

SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH

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

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

Confessions:

Before and After Mass or By Appointment

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024



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

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Email: office@sainthippolytechurch.com

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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, DEC. 23, SAINT JOHN OF KANTY

TUESDAY, DEC. 24, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

10:00pm SH Lee Ann Leech (Lawrence & Theresa Douglas)

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

11:00am SH Carol Barickman (Family)

THURSDAY, DEC. 26, SAINT STEPHEN

FRIDAY, DEC. 27, SAINT JOHN

8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, DEC. 28, THE HOLY INNOCENTS

SUNDAY, DEC. 29, THE HOLY FAMILY

11:00am SH George and Hilda Klein (George & Betty Klein)

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 & Denise 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.

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.

ANONING 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 10 minutes prior to and immediately following Sunday Mass. 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

****the parish office is closed this week****

Today 9:15-10:45am Faith Formation Grades PS-8 at SH
10:30am Rosary at SH

12:00pm Sunday Social at SH

Wednesday MERRY CHRISTMAS

Friday 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL

Sunday No Faith Formation Classes

COMING EVENTS

Dec 31-Jan 1 Parish office closed

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

MONDAY: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66

TUESDAY: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79

WEDNESDAY: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

THURSDAY: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22

FRIDAY: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

SATURDAY: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18

SUNDAY: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec 23: Chris Bornemann, Kitty Jehn

Dec 25: Cec Richard, Chad Robinson

Dec 26: Bethany Holcomb, Gregg Kalinowski

Dec 27: Tom Brooks, Joseph Grundy

Dec 28: Noah Carless

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

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

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Adults – What role does Mary play in your own spirituality? If you were Elizabeth, how would you greet her at your doorway, if she were to arrive there?

Youth – When have you experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit?

Children – How does the Blessed Virgin Mary help you to follow Jesus?

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

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Offertory last week:	\$1,584	\$ 692
envelopes used:	49	17
Building Fund last week:	\$ 328	
envelopes used:	17	

Catholic Services Appeal 2024:

Diocesan Assessment: \$29,034

of Gifts/Pledges: 65

Pledged: \$28,115 Received: \$26,390

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER God of the everlasting covenant, as Your servant David leapt and danced before the ark, so John the Baptist leapt in the womb of Elizabeth when Mary came bearing within her the promised One. Prepare us, O God, to be a people doing Your will, a nation believing that Your promises will be fulfilled. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who was, Who is and Who is to come, Your Son, 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 first monthly drawing will be held on January 5.

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. The next Cursillo Weekend will be Men's #255, February 21-23, 2025 at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Harborcreek PA.

LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?



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

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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.

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 Desi at the parish office at 814-789-2022. Donation: \$10 per week.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held at 8:30am on Monday mornings at Saint Hippolyte and Friday mornings at Our Lady of Lourdes.

There are no Faith Formation Classes next Sunday, December 29. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 5.

Our next Sunday Social will be held on Sunday, January 12. Students in grades 4-5 will participate at Mass in a special way as lectors, ushers, hospitality ministers and gift bearers. Following Mass all are invited to the social hall for food and fellowship. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share, but you don't have to bring something to attend. Beverages and table service are provided by Le Nom du Pere Society.

Our annual French Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 15. Invite your valentine for a Rustic French Comfort Food dinner! The cost remains at \$20 per person and dinner is served on the hour: 5:00pm, 6:00pm, and 7:00pm by advance reservation only. This year's menu features our traditional French Onion Soup, Salad with vinaigrette dressing, Coq Au Vin (chicken in wine) with Rice Pilaf and honey garlic roasted carrots, and Galette (a traditional French pastry) for dessert. Dinner also includes a glass of wine and French bread. **Reservations will be taken between January 1 and February 1.** Call Connie at 814-967-3813 to reserve your spot. Serving times fill up quickly so be sure to call early in January.



A Winter Blues Spring Outdoor Raffle benefitting the Stained Glass Window Restoration Fund will be held on March 15, 2025. Raffle Tickets are \$10 for a chance to win 10 great prizes OR \$30 for a chance at the prizes as well as attendance at a Dinner Event with guest speaker and additional raffles. See any member of the SGW Restoration Committee or call the parish office for more information or to purchase tickets. Only 150 tickets for the dinner event will be sold. If you are willing to help sell tickets, please contact Steve Ferry or Bob Schoenfeldt.



I'm coming! I can't wait to begin our new life together. I came once as a small, helpless baby. When I come to you now in the form of a small piece of bread or swallow of wine, I'm still helpless and rely on you to treat me well. As gently as you hold a baby, hold me in your heart. Receive me into a pure resting place by keeping the hour fast before Communion, and be vigilant over what you allow into your body through your senses: watching, reading, and listening only to things that draw you closer to Me. I have so much to give you if you will allow Me.

Christmas Masses

- Christmas Eve—Tuesday, December 24
 - 4:30pm at Saint Agatha
 - 7:00pm at Saint Agatha
 - 10:00pm at Saint Hippolyte*
- Christmas Day—Wednesday, December 25
 - 12:00 midnight at Saint Agatha
 - 9:00am at Saint Agatha
 - 11:00am at Saint Hippolyte*

*For the Masses at Saint Hippolyte...be sure to arrive 25 minutes early on Christmas Eve and 20 minutes early on Christmas Day to enjoy prelude music presented by our wonderful parish choir.

Solemnity of Mary Masses

- Vigil—Tuesday, December 31
 - 5:30pm at Saint Agatha
- Day of—Wednesday, January 1
 - 9:30am at Saint Agatha
 - 12:15pm at Saint Agatha
 - 6:00pm at Saint Hippolyte

ALL ARE WELCOME!



CATHOLICS
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HOME

Are you feeling a tug on your heart this Christmas season? A longing for something you can't quite place? Maybe it is the Lord breaking through and asking you to come home to the Catholic faith. Don't be afraid to take that step; Jesus is here, waiting for you with whatever scars you bring to cover you with His healing. We would like to invite you to a program called Catholics Returning Home. There are 6 sessions on Wednesday nights starting on Jan. 8 - Feb. 12, held at St. Mary of Grace in Meadville at 6:30pm in the library. The sessions are held small group style and informal. There are pamphlets in the vestibule of the church, or call the Epiphany of the Lord parish office (814-336-1112) for more information. It's not too late to come; we'd love to welcome you home!



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