

## Purple Advent Candle, Faith

The second candle to be lit is also a purple candle. This candle symbolizes faith and the journey of Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem. It calls you out to prepare the way of the Lord.



# OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH

863 W Chestnut St  
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### Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

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December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent

## The Week Ahead

### Saturday, December 9

4:00 PM - Mass +Edward, +Catherine & +Earl  
Dietzler

### Sunday, December 10

8:00 AM - Mass +Dolly Yocum

11:00 AM - Mass +Vincent Buckwash

Members of Our Lady of Hope and  
St. Patrick Parishes

### Wednesday, December 13

12:00 PM - Holy Hour in Our Lady of Hope Chapel

### Saturday, December 16

4:00 PM - Mass +Geraldine & +Christy Mirack

### Sunday, December 17

8:00 AM - Mass +Mary & +Sam Varano

11:00 AM - Mass +Eleanor O'Brien

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### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 PM      Sunday 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday 8:00 AM @ Mother Cabrini  
Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 AM @ St. Patrick

### HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 6:00 PM - St. Patrick's Church  
Holy Day: 12:00 PM - OLOH Church

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:15PM to 3:45 PM

### SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

Call the parish Office

### Our Lady of Hope Staff

Friar Nicholas Spano, OFM Conv.....Pastor of Our Lady of Hope  
Friar Theodore Necluaes, OFM Conv.....Parochial Vicar  
Friar Timothy Geiger, OFM Conv.....In Residence  
Deacon Bob Wislock.....Pastoral Associate  
Lori Collins-Keefer.....Office Manager  
Rose Zawalick.....Director of Religious Education  
Sam Nicola.....Religious Education  
Mary Gillam.....Religious Education  
Brady Collins.....Custodian  
Bonnie Bailey.....Custodian  
Tom Golumbfskie.....Custodian  
Daniel Thomas.....Music Director



### Confessions in the Area

Our Lady of Hope - Saturday  
3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Mother Cabrini - Tuesday & Thursday  
7:30 AM - 7:50 AM



## Ministers Schedule

**Saturday, December 16**

4:00 PM

Lector: L Ferrari

E Minister: C Kruskie, C Waugh

**Sunday, December 17**

8:00 AM

Lector: P Sosnoskie

E Minister: D Hoffman, S Hoffman

11:00 AM

Lector: S Nicola

E Minister: J Alexander, C Alexander

## God's Plan for Giving

The Offertory Collection for December 3 was not available due to an early bulletin submission. The total will be published in next week's bulletin.

## Holiday Mass Schedule

### Our Lady of Hope

Saturday, December 23 - 4:00 PM Sunday Obligation

Sunday, December 24 - 10:30 AM Sunday Obligation

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve 4:00 PM

Monday, Christmas Day 10:30 AM

Saturday, December 30 - 4:00 PM

Sunday, December 31 - 10:30 AM

No Mass on Monday, January 1

### St. Patrick Church

Sunday, December 24 - 9:00 AM Sunday Obligation

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve 6:00 PM

Monday, December 25, Christmas Day 9:00 AM

Sunday, December 31 - 9:00 AM

No Mass on Monday, January 1

## Live Nativity Pageant

The Franciscan parishes of the Coal region invite you to join us for Our Live Nativity Pageant on **Saturday, December 23** at 6:30 PM at Our Lady of Hope Church, 813 W. Chestnut St., Coal Township. There will be actors, live animals and a celebration of the true meaning of Christmas. A children's petting zoo will be held after the Living Nativity, with refreshments to follow after the event.



## Holy Hour

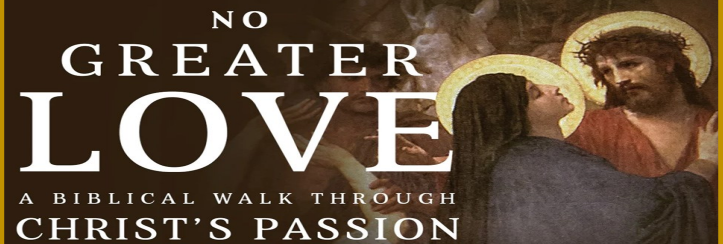
Wednesdays

12:00 Noon

**Holy Spirit Chapel**

In the Parish Office Building

863 W. Chestnut St., Coal Township



Beginning on Tuesday, February 6, we will be offering a **five-session program** that will help you to learn about and experience Christ's Passion and Death. In **No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk-Through Christ's Passion**, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on his journey from His Agony in the Garden to His Crucifixion on Calvary. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, **No Greater Love** is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Dr. Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with him today.

**Program Dates:** Tuesdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27, and March 5. **Snow dates:** March 12 and 19 if needed.

**Place:** Our Lady of Hope Parish Hall, 863 West Chestnut St., Coal Township

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**Facilitator:** Deacon Bob Wislock

**Cost:** \$15 per participant – Each person will receive a book and a workbook.

**Register:** To register for program, please visit Our Lady of Hope or St. Patrick Parish Offices Monday through Thursday From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Deadline to register is Friday, December 29**

**Note:** Participants will prepare for each session by reading excerpts from the *No Greater Love* book and completing workbook discussion questions.

