

# OUR LADY OF HOPE AND SAINT PAUL PARISHES

JANUARY 4, 2026



*Adoration of the Shepherds* Ridolfo Ghirlandaio 1510



## 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.

## 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.

**CONVALIDATION OF MARRIAGE**

If you and your spouse desire holy matrimony in the Catholic Church, you are invited to convalidate your marriage. A Celebration of Convalidation is an opportunity for couples married outside of the Church to enter into the marriage covenants in the Catholic tradition. Please speak with Fr. Brogan or call the parish office for more information.

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

## 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.

**SAINT PAUL PARISH**

50 Union Street  
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978-468-2337

WEBSITE: [www.ourladysaintpaul.org](http://www.ourladysaintpaul.org)  
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Elevator for Handicapped Access to the Saint Paul church is located in the rear of the building.

## PARISH STAFF

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## COLLABORATIVE FACEBOOK PAGE

Our Lady of Hope & St. Paul Parishes have a Facebook page! Like and follow for information, pictures and happenings in and around our parishes and communities. You can find us on Facebook by searching: Our Lady of Hope & St. Paul Parishes

**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.



## 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.



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.

## COLLABORATIVE MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, January 3**

4:00 pm Vigil — Weekend Mass (OLOH)

**Sunday, January 4**7:30 am — Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am — Weekend Mass (SP)

11:15 am — Dennis Smith &amp; Karen Tremblay (OLOH)

**Monday, January 5**

9:00 am — Weekday Mass (OLOH)

**Tuesday, January 6**

9:00 am — June &amp; John Minitier (OLOH)

**Wednesday, January 7 No Daily Mass****Thursday, January 8**

9:00 am — Kimberly Bilello (STP)

**Friday, January 9**

9:00 am — Weekday Mass (SP)

**Saturday, January 10**4:00 pm Vigil — Deceased Members of Ipswich  
Knights of Columbus (OLOH)**Sunday, January 11**7:30 am — Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am — Ruth Butman (SP)

11:15 am — Patricia Kobuszewski (OLOH)

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

## 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: [ourladysaintpaul.org](http://ourladysaintpaul.org) and follow the

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.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

For all those who are sick, especially Jim and Elaine Twitchell, Lauren Upham, Denise Leslie, Patrick Wetson, Louis P. Geoffrion, Anthony Passaretti, Lydia Fothergill, Kevin Donovan, Nancy Bianchi, Cameron Cyr, Kim Donohoe, Mia Angelis, Cameron Gagnon, Cathryn Lally, Denise Polli, Gerrie O'Brien, Irene Stackpole, Connie Donovan, Patricia Foley, J. P. Quinn and all those infected with the viruses and other illnesses.

- † For all those returning to school and their teachers
- † For all our parishioners who are sick, homebound and those confined to nursing facilities and hospital
- † For all those affected by natural disasters
- † For peace in our world, especially in Ukraine and Middle East
- † For 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 1st Lt. Thomas Monahan and Air Force 1st Lt. Will Hogan
- † For the unborn children

**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.



## UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**OLOH FUEL COLLECTION**

The Fuel collection is a great help in funding the anticipated cost of the parish heat and utilities this winter. The collection will be taken up during the months of December and January. Fuel Collection envelopes can be found at the exits of the church. Donations can be mailed, put on rectory porch or dropped in the weekend collection baskets. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this important collection that supports Our Lady of Hope Parish.

**CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION**

The CLA provides support for pastoral projects in financially poorer dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean. CLA funds catechetical and lay leadership programs, youth ministry, evangelization programs, and formation programs for religious, priests, and deacons. CLA is making it possible for the Catholic faithful in the Western hemisphere to help each other. Please visit [www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/latin-america/index.cfm) for more information.



**Eucharistic Prayer upon receiving Communion**  
 I have you, I hold you,  
 I love you,  
 I'll never let you go.

Step into a world of candlelight,  
music, and enchanting experiences.



## A Vivaldi & Mozart Candlelight Experience Friday 14th February

**Church of Saint Paul**  
**Hamilton, MA**  
**Two Seatings**  
**Saint Valentine's Day**  
**6:00 PM & 8:00 PM**

Tickets can be purchased  
through the Lumos Experiences website.



### 2026 CALENDARS

2026 Calendars are available at the doorways of the church of each parish and on the porch at OLH. Thank you to John Morris of Morris Funeral Home in Ipswich for providing the calendars for our parishioners.

