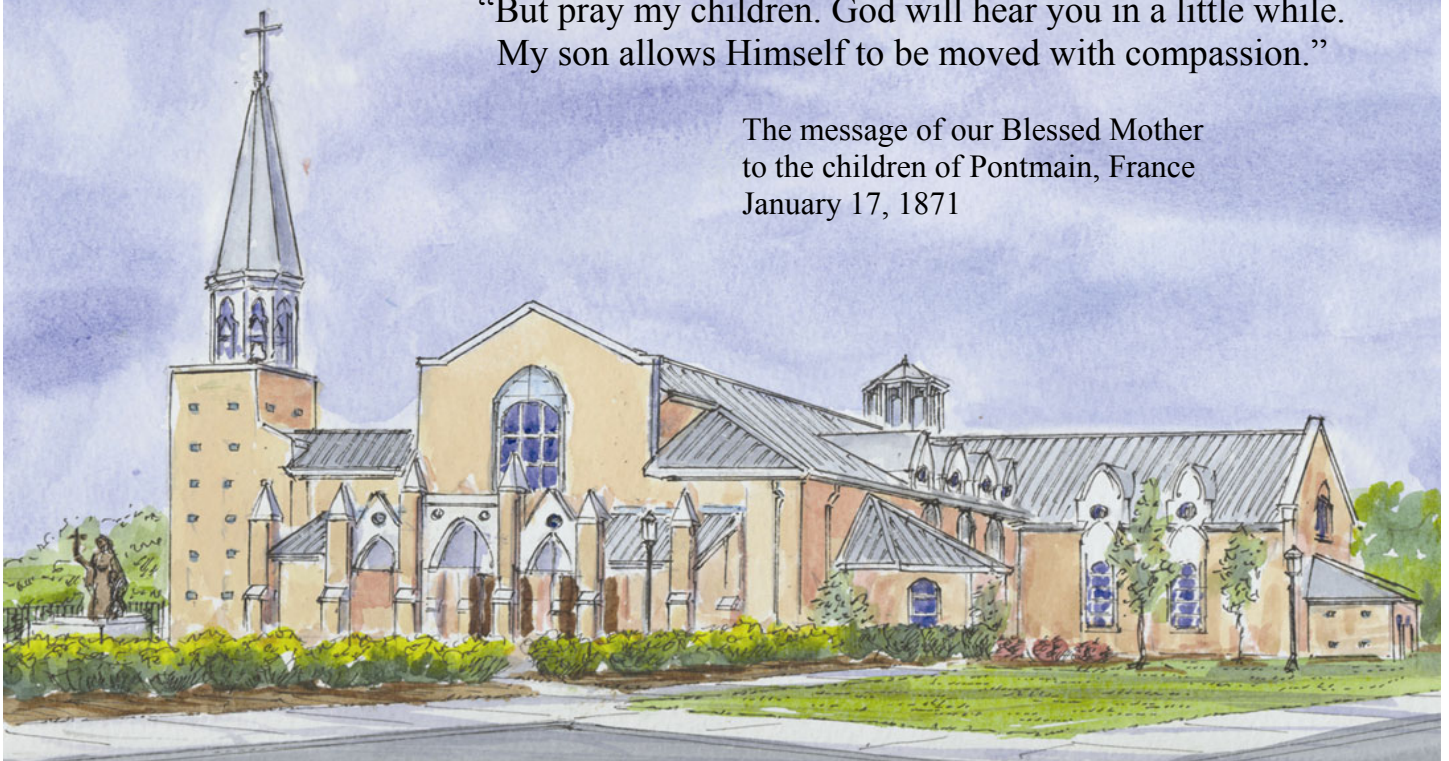


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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. Joseph W. Farrell, Parochial Vicar

Cathy Barshop, Director of Religious Education
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Kristin Grasson, Parish Secretary

The Church & Parish Office

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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 8:30 p.m.

