# **Bur Lady of Hope Church**



### 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.

534 Broadway • Carle Place, NY 11514-1712 Tel 516.334.6288 • Fax 516.997.4622 www.olhope.org • secretary@olhope.org Pastor Rev. Thomas V. Arnao, J.C.D. Deacons Thomas B. Rich, Raymond J. Tirelli, Patrick J. Dunphy

> Sunday Priests Rev. Edward Dowling, SJ

### Staff

Rei Cornelius, Parish Office Manager Mr. Raymond Henderson, Liturgical Music Director Deacon Thomas Rich, D.Min., J.C.L. Director of Religious Education

### **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**

Maria Vargas & Diane Austria, Coordinators Email rel-ed@olhope.org See 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.

### <u>PRAYER</u>

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

### A SAVIOR IS COMING WHO WILL BRING JUSTICE AND PEACE TO THE FAITHFUL

God is calling out to us—through His prophets and Apostles, through His Holy Word, through His Son whom He sent to dwell among us—that He has come to save us. His kingdom is one of justice and peace. Will we listen to these holy voices crying out to us in the desert of worldly divisions and distractions?

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### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah tells of the justice and peace that shall reign in the kingdom of God. Saint Paul prays that God will give the community the ability to be in harmony and united with Christ. In the Gospel, John the Baptist exhorts his listeners to turn away from their sins and be baptized, for the one who is coming after him is even mightier.

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### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks of today: "Every tree that dies not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

Last Sunday's collection 12/1/19	\$8,294.50	
Same Last Year	\$9,692.50	
Weekly amount needed	\$9,456.00	
Shortfall	\$1,161.50	
Attendance 12/1/19	583	
Same Last Year	770	
Thank you for your generosity in returning to God some		

Thank you for your generosity in returning to God some of what He has given you.

#### **CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE**



The gift tags for the **Christmas Gift Drive** which benefits the residents at Madonna Heights, will remain on the board through this weekend. Please select a gift tag, purchase the item and return the **unwrapped gift** with the gift tag attached **as soon as possible**. (December 11) Thank you for your generosity and your prompt attention to this need.

### **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 delivery by **December 14**. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity.

### FOOD PANTRY CHRISTMAS INITIATIVE

For the sixth 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 33 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 11.

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

\*\*The deadline for these 3 programs is approaching fast. Please keep this in mind!\*\*

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### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Thank you to everyone who purchased poinsettias. 🖁 Vito Ruggieri, St. Luke, Whitestone Pickup is **Sunday**, **December 8 from 9am–1pm**. The Christmas Pageant will be held on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:30pm. The second rehearsal will be 🏅 held on December 13 from 5-7pm. If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact Annemarie Federlein at 516 503-5977 or email AFederlein@verizon.net.

Level 7 will be caroling at the Arbors on Monday, De- Virtus is a program that gives us a specific plan in cember 9 from 6:30-8pm.

**Level 1** will be having a Parent/Child Group Meeting on Wednesday, December 11 from 5-6pm. All Level 1 students are expected to attend with at least one par- If you are a volunteer and still need to fulfill this oblient.

**Students:** For students in Level 6, 7, and 8--if you have outstanding work, all work must be completed in order to be eligible for confirmation. All outstanding work may be submitted in the box outside the office. If you have any questions you can leave a message at 334-4781 and rel-ed@olhope.org. We will respond as soon as possible.

### **Office Hours:**

The Religious Education office hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1-6pm, and Wednesday All Eucharistic Ministers and altar servers: If you 10am-3pm.

### **RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION**

This weekend, we will participate in the National Reli- we SHARE ONLINE GIVING gious Retirement Collection. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests ministered for Online giving is available at Our Lady of Hope and it's years for little or no pay. Their sacrifices now leave safe, simple their religious communities without adequate retire- olhope.weshareonline.org to get started. The site is ment savings. Your gift to the collection for the Re- very "user friendly", but if you still have questions tirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medica- please do not hesitate to call the church office or tions, nursing care and more for tens of thousands of WeShare directly at 800 950-9952. elderly religious. Please be generous.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MINISTRIES

All members of ministries; Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Finance Committee, Steering Committee, Ushers, Young and Adult Altar Servers, Food Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul, Choir. Please remember to pick up a small token of thanks from the parish. You can pick them up in the sacristy on the weekend and on Monday through Friday, please come to the Church office. Thank you for all you do! Merry Christmas!

