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

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025

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

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Pastor

Rev. Jeffrey J. Lucas

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Kyle Seyler

Faith Formation Coordinator Joyce Tarr 814-671-1009

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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, OCTOBER 6, BLESSED MARIE ROSE DUROCHER 8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, SAINT DENIS and COMPANIONS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, WEEKDAY 8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, SAINT JOHN XXIII

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 11:00am SH Jeanne Bosco (Don & Pat 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:

Visitation:

Ministry of Welcome:

Services to the Bereaved:

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

Faith Formation Classes PS-9 Today

10:30am Rosary at SH

Monday 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at SH

9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH

Tuesday 6:30pm Rosary at OLL 7:00pm Choir at OLL

8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL Friday

Faith Formation Classes PS-8 Sunday

9:00am Edge Parents Session at SH

9:00am Breakfast at OLL 10:30am Rosary at SH

COMING EVENTS

Oct 13 Family Society meeting at OLL 6:00pm

Oct 14-15 Kitchen Cleaning at SH Oct 19 Sunday Social at SH after Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

MONDAY: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37 TUESDAY: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42 WEDNESDAY: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4 THURSDAY: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13 FRIDAY: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26 SATURDAY: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28

SUNDAY: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Oct 6: Debbie Furry, Jeff Mattis, Tom Muller, Marcus Schmidt

Oct 9: Ben Neely Oct 11: Ryan Myers Oct 12: David Paul

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Second Reading Adults - Being "in Christ" means living as Christ teaches. What signs do you see in your life of generosity, forgiveness, hospitality, or any other of Jesus' teachings?

Youth – The Gospel tells us even a little bit of faith is enough to make amazing things happen. How are you keeping your faith alive and growing? What good things happen in your life because of your faith?

Children – Jesus teaches us that our faith is powerful and with it, we can do great things. We can forgive, love, and share with others. Which of these do you do most often?

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

SH OLL Offertory last week: \$1,426 \$ 375 envelopes used: 46 8 Building Fund last week: \$ 350 \$ 10 envelopes used: 26 2

Catholic Services Appeal 2025:

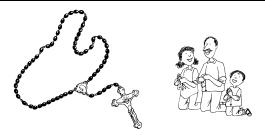
Diocesan Assessment: \$28,259

Pledges/Gifts: 69 Pledged: \$30,975

Payments Received: \$28,310

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.





HELPING HANDS PRAYER Do You see,

O God of love, the violence that stalks us, the destruction that frightens us, the wrongdoing that surrounds us? Increase our faith that we may wait upon Your appointed time, and work at our appointed tasks, useless servants, doing our duty, at peace in the knowledge that You see and will save! 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** CURSILLO WEEKEND or NEED MORE INFO? Pick up a brochure in the

church vestibule or call Carl and Kay Hotchkiss at 814-425-3933.

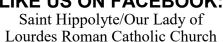
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The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week at Saint Hippolyte Church in memory of Denny Smith as requested by Joyce Tarr.

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.

Le Nom du Pere Society invites all volunteers to help with a deep cleaning of the social hall kitchen at Saint Hippolyte. Two sessions will be held: Tuesday, October 14 at 4:00pm and/or Wednesday, October 15 at 9:00am. Please come as your schedule permits. Cleaning supplies will be provided but if you have a favorite, feel free to bring it with you! Your help will be greatly appreciated by your fellow parishioners.

Our first <u>Sunday Social</u> of the season will be held on Sunday, October 19. Students in grades 6, 7, 8 will be taking on some of the Mass ministries that day and then lunch will be held in the social hall at Saint Hippolyte following Mass. Bring a dish to share if you can; please plan to join us even if you can't bring food. All are welcome to join in the food and fellowship!

The Stained Glass Window committee is once again offering the Boscov's

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fundraiser to support our Restoration project. For a \$5 donation you will receive a one-day pass for 25% off your purchases on the day of the



event. This year the event is on Wednesday, October 22nd, from 8am to 11pm and the discount is good for IN-STORE & ONLINE purchases. Please see a committee member after Mass to get your pass. Passes will also be available at the parish office during the week. Thank you for your support and HAPPY SHOPPING!!

