

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

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 Assistants
Allison Mattis and Kathleen Wheelock

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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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

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 28, 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

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, DEC. 29, ST. THOMAS BECKET
8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, DEC. 30, 6th DAY IN OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31, 7th DAY IN OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1, MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
6:00pm SH The living and deceased parishioners of
St. Hippolyte and Epiphany of the Lord Parishes

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2, SAINTS BASIL THE GREAT
and GREGORY NAZIANZEN
8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
11:00am SH The living and deceased parishioners of
St. Hippolyte and Epiphany of the Lord Parishes

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 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.

EUCARIST: 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

Today	No Faith Formation Classes
Monday	10:30am Rosary at SH
	8:30am Adoration and Rosary at SH
	9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH
Friday	8:30am Adoration and Rosary at OLL
Saturday	12:00pm Le Nom du Pere Christmas Party at SH
Sunday	Faith Formation Classes PS-9
	10:30am Rosary at SH

COMING EVENTS

Jan 11 Family Society breakfast at OLL 9:00am

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
MONDAY:	1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35
TUESDAY:	1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40
WEDNESDAY:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18
THURSDAY:	Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
FRIDAY:	1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28
SATURDAY:	1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Jn 1:29-34
SUNDAY:	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec 30	Paul Sylves
Jan. 1	Lance Smith
Jan. 2	Don Graham
Jan 3	Mary Jane Muller, Coltin Steck

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Second Reading

Adults – We are invited to let the word of Christ dwell within us and direct our daily lives. Which one of the lifestyle suggestions in this reading speaks most loudly to you?

Youth – In Colossians, St. Paul lays out a way of life for the followers of Christ. As you read through this list, which one of these is most difficult for you to follow? Which one is easiest?

Children – When is the hardest for you to obey your parents?

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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.

Offertory information was not available at the time of the bulletin printing deadline.

Catholic Services Appeal 2025:

Diocesan Assessment: \$28,259

Pledges/Gifts: 69

Pledged: \$31,025

Payments Received: \$30,235

Thank You!

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER

God ever

near to us, You numbered Your Son, together with Mary and Joseph, among the homeless of the earth, and counted them among the countless refugees who have fled into hiding out of fear for their lives. Shield our families from the dangers to which this world exposes them. Clothe us with compassion and kindness, with gentleness, patience and mutual forgiveness, so that we in turn may provide others with the shelter of a home where everyone is welcomed. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, God with us, Your Son, 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 first monthly drawing will be held next Sunday. **Please don't place your tickets in the offertory basket next Sunday; give them to Kathy.**

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.eriercd.org/fam.htm>



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK:

Saint Hippolyte/Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church

Join the diocesan Facebook page at www.ErieRCD.org



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. All are welcome!

Le Nom du Pere Society will hold their Christmas Party on Saturday, January 3 in the Saint Hippolyte social hall beginning at Noon. Please bring a dish to share for lunch; table service will be provided. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange game, please bring a \$15 unisex wrapped gift. All are welcome to attend!

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments: **Bullying** is defined as any unwanted aggressive behavior by another youth or group of youths that involves an observed or perceived power imbalance and is repeated multiple times or is highly likely to be repeated. 20% of youth ages 12-18 experience bullying. When adults respond quickly to bullying behavior, they send the message that bullying is not acceptable. There are ways parents can make a positive difference. Parents can educate themselves on signs that a child is being bullied or is a bully. Parents should keep the lines of communication open with their child and model for their child how to treat others. Encourage your child to be inclusive by welcoming others to join their activities and groups. For more information on how to prevent bullying in your community visit www.stopbullying.org.

For additional resources visit
www.eriercd.org/childprotection

Mike Dale has provided a new mailing address for his daughter, Sister Mary Magdalene. They have started a new foundation in Almonte Canada.

Sister Mary Magdalene
297 Strathburn St
Almonte, ON KOA 1AO Canada

Donations and fundraising projects for our Stained Glass Window Restoration have thus far totaled over \$226,000. We are still accepting donations as we move into the 3rd and final phase of the project. We have been truly blessed by our generous donors! Thank you for your support!



Catholics Returning Home — Are you feeling a tug on your heart this Christmas season? A longing for something you can't quite place? Maybe it is God breaking through and reminding you that you do have a Father in Heaven who loves you and longs for you more than you can imagine. Even if you think you have nowhere to go, the Lord is welcoming you home to church and an active practice of your faith. We would like to invite you to a program called Catholics Returning Home. There are 6 sessions on Wednesday nights starting on Jan 14-Feb 18, held at St. Agatha's office at 6:30pm. The sessions are held small group style and informal. There are flyers on the pamphlet rack in the church vestibule, or call the St. Agatha parish office for more information, 814-336-1112. We'd love to welcome you home!



