

**SAINT HIPPOLYTE  
CHURCH**

26012 N. Frenchtown Rd., Guys Mills PA 16327  
(GPS only; send mail to the parish office)

Monday 8:30am - Adoration and Rosary  
Sunday 11:00am - Mass

**Confessions:**  
First Sunday of the Month after Mass  
or by appointment

IT IS THE MISSION OF SAINT HIPPOLYTE AND OUR LADY OF LOURDES TO FULLY, CONSCIOUSLY, AND ACTIVELY GROW AS A FAMILY CENTERED IN CHRIST MINISTERING TO THE ENTIRE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.

**Pastor**  
Rev. Jeffrey J. Lucas

**Parochial Vicar**  
Rev. Kyle Seyler

**Faith Formation Coordinator**  
Joyce Tarr 814-671-1009

**Administrative Assistants**  
Kathleen Wheelock and Allison Mattis

**Director of Music Ministries**  
Darcie Schoenfeldt

**To schedule an appointment with  
Father Lucas or Father Seyler, call 814-336-1112.**

**Parish Office**  
25997 State Highway 27, Guys Mills, PA 16327  
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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm

St. Hippolyte Social Hall: 814-789-4533  
Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall: 814-425-7550

**Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 19, WEEKDAY**  
8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, WEEKDAY**  
**SAINT FABIAN AND SAINT SEBASTIAN**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21 WEEKDAY SAINT AGNES**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, WEEKDAY USA Day of Prayer for  
Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, WEEKDAY SAINT'S VINCENT & COPE**  
8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES**

**SUNDAY, JAN 25, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
11:00am SH Betty Dale (Cowan, Ferry, & Yeager Families)

Read our parish bulletin online at  
[www.sainthippolytechurch.com](http://www.sainthippolytechurch.com)  
and The Epiphany of the Lord parish bulletin at  
[www.epiphanymeadville.org](http://www.epiphanymeadville.org)

**HELPING HANDS MINISTRY**

**Coordinators:**

Fran Greathouse ..... 814-425-2549  
Carole Jones ..... 814-789-2881

**Prayer Requests:**

Bob Schoenfeldt ..... 814-333-8464  
Julia Hovis ..... 814-657-3265

**Visitation:**

Carole Jones (cards) ..... 814-789-2881  
Pam Garofola (cards) ..... 814-720-8190  
Connie Molli (telephone) ..... 814-967-3813  
Brenda Withers (telephone) .. 814-425-1062

**Ministry of Welcome:**

Garold Molli ..... 814-967-3813  
Jen Mitchell (newborns) ..... 412-965-2141

**Services to the Bereaved:**

Kay Hotchkiss (Mass) ..... 814-425-3933  
Steve Dale (Mass) ..... 814-425-2341  
Kitty Jahn (dinner) ..... 814-425-8282  
Cathy Kalinowski (dinner).... 814-425-2484  
Rita Bogardus (dinner)..... 814-789-2679  
Joyce Tarr (follow up)..... 814-671-1009

**Emergency Home Care:**

Mary Beth Coyle (meals)..... 814-350-6218  
Amy Mercier (meals) ..... 814-795-0052  
Scott Wheelock (odd jobs).... 814-967-4319

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** Membership includes active participation in the sacramental life of the Church, involvement in the activities of the faith community and financial support of the parish. New members are welcome to register by calling the parish office. at 814-789-2022

**BAPTISM:** Parents must attend the Pre-Baptism Program. Call the parish office for a copy of the program schedule and to schedule your child's baptism.

**EUCARIST:** If you require a gluten-free host, please notify the hospitality minister as you enter the church.

**MARRIAGE:** One party must be a registered parishioner and actively involved for one year before scheduling a wedding. Please call the parish office at least six months prior to the proposed date of marriage. No date can be set before the first interview with the priest has been completed.

