

OUR LADY OF HOPE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



January 22, 2023

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LITURGICAL & SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm • Sunday: 9:30am
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:30pm or call 993-8393 for an appt

BAPTISM

Infant Baptism is celebrated regularly throughout the church year.

Interested parishioners are invited to contact Deacon Joe to begin pre-baptismal preparation.

Adult Baptism and the Reception of baptized non-Catholics into the Catholic Church normally take place at the Easter Vigil. Interested persons are invited to contact the office to be included in the initiation process.

MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners who wish to celebrate their marriage at OLH are asked to contact the church office nine months prior to the anticipated date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated communally. Please contact the office as the need arises or whenever a parishioner is admitted to the hospital.

PARISH REGISTRATION

All Catholics who regularly worship at OLH are invited to register as members of our parish at their earliest convenience. Please notify us if you move or have a change of address. Visitors are always welcome, and new members warmly received.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Hope Catholic Community is committed to living out the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to bear Christian witness to the Gospel as a loving, prayerful and caring community of worship, shared faith and service to all God's people. We are dedicated to providing opportunities for healing and growth and to inviting each individual to place their gifts and talents in the service of one another within the parish family, our diocese, and the larger global community.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 21 - 3rd Sunday in Ord. Time (vigil) 4pm

Jane McPike - the George Falk family

Joey Hudson - mom, Mary Ann

Sunday, January 22 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jasper Field - Lisa & Eric Trahan

Deceased family members of Marie Dutka

Monday, January 23

Tuesday, January 24

Wednesday, January 25, 9:30am

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Thursday, January 26

Friday, January 27

Saturday, January 28, 4th Sunday in Ord. Time (vigil) 4pm

Lucy Gudlewski - Monica & Anthony Gudlewski

Scott Kretser -

Sunday, January 29 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am

Rev. James McDermott - Deacon Joe & parish

Mary Parker & Joseph Whalen - family

Deceased members of the Horvat family - Florence
Anderson

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in loving memory
of the deceased members of the Vesp & Colistra
families, req. by Maria Vesp.

Meetings & Happenings in February

4 & 5 - Maintenance collection

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7 - Food drop in OLH parking lot

7 & 20 - Parish Office closed

22 - Ash Wednesday

Faith Formation If you have any questions or need more
information, please contact Michaela Handy at
ffolh@frontier.com

Living with Christ Booklets for January are still available
at all entrances. February books will be out next week.
You may put \$1 in the envelope provided and drop it in the
collection basket. This helps cover the cost of the
subscription. Thank you.

Special Collection Last weekend, we had a special
appeal to help with the heating costs. If you missed it,
envelopes were in your packet or you may use a plain
envelope marked "Heat". Thank you.

"Read-Return-Repeat" Take a moment to stop by
the book exchange in the education wing hallway.

Stewardship

Please take this responsibility to heart. We
depend on you to support our parish. Stocks,
bonds, and in-kind contributions are also
gratefully accepted, as well as memorial gifts.
Please remember Our Lady of Hope in your will.

Weekly Donations: \$2,715

Heat: \$1,966

Attendance: 4pm - 64; 9:30am - 92

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are ill John Hearn, Terry Martagon,
Bob Frazer, Patti Saville, Gene Herman

We are working on a new list. If you want your name or
a family member's name on the list, please contact the
parish office. Remember that, due to privacy issues, we
need permission to put those names on. Thank you.

Those in nursing homes Gladys Martagon, Henry
Gondarowski, Fannie Volpe, Ada Francisco

Our Homebound Florence Lamb

Those in the military service We are starting a new
list. If you have a name you'd like to add, please
contact the parish office. Thank you

Eucharistic Ministers: 1/21, 4pm - Irene Mello and/or
Chris Toher; 1/22, 9:30am - Lynne Robinson and Liz
Reinhart; 1/28, 4pm - Chris Toher and/or Joanne
DiStefano; 1/29, 9:30am - Ben Palmeri and Michael
Wright. Plus 1 or 2 other volunteers at each Mass, as
needed.

Lectors: 1/21, 4pm - Fritz Traudt; 1/22, 9:30am -
Michael Burns; 1/28, 4pm - Sue-Ann Wheadon; 1/29,
9:30am - Linda Cole. Also, schedules are posted on the
bulletin board at the main entrance.

Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Candles Now
scheduling for 2023. Masses are \$15 and Sanctuary
Candles are \$10. Please call Maria at the parish office.

Contribution Statements Anyone who used
envelopes in 2022 and would like a statement for
tax filing purposes is asked to fill out the form
below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it
to the parish office. Your requested statement will
be mailed directly to you.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Envelope ID# _____

News and Events



The Gabriel Project® is a confidential and compassionate parish-based program offering assistance to pregnant women in difficult situations with spiritual, material, and emotional support. If you are in need of help, please call 1-833-CARE-273 or 1-833-227-3273. If you are interested in helping out at our parish, please let us know by emailing Michaela Handy at ffolh@frontier.com. May the Lord bless you!

Respect Life

January 19 - 27: **9 Days for Life** is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Please join us spiritually and sign up: respectlife.org/9-days-signup

Emergency Food Pantry

Our food collection for the Loaves & Fishes Emergency Food Pantry at the Fort Plain Reformed Church takes place the first full weekend of every month. The next collection is scheduled for the weekend February 4 & 5. Especially needed are: canned fruits & vegetables, canned pasta & sauce, peanut butter, jelly & tuna. No glass jars please. If you have an emergency need, contact them at 518-993-4302 and leave a message. Someone will get back to you within 24 hours. Thank you and bless you for helping those less fortunate.

Weekly Message

In recent months, we have been blessed with returning parishioners, visitors and inquirers of our faith. Some a little rusty in their responses or unsure of where to find their place in the missalette, causing them to be a little uncomfortable at times. When this happens and you become aware they may be struggling and are close enough to help, please point them in the right direction. At the very least, be patient and kind and not annoyed should they not be following along as everyone else. Even seasoned Church goers mess up at times.

One thing I found out is when I lead prayer, I can lose my place in a prayer I pray every day. You may notice many priests follow the printed word in the New Roman Missal for a prayer they also say every day because as a leader of prayer they try to be as accurate as possible and even a slight distraction can cause them to lose their place. When you are in the congregation and say the wrong words, usually only one or two people catch that. But when you are using the microphone, every one hears it.

We all like to think we are a welcoming community, but others may see us differently if we ignore them or stare and give annoying looks. Let's be welcoming and friendly to everyone who joins us at mass and not just to those we know. St. Paul said you never know when you might be entertaining angels. At the very least, we are all children of God and deserve to be treated as such.

God Bless,
Deacon Joe

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