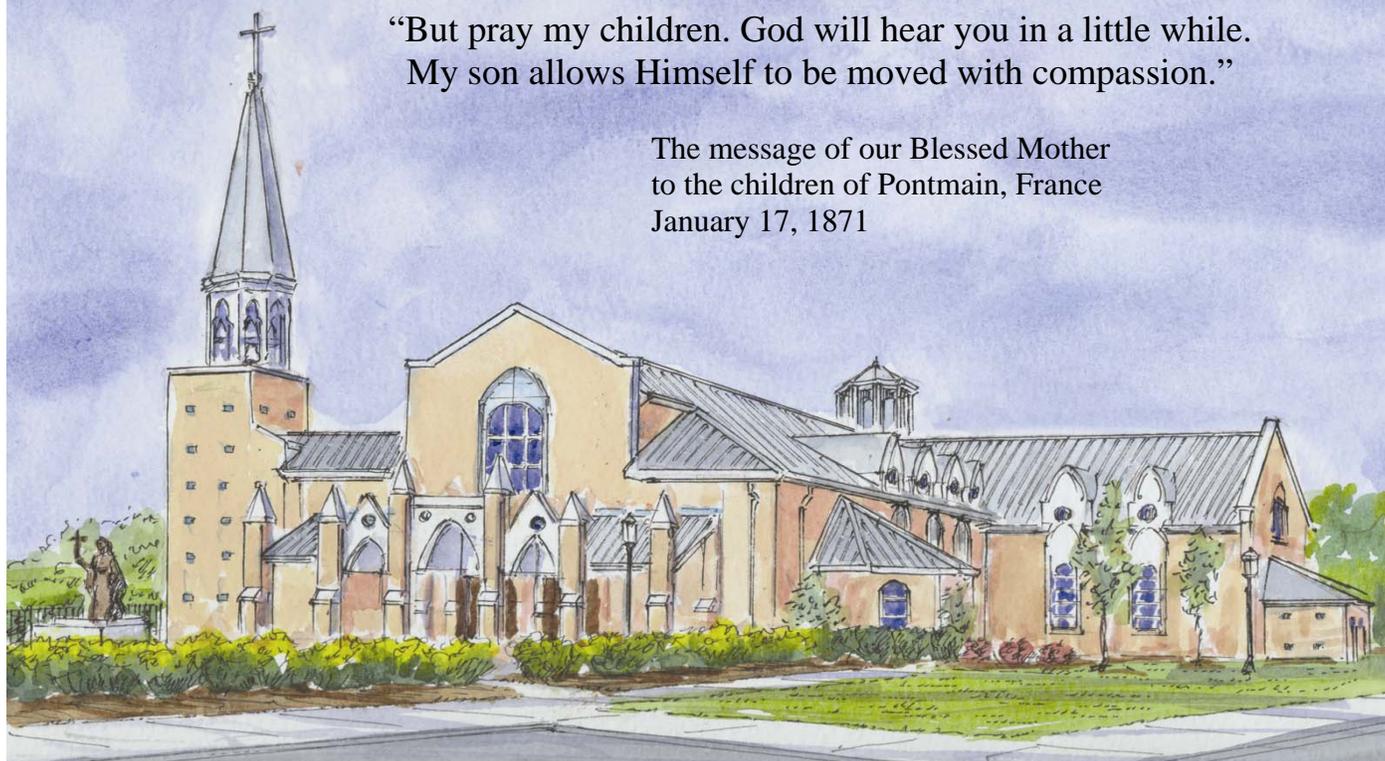


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
Pat Sabas, Business Manager
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Alfonso Pena, Facilities Supervisor
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Andrew McGinley, Choir Director
Nancy Burgess, Parish Secretary

The Church & Parish Office

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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. (Anglican Use)

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, September 23rd: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ☩ Kelsey Kramer by the Kelly Family
 9:00 a.m. ☩ Oscar Rodriguez by Jose & Ilka Diaz
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. ☩ Charles Coyle by Sherry Grasson

Monday, September 24th

6:45 a.m. Maura Doman by the Kavookjian Family
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Juanita Morales by the Daquano Family
 (Mass in Latin)

Tuesday, September 25th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Poor Souls in Purgatory by Patty Rodgers
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Vance Zook by the Kelly Family

