

Our Lady of Hope and Saint Paul Parishes
March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent



Jesus was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. From the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 17:2,5

OUR LADY OF HOPE / SAINT PAUL DIRECTORY

OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

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978-356-3944

WEBSITE: www.ourladysaintpaul.org
EMAIL: ourlady@ourladysaintpaul.org



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)

If Ipswich (Mon/Tues) or Hamilton/Wenham (Thurs/Fri) schools are cancelled, Daily Mass is cancelled.

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

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

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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, February 28

4:00 pm Vigil — Weekend Mass (OLOH)

Sunday, March 1

7:30 am — Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am — Carole Lois Martin (SP)

11:15 am – Weekday Mass (OLOH)

Monday, March 2

9:00 am — Gloria Fallon (OLOH)

Tuesday, March 3

9:00 am — Rose McNulty—105th Anniv. (OLOH)

Wednesday, March 4 No Daily Mass

Thursday, March 5

9:00 am — Richard Zigas

Friday, March 6

9:00 am — Weekday Mass (SP)

Saturday, March 7

4:00 pm Vigil — Weekend Mass (OLOH)

Sunday, March 8

7:30 am — Parishioners (SP) *NO MUSIC*

9:30 am — Paul Nasipak (SP)

11:15 am – Weekday Mass (OLOH)

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



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 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

WE ASK PARISHIONERS TO PRAY...

For all those who are sick, especially Jeanne Smith, Solana Carmella Rosa (infant), Anne Marie Cullen, Leonora Subrizio, Kate Wagner, 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, Irene Stackpole, Connie Donovan, Patricia Foley, J. P. Quinn and all those infected with 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 Judith Fortin, Virginia Bowen 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 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 February and March. 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.

APRIL 3 — HOLY LAND SHRINES

Good Friday's collection for the Holy Land is, in the words of Paul VI, "not only for the Holy Places but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities."

WINTER STORM CANCELLATIONS

When there is inclement weather, there is concern for the safety of parishioners and visiting priests traveling to our parishes and our ability to clear the parking lot and walkways to make them safe and free of snow/ice. When conditions are extreme and the Ipswich, & Hamilton-Wenham School system cancels classes, we will also follow this same decision and cancel celebrating daily Mass. In addition, when there are extreme conditions or roads are unsafe we will also post cancellations of parish events, religious education and weekend Masses on our website.

OLOH -EASTER FLOWERS

We will celebrate Easter on April 5, 2026
 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:
 We will publish the names of all those in whose

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**

memory the flowers and plants are intended in our Easter Bulletin. The **deadline** to have your intentions printed in the Easter Bulletin is this week, **Monday, March 23, 2026** 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"**

Jesus: The Way, the Truth, the Life Bible Study

Please join us as we go on a 10-week Pilgrimage about Jesus this Lent, which will address the following:

1. What were the Jewish expectations of the Messiah in Jesus' day;
2. What was the significance of the wise men and Jewish shepherds paying homage to Jesus soon after His birth;
3. What is the meaning of many of Jesus' parables;
4. How were many Old Testament Prophecies fulfilled in Jesus;
5. What was accomplished by Jesus' death and Resurrection;
6. What is meant by the phrase, "Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life";
7. How did Jesus reveal the Father's love and mercy in His ministry

WHEN / WHERE : every Monday through **April 27, 2026**

9:30 AM-11AM Monday mornings
 at Our Lady of Hope, Ipswich, MA

6:30 – 8 PM Monday nights
 at St Paul's, Hamilton, MA

Course Fee : estimated \$11*-\$19
 (for used/new book with shipping,
 plus \$3 printing fee for handouts)

Book is not required,
 but is recommended for maximum benefit

To sign up: Email wkenyon@aol.com ASAP, to register.
 Please specify whether to reserve a used or new book.
 (Limited quantity of used books may be available on first come basis.) Cost of used books is estimated.



**Stations of the Cross
 &
 Lenten Soup Supper**

Fridays of Lent at 6:00 PM

February 27 — St. Paul, Hamilton

March 6 — Our Lady of Hope, Ipswich

March 13 — St. Paul, Hamilton

March 20 — Our Lady of Hope, Ipswich

March 27— St. Paul, Hamilton

A light supper of soup and hearty bread will be served in the church hall immediately following the Stations of the Cross service. **All are invited.**



LEPRECHAUNS NEEDED!

If you would like to help make the **Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations** a fun and festive shindig, please consider signing up on SignUp Genius to provide a special something (baked goods, balloons, refreshments) or to lend a helping hand before or after the festivities of your parish party! To do so, please see below:

Saint Paul's SignUp Genius Website

Go to: signupgenius.com/findasignup

Enter Creator's email: STPAUL@OURLADYSAINTPAUL.ORG

Check that you are not a robot

Hit: Search

This will bring you to Search Result and click on the St. Patrick's Day Parishioners picture which will then bring you to the list of items or needed help for the celebration at St. Paul's.