**ANointing of the Sick:** Please phone the parish office immediately if a loved one is sick or hospitalized.

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is offered in our parish immediately following Sunday Mass on the first Sunday of the month. Confession is also offered at The Epiphany of the Lord Parish, Saint Agatha Church (353 Pine Street, Meadville) on Saturday mornings following the 8:00am Mass and on Saturday afternoons at 3:30pm. To schedule an appointment with Father Lucas or Father Seyler, call 814-336-1112.

Sacramental Emergency: 814-350-7676

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	9:15am Faith Formation Classes PS-12 10:30am Rosary at SH 11:00am Student Mass Grades 6, 7, 8
Monday	12:00pm Sunday Social 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at SH
Tuesday	9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH
Friday	7:00pm Choir at SH
Sunday	8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL 9:15am Faith Formation Classes PS-9 10:30am Rosary at SH 11:00am Mass: 2nd Collection—Help spread the Faith Communications

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:	Is 49:3-5/6-1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
MONDAY:	1 Sm 15: 16-23/Mk 2:18-22
TUESDAY:	1 Sm 16: 1-13/Mk 2: 23-28
WEDNESDAY:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3: 1-6
THURSDAY:	1 Sm 18: 6-9, 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
FRIDAY:	1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
SATURDAY:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27
SUNDAY:	Is: 8:23-9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13,17/Mt 4:12-23

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jan 20: Amy Mercier, Amanda Tate, Jonathan Grundy  
Jan 21: Karen Martin, Arthur Papenfuse, Philip Young Jr.  
Jan 23: Theresa Mailliard, Raymond Schenberg  
Jan 24: Tim Stewart, Lauren DeFrances  
Jan 25: Kathleen Easly

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jan 20: Larry & Krista Rhoades  
Jan 21: Edward & Maureen Siverling

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel*

**Adults:** In the gospel today, John tell us who Jesus is for him. If someone were to ask you, how would you answer this question: Who is Jesus for you?

**Youth:** How are you able to see through all the busyness, the distractions, and the din of today's world to really see Christ as he makes himself present today? Where do you see him or experience his presence?

**Children:** If someone were to ask you, "who is Jesus?" how would you answer?

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## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

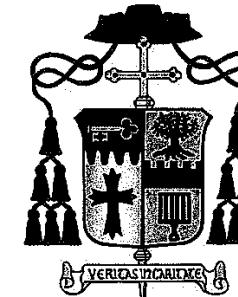
*Our gifts given in thanksgiving for what we have already received.*

### SH/OLL

Offertory last week: \$ 2,900.00  
envelopes used: #47  
Building Fund last week: \$ 260.00  
envelopes used: #19

*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

**Thank You!**



January 6, 2026

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Communicating the Gospel has always been at the heart of the Catholic Church's mission. Today, that mission takes on renewed urgency as we work to reach the faithful across our 13 counties through meaningful stories, clear teaching, and accessible outreach.

That is why I am inviting you to support the **Help Spread the Faith Communications Collection**, taken up on the weekend of January 24-25, 2026, which sustains two vital ministries in our diocese:

- **Faith magazine**
- **Catholic Communications (digital, video and news outreach)**

Your generosity makes it possible for us to:

- **Deliver *Faith* magazine** to tens of thousands of households – sharing stories of hope, service and discipleship.
- **Reach those on the margins** who no longer attend Mass regularly but stay connected through our publications and digital presence.
- **Strengthen our digital evangelization**, including video messages, online storytelling and social outreach.
- **Provide clear, trustworthy communication** during moments of celebration, challenge or transition in the life of the church.

Many parishioners have shared how a single article, homily quote or online reflection brought comfort in grief, encouraged a return to the sacraments or reignited a desire for deeper faith. These moments are grace at work – and your support makes them possible.

As we look forward to the year ahead, I ask you to prayerfully consider a gift to this year's collection. Your contribution directly helps us:

- Preserve *Faith* magazine as a free resource for every Catholic household.
- Expand our ability to proclaim the Gospel in innovative and compelling ways.
- Ensure that the Good News reaches every corner of northwest Pennsylvania.

