

SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH

26012 N. Frenchtown Rd., Guys Mills PA 16327
(GPS only; send mail to the parish office)

Liturgies:
Sunday 11:00am

Confessions:
By appointment

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14, 2022

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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

Liturgies:
Sunday 8:00am

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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

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Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, AUGUST 15,

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:30am SH Communion Service

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, SAINT STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, SAINT JOHN EUDES

8:30am OLL Communion Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, SAINT BERNARD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00am OLL For the Parishioners of Saint Hippolyte/Our Lady of

Lourdes and Epiphany of the Lord Parishes

11:00am SH Scott Lyons (Gary & Jill Glunt)

Read the parish bulletin online at www.sainthippolytechurch.com

HELPING HANDS

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

Joanne Froella (cards) 814-425-3645

Pam Garofola (cards) 814-720-8190

Connie Molli (visits/telephone) 814-967-3813

Judy Shonnard (visits) 814-758-1169

Sharon Boughner (telephone) 814-425-8284

Ministry of Welcome:

Garold Molli 814-967-3813

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Joanne Froella 814-425-3645

Carol Barickman 814-789-3814

Transportation:

Jennifer Mitchell 412-965-2141

Bob Robinson (to church) 814-282-3673

Beth Bryan (errands) 814-671-3335

Services to the Bereaved:

Kay Hotchkiss (Mass) 814-425-3933

Mary Ann Francic (Mass) 724-452-4492

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

Chris Ploski (Odd Jobs) 814-282-7635

Shannon Ploski (Odd Jobs) 814-282-7634

Dave Wolff (Odd Jobs) 814-573-6260

Mary Everitt (Respite Care) 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.

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 10 minutes prior to and immediately following the Sunday Masses. Confession is also offered at The Epiphany of the Lord Parish, Saint Agatha Church (353 Pine Street, Meadville) on Saturdays at 8:30am and 3:30pm. To schedule an appointment with Father Jeffrey Lucas or Father Joseph Petrone, call 814-336-1112.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday Parish Office Closed
9:15am Small Group Bible Study at SH
Tuesday 7:00pm Choir at SH
Sunday Special Collection: Church in Latin America

COMING EVENTS

Aug 23 Finance Council meeting at Rectory 7:00pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
MONDAY: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
TUESDAY: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
WEDNESDAY: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
THURSDAY: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
FRIDAY: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
SATURDAY: Ez 43:1-7b/Mt 23:1-12
SUNDAY: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug 15: Ken Stafford
Aug 16: Bernadette Lewis
Aug 17: Julie Hovis, John Ritchey
Aug 18: Pam Garofola, Jared Wolff
Aug 19: Terry Bensel, John Choffel
Aug 20: Beth Bryan, David George
Aug 21: Betty Klein



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Aug 18: Doug & Rose Gordon

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Adults – Share about a time when life's struggles were so difficult for you that you nearly "threw in the towel." What signs did you see then that God remained with you?

Youth – We are assured that God will be with us as we go through life, so what strategy do you use to keep God in mind as you deal with the ups and downs of life as a young adult?

Children – What is one way you can be close to Jesus today?

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SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

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Offertory last week:	\$1,008	\$2,373
envelopes used:	32	38
Mission Appeal:	\$ 931	\$ 721
Building Fund last week:	\$ 225	\$ 284
envelopes used:	13	18

Catholic Services Appeal 2022:

Diocesan Assessment: \$27,598

of Gifts/Pledges: 102

Pledged: \$35,133 Received: \$26,818

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

"[God] has lifted up the lowly and filled the hungry with good things.

Luke 1:52-53

HELPING HANDS PRAYER: At Jesus' birth, O God of mystery, the angels sang of peace, but he would long for the baptism of the passion. Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, we look to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Let us be consumed in the fire he kindles, and immersed in the baptism of his death, that he may remember us when he comes into his 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. 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.

LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?

Discover why families always matter at:
<http://www.eriecd.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

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.

