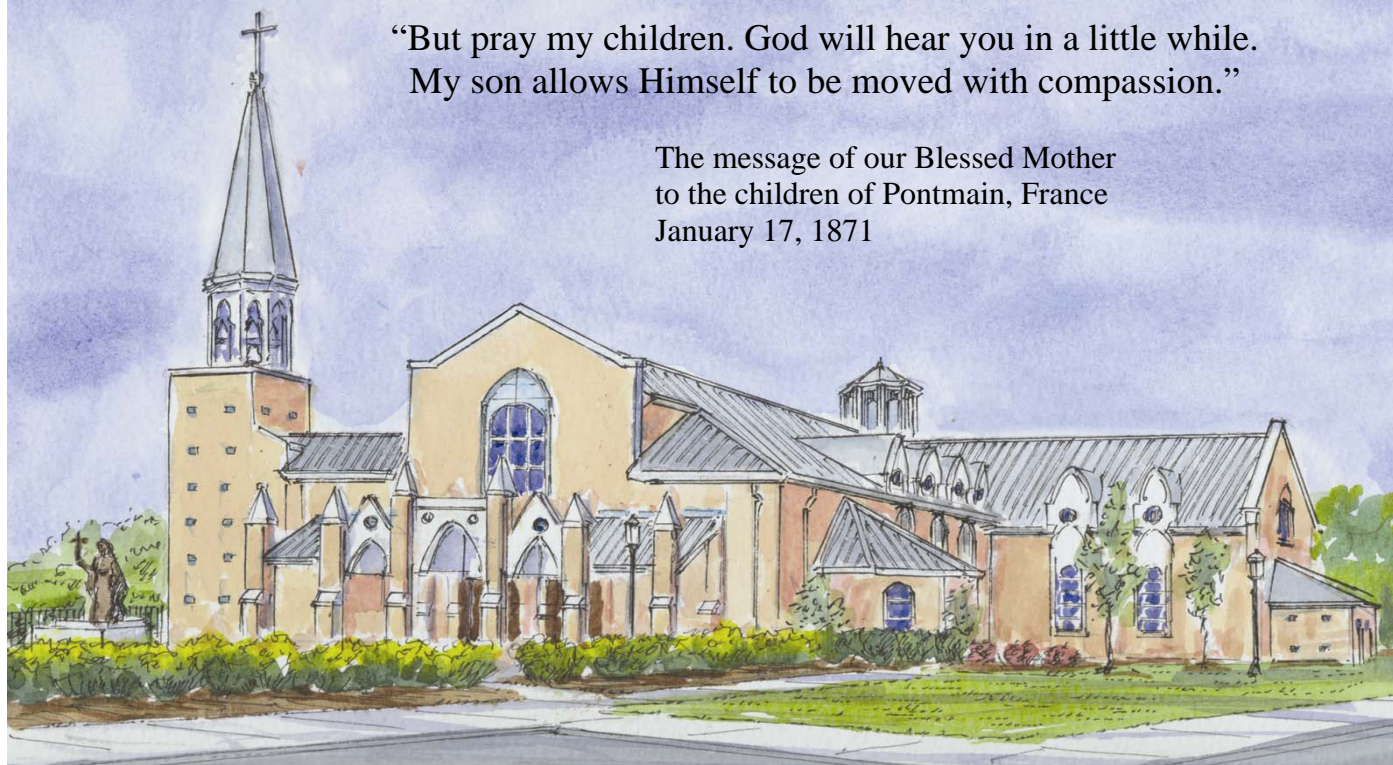


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
Cathy Plummer, Director of Religious Education
Cathy Barshop, Religious Education Assistant
Monica Clarke, Youth Ministry Assistant
Pat Sabas, Business Manager
Ben Zumdahl, IT Manager
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Michael Galdo, Director of Music
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

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MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, February 26th: First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. ☩ Sally Audrey Licord by Frank Licord
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Chester Schuler by the Altman Family
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Mary Catherine Clarke by the Skojec Family

Monday, February 27th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Poor Souls in Purgatory by Patty Rodgers
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Manus Fish by the Burkes

Tuesday, February 28th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Fran Arthur by Cathy Plummer
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Holy Souls in Purgatory by Steve & Jamie Skojec

Wednesday, February 29th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Patsy James McGee by Mary Ellen Fortier
 8:30 a.m. Sr. Maria Anne by John & Dorothy Germain

Thursday, March 1st

6:45 a.m. Lou Ann Gural by Joan Bystrowski
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Carey Brownlow by Cathy Plummer

Friday, March 2nd

6:45 a.m. ☩ Poor Souls in Purgatory by Patty Rodgers
 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth McCaffrey by the Check Family

Saturday, March 3rd: St. Katharine Drexel

8:30 a.m. Mary Alyce Strozso by David & Margaret Stender

5:00 p.m. Rev. Kevin J. Fimian by Francisco Stender

Sunday, March 4th: Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Special Intention by Laura Danbom
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Humbert Salluzo by Paul & Kendra Maloney
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Victorino Manzana, Sr. by the Orosa Family

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for March



General Intention: That the whole world may recognize the contribution of women to the development of society. **Missionary Intention:** That the Holy Spirit may grant perseverance to those who suffer discrimination, persecution, or death for the name of Christ, particularly in Asia.

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

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| 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 | 571-643-2212 |
| 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 Baptistry. 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.

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.

**Parish St. Patrick's Day Party**

Join your fellow parishioners for fun food and entertainment at the third annual Saint Patrick's Day Party held Saturday, March 10th at 6 p.m. Ted Garber and an Irish dance troupe will be performing. Tickets are on sale in the narthex after all Masses. For more information and online tickets sales, please visit, www.oloh-council.org/stpats. This event is for adults only.

