

SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH

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

Liturgies:
Saturday 4:30pm (Nov-Apr)
Sunday 10:30am

Confessions:
By appointment

Third Sunday Of Advent

December 13, 2020

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, ADVENT WEEKDAY
8:30am SH Leo Bacvinskas (Virginia Bates)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, ADVENT WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY
8:30am OLL Communion Service

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY
Anticipated Sunday Liturgy:
4:30pm SH Tom Grundy Sr. (Mary Grundy and Family)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:30am OLL Paul Kerchin (Connie Kerchin)
10:30am SH For the Parishioners

Read the parish bulletin online at www.sainthippolytechurch.com

HELPING HANDS

Coordinators:

Fran Greathouse.....425-2549
Carole Jones.....789-2881

Prayer Requests:

Bob & Denise Schoenfeldt.....333-8464
Julia Hovis657-3265

Visitation:

Carole Jones (cards).....789-2881
Nancy Musser (cards)425-7725
Connie Molli (visits/telephone)967-3813
Judy Shonnard (visits)758-1169
Sharon Boughner (telephone)425-8284

Emergency Home Care:

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Mary Beth Coyle (Meals)425-2502
Chris & Shannon Ploski (Odd Jobs)967-4065
Dave Wolff (Odd Jobs).....573-6260
Mary Everitt (Respite Care).....853-0599

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Beth Bryan (errands).....671-3335

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Mary Ann Francic (Mass).....724-452-4492
Kitty Jehn (Dinner)425-8282
Cathy Kalinowski (Dinner).....425-2484
Rita Bogardus (Dinner).....789-2679
Joyce Tarr (Follow up)671-1009

Elizabeth Ministry:

Joanne Froella.....425-3645
Carol Barickman.....789-3814

Ministry of Welcome:

Garold Molli967-3813
Rosanne Chamberlain374-4026

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY:

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

MONDAY:

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27

TUESDAY:

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32

WEDNESDAY:

Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Lk 7:18b-23

THURSDAY:

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17

FRIDAY:

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

SATURDAY:

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

SUNDAY:

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec. 14: Dan Kantz, Josh Moore
Dec. 17: Iris Przybylek
Dec. 18: Bill McCarthy, Stephen Schwartz
Dec. 19: Regina Foriska, Gerald Kutruff,
Grace Sylves
Dec. 20: Ruth Jackard, Avery Palotas

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dec. 18: Al & Cindy Nahay
Dec. 20: Bill & Nancy Musser

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Second Reading

Adults – If you were to write three suggestions for those who follow Jesus, to keep them strong in their faith, what would you write?

Youth – John tried to help people prepare their lives for the coming of the Messiah. What do you need to change about your life to be ready for Jesus' coming?

Children – As we get closer to Christmas, name one thing you really want for your home or the world, such as peace, friendship, or food for the poor.

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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 425-3933.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

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Offertory last week:	\$2,256	\$1,565
envelopes used:	33	24
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 235	\$ 185
Building Fund last week:	\$ 240	\$ 230
envelopes used:	13	15

Catholic Services Appeal 2020:

Dio Assessment: \$27,618

of Gifts/Pledges: 101

Pledged: \$39,055 Received: \$36,680

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.



HELPING HANDS PRAYER:

God of peace, Whose word is good news to the oppressed, healing for the brokenhearted and freedom for all who are held bound, gladden our hearts and fashion the earth into a garden of righteousness and praise!

Sanctify us entirely, in spirit, soul and body, for the coming of the One Who even now is among us, 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>



Join the diocesan Facebook page at www.ErieRCD.org

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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.

THE PASTORAL ADVISORY COUNCIL will meet on Monday, December 21 at 7:00pm at Saint Hippolyte.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. “Every dollar makes a difference in covering our expenses,” says a Trappist abbot. Hundreds of US religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little pay. Your gift to the **Retirement Fund for Religious** helps these communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Thank you for your generosity for today’s special collection. Donations for this fund may be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to the parish office anytime this month.

CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS—Keeping God’s Children Protected and Safe: The safe environment training of our children and youth is a key component in the Policy for the Protection of Children. Each year our schools and parishes are mandated to provide this training to all youth in catholic schools and parish programs. Since 2003 over 200,000 children have received age-appropriate abuse prevention education. The Diocese maintains a working relationship with agencies in each of our 13 counties to provide training for our youth in schools and parishes. In addition, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth maintains a media library containing videos for schools and parishes to provide child abuse prevention education. From 2016-19 over 31,000 parents have also received child abuse prevention education.

Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

LOOKING FOR SIMPLE, CREATIVE WAYS TO CELEBRATE ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT HOME? This year is certainly like no other! The Diocese of Erie has created a new website with everything from Advent wreath ideas to a Christmas week prayer service that can be offered in the home or with loved ones who are far away using technology. For some great ideas visit <https://www.eriercd.org/christmas.html>

LOST AND FOUND...A *Cross* mechanical pencil was found at Saint Hippolyte Church. If you are missing your pencil, please contact Father Dan or the parish office (814-789-2022)

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS



REJOICE THE LORD IS NEAR

Today is the Third Sunday of Advent, a day of great rejoicing because the Lord is near. How is the Lord coming into your life this Advent Season? Has the pandemic made a difference in how you experience God’s grace? Or has it kept you away from your spiritual journey? Maybe today is the day for us to realize that we haven’t been waiting this Advent as we should. Let us take time today to realize how close the Lord is and let Him transform our lives if we let Him in. Isn’t it funny how God chose the shepherds to reveal his Good News of great Joy and so they went to Bethlehem to see for themselves and behold there was the Infant Jesus? WOW! That was great Joy.

How has the Good News of Joy entered into your life? Was it something or someone who revealed a great Joy or did you do something for someone to give them great Joy? During this Advent season we have so many opportunities to find JOY! It is also a busy time so we need to do for others and give them Joy. Give a gift to someone anonymously and then you can experience the Joy of Advent and Christmas. Did you select someone to be your secret Christ-kindel and send them prayers and a card? Since we are unable to pass the names around we suggested that you just pick someone whom you think needs prayers this Advent and Christmas season.

Joy is one of the Fruits of the Spirit, along with love, peace, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. You may also find examples of Joy in the Psalms. True Joy comes from God and runs deeper than any other happiness. Joy can be present even in unhappy situations and times, like this pandemic. We just have to look a little deeper. Do you have God’s Joy? The best way we can teach our children about Joy is to demonstrate it in an authentic way. Remember all the wonderful things God has done for us and we will find a reason for rejoicing.

The candle for the Third Sunday in Advent is a rose color which remind us of Joy and the coming of a joyous event: the Birth of our Savior.

WHAT GIVES YOU JOY????????????????

*Our parish elderly or shut-ins
might enjoy a card or letter from you.*



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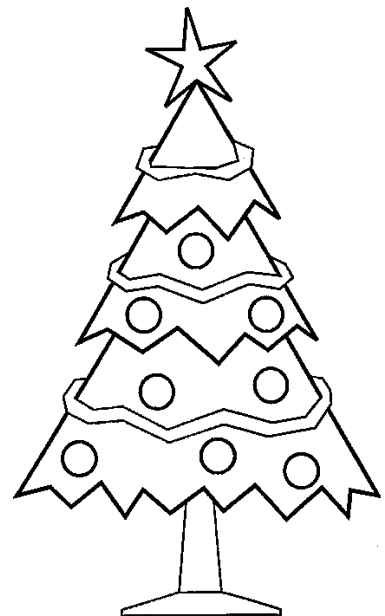
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DECEMBER 17 TO 23

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel!

During the final week of Advent, we become very eager for Christmas and for Christ to come. The whole church becomes eager.

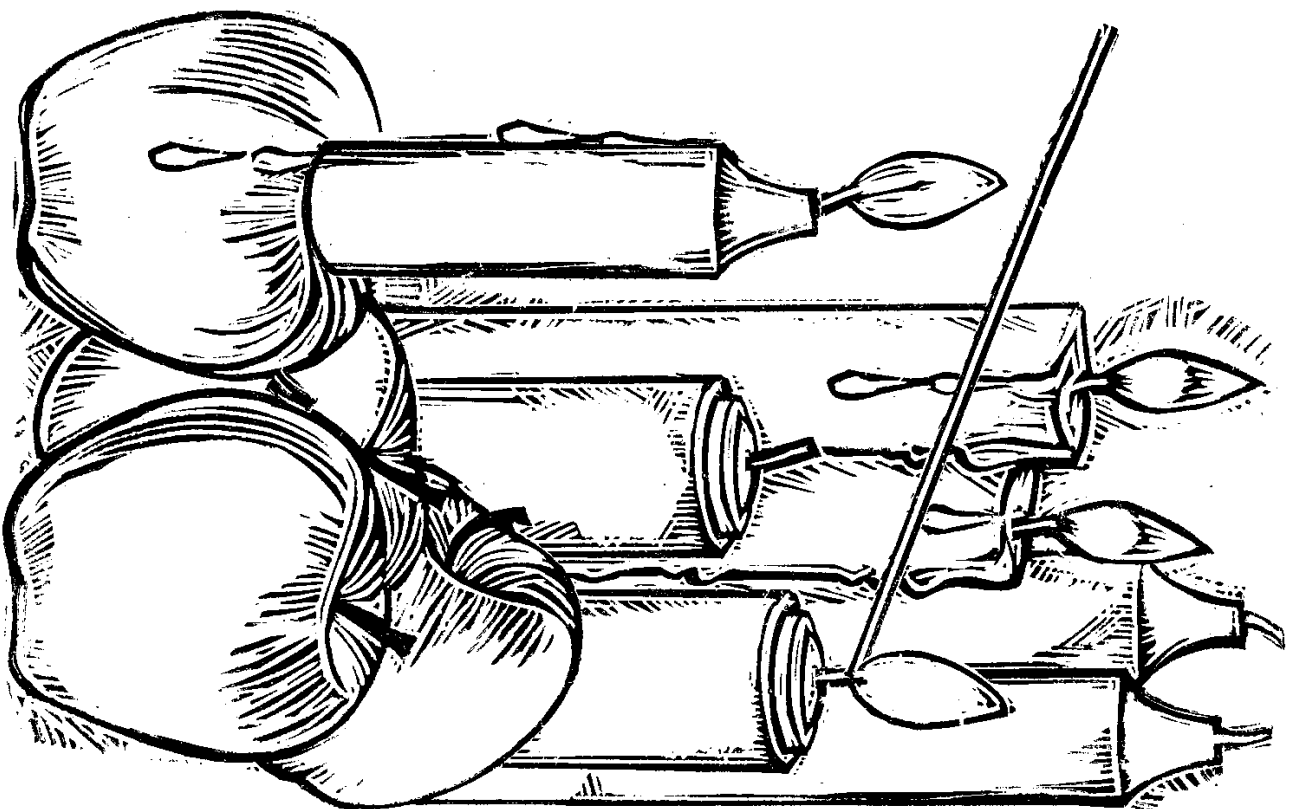
We say special prayers for each day of the final week of Advent. In the prayers, we ask Jesus to come soon. Beginning on December 17, at sunset, an "O Antiphon" is sung. For seven days, a different O Antiphon is sung each evening. The O Antiphons begin with titles for Jesus. The titles were chosen from the Bible.

If you know the song "O come, O come, Emmanuel," you know a version of the O Antiphons! Find a hymnal and sing the correct verse each evening:

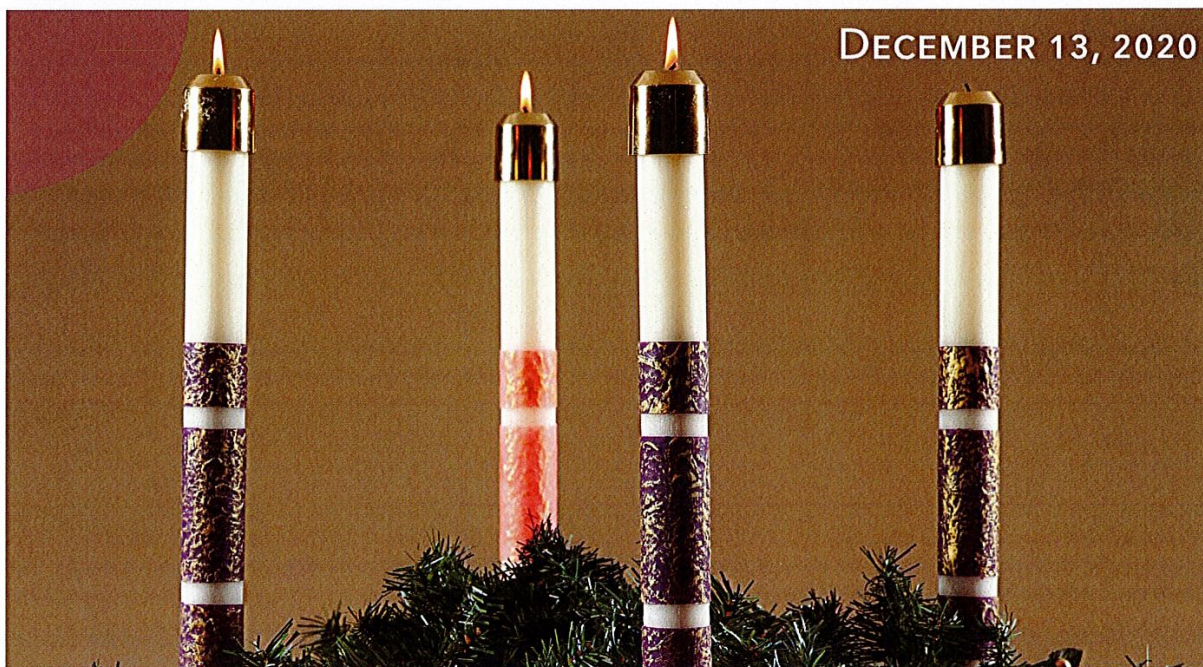
December 17's begins "O Wisdom." December 18's is "O Adonai," which means "Lord" in the Hebrew language. December 19's is "O Flower of Jesse." (Jesse was King David's father.) December 20's is "O Key of David." Why do you think Jesus is called these strange and marvelous names?

