

Our Lady of Hope This Week

ON THE MOUNT OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, JESUS IS REVEALED TO HIS DISCIPLES AS GOD'S BELOVED SON

In our Scriptures today, Jesus is revealed as God's *beloved Son*, and Paul writes that the risen Jesus will *indeed intercede for us*. What gifts we are given! Let us, then, act in the world as God's children and be His instruments for building the Kingdom on earth.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

Abraham was about to offer [his son] up as a holocaust to the Lord. But a messenger of the Lord stopped him, and told him [the Lord] will bless you abundantly, and that he would have innumerable descendants. Saint Paul asks, If God is for us, who can be against us? For Christ Jesus intercedes for us. In the Gospel, Peter, James and John accompany Jesus up a high mountain, where He is transfigured before them. They see Moses and Elijah conversing with Jesus, and from the cloud a voice says, This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him.

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STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

We read in the Second Reading for today that God loves us so much that He handed over His only Son for our sakes. During difficult times, it is important to remember that we were made by God and loved by Him so deeply.

OPPORTUNITIES TO REMEMBER LOVED ONES

There are opportunities to remember your loved ones by way of Mass intentions, the Rose for Life, the Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread. There are Mass intentions available in April and Rose for Life, Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread as early as February. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

On December 8, 2020, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, declared a special *Year of St. Joseph.* As the month of February comes to a close, we look forward to the month of March-particularly March 19, the feast of St. Joseph. It is appropriate, I believe, to reflect on the humility, steadfastness, faith and untiring love of St. Joseph during this season of Lent. May our lives imitate his, not just during this holy season, but throughout this year dedicated to him and throughout our lives.

Ave, Joseph

Hail, Joseph, filled with divine grace, in whose arms the Savior was carried and under whose eyes He grew up: blessed are you among all and blessed is Jesus, the Son of your dear Spouse, Mary.

Holy Joseph, chosen to be a father to the Son of God, pray for us in the midst of our cares of family, health and work, and please assist us at the hour of our death. Amen.

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT

Please join us on Fridays during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm.



May the upcoming holy season offer you an opportunity for prayer, reflection and growth in God's grace. Some have inquired about the practice of fast and abstinence:

Fasting obliges all Catholics

(from ages 18 to 59 inclusive) to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On the fast days, we may take one full meal, two smaller meals and no snacking in between meals. Abstinence obliges all Catholics (14 years and older) to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday AND all other Fridays in Lent. (Continued from page 2)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Levels 1-8 All Mass Reflections are to be submitted to the Religious Education office. Four Mass reflections are required for Levels 2-8, Level 1-only 2 are required.

Levels 1-6 Complete the required "Christ in Us" assignments online as well as the required pages in the book which will be collected at the end of the school year.

Level 2 Congratulations to our Level 2 children who received their First Reconciliation Saturday, February If you wish to donate the bread and wine for the 27. The Religious Education office is happy to announce that First Holy Communion will take place offering is \$50. Opportunities to donate a Rose for Saturday, May 1 at 9:30am and 11:30am.

Level 6 If you have not submitted your Seder packet, please do so as soon as possible.

Level 8 The Religious Education office is happy to announce Confirmation will be held on April 14, 2021. All required work must be submitted no later than March 22. A letter was sent out last week explaining Confirmation procedures.

Any questions or concerns, please contact the Religious Education office.

Office hours: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 10am to 3pm and by appointment. Please call 516 334-4781.

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 vol- If this sounds like something you would like to exunteers 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 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.

FLOWER FUND ENVELOPES

A reminder: If you would like to have loved ones remembered in the Easter Masses, please return the Flower Fund envelope you received in the mail with the names of the people you wish to have remembered. If you did not receive an envelope, you can pick one up in the church. Please be sure to fill in all the information. Please return the Easter Flower Fund envelope by Monday, March 15 so that the Memorial Booklet can be completed for Easter.

ALTAR BREAD, ROSE FOR LIFE & SANCTUARY CANDLE

week's Sunday and daily Eucharist celebrations, the Life are also available. The offering is \$5 per week. The sanctuary candle is available for memorialization. The offering is \$15.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Where can you find a career opportunity to help yourself, your family, your community and your church at the same time? Answer: The Knights of Columbus. They are one of North America's largest life insurers, one of the world's most ethical companies, an international Catholic fraternity and a multi-billion dollar donor to charitable causes. We are looking for a few Catholic gentlemen to join our full-time Insurance sales force to serve our members and their families on Long Island. Our sales force receives extensive training, a secure territory with professional level income potential, incentive bonuses, health and retirement benefits and continuing education opportunities.

plore for yourself, or if you know a Catholic gentleman that might be a good fit for this opportunity, please call 631 574-4520 or email hernandezagencymail@kofc.org.