Ladies of Hope Trip

Please mark your calendars for a day trip to DC on Saturday, March 24th. We will take a deluxe motor coach to HILLWOOD, the estate and beautiful gardens of Marjorie Merriweather Post, heiress to the Post Cereal Company. Visit Marjorie's magnificent Russian and French art and furniture collections. Please call Marilyn Mahieu with questions at 703-574-8414.

Mulch from the Boy Scouts

It's time again for the Boy Scout Troop 572 Annual Mulch Sale. Purchasing this high quality, hardwood shredded mulch from Troop 572 will save you the aggravation, time, and energy of buying your spring landscaping mulch elsewhere and transporting it home. When you order from Boy Scout Troop 572 we will deliver your bags of mulch to your home and place the bags on the right side of your driveway next to the garage. All profits go to implementing a quality Scout program as well as towards the purchase of troop equipment. You can find the form on the parish website at <http://ourladyofhope.net/forms/> or email thefarmers5@verizon.net.

**Book Club**

Our current selection is, Left to Tell, by Immaculée Ilibagiza. We invite all interested women of the parish to read the book and join us for a discussion in the parish meeting room on **March 27th at 7:30 p.m.** For more information contact Linda Neri at gramsneri@aol.com or 703-430-3952.

**Lent is Here!**

Stations of the Cross will be offered each Friday during Lent at 2:15 and 7:30 p.m. in the Church. Take time to participate in this venerable tradition of the Church and meditate on our Lord's sacrifice for our sins.

Confessions will be heard every Wednesday evening during Lent from 6:30-8 p.m. beginning February 29th.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

All through Lent, we will offer Adoration from after the Thursday, 8:30 a.m. Mass throughout the day and into the evening, ending at 6:45 a.m. on Friday. A Holy Hour will be offered and Confessions will be heard from 7-8 p.m. on Thursday evening. Adorers are needed, especially men to fill the late night, early morning hours! Please sign up in the narthex.

Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence are as follows: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of penance observed by both fasting (only one full meal during the day) and abstinence from meat. All other Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence; we forgo the eating of meat to make ourselves conscious of our Lord's sacrifice of Himself for our sins. The law of fasting is binding for those who are 18 years old but not yet 60; the law of abstinence is binding for those 14 years of age and older.

Weekly Bible Study

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

Thank you!

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the letter campaign asking our Senators and Congressman to help overturn the HHS Mandate. Senator Warner, Senator Webb, and Congressman Wolf **were each sent 960 letters** signed by Our Lady of Hope Parishioners!

Restaurant Night to Benefit Work Camp

Come support our teens attending Work Camp this summer. The Greene Turtle is hosting a restaurant night to benefit our Work Camp fund. The Greene Turtle will donate



10% of all their proceeds (excluding alcohol) earned between 5:30 and 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 28th. This means even those who are not members of the parish can help our Work Campers out! Bring your family and friends. The more the merrier!

The Green Turtle is located by Dulles Towne Center Mall, 21035 Dulles Town Circle, Sterling, 20166.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.

Vacation Bible School this Summer!

Mark your calendar and join us for Vacation Bible School this summer! The session will run from June 18th through June 22nd, 9 a.m. - noon daily. ***Come Aboard the Vatican Express with St. Jerome!*** All rising first graders through rising fifth graders are welcome – stay tuned for details!

Religious Education Calendar Highlights

First Communion Class

- 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.

2012 Diocesan Men’s Conference!



On March 3rd, the third annual Men’s Conference will take place at St. Joseph parish in Herndon. At this year’s conference, men will be inspired by great Catholic speakers, reflect on evangelization & apologetics in their own lives and in the world at large, and gather together with their brothers in Christ.

Confirmed speakers include: Dr. Paul Thigpen, former Evangelical pastor and best-selling author; Msgr. Stuart Swetland, Flynn Chair of Christian Ethics, Mount St. Mary’s University; and our own *Fr. William Saunders*. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul Loverde. For more information or to register, go to www.arlingtondiocese.org/men.

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.

Brunch – Grab a bite to eat with us on Sunday, February 26th. Meet in the narthex following the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Tapped In – Join us for theology lecture and discussion at *Tapped In* on Tuesday, March 6th at 7:30 p.m. at O’Faolain’s Irish Pub in Sterling. Guest speaker, John Paul De Gance will lecture on Apologetics and the Catholic Faith.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

703-433-6770 Ext. 142

High School Youth

(9th -12th Graders)

March 5th, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Falcons Landing

March 19th, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Sportsplex

“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

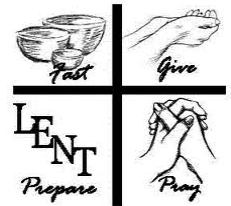
Tuesday Youth Group

(Meet in Gym)

February 28th, 7:30-9 p.m. –

Confession and Adoration

March 6th, 7:30-9 p.m. – Bible Study



Junior High Youth Group – 7th & 8th Graders

(Meet in parish hall)

March 18th, 6:30-8 p.m. – “Understanding”

March 24th – Movie Night in Parish Hall

“By abstaining forty long days from earthly food, He consecrated through His fast the pattern of our Lenten observance and by overturning all the snares of the ancient serpent, taught us to cast out the leaven of malice, so that we might pass over at last to the eternal paschal feast.”

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.



Eucharistic Adoration – Adorers Needed!

Thursday 9 a.m.–Friday 6:45 a.m.



Thank you to all adorers who visit with our Lord, your dedication is most appreciated.

However, Eucharistic Adoration still has a need for scheduled adorers, especially during Lent, when Adoration continues throughout the night. Some slots have opened up due to adorers moving out of state, snow birds,

etc. Please prayerfully consider scheduling an hour with our Lord. Sign-up sheets are on the Adoration Table in the narthex.