### PARISH ROSARY GROUP

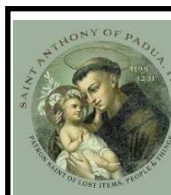
#### *Join Us to Pray the Rosary*

One of the greatest gifts of being Catholic is knowing that the Mother of our Lord is our Mother too. You are invited to join our weekly Parish Rosary group for prayer, reflection, and community, as we meditate on the *Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful and Glorious* mysteries of the Holy Rosary.

**When: Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm.**

**Where: Our Lady of Hope, Ipswich**  
**(enter through the front doors on the right)**

***All are welcome — whether you pray the Rosary often or it's your first time!***



***"St. Anthony, St. Anthony please look around something is lost and must be found"***

Have you been praying to St. Anthony to help you find a lost item??? We have found 2 yellow colored rings (one in the parking lot that has been there for awhile and one in the church) last Sunday. Both

were found at Our Lady of Hope.

If you think this is an answer to your prayer, please call the rectory office at 978-356-3944

### ST. PAUL PARISH HAPPENINGS

#### **SEVENFOLD Offertory Program**

St. Paul parishioners are asked to please consider a yearly pledge to support the weekly offertory of the parish. Your commitment allows the parish to help meet its operational expenses and all its fiduciary responsibilities incumbent on a parish today.

Commitment cards can be found at the doorways of the church and can be returned via the offertory basket or by mail to the parish office.

There's so much happening at St. Paul's. Let us **TOGETHER** make **SEVENFOLD** a great success for the parish.

Thank you to parishioners who are newly-enrolled and to parishioners who renewed their commitment to participate in Sevenfold

### 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.

### 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.

### SECOND & FOURTH FRIDAY COFFEE

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





# TRUTH IN CHRIST!

*Our Lady of Hope & St. Paul Parishes*



Merry Christmas to all!



The pageants at both parishes were wonderful! The children worked so hard to bring the story of the First Christmas to life, and it truly showed. A heartfelt thank you to Diane Bostrom and Ashley Dougherty at Our Lady of Hope for leading the children, and to Josh Collins for the beautiful musical accompaniment. Thank you as well to Jason Gaudette for his musical guidance and the beautiful music during the St. Paul's pageant.



Living God's story  
classes will be off for  
the holidays!

Classes will resume the week of  
Jan 4<sup>th</sup>

First Penance celebrations will be  
Sunday, Jan 11th

## OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH -GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION

**Thank you to all the parishioners who have contributed to the Grand Annual.**

**We have received \$68,060 or 75% of our \$90,000 goal. If you have not already donated to this important collection, please prayerfully consider a gift.**

*2025 Grand Annual Collection*

Our Lady of Hope Parish  
Ipswich, Massachusetts

ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Please prayerfully consider the following gifts this year:

<b>Pledge:</b>	<b>2 Monthly Payments:</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> \$350	<input type="checkbox"/> \$175 per month
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 per month
<input type="checkbox"/> \$750	<input type="checkbox"/> \$375 per month
<input type="checkbox"/> \$1000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 per month

☐ I have made my payment online at:  
[ourlady saintpaul.org](http://ourlady saintpaul.org)

Gift Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Balance Due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: Our Lady of Hope Parish

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## Life in the Spirit Weekend

*For Youth & Young Adults (ages 18-35)*



Join us for this dynamic, life-changing weekend!

*Saturday Mass - 6:30 pm with Bishop Cristiano Barbosa*

<b>Dates:</b>	<b>Friday, January 23, 2026</b>	<b>7:00 pm to 9:00 pm</b>
	<b>Saturday, January 24, 2026</b>	<b>10:30 am to 6:00 pm</b>
	<b>Sunday, January 25, 2026</b>	<b>Noon to 3:00 pm</b>
<b>Place:</b>	<b>St. Jude Parish School Hall</b>	<b>147 Main Street, Waltham, MA</b> (Enter through back door of school)
<b>Cost:</b>	<b>This Program is Free. Lunch and Dinner provided.</b>	

**Come & Learn more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit!**

*Day includes interactive activities, discussion groups, & presentations on the gifts & fruits of the Holy Spirit that God wants you to have.*

**Charismatic Renewal Services of the Archdiocese of Boston**  
Contact us - Phone: 781-333-5308 Email: [admin1@crsboston.org](mailto:admin1@crsboston.org)  
Visit our website at: [www.crsboston.com](http://www.crsboston.com)





# SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

By Fr. Larry Rice

“All of creation is changed by the  
appearance of Christ.”