Annual Columbus Day Spaghetti Dinner — TODAY — St. Mary of Grace Church, 1085 Water St., Meadville. 11:30am until 5:00pm. Cost: Adults \$15; Children 5-10 \$7; Children under 5 free. Raffles and cannoli for sale.

Knights of Columbus Council 388 is hosting their annual STEAK FRY next Sunday, October 12 at Saint Mary of Grace, Meadville. \$25 gets you a grilled steak dinner and a seat to watch the Pittsburg vs. Cleveland football game on the big screen. Doors open at 11:30am and the game starts at 1:00pm. All are welcome and tickets are available for purchase at the door.

From our Faith Formation Coordinator:

Last Sunday we started our Faith Formation classes after being off since May of this year. We would like everyone to keep our students and catechists in your prayers and to be an example to them as they grow in their faith. Please keep in mind that they are children of God. We want them and their parents to have good mentors and feel welcomed when they come to Mass. We all know that sometimes our children are distracting, so please love them as Jesus would and offer to help their parents. Remember: a church filled with children is a growing church.

New Policy for accepting Mass Intentions...Due to the tremendous number of Mass intentions already received, we have no choice but to limit the number of new Mass intentions that we can accept. Effective immediately, families will be limited to **one Mass** request. This limitation is needed because we still have many intentions from past years to fulfill. We will do our best to accommodate requests, and we ask for your patience and understanding. (You are permitted to include more than one name per request) Another option is to have your Mass request sent to some our retired diocesan priests. Call the parish office for more information.

Dinner for 2

Fr. Jeff and Amy Mosbacher are raffling off a Dinner for 2 that they will prepare, 4 courses paired with wine. Tickets are \$10, sold at the Epiphany parish office and at Seton School. The winner will be drawn at the reception at 40 Hours on Tuesday, Oct. 21.

Catholics Returning Home

If you have been away from actively practicing your Catholic faith for a while and would like to make it a bigger part of your life, we invite you to a program called Catholics Returning Home on Tuesdays at St. Agatha's office at 6:30pm. It's not too late to come! The sessions are held small group style and informal. There are pamphlets in the church vestibule, or call the Epiphany parish office for more information. We'd love to welcome you home! 814-336-1112

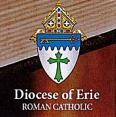
Young Adult Study

Come meet "My father's Father" a video series from The Wild Goose that breaks through our fear, doubt, and brokenness to reveal God as a loving Father to each of us. This is for young adults ages 18-35. Because it will be held at Allegheny Campus Center Room 206, please let Amy (814-336-1112) know if you'd like to come so someone can let you in. Wednesdays Oct. 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5, 19, Dec. 3. 6-7pm.



We give thanks and praise to all our priests and deacons who shepherd and guide the faithful in our diocese.





WE PRAY:

Clergy Appreciation Month

Almighty God, thank You for the gift of the priests and deacons of the Diocese of Erie. We are grateful for their "yes" to You; for the Masses they celebrate, the confessions they hear, the comfort they bring to the sick, and the ways they guide and serve our parishes with love.

We thank You, too, for our retired priests whose quiet witness still blesses our communities. Their lives remind us what it means to follow Jesus with faith and joy.

Lord, give them strength when they are tired, peace when they are stretched thin, and encouragement in times of struggle. May they always know how much they are loved and appreciated.

Keep calling new vocations in our diocese. Open the hearts of young men to serve You as priests and deacons, and give them the courage to say, "Here I am, Lord, send me."

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.





MORE THAN 80,000 PEOPLE FILLED ST. PETER'S SQUARE IN ROME TO CELEBRATE THE CANONIZATION OF ST. CARLO ACUTIS AND ST. PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI ON SUNDAY, SEPT. 7.

Among those in attendance were members of the families of both saints: Carlo Acutis' parents Andrea and Antonina, along with his two siblings Michele and Francesca, and Pier Giorgio Frassati's niece, Wanda Gawronska.

In his homily, Pope Leo XIV said: "Today we look to St. Pier Giorgio Frassati and St. Carlo Acutis: a young man from the early 20th century and a teenager from our own day, both in love with Jesus and ready to give everything for him." He spoke of how these two saints "are an invitation to all of us, especially young people, not to squander our lives, but to direct them upwards and make them masterpieces."

