

**Our Lady of Hope  
and Saint Paul Parishes  
April 14, 2024**

*Peace*



## OUR LADY OF HOPE / SAINT PAUL DIRECTORY

### OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

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Handicap Parking and ramp into the church is located on Pineswamp Road on right side of Church .

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Elevator for Handicapped Access to the Saint Paul church is located in the rear of the building.

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

#### SATURDAY:

4:00 pm: Our Lady of Hope (OLOH)

#### SUNDAY:

7:30 am: Saint Paul (SP) ~ No Music

9:30 am: Saint Paul (SP)

11:15 am: Our Lady of Hope (OLOH)

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

9:00 am: Monday & Tuesday (OLOH)

9:00 am: Thursday & Friday (SP)

### SACRAMENTS

#### Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00—3:45 pm at Our Lady of Hope or by appointment at either church. Also, First Fridays of Month at St. Paul's following 9:00 am Mass

#### BAPTISM

If you are planning a baptism in the future, please call the parish office to make arrangements.

#### MARRIAGE

If you are an engaged couple, please call Fr. Brogan *directly at least 6 months* prior to the intended date.

**PASTORAL VISITATION:** The Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick can be brought to our parishioners confined to their homes.

#### OCIA & FAITH FORMATION

Questions regarding current, upcoming programs and/or sacramental programs available at our parishes, please contact the parish office.



Hearing Assist Boxes are available at Our Lady of Hope. Let the Priest know if you would like one before Mass when attending Mass at OLOH.

### NEW TO OUR PARISH?

If you are new to Our Lady of Hope or Saint Paul, please introduce yourself to Fr. Brogan following Mass. To formally register at one of our parishes, contact the parish office or go online to register through our website.

### PARISH STAFF

**PASTOR:** Fr. David A. Brogan

**PRIEST IN RESIDENCE:** Fr. John G. Kiley

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### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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#### Grades 6-8

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#### Grades 9-10

John Cusolito [jcusolito@ourladysaintpaul.org](mailto:jcusolito@ourladysaintpaul.org)

### STAY UP TO DATE THROUGH EMAIL

When important information is sent to registered parishioners, it is conveyed through email. Please let us know when your email has changed.

#### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please accompany your child downstairs to the church hall or to restrooms. For their safety, please be sure they are always accompanied by an adult family member. Child safety is everyone's responsibility. Thank you for your cooperation.



**COLLABORATIVE MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, April 13**

4:00 pm Vigil— Weekend Mass (OLOH)

**Sunday, April 14**

7:30 am— Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am— Veronica Messiano (SP)

11:15am— Weekend Mass (OLOH)

**Monday, April 15**

9:00 am— Weekday Mass (OLOH)



**Tuesday, April 16**

9:00 am —John O’Grady (OLOH)

**Wednesday, April 17 No Daily Mass**

**Thursday, April 18**

9:00 am — Weekday Mass (SP)

**Friday, April 19**

9:00 am—Weekday Mass (SP)

**Saturday, April 20**

9:45 am—Funeral Mass for Jean Hart (OLOH)

4:00 pm Vigil— Weekend Mass (OLOH)

**Sunday, April 21**

7:30 am— Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am— Claire Corcoran (SP)

11:15am— Weekend Mass (OLOH)

***Please contact the parish office to schedule a Mass intention for your deceased loved one.***

**CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The 2024 Catholic Appeal officially launched here in our parishes and across the Archdiocese. Catholics throughout the Archdiocese are asked to partner with one another to support their parish and the many outreach ministries by contributing to the Catholic Appeal. Many of you have received a letter from Cardinal Seán requesting your early support of the 2024 Appeal. We hope that you will respond to his invitation with a generous gift, knowing that each contribution transforms faith into action. You can make a gift by returning your pledge card or by making an online donation at [www.bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate-now](http://www.bostoncatholicappeal.org/donate-now).

For those who have already made a gift, thank you for your early support! The Appeal is a primary means by which we care for our brothers and sisters, and it all starts with YOU.