OUR LADY OF HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Unfortunately, the Food Pantry has been unable to operate as it usually did but we have been able to do the work in this new atmosphere. We are still able to accept donations of non-perishable items and thank our parishioners who have continued to support the Pantry.

Thank you for your continued support of the people we all serve. Thank you all! Stay well!

The Food Pantry Staff

Let us pray...

FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN UNIFORM

SPC Medic Gina Alexandro, US Army (D), 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 Anne V. Mead.



Sanctuary Candle \$15



Rose for Life

FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

Maria Acierno, Elvia Aleman, Ronald Aman, Eleanor Angelis, Yvonne Angeles, Maya Annunziato, Mikey Armand, Jeanne (Porcelli) Aroyo, Anthony Barbera, Zachary Baas, Concetta Basso, Elizabeth Blake, Susan Blum, Deborah Bourassa, Dylan Braun, Mary Broyles, Fran Burgdorf, Peter Burkhardt, Giuseppe Burro, Diana Cabral, Eustacia Calderone, Chris Caplice, Maria Carrillo, Richard Casella, Gianna Casella, Marcel Chaillol, Joan Clarke, Judy Clickner, Gina Corleto, Josephine Corsina, George Costidis, Connie Cote, Lona Cruz, Esther Curran, Dana Day, Peter DeFilippo, Kim DeRidder, Marie DeSimone, Joseph DiBiasi, Elizabeth Dick, Bernard Dicks, Theresa Dicks, May Dong, Hailey Eimer, Joe Farinaro, Alice Feldt, Margaret Flahive, Angelina Fortner, Marie Francis, Grace Franzese, Eileen Friel, Mario Gaigan, Gerry Georgio, Linda Gildea, Patricia Gioffre, Donna Girardi, Susan Goode, Emily Grimm, Norman Gruenfelder, 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, Patrick Lavin, Marietta Lettau, Lois Lewis, John Malavolta, Salma Malik, Sherrie Mayzie, John McDonald, Elaine Medoro, Maria Merz, Heather Morella, Baby Viviana Mortellaro, Angelina Muzio, Danny Noble, Kathleen Opak, Maureen Ostrowski, Angela Pascarella, Rylie Pederson, Antonio Perrino, Ann Peters, Loraine Pino, Joseph Piscitelli, Lorraine Poduch, Victor Praete, Vincent Purcell, Dan Riley, Joel Rivera, Daniel Roche, Nicole Roeder, George Rottkamp, Alex Salvaggio, Rosa Santos, John Saunders, Joseph Schaefer, Keith Schettino, Maureen Schroeder, Randy J. Smith, Darrell Stone, Nancy Tandi, Kerri Taylor, Rosemary Tempone, Florence Theroux, Joan Thue, James Tirone, Danny Tricarico, Gerhard Ulm, Christopher Velez, Janice Vetrano, 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 we do not have any information about the person listed.



Altar Bread & Wine

\$50

MINISTERS AT MASSES for March 6 & 7				
	5:00pm	8:30am	10am	11:30am
PRESIDER	Fr. Tomaz	Fr. Tomaz	Fr. Worthley	Fr. Blake
LECTOR	N. Moir	D. Restivo	J. Stein	A. Santana
ALTAR SERVERS	NA	NA	NA	NA
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	S. Dowling P. Schaefer F. Stein E. Santana **You are only needed to serve if there is NO DEACON, if you are specifically asked to serve as a substitute for the deacon or priest or you are asked to distribute the Eucharist in the lower church.**			
MUSIC MINISTERS	Cantor/Organ		Cantor/Organ	Cantor/Organ

MASS INTENTIONS for the week of February 27, 2021



Saturday- February 27, 2021

5:00 PM – Andree Jones (by Meg DeRidder) -Barbara Accardi (by Donald & Hilda Simmons)

Sunday- February 28, 2021

8:30 AM – Christofer Comito (by Frank & Peggie Moroney)

In the missions:

-Jean Kathleen Allen (by Peg & Bill Krumenacker)

-Christofer Comito (by Michael Lione & Joan O'Sullivan)

10:00 AM – Connor Koenig (by Monica & Gerald O'Connor)

11:30 AM – For the People of the Parish In the missions: -Luisa Maria de Pinho (by her sister)

Monday- March 1, 2021

9:00 AM –Vincenza Berasti (by Ida Marasco & family)

In the missions:

-Patrick Cantwell (by Freda Cantwell)

Tuesday- March 2, 2021

9:00 AM – Dorothy Colgan (by Maryann McKeon)

