

# 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 Fourth Sunday of Advent December 19, 2021



# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochranton, PA 16314  
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St. Hippolyte Social Hall: 814-789-4533

Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall: 814-425-7550

## Weekly Liturgy Schedule

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:30am SH Communion Service

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, SAINT PETER CANISIUS

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, SAINT JOHN KANTY

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

*Vigil of The Nativity of the Lord*

7:00pm OLL Jack & Elsie Blankfield (Family)

10:00pm SH Andy Mattis (Doug & Rose Gordon)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

11:00am SH Rosalie McCracken (Bill & Nancy Musser)

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8:00am OLL Scott Lyons (Debbie Kersting, Alex, Hunter & Cameron)

11:00am SH Dorothy Hargenrader (Paul & Ruth Mercier)

Read the parish bulletin online at [www.sainthippolytechurch.com](http://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

### Emergency Home Care:

Mary Beth Coyle (Meals)..... 814-425-2502

Chris/Shannon Ploski (Odd Jobs). 814-967-4065

Dave Wolff (Odd Jobs) ..... 814-573-6260

Mary Everitt (Respite Care) ..... 814-853-0599

### Transportation:

Jennifer Mitchell ..... 814-827-3803

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

### Elizabeth Ministry:

Joanne Froella ..... 814-425-3645

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

### Ministry of Welcome:

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

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

**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

(Confession) is 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 Jeffrey Lucas or Father Joseph Petrone, call 814-336-1112.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	9:00am Faith Formation Grades PS-8 at OLL 9:15am Faith Formation Grades PS-8 at SH 12:00pm Holiday Bake Sale at SH until 2:00pm 5:30pm Journey to Bethlehem at OLL until 7pm
Monday	Parish Office closed 9:15am Small Group Bible Study at SH 6:00pm Pastoral Advisory Council at OLL Parish Office closed
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	Parish Office closed
Saturday	
Sunday	No Faith Formation Classes

## COMING EVENTS

Dec. 27-Jan. 4 Parish Office Closed

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:	Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
MONDAY:	Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
TUESDAY:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-45
WEDNESDAY:	1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
THURSDAY:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
FRIDAY:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79 7pm: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 10pm: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
SATURDAY:	Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
SUNDAY:	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec. 20: Ruth Jackard, Avery Palotas  
Dec. 21: Ron Maloney, Rhonda Weagraff  
Dec. 22: Breanna Heme, Mike Leech, Landon Pierce, Johanna Schneider  
Dec. 23: Chris Bornemann, Kitty Jehn  
Dec. 25: Cec Richard, Chad Robinson  
Dec. 26: Beth Holcomb, Gregg Kalinowski

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dec. 20: Bill & Nancy Musser  
Dec. 26: Evelyn & Paddy Padlan

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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

**Adults** – What role does Mary play in your own spirituality? If you were Elizabeth, how would you greet her at your doorway, if she were to arrive there?

**Youth** – When have you experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit?

**Children** – How does the Blessed Virgin Mary help you to follow Jesus?

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH	OLL
Offertory last week:	\$1,088	\$2,035
envelopes used:	41	61
Retired Religious	\$ 417	\$ 560
Building Fund last week:	\$ 307	\$ 360
envelopes used:	20	27

### Catholic Services Appeal 2021:

Dio Assessment: \$27,069

# of Gifts/Pledges: 104

Pledged: \$40,465 Received: \$38,590

*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

**HELPING HANDS PRAYER:** O God of hosts, O Shepherd of your people, you chose Mary, the humble daughter of Israel, to become the earthly dwelling-place of your incarnate Word. Stir up within your church such wholehearted devotion to your saving purpose, that with Christ we may come into the world to do your will, and with Mary offer ourselves to you as an unceasing canticle of praise. 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.

## PARISH RAFFLE TICKET RETURNS

can be made through the collection basket or mailed to the parish office. If you need more tickets, please contact the parish office. Our first monthly drawing will be held on Sunday, Jan. 2.

