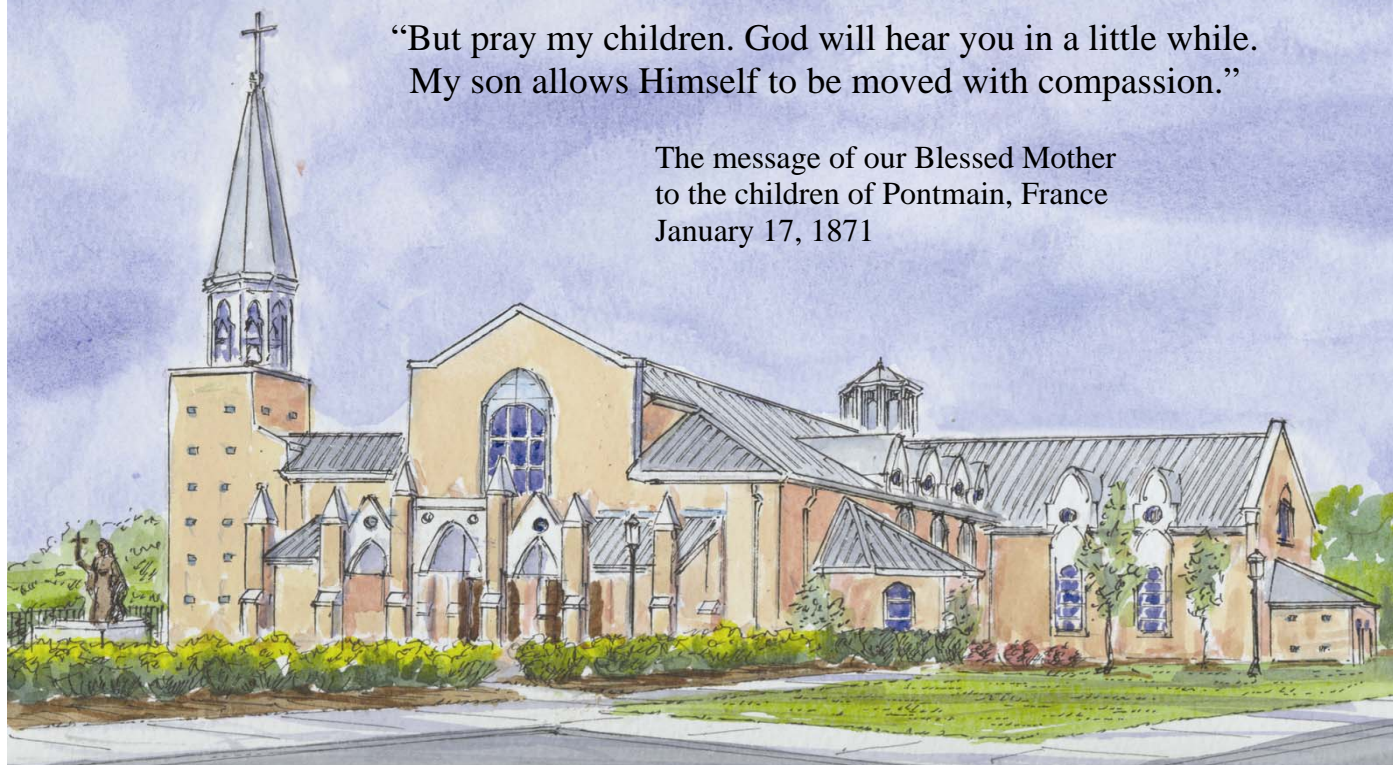


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
Alfonso Pena, Facilities Supervisor
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

Mary Beth Pittman, School Principal
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MASSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, April 1st: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Special Intention by Laura Danbom
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Rev. Keith Ramey by the Saunders Family
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Gary Cox by the Our Lady of Hope Lectors

Monday, April 2nd

6:45 a.m. ☩ Onesta Ong by Nellie Kaw
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Dr. Joseph F. Saunders by the Saunders Family

Tuesday, April 3rd

6:45 a.m. ☩ Poor Souls in Purgatory by Patty Rodgers
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Thomas Hayes by Susan Hayes

Wednesday, April 4th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Ann Hindle by the Hindle Family
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Nicole Grasson by the Grasson Family

Thursday, April 5th: Holy Thursday

8:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Friday, April 6th: Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion

Saturday, April 7th: Holy Saturday

8:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, April 8th: The Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 a.m. The Schierer Family
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Clara & Paul Dugan
 10:30 a.m. The Saunders Family
 12:30 p.m. ☩ Donald Heishman

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	571-643-2212
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.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for April



General Intention: Vocations. That many young people may hear the call of Christ and follow him in the priesthood and religious life.

Missionary Intention: Christ, Hope for Africans. That the risen Christ may be a sign of certain hope for the men and women of the African continent.

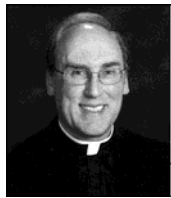
Sacrament of Matrimony

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

What did Jesus do on the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week?

