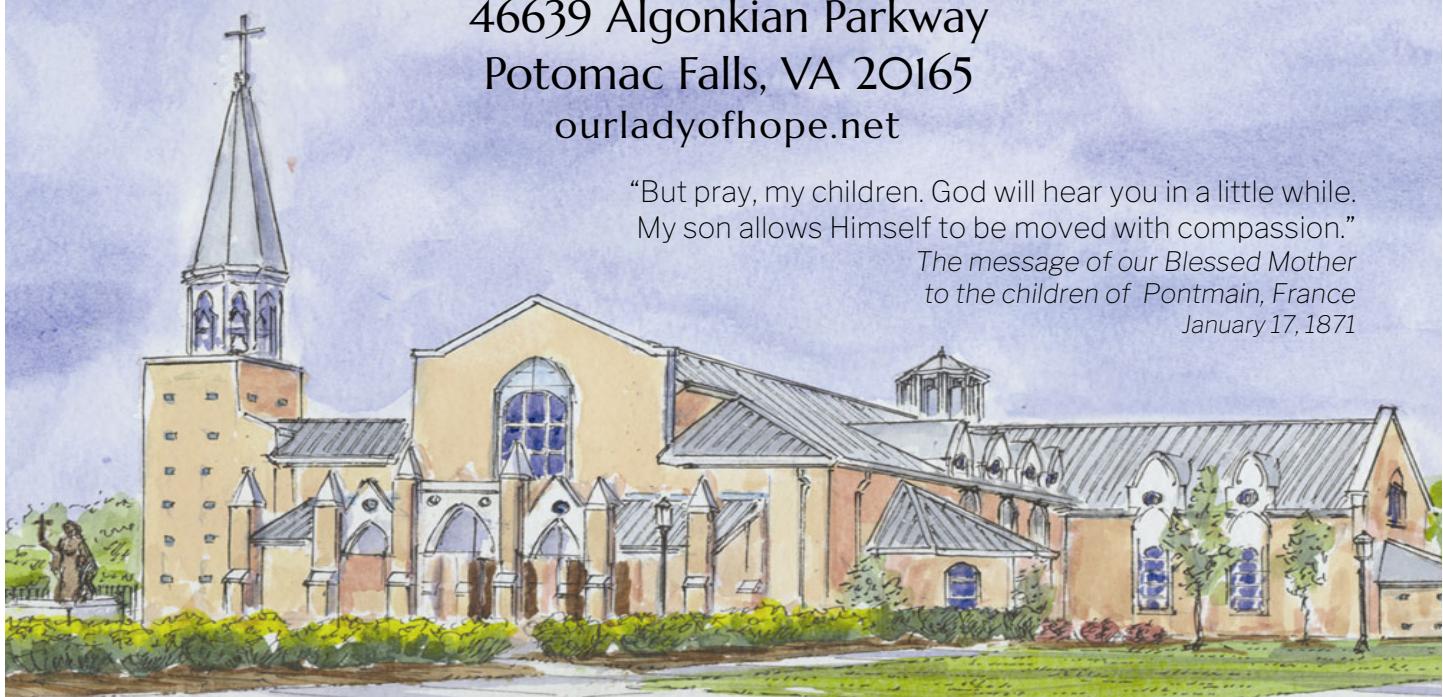


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"But pray, my children. God will hear you in a little while.
My son allows Himself to be moved with compassion."

*The message of our Blessed Mother
to the children of Pontmain, France
January 17, 1871*



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December 27, 2020

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Sunday Masses	
Saturday	5:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday	7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. 12:15 p.m.
Daily Masses	
Monday-Saturday	8:30 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance	
Thursdays	7:00 p.m. until line ends
Saturdays	9:00 a.m. until line ends
By appointment: Call the office to schedule.	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursdays	
Rosary	
Preceding the 8:30 a.m. daily Mass	
Parish Registration	
We invite you to register as part of our parish community.	
Forms are available in the parish office or in the narthex.	
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Text-to-Give: Text the amount you would like to give to 703-343-9211.	
Live stream Schedule:	ourladyofhope.net/stream
Sunday: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Monday-Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

MASSES OF THE WEEK

Sunday, December 27:

- 7:30 a.m. Mass for the People of Our Lady of Hope
9:00 a.m. Reverend Sunny Josephs by Jeanne Hayward
10:30 a.m. Reverend William P. Saunders by Peter and Andrea Bendo
12:15 p.m. +Mary K. Stinemeyer by Peter and Carol Oliveri

Monday, December 28: *The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

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

Tuesday, December 29: *St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr*

- 8:30 a.m. Luke and Lauren Schierer by the Schierer Family

Wednesday, December 30:

- 8:30 a.m. Reverend William Schierer by the Schierer Family

Thursday, December 31: *St. Sylvester, Pope*

- 8:30 a.m. Russ and Jeanne Hayward

- 5:00 p.m. Intentions of the Celebrant

Friday, January 1: *Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

- 9:00 a.m. Intentions of the Celebrant

- 11:00 a.m. Mass for the People of Our Lady of Hope

Saturday, January 2: *Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church*

- 8:30 a.m. +Sr. Margaret Mary Singer by the Cordary Family

- 5:00 p.m. Jerome & Jennie Dobrzelewski by William & Marcia Keating

To schedule a Mass for 2021, please visit the parish office.

The 2022 Mass book will open in April 2021.

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What does it mean to be an active Catholic? Those seeking to celebrate Marriage, have children baptized, or have a letter signed to serve as sponsors for Confirmation or Baptism should be parishioners and active, practicing Catholics. *To be considered active, one must have been registered in the parish for at least three 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, our most effective means of verifying active participation is through the use of parish offertory envelopes or electronic giving, such as Faith Direct. If you choose not to participate in the support of the parish, or are unable to contribute at this time, please 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.

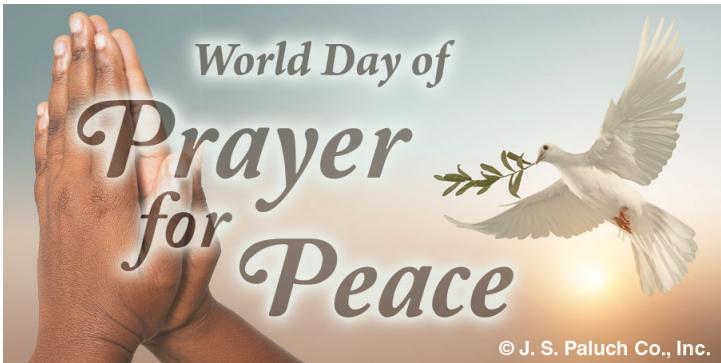
PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Baptism Class: Baptisms are held on Sundays at 1:30 p.m. The baptism class for parents is held one Saturday a month at 11:00 a.m. Please call the Parish Secretary to pre-register for the next available class.

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 three months is required before preparation may begin. Couples who are living together will be asked to live separately during the preparation time as living together before marriage is sinful and harmful to the future marriage.

First Communion: For Children: Generally, First Communion is received when a child is in second grade. Preparation for First Communion is a two year process, and students must complete both first and second grade classes before receiving Holy Communion. Please contact the Religious Education Office with questions.

Sacramental Preparation for Adults (RCIA): Adults who wish to receive Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation are invited to attend the Inquiry Class on Thursday evenings. Please contact the Parish Secretary or visit the website to register.



Prayer for Peace of Pope Francis (2016)

Lord Jesus, we adore your cross which frees us from sin, the origin of every division and evil; we proclaim your resurrection, which ransoms man from the slavery of failure and death; we await your coming in glory, which will bring to fulfillment your kingdom of justice, joy and peace.

Lord Jesus, by your glorious passion, conquer the hardness of our hearts, imprisoned by hatred and selfishness; by the power of your resurrection, save the victims of injustice and maltreatment from their suffering; by the fidelity of your coming, confound the culture of death and make the triumph of life shine forth.

Lord Jesus, unite to your cross the sufferings of the many innocent victims: the children, the elderly, and the persecuted Christians; envelop in paschal light those who are deeply wounded: abused persons, deprived of freedom and dignity; let those who live in uncertainty experience the enduring constancy of your kingdom: the exiles, refugees, and those who have lost the joy of living.

Lord Jesus, cast forth the shadow of your cross over peoples at war; may they learn the way of reconciliation, dialogue and forgiveness; let the peoples so wearied by bombing experience the joy of your resurrection: raise up Iraq and Syria from devastation; reunite your dispersed children under your gentle kingship: sustain Christians in the Diaspora and grant them the unity of faith and love.

O Virgin Mary, Queen of peace, you who stood at the foot of the cross, obtain from your Son pardon for our sins; you who never doubted the victory of his resurrection, sustain our faith and our hope; you who are enthroned as Queen in glory,



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

December 31
5:00 p.m.

January 1
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

All Masses will be live streamed at
ourladyofhope.net/stream.

Please be sure to subscribe to our parish newsletter! Should restrictions change, this is our fastest, most reliable means of keeping you up-to-date. Not on the list? Sign up at tinyurl.com/OLOH-email.

[†]Bishop Burbidge has retained the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation for all the faithful of the Diocese during this time, which includes the Solemnities of the Immaculate Conception, Christmas, and Mary, Mother of God. If you or those for whom you care are

"vulnerable" to infection or the serious effects of coronavirus, please join us via live stream.

Those who are "vulnerable" are:

- over the age of 65,
- have existing heart or lung conditions,
- have diabetes, and/or
- are otherwise immunocompromised.

If you feel sick in any way, are coughing, or are sneezing frequently, please avoid public gatherings, including liturgical celebrations.

HYMNS

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READ AND REFLECT

ENTRANCE: ANGELS, FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879 | James Montgomery, 1771-1854, alt.

Angels, from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds in the fields abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing;
Yonder shines the Infant Light:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

Sages, leave your contemplations;
Brighter visions beam afar:
Seek the great Desire of nations;
Ye have seen his natal star:
Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.

OFFERTORY: O BLESSED SAINT JOSEPH

Catholisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-Buch, Paderborn, 1765
Frederick W. Faber, 1814-1863, alt.

O blessed Saint Joseph, how great was your worth,
The one chosen shadow of God upon earth,
The father of Jesus! I wish you would be,
Dear spouse of our Lady, a father to me!

For you to the pilgrim are father and guide
And Jesus and Mary felt safe by your side;
Ah, blessed Saint Joseph, how safe I should be,
Dear spouse of our Lady, if you were with me!

COMMUNION: SING OF MARY

Joshua Leavitt's Christian Lyre, New York, 1831
Roland F. Palmer, 1891-1985, alt. Text (c) Estate of Roland F. Palmer

Sing of Mary, pure and lowly,
Virgin Mother undefiled.
Sing of God's own Son most holy,
Who became her little child.
Fairest Child of fairest Mother,
God the Lord who came to earth,
Word made flesh, our very brother,
Takes our nature by his birth.

Sing of Jesus, son of Mary,
In the home at Nazareth.
Toil and labor cannot weary
Love enduring unto death.
Constant was the love he gave her,
Though he went forth from her side,
Forth to preach and heal and suffer,
Till on Calvary he died.

Joyful Mother, full of gladness,
In your arms your Lord was borne.
Mournful Mother, full of sadness,
All your heart with pain was torn.
Glorious Mother, now rewarded
With a crown at Jesus' hand,
Age to age your name recorded
Shall be blest in ev'ry land.

Glory be to God the Father;
Glory be to God the Son;
Glory be to God the Spirit;
Glory to all Three-in-One.
From the heart of blessed Mary,
From all saints the song ascends,
And the Church the strain re-echoes
Unto earth's remotest end.

RECESSINAL: GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE

German carol, 14th cent. | Geitsliche Lieder, Wittenberg, 1533 | Tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866, alt.

Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today!
Ox and ass before him bow,
And he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!

Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has oped the heav'nly door,
And man is blessed forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!

On this feast of the Holy Family, we want to offer all families blessings. "Family" may have a lot of different connotations these days. In the United States, the "father, mother, child" family is less common now, and large Catholic families are not as common as they once were. The concept of family is more fluid with many forms of blended families due to second marriages, multigenerational households, and other living arrangements. In a recent survey by the Pew research center, four in ten babies are born to single mothers. Other children are being raised by grandparents or foster parents.

POWER IN PRESCRIBED RITUALS

Joseph and Mary presented Jesus in the temple at eight days old, as was prescribed by Mosaic law. For many Catholic families, baptismal gowns were handed down through generations, and a baptism was a time of great celebration. Sadly, in our culture, baptisms continue to decline. There are many reasons for this: fewer practicing Catholics, more interfaith marriages, more secular weddings, fewer weddings by clergy, and problems or misunderstandings that turn people away. Many have left the church altogether because of the way they were treated. For some the parish is not a welcoming place. For others baptism has become just a ritual they go through for the sake of the grandparents.

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Good Christian men, rejoice
With heart and soul and voice;
Now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
To gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!

SIRACH 2:3-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins —a house raised in justice to you.

LUKE 1:26-38

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord, / and to offer the sacrifice of / a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.”

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,

“Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”

There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R./ Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

COLOSSIANS 3:12-21

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

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EXAMPLES IN OUR ELDERS

When someone does present a child for baptism, it can become too easy for others to pass judgment because the parents don't know the rubrics well, or aren't dressed better, or "why is that single mother having her baby baptized during Mass?" Notice that the Gospel says nothing about the priests of the temple and how they received Jesus. Rather it talks about Simeon and Anna. They are worth a study in themselves. Simeon is a devout man who is there waiting for a particular sign, and it is fulfilled when he sees the Christ Child. Anna is just in the temple praying, as is her custom. After the presentation of Jesus, she does what she does best—she goes back to praying in the temple. Perhaps these readings teach us how we as a faith community can see the sacredness in those families presenting their children for baptism, and welcome them as did Anna and Simeon. May we all learn from their wisdom!

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for all those who serve our community and country, and all the sick & homebound members of our parish. Please also pray for vocations and for all the priests in our diocese, especially our parish seminarians: Aaron de Sa, James Joseph, and John Meyerhofer.



For those in need of prayer: Anna Carillo, Rocina Daez, Mercy Delaney, Alan Demascus, Kristin Grasso, Odette Hand, Adrian Jeffery, Brenda Kubicki, Jane Marinich, Lillian Mehan, Maria de Nazare, Bruce Nelson, JoAnn Nelson, Leigh Perkins, Bill & Susan Pruzensky, Kathy Schmitt, Marcus Jose de Souza Lima, Kenny and Joy Stevens, and for those whose suffering is known only to God.

For those who have died: Paul Behrends, Mary Daly, Kathy McGuth, Derek Smeds, Joanne Sullivan, Charito Umali, and for all the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

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Pregnant and need help?

Help is available through the Gabriel Project at 703-841-3810 or visit at helpforpregnantwomen.org

Want to help? Email info@h4pw.org

Healing after the choice?

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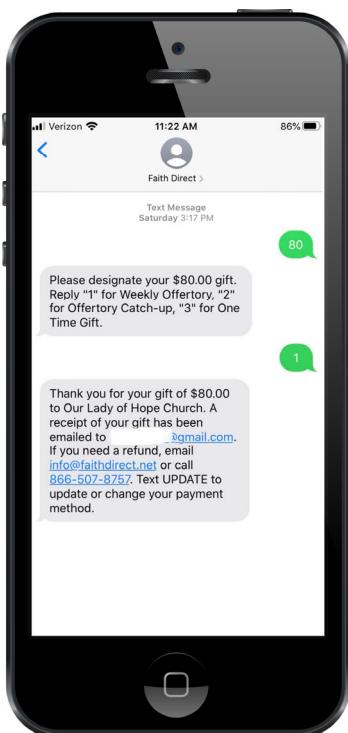
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COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL

From the Northern Virginia Agency Network & the Area Agency on Aging:

A COVID-19 online risk assessment checklist has been developed by BellAge using data from the CDC and WHO. BellAge's team of experts in public health, behavior change, education, and emerging technologies created the system to help you make the best decisions about your health, and the health of your family, during the pandemic. There are a number of national health and social service organizations that are collaborating with BellAge to reach millions of people and alert them to the CV19 CheckUp tool.

The CV19CheckUp tool is available online to evaluate a user's level of risk to the virus and offers recommendations and resources to reduce that risk. There is no cost to use this checklist. No personal identifiable information is collected.

It takes 5-10 minutes to complete the checklist, which can help you understand risk levels so you can make safe choices whenever possible. The checklist is available at CV19CheckUp.org.

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