**You have my heartfelt gratitude for the many ways you support the mission of the Catholic Church. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones.**

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**+Lawrence T. Persico**

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL  
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## NEW TO OUR COMMUNITY? JOIN OUR PARISH!

Welcome to our parish! We hope you will become a part of our parish family!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:

Saint Hippolyte

Our Lady of Lourdes

Please drop this form in the offertory basket or mail to the parish office.

If you would like the Sanctuary Candle to be lit for a week for a special intention or in memory of your loved one at either of our churches, please call the parish office at 814-789-2022. Donation: \$10.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** followed by the Rosary is offered at 8:30am on Monday mornings at Saint Hippolyte and Friday mornings at Our Lady of Lourdes.

### Invite One Back Workshop Feb. 21, 9am-4pm St. Mary's

St. Paul Street Evangelization has partnered with the Catholic Diocese of Erie to offer this unique one day workshop. We will help you discover and understand missionary discipleship based on Eucharistic sending, how to invite others back to Mass who have yet to return and anticipate various conversations, we will review our basic methodology of listen, befriend, proclaim, and invite, and we will review and practice our entire door to door ministry program. All of this is done within a framework of non-confrontational relational ministry.

Cost: \$20, includes hospitality and lunch. Register at [stpaulse.com/meadville](http://stpaulse.com/meadville)

### FRENCH DINNER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

SAINT HIPPOLYTE SOCIAL HALL

\$20 PER PERSON, IN ADVANCE

DINNER SERVED ON THE HOUR

5:00PM, 6:00PM, 7:00PM

TICKETS ARE NOT SOLD AT THE DOOR

ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ONLY

Reservations will be taken thru January 24.

Please call Kathy Young (814-573-6410) for reservations.

### PARISH RAFFLE TICKET RETURNS

can be made through the collection basket, given to Kathy Young or mailed to the parish office. If you need more tickets, please contact the parish office or Kathy Young. Our next monthly drawing will be held on Feb 1.

### Girl Scout Cookies for sale

If you are interested in purchasing Girl Scout cookies, Kylee and Finley Jones will have them for sale. Price is \$6 per box. Orders will be delivered Feb 14th-22nd. Money is due upon delivery. You can contact them at 814-431-5647. They are a part of Meadville Troop 53304

### No Greater Love Lenten Sessions

Starting Wednesday, Feb. 25, 6:30 pm, St. Agatha's Center. This year we will look at the last hours of Jesus' life as we walk step-by-step from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Amy will lead this video discussion series which will not be livestreamed because of copyright regulations. Workbooks are \$15. Registrations and money due by Monday, Feb. 9. Yes, we will do soup and bread again!

**St. Hippolyte parish** needs Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion (EMOHC) and Altar Servers. As of now we have 9 EMOCH and five Altar Servers, making the rotation very tight and doesn't leave room for sick time, holiday travel, etc. EMOHC'S serve at the altar (three per Mass) and may serve as home visitors, taking communion to the shut-in community for St. Hippolyte and OLL. Children in fourth grade will be eligible to become Altar servers after they make their First Holy Communion, and any student in 5th-12th grade may serve this vital role. Some of the older students may want to serve as Lectors, Ushers or Greeters and we would love to see them in these roles as well. These ministries are a visible means of supporting the Eucharistic Celebration of our Lord and are vital to the parish community. **"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few"** Luke 10:2. Please pray about your role in the parish life as baptized Catholics and contact Eileen Mantz, OFS at 814-425-1405 for more information or to volunteer

Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, PA will sponsor a special virtual series entitled **To Love Our Sacred Earth** with **Maureen Wild, SC**. Her first topic will be **Thomas Berry's 'Great Work' meets Jonna Macy's 'Great Turning'** on January 24, 2026.

she will also have two more programs on February 7th and September 12th . For more information go to : <https://vmesc.org/programs-retreats/all-events?id=1085>

### Eucharistic Corner

Why do we permit our souls to die of thirst when the Fountain of Living Water is just around the corner: Why do we live anxious, frustrated lives when the Source of Serenity waits to pour his peace into our hearts

~Mother Angelica

