

Parish Staff

The Rev. William P. Saunders, Pastor
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The Church & Parish Office

Address: 46639 Algonkian Parkway

Potomac Falls, Virginia 20165

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.,

Monday - Friday

Telephone: 703-433-6770

Website: www.ourladyofhope.net

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.

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

Mary Beth Pittman, School Principal

Address: 46633 Algonkian Parkway

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Telephone: 703-433-6760

Website: www.school.ourladyofhope.net

MASSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, January 22nd: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Fr. Michael Carmola by the Cordary Family

9:00 a.m. Alfred Crew by the Crew Family

10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

12:15 p.m. & Melba Boessen by Frank & Margaret Ann Gentges

Monday, January 23rd

6:45 a.m. Tom & Lorri Krappweis by Denise Cordary

8:30 a.m. 🕏 Jessica Ventura by the Long Family

Tuesday, January 24th: St. Francis de Sales

6:45 a.m. Runal D. Dowdle by Our Lady of Hope Catholic School

8:30 a.m. \$\P\$ Lorraine Lengyel by Sabine Morson

Wednesday, January 25th: Conversion of St. Paul

Thursday, January 26th: Ss. Timothy & Titus

8:30 a.m. Art Adam by Cathy Plummer

Friday, January 27th: St. Angela Merici

6:45 a.m. Peter Linzmeyer, Jr. by Mary & Peter Linzmeyer

8:30 a.m. Kim Sanborn by Our Lady of Hope Catholic School

Saturday, January 28th: St. Thomas Aquinas

8:30 a.m. Kathy Williams by Cheryl Forbes

Sunday, January 29th: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. 🕏 James Rush by Paul & Kendra Moloney

10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

12:15 p.m. ₽ Randy Will by Steve & Kathy Blackburn

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January



General Intention: That the victims of natural disasters may receive the spiritual and material comfort they need to rebuild their lives. Missionary Intention: That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will.

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.

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		
	Diane Harvey	406-6040
Birthright	Marsha Slick	433-0034
Book Club	Linda Neri	430-3952
Boy Scouts:	Gina DeCrisci-Farmer	406-2341
Columbian Squires:		
	Jon MacGoy	887-3107
CYO Sports:	Ralph Peluso	729-3385
Girl Scouts:	Jennifer McCabe	404-5580
Homeschoolers:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:		
	Andy Altman	404-0182
Ladies of Hope:	Peggy Kearney	444-1341
Lectors:	Paul Gilmore	444-2293
Legion of Mary	Deborah Baird	430-8554
Outreach:	Donna Bongiovanni	346-1152
Pro-Life:	Maureen Whalen	669-4457
St. Joseph's League:		
	Mike & Vicki Egan	430-2651
Ushers:	John Granata 571	
Young Adults:	Jennifer Wilson	401-4440

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 Baptistery. Please contact the parish secretary to register for the Baptism classes.

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

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.

39th Annual March for Life 2012



Every year there is a *March for Life* in Washington, D.C. on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision that legalized the right for an individual to kill an unborn child. This

march is a public witness for those who would like to see the Roe v. Wade decision overturned and once again restore a culture of life instead of a culture of death.

Date: Monday, January 23, 2012

The Bus leaves Our Lady of Hope at 11 a.m. and should return at approximately 5 p.m.

Ride the Parish Bus Free of Charge!

You may sign up for the bus by emailing Bruce Gnatowski at **bgnatowski@verizon.net**.

Special Blessings

Presentation of the Lord

On Thursday, February 2nd we celebrate The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Traditionally, on this date, candles are blessed for use in the coming year. Parishioners are invited to bring their candles to be blessed to either the 6:45 or 8:30 a.m. Masses.



The Feast of St. Blaise



On Friday, February 3rd, we celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise. On this date, we invoke St. Blaise in the blessing of throats asking him to protect us from ailments of the throat and every other illness. Throats will be blessed immediately following the 6:45 and 8:30 a.m. Masses.

Weekly Bible Study

A weekly Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark meets at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, in the Elizabeth Ann Seton Meeting Room. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Altar Flowers

Dates are now available for Altar Flowers for 2012. Do you have a loved one, birthday or anniversary you would like remembered at Mass? Donating



altar flowers is a lovely way to do this. Donations and intentions will be listed in the weekly bulletin. Altar flower donations are \$125 and all donations are tax deductible. For more information, please contact Jennifer McCabe at McCabe IK @aol.com or 703-404-5580.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated the week of January 29th – February 3rd, 2012 at the school. The week will begin January 29th at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, where the children's choir will sing and students will have various responsibilities. Students are encouraged to wear their uniforms.



