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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 11:00am - Mass

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

## Third Sunday In

**Lent**  
**March 8, 2026**



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochran, 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.

### Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, March 9th LENTEN WEEKDAY, SAINT FRANCES  
 8:30am SH Adoration and Rosary

TUESDAY, March 10th, LENTEN WEEKDAY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH, LENTEN WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH, LENTEN WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH, LENTEN WEEKDAY  
 8:30am OLL Adoration and Rosary

SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH, LENTEN WEEKDAY

SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
 11:00am SH Denise Schoenfeldt  
 (Bob, Danielle, Darcie & Family)

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)

**Pastor**  
 Rev. Jeffrey J. Lucas  
**Parochial Vicar**  
 Rev. Kyle Seyler  
**Faith Formation Coordinator**  
 Joyce Tarr 814-671-1009  
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 Kathleen Wheelock and Allison Mattis  
**Director of Music Ministries**  
 Darcie Schoenfeldt  
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 Father Lucas or Father Seyler, call 814-336-1112.**

**Parish Office**  
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 Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall: 814-425-7550

## 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.

**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.

**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 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	OLL Breakfast
	9:15am	FF PS-1, 3-8 (no class for grade 2)
	10:30am	Rosary at SH
Monday	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at SH
	9:30am	Small Group Bible Study SH
Tuesday	7:00pm	Choir at OLL
Friday	OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED	
	8:30am	Adoration and Rosary at OLL
	6:00 pm	Soup & Bread
	7:00pm	Stations Of The Cross
Sunday		Faith Formation Classes PS-12
	10:30am	Rosary at SH
	12:00pm	Sunday Social

**COMING EVENTS** March 15th Sunday Social

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42, 19b-26, 39a 40-42

MONDAY: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2-3, 43:3-4/Lk 4:24-30

TUESDAY: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

WEDNESDAY: Dt 4:1, 5-9 /Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

THURSDAY: Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23

FRIDAY: Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34

SATURDAY: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b/Lk 18:9-14

SUNDAY: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March:14 Jennifer Mitchell, Michael Huddleson

March:15 Bill Chase, Carrie Smith

March:16 Larry Rhoades, David Parker

March:18 Timothy Hartman

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 10 Mr. & Mrs. Marcus (Wanda) Schmidt

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel*

**Adults** :When you are tempted to try to satisfy your “thirst for meaning” through some other means, what keeps you coming back to the loving water of intimacy with Christ? Through what means do you experience Christ’s power in your life: Sacraments? Scripture? Prayer? Others?

**Youth** :Jesus revealed himself to an outcast of society. How can you be “Living Water” to the outcasts of your school? Society? The world?

**Children** :How do you experience Jesus helping and loving you?  
lifelongcatechesis.osv.com

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	<b>SH/OLL</b>
Offertory last week:	\$ 1893
envelopes used:	#56
Building Fund last week:	\$ 350
envelopes used:	#27

### Catholic Services Appeal 2026

Diocesan Assessment: \$23,287



*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

**HELPING HANDS PRAYER** O God, you loved us while we were yet sinners: in Christ you come in search of us. We thirst for your grace. As once at Moses’ hand in the desert, as once at Jacob’s well with the Samaritan woman, so now make your gift of faith in all of us, elect and baptized, a spring of living water, leaping up to eternal life. We ask through Christ, whose gifts are water, light and life. We ask this through Christ, whose gifts are water, light and life, the Lord who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

## Lenten Fasting

How’s the fasting going this Lent? Whether you’ve chosen to fast from some sort of food or given up something else like social media or swearing or whatever, remember that the rigorousness and extent of the fast isn’t the main thing. Fasting isn’t an end to itself. The importance of any penitential act is whether your heart is being turned toward God. That is why any fasting must be accompanied by prayer and acts of charity. St. Augustine put it this way: “Do you wish your prayer to fly toward God? Give it two wings: fasting and almsgiving.” All together it’s how we take our attention off ourselves and look at the needs of the world instead. The goal of authentic fasting and other penance is “to develop the inner freedom to resist” all kinds of temptations, including those that would lead us to abandon our sisters and brothers in need.

“Fasting: A Positive Approach”

By “Mark Neilson”

## 2026 Catholic Services Appeal Update:

Pledged \$20,230.00

Paid \$12,000.00

Due \$8,230.00

50 families have pledged out of 253 active families (19.8%). We are short of our diocesan goal of \$23,287 and our parish goal of \$31,287 for part 1 of the Cemetery renovation project. And we are short of our 100% participation goal. On average 83 families participate in the fund drive, which if we spread the burden evenly is \$380 per family/giver. However, we are grateful for every gift no matter how big or small even if it’s just your prayers!

