

SAINT HIPPOLYTE

Frenchtown, PA

Liturgies:

Saturday 5:00pm (Nov.—April)

Sunday 10:30am

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30pm (Nov.—April)

Sunday following the 10:30am Mass

**THE FIRST SUNDAY
OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 1, 2019****OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Cochran, PA

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Weekly Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, ADVENT WEEKDAY
8:30am SH Hilda Klein (George & Betty Klein)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, SAINT JOHN DAMASCENE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, ADVENT WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, SAINT NICHOLAS
8:30am OLL MaryAnn Affinito (Nancy Musser)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, SAINT AMBROSE

Anticipated Sunday Liturgy:

5:00pm SH Tom Grundy Sr. (Jim Murphy)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30am OLL John & Mary Laush (Diane Laush)

10:30am SH For the Parishioners

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HELPING HANDS**Coordinators:**

Fran Greathouse 425-2549

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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.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	8:00am	Confessions at OLL
	11:45am	Confessions at SH
Monday	9:00am	Small Group Bible Study at SH
Tuesday	7:00pm	Choir at OLL
Wednesday	7:00pm	Le Nom du Pere Society meeting at SH
Thursday		
Friday		Parish Office Closed
Saturday	4:30pm	Confessions at SH
Sunday	8:00am	Confessions at OLL
	8:45am	FF Grades PS-8 at SH
	9:30am	Coffee & Donuts at OLL
	9:45am	FF Grades PS-10 at OLL
	11:45am	Sunday Social at SH
	11:45am	Confessions at SH
	4:00pm	FF Grades 9-11 at SH

COMING EVENTS

Dec. 9: Parish Office closed
Family Society meeting at OLL 7:00pm
Dec. 15: Journey to Bethlehem at OLL 5:30-7:00pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY: Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
MONDAY: Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11
TUESDAY: Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
WEDNESDAY: Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37
THURSDAY: Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
FRIDAY: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
SATURDAY: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
SUNDAY: Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dec. 2: Lydia Honard, Shirley Hope, Judy Kirberger
Dec. 3: Adam Tate
Dec. 4: Tyler George
Dec. 5: Connie Bense, Lila Wilcox
Dec. 7: Kathy Dale
Dec. 8: Doreen Stafford

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dec. 2: Garold & Connie Molli

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Gospel

Adults – As you prepare to re-welcome Christ into your heart while you prepare for Christmas, what does Isaiah call you to do? What does Isaiah call us as a people to do?

Youth – The Gospel tells us we don't know when the Son of Man will return. If he were to arrive today, would you be ready for him? What is one thing you can do during Advent to prepare for his coming?

Children – What can you do to be ready for God to come into your heart and your life?

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STAY AWAKE

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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

	SH	OLL
Offertory last week:	\$1,735	\$2,182
envelopes used:	60	48
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$ 195	\$ 294
Building Fund last week:	\$ 545	\$ 228
envelopes used:	30	23

Catholic Services Appeal 2019:

Dio Assessment: \$27,485

of Gifts/Pledges: 104

Pledged: \$40,250 Received: \$34,745

Thanks for your generosity and dedication.

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development in support of those who live on the margins and in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Place your envelope in the collection basket or visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.

HELPING HANDS PRAYER: Merciful and faithful God, You sent Your only-begotten Son, the teacher of truth and the font of reconciliation, to gather the warring nations of earth into the peace of Your everlasting reign. Stir up within us the spirit of joyful expectation, that, leaving behind the night, we may run to greet your day as it draws near, and gladly welcome Your Christ wherever He reveals Himself, the 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 425-3933.

LOOKING FOR RESOURCES FOR YOUR FAMILY?

Visit the Diocese of Erie family website at <http://www.eriecd.org/fam.htm> and discover why families always matter!



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Facebook page at
www.ErieRCD.org

THE ADVENT GIVING TREE at Saint Hippolyte is up. Gifts and non-perishable food items for five local needy families will be collected through Sunday, December 15. Please be sure to register yourself on the sheet provided if you take a tag from the tree. Our Lady of Lourdes has been asked to collect toiletries for the **Cochranon Ministerial Association Caring Committee Christmas Giveaway**. Items needed are: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant (men's and women's), Kleenex, 4 roll packages of toilet paper, paper towels, liquid hand soap, body wash and laundry soap. Also needed are new socks and underwear in all sizes for all ages. A donation box for these items will be in the OLL gathering space through December 1st.

LE NOM DU PERE SOCIETY holds its monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 4 at 7:00pm at Saint Hippolyte. All are welcome!

COFFEE & DONUTS will be served after the 8:30am Mass next Sunday, December 8 at Our Lady of Lourdes. All are welcome to stay after Mass for refreshments and fellowship!

