

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2024

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

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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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, SEPTEMBER 23, SAINT PIUS OF PIETRELICINA
8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, WEEKDAY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, SAINTS COSMAS and DAMIAN

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, SAINT VINCENT de PAUL
8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, SAINT WENCESLAUS;
SAINT LAWRENCE RUIZ and COMPANIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11:00am SH Wanda Roche (Art & Joan Bieganski)

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

Mary Everitt (temporary relief to a caregiver)

..... 814-853-0599

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

Today 9:15am Faith Formation Grades PS-8 at SH
Monday 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at SH
9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH
Tuesday 7:00pm Choir at OLL
Friday 8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL
Sunday 9:15am Faith Formation Grades PS-8
12:00pm Faith Formation Grades 9-12

COMING EVENTS

Oct. 2-3 Parish Office Closed
Oct. 2 Le Nom du Pere Society meeting at SH 7:00pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
MONDAY: Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18
TUESDAY: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21
WEDNESDAY: Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
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: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sept 23: Sandra Blatnick
Sept 24: Heather Acel
Sept 25: Mickey Komar
Sept 26: Sandy Moore, Denise Schoenfeldt
Sept 27: Rebecca Arbuckle
Sept 29: Sara Hutchison, Abby Merritt, Darcie Schoenfeldt

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Sept 26: Dennis & DeAnn Diegelman
Sept 29: Andrew & Allison Mirage

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Adults – Is the role of being a servant for others easy or difficult for you to embrace?

Youth – Sometimes, when we strive to be first or be the one that wins, we hurt others. When has striving to be first hurt others?

What can you do differently in the future to help others to succeed?

Children – What are some specific ways in which you can serve your friends or family members?

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THE SANCTUARY CANDLE is burning this week at Saint Hippolyte Church in memory of Donna Mailliard as requested by her kids.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

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| Offertory Sept 8: | \$1,466 | \$ 925 |
| envelopes used: | 42 | 12 |
| Building Fund Sept 8: | \$ 410 | \$170 |
| envelopes used: | 24 | 5 |
| Offertory last week: | \$ 889 | \$ 325 |
| envelopes used: | 28 | 15 |
| Building Fund last week: | \$ 313 | \$ 15 |
| envelopes used: | 13 | 2 |

Catholic Services Appeal 2024:

Diocesan Assessment: \$29,034

of Gifts/Pledges: 62

Pledged: \$26,855 Received: \$21,440

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER O God, Whose hand shelters the just and righteous, and Whose favor rests on the lowly, banish hypocrisy from our hearts and purify us of all selfish ambition. Let Your Word sown among us bring forth a harvest of peace. 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 or the parish office. **The next Cursillo weekend is Men's #255, October 18-20** at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Harborcreek PA. This will be the final Cursillo weekend held in 2024. There's still time for men to sign up and attend.

LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?

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



Join the diocesan Facebook page at
www.ErieRCD.org

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Saint Hippolyte/Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church

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.

Social Sunday is back! Our first social for this school year will be held on Sunday, October 6 immediately following the 11:00am Mass at Saint Hippolyte. Our Faith Formation students in grades 4 and 5 will be participating in the Mass in a special way that day. Lunch will be held following Mass and all are welcome to join us for food and fellowship. Bring a dish to share if you can, but it's not necessary to bring food; please join us. Table service and beverages will be provided by Le Nom du Pere Society.




We are pleased to tell you that Phase I of our Stained Glass Window project is complete! As such we will be moving right along to Phase II! We are kicking off a fall fundraiser — *Cemetery Headstone Cleaning.*

Contact Steve Ferry for information and/or to arrange a cleaning. Steve can be reached at 814-333-8441. Flyers about this project are available in the vestibule. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for our SGW projects.


Theology

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God

and the Human Journey
with Him



Wednesdays Sept. 18 - Oct.23
 6:30 PM St. Agatha's Center

Register with Amy so folders can be made.
 814-336-1112
 amy.mosbacher@catholic-meadville.org
 or use the QR code to register online

We are once again asking for the help of every family for our Annual Reverse Raffle, which will be held on Saturday, November 2nd in the Saint Hippolyte social hall. We are asking parishioners for donations of our consolation prizes. If every family in the parish gave two prizes we would be in great shape. Your small investment will be returned to the church ten-fold. Last year's profit was \$16,372.95! Prizes can be brought to the church any Sunday morning and placed in the designated classroom at Saint Hippolyte, or call the parish office if you need to drop something off during the week. We'll even come and pick it up—just call Desi at the office (814-789-2022) to make arrangements.