## Upcoming Second Collections

December 25 - Christmas



## In Loving Memory

+Anna Marie McBride

By

Patty & Tim Worhac

Erma Lorenz

## DEACON'S CORNER

### Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

On Tuesday, December 12, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This feast recalls Our Blessed Mother's appearance on the Hill of Tepeyac in Mexico City in 1531. She appeared to Juan Diego, a peasant, and asked him to go to the local bishop to encourage him to build a shrine dedicated to her on the site.

The bishop requested that Juan Diego bring him a sign of the apparition. Juan Diego returned to the site and the Blessed Mother again appeared to him. She told him to gather a bouquet of flowers on the hill even though it was winter. Placing the flowers under his tilma, he returned to the bishop and showed him the Castilian roses and the image of Our Lady on his cloak.

During these appearances, Our Lady proclaimed to Juan Diego and to us, "Am I not here, I, who am your mother? Are you not under my shadow and shelter? Am I not the source of your joy? Are you not in the hollow of my mantle, in the crossing of my arms?"

Our Lady of Guadalupe is our loving mother who shows us that we are the beloved daughters and sons of God. She leads us to Our Lord. On this day, may we pray, "Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, *"Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, and help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus."*

### Pray for the Sick

Please pray for all who are sick, hospitalized, or undergoing medical tests especially:

Connie Yucha, Paul Pachuski, Gene Snyder, McKenzie Navaara, Natalie Broskley, Mary Ann Brass, Bill Danisevich, Joe Mazzatesta, Christine Noll, Mike Noll, Holly Madden, Chris Zalewski, Jake Ozga, Jimmy Lenig, Terry Venefskie, Tiffany Marie, Francis Koczur, Kim Plasters, Jane Klembara, Victor Sassani Jr., William T. Dietzler, Shelly Little, Andrew Wislock, Rosemary Rogowsky, Sam Bressi, Ramona Cambria, Dave Moore, Barb Gotaskie, Patti (Hoffman) Pantalone, Brian Shaffer, Jack Dougherty, Sue Zarski, Don Blessing, Lorretta Buggy, Joan Fatoool, Shawn Minnier, Mike Orleski, Cassie Bennett, Jay McAndrew, Bill Bordell, Marie Kosmer, Nicole Voeckler, Kathy Lenig, Debbie Christian, Gary Snyder, Linda Venn, Christine Nestico, Bob Searls, Vincent Makowski, Steve Tehansky, Courtney Shirmer, Thomas Purcell, Joyce Koczur, Lottie Reiprish, Frank Jerome, Margaret Forbes and Jake Temple.

To submit the name of an individual in need of prayers for the bulletin prayer list, please call Rose at 570-648-4432, or email at rzawalick@hbgdiocese.org.



### Choir Practice

Come join us at 7:00 PM every Wednesday for practice.



### Christmas Cookie Sale

Our Lady of Hope Church will hold a Christmas Cookie Sale on **Friday, December 15 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Saturday, December 16 from 11 am to 2 pm in the parish hall, 863 W. Chestnut St.** There will be a variety of freshly baked cookies: pizzelles, Russian tea cakes, ricotta cookies, iced buttermilk sugar cookies, genettes, chocolate snowballs, Belgian spice cookies and other assorted cookies/baked goods. Cookie prices: \$10 a dozen; \$20 for a 2-dozen cookie tray (2 lbs.); pizzelles \$8 a dozen, and assorted baked goods as marked. Pre-orders are encouraged by calling the parish office at 570-648-4432 (Monday - Thursday 9 am to 3 pm). In-person selection on the days of the sale will also be available with a variety of cookies available for purchase.



Please drop off cookie and baked goods donations in the hall on Thursday, December 14 from 9 am until 2 pm so they can be packaged/priced. Thank you to all of our bakers and for all the monetary donations we received.

### Advent Penance Services

Sunday, December 10

Mother Cabrini Church, Shamokin - 1:00 PM  
St. Patrick, Trevorton - 3:00 PM

Monday, December 11

Holy Angels, Kulpmont - 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 13

Holy Rosary, Elysburg - 6:30 PM

Tuesday, December 19

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church - 6:30 PM



### Diocesan Annual Campaign

To date we have collected \$23,741.66 toward our assessment of \$34,446.00.

Thank you for your contributions!

December 17 is our next collection for the campaign.

### Visit with Santa

December 16 from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

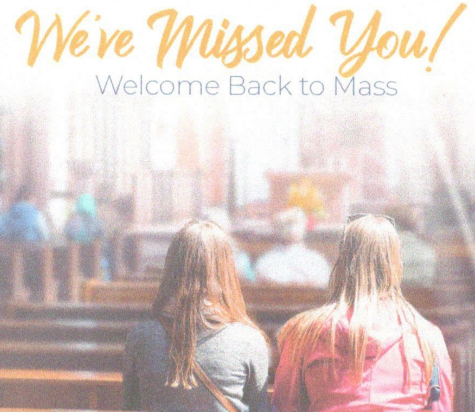
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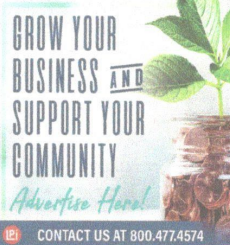
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