Holy Hour

Thursday evening from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Hope Catholic School A National Blue Ribbon School

Mary Beth Pittman, School Principal
Angela Matzke, Administrative Assistant
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MASSES OF THE WEEK**Sunday, March 20: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

7:30 a.m. +Joseph Zajac by Paul & Trish Gilmore
 9:00 a.m. +Luciano Palermo by the Bonnette Family
 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
 12:15 p.m. +Walter Golec by the Nelson Family

Monday, March 21

6:45 a.m. +Dan Cella by Paul & Trish Gilmore
 8:30 a.m. +Bill Jackson by Tom & Fran Duncan

Tuesday, March 22

6:45 a.m. +Dan Cella
 8:30 a.m. +Joseph Halisky by Bethany Sargis

Wednesday, March 23

6:45 a.m. Special Intention
 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth Pittman by Angela Matzke

Thursday, March 24: Holy Thursday

8:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Friday, March 25: Good Friday

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, March 26: Holy Saturday

8:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, March 27: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 a.m. The Farrell Family
 9:00 a.m. Paul & Clara Dugan
 10:30 a.m. The Girth Family
 12:30 p.m. The Saunders Family

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.

2016 Bishop's Lenten Appeal

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, let's join together to do the Lord's work – works that touch the lives and souls of thousands of people in our diocese. Thank you!

Please Pray For...

The list of the sick and homebound of our parish can be found at www.ourladyofhope.net, our parish website. Please use the "Parish Life" link to get to the list. To add a name, please use the online form or call the parish office.

Please pray for:

Doug Widmar, Synclaire Shoemaker, Debbie Antonello, Jack & Kris Kruse, William Hassan & Liz Fernandez

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.

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.

Encore Presentation of the Busy Couple's 7-Day Online Retreat with Bishop Loverde

If you are looking for a way to draw closer to the Lord and to your spouse during the Lenten season, consider participating in the 7-day online retreat with Bishop Loverde. You can begin any time by visiting www.arlingtondiocese.org/CouplesRetreat.

Call to Vocations

"God is making His appeal through us."

Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life, contact Father J.D. Jaffe at 703-841-2514 or j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org or call Father Saunders or Father Farrell.

**Church in Latin America and Church in Central and Eastern Europe**

The collection for the Church in Latin America was \$2,152.15 and \$5,084.10 for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. *Thank you for your generosity.*

Good Friday Collection – A Pontifical Collection

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land. Once a year, on Good Friday, we are called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. *Please be generous in your support!*

Birthright

Birthright of Loudoun County would like to say “thank you” for your support of our Leesburg office through the recent Baby Bottle Drive. Thank you for hosting this event at your parish. We were so overwhelmed by the \$4,000 collected in the baby bottles. These monies will all go directly to helping those most vulnerable (both moms and their babies) within the Loudoun County community. Please know that we are so grateful for this support.

Year of Mercy, What Can You Do?

“How often should I forgive?” Matthew 25:26

When we are secure in God’s unconditional love for us, when we are secure in our status as beloved, it is easier to let go of hurt or wrongs. We still feel the pain of hurt, and the bruise left by the wrong committed against us will take time to fade, yet knowing who we are frees us from the chains of seeking retribution and enlarges our own heart to allow love, compassion, forgiveness, and mercy to take up residence.

Prolife Rosary with Bishop Paul Loverde—March 26

Join Bishop Paul Loverde for a prolife rosary on Saturday, March 26 at 9 a.m. at Falls Church Healthcare Center, 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church. (As there is no daily Mass on Holy Saturday, we will only recite the rosary that day.)

The Diocesan Science Fair Judges Needed

Individuals with a science background are needed to help judge seventh and eighth grade students' research projects for the 2016 Diocesan Science Fair. These projects encompass such categories as botany, health, chemistry, zoology, behavioral science, engineering, physics, math and other areas of life and physical science. If your calendar allows you to spend the morning (8:00 a.m. - noon) on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Paul VI High School to judge projects, please call Deidre Ryan at the Office of Catholic Schools (703) 841-2519.