Some examples of items needed are:

- Gift Cards for gas, restaurants, shopping, movies, haircuts, etc.
- Camping, Hunting or Fishing Items
- Golf Items
- Theme Baskets
- Family Games
- Kitchen Gadgets or Small Appliances
- Live Plants or Silk Floral Arrangements
- Holiday Decorations
- Lawn & Garden Items
- Bottles of Wine or other Spirits
- Sweatshirts, Jackets, Hats, T-Shirts
- Tools & Car Care Items
- Instant Lottery Tickets
- Anything you would like to win!

Please be sure to register your prize when you drop it off. Registration forms and instructions are available in the prize room. If you don't like to shop, give us a monetary donation and we'll do the shopping for you!

**Please drop off your donations no later than
Sunday, October 27th.**

All proceeds from this parish event are deposited into the parish general checking account and help with our operating expenses.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina (1887-1968), Priest, Stigmatist, Mystic, Italy--Sept. 23. The patron of Eucharistic adorers, St. Padre Pio was passionately in love with the Holy Eucharist. He wrote: "Let me recognize you as your disciples did at the breaking of the bread, so that the eucharistic Communion [may] be the light which

disperses the darkness, the force which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart." "In the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist, in this sacrament of love, we have true life, a blessed life, and true happiness." "Let us spend our whole lives giving thanks to the divine Father who, in an excess of love for us, sent His only begotten Son and our most sweet Lover. Protected, covered and defended by the Presence of this dear Lord, let us stand before Him [in the Holy Eucharist] and pray with the humility of the creature and the confidence and freedom of the child."

http://www.acfp2000.com/Saints/Padre_Pio/Padre_Pio.html

The Common Good



In their statement on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the Catholic bishops of the United States identify the four main principles of the Church’s social teaching and apply them to some concrete issues. This is not to tell the faithful for whom or against whom to vote, but instead to help them form their consciences in accordance with God’s truth as they approach this often-challenging decision. The four main principles are the Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity. They are all interrelated. This bulletin focuses on the **Common Good**, and the other three principles are covered in three other bulletins in this series. —★

The Common Good is “the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfillment more fully and more easily.”¹ Human dignity is respected and the common good is fostered only if human rights are protected and basic responsibilities are met. Every human being has a right to life, a right to religious freedom, and a right to have access to those things required for human decency.

Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to ourselves, to our families, to the larger society, and to the earth.²

In short, we should seek “to build that kind of society where it is easier for people to be good.”³

In the midst of a “throwaway world” in which some members of the human family “can be readily sacrificed for the sake of others considered worthy of a carefree existence,” Pope Francis urges us to build a “culture of encounter” in which those most in need receive our greatest concern and attention. We must “place at the center of all political, social and economic activity the human person, who enjoys the highest dignity, and respect for the common good.”⁴

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As we seek to imitate the Good Samaritan, who was neighbor to all, we pursue the Common Good in order that every individual and all people can flourish.⁵

- Marriage and the family are the central institutions of social life – the primary

school of virtue, where we first experience common rather than merely individual goods – and so these institutions should be supported and strengthened.

- Likewise, as one human family dwelling in our common home, we must hear “both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” and respond to climate change with actions to better protect creation for our brothers and sisters now and in generations to come.⁶
- Accepting the entire world as a gift from the Father, and as our common home includes accepting our bodies as God’s gift, whereas thinking that we enjoy absolute power over our own bodies turns, often subtly, into thinking that we enjoy absolute power over creation.⁷
- We recognize and protect the right to religious liberty, our first and most cherished freedom. The protection of conscience and religious liberty is an indispensable element of the common good – a fundamental human right that knows no geographical boundaries.⁸
- While the common good embraces all, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need deserve special concern, which the Church describes as the *preferential option for the poor*.⁹ Laws and policies must prioritize those who struggle to make ends meet and must preserve the social safety net and promote decent jobs, affordable housing, and childcare.

Pope Benedict XVI writes in *Caritas in Veritate* (*Charity in Truth*): “To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity.” We must be attentive to the

common good “juridically, civilly, politically and culturally” in the life of society. “The more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbors,” he writes, “the more effectively we love them.”¹⁰

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023.

Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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1 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1906, citing *Gaudium et Spes* (*The Church in the Modern World*), no. 26.

2 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, nos. 49, 51.

3 Peter Maurin, as quoted by Dorothy Day. See *All the Way to Heaven: The Selected Letters of Dorothy Day* (New York: Random House, 2010), 457.

4 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (*On Fraternity and Social Friendship*), nos. 18 and 232.

5 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (*On Fraternity and Social Friendship*), no. 66.






6 Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), no. 49. See also: Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate* (*Charity in Truth*), nos. 48-52, and Pope Francis, *Laudate Deum*, nos. 58 and 60.

7 Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), no. 155.

8 St. Pope Paul VI, *Dignitatis Humanae* (*Declaration on Religious Freedom*), no. 6; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1907, citing *Gaudium et Spes* (*The Church in the Modern World*), no. 26.

9 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 53.

10 Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no. 7.

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