



# OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH

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March 9, 2025  
First Sunday of Lent

## The Week Ahead

### Office Hours

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

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### Jubilee 2025

Our Lady of Hope Church will be open 7 days a week from 8:00am to 5:00pm for personal prayer.

Every Wednesday there will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 12:00 noon and concluding with solemn benediction. Confessions will be available.

#### March

- 4 - Lenten confession schedule - Tuesday & Thursday evenings from 6:00pm - 7:00pm
- 5 - Mass 8:00am - distribution of Ashes. Prayer Service 12:00 PM with distribution of Ashes. Eucharistic Adoration to follow. Confessions will be available.
- 14 - Stations of the Cross 12:00pm
- 16 - Quarterly Sensory Mass 6:00pm
- 21 - Stations of the Cross 12:00pm
- 23 - Pilgrimage Mass 11:00am. Holy hour after Mass with Benediction to follow. Confessors will be available during the Holy Hour. Hospitality to follow.
- 28 - Stations of the Cross 12:00pm

#### April

- 4 & 11 - Stations of the Cross 12:00pm
- 13 - Palm Sunday Mass 10:30—Process to church from parish center
- 17 - Holy Thursday Mass & washing of feet 7:00pm
- 18 - Good Friday Service 7:00pm
- 19 - Holy Saturday Mass 8:00pm
- 20 - Easter Sunday Mass 10:30
- 27 - Pilgrimage Mass 11:00am. Holy hour after Mass with solemn Benediction at 3:00pm following the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Confessions available during Holy Hour.

#### Saturday, March 8

4:00 PM - Mass +Dorothy Balchunas

#### Sunday, March 9 First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM - Mass +Francis Moran

11:00 AM - Mass - +Albert Lehman

#### Wednesday, March 12, 2025

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

#### Friday, March 14

Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM our Lady of Hope  
6:00 PM St. Patrick Church

#### Saturday, March 15

4:00 PM - Mass +Robert Kruskie

#### Sunday, March 16 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM - Mass +Elizabeth Kazar

11:00 AM - Mass +Ethel Nazario Lopez

6:00 PM - Mass +Alice Broscius



### 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



### Holy Hour

Wednesdays

12:00 Noon

**Our Lady of Hope Church**

817 W. Chestnut Street  
Coal Township

HOLY SEASON OF  
**LENT**  
-SEASON OF PREPARATION-



## Ministers Schedule

### Saturday, March 15

4:00 PM

Lector: C Kruskie

E Minister: C Waugh

### Sunday, March 16

8:00 AM

Lector: P Sosnoskie

E Minister: C Sosnoskie

11:00 AM

Lector: S Nicola

E Minister: B Leonhardt

## God's Plan for Giving

3/02/20.25

Offertory Collection \$ 6657.00

Online Giving 2/24/25 - 1/2/25 - \$976.35

\$4807 is needed each week to meet our \$250,000 Offertory budget for the year. Our Offertory collection for 3/02/25 was \$2826.35 over budget.



## Choir Practice

Come join us at 6:30 PM every **Monday**

All are welcome!



## In Loving Memory

+Marie Kosmer on her birthday

By

Mary Ann Pupchock

## Hospital Ministry

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion team members from our local parishes: Karen, Rose, Karen, Archie, Jane, Pat and Deacon, visited 254 Catholic patients at Geisinger Shamokin during February 2025 to pray and/or administer Holy Communion. Thank you to these volunteers who give their time weekly to bring Jesus to those in our local hospital.

## Extraordinary Minister for the Hospital

Currently, there is a team of five Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who visit Catholic patients at Geisinger Shamokin Area Community Hospital. We are in need of a volunteer who is an Extraordinary Minister to volunteer at the hospital on Fridays. This individual normally would volunteer 1.5 to 2.0 hours on this week day. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Deacon Bob Wislock at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 570-648-4432.

## Pray for the Sick

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

Gene Snyder, Christine Noll, Mike Noll, Chris Zalewski, Jake Ozga, Joyce Koczur, Kim Plasters, Victor Sassani Jr., Shelly Little, Rosemary Rogowsky, Ramona Cambria, Patti (Hoffman) Pantalone, Brian Shaffer, Jack Dougherty, Sue Zarski, Don Blessing, Lorretta Buggy, Shawn Minnier, Mike Orleski, Cassie Bennett, Jay McAndrew, Marie Kosmer, Kathy Lenig, Debbie Christian, Gary Snyder, Vincent Makowski, Courtney Shirmer, Thomas Purcell, Lottie Reiprish, Sharon Eby Johnson, Al Zawalick, Ryker Lenker, Mike Wehr, Joanne Scotko, Patty Bohaczyk, Sue Berger, Linda Venn, Vince Wargo, Randy Taylor, Mike Deptula, Michael Tetkoskie, Kathy Hoffmann, Pamela Siren, Debra Heitzman, Peggy Snyder, Darrell, Kenny Arbogast, Eddie Linkus, Raymond Varney, Corey Sosnoskie, Dixie Reed-Kovack, Aubrey Rutkowski, Elizabeth Hudson, Sherry Dampman, Hilda Valenskie, Noah Fletcher, Jake Temple, Mary Jo Leonhardt, Bob Leonhardt, Linda Sitlinger, Lilith Strawser, Jayden, Andy Murphy, the Lahr Family, Marge Conrad, Jesse Seebold and Natalie Broskley.

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.

## Congratulations



Please keep in your prayers, our students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation March 8 at Holy Angels Church. Bishop Timothy Senior administered the Sacrament to the following:

Jackson Anthony Karlovich

David Nicodemus Kaseman

Brayden Michael Olshefski

Brycen Francis Staner

Landen Sebastian Steele



## Sensory Friendly Mass

Our quarterly Sensory Friendly Mass is scheduled for Sunday, March 16 at **6:00 PM.** Fellowship to follow.



