

#### **Parish Staff**

The Rev. William P. Saunders, Pastor
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Pat Sabas, Business Manager
Ben Zumdahl, IT Manager
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Suzanne Yerks, Assistant Director of Music

Nancy Burgess, Parish Secretary

## 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

Potomac Falls, Virginia 20165

Telephone: 703-433-6760

Website: www.school.ourladyofhope.net

#### MASSES OF THE WEEK

# 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

# Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

6:45 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Raymond McMahon

8:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Margaret Singer by the Cordary Family

# Tuesday, January 31st: St. John Bosco

6:45 a.m. The Emley Family by Mary Meli

8:30 a.m. Theresa & Chris Baker by Megan Cordary

# Wednesday, February 1st

6:45 a.m. Purgatory by Steve & Jamie Skojec

# Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>: The Presentation of the Lord

6:45 a.m. 🕏 Joseph Principe by Barbara Principe

8:30 a.m. Francis Blanco by Maria Rushing

# Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>: St. Blaise and St. Ansgar

6:45 a.m. Ted Haaser by the Young Family

8:30 a.m. Pam Skojec by Our Lady of Hope Catholic School

# Saturday, February 4th

8:30 a.m. Fran Sulak by Cheryl Forbes

# Sunday, February 5th: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Special Intention by Laura Danbom 9:00 a.m. Sherry Grasson by Cheryl Forbes

10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

12:15 p.m. 🕆 Marian Sprang by Paul & Kendra Maloney

# **Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February**



General Intention: Access to Water
That all peoples may have access to water and other resources needed for daily life. Missionary Intention: Health Workers. That the Lord may sustain the efforts of health workers assisting the sick and elderly in the world's poorest regions.

## **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		
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>	Jennifer McCabe	404-5580
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	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
<b>Boy Scouts:</b>	Gina DeCrisci-Farmer	406-2341
Columbian Squires:		
	Jon MacGoy	887-3107
CYO Sports:	Ralph Peluso	729-3385
<b>Girl Scouts:</b>	Jennifer McCabe	404-5580
<b>Homeschoolers:</b>	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:		
	Andy Altman	404-0182
Ladies of Hope:	Peggy Kearney	444-1341
<b>Lectors:</b>	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
<b>Ushers:</b>	John Granata 571	-643-2212

# Sacrament of Baptism

Jennifer Wilson



**Young Adults:** 

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.

401-4440

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.

#### **Special Blessings**

#### **Presentation of the Lord**

On Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

### **Knights of Columbus**

#### **Council Food Drive**

The monthly food drive for Inter-Faith of Loudoun is next weekend. Please leave your non-perishable food donations in the bin in the narthex before Mass.

#### **Council Meeting**

The monthly business meeting is Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the parish meeting room. The meeting will be preceded by the praying of the Rosary at 7 p.m. Knights' families are invited to participate during the Rosary.

#### **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.

## Mass and Breakfast with the Ladies of Hope

Please join the Ladies of Hope on February 3<sup>rd</sup> for our First Friday Mass and breakfast. We will attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass and have breakfast together at Delia's in Countryside. Please meet in the narthex after Mass. All women of the parish are welcome! Please contact Cheryl Forbes at **Cheryl.forbes@gmail.com** for additional information.

## 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 Schools Week Begins January 29th!

# Open House – February 1<sup>st</sup>

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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Patricians Meeting - Grow in Your Faith



All parishioners are invited to participate in an Adult Faith Discussion on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. in the parish meeting room. There will be a talk about "The Sacrament of Penance," followed by discussion. *Refreshments will be served. This event is* sponsored by the Legion of Mary.

# **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.

**Tapped In** – Join us for a theology lecture and discussion at Tapped In on Tuesday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m. at O'Faolain's Irish Pub in Sterling.

**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 8:00 p.m. following the weekly Holy Hour.

#### **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 McCabeJK@aol.com or 703-404-5580.

# **Friendly Reminders**

Please try to arrive for Mass a few minutes early to recollect oneself. Please wait until the final hymn concludes before leaving. The priest does not like feeling he is about to be stampeded from behind!

## **Catholic Distance University**

The Diocese of Arlington is a Partner with CDU. This partnership means that all members of the Arlington Diocese can take noncredit online courses and seminars at Catholic Distance University for just \$30. include the five part series on the Catechism and all of CDU's online seminars. Learn more at www. cdu.edu/Arlington-Diocese/index.html.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY 703-433-6770 Ext. 142

## **High School Youth Group Events**

(9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Graders)

February 6<sup>th</sup>, 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

## **Tuesday High School Youth Group**

(Meet in Gym)

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

## **Junior High Youth Group**

(7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders) **February 18<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 p.m.** – Sports in the School Gym February 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8 p.m. – Meet in parish hall

"Dear young people, you are a precious gift for society. Do not yield to discouragement in the face of difficulties and do not abandon yourselves to false solutions which often seem the easiest way to overcome problems. Do not be afraid to make a commitment, to face hard work and sacrifice, to choose the paths that demand fidelity and constancy, humility and dedication. Be confident in your youth and its profound desires for happiness, truth, beauty and genuine love! Live fully this time in your life so rich and so full of enthusiasm." ~Pope Benedict XVI

# 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. . Please call the parish office to have a name added or removed. Please pray for Doretha Bullock and Jody Zogran.

# Walking in the Footsteps of Saint Paul

In May 2012, we will spend twelve faith-filled (and fun-filled) days in Greece and Turkey tracing the missionary journeys of Saint Paul. Why don't you come along and see Corinth, Ephesus, Thessaloniki, Athens, Istanbul and so much more? Our spiritual director, Father Patrick T. McMahon, O.Carm, will celebrate Mass daily at different sites. For a detailed brochure with the itinerary, costs, and included



features, contact Nick & Dianne monje@erols.com or 703-771-9765; or, contact Great Experiences, Inc. at greatexinc@verizon.net or 201-825-3725. We have only six reservations remaining.