The antiphon for December 21's—the shortest day of the year, when winter begins—is "O Daystar" (a wonderful old word for the sun). December 22's is "O King." December 23's is "O Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."

On December 24 at sundown, Christmas Eve, our Advent waiting is over and Christmas begins!



The Third Sunday of Advent



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What is special about the Third Sunday of Advent?

For much of the Church's history, this Sunday had a special name: "Gaudete" Sunday. The traditions surrounding this Sunday go back as far as the fourth or fifth century, as does the season of Advent itself. Advent, our preparation for Christmas, was originally a forty-day penitential season like Lent. In fact, since it used to begin on November 12 (just after the Memorial of St. Martin of Tours), it was called "St. Martin's Lent." "Gaudete Sunday" was the Advent counterpart to "Laetare Sunday," which marks the midpoint in Lent.

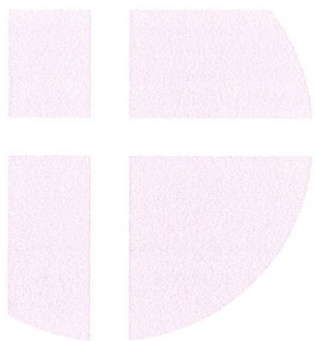
On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a lighter mood and a heightened sense of joyous anticipation. Liturgically, the colors lighten as well. The priest usually wears rose-colored vestments, a hue seen only on Gaudete Sunday and Laetare Sunday. On this day, we light the third candle of the Advent wreath, which is also rose-colored, or if you prefer, pink.

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

Today's Second Collection

Elderly religious have offered a lifetime of service. Now they need your help. Please consider donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious collection this weekend. Learn more at retiredreligious.org.





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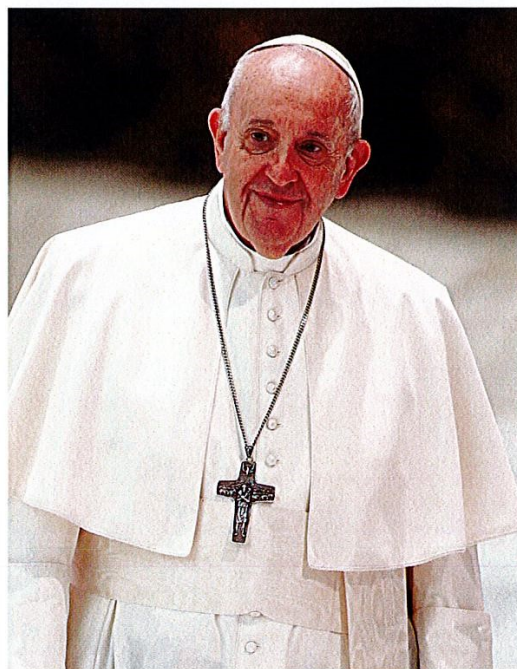


Walking With Moms in Need

During Advent, we remember Mary's journey to motherhood. Today, many women are in need of support. Take the pledge to pray and serve women facing challenging or unexpected pregnancies and learn more about how you can help. Visit <https://www.walkingwithmoms.com>



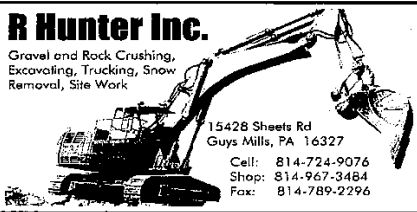

Pope Francis's Birthday

On Thursday, December 17, Pope Francis celebrates his 84th birthday!



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