Or if more convenient for you, use your phone to scan the respective QR Code to bring you directly to our parish list.

Please call Lucy Cronan at the parish office, if you have any questions or need assistance signing up.



TRUTH IN CHRIST!

Our Lady of Hope & St. Paul Parishes



"LIVING GOD'S STORY" (G1-5)

As Catholics, we are called to grow closer to God during this Lenten season. We talked about the importance of prayer, sacrifice, and acts of charity, and how Lent is a time to reflect on Jesus' forty days in the desert. The students shared ways they can make small sacrifices, show kindness to others, and strengthen their relationship with Christ as we prepare our hearts for Easter.

GRADE 1: LENT - LUKE 15:11, 20-24 the children studied the parable of the Prodigal Son. They learned of God's unwavering love and forgiveness for us and created sacrifice bead chains to commemorate the beginning of LENT.

GRADE 2: L4 - COLOSSIAN 3:12-17 The children are preparing for their upcoming First Communion in April by opening their hearts and giving thanks to God.

GRADE 3: LENT/PALM SUNDAY - Matthew 21:6-9 the students created a Lenten promise chain. They discussed the disciples preparing for Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

GRADE 4: LENT - EXODUS 14:21-25: The parting of the Red Sea. They students discussed God's deliverance of the Israelites from slavery. This passage reminds us that God makes a way where there seems to be none. Even in moments of fear, uncertainty, or danger, He is present, powerful, and faithful.

GRADE 5: L14 - 1 JOHN 3:11-18: this passage tells us that we are called to love others not merely with words or speech, but in action and in truth. That authentic Christian faith is visible through self-sacrificing love – love that reflects Christ Himself. A wonderful message as we begin Lent.

GRADES 6-8

The Confirmation students are busy preparing for Confirmation in May!

Grades 6-8 hosted our annual **Pancake Dinner on Tuesday!** Great food and fun was had by all!

CHILDREN'S LITURGIES AND YOUTH PARTICIPATION MASSES:

MARCH 1: 9:30AM St. Paul's
Children's liturgy & Youth participation

MARCH 15: 11:15AM OLOH
Children's liturgy & Youth participation



CULTURE

Michelle DiFranco



'CHOOSING THE BETTER PART' DURING LENT

With the season of Lent almost upon us, I've thought about what I'm going to either "give up" or "do more of." Over the years, this time has brought up feelings of inadequacy, since I usually fail at some point during the season. So, recently, I've tried taking a different approach in the weeks leading up to this holy season.

As I've reflected on what has kept me from having a "good Lent" in the past, I recognize I consistently employ the excuse, "I'm just too busy." I measure my self-worth by how much I can get accomplished in one day. I'll overextend myself and try to do more than what is humanly possible, which leaves me feeling cranky and less present to my husband and children. If I've cited it once, I'll cite it again: I fall into that recurring trap of being Martha over Mary in this craziness we call life. How often I neglect the poignant passage:

"As they continued their journey, he entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary [who] sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.' The Lord said to her in reply, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.'" (Lk 10:38-42)

I am forced to admit that I do not always "choose the better part," which not only sets me up for failure during Lent, but hinders me from a deeper and more meaningful relationship with Christ.

Mediterranean Sheet Pan Salmon (serves 4)

Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 3-4 cloves minced garlic
- 2 teaspoons Italian seasoning
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 whole lemon
- 4 salmon fillets (about 5 ounces each)
- 1 red onion cut into small wedges
- 1 cup grape tomatoes
- 1 medium zucchini diced into 1 inch cubes
- 1 cup pitted mixed olives (like Kalamata and Sicilian)
- 1 can artichoke hearts (drained)
- 3 tablespoons capers
- Salt & pepper to taste

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Cut the lemon into 1/8 inch slices, reserving 1/3 of it for the dressing. In a small bowl, combine extra virgin olive oil, red wine vinegar, juice of remaining lemon, minced garlic, salt and Italian seasoning.

In a gallon-size plastic bag, combine onion wedges, tomatoes, zucchini, artichoke hearts, olives and half of the dressing. Shake until coated and set aside. On a parchment-lined baking sheet, place salmon fillets face down in center. Brush or drizzle some of the dressing on the fillets. Flip over and repeat. Arrange vegetables and capers around the salmon fillets. Place sliced lemons over the fillets and bake for 18-20 minutes or until salmon flakes easily with a fork. This is a great dish on its own or served with rice, quinoa or a potato.

Did you know...

The parish offices recently sent emails to all parishioners on record to notify them of office closures and canceled classes. *If you did not receive a notification of the sort, we do not have your email address.* Please notify your respective parish of your email address and we will include you in all future notifications.

Our Lady of Hope: ourlady@ourladystpaul.org
 Saint Paul: stpaul@ourladystpaul.org

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.

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.

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.