This Month’s winner for the Ham & Chicken Dinner Raffle is **Kathy Dale!** Congratulations Kathy!

## 2026 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mark You Calendars for the 2026 Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico. Couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or mor wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebration. This year’s celebration will be held on Sunday, August 23, 2026, at St. George, Erie, 2:00pm and Sunday, August 30, 2026, at St. Leo Magnus, Ridgway, 2:00pm. The registration form and more information will be coming shortly. We look forward to celebrating the beautiful celebration with you in August 2026.

## Parenting Pointers

We’re 15 days into Lent. Has your family found 15 things to give away to those in need? So maybe you’ve procrastinated? Maybe you’re the only one in your family who decided to join the great Lenten give-away. Maybe you have better ways to sacrifice during Lent. It doesn’t matter. Just do something-even if it’s just to read and be inspired by others.

## Child Protection and creating Safe Environments-

**Cyberbullying.** The widespread use of mobile devices causes more children to be susceptible to cyberbullying. Cyberbullying can take many forms, including cruel messages via text or social media, the distribution of photoshopped pictures designed to mock an individual, forwarding “private” photos or videos, and pretending to be someone else on a social media site. Victims of cyberbullying often suffer from depression, isolation and can even become suicidal. Parents can educate themselves on the signs that a child is being cyberbullied or is a bully by visiting: [www.StopBullying.gov/cyberbullying/](http://www.StopBullying.gov/cyberbullying/) for more resources visit [www.ericcd.org/childprotection/](http://www.ericcd.org/childprotection/)

## No Greater Love Lenten Sessions

Wednesdays of Lent, 6:30pm St. Agatha Center.

This week on Mar. 11: Jesus’ trial before Pilate and His condemnation to death.

EPIPHANY of the LORD PARISH: Fish and Shrimp Dinners. Sides are choice of baked potato or French fries, coleslaw or applesauce, vegetable. Served at St. Mary of Grace Social Hall: Water St. Meadville. Serving 4:30-6:30. Every Friday during Lent.

## Lee Ann Leech Memorial Scholarship

The Lee Ann Leech Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a Crawford County student who wishes to become a Registered Nurse (RN) and is enrolling in a two- or four-year degree program leading to an associates or bachelor’s degree. Awards From the Lee Ann Leech Memorial Scholarship average \$1,500. Applications are due no later than March 15th. To complete an application, visit [Crawfordheritage.org/scholarship](http://Crawfordheritage.org/scholarship).

## What is the Five First Saturday’s Devotion?

Our Blessed Mother explained to Sr. Lucia dos Santos, on of the Fatima visionaries, on December 10,1925: “See my daughter, my Heart encircles by thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Do you, at least, strive to console me. (sic) Tell them that I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who, I order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to confession, receive Holy communion, say five decades of the Rosary, keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditation on the mysteries of the Rosary” \* Why five First Saturdays in Particular: Jesus explained this to Sr. Lucia on May 29, 1930, saying: “Daughter, the motive is simple. There are five kinds of offenses and blasphemies spoken against the Immaculate Heart of Mary” **First:** Blasphemies against the Our Lady’s Immaculate Conception. **Second:** Blasphemies against her Perpetual Virginity. **Third:** Blasphemies against her Divine Maternity, refusing, at the same time, to receiver her as the Mother of Mankind.

**Fourth:** Instilling indifference, scorn, and even hatred towards the Immaculate Mother in the hearts of children. **Fifth:** Direct insults against her sacred images.\*

## How to Make the First Saturdays Devotion:

\*Confession on the first Saturday of the month {shortly before or after the First Saturday as long as the person received Holy Communion in a state of grace}.

\*Holy Communion received on the First Saturday of each month;

\*Say the Holy Rosary, five decades recited sometimes during the day; and

\*Meditating for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary {one or more}.

Do all these things on the first Saturday of five **successive** months. You may begin the devotion any time on a First Saturday and repeat the devotion as many times as desired.

Sources: \*America Needs Fatima brochure.

\* Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, Marian Press brochure

## Eucharistic Corner

The Holy Eucharist is like a divine Storehouse filled with every virtue; God has placed It in the world so that everyone one may draw from It.

~St. Peter Julian Eymard

