



Our Lady OF Hope

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

May 1, 2016
Sixth Sunday of Easter

BAPTISM: Parent preparation program required. Please call the rectory at least three months prior to the birth of the child. Arrangements for the Baptism may be made upon completion of instructions. Please call the Rectory office to set up Baptism date and time.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 3:30 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGES: Limited to registered parishioners only. Arrangements for date and time must be made six months in advance. Final preparations should be made five weeks before the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS (PRIESTHOOD/DIACONATE):

For information please contact Fr. Begin. For information on Religious Life, please contact S. Irene.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: Please call Rectory office.

REGISTRATION: If you are new in the parish, please register at the rectory or online at our website. If you moved out of the parish, please notify the rectory.



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 8:30am-3:00pm.
Anytime for emergencies.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." Can we hear Jesus saying these words to us? It's often easier for us to imagine the apostles hearing this consoling command and following it, than to think of it really applying to us. After all, Jesus was standing right there with them. Can he really expect US, two thousand years later, not to be troubled by the cares of life? But the fact is that the gift Jesus was giving to his disciples, he has also given to us: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name."

Jesus told them that peace would be theirs, and it can also be ours. Peace is, in fact, one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit, along with love, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity. These fruits don't come from us. They aren't just for people with certain cheery personalities. These fruits come from God straight into our souls through the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit. Through our baptism and confirmation, Jesus gives us the gift of his Spirit. And then his peace, and so many other gifts can truly become ours if we open our hearts to them.

This is a reality that we can contemplate whenever worry or anxiety strike. Whatever may be disturbing our inner peace--whether it be a family feud, some kind of physical suffering, or a difficult decision to make at work or school--we can take comfort in knowing that we can find peace even in the midst of the problem. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you," Jesus says. But he continues, "Not as the world gives do I give it to you." In other words, God doesn't promise to take away the struggle in an instant. But he does promise to give us his peace even in the midst of life's trials and tribulations

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Sunday, May 1

Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Jill Koneval

Monday, May 2

8:00 a.m. Sam Melluso

Tuesday, May 3

7:30 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Dec. Mem. of Jansky Families

Novena of the Miraculous Medal after Tuesday Mass.

ST. MARY CHURCH:

Wednesday, May 4

8:00 a.m. Stan Wenckus

Thursday, May 5

8:00 a.m. Mary J. Pojman

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Friday, May 6

8:00 a.m. Margery Bucell

Saturday, May 7

3:30 p.m. Confession

4:30 p.m. Raymond & Ruth Cercek

Sunday, May 8

The Ascension of the Lord

Mother's Day

9:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

11:00 a.m. Dorothy Milavec

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

MONDAY, MAY 2

Evening Easter Vespers, 7pm in Church

Boy Scouts, 7:30pm in Scout Room

TUESDAY, MAY 3

Seniors Mtg., 1:30pm in Social Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

Ladies Auxiliary Mtg., 7pm in Social Hall

THURSDAY, MAY 5

OLH Parish Council, Finance Council & Staff Mtg.,

7pm in Church

Cub Scout Mtg., 7pm in School Building

FRIDAY, MAY 6

Bedford Unity A.A. Group Mtg., 8pm in Club Room

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MAY 7 & 8

May Crowning During all Masses

EVENING EASTER VESPERS

Please join us for Evening Easter Vespers on Mondays thru May 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church with Deacon Bill Starkey.

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

April 23/24, 2016

Weekly Collection \$4,079.89

Envelopes used..... 224

Online Giving..... \$90.00

Comfort the Needy..... \$54.00

Repairs & Maintenance..... \$40.00

Special Collections

Catholic Home Missions-\$213.00; Holy Thursday-\$3.00; Easter-\$10.00.

Thank you for your generosity!!

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED . . .

Please remember in your prayers all of the sick in our parish and families, especially: Elayne Stefanek, Kathleen Tesmer, Trudy Zimo, Jenie Royer, Bryndl Healy, Avianna Wichert, Mary Jean Mitchell, Bob Salko, Jeanne Stier, Jessie Tyszka, Daisy Darus, Paul Recko, Dennis King, Joyce Dubsky, Joe Offutt, Lois St. John, Ken Hudak, Mary Bova, Walter Johnson, Lil Kalal, Daniel Saunders, Marie Walker, Ella Mae Gongos, James Wichert, Norman Kostyo, Therese Holland. Paula Balogh, Marguerite Waple, Charles Sprows, Ann Murg, Helen Barto, Stephon Smedley, Helen Harrison, Lenore Nipper, Betty Rogers, Daniel Rogers, Martha Harkai, Dan O'Reilly Family, Carmella Genova, Jackie Desch, William Imtihare, Virginia Duda, Joseph McElhone, John Lemponen, Matthew Reeve, Clare Rizzo, Shirley Hershberger, Barbara Burda, Madison Simko, Myah Simko, Jim Waple, Dave Mordarski, Joe Palumbo, Rosemary Holycross, Daniel D. Baran, Bernie Sylvester, Jerry Bryndal, Perry Travagliante, George Mallis, Don Wondolowski, Betty Biros, Mary Grauel, Saleema Corrigan, Joan Lucas, Nancy Lachowski, Edie Incorvaia, Steve M. Cingel, Taj Render, Dorothy Litwinowicz, Eileen Salupo, Vicky Hunter, Linda Marks, Mae Saliga, Marie Ochocki . . .

