

5th Sunday
of Lent

Our Lady of Hope &
Saint Paul Parishes
March 17, 2024



Saint Patrick of Ireland
Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Boston

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.

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.

SAINT PAUL PARISH

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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, March 16

4:00 pm Vigil— Brian Flynn (OLOH)

Sunday, March 17

7:30 am— Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am— Carole Mastendino

11:15am— Weekend Mass (OLOH)

Monday, March 18

9:00 am— Weekday Mass (OLOH)

Tuesday, March 19

9:00 am —Deceased Members of Bognanno &
DiNatale Families (OLOH)

Wednesday, March 20 No Daily Mass

Thursday, March 21

9:00 am — Richard Benirowski-1st Anniversary (SP)

Friday, March 22

9:00 am — Weekday Mass (SP)

Saturday, March 23

4:00 pm Vigil— Richard Benirowski (OLOH)

Palm Sunday, March 24

7:30 am— Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am— Mary Jo Driscoll (SP)

11:15am— Margeret Molloy (OLOH)

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

CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2024 Catholic Appeal officially launched in our parish and across the Archdiocese this past weekend. 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.

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 John G. Thatcher, Jr., Lawrence J. Eaton, Mark Koris 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 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.

Holy Week Schedule

March 23-24 – Palm Sunday Masses

Saturday, 4:00pm Vigil—Our Lady of Hope

Sunday, 7:30 am & 9:30 am—St. Paul

Sunday, 11:15am – Our Lady of Hope

March 28—Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass at Saint Paul

March 29 – Good Friday

Stations of the Cross

3:00pm — Our Lady of Hope

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00pm —St. Paul

March 30 – Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil Mass

7:00 pm— Our Lady of Hope

March 31– Easter Sunday Masses

7:30am & 9:30am – Saint Paul

11:15am – Our Lady of Hope



WELCOME
Luca Joseph Liakos
who was baptized into the
Family of God.

NORTH SHORE SACRED HARP GROUP

The North Shore Sacred Harp group will next on **Sunday March 17th**, 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 18th–21st 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

Saint Patrick

C. 389-461

FEAST DAY: MARCH 17

The patron saint of Ireland, Patrick was born in Roman Britain. He describes his life and ministry, including his work to convert the Irish people, in his short autobiography and testimony, Confessions. Kidnapped at age 16 by Irish raiders and sold into slavery in Ireland, his time spent in captivity transformed him spiritually. He was a lonely shepherd for six years before escaping and returning home.

After returning home, his dream of converting the Irish from pagan belief propelled him to priestly studies in Gaul (now France). In about 432, Pope Celestine I consecrated him as a bishop and sent him to Ireland. For nearly 30 years, he preached tirelessly, made countless converts, founded monasteries, and established the primal see at Armagh in modern-day Northern Ireland.

Toward the end of his life, he made a 40-day retreat on Croagh Patrick mountain in present-day County Mayo. That gave rise to the pilgrimages that are made on the mountain to this day. Stories that Patrick used the shamrock to explain the Trinity and drove snakes from the island are unconfirmed legend.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jeremiah 31:31-34: "The days are coming says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. I will be their God, and they shall be my people." We have made a covenant in our marriage with God and with our spouse to love one another and to fulfill our vows. To nourish your sacrament, sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Learn how to listen better, communicate more, and be a better couple. You will be glad you did! You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

April 11-May 23, 2024 (virtual 3RE)

June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends 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://www.mema.org/>.

PARISH
SAINT PATRICK'S DAY
 CELEBRATIONS

IN THE CHURCH HALLS FOLLOWING THE
 9:30 MASS AT ST. PAUL'S & 11:15 MASS AT OUR LADY'S
FOOD - MUSIC - REFRESHMENTS
 IT'S YOUR LUCKY DAY! BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR GREEN!
LET THE SHENANIGANS BEGIN!

an old irish blessing

may the road rise up
 to meet you.
 may the wind
 always be at your back.
 may the sun shine
 warm upon your face,
 and rains fall
 soft upon your fields.
 and until we meet again,
 may god hold you
 in the palm of his hand.

SAINT PAUL PARISH HAPPENINGS

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY— 9:30am
March 17 with Fr. Brogan

COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS
Please join us for coffee & doughnuts
in the church hall following the 9:30
Mass Next Weekend.
March 24, 2024

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."

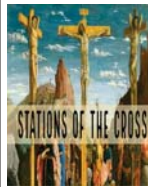
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ALL MASSES

HELP SUPPORT THE ST. PAUL
KNITTING MINISTRY... BUY YOUR
RAFFLE TICKETS BEFORE THE FINAL
DRAWING AT THE SAINT PATRICK'S
DAY CELEBRATION AT ST. PAUL'S!
MAY THE
LUCK OF THE IRISH BE WITH YOU!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS —ST PAUL



Stations of the Cross will be held at **6:30pm on Friday evenings during Lent at St. Paul's, Hamilton.**

The Stations of the Cross devotion commemorates Jesus Christ's Passion and Death. The 14 devotions, or stations, focus on specific events of His last day, beginning with His condemnation. The stations are commonly used as a mini pilgrimage as the individual moves along from station to station. At each station, the individual recalls and meditates on a specific event from Christ's Passion. Specific prayers are recited, then the individual follows along to the next station until all 14 are complete.

