessed Mother.

Dec. 28-The Holy Innocents. On this day, we remember the infants massacred by King Herod's soldiers (Matthew 2:16-18). We also pray for the safety of unborn children.



## Q & A What, exactly, is meant by "fear of the Lord"?

"Fear of the Lord" is more about awe—recognizing God's power and might – than about fear of the merciful creator who loves us most. Fear of the

Lord is also known as "reverence," and is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit listed in Isaiah: *"The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of*

*understanding...counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord"* (Isaiah 11:2). These gifts, when used, make us open to God's love.

Fear of the Lord helps us have a healthy respect for God's majesty. We fear offending God for the same reason we fear offending someone we love. If we really love someone, we wouldn't do anything (on purpose) to hurt them or damage the friendship. This is what happens when we sin. "The [Christian] no longer stands before God as a slave, in servile fear, or as a mercenary looking for wages, but as a son" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1828).

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## MASS INTENTIONS for the week of December 8



### Saturday – December 8, 2018

9:00 AM – Mansour Al-Hijazin (by Mr. & Mrs. Miguel Araya)

*Anticipated Mass for Sunday*

5:00 PM – Davis & Nolan families (by James & Margaret Davis)

-For the intentions of Taylor & Lucas (love, mom)

-Bob Wetzel (by Linda & Michael DiNuzzo)

-For the intentions of George Rottkamp (by Fran Burgdorf)

### Sunday – December 9, 2018

8:30 AM – Tom Bray (Merry Christmas) (by Peggy & family)

In the missions:

-Lee Giordano (by the family)

-Robert Wetzel (by Rei Cornelius)

-Mary Pelliteri (1<sup>st</sup> anniversary remembrance) (by the family)

10:00 AM – Ann Ierardi (by Patricia Ierardi)

In the missions:

-Ugo Rossetti & Maria Machado Dantas (by the Rodrigues family)

-Michael Higgins (by Jim Hickey)

11:30 AM – For the People of the Parish

In the missions:

-Emilia Cuda (by Elena & Aleida Santana)

### Monday – December 10, 2018

9:00 AM – Frank DeRicco (by the family)

In the missions:

-Rocco Sforza (by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sforza)

### Tuesday – December 11, 2018

9:00 AM – Madeline Lione (by Michael Lione)

### Wednesday – December 12, 2018

9:00 AM – Natalia Ferreira & Antonio Lima (by the family)

In the missions:

-Paul D. Clarke (by the Clarke family)

### Thursday – December 13, 2018

9:00 AM – Dick Frein (by the family)

### Friday – December 14, 2018

9:00 AM – Denise Mosso (by Janet Diamond & family)

-Andrew Acierno (by Andrew & Joan Hogan)

### 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 Wetzel (by the Lapczynski family)

### 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)

11:30 AM – Jeanine Spensieri (by her parents)

In the missions:

-Domenica Ferrante (by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sforza)

-Emilia Cuda (by Elena Santana)

**SOMETHING FROM DEACON JOHN**

1. How many apostles did Jesus call? 10, 12 or 14?
2. How many days passed between Jesus' death and resurrection? 1, 2 or 3?
3. For how many years did the Children of Israel wander in the wilderness? 30, 40 or 50 years?
4. For how many days did Jesus fast before Satan came tempting Him? 30, 40 or 50 days?
5. For how many days and nights was Jonah in the belly of the great fish? One, two or three?
6. How many commandments did the Lord give to Moses on tablets? 5, 10 or 15?



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

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

*In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord" and this is what Advent is all about. We are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.*

**(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.

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**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.

**\*\*\*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!**

**Holy Hour**

Thursday's at 1 pm



**Miraculous Medal Novena**

**Tuesday's after the 9am Mass**

2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL	
Goal	\$51,900.00
Pledged	\$56,629.00
Paid	\$55,709.00
% of Goal pledged	109%
% of Goal paid	106%
Donors	192

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

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

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## 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-**"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His paths." Welcome Christ into 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.menly.org](http://www.menly.org)

**TOY DRIVE-**Cantalupo Chiropractic will be hosting a toy drive at our office. Please bring unwrapped toys for ages 5 and up to 180 Maple Ave., Westbury during our hours from now until December 14. Call 516 334-3636 for more information. All donations are intended for the Our Lady of Hope Toy Drive. Help spread the love!

**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.

### SECOND NOTICE

**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.

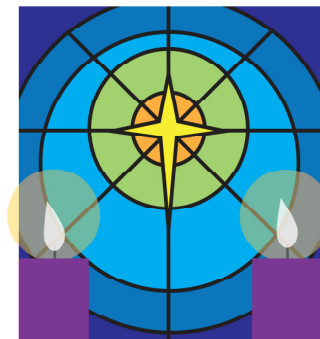
**PROJECT INDEPENDENCE-**Senior Transportation Program for all Town of North Hempstead residents age 60 and over for non-emergency medical visits and food shopping. Registration required. Call 311 or 869-6311 and get your Project Independence membership card. Shopping service is free, taxi rides to the 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.

**RELIGION AND ROCK -**Tune into "Religion and Rock" with Msgr. Jim Vlaun on Sunday from 7am-8am on WBAB 102.3FM or 95.3FM on Long Island's East End. Listen on Saturdays at 11pm on Sirius Radio, Channel 159, the Catholic Channel and at 11pm on XM Satellite, Channel 117. Next Sunday's theme is "Being Prepared", don't miss it! [www.religionandrock.com](http://www.religionandrock.com)



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#### ANSWERS TO DEACON JOHN'S QUESTIONS

1. 12
2. 3
3. 40 years
4. 40 days
5. 3 days and nights
6. 10 Commandments