

Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church



The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2016

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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon.— Friday: 6:45 a.m.* & 8:30 a.m.
*(There is no 6:45 a.m. Mass on Federal Holidays.)

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., &
12:15 p.m.

Holy Days: As Announced

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration: Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Holy Hour: Thursdays from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Rosary: Following the 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass

CONFESSIONS:

Thursday: 7:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
and by Appointment

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.

*"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)

MASSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December 25: The Nativity of the Lord

12:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners
9:00 a.m. +Paul & Clara Dugan
11:00 a.m. The Stanislawski Family

Monday, December 26: St. Stephen, The First Martyr

8:30 a.m. +Robert Lynwood by Barbara Principe

Tuesday, December 27: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

8:30 a.m. +Joseph M. Oliveri by Peter & Carol Oliveri

Wednesday, December 28: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

8:30 a.m. +Vilma Kaufmann by Barbara Principe

Thursday, December 29:

8:30 a.m. +Mary K. Stinemeyer by Peter & Carol Oliveri

Friday, December 30: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:30 a.m. +Muriel & Larry Howe by Denise Howe

Saturday, December 31: St. Sylvester I, Pope

8:30 a.m. +Carol Gibson by Adams-Green Funeral Home
5:00 p.m. +Stuart D. White by Mana Theresia Steeg

Sunday, January 1: Mary, Mother of God

7:30 a.m. The Saunders Family
9:00 a.m. Sophie Michaels
10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
12:15 a.m. Paul & Clara Dugan

God's Servant First: The Life and Legacy of Thomas More

In a new exhibition, *God's Servant First: The Life and Legacy of Thomas More*, is now at the St. John Paul II Shrine in Washington, DC. The exhibit runs through March 31, 2017. For more information, please visit www.jp2shrine.org.

General Parish Information

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.

Baptism & Baptism Class

To begin the process of having a child baptized, please contact the parish office for information. There is paperwork (Godparent forms/Information Sheet for the Sacramental Register) as well as a baptism class for parents to complete. Baptisms are held on Sundays at 1:30 p.m.

The baptism class is held monthly on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. Our next class will be held on **January 14, 2017** in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room. Please call the office to pre-register for this class.

First Communion

For Children: Generally, First Communion is received when a child is in Second Grade. Students in the RE Program are required to be registered for both first and second grade to begin preparation for the Sacrament. Please contact the Religious Education Office with questions.

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..

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We are excited to announce that our parish has subscribed to an exciting new online platform: **formed.org** with 24/7 access to the truth, beauty, and meaning of the Catholic faith anytime, anywhere. Use your tablet, computer or smartphone to access teaching from Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Edward Sri, Bishop Robert Barron, Dr. Tim Grey and much more. Visit formed.org and enter parish code **DMWYBP** on the homepage and create a personal account.

Support Seminarians

Seminarian Education Endowment Fund (SEEF) Matching Gift Campaign

Support our seminarians through the Seminarian Education Endowment Fund (SEEF). SEEF's income provides funding for expenses such as room, board, tuition, health insurance, and books, totaling almost \$40,000 per seminarian. Please give generously and take advantage of a \$100,000 matching gift! Make checks payable to *Foundation for the CDA – SEEF*. Mail to The Foundation, 200 N. Glebe Road, Suite 811, Arlington, VA 22203. Contact Bob Mueller at r.mueller@arlingtondiocese.org or (703) 841-2545 .

