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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.

## 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 11:00 am - Mass

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

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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

Friday 8:30am - Adoration and Rosary

### Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 20, 2026

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**  
Christen Kirk

**Administrative Assistants**  
Kathleen Wheelock and Heidi Mercier

**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  
Email: office@sainthippolytechurch.com  
www.sainthippolytechurch.com  
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 September 21, Saint Matthew Apostle and Evangelist  
8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

Tuesday, September 22, Weekday

Wednesday, September 23, Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Thursday, September 24, Weekday

Friday, September 25, Weekday  
8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

Saturday, September 26, Weekday

Sunday September 27, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
11:00am SH Don Mitchan (Don & Pat Johnson)

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 ..... 814-332-9322

**Prayer Requests:**

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

**Visitation:**

Carole Jones (cards)..... 814-332-9322  
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

- Sept 20 10:25 Rosary at SH  
11:00 Mass SH  
Catechetical Sunday
- Sept 21 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at SH  
9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH
- Sept 22 7:00pm Choir at SH  
6:00 H/C Dinner follow up Meeting in Social Hall
- Sept 25 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL
- Sept 27 9:15am Faith Formation Classes PS-12  
10:25 am Rosary SH  
11:00 am Mass SH

COMING EVENTS

October 18th Social Sunday after Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a  
MONDAY: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13  
TUESDAY: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21  
WEDNESDAY: Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6/Gal 2:19-20  
THURSDAY: Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9  
FRIDAY: Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22  
SATURDAY: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Lk 9:43b-45  
SUNDAY: Ez 18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sept 23: Sandra Blatnick, Laura George  
Sept 24: Heather Acel  
Sept 25: Michele Komar  
Sept 27: Rebecca Arbuckle  
Sept 29: Darci Schoenfeldt, Sara Hutchison, Abigail Merritt  
Sept 30: Harold Worst, Brennan Mitchell

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Sept 26: Mr. & Mrs. Dennis (DeAnn) Diegelman  
Sept 30: Mr. & Mrs. Paul (Rhonda) Weagraff

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Theme: It is never too late to enter the reign of God.  
Adults: Using Jesus’ parable as your starting point, describe in your own words how God will treat those who come to be part of the church, even those who come late.  
Youth: This Gospel reminds us that God is always seeking us out and welcoming us into his generous love. Through whom has God reached out to you? Who is always encouraging you to say “yes” to God?  
Children: How do you experience God being generous to you; through your family, friends, school, or parish?  
lifelongcatechesis.osv.com

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.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

SH  
Offertory last week: \$ 2717  
envelopes used: #62  
Building Fund last week: \$ 361  
envelopes used: #17

Catholic Services Appeal 2026:  
Diocesan Assessment: \$23,287  
Pledges/Gifts: 80  
Pledged: \$ 31,655  
Payments Received: \$27,480

Thank You!

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.



Thank you to everyone who volunteered, bought dinner, participated in the raffles, and supported our fundraiser this year! We were able to raise \$18,413.42!

HELPING HANDS PRAYER

You welcome those who heed your call, God and master of the vineyard, no matter how late the hour or how meager their labor; for all is your grace, unmerited and free. Let us who rejoice in your graciousness toward us never begrudge your generosity toward others. may we work without ceasing for the coming of your kingdom. 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.



Catechetical Sunday  
September 20, 2026

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week at Saint Hippolyte Church in memory of Donna Mailliard

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.

St. Monica’s Ministry Group: will be meeting once a month at Saint Hippolyte Church. The next session will be on Sept 24, @ 6:00 pm this is a ministry to pray for anyone in your family, who has left the faith. Any questions, please call Fran Greathouse @ 814-425-2549.

Theology Uncorked: Hot Topics!  
Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, St. Agatha’s Center. It’s not too late to register, call Amy at 814-336-1112.

H/C Dinner follow up meeting: There will be a Metting on Tuesday Sept 22nd at SH at 6:30pm the Social Hall. All are welcome and invited to attend. Any questions see Mary Beth Coyle.

Ben Mourer Memorial Youth Cross Country Festival—Friday, September 25th; Open to all children pre-K-8 grade. Cost is \$20 (pre-K is free). Held at the Robertson Athletic Complex 204 Park Ave, Meadville. Registration begins at 4:30 PM. There will also be Kona Ice, Tara doodles Art with Heart, and Magic Steve Balloon Art.

Epiphany Annual Columbus Day Spaghetti Dinner: Saturday, Oct 11, 11:30am—5:00pm, at St. Mary of Grace Church, 1085 Water St., Meadville. Cost is \$15, adults; \$7, kids 5-10; and free under 5. Fifty Miles to Empty will be playing and raffles will be offered throughout the event.

Walking with Mary through the Light and Darkness of Our Daily Life will be Oct 9 to Oct 11 in Villa Maria, PA. This retreat weaves together prayer, music, scripture, and so much more to help us know Mary better. For more info go to https://vmesc.org/programs-retreats/all-events?id=1080

Eucharistic Corner

“A Holy Hour is not a devotion; it is a sharing in the act of redemption.”  
~Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Cursillo members of Saint Hippolyte would love to have at least one table of ladies to attend the Cursillo on October 9th-11th, 2026 in Erie, PA. Please see one of the following for more information: Fran Greathouse, Carole Jones, Kay Hotchkiss, Rita Bogardus and Joyce Tarr. A men’s Cursillo will be held on September 18th-20th, 2026 Please see Bob Schoenfeldt or Scott Wheelock for more information.

HELP NEEDED to Form Young Catholics!  
Do you like spending time with kids and speaking about your relationship with Jesus? That is all you need to help in our Faith Formation Program! We are looking for an assistant to help Pat and Steve Ferry in Middle School Edge Program and for Substitute Teachers for the 26-27 Faith Formation year. Classes take place in the basement and rectory across the street from 9:15-10:45 am before Sunday mass. Could you help form lifelong Catholics? If you are interested in helping or have any questions, reach out to Pat, Steve, or Christen Kirk.  
(st.hippolytefaithformation@gmail.com)



Catholics Returning Home is held at St. Agatha’s church office (353 Pine St., Meadville) on Tuesdays, Sept 22—Nov 10 at 6:30-8:00 pm. Contact Amy at 814-336-1112 for more info.

How to Talk to Lukewarm Christians  
Reigniting the faith of indifferent Christians can be one of the most delicate — and important — challenges we face as evangelists. Yet Our Lord loves them beyond understanding and longs for their hearts to be set aflame again. Nearly every one of us has someone we love who has grown lukewarm in the faith. Let's answer God's call and invite them back into a living relationship with Our Savior.

Lukewarm Christians, described in Revelation 3:16, are at risk due to their lack of passion for their faith. Start by asking clarifying, nonjudgmental questions like, “Do you believe in God?” or “Do you go to church?” to understand their beliefs and encourage self-reflection. Then share a personal reason for your faith, such as, “My salvation depends on it,” and highlight Jesus’ teachings on heaven, hell, and the need for repentance (Mark 16:16; John 3:36; John 6:40). Provide follow-up resources and encourage participation in Mass, the sacraments, prayer, and Scripture. Sharing "one good reason" for a passionate pursuit of the faith can inspire them to deepen their relationship with God and prioritize their salvation.