

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:

Before and After Mass or By Appointment

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 13, 2025

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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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.

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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, APRIL 14, MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, HOLY THURSDAY

7:30pm SH Brenda Heme (Connie & Marcy Smorey)

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

3:00pm SH Good Friday Liturgy

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, HOLY SATURDAY

8:30pm SH THE EASTER VIGIL

Carol Barickman (Erma Genis Family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

11:00am SH Paul Mercier (Johanna Satariano)

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and The Epiphany of the Lord parish bulletin at
www.epiphanymeadville.org

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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.

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	9:00am	Breakfast at OLL
	11:00am	Mass begins in the social hall
Monday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at SH
	9:30am	Small Group Bible Study at SH
	6:00pm	Family Society meeting at OLL
Tuesday	6:00pm	Pastoral Advisory Council (PAC) at SH
Thursday		Parish Office Closed
	6:00pm	Tureen Dinner at SH
Friday		Parish Office Closed
Saturday	10:30pm	Break Fast Celebration at SH
Sunday		Happy Easter!
	10:30am	Rosary at SH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:	Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56
MONDAY:	Is 42:1-7/Jn 12:1-11
TUESDAY:	Is 49:1-6/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
WEDNESDAY:	Is 50:4-9a/Mt 26:14-25
THURSDAY:	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
FRIDAY:	Is 52:13—53:12/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
SATURDAY:	Gn 1:1—2:2/Gn 22:1-18/Ex 14:15—15:1 Is 55:1-11/Rm 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12
SUNDAY:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Apr 15: Luca White
Apr 16: Kim Maloney, Doug Smith
Apr 18: Dan Chatley
Apr 19: Raegan Belz
Apr 20: Alison Merritt

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Apr 19: Jim & Marcene Karns; Jeff & Allison Mattis

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Second Reading

Adults – What sacrifices have you made this week to show your love for others? What sacrifices have others made for you?

Youth – How can you spend time with each member of your family this week in a way that will communicate your love for them?

Children – In your own words, what does the suffering and death of Christ mean to you?

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH	OLL
Offertory last week:	\$1,637	\$ 620
envelopes used:	33	16
Building Fund last week:	\$ 457	\$ 70
envelopes used:	17	7

Catholic Services Appeal 2025:

Diocesan Assessment: \$28,259

Pledges/Gifts: 61

Pledged: \$22,990 Payments Received: \$13,100

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER

Your Servant, Lord our God, speaks the word that all the weary long to hear. Your Son humbles Himself to carry the cross that Your people long to embrace. During this holy week, let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus. Empty us of ourselves, and draw us close to His cross, that, comforted by His word of forgiveness and gladdened by His promise of Paradise, into Your hands we may commend our spirits. We ask this through Your Son, the Christ, our Passover and Peace, 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 May 4. **Congratulations to our April winner: #622 Donna Choffel, Cochranon**

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>

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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 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. *No adoration and rosary on Good Friday.

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

The Pastoral Advisory Council (PAC) will meet on Tuesday of this week at 6:00pm in the Saint Hippolyte Parish Activities Room. All are welcome to attend. We are still in need of more members; come to a meeting and see what we do! Pastoral Council addresses the spiritual needs and interests of the parish.

Join us this week on Holy Thursday for our annual Family Tureen Dinner at 6:00pm at Saint Hippolyte. All are welcome; bring a dish to share if you are able. Meat, beverage and table service is provided by Le Nom du Pere Society. **Mass of the Lord's Supper** follows at 7:30pm.

Our Good Friday liturgy begins at 3:00pm on Friday at Saint Hippolyte.

The Great Vigil of Easter begins at 8:30pm on Saturday. All are encouraged to attend as this is the most important Mass of the year. Plan to join us after Mass for our annual Break Fast Celebration (no, it's not a breakfast!). As a church family, we will break our Paschal Fast together. All are encouraged to bring some goodies to share. (more information about the Paschal Fast is inserted in today's bulletin).