The Banns of Marriage are announced

for the second time between:

and Mikhaila Emanuelli, Our Lady of Hope

Anthony Monastero, St. Patrick, Bayshore

and Lisa Gwasda, Our Lady of Hope

### VIRTUS TRAINING-PROTECT OUR CHILDREN!

identifying and preventing child sexual abuse. The training is required of all diocesan personnel and volunteers in all parishes.

gation check the Long Island Catholic or the Diocesan website, 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.

### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

have not signed up for your Christmas preference, there is a binder in the back of the church where you can do so. Thank you for all you do!

and convenient. Please visit

### **OUR LADY OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY**

At this time, the Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

▶ cookies & crackers

▶tuna

▶ juice-grape & apple

Please be aware of expiration dates when donating food to the Pantry. Thank you for your continued support of the people we all serve.

The Food Pantry Staff

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### Let us pray...

### FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN UNIFORM

LCpl. Joseph T. Hughes, USMC (D), Steven J. LaRosa, USMC, Michael B. Kilgannon, USAF, AC1 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, LT Joe Wengler, US Navy.

D = Deployed

### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED...

especially Frances Cella & Josette Apostolo.



### Sanctuary Candle

In memory of Mary Pellitire-2nd Anniversary in Heaven -by her children & family



**Rose for Life** 

### \$5

In loving memory of Maria Garcia -by Ann Silva

MINISTERS AT MASSES December 14 & 15						
	5pm	8:30am	10am	11:30am		
PRESIDER	Fr. Arnao	Fr. Dowling, SJ	Fr. Blake	Msgr. Michael		
LECTOR	K. Franqueiro	P. Varol	C. Phillips	B. Ruth		
ALTAR SERVERS	M. McCarthy	C. Ferrandina	A. Mastrangelo D. Weilert	V. Natalie A. Kubovic		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	D. Auguston F. Barbuto L. Heller N. Moir <i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>	L. Boone N. Boone A. Mandaro M. O'Leary A. Rich P. Schaefer	J. Messina R. Reilly M. Schultz J. Waters M. Barilla T. Barilla	M. Cecere B. Dunphy E. DiFrisco A. Santana E. Santana Volunteer needed		
MUSIC MINISTERS	Cantor/Organ		Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ		

### 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, Vincenzia Berasti, Susan Blum, Deborah Bourassa, Dylan Braun, Mary Broyles, Fran Burgdorf, Peter Burkhardt, Giuseppe Burro, Diana Cabral, Eustacia Calderone, Brianna Cardenas, Maria Carrillo, Richard Casella, Gianna Casella, Marcel Chaillol, Joan Clarke, Judy Clickner, Gina Corleto, Marie Corte, George Costidis, Connie Cote. Lona Cruz, Esther Curran, Dana Day, Peter DeFilippo, Kim DeRidder, Marie DeSimone, Joseph DiBiasi, Elizabeth Dick, Bernard Dicks, May Dong, Hailey Eimer, Joe Farinaro, Alice Feldt, Margaret Flahive, Angelina Fortner, Marie Francis, Grace Franzese, Mario Gaigan, Gerry Georgio, Linda Gildea, Patricia Gioffre, Donna Girardi, Susan Goode, Emily Grimm, Norman Gruenfelder, Bob Harrs, Art Howell, Helen Jara, Patricia & Ralph Keck, Jacqueline Klein, Sue Klein, Barbara Knapp, Tom Knapp, Susan Goglia Kopas, Dorothy Kuchler, Maryann LaSardo, Mary Lou Lavelle, Marietta Lettau, Lois Lewis, Raymond Licata, John Malavolta, Sherrie Mayzie, John McDonald, Elaine Medoro, Maria Merz, Heather Morella, Baby Viviana Mortellaro, Angelina Muzio, Danny Noble, Theresa Noto, Kathleen Opak, Maureen Ostrowski, Angela Pascarella, Rylie Pederson, Antonio Perrino, Ann Peters, Loraine Pino, Joseph Piscitelli, Lorraine Poduch, Victor Praete, Vincent Purcell, Kathleen Rainone, Joel Rivera, Daniel Roche, Nicole Roeder, George Rottkamp, Alex Salvaggio, Rosa Santos, John Saunders, Joseph Schaefer, Maureen Schroeder, Irene Smith, Randy J. Smith, Darrell Stone, Nancy Tandi, Kerri Taylor, Florence Theroux, Joan Thue, James Tirone, Marie Tricarico, Rose Unquhaver, Flo Vaccaro, Christopher Velez, Joseph Vigotty, Tommy Waters, Frank Wetmore, Maureen Wotten, Sondra Yannone, Rose Youngblood, Joe Zimmatore

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

### Altar Bread & Wine

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



### 2nd Annual St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope 5K Walk & Run

Over 200 runners joined us for our 5K Walk & Run! We've rounded up some of our favorite photos from the day-- they say a picture is worth a thousand words, and these photos truly capture the spirit, the energy and the joy of this community event.

