

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: September 7, 2025

Masses for the Week

Sunday, September 7, 9:00 AM

+ William Wilkinson

Tuesday, September 9, 8:00 AM

+ Matilda Rockwell

Thursday, September 11, 8:00 AM

Living and + Deceased of Immaculate Mary
Boone Family

Sunday, September 14, 9:00 AM

+ Elizabeth Rose Sitlinger



The Parish Office is open
Monday – Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM.

Ministry Schedule

Sunday, September 14, 9:00 AM

Lector: Melissa Sitlinger

Extraordinary Ministers: Bert Lagerman,
Bill Long, Mike Mazer

Altar Servers: Ray Bednar, Jaden &
Landen Myers

TITHING REPORT

Collection: 8/31/2025: \$1234.00

Assumption Offering, \$15.00

August Memorial Candles, \$70.00

Maintenance Fund, \$80.00

Gaza Relief Offering, \$115.00

*\$1923.00 is needed each week in our
regular Sunday Offering to meet our budget
for the year. Our collection was \$689.00
under budget this week.*

A St. Joseph Candle burns in loving memory
of George E. Snyder (15th Anniversary)
from his family.

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9:00 AM Liturgy

9:45 AM – 10:45 AM Religious Education
Classes begin at Our Lady of Hope
(Our Lady of Hope, St. Patrick and Mother
Cabrini)

First Communion Registration (Students and
Parents – OLOH Chapel)

Confirmation Registration Meeting – OLOH
Parish Hall (Students and Parents)

There is a \$30 charge for new registrations.
After instructional time is over, all students will
walk as a group to Our Lady of Hope Church to
attend the 11:00 AM Mass.

We are in need of a New Funeral Set.

This consists of 1 Pall, 1 Presider's
Chasuble and Understole, 1 Deacon's
Dalmatic and Understole. Cost would be
\$4,304.00.

If you would like to make a donation toward
this in honor or memory of a loved one,
please call the parish office or place
envelope marked Funeral Set in the
collection basket.

Thank you for the donations already
received.

Announcements

Monday, September 8

7:00 PM Festival Wrap-up Meeting in the Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 9

4:00 – 6:00 PM Food Pantry and Clothing Closet
(We are accepting only donations of winter clothing for the Clothing Closet)

Monday, September 15

Pierogies will be made in the Parish Hall. Please call the Parish office to place your order.

Thursday, September 18

1:30 PM Choir Practice resumes
New members are always welcome.

Our Lady of Hope Fall Festival

Friday, September 12...4:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Saturday, September 13..12 noon – 7:00 PM

The Festival will be held in the parish center and on the parish grounds at 863 W. Chestnut St.

A variety of ethnic food will be served: potato cakes, pierogies, haluski, pigeons, Italian sweet sausage hoagies, kielbasa sandwiches, bean soup, BBQ sandwiches, apple dumplings and baked goods.

Adult beverages will be available.

There will be a Big Prize Raffle, a Theme Basket and Gift Card Raffle, children and adult games.

Friday – 5:00 to 8:00 PM Lite Switch

Saturday – 1:00 to 3:00 PM Bill 95

3:30 – 6:30 PM Ed Krepps will entertain

IHM SISTERS SELLING CHANCES

Where: St. Patrick Church

When: September 28

Why: To benefit Camilla Hall Nursing home for the retired and aged Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Cost: \$5.00 a chance

Drawing: Saturday, October 4 at the Oktoberfest in Malvern, PA

During the month of August, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from local parishes: Karen, Rose, Karen, Archie, Jane, Pat and Deacon Bob, who are also registered Geisinger volunteers, visited 214 Catholic patients at Geisinger-Shamokin to pray and/or administer Holy Communion.

Deacon's Corner

This Sunday, in the gospel of St. Luke, Jesus challenges the crowd and each one of us. He says, "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." Later in this Holy Scripture, he continues, "Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (14:25-33) In these teachings, Jesus describes what it means to be one of His disciples.

In our daily lives, we can follow Jesus through a close and personal relationship of love. Discipleship calls for obedience to His teachings, sacrifice, self-denial and offering charity to others. With His grace and help, Our Lord will fill us with His Spirit through prayer; give us his body and blood in Holy Communion for spiritual nourishment; and forgive us in Confession.

When the difficulties of being a disciple of Christ in life confront us, may we remember the words of St. Theresa of Calcutta. These beautiful words are, "You belong to Him. Nothing can separate you from Him. That one sentence is important to remember. He will be your joy, your strength. If you hold onto that sentence, temptations and difficulties will come, but nothing will break you. My prayer for you is that you answer Jesus' call to you with the simple word, 'Yes'". During this week, may we pray, "Jesus, help me keep my eyes fixed on you so that I can follow you."



Due to Mass being celebrated at 10:30 AM at Our Lady of Hope next Sunday, September 14, Religious Education students will be walking down to the church at 10:15 to attend Mass. Those who are attending Mass at Mother Cabrini or who have already attended Mass will be dismissed from OLOH Church at that time.

Parish Festival

Our total income from the festival was \$38,865.07!!! Expenses totaled \$11,474.72. Our profit was \$27,390.35 --- an increase of \$4,244.92 over last year. (\$23,145.43) Thank you to all involved in any way for all the hard work that went in to making this such a huge success. Again, our parishioners came through!!!