SOCIAL SUNDAY will be held next Sunday, December 8 following the 10:30am Mass at Saint Hippolyte. The theme will be "Soup, Salad and Sandwiches." Those attending are asked to bring one of those items to share. All are welcome; you don't have to bring food to join us for lunch and fellowship!

A BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH PRAYER has been added to the prayer section of our parish app. This is a wonderful prayer for you to use when blessing your home advent wreath. Text APP to 88202 to download our parish app. Select Saint Hippolyte or Our Lady of Lourdes after opening.

GIVE IN THANKSGIVING. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have worked tirelessly to education the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR MARRIED COUPLES Give your spouse the gift of your time and love by signing up for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, held on February 14-16, 2020 at the Hampton Inn & Suites Penn-Ohio, Grove City, PA. It's the best gift you'll ever give to each other, your family, and your marriage! Here's a quote from a recent couple: "Our Marriage Encounter Weekend was without qualification the most fantastic and moving experience of our lives." For more info call 330-305-9963 or visit WWME.org.

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS

ADVENT PREFACE

Paul Turner

As the new liturgical year begins, people will hear one of two Advent prefaces to start the eucharistic prayer of every Mass. Both of these prefaces were newly composed after the Second Vatican Council in order to enrich the community's prayer. Earlier, there were no special prefaces for Advent. The first option is prayed until December 17 each year, when the second preface takes over.

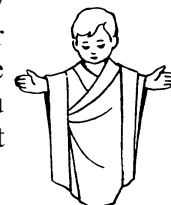
During the Liturgy of the Word at Mass, Advent opens with New Testament readings about the second coming of Christ, and the First Advent preface repeats this theme. It speaks of the coming of Christ in human flesh and His return in glory and majesty. It looks for the day when the faithful may inherit the great promise for which they hope. It calls to mind many Scripture passages, such as Romans 8:19, which says that all creation eagerly awaits God's revelation.

The second Advent preface accompanies the final period of the season, the last full week before Christmas. At daily Mass, the Liturgy of the Word includes Gospel readings that tell of the events leading up to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. The second Advent preface tells about the prophets who foretold His coming and the longing that Mary had for Him. It even mentions John the Baptist, whose birth, preaching, and death foreshadowed Jesus. It says we rejoice so that Christ may find us watchful in prayer when He comes. The second Advent preface calls to mind passages such as 1 Peter 4:7, which warns that the faithful should be serious in their prayer, as the end of all things is at hand.

The entire eucharistic prayer offers thanks to God, and the Advent prefaces announce how grateful we are at the coming news of our salvation this Christmas.

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CHRIST-KINDEL CORNER...Did you know that the custom of the Christ Child, or *Christ-kindel*, bringing gifts began in 18th century Pennsylvania Dutch Protestant communities? By the 19th century the Christ-kindel became *Kris Kringle* a bearded twin to Santa Claus. Don't forget to pray for the person whose name you received. You may want to send them an anonymous card or note this week to let them know you are praying for them. Remember that you represent the Christ-kindel — the Christ Child — to your Advent prayer partner.





November 11, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Another year has passed, and we are again approaching the annual collection for our Retired Religious to be held in parishes on December 7th and 8th. This event has significant benefits for retired Sisters. Here in the Diocese of Erie, there are 175 religious women over the age of 70. That includes 65 from ages 70 to 79, 83 from ages 80 to 89 and 27 sisters over 90. There are 30,000-retired religious throughout the country.

The **Retirement Fund for Religious** offers financial support for those Catholic Sisters, Brothers and Religious order priests who worked for years for little or no money. Your generous gift provides vital support for their health care. Last year the collection in this diocese netted nearly \$166,000 which when returned to the religious of this area helped defray costs of medication, nursing care, medical equipment, transportation, physical and occupational therapy and other necessary needs of our elderly Sisters.

Senior Religious are a treasure in the Church. Their dedication and hard work laid the foundation for Catholic schools, religious education programs, hospitals, social service agencies and countless other ministries, many of which still serve our Church today. This year we are celebrating 25 years of service by the Mercy Center for Women and Erie Dawn, which help with housing and other needs for women, as well as the St. Benedict Child Development Center. These ministries and many others are examples of the tremendous influence that women religious have had in this diocese. I join you in praising God for their faithful and generous service to the Church in the past and continuing in the present.

Please join me in supporting the **Retirement Fund for Religious**. I understand that you are asked to support many worthy causes. I invite you only to give what you can. Most importantly, please pray for an increase of vocations to the consecrated life and for God's continued blessing on all our women and men religious.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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