Many thanks to our 5K Committee for making this event such a success. Thank you also to the generous individuals and businesses who sponsored our race. Finally, special thanks to Village of Westbury Mayor Peter Cavallaro, Village Clerk Ted Blach and Trustees for their support throughout the planning, and the officers of the Nassau County 3rd Precinct for keeping our participants safe!



101 Maple Avenue, Westbury NY 11590 (516) 333-0580 www.stbolh.org Mr. Paul P. Clagnaz, Principal pclagnaz@stbolh.org



Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

December 2019

Our Lady of Hope Church Rev. Thomas V. Arnao, Pastor

### One Minute Meditations

St. Maria di Rosa Born "Paula" in Brescia, Italy, Maria di Rosa was the daughter

of a mill



owner and a countess. Coming from a wealthy family didn't spare her from difficulty. She lost her mother when young. At seventeen years old, she left school to work with her father at the mill. During the cholera epidemic of 1836, she cared for the sick. In 1840, she founded the Handmaids of Charity to care for the wounded during the wars.

### Agent of change

True conversion is the work of the Holy Spirit. Salvation and faith are gifts from God – gifts that are not ours to give. Yet, believers are called to join with the Holy Spirt to bring others to God. When we have a strong and personal relationship with Jesus, we can be his agents of change.

"Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." (Isaiah 40:5).

### The joyful expectation of Advent

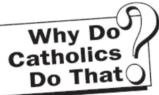
Jesus' birth at Christmas is real and amazing evidence of God's love. The priorities specific to this time of year, however, can crowd our joy and awe. Modeling St. Joseph's preparations in the days before Jesus' birth can help create a plan for our own Advent. Try these tips for joyful expectation of our Savior's

Create ' silence. God

birth.

found the quiet he needed in St. Joseph's life to speak and be heard over the noise of the carpenter's shop, the needs of neighbors, the demands of tax collectors. In the silence St. Joseph created just for him, God was able to work miracles. Keep out the devil. When Joseph found out Mary was pregnant, he protected her from the evil of malicious gossip and isolation. He helped her to make a God-centered home filled with Love. Although the devil is powerful, he cannot go where he is not permitted. When we stay close to the Sacraments and live a God-centered life, we, too, keep the devil

out and make room for Love. Look for him. Can you imagine the joy with which St. Joseph expected Jesus' coming? We celebrate Jesus' arrival in Bethlehem with joy. We can joyfully welcome him into our lives now. And, with joy we can look forward to Christ's coming in glory on the Last Day.



The Catholic Christmas is not just one day but an entire liturgical season. It begins with the vigil Mass on Christmas Eve and ends on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (January 12th this year). During the celebration of Christmas,

### Why do Catholics celebrate Christmas after December 26?

we rejoice in the realization of God's plan for our salvation. God became man to save us. Thus, the Church makes sure we have enough time almost a month — to fully celebrate such a joyful, hope-filled, destiny-altering event.

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### Open your heart to the Christmas promise

This time of year reminds us of our hope for a future of peace. But we cannot achieve this peace on our own. We must open our hearts to the promise of Christmas.

"One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again" (Isaiah 2:4). Violence flourishes if the world accepts it as inevitable. The world can change if the love of the Christmas Child takes root in our hearts. Peace flows from hearts that love.

"The poor will eat their fill; those who seek



By the time Mary gave birth to Jesus, St. Joseph was used to following orders from God without question. So when the

angel appeared to him in his sleep urging him to flee to Egypt, Joseph obeyed immediately. He trusted that God would take care of him and his new family.

Joseph's unquestioning obedience is remarkable when we think about what the birth of Jesus must have been like. Mary and Joseph had traveled in the last stages of her pregnancy from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Whether on foot or donkey, it was a dirty, exhausting journey.



