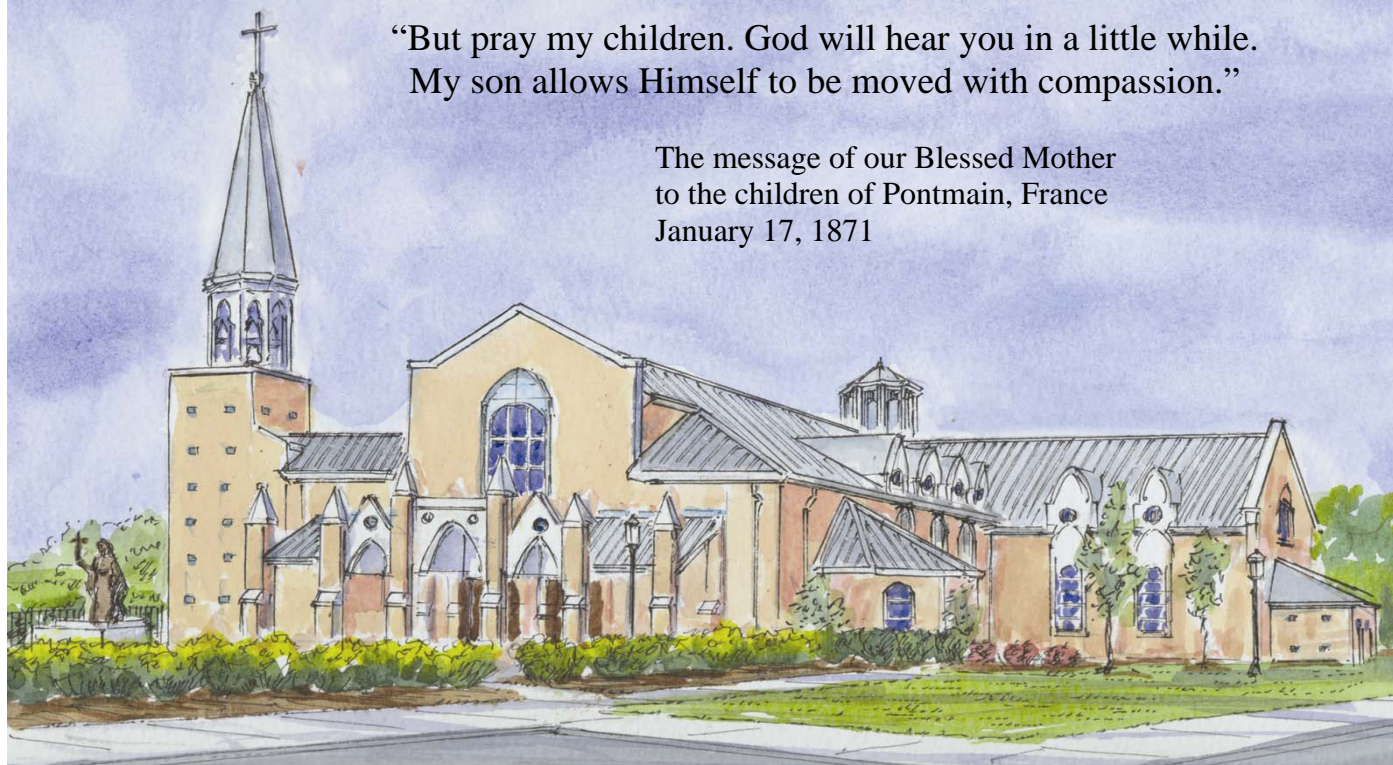


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
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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
Angela Sus, Administrative Assistant
Address: 46633 Algonkian Parkway
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MASSES OF THE WEEK

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. ☩ Donald Heishman
 12:30 p.m. The Saunders Family

Monday, April 9th

8:30 a.m. ☩ John Armbruster by Peter & Mary Linzmeyer

Tuesday, April 10th

8:30 a.m. Lisa Kelly by Anne Ezenwa

Wednesday, April 11th

8:30 a.m. ☩ Hector Bacallao by the Crew Family

Thursday, April 12th

8:30 a.m. ☩ Josaphat Avocanh by Juliet Agumon

Friday, April 13th

8:30 a.m. ☩ Hank Kaufmann by Barbara Principe

Saturday, April 14th

8:30 a.m. ☩ Silvia Cachai by Robert & Ana Isquith
 5:00 p.m. ☩ Bob & Marie Fitzgerald by Kelli Fitzgerald

Sunday, April 15th: Divine Mercy Sunday

7:30 a.m. The Licord Family by Frank Licord
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Joseph Gallagher by Patrick Gallagher
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Hector Bacallao by Paul & Trish Gilmore

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

Parish Office Hours/Mass Schedule

In observance of Easter, the parish office will be closed all day on Easter Monday, April 9th. The parish office will re-open at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10th. There will be no 6:45 a.m. Mass Easter Week. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. only, Monday through Friday.

