

# SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH

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

## Liturgies:

Monday 8:30am Communion Service  
Sunday 11:00am

## Confessions:

By appointment

# The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2023

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochranton, PA 16314  
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Friday 8:30am Communion Service

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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.

## 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

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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, AUGUST 28, SAINT AUGUSTINE

8:30am SH Communion Service

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, THE PASSION OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, WEEKDAY

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, WEEKDAY

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, WEEKDAY

8:30am OLL Communion Service

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, WEEKDAY

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3,

### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00am SH Margaret Tau (Mary Beth Coyle)

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## 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 (visits/telephone) .... 814-967-3813

Judy Shonnard (visits) ..... 814-758-1169

Brenda Withers (telephone) ..... 814-425-1062

### Ministry of Welcome:

Garold Molli ..... 814-967-3813

Rosanne Chamberlain ..... 814-374-4026

### Elizabeth Ministry:

Carol Barickman ..... 814-789-3814

### Transportation:

Jennifer Mitchell ..... 412-965-2141

### 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 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.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 9:30am Small Group Bible Study at SH  
6:30pm Pastoral Advisory Council at OLL

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20  
MONDAY: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Mt 23:13-22  
TUESDAY: 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mk 6:17-29  
WEDNESDAY: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32  
THURSDAY: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51  
FRIDAY: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13  
SATURDAY: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mt 25:14-30  
SUNDAY: Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Aug 29: Donna Aaron, Donna Choffel, Catherine Laird  
Aug 31: Renee Dashner, Emma Sutton  
Sept. 1: Julie Hutcheson  
Sept. 2: Chase Miller  
Sept. 3: Craig Beuchat, Carole Jones

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Aug 29: Brian & Judy Kirberger

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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

**Adults** – If Jesus turned and asked you the same question, who would you say He is? How would you describe Jesus to someone who did not know Him?

**Youth** – Today's Gospel is about identity—the revealing of Jesus' true self. How difficult is it to you to reveal your true self? What holds you back from being who God created you to be?

**Children** – What are three things you know about Jesus?

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**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.



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Facebook page at  
[www.ErieRCD.org](http://www.ErieRCD.org)

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH	OLL
Offertory last week:	\$1,206	\$ 785
envelopes used:	42	18
Church in Latin America:	\$165	
Holy Day—Assumption:	\$ 294	\$ 95
Building Fund last week:	\$ 306	\$ 130
envelopes used:	18	4

### Catholic Services Appeal 2023:

Diocesan Assessment: \$27,632

# of Gifts/Pledges: 93

Pledged: \$36,510 Received: \$30,485

*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

Many have asked how they can still support our parish if they attend Mass at another parish. If you attend Mass at another parish, simply drop your offertory envelope in their collection basket and it will be forwarded to our parish. We do the same for those who attend Mass in our parish but are members of another parish. **Thank you for your continued support.**

**HELPING HANDS PRAYER** God, well-spring of all wisdom and font of every insight, You inspired Simon Peter to confess Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of the living God, and on the rock of this faith You built Your church. Pour out Your Spirit in abundance, that all may join in this profession, and so become living stones built up into Your Church, standing firm upon the one foundation, which is 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.

## LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?

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



## LIKE US ON FACEBOOK:

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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. **The deadline for the bulletin of September 17 is Thursday, September 7.** To avoid confusion, information should be submitted in writing.

If you would like the Sanctuary Candle to be lit in memory of your loved one at either Saint Hippolyte or Our Lady of Lourdes, please call Desi at the parish office at 814-789-2022. We request \$10 per week.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be open for private prayer each Friday** until noon, following the Communion Service and Rosary.

**As most of you have probably noticed, some of our beautiful stained glass windows at Saint Hippolyte Church are in desperate need of repair.** We will need your help to get this project funded. If anyone is willing/able to join a fundraising committee, please contact Pat Ferry at [pferry320@gmail.com](mailto:pferry320@gmail.com) or via telephone at 814-333-8441. We are looking for people, ideas, research, etc. This is a massive project that is significant so if you are able to help raise funds, write grants, or contact potential families whose names are currently on the windows, we would love your help. Time is of the essence so please reach out quickly.

**Christmas Cards** with 4 different photos of Saint Hippolyte Church are available for pre-order, with payment in advance. The cost is \$18 for a set of 12 cards and envelopes. Please contact Chris Waddell at 814-720-5584 to place an order or for more information. Order deadline is September 15.

**The community garden at Our Lady of Lourdes is producing many vegetables.** Please come on Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm and take what you can use.

**The Rosary will continue to be prayed** on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. All are welcome to join us in prayer.

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments—**

**Requirements for working with children:** Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All clergy, employees, and volunteers in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. Visit [www.eriecd.org/childprotection/](http://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/) to see what documentation and training is required for those who work with children and youth in our parishes/schools/agencies.

**Food For Thought Free Food Pantry** is open every Wednesday from 4:00-5:30pm and is located at 29776 State Highway 77, Guys Mills. This food pantry is available to anyone in need, no questions asked. Our parish continues to support the food pantry with non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene items, as well as volunteers to work at the food pantry on Wednesdays when needed. **A sign up sheet is posted on the Saint Hippolyte bulletin board with dates and times that volunteers are needed.** Please sign up as you can. Monetary donations for the food pantry as also accepted. Make your check payable to Food For Thought and mail it to Ann Zurasky, 30935 Russell Road, Townville PA 16360 Thanks for your support!

## WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS

### Why is the Passion of John the Baptist celebrated on August 29?

Local legends claim that St. John the Baptist's head was found on August 29, 452. While St. John the Baptist's birthday is celebrated on June 24 each year, his death (and beheading) is celebrated on August 29. Why is that?

According to the *St Andrew Daily Missal*, August 29 was chosen because it was the day when his head was discovered.