Dec. 1 – First Sunday in Advent. During this season, we anticipate Christ's coming. Catholics around the world light candles in an Advent wreath to signal the coming of the light of Christ.

Dec. 9 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception (1854). This feast day commemorates that Mary was conceived in St. Anne's womb without Original Sin. Attending Mass is a wonderful way to celebrate.

Dec. 9 - St. Juan Diego (1548). St. Juan Diego was visited by the Blessed Mother at Tepeyac Hill in Mexico. She

### Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23, Trust God like St. Joseph did

Once there, there was nowhere to stay except with the animals. After a short time, they fled to Egypt to escape

> danger, and stayed there for some years without family or friends. Through it all, Joseph trusted God to protect his family.

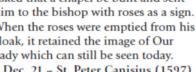
Being perfect didn't shield the Holy Family from experiencing pain and difficulty much like

we do. Yet Scripture tells us that Mary and Joseph found strength from their faith in God and were guided by his Word. We can do the same.

asked that a chapel be built and sent him to the bishop with roses as a sign. When the roses were emptied from his cloak, it retained the image of Our Lady which can still be seen today.

Dec. 21 - St. Peter Canisius (1597). Born in Holland, he was ordained into the Society of Jesus and worked strenuously through his writings

and teachings to safeguard the Catholic faith after the Reformation. His work, The Catechism, is still used today.



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struggling to hold onto hope. If we each make our holiday charitable efforts a year-round habit, perhaps the words of the psalmist will come true. "The virgin shall be with child, and bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14).

spreads more easily when all have enough. These

days the poor are everywhere and people are

the Lord will offer praise" (Psalm 22:27). Peace

This Christmas we can once again rekindle our own sense of innocence and hope.

### Why does the Q & Church year A begin in Advent?

The Church has a liturgical year with its own seasons that help us to mark events that are important to Catholics. However, the Church year doesn't start



on January 1, or even on December 25 when we celebrate Christ's birthday. Instead, it begins on the first Sunday of Advent, the season before Christmas.

Advent is the perfect season for new beginnings. It's a season of preparation: the King of Kings is coming! There are three "arrivals" of Christ to prepare for and celebrate: as an infant at Bethlehem, at Mass in the Eucharist, and as the King of Glory at the end of time.

In order to properly greet such a Guest, the Church sets aside this time for us to purify our hearts and souls. Whether that means being with God in prayer, attending Confession, volunteering in the community or cleaning house, Advent is the time for it. The Church wants us to begin the year well by preparing to welcome the King who comes to "make all things new" (Revelation 21:5).

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### MASS INTENTIONS for the week of December 6



### Saturday - December 7, 2019 5:00 PM - John Ahern, Marge Ahern, Jack Ahern &

Liam Ahern (by the family) -Robert Mulligan (by Maryann McKeon) -Thomas Manley (by Pat Kutch) -Steve Wyosoluski (by Mr. & Mrs. Vincenzo Colella) -Virginia Clarke & Joseph Gaughran (by the family) -Philip H. Van Deusen (by John Heller) -William Murphy (by Michael & Maryanne Elrod) -Mom & Dad, Sarle Gomes & Marden Gomes (by Beauty Gomes) -For the intentions of Freda Cantwell (by Pat & Margaret Lavin)

-Maria Garcia (by Ann Silva)

### Sunday - December 8, 2019

8:30 AM - Frances Chiusano (by the family) In the missions:
-Fabrizio Fiorinda Piscitelli (by the family)
10:00 AM - Doris Gruenfelder (by Friel family)
11:30 AM - For the People of the Parish

### Monday - December 9, 2019

9:00 AM - Msgr. Alex Palmieri, Fr. Paul Bie & Fr. Ken Winkler (by Fr. Arnao)

### Tuesday - December 10, 2019

9:00 AM - John Walsh (by Elena & Aleida Santana



### Wednesday - December 11, 2019

9:00 AM - For the intentions of Fr. Jeff Yildirmaz (by Susan Provost)

### Thursday - December 12, 2019

9:00 AM - Natalia Ferreira & Antonio Lima (by the families)In the missions:-Paul D. Clarke (by the Clarke family)

### Friday - December 13, 2019

9:00 AM - Dick Frein (23rd Anniversary in Heaven) (by the family)
-Haw-Ran Wang (by Michael Giliberti)
-John Walsh (by Pat & Don Schaefer)
-For the intentions of Margaret Lavin (by Freda Cantwell)