## In Loving Memory

+Lorraine Schenewerk

By

Joyce Kealey

+Connie Yucha

By

Joyce Kealey

Lenny and Cheryl Waugh

## Deacon's Corner

### First Week of Lent

In his February 6<sup>th</sup> written message for Lent 2025, Pope Francis encourages each one of us "to journey together in hope" which is connected to the theme of the Church's 2025 Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope." He encourages us to take the opportunity this Lenten Season to ask ourselves whether we are truly willing to listen to God's call to change our lives."

The Holy Father writes, "This Lent, God is asking us to examine whether in our lives, in our families, in the places where we work and spend our time, we are capable of walking together with others, listening to them, resisting the temptation to become self-absorbed and to think only of our own needs." Pope Francis reminds us, "The Holy Spirit impels us not to remain self-absorbed, but to keep walking towards God and our brothers and sisters."

In this spirit, there are many ways that we can walk together with Our Lord and our sisters and brothers this Lenten season and throughout our lives. One way is to read the Works of Mercy as Jesus describes them in [Matthew 25:31-46](#). Then, put this teaching into practice and choose an act of service you can perform. Another practice is to pray for someone who is in need. Spend time volunteering in the parish or at a charitable organization. Visit and/or take a meal to a neighbor or person who is lonely and feels abandoned.



**KofC Casey Club**  
All U Can Eat Breakfast  
SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025  
8:00 am-11:00 am  
Eggs, bacon, sausage, french toast,  
home fries, coffee & juice  
Adults \$12. Children under 10 - \$6

### Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish, Elysburg Delicious Paska Bread & Easter Roll Sale

Our delicious homemade Paska Bread - \$8.00 loaf  
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(large & amply filled) - \$16.00

Orders are due no later than March 30th.

**Pickup your order Palm Sunday weekend: April 12** -2:00  
to 3:30 pm & after the 4:00 pm Mass,

**April 13** - after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses. Orders  
will be available in the Fr. Slough Hall, upper level. Call:  
Parish Office 570-672-2302 M-Th 8 to 3 OR  
email [sheila@qmhr.net](mailto:sheila@qmhr.net) or [pat@qmhr.net](mailto:pat@qmhr.net)



### EASTER EGGS

Mother Cabrini Parish in Shamokin is selling their delicious Milk Chocolate covered Peanut Butter and Coconut Easter Eggs @ \$1.10 each, \$6.50 per half dozen and \$13.00 per dozen. Easter Eggs are available at the Parish Office, 214 N. Shamokin Street, Shamokin during office hours. To place an order, please call the parish office at 570-648-4512, Monday through Thursday, 8AM to 4PM.



## Potato Pierogie

April 7 & 8

\$12.50/dozen

To order, call 570-648-4432 and press 7 during the menu options. This is the Pierogie Order voicemail box and will let you know if our quota has been met.

**\*\*\*Orders must be placed by Wednesday, March 26, by 3:00 PM unless the quota has been met.\*\*\***

We are in need of Pierogie workers to keep this fundraiser alive. If you can volunteer a few hours of your time, Sunday, 8:30 AM to clean the potatoes, and Monday anytime after 9:00 AM to help pinch the Pierogie, please come to the Parish hall or call Nicola at 570-648-6149.

### WE DESPERATELY NEED YOUR HELP

**There is a great need for help** for 1 or 2 people to come help with boiling the pierogie's. In order to continue this much needed fundraiser, we need your help. Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time to keep this program alive. Please call Tom Nicola at 570-648-6149 if you are interested in helping.

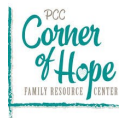
### Were you married in 1975?

In honor of your 50th Wedding Anniversary, there will be a special Mass and reception on Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 2:00 PM at Good Shepherd Parish in Camp Hill. Bishop Timothy C. Senior will be the celebrant. To receive an invitation, please contact your parish office by March 28.



### Lourdes Pot of Gold

Pot of Gold tickets are available in the vestibule of the church. Money and tickets are due on March 12. Drawing to be held on March 17.



### Baby Bottle Blitz

An excellent opportunity for your Lenten "alms giving". Starting March 9, bottles will be available in the entrance of the church. You can fill your bottle with change, cash or checks (made payable to the Pregnancy Care Center). Return your filled baby bottle to the parish office during office hours by April 6.



### Spring Teatime Together

Saturday, May 10, 2025 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM

Mother Cabrini Church Hall

Adults - \$15 Children 6-16 \$8.00 Under 5 - Free

Purchase tickets at the Parish Hall or in the church vestibule before all weekend Masses by May 2.

Join us for an elegant affair filled with delightful conversations, exquisite teas, and a delectable assortment of sandwiches, sweets and savory treats.

# fast from feast on

- Fast from judging others
- Fast from emphasis on differences
- Fast from despair
- Fast from thoughts of illness
- Fast from words that destroy and pollute
- Fast from discontent
- Fast from anger
- Fast from being negative
- Fast from pessimism
- Fast from worry
- Fast from complaining
- Fast from hostility
- Fast from bitterness
- Fast from constant activity
- Fast from disrespect
- Fast from lethargy and boredom
- Feast on seeing the best in people
- Feast on the unity of life
- Feast on hope
- Feast on the healing power of God
- Feast on words that build and encourage
- Feast on gratitude
- Feast on patience
- Feast on being positive
- Feast on optimism
- Feast on trust
- Feast on appreciation
- Feast on peacemaking and non-violence
- Feast on forgiveness
- Feast on slowing down
- Feast on recognizing the sacred in all life
- Feast on enthusiasm



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