The Gospels do not provide an exact chronology. Matthew records Jesus entry into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday), beginning in Chapter 21. Between then and Holy Thursday (Last Supper) (Chapter 26:17ff), Jesus cleanses the temple; teaches several parables; confronts the Scribes, Pharisees, and Sadducees; and visits Martha, Mary, and Lazarus in Bethany. Wednesday has traditionally been called "Spy Wednesday" because that is the day Judas arranged with the Jewish leaders to betray our Lord for thirty pieces of silver.

Knights of Columbus

Food Drive

The monthly food drive for InterFaith of Loudoun County, is this weekend. Please leave your non-perishable food donations in the narthex before Mass.



Business Meeting

The monthly business meeting will be on Tuesday, April 3rd in the parish meeting room. Officer candidate interviews for the 2012-13 Fraternal Year will conclude. The meeting will be preceded by the praying of the Rosary at 7 p.m. Knights' families are invited to participate during the Rosary.



Scholarships

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring two \$1,000.00 cash scholarships to deserving High School Seniors. Please log onto www.oloh-council.org and click on "2012 Scholarship Grant" at the top of the page. Applications and short essay are due by **April 27, 2012.**

Eric Genuis Concert on April 22nd

The Ladies of Hope are pleased and honored to announce the sponsorship of an Eric Genuis concert on Sunday, April 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Eric Genuis is an internationally acclaimed composer and virtuoso pianist who has traveled the world. Eric brings to light the role of music and the arts on culture throughout history and the power they have to bring hope and healing to the human soul. His concerts proclaim a pro-life message. Please watch for additional details in the bulletin in the upcoming weeks. Contact Peggy Kearney at 703-444-1341 or peggy_ Kearney@msn.com for information.



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 5th

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, April 6th

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, April 7th

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, April 24th

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

St. Joseph's League



St. Joseph's League is a group of volunteers willing to help with small home repairs and occasional yard work for the elderly, sick, and those in need. For assistance, please call Tom Bond at 703-450-7712.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.

THERE ARE NO R.E. CLASSES DURING HOLY WEEK, APRIL 3RD & 4TH. CLASSES RESUME ON APRIL 10TH & 11TH.

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. You can find the registration form at www.ourladyofhope.net.

Religious Education Calendar Highlights**First Communion Class**

May 5 – First Communion Retreat

May 19 – First Holy Communion Mass

Confirmation Class

May 5 – Confirmation Exam, 9 a.m.

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 Vera Arman, John Weaver.**

**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.

Tuesday, April 17 – "Tapped In" - 7:30 p.m. at O'Faolain's Irish Pub in Sterling Join us for our monthly lecture and discussion series. Our guest speaker will be Randy Sly, Our Lady of Hope parishioner and former Archbishop in the Charismatic Episcopal Church.

Catholic Radio Station

Gaithersburg's WMET (1160AM) is airing the Catholic-based Guadalupe Radio Network, with a 50,000 watt daytime signal. You can now hear the EWTN Radio Programming on a local radio station during the daylight hours in Northern Virginia.

Second Collections

The collection for the church in Eastern Europe was \$4,904.10 and \$2,924.10 for the Black and Indian Missions. *Thank you for your generosity and support.*

YOUTH MINISTRY

703-433-6770 Ext. 142

High School Youth*(9th -12th Graders)*

Thank you to all who participated in the Greene Turtle Restaurant Night fundraiser! We received almost \$300 from the Greene Turtle toward our WorkCamp fund.

April 2nd, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Falcons Landing

April 16th, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Sportsplex

Tuesday Youth Group*(Meet in Gym)*

April 3rd – Pilgrimage to Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land. Meet in the lower parking lot at 1:45 p.m.

April 10 – 7:30-9 p.m. - Divine Mercy

**"Springtime in Paris!"**

Friends of Our Lady of Hope School are invited to our 7th Annual Dinner Auction Gala on Saturday, April 28, 2012, 6:30-11:30 p.m. at Trump National Golf Club, in Lowes Island. You may preview items, view event information, make a donation, and register to attend this event online at <http://oloh.maestroweb.com>. Registered attendees' names will be held at the door. Questions? Would you like to help sponsor or advertise at this event? Please contact the school office or e-mail the Auction Committee at olohauction2012@aol.com.

**Call to Vocations**

"God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power." Are you being called to proclaim the new life of the resurrected Christ to the world with His Spirit and His power? Contact Father Brian Bashista at b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514, or call Father Saunders or Father Schierer.

Car Raffle Deadline is April 16th!

Have you returned your raffle tickets, yet? If you have, **thank you!** If you haven't, please **GET THEM IN**—drop them in the collection basket, put them in the mail, or drop them in the drop box! Thanks again! **ALL TICKETS ARE DUE** back no later than **April 16th**. This is a fundraiser to benefit teens from our parish who are attending WorkCamp this summer.