



Our Lady of Hope

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday: 11am
Monday, Tuesday &
Friday 8am

CONFESSIONS:
Saturdays 3:00 p.m. or
anytime by appointment.

BAPTISM: For
information, please
contact the Rectory at
440-232-8166 during
office hours.

MARRIAGES: Limited
to registered parishioners
only. Arrangements for
date and time must be
made six months in
advance. Final
preparations should be
made five weeks before
the wedding date.

**SACRAMENT OF
HOLY ORDERS
(PRIESTHOOD/
DIACONATE):** For
information please contact
the Diocese at 216-696-
6525. .

**PARISH SCHOOL OF
RELIGION:** Please call
Rectory office.

REGISTRATION: If you
are new in the parish,
please register at the
rectory or online at our
website. If you moved out
of the parish, please notify
the rectory.

AUGUST 25, 2019 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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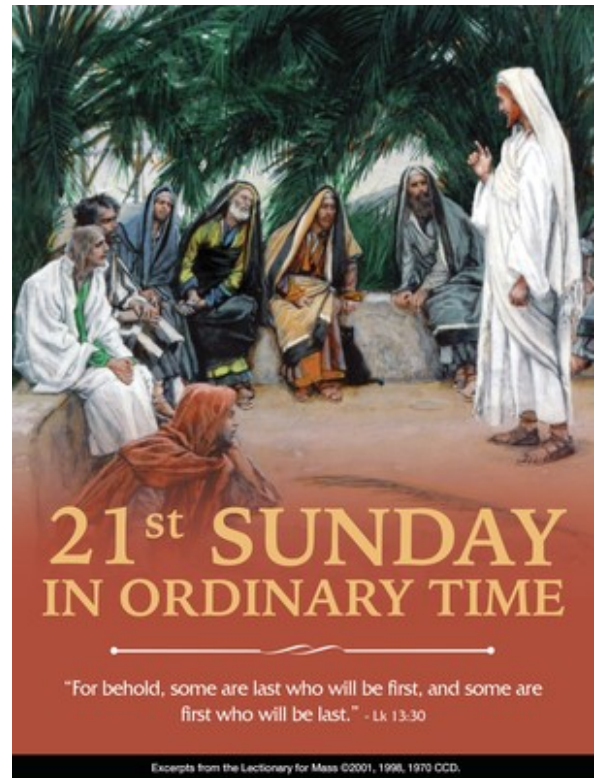
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www.ourladyofhopebedford.org

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Mondays, Tuesdays & Fridays,
8:30am –12 noon and 12:30—2:30pm.
Anytime for emergencies.



Have you ever seen a celebrity? Have you ever met a political representative? Did the encounter leave you with newfound acting or musical abilities? Did it give you a grasp of the intricacies of the latest city ordinance or controversial law? Talents, expertise, and skill are hard-won traits, not rewards that spread by contact. Our life of faith is also not so easy.

"We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets!" In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus notes that it requires moral strength to enter the kingdom of God. It's not mere proximity to righteousness that saves. Rubbing elbows with the righteous is not the same as being truly holy ourselves. Unfortunately, we can have this attitude in many areas. It's easy to see who may seem "first" in the eyes of the world. This occurs in our workplaces and among our public figures. It can also happen in our schools, local parishes, and the larger Church. For some of us, the temptation to have the popularity and prestige rub off on us can be fairly strong. If only we are in the right place with the right people, surely others will associate us with what they possess!

But salvation is worked out in each individual life. It is our task not merely to show up, but to be transformed. And the truly transformed may not be everyone we expect. "People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south... some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." Some who seem first in reputation now may be last in the kingdom of God. Others who appear now on the furthest fringes of society - but better imitate the lowly holiness of Jesus - will be first in his kingdom. What are your concerns? Proximity and reputation? Or prayerful righteousness?

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Saturday, August 24

3:00 p.m. Confession
 4:00 p.m. Joseph Offutt

ST. MARY & OUR LADY OF HOPE:

Sunday, August 25

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM—9:15 a.m. Evelyn Downs
 OLH—11:00 a.m. John Straka

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Monday, August 26

8:00 a.m. Viola Saunders

Tuesday, August 27

8:00 a.m. Natalia Bahati Kilangi & Liv. & Dec.
 Mem. Of Fr. Dennis Mrosso's Family
Novena of the Miraculous Medal after Tuesday Mass.

ST. MARY CHURCH:

Wednesday, August 28

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Thursday, August 29

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Friday, August 30

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Confession
 4:00p.m. Donna Hood

Saturday, August 31

3:00 p.m. Confession
 4:00p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

ST. MARY & OUR LADY OF HOPE:

Sunday, September 1

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

SM—9:15 a.m. Rudy & Mary Hlavach
 OLH—11:00 a.m. Rafael Mejia

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED . . .
Please remember in your prayers all of the sick in our parish and families, especially: Jim Waple, Virginia Vitale, Mary Em-ling, Daniel Baran, Berta Ugucini, Carmen Whaley, Trudy Zimo, Bernie Sylvester, Lil Kalal, Andy Mizesak, Matthew Reeve, Albert Finn, Alan Parker, R.C., James Smith, Bob Franklin, Harold Fischer, Ronald Richnavsky, Joe McElhone, Mae Saliga, Laverne Krempasky, Larry Krempasky, Paul Melzer, Patricia Zak, Matthew J. Zamiska, Daisy Darus, Sr. Patricia Raelene, Gerry Lantos, Louise Dragan, Ken Hudak, Joyce Smedley, Maria Spears, Veda Wagner, Shirley Holmes, Frank Richnavsky, Eileen Salupo, Jim Goersmeyer, Mary Ann Runevitch. . .

MARRIAGE BANS

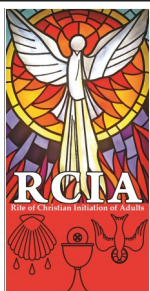
I—Sanima Silga & Pengwende Christian Ouedraogo
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50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Please join us for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, October 12th at 10:00 a.m. with Bishop Nelson J. Perez presiding (at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist). The Mass is for couples residing within the Diocese of Cleveland married 50 years (married in 1969). Couples celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or who have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend as well. We request that each couple bring no more than four family members to celebrate Mass with them so we have enough space for the couples. Please go online to www.ccdocle.org/mfm to register. Registrations are due by Monday, September 16, 2019. This is a firm deadline for preparation purposes.



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." Our call to be disciples and to follow Jesus demands that we learn to live for the sake of others. **In the month of August, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist families, providing food, utility and rent bills, etc. Thank you!**



If you have been coming to Mass for a while but are not Catholic, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic Faith. Learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. These sessions are opportunities to ask perplexing and difficult questions about the Church. RCIA sessions are for inquirers and are open to people who are not baptized, baptized Christians from Protestant backgrounds and baptized Catholics who have not made First Communion and Confirmation. Please contact Fr. Joe or Louise at the parish office for more information or to register.

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

August 18, 2019

Weekly Collection..... \$2,891.00
 Envelopes used..... 146
 Comfort the Needy \$125.00
 Repairs & Maintenance \$775.00

Special Collections

Assumption-\$796; Faith & Values-\$106.

MASS COUNT

OLH: 4pm—108; 11am—161; Total—269
 STM: 4pm—123; 9:15am—129; Total—252

Thank you for your generosity!!

Dear Parishioners,

We had a wonderful picnic for Saint Mary Parish at the Twinsburg Pool Pavilion. The weather was sunny and warm, and we successfully dodged the scattered thunderstorms before and after the picnic. About 120 came to enjoy the festivities. There were 27 raffle baskets that were generously donated by parishioners and businesses, and we thank all those who gave whole baskets or items to fill a basket. There were five “double winners” who won two baskets in the drawing: Sue Galewood, Laura O’Neill, Dan Miller, Jan and Lenny Hlavach, and Andrew Liscoe. Don and Karin Hopkins from Our Lady of Hope won the coveted 43 inch Insignia T.V. \$1534 was raised on tickets sales for the basket auction. For the raffle drawing, Cynthia Peterson from Avondale, Arizona won the grand prize of \$500 with Joycelyn Rucker winning \$100 for selling the winning ticket. Second prize of \$250 went to Lucy Lagaza, and third place of \$100 went to Val Caputo. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets for the raffle drawing.



Among the games we played at the picnic were corn-hole, egg toss, and bingo. The team of Kathy Yurichak and Chris Barchanowicz beat Father Joe and Cindy Lowe 21-3 in corn-hole... (ouch!) About 10 pairs played the egg toss game (many others were obviously afraid of getting egg on their face), and the team of Chris Barchanowicz and Father Joe were the last two standing after all the other eggs broke. Next year we may have to offer a bigger prize to entice more participation in this longstanding event. A big “thanks” goes out to all the volunteers who put many hours into the planning and execution of the St. Mary picnic. This Sunday I will be leaving for Bloomington, Illinois to visit my dad in the memory unit. I last saw him at the beginning of April, and my older brother told me that my dad is doing a little better. Father Isidore will be celebrating both Sunday Masses and Father Dennis will be celebrating the daily Masses this week.

Enjoy one of the last weeks of summer!
Father Joe



Join the Friends Of The Poor Walk on Saturday, September 28th at Our Lady of Hope South Lot. It is one lap (=1/3 mile) around the property. Registration is 9:00 a.m. and the Walk begins at 10:00 a.m. 100% of donations stay in Bedford. For more info call the parish office.

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FOOD COLLECTION

Food Collection for the poor is next weekend, August 31st & September 1st. With your help we are able to help many people in need. We thank you for your continued generosity!



OUR LADY OF HOPE SENIORS NEWS!

A reminder to our Senior Club members—our first meeting of 2019-2020 will be **Tuesday, September 3rd in the Club Room** at 12:30 p.m.. We will be serving a light luncheon. Any seniors who would like to join our club at that time will be welcome to come and have a great time of fun and fellowship!!

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS!!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 4th, at 6:30pm in the Social Hall. This is a very important meeting—we hope all will come. Refreshments will be served. Looking forward to seeing you all and hope your summer vacation was enjoyable!

THE FEST NEWS!!

Thanks to all who enjoyed The FEST on Sunday, August 4th. The crowds were great. The prayer and evening Mass was truly inspiring. May thanks to all who supported The FEST raffle and made donations to make our 19th annual Catholic Family FESTival a great day of faith, family and fun...all for FREE. Bishop Perez called and challenged the FEST faithful to rise up...respond to God’s call...and build a better world for all. Save the date for FEST 2020—Sunday, August 9th. For more information go to www.theFEST.us.

30th ANNUAL FALL FEST!!

Please join us at Light of Hearts Villa, 283 Union Street, Bedford, for our 30th Annual Fall Fest on Saturday, October 13th, from 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. At the Fall Fest you can participate in a cash raffle, basket raffles, our craft fair and a pumpkin sale, along with enjoying a delicious dinner with family and friends. Dinner reservations required by October 3rd. Call 440-232-1991 or visit www.lightofheartsvilla.org/fall-fest. All proceeds will benefit the Sr. Helen Scasny, SC Benevolent Fund, which provides for those residents who outlive their financial resources.

THIS WEEK’S EVENTS:

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Senior Group Bd. Mtg., 2pm in Church Mtg. Rm.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

Boy Scout Mtg., 7pm in Scout Room

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUG. 31 & SEPT. 1

Food Collection Weekend.