Parish Group Coordinators

Altar Servers:	Jeff Grado	477-9177
Altar Society:	Alfonso & Janeth Pena	571-375-2650
American Heritage Girls:	Heather Ward	571-331-4394
Area Agency on Aging:	Rich Payne	887-9765
Birthright:	Mary Lynn Linzmeyer	431-2247
Boy Scouts:	Al Pacifico	727-7773
Cub Scouts:	Michael McIntosh	444-2316
Culture of Life:	Fran Black	726-1643
CYO Sports:	Raynelle Araque	404-3442
Girl Scouts:	Tricia Kershaw	450-0685
Gift Shop	Sherry Grasson	571-213-4620
Homeschoolers:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Jr. High Youth:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:	Paolo Verrone	240-994-8082
Ladies of Hope:	Marie Kennedy	433-0864
Lectors:	Paul Gilmore	444-2293
Legion of Mary:	Deborah Baird	430-8554
Mom's Group	Christina Bongiovanni	917-301-3287
Parish Service Partnership:	Tess Torres	571-278-5736
Seniors:		
Ushers:	John Grzechowiak	444-0023
Young Adults:	Josh Bickl	618-830-2399

A Huge Thank You

The OLOH Mom's Group would like to offer a huge thank you for the incredible generosity to their Fall Toy and Book Drive. A total of 323 books will be donated to Catholic Charities in Leesburg for the children of the families who are assisted daily. (Please see note below.) Additionally, the toys donated for use by the various parish groups netted so many toys that the extra toys filled an entire bin to be given to Toys for Tots. May you be blessed for your kindness!

From Catholic Charities

“A very heartfelt thank you to Our Lady of Hope Parish for your recent book donation to our Catholic Charities Leesburg food pantry. Our pantry families are so happy to be able to take books home with them to share with their children and grand-children. It truly is a blessing to have such a generous Parish that supports our Catholic Charities food pantry in Loudoun County. “

Kenna Cuomo
Catholic Charities Pantry Administrator

Religious Education 703-433-6564

The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.

Please note the following dates:

Dec. 27/28: Christmas Holiday

Jan. 13: Confirmation Paperwork Due

Jan. 22: First Communion Parents Meeting, Penance workbook due

Youth Ministry

703-433-6770 Youth@ourladyofhope.net

Upcoming High School Youth Group Events

Each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., the youth group meets in the school gym for a half-hour of fun and fellowship followed by a topical presentation and discussion. Then, from 9-10 p.m., open gym is available for anyone wishing to stay.

Mother Teresa Mondays:



Meet at the school at 5:45 p.m. 8th Graders are welcome to join the High School Youth Group for these events.

Thank you!

Many Thanks to the Bake & Book Sale Elves

The sale at the Christmas Market was a hit. The Ladies of Hope extend their appreciation to all of the bakers, treat makers and those helping hands during the Christmas Market. All of the special goodies and treats were festively wrapped, and there was quite a selection of gently used religious reading materials. We were able to use a portion of our proceeds to help St. Jean Vianney Parish School in Baton Rouge, Louisiana rebuild their school library which was lost due to the epic August 2016 flood. We thank everyone for their generosity. The ladies group is very grateful to all who helped make the Bake and Book Sale such a big success.

Faith Direct

Please consider enrolling in Faith Direct today. Participation in the Faith Direct Program for automatic electronic giving expresses the willingness of the faithful to be a regular part of the mission and ministry of Our Lady of Hope. You may visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll and our parish code is VA79. You can also pick up an enrollment form in the parish office.

From the Parish Office



December 26th-30th & January 2

Daily Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. only

December 31st: Mary, Mother of God

Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.

January 1st: Mary, Mother of God

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

12:15 p.m.

The Parish Office will be closed December 26 & January 2.

Sunday TV Mass for the Homebound

The Diocese of Arlington, in partnership with the Archdiocese of Washington, produces a weekly Sunday TV Mass filmed in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Viewers can watch the TV Mass every Sunday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on the DCW50 network. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshiping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. For more information, visit: www.arlingtondiocese.org/tv-mass.

Now Playing—Our Lady of Hope TV

Watch a live video stream of the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass. A link is available on the home page of the church website. Streaming is also available for weddings and other special church events. Contact the church office for details.

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, December 25:
 12:00 a.m. Holy Mass
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Monday, December 26:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 3:30 p.m. American Heritage Girls—STM Room
 5:45 p.m. Mother Teresa Monday—School Gym
 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – SEAS Room
 7:30 p.m. Young Adults – St. Thomas More Room

Tuesday, December 27:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal- 9:00 a.m. Sunday Choir –Music Office
 7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry – School Gym

Wednesday, December 28:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 3:00 p.m. Children’s Choir –Loft
 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal- 10:30 a.m. Sunday Choir –STM Room
 7:30 p.m. Bible Study—Parish Hall

Thursday, December 29:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

Friday, December 30:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

Saturday, December 31:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass and Confessions
 5:00 p.m. New Year’s Eve Vigil Mass

**Calix:
 Prayer, Support, and Encouragement for Alcoholics
 and those affected by Alcoholism & Addiction**

The Calix Society, a 69-year old, national association of Catholic alcoholics, addicts, family and friends who have been affected by alcoholism and addiction. We maintain our physical and emotional sobriety through participation in the Fellowships of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon. Calix’s stated purpose is to promote the Spiritual Development and Sanctification of our membership. We strive to promote Unity and Healing between and for all groups affected by alcoholism and addiction. This diocesan-recognized, lay-led organization receives spiritual direction/guidance from our bishop-appointed chaplain. Current meetings at Loudoun Club 12, at 10 a.m. every Saturday in Leesburg, has been helping people grow in Faith and Recovery for 2 ½ years. If you would like to join us, or for more information to help organize your own Calix group, please contact Calix_NoVA@yahoo.com.

Next Week at a Glance

Sunday, January 1:
 7:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass
 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 12:15 a.m. Holy Mass

Monday, January 2:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 5:30 p.m. CYO Basketball –School Gym
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts #57

Tuesday, January 3:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 5:30 p.m. CYO Basketball –School Gym
 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal- 9:00 a.m. Sunday Choir –Music Office
 7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry – School Gym

Wednesday, January 4:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 3:00 p.m. Children’s Choir –Loft
 5:30 p.m. CYO Basketball—School Gym
 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal- 10:30 a.m. Sunday Choir –STM Room
 7:30 p.m. Bible Study—Parish Hall

Thursday, January 5:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 7:30 p.m. Inquiry Class –St. Thomas More Room
 5:30 p.m. CYO Basketball –School Gym

Friday, January 6:
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass
 5:30 p.m. CYO Basketball—School Gym

Saturday, January 7:
 7:00 a.m. Knights of Columbus Men’s Conference
 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass and Confessions

Our Lady of Hope Young Adults (FIAT)

All young adults are invited to join Fiat for a Wine & Cheese Bible Study on Mondays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the St. Thomas More meeting room, ending the night with chanted Compline in the church. All young adults 18 and older are invited, but must be at least 21 to have wine. All you need to bring is your Bible. For more information, contact Fiat Young Adults at youngadults@ourladyofhope.net.

Weather Alert!

When Loudoun County Schools close because of inclement weather, the 6:45 a.m. Mass will be cancelled. Please know that the scheduled intentions will be offered privately.



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Christmas 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is a great privilege for me to greet you on this first Christmas as your bishop. I am so very grateful for the gracious welcome you have extended to me and for the assurance of your continued prayers.

At Christmas, we sing “Joy to the World.” However, this is more than a seasonal carol. It is the hope and prayer that we hold deep within our hearts. Genuine and lasting joy is found only in an intimate relationship with Jesus, the Son of God, the Son of Mary, the Savior of the World.

As we celebrate the great feast of Christmas, may we be renewed in our commitments to stay close to the Lord by faithfully attending Mass, by frequently celebrating God’s mercy in the Sacrament of Penance, by praying daily and by imitating the Lord’s humble and sacrificial service especially in our compassionate care of those in most need. When we live in such a way, we will know genuine joy and will be instruments in bringing that precious gift to all the world.

It is my hope and prayer that through the intercession of Mary and Joseph, our Lord Jesus will abundantly bless you with His peace and joy throughout the Christmas season and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington