

## SAINT HIPPOLYTE CHURCH

26012 N. Frenchtown Rd., Guys Mills PA 16327

### Liturgies:

Saturday 5:00pm (Nov.—April)  
Sunday 10:30am

### Confessions:

Saturday 4:30pm (Nov.—April)  
Sunday following the 10:30am Mass



*The Sunday  
of Divine Mercy  
April 19, 2020*

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

251 S. Franklin St., Cochranton, PA 16314

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Saturday 5:00pm (May—Oct.)  
Sunday 8:30am

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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

Father Daniel Prez

### Faith Formation Coordinator

Joyce Tarr 814-671-1009

### Administrative Assistant

Desiree Wagner

### Director of Music Ministries

Darcie Schoenfeldt-White

### Parish Office

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Web Site: [www.sainthippolytechurch.com](http://www.sainthippolytechurch.com)

St. Hippolyte Social Hall: (814) 789-4533  
Our Lady of Lourdes Social Hall: (814) 425-7550

## No public Masses this week.

MONDAY, APRIL 20, EASTER WEEKDAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 21, SAINT ANSELM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, EASTER WEEKDAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, SAINT GEORGE; SAINT ALDALBERT

FRIDAY, APRIL 24, SAINT FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, SAINT MARK

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER  
Tom Podszuzlo (Michele, Rob & Molly)

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

## HELPING HANDS

### Coordinators:

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

### Prayer Requests:

Bob & Denise Schoenfeldt ..... 333-8464  
Julia Hovis ..... 657-3265

### Visitation:

Elisabeth Guest (cards) ..... 789-3683  
Nancy Musser (cards) ..... 425-7725  
Connie Molli (visits/telephone) ..... 967-3813  
Judy Shonnard (visits) ..... 758-1169  
Sharon Boughner (telephone) ..... 425-8284

### Emergency Home Care:

Ruth Jackard (Meals) ..... 789-2085  
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

### Transportation:

Jennifer Mitchell ..... 827-3803  
Bob Robinson (to church) ..... 282-3673  
Beth Bryan (errands) ..... 671-3335

### Services to the Bereaved:

Kay Hotchkiss (Mass) ..... 425-3933  
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 Molli ..... 967-3813  
Rosanne Chamberlain ..... 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.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### TODAY:

Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

### MONDAY:

Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8

### TUESDAY:

Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15

### WEDNESDAY:

Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

### THURSDAY:

Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36

### FRIDAY:

Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15

### SATURDAY:

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

### SUNDAY:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- April 20: Shannon Bizjak, Alison Merritt,  
Kathy Steinbeck  
April 21: Olivia Gordon  
April 22: Autumn Buckley  
April 23: Rita Bogardus, Father Daniel Prez  
April 24: Luke Bean, Patrice Schwartz,  
Abby Yarnell  
April 25: Dolores Mattis  
April 26: J. Derek Bean, Rich Neville,  
Sophia Terrill

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- April 24: Chuck & Ruth Jackard  
Dan & Theresa Mailliard  
Ron & Kathy Myers  
April 25: Harry & Ann Semler



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## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's 2nd Reading*

**Adults** – When and how do you experience the “new birth” which we are given in Christ? When someone has forgiven you? When you have forgiven others? When you celebrate reconciliation? At other times?

**Youth** – Jesus gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit and gave us the power to forgive sins. How do you offer forgiveness to your friends and family? How do you seek forgiveness for yourself?

**Children** – Even though you can't see him with your eyes, how do you “see” Jesus in others?

[lifelongcatechesis.osv.com](http://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com)

## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

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Offertory last week:	\$1,684	\$2,550
envelopes used:	44	27
Building Fund last week:	\$ 407	\$ 72
envelopes used:	20	9

### Catholic Services Appeal 2020:

Dio Assessment: \$27,618

# of Gifts/Pledges: 91

Pledged: \$33,760      Received: \$19,295

*Thanks for your generosity and dedication.*

**HELPING HANDS PRAYER:** O God of power, we disciples on our journey implore earnestly: Stay with us, Lord! As we hear the word that brings salvation, make our hearts burn within us. Through the presence of every friend and stranger, reveal to us the face of the Christ Who had first to suffer but Who has entered now into glory, the Lord Jesus, our Passover and our Peace Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

**TICKET RETURNS FOR THE PARISH RAFFLE** can be mailed to the parish office. If you need more tickets, please contact the parish office. The next monthly drawing is May 3.