Calling all Cornhole players!! The Stained Glass Window (SGW) committee is looking for Cornhole Teams for our Cornhole & Craft Show event on April 26th at Our Lady of Lourdes in Cochran.

This is a family friendly tournament with a 12 and under bracket and a 13 and up bracket.

To register please contact Gabrielle Pierce: email: gpierce516@yahoo.com - or text: 814-807-7384. Deadline to register is April 18th.

We also have 29 Vendors for our Craft Show that is going on from 9:00am-3:00pm the same day, Saturday, April 26th at Our Lady of Lourdes. Come have a little fun, enjoy some concessions, and find some awesome Craft Vendor treasures just in time for Mother's Day!

The Parish Office is closed on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Monday.

Normal office hours resume at 9:00am on Tuesday, April 22.

Garage Sale workers are needed! If you can volunteer some of your time, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Paul (814-853-2847) or Kim (814-795-1439) to help with the sale and Debbie (814-720-4782) to help in the kitchen. Even if you have volunteered every year, they still need to hear from you to make sure all the positions are filled. New volunteers are always welcome! Set up is April 27-30 and the sale is May 1-3.

Le Nom du Pere Society will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, April 30 at 7:00pm at Saint Hippolyte. Last minute garage sale set up as well as the usual business meeting will take place. Come early for food and fellowship! All are welcome.

Operation Rice Bowl—Called to Share Bread for Life: Holy Week, a sacred time in the liturgical year, invites us to journey with Christ through His Passion, Death and Resurrection. As we witness the Last Supper and Jesus' gift of



the Eucharist, we are reminded of our call to be bread broken for others. Let us draw strength from the Bread of Life and dedicate ourselves to serving our sisters and brothers who bear heavy crosses, bringing hope and the joy of the resurrection to the world. Visit crsricebowl.org/holy-week to learn more. Return your Rice Bowl donations at Mass on Holy Thursday or anytime through the end of April.

Child Abuse Prevention Month: Recent statistics tell us one in ten children are sexually abused before they turn 18. 91% of sexual abuse is perpetrated by someone the child or the child's family knows. This means that on every Sunday in our congregation there are people who have been abused and may continue to experience the pain of that abuse. Reaching out to those who have suffered from abuse is critical in bringing hope and the love of Christ to them. Assistance is available for victims/survivors of clergy sexual abuse by contacting the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Dr. Gerard Tobin at 814-451-1521.



"Be also assured that Jesus Christ finds means to console a soul which remains with a recollected spirit before the Most Blessed Sacrament, far beyond what the world can do with all its feasts and pastimes."
St. Alphonsus de Ligouri

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday

The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday ends the season of Lent and begins the Triduum, the sacred three days when we commemorate the Passion and Resurrection of Christ. The church looks different: The tabernacle is completely empty; its doors may be opened and the sanctuary lamp extinguished. The altar may have moderate floral decoration. At Mass, bells ring during the Glory to God, but then they remain silent until the Easter Vigil. Musical instruments should not play solos. The washing of the feet may follow the homily. Contributions for the poor are included in the procession of the gifts. The Eucharistic Prayer recalls that this is the night on which Jesus was handed over and on which he handed over his Body and Blood to us. After Communion, the leftover consecrated bread is placed in a vessel on the altar and incensed. The priest picks up the vessel with the humeral veil and processes through the church to a side altar or a separate chapel suitably decorated. The Blessed Sacrament is incensed again and closed inside a tabernacle.

No other Mass is celebrated this day — not even in the morning — without permission of the bishop and only for serious reasons. Holy Communion may be given to the sick, but no one else may share Communion outside of Mass.

After Mass, the altar is stripped, and the crosses in the church may be removed or veiled. The faithful may begin the paschal fast, which is obligatory on Good Friday, but urged on Holy Saturday as well. They are encouraged to pray before the Blessed Sacrament sometime before midnight, remembering how Jesus asked Peter, "Could you not stay awake with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40).

