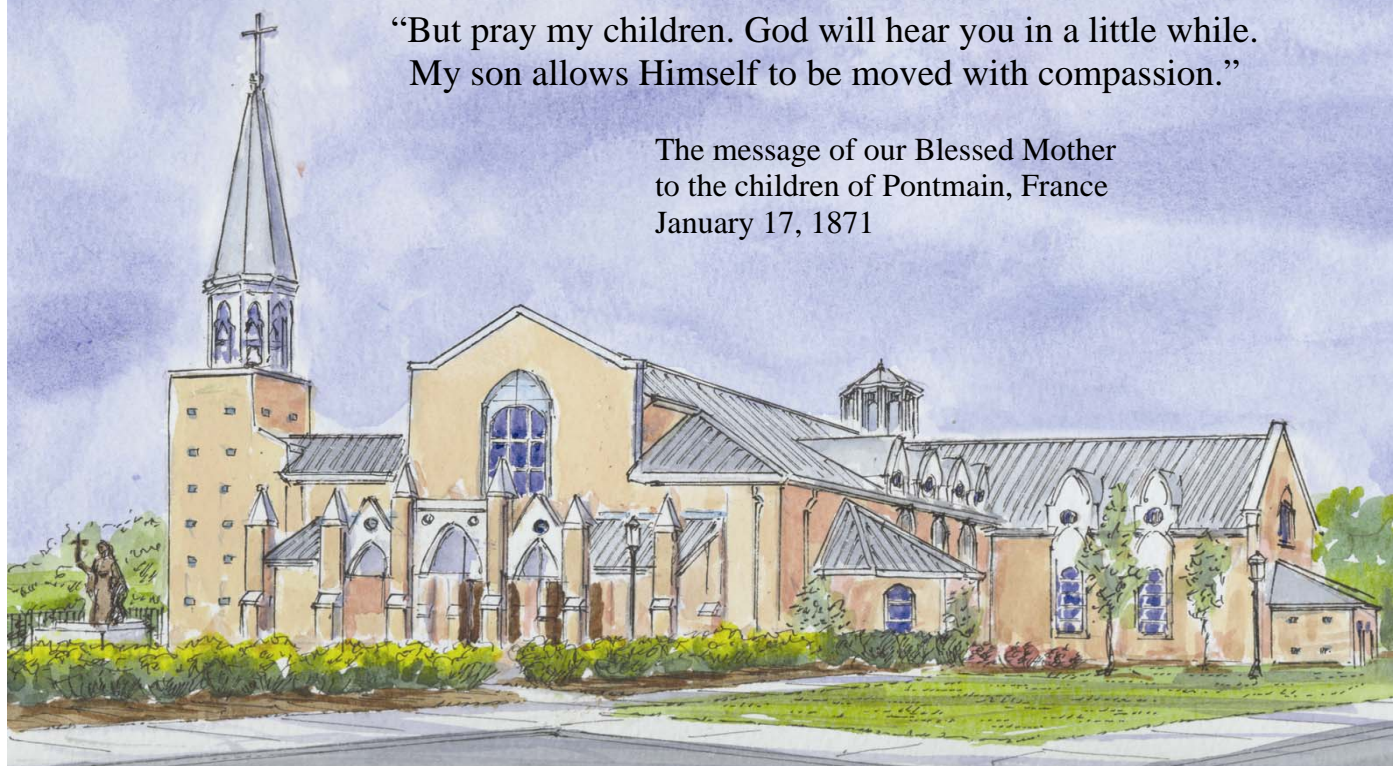


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
The Rev. Randolph W. Sly, Resident
Cathy Plummer, Director of Religious Education
Cathy Barshop, Religious Education & Youth
Ministry Assistant
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Alfonso Pena, Facilities Supervisor
Suzanne Yerks, 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. &
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, March 24th: Palm Sunday of the Lord's

Passion

7:30 a.m. ☩ Eugene Burton by Larry Zawalick
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Marcia Sue Wilkowski by Friends and Neighbors
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:30 p.m. Konrad Tatusko by Margaret Tatusko

Monday, March 25th

6:45 a.m. Judy Helstrom by Chelie Billingsley
 8:30 a.m. Paul Long by the R. E. Office

Tuesday, March 26th

6:45 a.m. ☩ James F. McGill by the Hanlon Family
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Tom Briggs by Cheryl Forbes

Wednesday, March 27th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Martin Petersen by Kathy Blackburn
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Charles Coyle by the Forbes Family

Thursday, March 28th: Holy Thursday

8:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Friday, March 29th: Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion

Saturday, March 30th: Holy Saturday

8:30 p.m. ☩ Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, March 31st: The Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Nicholas Schierer
 9:00 a.m. The Sly Family
 10:30 a.m. The Saunders Family
 12:30 p.m. The Schierer Family

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 March



Respect for Nature: That respect for nature may grow with the awareness that all creation is God's work entrusted to human responsibility.

Clergy: That bishops, priests,

and deacons may be tireless messengers of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

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.

Holiday Office/Mass Schedule

The parish office will be closed on Good Friday, March 29th. Masses will be offered at 8:30 a.m. only during Easter Week, April 1st-5th.

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

“One of the devotions in our parish every Lent is the Stations of the Cross. Could you please tell me the origins of this

devotion? (Part III)

Five years later, Pope Clement XII permitted stations to be created in all churches and fixed the number at 14. In 1742, Pope Benedict XIV exhorted all priests to enrich their churches with the Way of the Cross, which must include 14 crosses and are usually accompanied with pictures or images of each particular station. The popularity of the devotion was also encouraged by preachers like St. Leonard Casanova (1676-1751) of Porto Maurizio, Italy, who reportedly erected over 600 sets of stations throughout Italy.

To date, there are 14 traditional stations: Pilate condemns Christ to death; Jesus carries the cross; the first fall; Jesus meets His Blessed Mother; Simon of Cyrene helps to carry the cross; Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; the second fall; Jesus speaks to the women of Jerusalem; the third fall; Jesus is stripped of His garments; Jesus is nailed to the cross; Jesus dies on the cross; Jesus is taken down from the cross; and Jesus is laid in the tomb.

Because of the intrinsic relationship between the passion and death of our Lord with His resurrection, several of the devotional booklets now include a 15th station, which commemorates the Resurrection. A plenary indulgence is granted for those who piously exercise the Way of the Cross, actually moving from station to station where they are legitimately erected and while meditating on the passion and death of our Lord (“Enchiridion of Indulgences,” No. 63).

Those who are impeded from visiting a church may gain the same indulgence by piously reading and meditating on the passion and death of our Lord for one-half hour. The continued importance of the stations in the devotional life of Catholics is attested by both Pope Paul VI, who approved a Gospel-based version of the stations in 1975, and Pope John Paul II, who has also written his own version.

Please Pray For...



The full list of the sick and homebound of our parish is on our website, www.ourladyofhope.net. Please call the parish office to have a name added or removed.

Church in Eastern Europe

The collection for the Church in Eastern Europe was \$4,351.10. Thank you for your generosity and support.



Tuesday, March 26th

Confessions from 7:30 -9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27th

Confessions from 6:30-8 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 28th

All are welcome to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Loverde at 10:30 a.m. This is the only morning Mass throughout the diocese. In the evening, **the Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 8:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope Church.** *There will be no Adoration during the day on Holy Thursday.*

Good Friday, March 29th

The **Liturgy of the Passion** will be celebrated at **3:00 p.m.** At **7:30 p.m.**, **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed. **Confessions** will be heard following Stations of the Cross. *Good Friday is a day of penance observed by both fasting (only one full meal during the day) and abstinence from meat.*

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 forego 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.

Holy Saturday, March 30th

At **10:00 a.m.** there will be the Blessing of Easter Food. The Easter Vigil Mass will be offered at **8:30 p.m.** This is the only Mass offered on Saturday and the First Mass of Easter.



Easter Sunday, March 31st

Masses will be offered at **7:30, 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.** and **12:30 p.m.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

**THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE IS
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS**

THERE ARE NO R.E. CLASSES DURING HOLY
WEEK, MARCH 26TH & 27TH. CLASSES RESUME ON
APRIL 2ND & 3RD

Spring Calendar Highlights

April 27	Confirmation Exam – 9 a.m., parish hall
April 28	Confirmation Parents' Meeting (current 7th graders)
May 4	First Communion Retreat
May 16	First Communion Rehearsal – 5:30 p.m.
May 18	First Communion Liturgy – 11:00 a.m.

Young Adults

Join us on Facebook to receive all the latest event
invitations! www.facebook.com/groups/flatyoungadults/

Knights of Columbus**Attention High School Seniors**

The Knights of Columbus have established a Scholarship Grant program to provide annual grants of financial assistance to qualified young adults who have demonstrated superior academic achievement and valuable Christian service to the community. Two Scholarship Grants for 2013 have been set at \$1000 each in direct assistance to two qualified young adults. The deadline for applications to be submitted is **April 29, 2013**. The application can be found at: www.oloh-council.org/scholarship.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

The Knights are sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt after the 12:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday, March 31st. It is for ages 4-8 in the grassy area between the Church and School. Please bring your own baskets.

Marriage Help

Is your marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help; please call 703-351-7211 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

For Your Special Intentions

The cloistered Dominican Nuns of Linden, VA invite you to send any special intentions which you would like them to remember in their prayers. Write to: St. Dominic's Monastery, 2636 Monastery Road, Linden, VA 22642 or visit www.lindenopnuns.org to email your intentions.

**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 at the parish office at 5:45 p.m.)

April 1st – Falcon's Landing

April 15th - Sportsplex

Tuesday Night Meetings

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

Lenten Confessions – March 26th!**Junior High Youth**

Our next meeting is next Sunday, April 7th from 6:30-8 p.m. in the school gym.

Junior High Bash – April 27th

Teen Comedy Night

All teens (middle school and high school) are invited for a night of laughs featuring “Last Ham Standing” improv comedy group. Please join us on **Sunday, April 21st** in the school gym at **7 p.m.** for an hour show. Light refreshments will be provided. **\$5 per teen.**

Support Our Youth Ministry!

All Saints Church in Manassas has invited us to participate in their 5-car raffle again this year. Prizes include five 2013 vehicles (Honda CR-Z, Honda Accord, GMC Sierra Truck, Honda CRV sport utility and Honda Odyssey Van). One \$5.00 ticket offers the purchaser a chance to win all five vehicles plus \$20,000 in cash prizes. This is a fundraiser to benefit teens from our parish who are attending WorkCamp this summer. **Tickets/stubs must be turned in no later than April 7th.**

Hope & Healing

Do not be afraid, for nothing is impossible with God ... now is the time to make peace with your past. If you need confidential help after abortion, call (703) 841-HOPE (4673) or e-mail info@helpafterabortion.org.