**Wednesday, March 23**

Confessions from 6:30-8 p.m.

Holy Thursday, March 24

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 followed by Adoration until midnight.** *There will be no Adoration during the day on Holy Thursday.*

Good Friday, March 25

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, March 26

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, March 27**

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**703-433-6564***The Religious Education Office is closed on Fridays.***Vacation Bible School**

We are considering offering a VBS Summer 2016 option but we need volunteers (adults and teens) to help with all aspects of VBS. If you are interested, please contact the RE Office.

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.

Upcoming Meetings:

March 22: Stations of the Cross

March 29: Great Adventure Bible Study

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

March 21 - School Gym with disabled adults

Upcoming Junior High Events:7th & 8th Graders

March 20: 6:15—8:00 p.m. in the Gym.

For more information:

<http://ourladyofhope.net/junior-youth-ministry>
jrhig@ourladyofhope.net

PARISH GROUP COORDINATORS

Altar Servers:	Jeff Grado	477-9177
Altar Society:	Alfonso & Janeth Pena	406-9835
American Heritage Girls:	Heather Ward	571-331-4394
Area Agency on Aging:	Rich Payne	887-9765
Birthright:	Marsha Slick	433-0034
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
Homeschoolers:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Jr. High Youth:	Stacy Byrne	948-7845
Knights of Columbus:	Bob Carmack	240-505-4600
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:	Mary Ann Murphy	404-8677
Ushers:	John Grzechowiak	444-0023
Young Adults:	Josh Bickl	618-830-2399

Christians are Networking

Christians are Networking (CAN), a ministry of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington, pairs persons who are unemployed, under-employed, or in search of a new career with volunteer HR professionals who will teach them essential networking, resume writing, and job interview skills. CAN is a tremendous resource, not only for persons seeking new jobs, but for returning military veterans and recent college graduates who are relative newcomers to the employment market. For meeting times and other important details, please visit our website: www.ccda.net/programs_jobs.php

Senior Trips

April 13th – Live Casino in Baltimore with \$25 Bonus
 The cost is \$56.00 (includes motor coach & half price buffet).

April 24th-25th – Atlantic City (overnight) staying at the Tropicana with Buffet dinner & breakfast, 2nd day resorts with \$15.00 bonus. The cost is \$155 for double or \$195 for single (motor coach included).

May 11th – “Samson” at Sight & Sound Millennium theatre in Lancaster, Smorgasbord at Millers (wait-list).

July 14th – “Phantom of the Opera” at the Kennedy Center, orchestra seats. The cost is \$112.00 (includes motor coach).

Car Raffle

The PTO is sponsoring a car raffle for a 2016 VW Jetta Sport. The winner will get to pick the color! Proceeds will support the school and this summer's work camp. Tickets may be purchased in the narthex after all Masses for \$20 each. The winner will be announced at the school auction on April 9th. If the winner is present at the auction, they will also win a \$1,000 gift card for gas.



This Week at a Glance**Sunday, March 20: Palm Sunday**

6:00/8:00 Jr. High Youth Group in Gym

Monday, March 21:

6:45/8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls - Parish Hall & Seton Rm

6:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in Church

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Young Adults – St. Thomas More Room

Tuesday, March 22:

6:45 a.m. Holy Mass

10-12:00 Blue Ribbon Mass with Bishop Loverde

3:00 p.m. Children's Choir - St. Thomas More Room

3:15 p.m. Jr. Legion of Mary – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:00 p.m. Ladies of Hope - Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Endow – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:30 p.m. High School Youth Ministry – School Gym

Wednesday, March 23:

6:45/8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Endow – Parish Hall & Seton Room

6:30 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal - Parish Meeting Room

7:30 p.m. Bible Study – Parish Hall

Thursday, March 24: Holy Thursday

8:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, March 25: Good Friday

3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion

7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

8:00 p.m. Confessions

Saturday, March 26: Holy Saturday

10:00 a.m. Blessing of Easter Food (Church)

8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil

Next Week at a Glance**Sunday, March 27: Easter Sunday**

No activities scheduled—Happy Easter!

Monday, March 28:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:45 p.m. American Heritage Girls - Parish Hall & Seton Rm

7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts – Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Young Adults – St. Thomas More Room

Tuesday, March 29:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

4:15/6:00 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (9:00 a.m. Choir) – Music Room

7:00 p.m. Ladies of Hope - Parish Hall

7:30 p.m. Endow – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Room

7:30 p.m. High School Youth Ministry – School Gym

Wednesday, March 30:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Endow – Parish Hall & Seton Room

4:15 p.m. Religious Education – School Classrooms

6:30 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (10:30 a.m. Choir) –
St. Thomas More Room

7:30 p.m. Bible Study – Parish Hall

Thursday, March 31:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration

7:30 p.m. Holy Hour, Confessions, Benediction

Friday, April 1:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

Saturday, April 2:

7:00 a.m. Men's Conference

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass/Confessions

6-11 p.m. Knights Cajun Night in Parish Hall

Are You in Need of Catholic News?

Included in your set of February envelopes is one for The Arlington Catholic HERALD, our diocesan newspaper. All parishioners may make a contribution using their envelope to receive (or renew) the HERALD. This collection also helps defray the assessment to the parish by the Diocese for the HERALD. Please make checks payable to "OUR LADY OF HOPE" and the subscriptions will be forwarded to the Diocese.

Easter Flowers

A special thank you to all who contributed to our Easter Flower Collection.

**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, our parish code is VA79. You can also pick up an enrollment form in the parish office.

Parish Office Schedule

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, March 25 and Monday, March 28.



Friends and Family Sponsorships

February, 2016

Dear Friends and Family of Our Lady of Hope Catholic School:

Please save the date, Saturday April 9, 2016, for our 11th Annual Dinner Auction Gala to be held at Lansdowne Resort in Leesburg, Virginia. We are excited to celebrate another elegant evening! This year, our theme is, "Celebrating Our Heritage", honoring Saint John Baptist de la Salle, the Patron Saint of Teachers.

Please consider sponsoring some key elements of the evening. We truly appreciate your contribution and commitment so early on to support our efforts! We are now accepting sponsorship donations. Family & Friends Sponsorships will be recognized at the event and in the Dinner Auction program. If you would like to be a corporate sponsor for this event, or if you have additional questions, please contact the Auction Committee by sending an e-mail to auction@ourladyofhope.net.

Thank you for your prayers and support of our school's biggest fundraiser! With proceeds from this event, we are able to help financially support the needs of the school. In addition, to share in our many blessings, a portion of the proceeds this year will be donated to help the Diocesan Seminarian Fund, which will ensure our parish always has a priest!

God Bless!

The 2016 OLOH School Auction Committee

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Saint
\$5,000 Donation
Includes a table of 10
____ Event Sponsor
____ Apply as Needed

Guardian
\$2,000 Donation
Includes 4 Event tickets for the Auction
____ Food and Wine Sponsor
____ Apply as Needed

Protector
\$1,000 Donation
Includes 2 tickets to the Auction
____ Entertainment Sponsor
____ Apply as Needed

Friend
\$500 Donation
____ Centerpieces / Flowers
____ Apply as Needed

Patron
\$200 Donation
____ Desert Sponsor
____ Apply as Needed

Teacher
\$150 Donation
Covers the cost of 2 tickets to the Auction
____ Apply as Needed

Sponsor's Name (as it should appear at the event and in the program) _____

Please indicate level of sponsorship above. Make checks payable to "Our Lady of Hope School PTO", or provide credit card information below. Please return completed form and payment to the school office at OLOH Catholic School, 46633 Algonkian Parkway, Potomac Falls, VA 20165.

Credit Card: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ AMEX ☐ Discover Name as it appears on card: _____

Total amount to be charged: \$ _____ Credit Card Number: _____ Exp Date _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____

Check No: _____