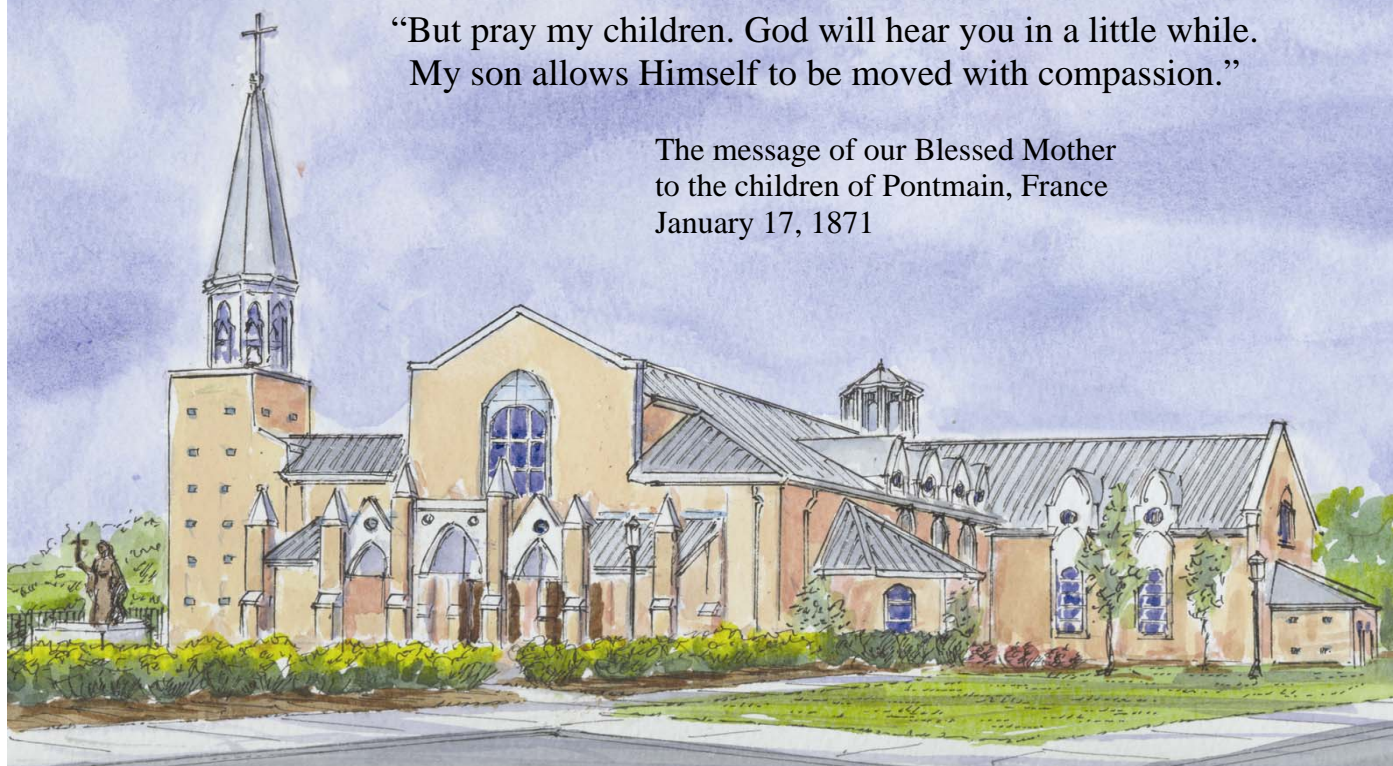


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“But pray my children. God will hear you in a little while.
My son allows Himself to be moved with compassion.”

The message of our Blessed Mother
to the children of Pontmain, France
January 17, 1871



Parish Staff

The Rev. William P. Saunders, Pastor
The Rev. William B. Schierer, Parochial Vicar
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Cathy Plummer, Director of Religious Education
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Nancy Burgess, Parish Secretary

The Church & Parish Office

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Monday - Friday
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Parish Registration

We invite you to register and become part of our parish community. Forms are available at the parish office or on the table in the narthex.

