

# Our Lady of Hope Parish

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**August 15, 2021**

## Our Mission

Our Lady of Hope Parish strives to be a Catholic community of disciples who work together to build up the Kingdom of God on earth. We offer to all a share in our faith in the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

## Our Vision

Our Lady of Hope Parish envisions a community characterized by spiritual vitality, stewardship, accountability, and social and financial responsibility—all for the sake of fulfilling our mission.

## Parish Office Information

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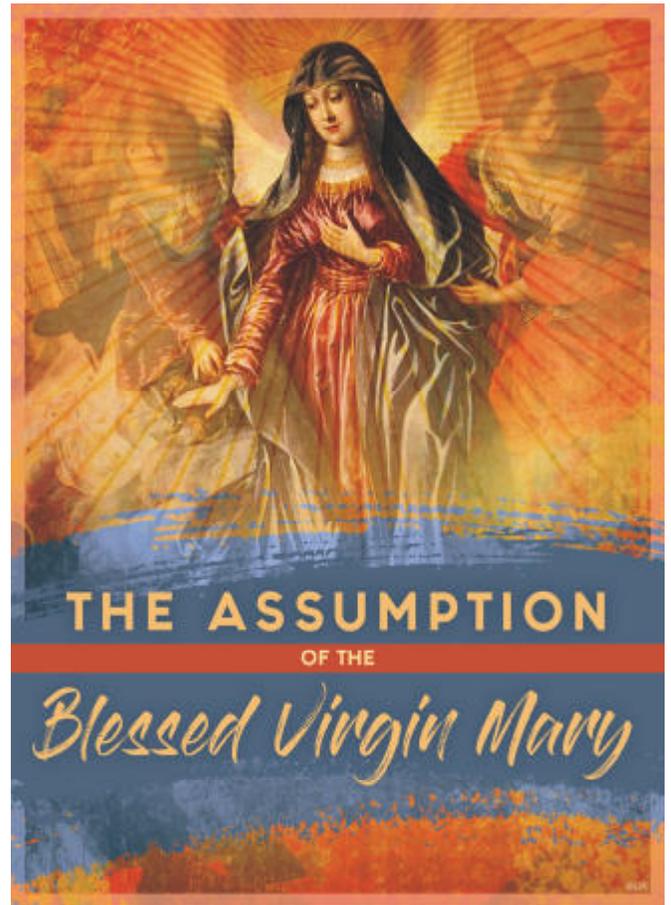
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## Mass Schedule

Saturday	5:00pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary
Sunday	8:00am at Immaculate Conception
	9:30am at Immaculate Heart of Mary
	11:30am at Immaculate Conception
Weekdays	8:00am Monday & Wednesday
	Immaculate Heart of Mary
	8:00am Tuesday & Friday
	Immaculate Conception

## Reconciliation Hours

Saturdays from 3:30—4:45pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary or by appointment



**Sacrament of Baptism:** We welcome your child to the Parish. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for the Baptism Preparation Program.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Congratulations on your commitment. Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to arrange for your preparation sessions.

**Hospital & Home Visitation:** Please contact the Parish Office to let us know when a family member is homebound, in the hospital, or in a nursing home. Our Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring communion to area locations on a regular basis.

## Words from Father Michael



You may have noticed that I am singing more of the prayers during Mass. This is because I am trying to follow the instructions and vision of the Mass as articulated at the Second Vatican Council. One of the items from the reform of the liturgy that has received little, practical attention has been music.

The vision of the Church, not only since the Council but throughout history, is that the worship of God is meant to be sung. If you have ever been to an Eastern Rite Catholic Church (like the Maronites or Ukrainians) or an Orthodox Church, you will notice that almost the entire liturgy is sung. This is also the Roman Catholic tradition. However, due to a variety of influences, by the 1960's there was a tendency to have "songs at Mass" not a "Mass that is sung." The result is a liturgy where there is a time when there is a "song" and the rest of the Mass which is spoken. At Our Lady of Hope we already sing more than songs: the responsorial Psalm, Alleluia, Gloria, Holy, Holy, Holy, and Lamb of God. My goal is to move even more towards a "Mass that is sung."

The explanations on music at Mass from Vatican II sets a priority of what "should be sung" during Mass. It comes as a surprise to many what the Church considers as the most important texts to be sung during Mass. The first priority is the dialogue: "The Lord be with you" "and with your Spirit" – something which is hardly ever sung. There is a theological reason for why this dialogue is so important.

When the people of God (you and me) come together to worship, we participate in the worship that Jesus Christ is giving to the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit. We participate in this worship because we are made part of the "Body of Christ" on our baptism. This means that when we worship, we worship as a member of the Body of Christ. The priest, through his ordination, participates in the Body of Christ as the "head" the one who leads. The rest of the faithful, through baptism, participate in the Body of Christ as "members" as an active part of Jesus Christ. At Mass, the Church prays as the Body of Christ "head" and "members." The dialogue, "The Lord be with you" sung by the priest is a profound moment where all the individuals gathered together in the Church are "assembled" – made present and ready as one. This is expressed by the response "and with your Spirit." This happens four times during Mass: at the very beginning after the sign of the cross, before the Gospel is proclaimed, at the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer, and before the final blessing. Each of these moments begin with this dialogue which effects our unity and emphasizes that "something important is happening now." Therefore, according to the instructions on music, if you are only going to sing one thing, this is the thing you should sing.

Be prepared, we will be singing these dialogues and hopefully we will do it with understanding.

## Parish Support

### Our Lady Of Hope Parish

Stewardship Offering 8/8/21	\$5,966.00
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**Thank you to everyone who sends in their make-up offertory when they are away or unable to attend Mass.**

*Blessings*

Our Lady of Hope Parish wishes extra blessings upon Sanita Karpeichik. Sanita has been the Pastoral Associate since 2013. In this role she coordinated the visits and care to our parish family who are homebound and in care facilities, she led the bereavement committee and personally met with grieving families to plan the funerals of loved ones, she was involved in many other different ministries and initiatives. At this time, Sanita has discerned that it is time to retire from her role as Pastoral Associate.

Sanita will still be involved in parish life, and I am sure we will see her doing many things. The responsibilities she had in the parish office are going to going to different volunteers and staff members at this time. Notably, Connie Burzinske, will be taking over as the coordinator of bereavement ministry.

With grateful hearts we wish Sanita blessings upon her retirement.



## 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday Vigil, August 14, 2021

5:00 p.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary  
-†Vincent J. Genovese Sr., by the family of  
Vincent Lovallo

### Sunday, August 15, 2021

8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception Church  
-†Connie Famularo, by the family  
9:30 a.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary — *live streamed*  
-†Walter & Maria Chowanec, by the children  
11:30 a.m. Immaculate Conception  
-†Marion Lizzi, by Sanita & Tom Karpeichik

### Weekday Masses

Mon. 8/16 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary  
-†Helen Borkowski, MONTH'S MIND  
Tues. 8/17 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception  
-†James Hughes, Birthday Remembrance,  
by his wife

### Weekday Masses, cont

Wed. 8/18 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary  
-for the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope  
Thurs. 8/19 NO MASS  
Fri. 8/20 8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception  
-†Ashley O'Brien, by the staff of Our Lady of Hope

### Saturday Vigil, August 21, 2021

5:00 p.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary  
-†Doris Polinsky, by Mary Bendoraitis-Mazzochi

### Sunday, August 22, 2021

8:00 a.m. Immaculate Conception Church  
-†Marion Lizzi, by Suzanne Horrigan  
9:30 a.m. Immaculate Heart of Mary — *live streamed*  
-†Violet Ruwet, by Michael & Christine Rosa  
11:30 a.m. Immaculate Conception  
-for the parishioners of Our Lady of Hope



**The LORD, my God  
lights up my darkness.**

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as requested by the family



The parish family of Our Lady of Hope expresses our deepest sympathy and prayerful support to the family and friends of **Wade Elbert Adams** who recently died. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:30pm to 4:45pm IHOM  
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"In failing to confess Lord, I would only  
hide you from myself, not myself from  
you."

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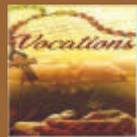
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### ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

A Special Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place at **St. Joseph's Cathedral** on **Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 2:00pm.**

All married couples who have observed or will be observing their 25th, 50th, 60th, and any other special Wedding anniversary in 2020 or 2021 are invited.

The liturgy will include a renewal of Marriage vows followed by an opportunity for couples to have a photograph taken with Archbishop Blair. Registration, both for couples who would like to participate in the event and for priests who would like to concelebrate, will be done online at [bit.ly/aohmarriagemass](http://bit.ly/aohmarriagemass). You can register yourself or call the Parish Office for assistance at 860.379.5215.

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### Pathways to Discipleship:

This summer, we resume our parish tradition of presenting profiles of our 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Religious Education students who are preparing for Confirmation. Each week, two Confirmation candidates will briefly discuss their faith journey. We ask you to pray for them as they prepare for this momentous step on their faith journey.

This week, we joyfully introduce **Asa Bannerman** and **Garrett Gallo**.

**Asa** has chosen **Saint Faith** as her patron saint for Confirmation, because Asa admires the strength and faith she had. The devotion she had to God is something that Asa hopes to continue to have. Asa will "look up to her in times of need and be reminded that staying faithful and true to God is the most important thing." One of the ways Asa stays true to God is by voluntarily helping her grandmother and her neighbors with their yard work. Asa's favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 3:4-6 (Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths." Asa says that when she is under stress and having "trouble making a hard decision" that this verse reminds her "to have faith and to remember that God has a plan."

**Garrett** has chosen **Saint Michael** as his patron saint for Confirmation, because "he is thought of as the protector saint and he is also the patron saint for public servants." This is very special to Garrett because his "goal is to go into some kind of public service." Garret is "currently a Police Department cadet, Ambulance Cadet and soon to be Fire Department cadet!" Garret has helped his school by live streaming basketball games, and, through his work as a Pd cadet, he has helped at two food drives. Garrett finds it very meaningful "to help people in their time of great need." Garrett's favorite Bible verse is Acts 20:35 ("by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'"). Garrett finds this quote "inspiring, because it shows that we should realize how fortunate we are and give back in a way that shows gratitude."

Please pray for **Asa, Garrett**, and **all** the Confirmation candidates, as they continue their path through life as disciples of Jesus.

**Registration for the School Year 2021-2022:**  
Registration for religious education classes is happening now. Register soon to ensure that you get your choice of class meeting day and avoid late fees!

If you are new to our parish, please feel free to contact the coordinator of religious education to find out more about our program: Teresa Lovejoy, [Religious.ed@ourladyofhopeparish.com](mailto:Religious.ed@ourladyofhopeparish.com), 860-806-5347

**Schedule of Classes: The Fall Schedule was mailed to all families who were registered in the Religious Education program last year and this year. If you did not receive a schedule and would like one, contact Teresa Lovejoy, and I will be happy to send you a copy! The schedule will also be posted on our website: ourladyofhopeparish.com.**



**Book Returns: Grades 1 – 5:** Please return your "Faith and Life" series books to either church or the parish office on 60 Town Hill Road New Hartford.

**9th graders:** There is much in your *Call to Celebrate Confirmation* book (that we began last year in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade) that will need to be covered in 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, so please keep this book in a safe place and bring with you to the first class in September!

### Confirmation 2021:



Attention 9th (soon to be 10th) Graders: You should have received a new packet of information about Confirmation in the mail. It contains the fall schedule and other important information, so please check your mail and let Mrs. Lovejoy know if you have not received it.

With great joy, we announce that the Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair on **October 30, 2021** at Saint Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford. Please pray for our Religious Education students as they join other Confirmation candidates within our archdiocese to receive this joyous Sacrament.

Tenth Grade Religious Education students and families should check your mail and email frequently regarding preparation and paperwork due. Please contact Mrs. Helt or Mrs. Lovejoy with questions, especially if you have not yet turned in your required documents.

**Attention 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Graders**  
(last year's 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Graders):  
If you have not started your summer service project yet, please make sure to do so as soon as possible! The summer is flying by, and remember: your Service Reflection is due by the end of the summer. (If you have not already turned in a service reflection with your Confirmation packet.)

- Service Opportunities** for 9<sup>th</sup>-and 10<sup>th</sup> Graders!
- ◆ Help stock the shelves at our parish food pantry in Harwinton. Contact Mrs. Schatz at (630) 605-1236, [leahmark@bellsouth.net](mailto:leahmark@bellsouth.net)
  - ◆ Help keep the flower gardens at IHOM beautiful! Contact (call or text) Emily Delventhal –Sali at 585.532.2830.
  - ◆ Raise money to help families displaced by the New Hartford House fire.

## Readings for the week of August 15, 2021

Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28  
*Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

## Observances for the week of August 15, 2021

Sunday: **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
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Monday: St. Stephen of Hungary  
Tuesday:  
Wednesday:  
Thursday: St. John Eudes, Priest  
Friday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church  
Saturday: St. Pius X, Pope  
Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This faith formation program is available to non-Catholic adults and young adults past the age of reasoning who wish to become members of the Catholic Church, and to Catholic adults and young adults past the age of reasoning who have not yet received the sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes meet on a weekly basis, and can be begun at any time. Contact Father Michael (860-379-5215) if you are interested. Young adults under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult over the age of 18.



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** What are we celebrating on the feast of the Assumption of Mary?

### Answer:

The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the church. The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will.

The church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven. What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the Christian life molded by Jesus' values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God. This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.

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## Stewardship Reflection

“And Mary said, “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior.” Luke 1: 46



After Jesus, we look to Mary as our model of stewardship. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's will. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we too are called to reflect Christ to the world. We do this by living grateful and generous lives. We do this by putting other's needs before our wants.

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