“He was put to death at about the time of the Pasch, a year before Christ's Passion, but the feast of his death is kept today {Aug 29}, the anniversary of the finding of his head at Emesa in Syria in 452.”

The *Catholic Encyclopedia* fills in some of the gaps of this story.

“What became of the head of the Precursor is difficult to determine. Nicephorus (I, ix) and Mataphrastes say Herodias had it buried in the fortress of Machaerus; others insist that it was interred in Herod's palace at Jerusalem; there it was found during the reign of Constantine, and thence secretly taken to Emesa, in Phoenicia, where it was concealed, the place remaining unknown for years, until it was manifested by revelation in 453. In the many and discordant relations concerning this relic, unfortunately much uncertainty prevails; their discrepancies in almost every point render the problem so intricate as to baffle solution.”

Eastern Christians have similar traditions, except they celebrate a feast on February 24 called the “First and second finding of the Honorable Head of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist of the Lord, John.” Some Eastern Christians even celebrate a “Third Finding” of his head, after it had been hidden for many years.

Regardless of whether these claims are true or not, the Church continues to celebrate the Passion of John the Baptist on August 29, honoring his commitment to the truth and his role as a “forerunner” to Jesus Christ.

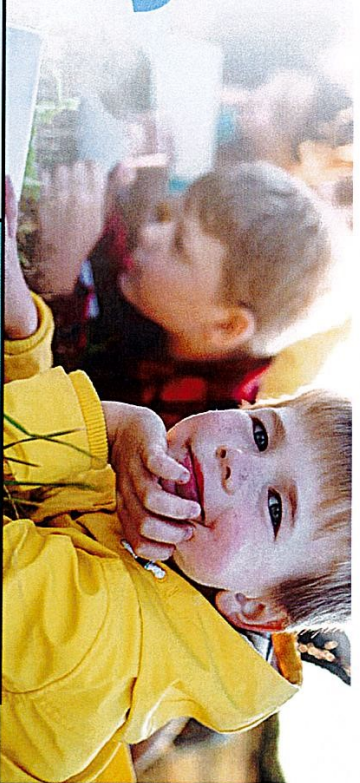
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# September 2023—Parish Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>Sunday Mass: 11:00am at Saint Hippolyte</b>            The Rosary is prayed one half hour before Sunday Mass and immediately following the Monday and Friday Communion Services.</p>					1 8:30am—OLL Communion Service followed by Rosary and private prayer until Noon	2
3 <i>22nd Sunday O.T.</i>	4 <b>LABOR DAY</b>  Parish Office Closed	5 6:30pm—OLL Rosary 7:00pm – SH Choir	6 7:00pm—SH Le Nom du Pere Society	7	8 8:30am—OLL Communion Service followed by Rosary and private prayer until Noon	9
10 <i>23rd Sunday O.T.</i>	11 8:30am—SH Communion Service followed by Rosary 9:15am—SH Small Group 7:00pm—OLL Family Society	12 7:00pm –OLL Choir	13	14	15 8:30am—OLL Communion Service followed by Rosary and private prayer until Noon	16
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED THIS WEEK						
17 <i>24th Sunday O.T.</i> <b>Catechetical Sunday</b> Special Collection: Catholic Education 12:00pm—SH FF Parent Meeting and Registration	18 8:30am—SH Communion Service followed by Rosary 9:15am—SH Small Group	19 7:00pm –SH Choir	20 6:30pm –SH H/C Dinner Follow-up Meeting	21 9:00am—OLL Gardening Group	22 8:30am—OLL Communion Service followed by Rosary and private prayer until Noon	23
24 <i>25th Sunday O.T.</i> Faith Formation Grades PS-10 12:00pm—SH Faith Formation Parent Meeting for grades 9-10	25 8:30am—SH Communion Service followed by Rosary 9:15am—SH Small Group	26 7:00pm –OLL Choir	27	28	29 8:30am—OLL Communion Service followed by Rosary and private prayer until Noon	30

# Kids calendar

## SEPTEMBER 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Word of the month: <b>Diocese</b></p> <p>One large Church assigned to a bishop, made up of smaller parish churches.</p>						
<p>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p><b>Q</b> Who will come with the Son of Man in glory? (SEE SEPTEMBER 7)</p> <p>➔ Mt 16:21-27</p> <p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH</p>	<p><b>A</b> His angels</p>	<p><b>1</b></p> <p>THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>SAINT PETER CLAVER, PRIEST</p> 
<p>TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p><b>Q</b> What happens when two or three gather in Jesus' name? (SEE SEPTEMBER 14)</p> <p>➔ Mt 18:15-20</p> <p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GON, PRIEST, AND PAUL CHONG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS</p>	<p><b>A</b> He is there with them.</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>OUR LADY OF SORROWS</p> 	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>SAINTS CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYRILIN, BISHOP, MARTYRS</p>
<p>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p><b>Q</b> How often must I forgive? (SEE SEPTEMBER 19)</p> <p>➔ Mt 18:21-35</p> <p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>A</b> 7 x 77 times</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>SAINTS COSMAS AND DAMIAN, MARTYRS</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST</p> 	<p><b>15</b></p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>SAINT PIUS OF PETERCINA, PRIEST</p>
<p>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p> <p><b>Q</b> Who did Jesus say would be first? (SEE SEPTEMBER 25)</p> <p>➔ Mt 20:1-16a</p> <p><b>24</b></p>	<p><b>A</b> The last</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>SAINT WENCESLAUS, MARTYR SAINT LAWRENCE RUZ AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS</p> 	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS</p> 	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>SAINT JEROME, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH</p>
				<p><b>27</b></p> <p>SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST</p> 	<p><b>28</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p>
						<p><b>30</b></p>

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