**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.

## LIKE US ON FACEBOOK:

Saint Hippolyte/Our Lady of Lourdes  
Roman Catholic Church

**LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?** Discover why families always matter at: <http://www.eriegcd.org/fam.htm>



**COOPED UP CATHOLIC SCAVENGER HUNT**—While we can't physically gather together for Mass or Faith Formation we can still share our faith and have fun together! Each day join us on our Facebook Page for a *Cooped Up Catholic Scavenger Hunt*. A clue will be given daily on the page. You will need to find the clue, figure out the answer and post a picture with the answer. For example: if the answer is a cross, take a picture of you or your family holding or standing by a cross and post the picture. Be creative, we want to see all the smiling faces we miss seeing each week! This scavenger hunt takes place through Pentecost Sunday, May 31st. Each post that you make will give you and your family an entry for a chance to win a Family Fun Pack to celebrate your family, which will include gift certificates for dinner, movie, etc. Have fun and be sure to watch our Facebook page daily!

**CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS**—Child Abuse Prevention Month: The “Creating A Safe Environment” training program is an integral component to the prevention effort in our diocese. The mandated program trains employees and volunteers in the warning signs of abuse and how to report suspected abuse of a minor. Since 2003 over 59,000 adults in the diocese have received the training to recognize and report child abuse. With the help of the safe environment training program, the faithful are guided and educated about the responsibility to keep God's children protected and safe.

Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection> to take the training program or learn what is required for employees and volunteers to work with children in diocesan parishes, schools and agencies.

**GRAINS**—wheat, rice, barley, oats, corn — are powerful symbols of life, death and resurrection. During the Three Days of Easter, Good Friday to Easter Sunday, we followed the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. Jesus was like a grain of wheat that was buried in the earth. Jesus rose to new life. In all of us who are baptized, one grain becomes a hundred grains.

On the second Monday of Eastertime, Greek farming families celebrate *colyva*. This also is celebrated 40 days after a funeral. To greet the resurrection, Greeks boil wheat until it is tender and plump, then they mix in raisins, almonds and sesame seeds. This mixture is called a pilaf. It is heaped on a platter, decorated with candied fruit and flowers, and circled with fragrant, fresh herbs.

Make your own *colyva* with a package of wheat or rice pilaf from the grocery. Follow box directions and add ½ cup of raisins, ½ cup of slivered almonds and ½ cup of sesame seeds. Mound on a platter and decorate with dried apricots, apples, dates, candied cherries or pineapple. To finish, circle the platter with fresh mint from the garden or basil and rosemary from the supermarket.

Some people use silver cake decorations, called “dragees,” to form a cross on the *colyva*. Many Greek families bring *colyva* and Easter eggs to the cemetery, where they have a picnic to bring the good news of Easter to all who sleep there like planted grain, and who are waiting for resurrection.

*May you have warm words on a cold evening.*

*A full moon on a dark night.*

*And the road downhill all the way to your door.*

—Irish Blessing

## WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS

EASTER SEASON 2020



The Catholic Church follows a calendar for the entire liturgical year. Sadly many think that when Easter Sunday is celebrated that it means that Easter is over for this year. But in fact it is only beginning. The eight days following Easter is called the Octave of Easter, but then the Season of Easter is extended until Pentecost. The Easter Season spans from Easter Sunday until Pentecost Sunday. This season is celebrated as one joyful feast and each Sunday is treated as a Sunday of Easter. This year we had to celebrate Easter on Facebook with live stream Masses, EWTN, Zoom, or other forms of attending Mass. I hope everyone took advantage of one of these forms of celebration and deepening of our faith. As many priests profess that many Catholics know about Jesus, but do you really believe? We go through the motions but do you really believe? This year has offered us many opportunities to experience Him and spend time with Him on a whole new level. In our actions and what we do for others has let Christ shine through us when we do a kind deed for others, take a meal to someone who needs it, pray the rosary every day, call a shut-in, etc. My list could go on and on, but you know the drill. Doing these seemingly mundane things have helped us become more Christ-like and help us develop a good relationship with Him. Hopefully when this coronavirus is over we will fill the churches since so many were complaining that they couldn't attend the Easter Sunday Mass. Remember to pray:

### Prayer in Time of Pandemic

Lord Jesus, you came to bring salvation to our world. You humbled yourself to death on a cross.