Wednesday- March 3, 2021

9:00 AM – Louis Cianca (by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Restivo)

Thursday- March 4 2021

9:00 AM – Maureen & Raymond Reilly (by the Reilly family)

Friday- March 5, 2021

9:00 AM– Patrick Ryan (by Mary Ryan) -Sr. Virginia Schmitz, SSJ (by Freda Cantwell) 7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross

Saturday- March 6, 2021

5:00 PM – Pauline Sineno (by Meg DeRidder) -Ann Fay (by Kathleen Fay & Patty Zakutny) -Carmelo & Carmela De Francesco (by the De Francesco family) -Henry Rodriguez (by Donald & Hilda Simmons)

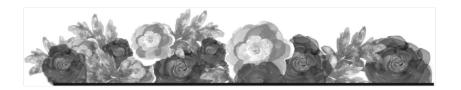
Sunday- March 7, 2021

8:30 AM – For the People of the Parish

- 10:00 AM Norma Iris Bidot (by the Rodrigues family)
 - In the missions:

-Christofer Comito (by Pat & Beth Dunphy)

11:30 AM – Diane Bowen (by the Lindeman family) In the missions:-Rose Chippetta (by Carol & Paul Mila)



MEMORIAL BRICKS

We are still 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.

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.

WE SHARE ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is available at Our Lady of Hope and it's safe, simple and convenient. P l e a s e v i s i t 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.



STREET, VINCENT

Society of St. Vincent de Paul ...bringing hope for a better future to people in need.

"The St. Vincent DePaul Society is a lay Catholic organization that aspires to live the Gospel by serving the poor. In attending to the needy in our community, we are ministering to Christ himself. If you or someone you know needs assistance, or if you would like to join the ministry, call (516) 334-6288 ext. 18



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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.

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FIRST NOTICE

APARTMENT FOR RENT-furnished or unfurnished. Close to everything, train, bus, shopping, restaurants. 2nd floor walk up, separate entrance. Good for couple or individual. Please call 778-3789 and leave a message if interested.

LOOKING TO RENT GARAGE SPACE-in the Carle Place/ Westbury area. If you have available space please call Gerry at 516 997-4425 and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

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

CFN TELETHON '21-Join Catholic Faith Network for the 2021 Telethon on Saturday February 27 from 2-10pm and Sunday February 28 from 12-10pm. This exciting weekend will feature guests from around the world, thrilling performances and inspirational interviews. CFN is available on your local cable providers as well as on Roku, Apple TV, Amazon Fire TV, Android and the free CFN app. The CFN continues to be there for you during these challenging times and we ask that you help us continue in our mission. If you have the capacity to give this year, please do. Consider making a donation by phone or by visiting JOIN US THIS WINTER OUR LADY OF GRACE SPIRITUAL CENwww.CFNtv.org.

WWME-To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage and learn how to prioritize their relationship. Registration is limited and different formats/times are available. \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call John & Tori Torio at 718 344-3700 or visit wwmenvli.org.

SECOND NOTICE

CONGRATULATIONS!-to those students from our parish who attend Our Lady of Mercy Academy and have exhibited academic excellence for the first semester of 2020-21. They are: Margaret Gibbons, Elizabeth Hommel, Ava Sanguedolce, Lauren Solosky and Maryrose Deciutiis. Keep up the comprehensively screened, bonded, insured and monitored on an good work!

RETROUVAILLE-You Can Help Heal Your Marriage. Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Does talking only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples

Baptisms at Our Lady of Hope

Everly Grace Sterlacci Nicholas Pasquale Razzano

Welcome to our Church family!

through difficult times in their marriage. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins of Friday, May 14 please call 1 800 470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from LI/Metro Retrouvaille who can help.

YOUR PRAYERS CAN SAVE LIVES AND CHANGE HEARTS-40 Days for Life is a life-saving prayer campaign that will take place throughout our Diocese across LI which is ongoing through March 28. It is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities and educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children. To learn more visit 40daysforlife.com or email info@40daysforlife.com or call 1 888 543-3316 for more information. Or contact Paul Monaco, parishioner & member at 997-7043.

TER-Friday, March 5 9:30am to 3pm. "Come Apart and rest awhile>" A day for those seeking personal prayer and silence. We begin with communal prayer, then enter into quiet. The day will end with a simple prayer ritual. Limit 10 people. Ree will donation. For this and other programs visit www.olgretreat.com or call 627-9255.

LOOKING TO RENT-a house in the Carle Place/Westbury area. Please call Michelle at 516 939-5432.

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.

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.

STEADFAST CAREGIVERS-provides home companion services to seniors and home-bound adults. Our home care professionals are 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.