Wednesday, September 26th

6:45 a.m. ☩ Caroline J. Ramirez by the Co-Workers of David Rizzo
 8:30 a.m. Ollie Melvin by Paul & Trish Gilmore

Thursday, September 27th: St. Vincent de Paul

6:45 a.m. ☩ Ted Flynn, Sr. by the Kavookjian Family
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Juanita Morales by the Gruber Family

Friday, September 28th: St. Wenceslaus & St. Lawrence

Ruiz and Companions

6:45 a.m. For the Poor by Nick and Dianne Monje
 8:30 a.m. ☩ Marguerite & John Armbruster by Mary & Peter Linzmeyer

Saturday, September 29th: Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

8:30 a.m. ☩ Adelaida White by Melanie White
 5:00 p.m. ☩ Clayton Durham by the Durham Family

Sunday, September 30th: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. ☩ Theresa Zawalick by Mike & Vicki Egan
 9:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of Hope Knights of Columbus Council
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. The Russell Family by John & Trudy LaGuardia

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
Book Club:	Linda Neri	430-3952
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
Outreach:	Donna Bongiovanni	346-1152
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.

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.

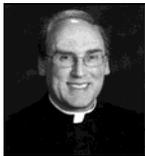


Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September

General Intention: That politicians may always act with honesty, integrity, and love for the truth. **Missionary Intention:** Help for the poorest Churches. That Christian communities may have a growing willingness to send missionaries, priests, and lay people, along with concrete resources, to the poorest Churches.

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.



Ask Your Pastor

Fr. Saunders

“What symbolism/importance did the rib have when God made woman out of Adam's rib?”

In the second story of creation, Genesis 2, we read “So the Lord God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The Lord God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man.”

First, the “deep sleep” denotes divine activity. So God is the one creating.

Secondly, however, why God used a rib remains a mystery. Some scholars suggest that the word “rib” in the ancient Sumerian language means both “rib” and “life.” Accepting this meaning of “life,” all of the phrasing-- “rib,” “bone of my bone, flesh of my flesh,” and “man and woman” denotes the creative love of God and the original unity of man and woman. While each person is made in God’s image and likeness, the complete image and likeness of God is found in marriage when man and woman become one as husband and wife.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are donated by Ken and Marian Schott in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Save the Date – Living Advent at St. Veronica’s

St. Veronica Parish in Chantilly invites you to a day of encouragement and inspiration to prepare for Advent on Saturday, November 3rd from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The keynote speaker is Evelyn Birge Vitz, author of *A Continual Feast*. There will be workshops offered on crafts, food, music, art, family prayer, and more. For information and/or to register, please go to www.livingadvent.com. You may also send an email info@livingadvent.com.



Knights of Columbus

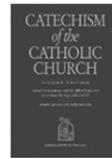
Mark Your Calendars NOW!

The seventh annual Our Lady of Hope Oktoberfest, will be held on Saturday, October 27th under the stars on the patio and in the parish hall from 7-11 p.m. Tickets go on sale soon.

Senior Trip – Hotel Hershey Overnight–Dec. 12 - 13

This package includes a stop at the outlets on the way up, then reception, dinner and show, a ride through the Christmas lights, then overnight at Hotel Hershey with their famous breakfast. We will visit Chocolate World and finish with a wine tasting nearby. \$344 –double. Contact Mary Ann at 703-404-8677.

Everything you wanted to know about the Catholic Church but were afraid to ask.



Fr. Saunders will conduct the weekly “Inquiry Class” beginning this **Thursday, September 27th, at 8:00 p.m. in the parish meeting room.** This one hour class is designed for those who want to know more

about the Catholic Faith and may be considering becoming Catholic, and for those Catholics who want a refresher course. Please call the parish office to register so that we can make adequate provisions for everyone.

Ladies of Hope

The Ladies of Hope will have their first meeting of the year on Tuesday, Sept 25th in the parish hall at 7:30 p.m. All women of the parish are invited. The theme for this year is “Growing in Virtue.” We will be designing memory pages and personalized book marks. Please bring pictures of Churches you have visited or of your family to incorporate on your page. For details please contact Marie Kennedy at dken5854@aol.com. Celebrate our Church community with faith, food and fun!