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Because of the Privacy Act, parish visitation to the hospitalized can occur only at the request of the patient or a family member. Let us know if you or a family member is in the hospital and wants a visit from the rectory.

Please remember in your prayers:

Charlie Smolik

Erlinda Vallejo

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



SANCTUARY LAMP

April 30th thru May 6th

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Dear Parishioners,

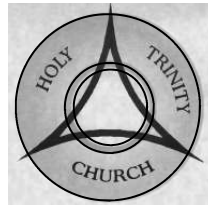
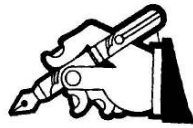
In the time of the Resurrection it became apparent to the Apostles, the disciples and Jesus' family and friends that, though He was Risen, He was not risen to what He used to be for them. Now they were pretty much alone; now they had to find a new direction for their lives; now He was not to be there to hug, to touch and to communicate with. That becomes even more clear after the Ascension when He formally said goodbye to them and their old way of life.

The original novena started on Ascension day and ended 9 days later on Pentecost. This coming Thursday I would ask you to start that prayer for the coming of the Spirit into our parishes to help us reach out to those in our midst and bring them in. The sequence for Pentecost is the prayer I like to use each day. The best sequence version is the poetic one in the missal for Pentecost:

*"Come, Holy Spirit, come.
And from your celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine."*

Love & Peace,

Fr. Dan



SAVE THE DATE—MARK YOUR CALENDARS—for our Holy Trinity Pancake Breakfast/Brunch Reunion on Holy Trinity Sunday, May 22nd! We will start with 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by breakfast/brunch in the Social

Hall. All parishioners, family and friends are invited and try to spread the word to any former Holy Trinity parishioners that you may know. To make reservations please call Verna at the rectory (440-232-8166). Come join us for some good food, memories and fellowship!! Free will offering!

OUR LADY OF HOPE SENIORS NEWS!!

Just a reminder that our meetings will now be held on the first Tuesday of the month unless otherwise indicated. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 3rd, at 1:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. At that meeting there will be sign-up sheets for our picnic which will be held on **June 21st** (*change in date*) at 11:30 a.m. at Ellenwood. Hope to see you at our next meeting. We invite all seniors to come and join our group!!

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS!!

Our next meeting is this Wednesday, May 4th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. We will have our May Crowning of the Blessed Mother—if you would like to bring flowers, vases will be provided. All ladies of the parish are welcome!! Come join us!!

COMBINED MEETING

Just a reminder that Our Lady of Hope will have a combined Parish Council, Finance Council and Staff Meeting on Thursday, May 5th, at 7:00 p.m. in the church meeting room.

SPRING CLEANING?

When spring cleaning, keep in mind that the Ladies Auxiliary will hold its annual Rummage Sale this July. Please save your unwanted items for the sale. We will begin collecting in early June.

**URGENT NEED!!**

We are in need of adult men and women servers for our funeral services. We will schedule a training session for those who volunteer. If you are interested, please call Louise at 440-232-8166.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Department for Marriage and Family Ministry and the Office for Worship are pleased to announce the **50th Anniversary of Marriage Mass on Sunday, July 31, 2016** at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in downtown Cleveland. **The Mass is at 2:30 p.m.** Bishop Richard Lennon will be the principal celebrant. If you were married in 1966 or are celebrating another significant anniversary (55 years or more) of marriage, you are welcome to register and attend. **Please see your parish secretary for more information and a registration form.**



Mercy is not just the response felt toward those who are suffering, but even more God's fierce covenant attachment to be with us and save us.

—Pope Francis

**MAY CROWNING**

We will have our May Crowning next weekend, May 8th & 9th, during all Masses to honor of our Blessed Mother.

BOOK STUDY

You are invited to attend and participate in the Book Study which will begin on Tuesday, May 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory. The Study and Sharing will be on the book titled: *"The Other Side of Chaos"* by Margaret Silf. The cost of the book is \$11.00. Please call the Rectory to register. Do it soon!

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you or someone that you know (14 years of age or older) have been Baptized and received First Communion but have never been confirmed, please consider checking into the gifts and blessings of receiving this sacrament. There is still time for preparation if you choose to be confirmed in September of 2016. Please contact Louise at 440-232-8166 for more information.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING SESSIONS

If you or someone that you know is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please call Louise at 440-232-8166. Eucharistic Ministry training workshops are beginning.

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