Our Lady of Hope Parish Goal for 2024 is \$40,000. St. Paul Parish Goal for 2024 is \$37,600 *Additional Catholic Appeal envelopes at the entrances of the church.*

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**WE ASK PARISHIONERS TO PRAY...**

† For all those who are sick, especially Kevin Donovan, Nancy Bianchi, Kathy Esfahanian, Cameron Cyr, Kathy Bartlett, Blanche Zak, Mathew Faino, Kim Donohoe, Mia Angelis, Philip Abodeely, Juilett Carlson, Cameron Gagnon, Cathryn Lally, Denise Polli, Gerrie O’Brien, Melissa Faino Palelli, Arline Thornell, Irene Stackpole, Connie Donovan, Patricia Foley, J. P. Quinn and all those infected with the Covid-19 virus

† For all our parishioners who are sick, homebound and those confined to nursing facilities and hospital

† For the all students and teachers.

† For peace in our world, especially in the Ukraine and Middle East

† For Jean Hart, Jose Page, George MacLean, Carol Connerty and all the deceased members of our parishes,

† For the safety and good health of all missionaries

† For all who serve our country in the Armed Forces, especially Marine 2nd Lt. Thomas Monahan and Air Force 2nd Lt. Will Hogan

† For the unborn children

† For all those affected by natural disasters

**PLEASE NOTE:** *In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for four weeks. Please resubmit by contacting the parish office. Names should be submitted by the individual or immediate family member.*



**ONLINE GIVING**

We offer this convenience to our parishioners and visitors. Online giving is an easy and secure way to make contributions to support our parish. You may contribute using direct withdrawals (ACH) or credit cards. Visa, MasterCard and American Express are all accepted.

**SAINT PAUL**

If you prefer the convenience of giving your donation online, please call the parish office or enroll online at: <https://churchofsaintpaul.churchgiving.com/>

Parish envelopes for your weekly donation allows us to keep a record for your tax purposes. If you would like to receive weekly envelopes, please call the parish office.

**OUR LADY OF HOPE**

To contribute using online giving, simply visit our website: [ourladyofhope.org](http://ourladyofhope.org) and follow the instructions. For assistance, call the parish office..

If you make an offering/donation to the collection basket at Mass with Parish (specific) contribution envelopes or put your donation in an envelope writing both Parish name and your name on the front, your donation will be transferred to that Church. Cash donations outside of an envelope will remain in the parish where you made your donation. If you have any questions, call the parish office.

**SAINT PAUL PARISH HAPPENINGS**

**FIRST COMMUNION— CONGRATULATIONS**



**Blessing For Our First Communicants who received their First Communion last weekend.**

*May Jesus come to bless you on your First Communion Day. May you feel his loving presence in a very special way. And as you strive to follow in his footsteps may he bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.*

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



On the First Friday of the Month following the 9:00 am Mass there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession until 10:00 am at Saint Paul Parish, Hamilton.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

**April 14, 2024**

**COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS**

**Please join us for coffee & doughnuts in the church hall following the 9:30 Mass this weekend, April 14, 2024**

**HOLY WATER FONTS**



The Holy Water Fonts finally arrived and were installed in time for Easter! Thank you to the individuals that so graciously donated to ensure that they graced the entrance walls of Saint Paul's. A special thank you to Peter Wolczik for installing them with loving care.

They will certainly serve many generations to come!

**SECOND FRIDAY COFFEE**

Following the second Friday Daily Mass, coffee will be served in the St. Paul's church hall. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet with parishioners from St. Paul and Our Lady of Hope.

**SAINT PAUL MEN'S PRAYER GROUP**

St. Paul's Men's Prayer Group meets Saturday mornings in the church from 7:30 to 8:30. The meeting includes praying from the Liturgy of the Hours and a discussion of the Sunday readings. Contact the parish office for further details.

**EDGE PROGRAM—Saint Paul**

Dear EDGE Families,

Last week at EDGE, your children started the class by filling 700 eggs for the annual Saint Paul's Easter Egg roll. On Easter morning many of our students came out to run this very happy event and there were more children than ever! A special shout out to Taylor, Austin, Mae, Cora, Julia, Anna, Teddy, Lou Ann, Callum and Noah for hiding the eggs and helping all the children with their search. Noah who helped us just finished serving Mass as altar server where he served our Collaborative throughout the Tridium! All should know that our Middle School students run this event for all the younger children and some of them participated in the Egg Roll themselves since they were little making the event very special for all of us. Thank you to Father Brogan who led us in a very organized start!