Bible Study

Every Wednesday we have a Bible Study on The Acts of the Apostles, led by Fr. Randy Sly. Please meet in the parish hall at 7:30 p.m. and bring your Bible. The study is open to all adults. ***Please note: Come as often as you can, but you are not required to attend every week.***

Blessing of the Animals

Next Sunday, September 30th, after the 12:15 Mass, we will have the blessing of the animals. Bring your furry, feathered, and scaly friends (on a leash or in a container, please) to the area in front of the Church, by the statue of Our Lady, for this traditional blessing.



Marriage Help

Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about the program beginning the weekend of Oct 5-7 or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com. or call 703-351-7211.



Friendly Reminder

Please be sure to call the parish office if your address, phone number, or email changes. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

703-433-6564

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

A special thank you to the Ladies of Hope who staffed the reception for the families of our students who were confirmed on September 21st.

Important Dates**Oct. 23rd & 24th**—Formation in Christian Chastity**Nov. 10th**—8 a.m.-4 p.m. – Diocesan Catechetical Conference**Crusader CYO Basketball**

Become part of your Catholic community's exciting basketball program, open to all boys and girls, grades 4-8 (league) and 2-3 (developmental). Your child must

attend the parish school or religious education program to participate. Please contact CYO Director, Ralph Peluso for a registration packet and volunteer information at 703-729-3385 or ralphpeluso@verizon.net.

Please Pray For...

The full 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 remove.

Please pray for Albert V. Dapolito and Harry P. Dunn.

**Flu Shot Clinic – October 21st – Save the Date**

The flu season is just around the corner and we are trying to do what we can to show our parishioners and extended community that we care about their health and well-being! We have coordinated a flu shot clinic for adults

and children (4 years and up) from 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sunday October 21st in the meeting room. The price of the flu shot is \$28 and the wellness company conducting the clinic accepts checks and cash as a method of payment. Consent forms and Vaccine Information Sheets will be available on the day of the clinic.

Morning of Reflection

Mark your calendar for a morning of reflection on Saturday, September 29th. All are invited to St. John the Apostle in Leesburg for a 9 a.m. Mass, continental breakfast, and spiritual conference, followed by a Holy Hour of Adoration. Check www.arlingtonvocations.org for more details, or call the Office of Vocations at 703-841-2514.

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 in parking lot at 5:45 p.m.)***October 1st** – Falcon's Landing**October 15th** – Sportsplex

It's not too late to join High School Youth Group! All high school teens are welcome and encouraged to participate in our parish program. Sessions are held on **Tuesdays from 7:30-9 p.m.** in the gymnasium and as otherwise announced.

Attention Young Adults!

All married and single young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join the *Fiat Young Adults* for great fellowship and fun at our monthly events. Contact Megan at FiatYoungAdults@gmail.com or 843-865-5235 for more information.

Fall Book Study – Join us in reading the book, Men, Women, and the Mystery of Love, by Dr. Sri which explores Blessed Pope John Paul II's, Love and Responsibility. The study is on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room at Our Lady of Hope. Contact fiatyoungadults@gmail.com for more details.

Presentation on the Marriage Nullity Process

Father Mark Mealey, O.S.F.S., J.C.D., V.G., Judicial Vicar, will give a presentation on the Marriage Nullity Process in the Diocese of Arlington. He will answer questions about the nullity process and the grounds (reasons) needed to begin the process. To ensure there are adequate copies of the materials to be distributed, please reserve a space by calling Joyce Wagner at 703-841-2502 and leave a message with your name and phone number. The presentation is from 7:30-9 p.m. on October 18th at St. John the Apostle Parish, 101 Oakcrest Manor Drive, NE, Leesburg, in the auditorium of the Parish Center; October 25th at St. Mark Parish, 9970 Vale Rd, Vienna, in the Monsignor Cassidy Center; and on November 6th at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 24th and South Ives Sts., Arlington, in the Parish Hall.

Anglican Use Mass at 5 p.m. on Sundays!

Fr. Randolph Sly will offer an **Anglican Use Mass** at Our Lady of Hope at 5:00 p.m. every Sunday. All Catholics are invited to attend. And yes, this Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation!