



OUR LADY OF HOPE

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH COMMUNITY

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Pastor..... Rev. Gregory Gallagher, OMI
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Letters of Recommendation: Are given to registered parishioners who attend Mass and support the parish. Please call the office for assistance.

Penance: 1/2 hour before all weekend Masses.

Baptism: Please see Mr. Ron to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick: If you would like to be anointed, or receive communion, please call the office 716-885-2469.

Marriages: Engaged couples should contact their church 6 months prior to the wedding.

Pre-Marriage Requirements: All couples are required to attend a pre-cana program. Contact the Diocese of Buffalo at 716-847-2203 for more information.

Fifth Sunday of Easter—May 2, 2021

MASS Intentions

Saturday, May 1
4:00 p.m. Catherine Torre (B) by JoAnn & Marie

Sunday, May 2 5th Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. Josette Covert by "Altar & Rosary Society"
11:00 a.m. Deacon Norberto Perez by Deacon Roberto

Monday, May 3
11:30 a.m. Convent
7:00 p.m.—Church—Novena to Our Lady of Hope For Our Lady of Hope Parishioners

Saturday, May 8
4:00 p.m. Samuel Coronado by Family

Sunday, May 9—Mother's Day
9:00 a.m. Lucy Rossi (A) by Jim & Maryanne Powers
11:00 a.m. For Our Mothers Living & Deceased

The Sanctuary Light for the week of May 2nd—May 8th Is Burning For The Sick and Homebound of Our Lady of Hope Parish

Please pray for our Parishioners who are in need of our special prayers: Carm Vizzini, Sue Dugarm, Rosa Maria Santos, Marie Amatrano, Peter Green, Margaret Treanor Frey, Thalya Onelien, Tony Mascellino, Florence Bonvisutto, Phyllis Regensdorfer, Cornelia Ndimarike, Jeanne Marinaccio, Princess Okwir, Pauline Burtini.

Please remember that the 7-Day Sanctuary Light can be reserved in honor or in memory of a loved one or for whatever intentions you would like. It is \$10 for the week and you can reserve it by calling the rectory. The Offering for the 5-Day candle is \$3.00

COLLECTION TEAM (C) IS ON THIS WEEK.

WORD OF LIFE "Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

LETTER REGARDING FR. GREG'S RE-ASSIGNMENT
If you are not yet on our e-mail list and did not receive the letter, there are copies on the table in the reception area of the church. Please feel free to take one.

REMINDER The Mass book for 2022 is now open. Masses can be scheduled at weekday or weekend liturgies to remember deceased loved ones, intentions of the sick or homebound and in celebration of birthdays, anniversaries or other events that mark the lives of our family or loved ones. Please call Cheryl our secretary to schedule. Stipends (Donations) for announced masses are \$15.00.

Stewardship, our partnership with God
April 25, 2021

Regular Sunday Collection	\$1,777.00
Insurance.	287.00
Monthly Fuel	15.00
Total	<u>\$2,079.00</u>

Stewardship Is Our Partnership with God— Your prayer, financial support and time given to various projects enable your church Community to continue its mission. Thank you for your continued generosity.

MOTHER'S DAY IS SUNDAY MAY 9TH join us as we pay special honor to The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of all creation, with our annual May Crowning, remembering all our mothers living and deceased. The Gesture Group will crown the statue of Mary within the 11:00 Mass. Special nine day Novena Mass Greeting Cards are available this week. They are provided by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate for a donation of \$5.00 each to support their mission work. They make nice gifts for Mother's Day.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be conferred here at our church on Saturday, May 22nd within the 4:00 pm mass. The young people participate in a two-day retreat beginning on Saturday, May 15th and concluding with the 11:00 am Mass on May 16th so that together we can call upon God to bless them for this important step in their spiritual life.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
Preaching the Gospel was prized in the early church as strong evidence that the Holy Spirit had certified one's authenticity as a disciple. In the scriptures today we hear how Barnabas saw that Saul/Paul was speaking honestly, clearly, and plainly as he spoke about the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Sharing the Gospel with others doesn't require fancy words, special knowledge, or memorization of Scripture. Indeed, when we speak plainly and show that Gospel in our lives, we are sharing Jesus with others. Love is more than a feeling of warmth toward another person; love is something to be lived in truth and in action. Love is a choice we make each moment of our days. When we abide in the Word of God, namely believing in Jesus Christ and loving one another, we are abiding in God, and it is promised that God then abides in us. This is Good News for this Fifth Sunday of the Easter Season. Let us take to heart the value of our discipleship during this Easter season when we as Church live in the joy of the Resurrection.

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA—Please use the envelope in your packet to remember your Mother living or deceased during our nine-day novena. Please fill out the back of the envelope with the names of those you would like to remember. These envelopes will be placed on the Altar for the novena.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: I am the vine; you are the branches.

Family Question: Jesus is the vine – we are the branches, connected to Him as our life-source. When do you feel most connected to Jesus in your everyday life? How can you go there more often?

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

Gospel: John 15:1-8

THE LIGHT WILL BE ON FOR YOU

The church will be open this Thursday, May 6th from 6:00 -7:00 PM for private reconciliation (confession).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Spring is a time of HOPE. If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction, we can help. *Catholic Charities Chemical Dependency Treatment Program* has immediate openings. The outpatient program is New York State OASAS licensed and aims to treat addiction with a combination of therapy and medicine. More information on the program can be found at www.ccwny.org/addiction. To begin the referral process, call Central intake at 716-895-1033. Counseling for individuals and families is always available at our neighborhood offices. Remember that **APPEAL 2021** is ongoing through June 30th. To make a secure online donation visit www.ccwny.org/donation.

CAMP TURNER in Allegany Park, is a wonderful summer resource and camp experience for boys and girls. *Are you looking for a summer job?* Try your talent as a camp counselor. Earn a salary plus room and board while making a difference. Employment begins June 27 and ends August 15 with time off on weekends. Counselors must be 18. Activity Assistants are also needed minimum age 17. Interested? Applications available at www.CampTurnerOLV.com.

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
In re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y.
Case No. 20-10322**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date").

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.