After filling the eggs (and an ice cream party) we learned about the sacrament of Confirmation. We started with a fun game of Family Feud with confirmation trivia. We watched a short video about confirmation by Matthew Kelly <https://youtu.be/a37tfN5M2Cg?si=1p2WQTeP9li5efXa> Then, we broke into small groups where we reflected on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and discussed which gift they feel is most prevalent and one to represent which gift they would like to increase.

**MAIN IDEAS**

Confirmation completes Baptism by deepening baptismal grace and sealing the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The outward signs of this interior change are the holy oil, called sacred Chrism, the laying on of the priest's hands, and the words of the sacrament.

The Sacrament of Confirmation imprints a spiritual mark on the soul that draws us closer to Christ and strengthens our bond with His Church. Confirmation is one of the Sacraments of Initiation that make us fully initiated members of the Church.

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE**

"And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord." (Isaiah 11:2)

**CATECHISM REFERENCE**

"Confirmation perfects baptismal grace; it is the sacrament which gives the Holy Spirit in order to root us more deeply in the divine filiation, incorporate us more firmly into Christ, strengthen our bond with the Church, associate us more to the Christian faith in words accompanied by Jesus." (CCC 1316)

**FAMILY REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

What did you learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation?  
How can we better incorporate our Confirmation saints and sponsors into our family life?  
How do we see the gifts of the Holy Spirit present in our lives?

All eighth-grade students will be moving into their confirmation program and their names will be provided to John Cusolito. Please be on the lookout for an email from John letting you know next steps. A special thanks for all of our Core Team this year that included John, Peter, Catherine, Tara and Nancy. Thank you to our signup genius wonder, Melissa and all who brought snacks and supplies for the Mardi Gras party. One of our eighth grade students wrote the following message: *"Thank you for spending your time teaching me and friends about God over these last 3 years. Thank you for your dedication to Edge because you really helped me get closer to God."* Thank you, John, for letting us know that God is good, all the time and all the time, God is good.

God Bless You,  
Debra and the Core Team

**NORTH SHORE SACRED HARP GROUP**

The North Shore Sacred Harp group will next on **Sunday March 21th**, in the lower church hall at Our Lady of Hope Church, from **2:00 - 4:30 p.m.**

Come join us as we meet in a square to sing hymns dating from the 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> century, in four part a capella harmony. No previous experience required. Loaner hymnals will be available. Free will offering to help defray building upkeep.

If you are curious about shape note music, we suggest googling "Sacred Harp" and watching a few YouTube videos, and/or exploring fasola.org, our national website. Our North Shore group has a presence on Facebook. For further details contact George Howe 978-356-3252 or gehowe@comcast.net

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

1 John 2:1-3 "My children, I am writing this to you so you may not commit sin. But, if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. That we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments." As we get to know Jesus more and obey his commandments, he will open our minds to understand the scriptures. Jesus will also open your heart to love and forgive one another. Take a leap of faith, and trust God to nourish your relationship. Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience and you will learn the tools to transform your marriage. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

- June 7-June 9, 2024 in Upton,, MA
- June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY
- August 2-4, 2024 in Portland, CT

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on week-ends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vatele at 978-870-5646 or <https://wwmema.org/>.

**Alan Ames**  
Visionary. Mystic with the power of healing  
is coming to the Lazarus Center for Healing Shrine

**May 7, 2024**

Save the date to hear Alan's story and have an opportunity for healing prayer.  
Alan's story will be featured in the upcoming movie, "The Great Warning," currently in post-production.

"When Alan prayed with me my heart was healed of an abnormal rhythm and also an access and tumours disappeared. Thank God."  
"I was to have surgery for my painful knee after Alan's prayers the knee was healed and that was in 2004 it is still healed. I did not need the surgery. Thank God."