Pro-Life Breakfast—Reservations are available for People for Life's 48th Annual Pro-Life Breakfast. The event will be held at the Erie Bayfront Convention Center on January 17. Doors will open at 8:00am, and the program—with a buffet-style breakfast—will begin at 9:00am. Lydia Taylor Davis, national spokesperson and social media coordinator for Students for Life of America, will be the special guest speaker. The cost is \$30 for regular reservations and \$22 for ages 3-12. Younger children are welcome to attend at no cost. Childcare for all ages will be available. Reservations, due by January 11, can be made online at www.peopleforlife.org/january2026 by calling 814-882-1333 or by mailing or hand-delivering the payment with names and a return address to People for Life, 1625 W. 26th St., Erie, PA 16508.

EUCCHARISTIC CORNER

The Holy Eucharist is the continuation of Christ's incarnation on earth. The mystery of the Eucharist gives us the joy of having Christmas every day. When we come to the Blessed Sacrament we come to Bethlehem, a name which means "house of bread." Jesus chose to be born in Bethlehem because He would dwell with us forever as the "Living Bread" come down from heaven. When the shepherds and Magi came to adore Him, they brought Him so much joy with their humble visit to Bethlehem that their visit has been praised and retold down through the centuries. God has never stopped honoring them for honoring His Son in Bethlehem. So too, your humble visit to Jesus today in the Blessed Sacrament brings Him so much joy that it will be retold for all eternity and bring the world closer to His promise of peace on earth.

— St. Teresa of Calcutta

FRENCH DINNER



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026
SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH SOCIAL HALL
\$20 PER PERSON, BY ADVANCE RESERVATION ONLY
DINNER SERVED ON THE HOUR:
5:00pm, 6:00pm, 7:00pm

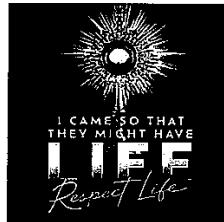
This year's menu includes:
French Onion Soup
Salad Greens with vinaigrette dressing
Chicken Cordon Bleu, Rice Pilaf, Roasted Carrots
and Mousse for dessert

Also included: French Bread and Beverages

Reservation Deadline: January 24
Call early to reserve your desired time!
Seating is limited.
Call Kathy at 814-573-6410

ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ONLY





January 2026 Parish Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i> Parish Office Closed 6:00pm—SH Holy Day Mass	2 8:30am—OLL Adoration and Rosary	3 12:00pm—SH Le Nom du Pere Christmas Party
4 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> Faith Formation PS-9 10:30am—SH Rosary	5 8:30am—SH Adoration and Rosary 9:30am—SH Bible Study	6	7	8	9 8:30am—OLL Adoration and Rosary	10
11 <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i> Faith Formation PS-8 9:00am—OLL Breakfast 10:30am—SH Rosary	12 8:30am—SH Adoration and Rosary 9:30am—SH Bible Study	13 7:00pm – OLL Choir	14	15	16 8:30am—OLL Adoration and Rosary	17
18 <i>2nd Sunday O.T.</i> Faith Formation PS-12 10:30am—SH Rosary 12:00pm—SH Sunday Social	19 8:30am—SH Adoration and Rosary 9:30am—SH Bible Study	20 7:00pm – SH Choir	21	22	23 8:30am—OLL Adoration and Rosary	24
25 <i>3rd Sunday O.T.</i> Faith Formation PS-9 10:30am—SH Rosary Second Collection: Catholic Communications	26 8:30am—SH Adoration and Rosary 9:30am—SH Bible Study	27 7:00pm – OLL Choir	28	29	30 8:30am—OLL Adoration and Rosary	31

January 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 	2 Rev. Raymond Hahn	3 Rev. Thomas Brown	
4 Pray for Consecrated Life	5 Rev James Piszker	6 Rev. Msgr Andrew Karg	7 Rev Kyle Seyler	8 Rev Stephen Schreiber	9 Rev Robert Horgas	10 Rev Jerry Priscaro
11 Rev. Michael Kesicki	12 Rev Matthew Kujawinski	13 Rev. Nicholas Fratus	14 Rev. G William Fischer, O.S.F.S.	15 Rev Paul Siebert	16 Rev Howard King	17 Rev. Walter Packard
18 Rev. Philip Oriole	19 	20 Rev. Johnathan Schmolt	21 Rev William Laska	22 Rev. Jerome Simmons	23 Rev. David Carter	24 The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico
25 Rev. Thomas Falkowski	26 Rev Msgr. Gerald Koos	27 Rev. Michael Polinek	28 Rev. Msgr. Charles Kaza	29 Fray for Vocations	30 Rev Cory Pius	31 Rev. Henry Krebs

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

In memory of..... Requested by

Our Parents	M/M Robert Juhn
Henry & Maria Wicher	M/M Cory Root
Betty & Joe Poly.....	M/M Thomas Smith
Lew Schaff	Julia Hovis
Deceased of the Chechak, Gernat, and Atha Families	Dolores Atha
M/M Louis Sneltzer, M/M Ralph Bornemann	M/M Donald Bornemann
Ellis & Louise Karns, Allen Bogardus, Wayne Bogardus Sr., Deceased members of the Karns Family	Rita Bogardus
Leo & Irene Mercier, Bill & Clara Humes	M/M Philip Young
Jim Withers, Ann Stacho Kaster.....	Brenda Withers
Deceased of the Foulk and Marvin Families	M/M Michael Foulk
Deceased of the F.J. Buckley Jr. and Robert Stroyne Families.....	M/M David Buckley
David Terrill	Sheila Terrill
Deceased of the Vinca/Terrill Family.....	M/M Clark Terrill
Don & Coletta Mitcham, Jeanne Bosco, Edith Braymer	M/M Donald Johnson
Jody Craig, Robert Schmidt, Albert & MaryAnn Smith.....	M/M Marcus Schmidt
Adam Mailiard	Theresa Mailiard
Dale Hamilton	M/M John Hamilton
H. Paul & Marie Wentworth, Merle & Alice Dunn, Don & Carol Babbitt, Tom Wentworth	M/M John Wentworth
Chub Tarr, Bethany Klingensmith, Denny Smith, Tom Smith, Chet & Connie Weier	Joyce Tarr
Ed Coyle, Ralph & Margaret Tau, Chuck & Elsie Coyle, Fr. Monty Sayers.....	MaryBeth Coyle
Gaylor & Mary Seeley, Virginia Hope, Jane Meehan	M/M Steve Ferry
Tom Grundy, Bill & Mary Davern	Mary Grundy
Jerry McGowan	Cindy McGowan
Clyde & Gerry Shank, James Clark, Bonnie Shank Kaputa, Emma Eddy	Judy Clark
Paul & Louise Nageotte Willis, Andrew & Katie Mattis	M/M Tom Mattis

Other Donors:

M/M Murray Hall, Harold Worst, Rebecca Arbuckle, M/M Jeff Mattis, M/M John Greshouse, Rosemary Oehmler, M/M John Jones,
Linda Poly, M/M Robert Schafer, John Dietrich

Catholics Returning Home

The Epiphany of the Lord Parish
welcomes you home!

If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, this invitation is for you.

Our faith community misses you and is incomplete without you. No matter how long you have been away, and for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church.

Please join us for informal group sessions and an update of the Catholic faith facilitated by Catholics who have returned home. The sessions are conducted in a support-group format. Everyone is welcome, no matter where they are from.

The Epiphany of the Lord Parish (353 Pine St. Meadville) will conduct this ongoing series on six consecutive evenings at 6:30pm beginning Wednesday, Jan. 14. For more details call Amy at 814-336-1112.



Then Jesus told them this parable: "What man among you, if he has a hundred sheep and loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the pasture and go after the one



that is lost, until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders, comes home, and calls together his friends and neighbors to tell them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep!' In the same way, I tell you that there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous ones who do not need to repent. ~Luke 15:3-6

Do you hear Jesus calling you?



"I heartily endorse St. Paul Street Evangelization. I attended their Basic Evangelization Training Workshop here in the Diocese of Pittsburgh in May and witnessed firsthand the contagious joy and enthusiasm of the presenter and the effect it had on the participants. They couldn't wait to hit the streets and go share their faith!"

- Most Reverend William J. Waltersheid, Auxiliary Bishop of Pittsburgh

Saturday, February 21, 2026, 9:00AM-4:00PM

Invite One Back

Training

In light of the National Eucharistic Revival and Congress, St. Paul Street Evangelization has partnered with the Catholic Diocese of Erie to offer this unique one day workshop. We will help you discover and understand missionary discipleship based on Eucharistic sending, how to invite others back to Mass who have yet to return and anticipate various conversations, we will review our basic methodology of listen, befriend, proclaim, and invite, and we will review and practice our entire door to door ministry program. All of this is done within a framework of non-confrontational relational ministry.

**The Epiphany of the Lord Parish
St. Mary of Grace Church**

1085 Water Street
Meadville, PA 16335

Cost: \$20

Registration is required & includes:

- **Workshop and training**
- **All materials**
- **Hospitality & lunch**

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