EDGE PROGRAM—ST PAUL

Dear EDGE Families,

In the third Edge Night of the series "Don't Go Down with the Ship," we learned about Jesus's role in our salvation. The Edge Night began with a game of dodgeball with a twist. We then did our annual "tour of the Church" where we discover some of the special symbols in Saint Paul's. You may want to ask what is the ambo; ambry and our favorite, the baldacchino ("canopy"). Students also take turns ringing the bells - and some expressed an interest in altar serving. We have a parishioner who is available to run a training if your child is interested! We watched a video on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The Edge Night ended with a prayer focused on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

MAIN IDEAS

- Our sins damage our relationship with God; our Savior provides a bridge between us and God to bring us closer to Him and to put us back into right relationship.
- We take more personal responsibility for our actions the more we grow in our relationship with Jesus. This helps us become increasingly aware of our shortcomings, so when we do fall, we recognize our need for the love and mercy of our Savior.
- We are motivated to grow in holiness once we truly understand the sacrifice of our Savior on the cross and the Holy Spirit at work in our lives.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

"But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with His stripes, we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5)

FAMILY REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- How do your sins damage your relationship with God?
- How can we grow in our relationship with Jesus to avoid sin?
- How can we as a family become more aware of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross?

We spend time discussing the importance of going to confession! This is an everlasting gift from Jesus to us - the sacrament of reconciliation. Lent is the best time to commit to going to confession.

God Bless You,
 Debra and the Core Team

OLOH -EASTER FLOWERS

We will celebrate Easter on March 31, 2024. We will once again memorialize the flowers and plants used around the altar and sanctuary. If you would like to make a donation in memory of a deceased member of a particular family or in someone's memory please follow the process below:

Using a plain white envelope, write "Easter Flowers" on it. Please print (clearly) the name of the person, couple (mother/father) or the name of the family you want remembered on the outside of the envelope; or you may also include the names on a piece of paper inside the envelope. The donation request is **\$25.00 (or more if you desire)** per name, couple or family.

Flower request envelopes can be placed in the weekend collection basket, incoming mail bin on the rectory porch or mail them to: **Our Lady of Hope, 1 Pineswamp RD, Ipswich**

We will publish the names of all those in whose memory the flowers and plants are intentioned in our Easter Bulletin. The **deadline** to have your intentions printed in the Easter Bulletin is this week, **Wednesday, March 20, 2024**. This is due to early submission of bulletin for Holy Week. Thank you in advance.

May these flowers assist us in our
"Alleluia to the Risen Lord"

SAINT OF THE MONTH March



ST. JOSEPH WAS A HOLY MAN – AND A VERY GOOD FATHER

Fest Day: March 19, transferred to March 20 when the 19th is a Sunday. St. Joseph is the patron of all families, especially of fathers, and the patron and protector of our family in faith, the Church.

The Scriptures don't say much about St. Joseph, but we can figure out what kind of man he was just from the little we read. He came from the royal line of King David, but was a man of modest means who could only afford the temple sacrifice of two doves when Jesus was circumcised. He was a man who loved and trusted God, listening to the messages of angels and trusting in their messages. He was a man of courage, following God's plan for him though it was contrary to societal norms of the time. He was a man of action, doing whatever he needed to do to protect his family from danger. He made sure that Jesus was brought up in the practice of his faith, making the annual trek to Jerusalem for Passover. He was a good and loving father, worried sick about Jesus when he disappeared during one of the Passover trips.

St. Joseph is a wonderful model for fathers today. He teaches us to love and trust God, in choosing to follow God's plan over what might have been his own. He teaches us to love our spouses – one of the most important gifts we can give our children. Joseph put Mary's needs before his own, sacrificing his reputation to protect hers and supporting her choice to follow God's plan for her life. He teaches us to love our children, embracing the infant Jesus as his own son, humbly and quietly providing care, guidance and protection for him as he grows.

We read nothing more about Joseph after his family is reunited during that frightening visit to Jerusalem. Because Jesus entrusts Mary to one of his disciples at his crucifixion, we can make the assumption that Joseph died before Jesus fulfilled his mission on earth. For generations, Catholics have painted a picture of Joseph breathing his last with Mary and Jesus by his side to comfort him.



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Lent

GIVING THINGS UP FOR LENT

BY FR. LARRY RICE

Ask nearly anyone who grew up Catholic what they're doing for Lent, and they'll probably tell you what they're "giving up" for Lent. The notion of giving up some pleasure for the 40 days of Lent is very much in keeping with the penitential character of the season. Of course, the primary pillars of Lent are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. All of these are intended to turn our hearts back to God, to purify us, and prepare us for the celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter. One of the things that the whole Church gives up for Lent is the acclamation "Alleluia", before the proclamation of the Gospel.

Of course, when it comes to giving things up for Lent, people often get into trouble by taking on too much, or by working from the wrong motivation. To take on too much is to set oneself up for failure. Several years ago, I decided to give up both meat and chocolate for Lent. Instead of turning my heart back to God, this only served to make me

irritable, as every bacon cheeseburger or peanut butter cup I encountered began to take on demonic proportions. The following year, I decided that perhaps the spiritual discipline of Lent was what I needed to help me lose 10 pounds by Easter. This was obviously the wrong motivation, because it made my Lenten practice all about me. This discipline is supposed to get us out of ourselves, and back to God. Needless to say, by Easter I still had those 10 pounds, and felt like a failure besides. The gift of humility comes from all sorts of interesting places.

So this year, I'm trying a different tack. For Lent, I'm giving up complaining. I'm also trying to give up a grudge that I've been quietly carrying around since Christmas. I've also given up elevators, as an occasional reminder of my tendency to take the easy path. Time will tell, but I think I might make it all the way to Easter this year.

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LENT IS A TIME FOR REFLECTION, REPENTANCE AND RESTORATION.

Examination of Conscience

BY FATHER LARRY RICE

In the Catholic spiritual tradition, we have a method of self-evaluation that might be a valuable spiritual exercise at this time of year. It's called an "examination of conscience." Although there are lots of different forms of this exercise, all of them are comprised of a structured list of questions to ask yourself, designed to help you determine where you might have gone wrong, what your spiritual weaknesses are, and even what you should have done that maybe you neglected to do.

If you've never done a formal examination of conscience, this might seem like a big downer. But this is a list that's just between you and God. There's no need to sugarcoat it. If, after going through the exercise, you've discovered some serious issues needing reconciliation and forgiveness, then you're well prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation or confession. At a minimum, you'll be able to base your Lenten sacrifice on something concrete.

A Brief Examination of Conscience Based on the Ten Commandments

I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange Gods before me.

Have I treated people, events, or things as more important than God?

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church, or people?

Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) and on Holy Days of Obligation? Do I avoid, when possible, work that impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord's Day, and proper relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend

time with family or in service on Sunday?

Honor your father and your mother.

Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize them for lacking skills I think they should have?

You shall not kill.

Have I harmed another through physical, verbal, or emotional means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?

You shall not commit adultery.

Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity of others and of myself?

You shall not steal.

Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to another?

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Have I gossiped, told lies, or embellished stories at the expense of another?

You shall not covet your neighbor's spouse.

Have I honored my spouse with my full affection and exclusive love?

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare myself to others unnecessarily?



Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

Jesus offers forgiveness to us through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As Catholics, we are called to experience Reconciliation at least once a year. Journey through Lent with a clean heart and an open mind.

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LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Fasting

Ash Wednesday
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday during Lent

Ages 14+

How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excused are pregnant or nursing women.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org.

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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.
- 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

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.

**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

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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 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@ourladysaintpaul.org or call 978-500-6789.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 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 together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to neighbors in need.

As a reflection of the whole family of God, members, known as Vincentians, come together from every age, every race, and every income level and share our blessings of time, talent, and treasure with those who need help and hope. Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. We make no distinction in those we serve because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ.

Our local chapter of the Saint Vincent DePaul Society is a collection of parishioners inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness, and building a better world through personal relationships with and serving the people in need in our community. We join to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to 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 assistance with rent, food, clothing, and other emergency needs.

Here are some recent examples of the help we have provided thanks to your generous Poor Box donations; we assisted a woman in a housing transition suffering from several health challenges with a week's stay at a local Inn. We've provided new mattress sets and sheets to a young family in need, and we have assisted a single mother and her son with a deposit for electricity as they return to Ipswich from Gloucester, hoping to find a better environment for their family life. We're assisting another single mother who has had to deal with the requirements of a special needs preschool child and, due to not being able to work full time, fell behind on her electric bills, and we've assisted a recently widowed senior with rental assistance while she deals with unexpected expenses.

We appreciate the opportunity to represent our two parishes in this work of charity that we do on behalf of all parishioners. We provide a person-to-person Christ-centered service that encompasses listening, empathizing, and bringing a prayerful approach to each encounter. We meet in the homes of each recipient, representing ourselves as members of our Hamilton/Ipswich/Wenham Catholic Community, seeking to bring support and the joy of Christ, non-judgmentally, to those in need.

Thank you again for thinking of those less fortunate and donating to the Poor Boxes on your way out of Our Lady of Hope Church. 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://svdipswich.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 OLVH parish hall.



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