### Saturday - December 14, 2019

5:00 PM - Denise Mosso (by Janet Diamond & family)

-Carmine Libroia (by the LoCurto family)

-Thomas Manley (by the Mays family)

-Thomas & Elizabeth Burke (by the family)

-For the intentions of Ann Moran (by Margaret Lavin)

### Sunday - December 15, 2019

8:30 AM - Maria & Anthony Suppa (by Fran & Rich Comito)

In the missions:

-Margaret Kossuth (by the Driscoll family) -Deceased members of the Araya/Valdivieso family (by the family)

- 10:00 AM For the People of the Parish In the missions:
  - -Karen McPike (by Jim Hickey & Rei Cornelius)
- 11:30 AM Maria Duarte (by the Duarte family)

### SOMETHING FROM DEACON JOHN

- 1. What color vestments do priests wear during the season of Advent? Green, white or purple?
- 2. How many rings are there in the Olympic Games symbol? Four, five or six?
- 3. British stamps are different to any other stamps in the world. What is the difference? They do not have a denomination, they do not bear the name of the country or they do not have pictures?
- 4. In the nursery rhyme, what was Little Jack Horner eating? Pumpkin pie, Plum pie or Christmas pie?
- 5. What is the fastest land animal in the world? The pronghorn, the cheetah or the lion?
- 6. Which state has the official postal abbreviation MI? Is it Michigan, Mississippi or Minnesota?

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### **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

The class for Baptism will be held the last Sunday of the month at 11am in the lower church. The next class scheduled is January 26.

#### 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!



### 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." This is what

Advent is all about, for 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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### **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

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER-"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Work to ensure your marriage bears good fruit by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are January 31–February 2 and May 1-3 in Huntington. For more information call John & Toni Torio at 877 697-9963.

TWO STEAMER TRUNKS-for sale, \$50 each. Please call Lorraine 248-7795

SCHOLARSHIPS-The volunteer members of the Carle Place Hook, Ladder & Hose Co., No. 1 will award at least three scholarships in the amount of \$500 to graduating high school seniors who either attend CPHS or reside in the Carle Place School District. Students may obtain applications from the CPHS Guidance Office or on the school website. Applications must be completed and returned by February 12, 2020. You can mail or drop off your application to the firehouse located at 460 Broadway, attention Danielle Bellino, District Mgr. Best of luck to all!

O ANTIPHONS-Mornings of Prayer-an Advent Program. Thursday, December 12 from 9:30am-12:30pm at Tabor House-St. Anthony's, Oceanside. RSVP to Karen:ksuero@jesuits.org or call 675-4012.

RETREAT DAY-with Fr. Hugh Gillespie, Montfort Spiritual Center, Satruday December 14 9am to 4pm. Rosary, Conference, Mass, Lunch & more Conferences. 8am Registration. "Advent is upon us! Prepare your hearts for what this time of year brings to us." For more information call 631 325-0661

#### SECOND NOTICE

CONGRATULATIONS!-to those students from our parish who attend Our Lady of Mercy and have achieved the honor roll for the first semester. They include: Maryrose Deciutiis, Elizabeth Hommel and Ava Sanguedolce. Keep up the good work!

BRISTAL ASSISTED LIVING AT GARDEN CITY-is looking for Eucharistic Ministers to bring communion to residents on Tuesdays at 10:30am. The day and time may be negotiable, please call John 516 530-6685.

THOUGHT OF A CRUISE LATELY?-we now have a Cruise Planners AMEX travel adviser in Mineola. Your dream cruise can be booked at a fantastic price from any US port to your destination of choice from any cruise line, any length to the Caribbean, Alaska, the Mediterranean, Europe in the finest staterooms. (singles, couples, family reunions, celebrations, groups) Email michael.alonzo@cruiseplanners.com or visit cruiseaaays.com.

APARTMENT FOR RENT-CP, 2nd floor, 1 bedroom, close to all-LIRR, bus, shopping, church, restaurants. Available immediately. Please call 516 778-3789. TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND-Is someone you love unable to join us at mass on the weekend? For the faithful at home or in healthcare settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessing of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass of TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT IN OUR DIOCESE-Please visit our helpful website: 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.

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#### ANSWERS TO DEACON JOHN'S QUESTIONS

- 1. Purple
- 2. Five
- 3. They do not bear the name of the country.
- 4. Christmas pie
- 5. The Cheetah-75 mph!
- 6. Michigan