## 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](http://www.ErieRCD.org)

Join us this evening for the Journey to Bethlehem Live Nativity at Our Lady of Lourdes (251 South Franklin Street, Cochran) from 5:30-7:00pm. Donations of canned goods for the Cochran Food Pantry will be accepted. Following your walk-through journey, stop in the social hall for cookies and hot cocoa. The parish choir will also be providing beautiful music while you enjoy the cookies. We hope to see you there!



**Thank you** to those who participated in the annual Giving Tree at Saint Hippolyte. The amount of food and gifts donated to the five local families was overwhelming. Thank you for making this year's Christmas celebration for those children and their families a blessed occasion.

**It's time to update the Parish Prayer Chain.**

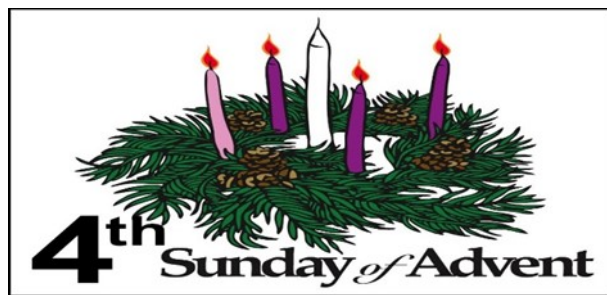
For your name or the name of a loved one to be added to OR remain on the next prayer chain, please contact Bob & Denise Schoenfeldt at 814-333-8464 or Julia Hovis at 814-657-3265. Please submit your requests by Wednesday of this week.

**The Le Nom du Pere Society's annual Christmas Party** will be held on Wednesday, January 5 at 6:00pm in the Saint Hippolyte social hall. Bring a dish to share and a \$10 exchange gift if you would like to participate in the game. Men and women of the parish are welcome to attend.

**Praise & Worship Holy Hour** will be held this Tuesday, December 21 at 7:00pm at the Epiphany of the Lord Parish, St. Mary of Grace Church in Meadville. Music will be provided by *Harmony House*. It's a beautiful way to prepare for Christmas and all are welcome.

**Do you have a friend or family member who is a non-practicing Catholic and you would like to invite them back?** *CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME* might be just what they are looking for! *Catholics Returning Home* is a six-week series structured in a support-group format. Participants are free to attend as many or as few sessions as they wish. Sessions are held at The Epiphany of the Lord Parish, St. Brigid Church on January 6, 13, 20 and 27, and February 3 and 10. Brochures are available in the vestibule/gathering space for you to pass along to anyone who might be interested. Everyone is welcome, no matter where they are from.

**WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS**



The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent relates to the annunciation of the birth of Jesus, so the 4<sup>th</sup> candle is sometimes known as the Angel candle. The reason it is known as the Angel candle is that the Angels announced that Jesus would come to bring peace. During this last week of Advent we are asked to experience Christ as we share our love with one another and give gifts to each other that can transform our thinking into love. On the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday we meditate on bringing peace to each other and experience peace in our own hearts. 2 Thessalonians 3:16 states, " *Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with you.* "

This year we have all faced so much chaos with the pandemic. Let us, this year, remember that the days leading up to Christ's birth are to joyfully await His Nativity.





As we approach the celebration of Christmas, we can offer thanks to God for the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ. As we celebrate the Christmas season, we need to focus our attention on Jesus, rather than on the shopping, parties, gifts, etc. Let us take time to pray and give thanks for all we have been given, especially the gift of Jesus.

**Prayer for Peace in our World**

Lord, would you bring your strength and peace to your people! Would your presence be felt by all who seek you in a powerful way this Advent Season. Turn the hearts of mankind towards you. We pray that the lost turn to you and find unshakeable peace and nothing else that this world can offer. Amen.

**CHRIST-KINDEL CORNER...Did you know:** Before the introduction of the Christmas tree, the *Christ-kindel* traditionally deposited gifts – usually only nuts, cookies, and candies – in one of three different containers: a straw basket, a plate, or in a stocking "hung by the chimney with care..." **Have you found a small gift or planned a Christmas surprise for your Advent prayer partner?**



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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:                       Saint Hippolyte                       Our Lady of Lourdes

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