2026 Lenten Guide for Catholics
Fasting Abstinence

<p>Obligatory: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday</p> <p>Baptized faithful between 18 and 59 years of age</p> <p>For the faithful, fasting is consuming only 1 meal in a day, and 2 small meals that do not surpass the main meal when combined.</p>	<p>Obligatory: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday</p> <p>Recommended: Every Friday throughout the year</p> <p>Baptized faithful ages 14 and older</p> <p>Meats to avoid: beef, pork, chicken, lamb. You may consume: fish, seafood, and (delicious as it sounds) reptiles.</p>
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Prayer for VOCATIONS



Almighty Father,
 You have created for us some definite purpose.
 Grant us the grace to know the path

You have planned for us in this life
 And to respond with a generous "Yes."

Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations.
 May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal.

Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests.
 Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husbands and wives, who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church.

We commend our prayer for vocations to you, Father, through the intercession of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ Our Lord. Amen

"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. We often find keys, gloves and other items, if you are missing anything else try checking here for lost items.

If you have been at Mass or an event and misplaced a belonging it might be here.

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

In **WORD & DEED** *2nd Sunday of Lent*

Late in spring, my young nieces would stay with me for a few hours while their parents worked. I had them plant an assortment of small flowering plants. During the summer, they often would help me water the garden and marvel at the size and beauty of the flowers that grew so quickly. By summer's end, the mature plants added beauty and grace to an otherwise barren spot.

When Jesus is transformed before the Apostles, he is not just a bright light in a dark moment. He reveals something new and as yet unseen: the glory of the Father, proclaimed in the Law and the Prophets, and now fully seen in the person of Jesus. This is God's love and mercy, promising new hope and new life to the whole world. Encouraged by their vision, the Apostles would be the first to witness to Jesus and to the Gospel.

Every so often, we may get a small insight into faith. An understanding of the Gospel, or a new appreciation for the sacraments or a sense of awe during a special holy day can reinvigorate our faith. It gives us an added incentive to seek the truth or to delve more deeply into our beliefs. It may also be the little spark that renews a faltering faith. Look for those little moments when we are transformed. When we seek the Lord, He is always to be found. ~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

PARISH MINISTRY CONTACTS

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CLUB

The Catholic Women’s Club will be meeting on Thursday, March 12th at Our Lady of hope. The meeting starts at 6:30 PM. Our guest speaker will be Jim Foley from the Knights of Columbus.

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 the call parish office to make arrangements.

PARISH ROSARY GROUP



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 church.)

LENDING LIBRARY—SAINT PAUL & 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 1PM to 3PM in St. Paul Church hall.**

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@ourlady saintpaul.org or call the rectory office. Thank you.

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.

NORTH SHORE SACRED HARP GROUP

The North Shore Sacred Harp group will meet on **Sunday, March 15** 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 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 at 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.

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.



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.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

**St. Vincent de Paul: Your Support in Action
Our Lady of Hope and St. Paul's Collaborative**

What we do

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a parish-based ministry of neighbors helping neighbors—rooted in prayer and a simple mission: to see Christ in those who are struggling and respond with practical, compassionate help. You don't have to be "holy enough" to serve—just willing to show up.

Local, confidential help—close to home

Because of your generosity, we help neighbors in Hamilton, Ipswich, and Wenham—quietly, respectfully, and promptly. Jesus tells us: "Whatever you did for one of the least of these...you did for me" (Matthew 25). That's why we respond quickly when someone calls.

Lenten invitation

Lent calls us to prayer, sacrifice, and charity. This year, consider a different kind of sacrifice: showing up for someone in need. A small commitment—an occasional delivery, a phone check-in, or a behind-the-scenes task—can become a real work of mercy, close to home.

Service area

Hamilton • Ipswich • Wenham
FY2025 Impact & Stewardship
(Oct 1, 2024 – Sep 30, 2025)

At a glance

- People served: 119 neighbors
- Home visits: 83
- Hours of service: 700
- Conference team: 15 Active & 6 Associate Members
 - **Donations received:** \$14,495 (avg \$1,208/month)
 - **Aid distributed:** \$17,861 (avg \$1,488/month)

Top 3 needs served

Food assistance: \$5,529 (38.1%) • **Utilities & phone:** \$3,097 (21.4%)
Housing (rent/mortgage/motel): \$2,985 (20.6%)

Need help? Know someone who does?

We respond confidentially and without judgment.

Call: 978-992-6151 Leave a message and a Vincentian will return your call within 24 hours.

How you can help

Donate: Poor Boxes at Our Lady of Hope,

or checks payable to SVDP in the offertory basket at St. Paul's

Volunteer: Call 978-992-6151 or join a monthly meeting to learn more

Pray: for neighbors in crisis—and for wisdom to serve well
Every gift becomes real help at a neighbor's doorstep—food, heat, housing, and hope. Thank you for supporting this work.

IPSWICH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



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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

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