Do you like to paint? An upcoming project at Saint Hippolyte will be painting the social hall restrooms along with some other areas. This project is still in the planning stages but Le Nom du Pere Society will cover the expense of the paint and supplies. We are looking for individuals and/or families to volunteer their time and talent for this painting project. This is a great opportunity for anyone who needs some community service hours. Details will be provided soon, but please consider volunteering when the time comes.

Mark Your Calendar — A Chicken & Biscuit Dinner will be held at Saint Hippolyte on Sunday, October 16 immediately following the 11:00am Mass.

St. Martin Center in Erie is currently looking for Bachelor-Degreed full-time teachers. Interested candidates can find all details (pay, benefits, requirements, etc) and apply on their website, www.smcerie.org.

Saintly Sojourn—October 11-13 Father Monty Sayers and the parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish in Clarion are planning a trip to Frankenmuth, MI to visit the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon, The National Shrine of the Cross in the Woods, Our Lady of the Woods Shrine, and Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland. \$550 per person based on double occupancy; (\$650 single) includes Meals, Hotel for two nights, Motor coach transportation, Faith and Fun. For more information or to reserve your seat, please contact Kim at kkroh@icclarion.org or 814-221-0241.

If you as a young adult are wrestling with big questions about your future, don't worry — you are not alone. The Samuel Group is for young adults ages 20-30 who seriously desire to discern God's will for their lives. The Samuel Group is a seven-month journey that includes: monthly gathering at Saint Mark Catholic Center (Erie), spiritual direction, prayer, talks, small group discussions, and accompaniment. The goal of the Samuel Group is for each participant to grow in self-knowledge and to hear and respond to God's call with an open heart. Applications are due by September 1. For an informational video and application details, go to <https://www.eriercd.org/youth/samuelgroup.html>. For further questions, contact Father Scott Jabo, vocation director, at SWJabo@ErieRCD.org or Jillian Zaczyk, director of Young Adult and Youth Ministry, at jzaczyk@ErieRCD.org.

The Family Society at Our Lady of Lourdes is selling the carport (located in the fenced-in garden beside the church parking lot) to the highest bidder. The carport is 12 x 21 ft. and features a galvanized steel sloped roof. It is 90" tall, offering a high-quality, steel structure that is perfect for protecting boats, vehicles, tractors and even outdoor picnic areas. Please put your proposal in a sealed envelope and drop it in the collection basket or contact the parish office. Serious offers are due to the parish office by August 15.

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS



**OUR
CHURCH
NEEDS US
AND WE
NEED THE
CHURCH**

Our Catholic Faith asks our students to do service to help them realize and teach them the meaning of helping others, whether it is family, community or our church. But we as adults and youth are called to be of service to our church. These past two weeks have shown us what being of service to our church means through the Frenchtown Ham or Chicken Dinner and the Family Society's food booth at the Cochran Community Fair. Both of these fund raisers help us to keep our parish financially alive. So thank you all for your contribution to this service no matter how small of a job you helped with. We will be asking for helpers soon for the **Parish Reverse Raffle** on November 5th. You can do your service by donating pies or desserts for the meal, gifts for the loser prizes, large gifts for the side raffles, or working one of the many positions that need filled, or advertising or collecting donations from local businesses.

As a member of the Parish we are called to be volunteers, not spectators. We need each other to be an active Parish. Yes, this takes sacrifice and in helping each other we become a vibrant Parish. By contributing we are following God's instructions as can be found in many scripture passages, such as: Luke 20:35, 1 Peter 4:10-11, Galatians 5:13-14, Matthew 20:28 or 25:35-40. In James 2:14-15 we hear: "What good is it my brothers and sisters if you have faith but do not have good works? Can your faith save you?"