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. &
5:00 p.m.

Daily Masses

Monday - Friday at 6:45 & 8:30 a.m.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
On Federal Holidays Mass is at 8:30 a.m. only.

Sacrament of Penance

Confessions are heard on Saturdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, during the Thursday evening Holy Hour, and by appointment.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday evening from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School

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MASSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, January 20th: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. In Praise & Gratitude
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Alfred Crew by the Crew Family
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Rita Farmer by the Farmer Family

Monday, January 21st: St. Agnes

8:30 a.m. ☩ Gerry DeWitt by the Russell Family

Tuesday, January 22nd

6:45 a.m. ☩ Jack Ford by the Russell Family
 8:30 a.m. Vincent Buscema

Wednesday, January 23rd: St. Vincent

6:45 a.m. Kathleen Hughes by the R.E. Office
 8:30 a.m. Kaitlyn & Hannah Waltmon by Darrell & Lynne Cordary

Thursday, January 24th: St. Francis de Sales

6:45 a.m. Dolly Billingsley by the Billingsley Family
 8:30 a.m. Peggy Kearney by Tom & Trish Daquano

Friday, January 25th: The Conversion of St. Paul

6:45 a.m. ☩ John Ford, Jr. by Neighborhood Friends of His Family
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Gertrude Rienarth by Our Lady of Hope Catholic School Staff

Saturday, January 26th: Ss. Timothy and Titus

8:30 a.m. ☩ Frank DiTolvo by John & Phyllis Osterholz
 5:00 p.m. ☩ Thomas Briggs

Sunday, January 27th: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ☩ Jack Norman Risque by the Patton Family
 9:00 a.m. Fran Labate by the Pope Pius XII Scouts
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Luigi Merenda by Sal & Patti Merenda

PARISH GROUP COORDINATORS

Altar Flowers:	Jennifer McCabe	404-5580
Altar Servers:	Jeff Grado	477-9177
Altar Society:	Alfonso & Janeth Pena	406-9835
American Heritage Girls:		
	Heather Ward	571-331-4394
Birthright:	Marsha Slick	433-0034
Boy Scouts:	Gina DeCrisci-Farmer	406-2341
CYO Sports:	Ralph Peluso	729-3385
Girl Scouts:	Jennifer McCabe	404-5580
Homeschoolers:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:		
	John Jorgensen	282-3874
Ladies of Hope:	Marie Kennedy	433-0864
Lectors:	Paul Gilmore	444-2293
Legion of Mary:	Deborah Baird	430-8554
Pro-Life:	Bruce Gnatowski	433-5290
St. Joseph's League:		
	Mike & Vicki Egan	430-2651
Seniors:	Mary Ann Murphy	404-8677
Ushers:	John Grzechowiak	444-0023
Young Adults:	Megan White	843-685-5235

Sacrament of Baptism



Parish Registration and the Baptism class are required. Baptisms are held every Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Church Baptistry. Please contact the parish secretary to register for the Baptism classes.

Plan to attend the classes before the birth of the child.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January



General: That in this Year of Faith Christians may deepen their knowledge of the mystery of Christ and witness joyfully to the gift of faith in him. **Missionary:** That the Christian communities of the

Middle East, often discriminated against, may receive from the Holy Spirit the strength of fidelity and perseverance.

Sacrament of Matrimony

In accordance with the regulations of the Bishop of Arlington, couples must contact a priest and begin preparation at least six months prior to the wedding. Parish registration and active participation for a minimum of 3 months is required *before* preparation may begin.



Living together before marriage is sinful and harmful to the future marriage. Couples who are living together will be asked to live separately during the preparation time.

What does it mean to be an active Catholic?