In popular tradition, the feast of Epiphany commemorates the arrival of the three kings at the stable in Bethlehem where Christ was born. The gospel reading for the day—Matthew 2:1-12—tells the story. Over the years, a lot of tradition has grown around this story. Many people will tell you that the magi were three kings, named Caspar, Balthazar, and Melchior, and they may note that Caspar is traditionally depicted with darker skin. But if you read those twelve short verses from Matthew’s Gospel, it becomes clear that we really know very little about the magi. We don’t know their names. We don’t know where they came from—Matthew only says “from the east.” We don’t even know that they were kings. The word used by Matthew is “magi,” meaning someone learned in esoteric knowledge. Some translations call them “astrologers,” but the only basis for that is the statement that they were following a star. And even the star itself is a mystery. Astronomers can chart the movement of the stars back in time, but they can’t seem to agree about the existence of an astronomical event that would explain the reference. And even the most casual observer would have a hard time explaining what it would mean for a star to move through the sky and then stop over a particular place. Regardless of who the magi were and how the star showed them the way, the most significant

part of this event is the identity of the one who is made known—Jesus, the newborn king, who is worthy of homage by all men and women. The meaning of the epiphany that occurs in this gospel passage is that the “the newborn king of the Jews” is revealed to and recognized by people from far and distant lands. The appearance of mystical signs in the sky makes the point that all of creation is changed by the appearance of Christ. Because God has chosen to become human, all creation and all the people of the earth can experience the redemption he has come to bring.

Fr. Rice is Vocations Director for the Paulist Fathers.



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## PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

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**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**

James McCarthy, President | 978-992-6151

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

James Foley | 978-360-2799

**For more information, contact the parish office.**

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

The Catholic Women's club recently celebrated their 100th Anniversary. Consider joining this wonderful group which gathers to enrich the faith community

## 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.

## HOMEBOUND

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

## PARISH ROSARY GROUP



church.)

The Rosary Group has begun at Our Lady of Hope Parish on Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the church. All are Welcome to join! (Please enter through the front right-hand doors of the

## LENDING LIBRARY—SAINT PAUL &amp; OLOH



There is a lending library of books located in the chapel at Saint Paul's Church, and in the Church Hall at Our Lady of Hope. On the shelves are books on various subjects from Catholicism to the Saints to Salvation History.

## KNITTING MINISTRY AT SAINT PAUL



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**

## VOLUNTEER REQUEST FOR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

JoAnne Kelleher has graciously volunteered to chair our Social Committee at Our Lady of Hope. This committee will be involved in organizing and hosting various parish events. Please consider joining this group to support our Parish coming together. For more information please contact JoAnne Kelleher at jkelleher@ourladysaintpaul.org or call the rectory office. Thank you.



**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.

## COLLABORATIVE PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

## REGISTERING FOR 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.

On the next page, choose date and church to attend Protecting God's Children for Adults"

Confirm and you are done!

If you register for a training, please let us know once completed and forward a copy of your completion certificate to the rectory office. Thank you

## FLOWER COMMITTEE AT OUR LADY OF HOPE



We would like to expand our current Flower Committee at Our Lady of Hope Parish. The committee helps Fr. Brogan arrange the flowers and decorate the Church at Christmas and Easter. They also plant bulbs and flowers around the church and in the outdoor planters. If you are interested in joining, please contact the parish office to join and for more information at 978-356-3944.



## SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

### Our Lady of Hope / St. Paul – St. Vincent de Paul Conference

"I was hungry and you gave me food, thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me."

~ Matthew 25:35-36, 40

As Catholics, we are called to recognize Christ in the faces of those who struggle. Our faith is not only what we believe—it is what we do. The Gospel reminds us that caring for those in need is not optional; it is central to our discipleship. The St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP), founded in Paris in 1833, offers direct, personal assistance to neighbors in need—always with compassion, respect, and without judgment. The need in our own communities continues to grow. Families are choosing between rent and food, seniors struggle to stay warm, and neighbors face sudden hardship. When we serve them, we serve Christ Himself.

**If you or someone you know needs help, please call 978-992-6151.**

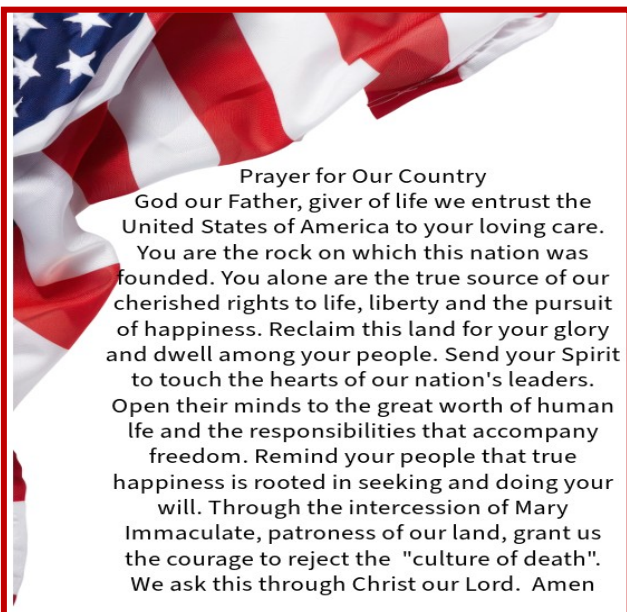
Our conference welcomes new members from Our Lady of Hope and St. Paul parishes to join us in serving those facing hardship. Membership is flexible—there are many ways to share your time and gifts. We meet on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Our Lady of Hope parish hall. Visit [svdpipswich.blogspot.com](http://svdpipswich.blogspot.com) or call 978-992-6151 to learn more. Your prayers, presence, and generosity make this mission possible. Please consider helping the St. Vincent de Paul Society bring hope and relief to those who need it most.

Donations are urgently needed to support neighbors in Ipswich, Hamilton, and Wenham. Contributions may be made through the Poor Boxes at Our Lady of Hope Church or by placing checks made out to "SVDP Society" in the collection baskets at either parish.

## NORTH SHORE SACRED HARP GROUP

The North Shore Sacred Harp group will meet on **Sunday, January 18** in the lower church hall at Our Lady of Hope Church, from **2:30 - 5:00 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](http://fasola.org), our national website. Our North Shore group has a presence on Facebook. For further details contact George Howe at [gehowe@comcast.net](mailto:gehowe@comcast.net)



**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

## IPSWICH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. It was founded by the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1882, and named in honor of the navigator Christopher Columbus. Originally serving as a mutual benefit society to low-income immigrant Catholics, it developed into a fraternal service organization dedicated to providing charitable services, promoting Catholic education, and actively defending Catholicism in various nations.



The Knights of Columbus is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They are dedicated to upholding the principles they cherish: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. The Knights stand together in faith and lend their support to the parish, home, and fellow Knights. From charity for worldwide causes, to helping closer to home with volunteer activities, to a top-rated insurance program that protects those closest to you, the Knights make the most of its brotherhood. All men in the parish are welcome and should consider joining the Knights of Columbus. We'd love to have you! For more information on joining the Knights, please contact Jim Foley Grand Knight of Ipswich Council 498 at: [Jamesfoley2233@gmail.com](mailto:Jamesfoley2233@gmail.com).



### Knights of Columbus

#### The Open Door Food Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a food drive for The Open Door Food Pantry in Ipswich. Please leave your donations near the front entrance of Our Lady of Hope Parish in the food donation box. The Knights will be transporting the food once a week and they

**Thank you for your donation.**

**Most needed items at**

**The Open Door (no glass!):**

**Peanut Butter • Canned Tuna, Chicken & Turkey • Healthy Snack Items • 100% Juice/Juice Boxes • Breakfast Cereal • Hearty Soups • Canned Vegetables & Fruits • Spaghetti Sauce • Macaroni & Cheese • Rice, Noodles, & Pasta • Cake, Muffin & Pancake Mix**

## CATHOLIC BLESSING OF THE HOME

When Christ took flesh through the Blessed Virgin Mary, He made his home with us. Let us now pray that he will enter this home and bless it with his presence. May he always be here with you, share in your joys, comfort you in your sorrows. Inspired by his teachings and example, seek to make your new home before all else a dwelling place of love, diffusing far and wide the goodness of Christ.