- Jesus Christ, has been speaking and appearing in visions to Alan since February of 1994.
- Alan is gifted with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- Alan, who lives in Australia, has traveled extensively, giving witness to his conversion from a man of sin to one who is very close to God and the Roman Catholic Church.
- His book "Through the Eyes of Jesus" has been translated into many languages.
- Worldwide, his message of God's love and forgiveness is welcomed.

**Confessions from 5:00 - 5:45 PM**  
**Mass begins at 6:00 PM**  
**Alan will speak at 6:30 PM**  
**Individual prayer over people at 7:15 PM**

[www.healingshrine.org](http://www.healingshrine.org) 781-245-2711 47 Butler Avenue, Wakefield, MA

**OUR BEAUTIFUL EASTER FLOWERS AT OUR LADY OF HOPE WERE DONATED IN LOVING MEMORY OF :**

- Edgar A. Turner*
- Edward Z. Mackey*
- Stephanie Marie Rose*
- The Bialek Family*
- Kathleen Kennedy*
- Alba Maloney*
- Richard & Antonia Benirowski*
- William & Jennie Cynkus*
- Frank & Mary Vidmar*
- Ruth & Frank Coppola and Deceased Members of their Families*
- John & June Minter*
- Mastroianni Family*
- Douglas Family*
- Brancato Family*
- Muffy, Joe & Betty*
- Grace Arbury*
- Dewitt Platt*
- Frank Antonucci*
- Jack Kelleher*
- James Nikitas*
- Joseph & Jessie Saroka*
- Thomas Saroka*
- Christopher, Judith & David Nikitas*
- William O'Neill*
- Benedetto Family*
- Eileen & Mark Hayes*
- Alice & Clif Kiesling*
- The Skendall — Teele Family*
- Members & Friends of St. Vincent de Paul*
- Richard Foley*
- Rick Champa*
- Troy Champa*
- Noreen Champa*
- David Champa*
- Frank & Joan Nolan*
- Harold & Elizabeth Balch*
- Jacqueline Zabriskie Gannon*
- Mary Louise Dodge*
- Deborah Zabriskie*
- Mardee Zabriskie*
- Marotta/Mucciarone Families*
- Pamela Foley*
- Mary Lombard Tkachuk*
- Richard Phillips*
- The Anderson Family*
- The Yorston Family*





**ST. PAUL CENTER  
FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

*By Dr. Scott Hahn*

**Understanding the Scriptures**

Third Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Psalms 4:2, 4, 7-9

1 John 2:1-5

Luke 24:35-48

Jesus in today's Gospel, teaches His apostles how to interpret the Scriptures.

He tells them that all the Scriptures of what we now call the Old Testament refer to Him. He says that all the promises found in the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His passion, death, and resurrection. And He tells them that these Scriptures foretell the mission of the Church - to preach forgiveness of sins to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

In today's First Reading and Epistle, we see the beginnings of that mission. And we see the apostles interpreting the Scriptures as Jesus taught them to.

God has brought to fulfillment what He announced beforehand in *all* the prophets, Peter preaches. His sermon is shot through with Old Testament images. He evokes Moses and the exodus, in which God revealed himself as the ancestral God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (see Exodus 3:6,15). He identifies Jesus as Isaiah's suffering servant who has been glorified (see Isaiah 52:13).

John too describes Jesus in Old Testament terms. Alluding to how Israel's priests offered blood sacrifices to atone for the people's sins (see Leviticus 16; Hebrews 9-10), he says that Jesus intercedes for us before God (see Romans 8:34), and that His blood is a sacrificial expiation for the sins of the world (see 1 John 1:7).

Notice that in all three readings, the Scriptures are interpreted to serve and advance the Church's mission - to reveal the truth about Jesus, to bring people to repentance, the wiping away of sins, and the perfection of their love for God.

This is how we, too, should hear the Scriptures. Not to know more "about" Jesus, but to truly know Him personally, and to know His plan for our lives.

In the Scriptures, the light of His face shines upon us, as we sing in today's Psalm. We know the wonders He has done throughout history. And we have the confidence to call to Him, and to know that He hears and answers.