Frequently, those seeking to celebrate Marriage, have children baptized, or serve as sponsors for Confirmation or Baptism request a letter stating that they are parishioners and active, practicing Catholics. *To receive such a letter, one must be registered in the parish for at least 3 months, attend Mass regularly, and be committed to a stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.* We



encourage all parishioners to become active in one of the parish organizations. In a community as large as Our Lady of Hope, one means of verifying participation is through the use of parish offertory envelopes. If you choose not to participate in the support of the parish, or are unable to contribute at this time, please at least note your prayerful support on your envelope and place it in the weekly offertory. We will then be aware of your continued participation, and you will not be noted as "inactive" on our parish roster.



Ask Your Pastor

Fr. Saunders

Missing Mass (Part II)

"I was visiting relatives recently, and sadly they do not attend Mass. I went to Mass, and

reminded them that missing Mass was a mortal sin. They said, 'Oh, that was in the old days. Missing Mass is no longer a mortal sin.' What do you say?"

With this in mind, no one should simply think of attending Mass as fulfilling an obligation. To attend Mass is a privilege, and any faithful Catholic should want to attend Mass. Our perspective should not be, "I have got to do this"; rather, we should think, "I get to do this."

Nevertheless, because the Mass offers such precious gifts, provides the nourishment of great graces, and unites us as a Church, we do indeed have a sacred obligation to attend Mass. Remember that the Third Commandment stated, "Keep Holy the Sabbath." For the Jewish people, the Old Testament Sabbath was on Saturday, marking the "day of rest" after creation. For Christians, we have always kept holy Sunday, the day of the resurrection. Just as creation unfolded on the first day of the week with God commanding, "Let there be light," Our Lord, the Light who came to shatter the darkness of sin and death, rose from the dead on that first day marking the new creation.

Given how precious the Mass is plus the Old Testament precedent which was rightly adapted by the Church, the *Code of Canon Law* (no. 1246) proscribes, "Sunday is the day on which the paschal mystery is celebrated in light of the apostolic tradition and is to be observed as the foremost holy day of obligation in the universal Church." Moreover, "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are bound to participate in the Mass" (no. 1247). Therefore, the *Catechism* teaches, "Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit grave sin" (no. 2181), and grave sin is indeed mortal sin. Pope Blessed John Paul II, repeated this precept in his apostolic letter *Dies Domini (Observing and Celebrating the Day of the Lord*, no. 47, 1998) and again in his encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia (On the Eucharist in Its Relationship to the Church*, no. 41, 2003): "The faithful have the obligation to attend Mass, unless they are seriously impeded." **Part III Next Week**

Book Club

Our current selection is, [The Journey Home, My Father's Story of Cancer, Faith and Life-Changing Miracles](#), by Joseph M. Hanneman. We invite all interested **men and women** of the parish to read the book, and join us for a discussion in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room on Tuesday, January 29th 7:00 p.m. For more information please contact Grace Jeglum at 703-404-0997 or gjeglum@gmail.com.



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 21st. Mass will be offered at 8:30 a.m. only.

Fr. Hurd to Celebrate Mass on January 20th

On Sunday, January 20, Fr. Scott Hurd, Vicar General of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, will be the celebrant and homilist for our Catholic Mass in the Anglican Use at 5pm. The St. John Fisher Ordinariate Community will host a reception following the Mass that will include a book signing by Fr. Hurd of his two new books, "Forgiveness" and "The Living Gospel: Daily Devotions for Lent 2013." Copies of the books will be available at the reception.

"A Knight to Remember" April 27th



Please save the date, Saturday, April 27, 2013 for the 8th Annual Our Lady of Hope Catholic School Dinner Auction Gala, "A Knight to Remember!"

The event will be held at Belmont Country Club in Ashburn. To advertise your business, sponsor, or make a donation to this event, please contact the Auction Committee at auctioninfo@ourladyofhope.net.

Join Venture Crew

Adventurous Teens, age 14-21, it's a great time to join OLOH's Venture Crew 572! In addition to exciting monthly events throughout the school year, Venture Crew is now accepting commitments to the 2014 high adventure scuba diving trip to Florida Seabase. 40 members attended Seabase's scuba program two years ago and it was a huge success! PADI training and certification begins this spring, so join Venture Crew now. Teens who will be 14 by June 2014 are welcome to join. If you are interested in learning more about Venture Crew and more details about the 2014 scuba trip, please contact Gina DeCrisci-Farmer at thefarmers5@verizon.net.