Be with us as we confront the spread of the coronavirus with courage and hope. Be present to the sick and to those who accompany them in their suffering. Strengthen our medical professionals and caregivers; comfort families who are separated from one another. Protect those who are at risk of the virus in their work. Grant wisdom to our civic officials and perseverance to scientists. Spare us from the ravages of this illness and console us in our uncertainty and fear. Unite us in hope, enlighten us in faith, and give us the grace as a Church to love one another as You have loved us. Through the intercession of our Heavenly Mother, we make this prayer as we place our trust in You. Amen.

*The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico  
J.C.L. Bishop of Erie*

## HE LIVES!

Jesus sacrificed His Life for us by dying on the Cross. Three days later, Jesus rose from the dead. Easter is the time we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. Color the cross below to remember and celebrate that Jesus died for us because He loves us!



Dear parishioners,

In the midst of these unprecedented times, we know that our God is ever ancient and ever new. Parishes and administrative offices are adapting as quickly as we can to what is new, while also trusting in the God who has been faithful to Church in every age. We are committed to helping you find the resources you need in our new, temporary landscape.

In the wisdom of St. Augustine, who said "Our hearts are restless, O Lord, until they rest in you," we are committed to helping you find rest in these restless times. Internet users can visit [www.eriercd.org/inspiration.html](http://www.eriercd.org/inspiration.html) for a slate of web-friendly resources. We also are making resources available here in these bulletins for those who do not access the internet.

Options for Sunday Mass:

1. We've included a list of known local Masses broadcast via radio and TV throughout the Diocese of Erie. EWTN is also a source for cable subscribers to find live broadcast Masses.
2. Many parishes in the Diocese of Erie are livestreaming Sunday Mass online. While not an exhaustive list, visit this webpage to learn more:  
<https://www.eriercd.org/images/pdf/Livestream%20Sunday%20Mass%20-%203-23.pdf>.
3. Several parishes in the Diocese of Erie are also livestreaming daily Mass online. Learn more at <https://www.eriercd.org/images/pdf/Daily%20Mass.pdf>.
4. We're including an insert about a rich tradition within our faith: Spiritual Communion. You can still receive all of the graces of the Eucharist at home when you make a Spiritual Communion.

Other prayer resources can be found on our Facebook or Instagram accounts, at @FormingNWPACatholics.

Though these are challenging times, we know the Holy Spirit accompanies us and leads us down the path of love. We appreciate your prayers and your patience as we seek to adapt as quickly as possible. If you have feedback for us about these resources, you can email us at [faithformation@eriercd.org](mailto:faithformation@eriercd.org) or call us 814-824-1215.

Yours in Christ,  
Diocese of Erie Department of Faith Formation



# What is Spiritual Communion?

"Spiritual Communion is a centuries-old Christian practice of desiring union with Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. It is used as a preparation for Holy Mass and by individuals who cannot receive Holy Communion."<sup>1</sup> Spiritual Communion can be made in simple words of one's own or by using prayers already written by saints and other spiritual guides.

## Sample Prayers for Spiritual Communion

**Cardinal Raphael Merry Del Val:** At Thy feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer Thee repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Thy holy presence. I adore Thee in the Sacrament of Thy love, the ineffable Eucharist. I desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to Thee! May Thy love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. Amen

**Traditional:** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**Modern:** Jesus, life is crazy! So many people are relying on me, but I don't know what to do myself. I know that you promised to be with us always, to walk with me and provide for me and those I love. And I believe that promise is true - especially in the Eucharist. Right now we can't go to Mass, but I love you and want to be close to you, now more than ever. Please come spiritually into my heart. Give me all the grace and help you would give if I were receiving you physically. Never let me be separated from you. I love you, Jesus. Amen

Spiritual Communion is as simple as choosing to unite your heart with Jesus' Heart in the Holy Eucharist. If you would like to take time to make the moment special, choose some or all of the following suggestions:

### Location

Make your physical location special by placing objects and images that remind you of God's love on a table (e.g. candle, sacred art, statue, flower, photo, etc.). If praying with children, ask them to contribute items.

Make the area around you as quiet as possible or play music that helps you focus on God's presence.

### Listen

Spend time listening to God's Word. You could use the daily Mass readings or choose an excerpt from one of the Gospels or Psalms. You could also find Mass on TV, radio, or live-streamed internet.

Reflect. Spend quiet time in conversation with God, journal, or discuss the Scripture with friends or family.

### Connect

Let Jesus know that you love him, desire to be united to him, and offer your whole life to him. Use one of the sample prayers (above) or make up one of your own.

Make the intention of uniting your spiritual communion to the Masses being said throughout the world.

We're praying with you!

1. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spiritual\\_Communion](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spiritual_Communion)