*A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology*  
[www.SalvationHistory.com](http://www.SalvationHistory.com)

## PARENTING JOURNEY

By Sheri Wohlfert



## THE BLESSING OF GRANDPARENTS

I'm a brand new grandma. And as I snuggled my tiny grandson for the very first time last week, I rocked and prayed about how God might want to use Dave and me in little Lewis' life. This new status got me thinking about the blessing grandparents can be to both their children and grandchildren. Whether you're living across town, across the state or living in the same home, here are some thoughts about this unique vocation.

### The 3 T's – time, treasures and talents.

Grandparents have plenty of each to share. Sharing our stories, skills, recipes, hobbies, photos and patience will have a positive impact on us and our grandchildren. Parents have a strong focus on survival in the present, while grandparents can slow things down, visit the past and provide a connection to family values, traditions, history and identity.

### Role modeling.

Media and culture don't often present a Gospel perspective, so our kids need every positive example of

Christlike discipleship they can get. Grandparents can be strong examples of service and faith. Parents are the primary faith educators, but grandparents can help nurture the seeds of faith by fostering habits such as daily prayer, weekday Mass and rich traditions of our faith such as the rosary.

### Love.

If we could only begin to understand how truly loved we are by the Father, how different our world would be! Since parenting roles and responsibilities are different, grandparents have a unique opportunity to demonstrate the generous and extravagant love of God to their grandchildren, spoiling them with attention, patience, understanding and unconditional love. We all need to feel loved beyond what we think we deserve, and the extra love grandparents give can influence and encourage children to pass it on to others just as the Father asks us to do.

But first, set your relationship up for success. Grandparents are not parents! Set boundaries and expectations on both sides. Grandparents are meant to support, not control; ask and suggest is much better than dictate and demand. The goal is healthy, happy, faithful children, and that takes a team.

**PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS**

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

James Foley | 978-360-2799

**For more information, contact the parish office.  
 Consider sharing your gifts and talents.**

**PARISH ROSARY GROUP -OUR LADY OF HOPE**

Praying the Rosary for those affected by abortion  
 Please join us every Tuesday and thereafter at 7 PM in the upper Church at Our Lady of Hope for reciting the Rachel Rosary, intercessory prayer for victims of post-abortion syndrome. Rachel Rosary is a positive and appropriate means of praying for those affected by abortion.

**All are welcome to attend each week or as you are able.**

**MEN’S GROUP AT OUR LADY OF HOPE**

The Men's Group invites you to come join them on Saturday mornings from 7:15-8:30 am in the church hall at Our Lady of Hope for light refreshments and Christian fellowship in an easy-going, informal atmosphere.

**KNITTING MINISTRY—TIME CHANGE**



St. Paul’s Knitting Ministry knits baptismal blankets for St. Paul’s and baby blankets and hats for Project Linus which are donated to local hospitals. If you knit, crochet or quilt and would like to join us, we meet generally on **the first Saturday of the month from 1PM to 3PM in St. Paul Church hall.**

**HOMEBOUND**

If you or someone you know is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion, please the call parish office to make arrangements.

**ADULT CHOIR**

Music Director John Maher is looking for choir members to sing at the 9:30am Mass at St Paul’s on Sundays, or the 4pm Mass at Our Lady of Hope on Saturdays. Time commitment is minimal. Whether you have sung with a choir in the past or have never done it before, all are welcome! Reach out to John at [jmaher@ourlady saintpaul.org](mailto:jmaher@ourlady saintpaul.org) or call 978-500-6789.

**COLLABORATIVE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Bonni Berkowitz (OLOH)	James Foley (OLOH)
Joanne Bialek (OLOH)	JoAnne Kelleher (OLOH)
Richard Bostrom (OLOH)	Linda Murphy (OLOH)
Diane Bostrom (OLOH)	Alana Mitchell (STP)
Pat Donahue (STP)	Phil Monahan (STP)
Stephen Dowd (STP)	Jim Moynihan (STP)
Martha Driscoll (STP)	

One of the responsibilities of a Collaborative Parish Council (CPC) is to listen to Parishioners. If you have any Parish concerns, ideas, or thoughts we welcome you to discuss them with a CPC member. The CPC meets with Father Brogan on a quarterly basis and anything that is brought to the attention of a CPC member will be forwarded to Father Brogan. If you need help identifying them, ask someone at church to point them out to you.