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Paschal Fast

The PASCAL fast is part of the community's spiritual preparation for celebrating the Easter Vigil. Those who are to be baptized as well as the faithful are encouraged to abstain from food and drink as much as possible on Holy Saturday (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*, 185 1; *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, 110). The suggestion for keeping a pre-baptismal fast dates to the turn of the second century. The original practice invited the entire community to prepare together for the Baptism of catechumens, who were asked to fast in anticipation of their Baptism. Eventually, the pre-baptismal fast grew into a fast before receiving Holy Communion, a practice that continues today.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are fast days throughout the Catholic world. Catholics from their eighteenth to the fifty-ninth birthdays eat only one full meal and two smaller meals without snacks. Those over the age of fourteen abstain from meat. The fast on those days emphasizes the spirit of repentance that characterizes their celebration. On Ash Wednesday, the community begins its penitential discipline. On Good Friday, people repent of the sins for which Jesus died. The paschal fast, however, stresses the spiritual preparation one makes for baptism, and the upcoming joy of Easter.

Sometimes we fast from food quite naturally before some big event. We are so emotional about the wedding, the exam, the game, the concert, or even the conversation that we just cannot eat. The paschal fast puts our body in the same position. Our anticipation of Baptism and Easter is so great that we fast to heighten its joy.

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Good Friday

The Church solemnly observes Good Friday with a special liturgy called the Celebration of the Lord's Passion. It should take place at 3:00pm, but another time may be chosen. It is not a Mass, but the priest and deacon vest as if it were. The altar should be bare—no Cross, candles, or cloth should adorn it. Musical instruments should be used sparingly, only to accompany singing. No bells are rung. The service begins as ministers enter the sanctuary and lie prostrate, face to the floor. Or they may kneel. The highlight of the Liturgy of the Word is the proclamation of the passion according to St. John. One or three persons may read or sing it; the assembly may take part. All kneel for a time of silence when the narrative tells of the death of Jesus.

The liturgy continues with solemn prayers for the Church and the world. Then a Cross is unveiled or carried in procession. All may adore the Cross however they wish. The priest may remove his chasuble and his shoes. Music during this time may include the *Sabat Mater*. Bread consecrated at the Mass of the Lord's Supper is then brought to the altar, and all may share Communion. Whatever remains goes to a tabernacle, preferably outside the church.

As the service ends, the Cross is placed on the altar between two or four candles. When leaving the church, people should genuflect to the Cross.

Throughout the day, the faithful should observe the laws of fast and abstinence. They may confess their sins or receive the Anointing of the Sick, but no other sacraments may be celebrated. Only the sick may receive Communion apart from the Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

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Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil is the most important Mass of the year. In the complete ranking of all Catholic Church celebrations, the Triduum occupies the top spot. The Triduum, which begins with Holy Thursday's Mass of the Lord's Supper, concludes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday; it reaches its climax with the Easter Vigil. If there is one Mass in which Catholics should make every effort to participate every year, it is the Easter Vigil. If you attend church Easter Sunday morning, but miss the Easter Vigil, you have missed the most important celebration of the year.

The Easter Vigil celebrates the Resurrection of Christ and the commitment of believers. It has four parts. It begins with a *Lucernarium* or service of light. The community gathers in darkness to hear that Christ is our light, shattering the darkness of sin. The next part of the Vigil is the Liturgy of the Word. We hear up to nine Scripture passages that tell the story of salvation, ending with the Gospel of the Resurrection.

The third part is the Baptismal Liturgy. Some catechumens have already been listed among the elect, those chosen for Baptism this year. They now come forward to be plunged into the waters of new birth. Anointed with Chrism, they celebrate Confirmation, receiving the strength of God's Spirit for the Christian life. Then the entire community renews its Baptismal Promises. Together we pledge our faith in the resurrection and promise to follow Christ more closely.

The Vigil culminates in the fourth part, the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The length of the celebration has sharpened our hunger for Communion. For the very first time, the newly baptized will join us in the Eucharistic feast. At the Easter Vigil, we recommit ourselves to our faith and rejoice with the newly baptized.

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