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.



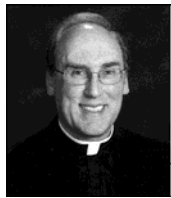
Sacrament of Baptism



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.



Ask Your Pastor

Fr. Saunders

Are those devout people who lived and died before Christ was Risen considered saints? Specifically, why don't we say St. Moses or St.

Elijah, even though we presume they are in Heaven as evidenced by their presence at the Transfiguration?

Anyone in Heaven is technically a saint. The word saint comes from the Latin *sanctus* meaning "holy." Remember too that the communion of saints is the union of the faithful in the Church here on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the souls in Heaven. Nevertheless, we use the "title" saint for those Christians who are recognized for their outstanding holiness by the Church. While we could refer to Moses as a "saint," since he is in Heaven, we generally do not do so since he lived prior to Christ.

Knights of Columbus

Easter Egg Hunt

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



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. Complete information is available at www.ourladyofhope.net or contact Peggy Kearney at 703-444-1341 or peggy_earney@msn.com for information.

Divine Mercy Sunday



There will be Divine Mercy Devotions on Sunday, April 15th from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Included will be Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a meditation, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction. Confessions will be heard. All are welcome.

Dear Parishioners,

"Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!" The darkness of Good Friday has given way to the glory of Easter. Just as the sun rises anew in the East, Easter is the dawning of a new light, The Light of Christ. Our Lord has conquered sin and death, and has opened for us the way to eternal life. Therefore, today we bask in this light and renew our baptismal promises, remembering that through baptism we have reoriented our life in a new direction. In so doing, we renew our commitment to Christ as our Lord and Savior, and promise again to serve Him as a faithful member of His Church.

Please remember in your prayers, and support those individuals who entered the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil:

*Aaron Beaulé
Ellena Bullock
Carlyn Casalvera
Donald Clayburne, II
Daniel Dunlap
Jennifer Fuller
Julie MacDonald*

*Robert Neiman
Thomas Patton, Jr.
Eric Payne
Jason Price
Paola Maria Quiroz
Richard Schmitt
Elizabeth Tobin*

May the Lord continue the good work begun in them!

As your pastor, I am very grateful for all of the hard work and dedication of so many people who made our Holy Week Liturgies so beautiful. Moreover, the faith commitment of the people and families who make Our Lady of Hope Parish bears witness to the reality of the resurrection. Truly, the Risen Lord is with us and dwells among us.

On behalf of Father Schierer and all of the Staff at Our Lady of Hope, I wish each of you a blessed and joyous Easter! Please be assured of my prayers for your intentions and a remembrance at Holy Mass.

May God bless you,

Rev. William P. Saunders

Father William P. Saunders, Pastor

Easter Flowers

Many thanks to all the parishioners who donated money for our Easter Flowers which made the Church so beautiful this year!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 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 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.

Natural Family Planning

Unite your faith and your fertility with NFP. A new class series is starting at 7 p.m. on April 23rd at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Herndon and continuing on May 21st and June 18th. The cost of the class is \$135 and pre-registration is required. Go to www.ccli.org to register for this or other sessions. For questions, please contact teaching couple, Monica and Stephen Dvoranchik at 703-851-9580 or dvoranchik@nfpvirginia.com.

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 no later than April 16th!**

YOUTH MINISTRY

703-433-6770 Ext. 142

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

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

May 7th, Mother Teresa Monday – Meet in the parking lot at 5:45 p.m. to travel to Falcons Landing

Tuesday Youth Group*(Meet in Gym)***April 10th – 7:30-9 p.m.** - Divine Mercy**April 17th – 7:30 – 9 p.m.** Prayer, Adoration & Confession**Springtime in Paris**

Friends of Our Lady of Hope School are invited to our 7th Annual Dinner Auction Gala on Saturday, April 28th from 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 Fr. Brian Bashista at b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org or 703-841-2514, or call Fr. Saunders or Fr. Schierer.

Friday Mass with the Ladies of Hope

Our next Mass and breakfast is Friday, April 13th. We will attend the 8:30 a.m. Mass and have breakfast together at a restaurant of our choice. 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.

Attention Parents!

"*Raising Children in a Sexualized Culture*" The Diocesan Office of Youth Ministry is sponsoring two presentations by PureHope, geared specifically towards parents. We encourage you to attend and learn how to protect your children from the true ugliness and expanse of pornography in our society. The presentations will take place at All Saints in Manassas on April 24 at 7:30 p.m. and at St. Raymond in Springfield on April 25 at 7:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend. Please call the Office of Youth Ministry at 703-841-2559 for more information.