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**



**SVDP News:**

In the tradition of its founder, [Blessed Frédéric Ozanam](#), and patron, [St. Vincent de Paul](#), the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay organization inspired by Gospel values. We join to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to neighbors in need. Organized locally, Vincentians witness God’s love by embracing all works of charity. We make no distinction in those we serve because, in them, we see the face of Christ.

Our local chapter of the Saint Vincent DePaul Society is a collection of parishioners inspired by Gospel values. We join to grow spiritually by serving those in need and suffering. **We meet face-to-face with those seeking assistance, preferably in their home.** During these home visits, we bring hope, prayer, and financial resources to neighbors in need through aid with rent, food, utilities, clothing, and other emergency needs.

We live and raise our families in a relatively affluent area. Those we serve are not always visibly indigent but are often hidden in plain sight.

- Single Mother’s experiencing financial setbacks due to the unique needs of a child
- An older person living on a fixed income who experiences an unexpected financial emergency
- Families experiencing joblessness
- Sudden health challenges that cause economic hardship

As members of the Hamilton/Ipswich/Wenham Catholic Community, we bring support and the joy of Christ, non-judgmentally, to these neighbors in need.

Thank you for considering the less fortunate and donating to the Poor Boxes at Our Lady of Hope Church. Your donations are used in our local charity mission. We are currently in the planning phase for the installation of poor boxes in St. Paul’s. Please contact us if you know of anyone in Ipswich/Hamilton/Wenham who could benefit from a visit from your SVDP Society. Also, please visit our website for additional details: <https://svdpipswich.blogspot.com/>

All are welcome to participate in this mission as we meet at 7 PM on the first Monday night of every month in the OLH parish hall.



**Remember God’s will in yours...**When you leave a bequest to the Church in your will or estate plan, you express your commitment to the future of your parish. You also return some of the blessings God gave to your life and leave an eternal message of what is important to you. Please consider including Our Lady of Hope Parish and Saint Paul Parish when preparing your will. For more information contact Fr. Brogan or call /email the parish office.



**PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY.....**

God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people. Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany freedom. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will. Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death."

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**

All volunteers who minister in the Archdiocese must attend the Protecting God's Children and receive the Code of Conduct form. In addition, all current volunteers and new volunteers must complete a CORI Form. Those who need to follow this requirement are anyone who helps in building our church in any way. This list of volunteer includes: staff, teachers, assistants to religious education, lectors, eucharistic ministers, ushers, Finance and Pastoral Council members, etc.

Please consider sharing your gifts and talents in our new collaborative at Our Lady of Hope and St. Paul's by attending this training to be ready to serve.

**Please sign up by logging onto:**

[Go to https://www.virtusonline.org/](https://www.virtusonline.org/)

- Click on "First-Time Registrant"
- Click on "Begin the registration Process"
- From the pull-down menu, choose "Boston, MA (Archdiocese)," ONLY
- When asked, "Have you previously registered with VIRTUS Online?" click "NO"
- Create a username and password when asked to do so and click "Continue"
- Fill in all the required fields for contact information on the next screen and click continue
- From the pull-down menu for "Location," choose "Our Lady of Hope Ipswich " or "St. Paul Hamilton" or wherever else they are coming from
- When the roles appear, choose a primary role and an additional role
- Add a Title (what you do for parish/school) in the box at bottom and click "Continue"
- On the next page, you may choose YES or NO depending on whether you want to associate your name with an additional school or parish
- Answer the four Yes/No questions on the next page and click "Continue"
- When asked "Have you already attended a VIRTUS Protecting God's Children Session?" answer NO.
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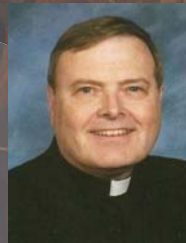
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