These Italian saints, both of whom died young, are examples of Christian discipleship for our modern times.

WHO IS ST. CARLO?

Born in London in 1991 to Italian parents, St. Carlo spent his childhood in Milan, where he developed a deep love for God and the Church. He also took an interest in computer programming, video games and website creation.

Carlo was diagnosed with an aggressive form of leukemia in October 2006. "I die happy," he said, "because I did not spend my life wasting my time on things not pleasing to God." Offering his sufferings for Pope Benedict XVI and the Church, Carlo died later that month. He was 15 years old.

Love of the Eucharist

When Carlo received his first Communion at age seven, he wrote, "Being always united to Jesus. That is my life plan." To achieve his goal, Carlo attended Mass and prayed the rosary each day. He also frequently went to Eucharistic adoration. "The Eucharist," he said, "is my highway to heaven."

Carlo's love for Jesus in the Eucharist nourished his love for Jesus in others – especially in the poor. According to his mother, Carlo was a friend to children who were bullied and to the homeless, to whom he brought food and blankets.

Passion for technology

Carlo had a fascination with computers and the internet. He began reading computer engineering textbooks at age 9 and learned several programming languages. Although he enjoyed video games, Carlo practiced the virtue of temperance by allowing himself to play for only one hour a week. "We can't become enslaved by these things [technology]. We must be in control of them," he said.

Eucharistic miracles exhibition

From an early age, Carlo recognized that his talents could be used in the service of the Gospel. He was deeply moved when his family went on pilgrimage to Lanciano, Italy, the site of an 8th-century miracle in which the consecrated Host had visibly transformed into living human flesh and the Precious Blood had visibly transformed into globules of blood during the celebration of Mass. Convinced that this and other Eucharistic miracles could inspire faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, Carlo decided to create an exhibition about Eucharistic miracles.

For the next two and a half years, Carlo, with the help of his family, worked on this monumental undertaking, cataloguing 187 Church-approved Eucharistic miracles. He created a website as well as a portable exhibition which debuted only a few days before his death. He also established a digital database of approved Marian apparitions.

Carlo's Eucharistic miracles exhibition has been hosted on five continents and, in the United States alone, in more than 100 universities and thousands of parishes.

"The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy."



WHO IS ST. PIER GIORGIO?

Pier Giorgio Frassati was born in 1901 in Turin, Italy. His father was the founder of an influential daily newspaper and later served as an ambassador to Germany.

From a young age, Pier Giorgio showed signs of deep faith, which he lived joyfully and shared openly with others. While he enjoyed music and art, and was an avid skier and mountain climber, Pier Giorgio's true loves were Christ in the Eucharist and the poor and sick, whom he served tirelessly up until the final moments of his life.

Pier Giorgio contracted polio in late June 1925, likely from visits with the sick and poor whom he served. He died a few days later at the age of 24.

A witness of joyful faith

Faith was the source of Pier Giorgio's joy: "You ask me if I am happy. How can I not be? As long as faith gives me strength I am happy." He frequently participated in all-night vigils in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, and went to Mass daily. He always carried a rosary in his pocket.

Tireless service to the poor

For Pier Giorgio, faith was intimately connected to service. He said, "Jesus comes to me every day in Communion, and I return the visit by going to serve him in the poor." Pier Giorgio was active in several Catholic apostolates, through which he served the less fortunate of Turin. "I see a special light around the sick, the poor, the less fortunate, a light that we do not possess," he said.

Pier Giorgio used his wealth to serve others. When given large sums of money by his family, he immediately gave them away to charity, often in someone else's name so as not to receive credit for the donation. While he could afford to travel by first class on trains, he always traveled third class, opting to give the difference in fare to those who needed it

Moved by the plight of miners, he chose to study engineering at university with the hope of one day being able to improve their working and living conditions. Despite a heavy courseload at university, Pier Giorgio continued his visits to the poor.

After his death, Pier Giorgio's family was shocked by the crowds that lined the streets for his funeral. It quickly became apparent that the countless men and women who passed by his coffin were those he had helped over the years, often unbeknownst to anyone. †

"If you place God at the center of all your actions, then you will reach the goal."





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