The theme this year is Faith, Academics, and Service, three pillars of Catholic education.

Open House – February 1st

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School will hold an Open House for prospective families on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Our principal, Mrs. Pittman, will give a short presentation in the school gym followed by guided tours of the school. Children are welcome to attend! Discover for yourself all the wonderful programs our school has to offer. Registration packets will be available at that time. For more information please call the school office at 703-433-6760 or visit the website at school.ourladyofhope.net.

Save the Date-April 28, 2012!

Please save the date, Saturday, April 28, 2012, for the 7th Annual Our Lady of Hope Catholic School Dinner Auction Gala, "Springtime in Paris!" The event will be held at Trump



National Golf Club right here in Potomac Falls! If you would like to advertise your business, sponsor, or make a donation to this event, please contact the Auction Committee at olohauction2012@aol.com.

Genocide Survivor to Speak on February 1st

Immaculée Ilibagiza, Rwandan genocide survivor, and author of the book, *Left to Tell*, will give a presentation on the power of faith and forgiveness on Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 7 p.m. in the Bishop O'Connell High School auditorium. The public is invited to



this event which is sponsored by the O'Connell PTO. Admission is free. Read more about the inspiring story of this remarkable young woman at **www.bishopoconnell.org/lefttotell**. The school is located at 6600 Little Falls Road in Arlington. For more information, call 703-237-1400.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.

Religious Education Calendar Highlights

First Communion Class

January 29 – Second Parent Meeting, after 12:15 Mass

January 29 – First Penance Workbooks due

February 28 & 29 – First Penance

March 1 – First Penance for parish school students.

March 27 & 28 – First Communion Workbooks due

May 5 – First Communion Retreat

May 19 – First Holy Communion Mass

Confirmation Class

March 6 and 7 – Confirmation Pre-Test May 5 – Confirmation Exam. 9 a.m.

Attention Young Adults!

All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join the Our Lady of Hope Young Adults for great fellowship and fun at our monthly events. For more information, contact Jenni at **OLHYoungAdults@gmail.com** or 703-401-4440.

Winter Book Study—Come discover C.S. Lewis' allegorical book, *The Great Divorce* with our weekly book study. Meet in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room at Our Lady of Hope on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. following the weekly Holy Hour.

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.

Catholic Charities Needs ESL Volunteers

Hogar is in need of volunteer ESL (English as a Second Language) teachers, citizenship teachers and site coordinators for classes at Christ the Redeemer and St. Joseph parishes, as well as other locations throughout the diocese. Training and materials for volunteers are provided by Hogar Immigrant Services. If interested, please contact Lisa Ehm Waller at lwaller@ccda.net or call 703-534-9805, ext. 238.

Call to Vocations

"Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men." Are you considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Contact Father Brian Bashista at 703-841-2514 or **b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org** or call Father Saunders or Father Schierer.

YOUTH MINISTRY 703-433-6770 Ext. 142

High School Youth Group Events

(9th -12th Graders)

February 6th, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Falcons Landing **February 20th, Mother Teresa Monday** – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Sportsplex



January 22nd: Donut Sunday – Meet Fr. Schierer in the Elizabeth Ann Seton Room after the 9 a.m. Mass!

Tuesday High School Youth Group

(Meet in Gym)

January 24th, 7:30-9 p.m. – Pro-Life Video, 180 Degrees

January 31st, 7:30-9 p.m. – Photo Scavenger Hunt February 7th, 7:30-9 p.m. – Bible Study

Mount 2000 Retreat

Registration is now open for the annual "Mount 2000" retreat at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Maryland. If you are interested in attending please contact Monica. We'll be putting together a group. The cost is \$65/person. For more information about this year's theme, "The Light Shines in the Darkness" and the guest speakers, please visit the website at http://mount2000.com. You can also find Mount 2000 on Facebook at www.facebook/mount2000

Junior High Youth Group

(7th and 8th Graders)

January 28th, 6:30-8 p.m. – Game Night! Meet in parish hall.

Please Pray For...

The list of the sick and homebound of our parish has moved to our website, www.ourladyofhope.net. Please use the "Parish" tab and then, "Please Pray For..." to view the full list. New additions will remain in the bulletin for two weeks, and then move to the online list where the person's name will remain until we are asked to remove it. Please call the parish office to have a name added or removed.

Book Club

Our current selection is, <u>The Great Divorce</u>, by C. S. Lewis. We invite all interested women of the parish to read the book and join us for a discussion in the parish meeting room on **January 24th at 7:30 p.m**. For more information contact Linda Neri at gramsneri@aol.com or 703-430-3952.