**Thank you to all of our volunteers
no matter how large or small your
contribution.**



Solemnity of the Assumption

The Catholic Church believes that Mary, the mother of Jesus, was assumed body and soul into heaven at the end of her life. We believe in the resurrection of bodies that decay after death; Mary needed no resurrection of the body because hers was preserved from corruption. She was assumed into heaven.

This belief is a counterpart to the Catholic belief in the Immaculate Conception. To prepare a womb for the coming of the Word Made Flesh, God preserved Mary from all sin from the moment of her conception. Mary did not experience any sin—including original sin, which leads to further sin and death. Hence, sinless (immaculate) Mary also did not experience death as other mortals do. She was assumed into heaven.

The Preface for this day was composed after the Second Vatican Council. It includes these ideas about Mary, as well as this idea about the Church: We are a pilgrim people. This image had been enshrined in the council's Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. The entire Church makes a pilgrimage toward heaven. Mary, who achieved this goal, is a sign of hope and comfort for everyone else along the way. She is the beginning and the image of the Church as it comes to perfection.

The Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated in the evening of August 14 and anytime during the day on August 15. When this solemnity falls on a Sunday, it replaces the prayers and readings of Ordinary Time. August 15 is a holyday of obligation in the United States of America, except in those years when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday. This allows those responsible for preparing Sunday worship to relax a bit more.

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Deacons

WHEN DEACONS first appeared in our sanctuaries in the late 1960s, it seemed like another new-fangled idea. Actually, it's a rather old-fangled idea that originated only a few years after Jesus died. You can find their story in Acts of the Apostles 6, where a racial dispute over unequal food rations for women convinced the apostles there had to be a better way to do business. By the time Paul wrote to Timothy and Titus, deacons were firmly established.

Deacons have three missions: charitable works, preaching the Gospel, and assisting in the liturgy. It's been that way from the beginning.

In the early Church, the deacons instructed the faithful when to sit, stand, kneel, and leave. Because they assisted with Baptisms when candidates came naked to the font, deaconesses helped the women catechumens. In time, deacons wore two vestments of liturgical colors: a stole worn diagonally and an exterior garment called a dalmatic—very much like the chasuble, the large outer vestment of the priest, but with sleeves.

Through centuries of clericalism, the office of deacon fell into disuse except for those pursuing

priesthood. But they still assisted at the liturgy.

We see this today, when deacons assist at the liturgy giving instructions to the assembly. For example, at the Good Friday liturgy a deacon (or lay minister) sings out, "*Flectamus genua*," waits a few moments, and then sings, "*Levate*" as part of the Universal Prayer. That's a quintessential deacon job: Tell people when to kneel and when to stand.

Today, of course, we're familiar with deacons who proclaim the Gospel, instruct us to offer the Sign of Peace, and dismiss us from the service. They preach, baptize, witness marriage, bless people and articles, bury the dead, and use the same liturgical greeting (e.g., "The Lord be with you.") as the priest. The difference is that these guys are not on their way to becoming priests. Their call is to be deacons.

At Mass, the priest invites us to prayer ("Let us pray.") The deacon invites us to action ("Let us offer each other the sign of peace.") How dramatic then that the deacon proclaims the Gospel. He's not just reading a story—he's giving us instructions on what to do next. He invites us to live the Gospel we hear.



August 1, 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The Catholic Church in Latin America is more than ever facing challenges in the work of evangelization. Shortages of resources and pastoral workers, as well as poor infrastructure make simple things like attending weekly Mass difficult for many. As members of the same family of faith, we are called to help our sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The Collection for the Church in Latin America, scheduled to take place in our Diocese on the weekend of August 21-22, is one way to support them. Your participation in this collection is a meaningful and practical expression of solidarity with people in these regions. The proceeds are used in dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions. The collection also assists in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers.

Please be generous toward this collection. Take this opportunity to share your faith with our sisters and brothers in need. Your financial support, and just as importantly, your prayers, will truly make a difference.

For more information on the Church in Latin America, and the many projects funded by the collection, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Be assured of my own prayers for you and your family,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie