

# 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

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2025

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochranton, PA 16314  
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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

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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, AUGUST 11, SAINT CLARE

8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, SAINT JANE FRANCES de CHANTAL

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, SAINTS PONTIAN and HIPPOLYTUS

9:00am SH Jack & Elsie Blankfield (Family)

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, SAINT MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

6:00pm SH Living and Deceased of the Wentworth/Laibe Family

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, SAINT STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00am SH Rev. Monty Sayers (Mary Grundy and Family)

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 & 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.

**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	9:30am	Breakfast at OLL
	10:30am	Rosary at SH
Monday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at SH
	9:30am	Small Group Bible Study at SH
	6:00pm	Family Society meeting at OLL
Wednesday	9:00am	Feast Day Mass and brunch at SH
	6:00pm	Le Nom du Pere Summer Picnic
Friday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at OLL
Sunday		Second Collection: The Church in Latin America
	10:30am	Rosary at SH

## COMING EVENTS

August 24 H/C Dinner Follow-up meeting at SH 9:30am

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 12:32-48  
MONDAY: Dt 10:12-22/Mt 17:22-27  
TUESDAY: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
WEDNESDAY: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20  
THURSDAY: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Mt 18:21—19:1  
FRIDAY: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
SATURDAY: Jos 24:14-29/Mt 19:13-15  
SUNDAY: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug. 11: Blake Barickman, Louri Harry  
Aug. 12: Carie Mirage, Cyndi Poduszlo, Raelynn Pratt  
Aug. 13: Abigail Palotas, Monika Root  
Aug. 15: Ken Stafford  
Aug. 16: Bernadette Lewis  
Aug. 17: Julie Hovis, John Ritchey

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Aug 11: Craig & Jenny Beuchat; Adam & Amy Tate;  
Jim & Julie Hutcheson  
Aug. 12: Chuck & Gwen Shank  
Aug. 13: Bob & Tina Steinbeck

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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

**Adults** – On a daily basis, what are some ways to keep yourself “ready for God to act?” How do you pay attention to God’s often-less-than-obvious actions?

**Youth** – If Jesus were to knock on your door today and give you a report card on your life as His disciple, what grade would you get? Where would be your areas for improvement?

**Children** – Jesus tells us to always be ready to hear Him. What are some ways that He speaks to us?

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## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH	OLL
Offertory last week:	\$1,166	\$ 365
envelopes used:	36	12
Building Fund last week:	\$ 199	\$ 40
envelopes used:	17	5

### Catholic Services Appeal 2025:

Diocesan Assessment: \$28,259

Pledges/Gifts: 68

Pledged: \$30,725

Payments Received: \$26,460

*Thank You!*

*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

***Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen.***

*Hebrews 11:1*

**HELPING HANDS PRAYER** Kindle in our hearts, O God of our ancestors, the same faith that inspired Abraham and Sarah to live as pilgrims on earth. Keep our lamps burning brightly, our hearts ever watchful for the hour of Your Son's return, that we may open the gate as soon as he knocks and be admitted by Him to the eternal banquet. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

**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:

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Join the diocesan Facebook page at  
[www.ErieRCD.org](http://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.

**Friday, August 15 is a holy day of obligation — The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** Mass will be celebrated at 6:00pm at Saint Hippolyte.

**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** is held at 8:30am on Monday mornings at Saint Hippolyte and Friday mornings at Our Lady of Lourdes.

**The Family Society** will meet on Monday, August 11 at 6:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. All are welcome!

**In honor of the Feast of Saint Hippolytus, Father Lucas will celebrate a Healing Mass on Wednesday, August 13 at 9:00am at Saint Hippolyte.** Brunch will be held following the Mass. All are welcome to attend, but especially those who would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of The Sick. Please sign the list on the bulletin board if you plan to attend so that preparations can be made.

**Le Nom du Pere Society's annual summer picnic** will be held on Wednesday, August 13 at the Ploski/Molli home—31384 Hwy 408, Townville. Bring a chair and a dish to share; meat and beverages provided. All are welcome to attend.

**The Our Lady of Lourdes Church garden, funded by the Family Society,** is producing lots of vegetables. Come to the garden and pick vegetables on Thursdays, from 4:00 to 6:00pm. We could always use help with the garden. Call John Shonnard at 814-758-1154 with any questions or to volunteer.

### Mini faith pilgrimage through Elk County

If you are looking for a faith inspired staycation, consider taking a road trip through Elk County and visiting these stops along the way:

- **Jubilee of Hope pilgrimage site at St. Leo Magnus Parish,** 111 Depot St., Ridgway, open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Adoration is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tues. and Thurs.
- **1886 Convent Chapel** (renovated), 319 Church St., St. Marys.
- **The Benedictine Gift Shop/ St. Joseph Convent Museum,** 139 Church St., St. Marys, hours of operation: Tues. through Fri. from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat. from 10 to 1p.m., closed Sun., Mon. and Holy Days
- **Decker's Chapel,** Million Dollar Highway, St. Marys.
- **Elk sight-seeing through Weedville and Benezette, PA** Elk Visitor Center, 950 Winslow Hill Rd., Benezette. Open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.
- **The Cross on the Hill,** 2041 Mt. Zion Rd., Weedville, open from dawn until dusk.



We can't say **THANK YOU** enough to all of our volunteers who made the dinner possible

again this year! We are grateful to all of our parishioners as well as former parishioners, out-of-town family members of parishioners, local community members and parishioners of our partner parish, The Epiphany of the Lord. We are still waiting for a few more bills to come in before we can report this year's profit.

The planning committee is already working on next year's dinner — Our 130th year — July 26, 2026.

**A follow-up meeting will be held on Sunday, August 24** at 9:30am in the Saint Hippolyte parish activities room. Please bring your suggestions and ideas, and your observations of ways to improve this necessary fundraiser.

**Theology Uncorked starts on Sept. 3!** 6:30pm, St. Agatha Center. Dive into the Ecumenical Councils - what were they about? What heresies were resolved? And did St. Nicholas really punch a fellow priest at the Council of Nicea? Come find out! Snacks and/or wine to share are appreciated.

**The Daughters of St. Francis De Sales are having a women's retreat** October 10- 12 at the beautiful Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center. The theme is "Salesian Optimism and Discerning the Will of God". There will be Mass, Confession, Conferences and time for personal reflection, and fun! The cost is \$190 but assistance may be available. If interested, please contact Kitty Jehn at 425-8282 or [kittyjehn@hotmail.com](mailto:kittyjehn@hotmail.com) before September 1st.

**How is your spiritual life?** We all have issues that come up that affect our relationship with God, and sometimes it's good to have someone to help you through it. That's what a Spiritual Director does. They walk with you in your spiritual journey so together you come closer to God. It just so happens that Deacon Todd Sommers is now a Spiritual Director. If you would like to meet with Deacon Todd for some spiritual direction, give him a call or text him at 814-720-3766.

### Eucharistic Corner

"There is no better preparation for Holy Communion other than offering it to the Immaculate...She will prepare our heart in the best way possible, and we will be sure to give Jesus the greatest of joys and to show him the greatest of loves."

~St. Maximilian Kolbe



## 940 Dinners Served

On July 27 we held our 129<sup>th</sup> Frenchtown Ham or Chicken Dinner. This annual event is our largest fundraiser for the parish, which benefits both Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Hippolyte. What a wonderful turnout we had! The weather was beautiful and the volunteers were all pitching in with smiles on their faces.

### **MANY THANKS TO:**

- those who worked all week to set up and prepare for this event
- those who provided lunch for the Saturday workers and breakfast for the early Sunday morning workers
- those who started very early on Sunday, from picking up and delivering the Chicken and Ham to par-boiling the chicken and preparing the charcoal
- those who manned the BBQ pit
- those who carried pies and potatoes from the cars to the kitchen
- those who worked in the kitchen mashing potatoes, heating the vegetables, making gravy and beverages
- those who made the coleslaw
- those who filled the bags for the carryout meals
- those who baked the pies and those who cut them
- those who donated money to purchase other supplies
- those who worked the outdoor booths, the car parkers and the shuttle drivers
- those who sold and bought dinner and raffle tickets
- those who spread the word about our dinner by sharing on social media and by other means
- those who donated items for our Gift Auction, including the many local businesses that supported us with their donations, and those who solicited those donations
- Townville Old Home Days for the use of the benches which allowed us to rest our feet and enjoy fellowship with each other and our visitors
- the Chris and Jen Gordon family for providing a free area with games for the kids and the snow cones
- LWE, Inc. for covering the rental cost of the tents and extra golf carts, and the propane
- Mt. Hope Golf Course for the use of their golf carts
- Chris Ploski for the use of his sound system
- Amy Mercier and Kathy Shirer for the quilt and Kathy Young for the afghans
- Valesky's for loaning us a bag rack for use in the carry out room
- the Hamilton and Gordon families for the use of their tents, tables and chairs
- those of the local community and former parishioners who continue to give of their time to help us
- those from our partner parish—The Epiphany of the Lord — who helped us
- those who we didn't mention that took any part in making our 129th year a success. Whether you worked for a few hours or for months—we couldn't do this without you!

We are so very thankful for all of our wonderful, hard working parishioners who have in any way helped to make our Ham or Chicken Dinner a successful adventure. This event provides a great opportunity for our senior citizens and members of the local community to come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

**THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS FOR MAKING THIS A FABULOUS EVENT,  
NO MATTER WHAT ROLE YOU HAD IN MAKING THIS A GREAT SUCCESS.  
IT IS SUCH A BLESSING FOR THOSE FROM SAINT HIPPOLYTE AND OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
TO BE ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF OUR PARISH!**





July 17, 2025

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

**The Collection for the Church in Latin America** is scheduled to take place in our Diocese on the weekend of August 16 and 17, 2025. This is one way to support the growth and strength of our Catholic faith in different parts of the world. Your participation in this collection is a meaningful and practical expression of solidarity with people in these regions.

Latin America is home to many Catholics, but it still experiences challenges in the work of evangelization. Shortages of resources, pastoral workers and poor infrastructure make simple things like attending weekly Mass difficult for many. As members of the same family of faith, we are called to help our sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The proceeds of this collection are used in dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions. The collection also assists in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers. I encourage you to be generous toward this collection. Take this opportunity to share your faith with our sisters and brothers in need. Your financial support, just as importantly as your prayers, will truly make a difference.

For more information on the Church in Latin America and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america). Be assured of my own prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*+Lawrence T. Persico*

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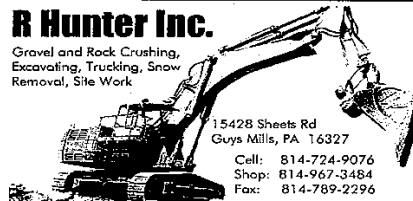
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