2013 Bishop's Lenten Appeal Begins!

This month, many of us will receive a mailing from Bishop Loverde regarding the 2013 Bishop's Lenten Appeal (BLA). The theme for the 2013 BLA is "*Stepping out in Faith: Love Revealed.*" After reflecting upon the blessings that God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a pledge of support to this important appeal that funds many programs and ministries that serve the people in our diocese. **Step out in Faith!**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**703-433-6564****THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE IS
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS****Winter Calendar Highlights**

January 27th: Mandatory First Communion Parents' Meeting in parish hall (after the 12:15 Mass)
February 2nd: Catechist/Aide Workshop
February 26th & 27th: First Penance and Lenten Confessions
March 5th & 6th: Confirmation Pre-Test

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School Open House

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School will hold an Open House for prospective families on Wednesday, January 30th from 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. There will be a brief presentation about the school followed by guided tours. Please join us to learn about all the wonderful opportunities our school has to offer your child! Application

packets for the upcoming 2013-2014 school year will be available at this time. For more information, please contact the school office at 703-433-6760. You may also, visit us on our website at www.crusaders.ourladyofhope.net.

The Weather Outside is Frightful!

When Loudoun County Schools close because of inclement weather, the 6:45 a.m. Mass will be cancelled. Call the parish office recording (703-433-6770) for the status of the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**The Ladies of Hope**

All women of the parish are invited to a special monthly meeting beginning at 6:30 pm on January 22nd in the parish hall. With the assistance of our Girl Scout and American Heritage troops, we will be assembling individual packets for the needy at the Reston Homeless Shelter. Please bring a donation such as washcloths, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, and socks. Join us in helping the less fortunate in our community. For more information contact Marie Kennedy at 703-433-0864 or Marsha Slick at 703-433-0034.

Please Pray For...

The full list of the sick and homebound of our parish is on our website, www.ourladyofhope.net. Please use the "Faith" tab and then, "Please Pray For..." to view the full list. Please call the parish office to have a name added or removed. *Please pray for Patrick Kane and Fran Walsh.*

YOUTH MINISTRY**703-433-6770****Youth@ourladyofhope.net****Like us on Facebook – "OLOH Youth Group"****High School Youth***(9th -12th Graders)***Mother Teresa Mondays - (meet in parking lot at 5:45 p.m.)****January 21st** – Sportsplex**February 4th** – Falcon's Landing**Tuesday Night Youth Group Meetings**

Tuesdays from 7:30-9 p.m. in the school gym!

40th Annual March for Life – 2013

Save the date of January 25, 2013 and join us for the March for Life. To sign up for the free bus, email Bruce Gnatowski at Life@ourladyofhope.net. You may also sign up on our parish website, www.ourladyofhope.net. The bus will leave Our Lady of Hope at 11 a.m. and should return at approximately 5 p.m.

Adoration Hours Extended

Adoration on Thursday, January 24th will be extended. Adoration will continue through the night and all day Friday January 25th, ending with Benediction at 7:30 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for an end to abortion, and to join in spirit with those who are participating in the March for Life.

**Get on Board with better heart health!**

The INOVA Heart and Vascular Institute is taking its expertise on the road by offering mobile heart screenings throughout Northern Virginia. The INOVA "Heart Beat" bus offers important cardiovascular screenings at a low cost. These screenings can detect risk for heart attack, stroke and aneurysms. In their early stages, many cardiovascular diseases often have no symptoms- these screenings can help identify potential health issues. As a leader in cardiac care, we want to help get you on the road to better heart health today! The Heart Beat bus will be at Our Lady of Hope on Tuesday, January 22nd. You must schedule an appointment by calling 1-855-793-8378 or online at www.inovaheartbeat.org. Spaces are limited, so make your appointment today! Look for the bus in our parking lot!

