

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

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochranton, PA 16314
(GPS only; send mail to the parish office)

Friday 8:30am - Adoration and Rosary

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 Assistant

Desiree Wagner

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

Phone: (814) 789-2022 Fax: 814-789-2025

Email: office@sainthippolytechurch.com

www.sainthippolytechurch.com

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm

St. Hippolyte Social Hall: 814-789-4533

Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall: 814-425-7550

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, ST. JOHN OF KANTY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

10:00pm SH Joseph and Joyce Newcomb
(Scott, Kathleen & Sean Wheelock)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD 11:00am Denise Schoenfeldt (Bob, Danielle, Darcie & Families)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, ST. STEPHEN

8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, ST JOHN

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, THE HOLY FAMILY

11:00am Shirley Hope (Joe & Alice Johnson)

Read our parish bulletin online at
www.sainthippolytechurch.com
and The Epiphany of the Lord parish bulletin at
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 Jehn (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.

EUCCHARIST: 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 Holiday Bake Sale
Monday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at SH
	9:30am	Small Group Bible Study at SH
Wednesday		Parish Office Closed
Thursday		Merry Christmas—Parish Office Closed
Friday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at OLL Parish Office Closed
Sunday	9:15am	No Faith Formation classes
	10:30am	Rosary at SH

COMING EVENTS

Jan 10 Le Nom du Pere Christmas Party at SH 12 noon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:	Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
MONDAY:	1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
TUESDAY:	Mal 3:1-4,23-24/Lk 1:57-66
WEDNESDAY:	2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16/Lk 1:67-79
THURSDAY:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17,22-25/Mt 1:1-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
FRIDAY:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
SATURDAY:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a,2-8
SUNDAY:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Mt 2:13-15,19-23

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec 22: Landon Pierce
Dec 23: Chris Bornemann, Kitty Jehn
Dec 25: Cec Richard, Chad Robinson
Dec 26: Bethany Holcomb, Gregg Kalinowski
Dec 27: Thomas Brooks, Joseph Grundy
Dec 28: Noah Carless, Cale Miller

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dec 26: Paddy & Evelyn Padlan; Al & Roberta Marcinek

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Adults – What experiences do you have of God “speaking to you” and directing your life and work? How does God speak to you in prayer?

Youth – God speaks to us in our intuitions and imagination, as he did to Joseph in this dream. What is your experience of hearing God speak in this way? What is God asking of you?

Children – When you pray, how do you hear God's voice in response?

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH/OLL
Offertory last week:	\$2,371
envelopes used:	56
Holy Days	\$ 483
Building Fund last week:	\$ 435
envelopes used:	24

Catholic Services Appeal 2025:

Diocesan Assessment: \$28,259

Pledges/Gifts: 69

Pledged: \$31,185

Payments Received: \$30,235

Thank You!

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER

God of mystery whom no eye can see, you yourself have given us a sign we can behold: the virgin is with child and bears a son whose name is Emmanuel, for God is with us. Plant within our hearts your living Word of promise, that, into a world grown weary of empty dreams and broken promises, we may bring forth the living presence of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

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 Jan 4th, 2026.

INTERESTED IN ATTENDING A CURSILLO WEEKEND or NEED MORE INFO?

Pick up a brochure in the church vestibule or call Carl and Kay Hotchkiss at 814-425-3933.

LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?

Discover why families always matter at:
<http://www.eriecd.org/fam.htm>



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK:

Saint Hippolyte/Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church

Join the diocesan Facebook page at
www.ErieRCD.org

Contact the parish office for bulletin announcements. The deadline for submitting information to be included in the parish bulletin is Monday at noon. To avoid confusion, information should be submitted in writing.

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week at Saint Hippolyte Church in memory of Ed Coyle as requested by MaryBeth Coyle.

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.

This week the parish staff will be creating our next Ministry Schedule for altar servers, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, hospitality ministers gift bearers, and collection counters. Please contact the parish office ASAP if you know of dates that you are not available to serve in your ministry during the months of January, February and March. Please be patient with the new office staff as we work through the scheduling process.

Raffle ticket reminder: Please remember to return your sold raffle tickets before the first drawing on January 4. Please give them to Kathy Young and not in the collection basket to ensure that your tickets are included in the drawing on the 4th.

Heartfelt gratitude for your generosity! "Thank you very much for your donations, always," says Sister Olivia Bellegante, 93, a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Louis, Missouri. Your gift directly impacts thousands of senior religious, providing the support they need in their later years. Thanks to your generous donations last Sunday, our parish raised \$298 for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

As the year comes to an end, it's a wonderful time to reflect on the blessings we've received and consider how we can give back. Your support helps us continue our mission and make a positive impact in our community. Plus, your contributions can be beneficial during tax season. Every gift, big or small, makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity and kindness. We are truly grateful for your support.



CHRIST-KINDEL CORNER

Did you know: Before the introduction of the Christmas tree, the *Christ-kindel* traditionally deposited gifts—usually only nuts, cookies, and candies—in one of three different containers: a straw basket, a plate, or a stocking "hung by the chimney with care..." **Have you been praying for your Advent prayer partner? It's time to let them know who you are!**

Mike Dale has provided us with a new mailing address for his daughter, Sister Mary Magdalene. They have started a new foundation in Almonte Canada.

Sister Mary Magdalene

297 Strathburn St.

Almonte, ON KOA 1A0 Canada

Catholics Returning Home Please join us for informal group sessions and an update of the Catholic faith facilitated by Catholics who have returned home. The sessions are conducted in a support-group format. Everyone is welcome, no matter where they are from. The Epiphany of the Lord Parish will conduct this series on six consecutive evenings at 6:30pm beginning Wednesday, Jan 14. For more details call Amy at 814-336-1112.



Did you know there is a library at St. Mary of Grace Church? When it's cold and blustery outside, what could be better than to grab a cup of hot tea and cozy up to a good book? The library at St. Mary's is in a couple of locations; one set of shelves is in the elementary wing and the main stacks are in the library, just down the hall from the kitchen. There's a sign-out book at each place and you will find a wide variety of materials from Christian fiction to Catholic doctrine, including audio and visual items. The building is open regularly on Thursdays.

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

This year's menu features Chicken Cordon Bleu along with our famous French onion soup. We are still in the process of finalizing the menu.

Eucharistic Corner

When we worship you in the form of bread ... we always see You as an adult. But every year at Christmas, You reveal Yourself to us as a child born in a crib. We stand in silent amazement ... In silent adoration we stand before the mystery, like Mary when the shepherds came and told her what they had seen and heard: "She kept all these things, pondering them in her heart."

— Servant of God Chiara Lubich