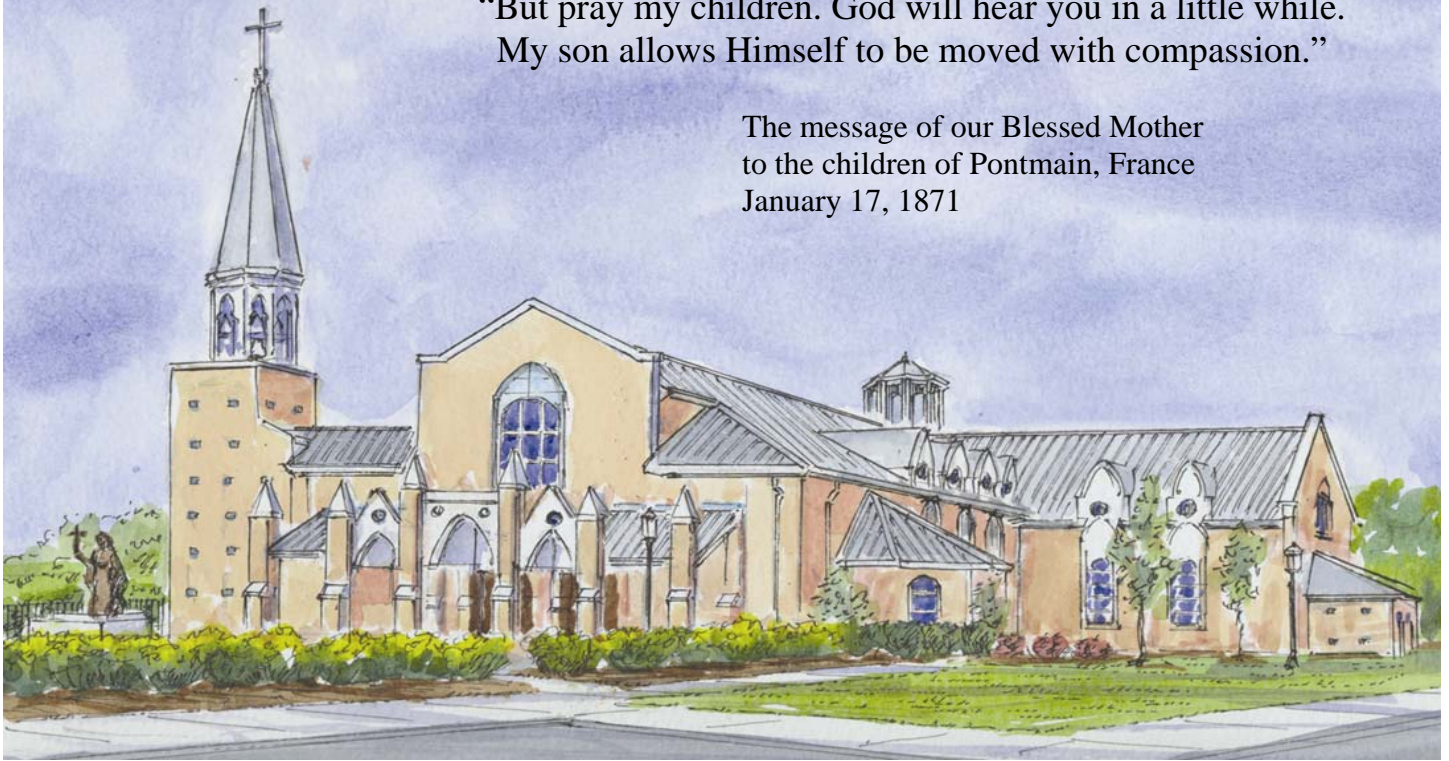


Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church

“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
Jackie Regan, Religious Education Assistant
Michael Schierer, Youth Ministry Assistant
Pat Sabas, Business Manager
Alfonso Pena, Facilities Supervisor
Suzanne Yerks, Director of Music
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
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MASSES OF THE WEEK**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 a.m. The Saunders Family

Monday, March 28 Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. The Jalsevac Family by Bethany Sargis

Tuesday, March 29 Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. +Stephen Blaise Woods by Mom and Dad

Wednesday, March 30 Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. +Virginia Mary Begle by Our Lady, Hope Of Martyrs, Legion of Mary

Thursday, March 31: Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. Cathy Plummer and
 +Stan Plummer by Pam, Lou and Louie

Friday, April 1: Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. +Rev. Keith Ramey by the Saunders Family

Saturday, April 2: Octave of Easter

8:30 a.m. + Dr. Joseph F. Saunders by the Saunders Family
 5:00 p.m. + Ed Earl

Sunday, April 3: Sunday of Divine Mercy

7:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving
 9:00 a.m. +Bobby Baxter by the Crew Family
 10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Parishioners
 12:30 p.m. +Helen Labate by the Bonnette 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.

Coming to Loudoun County

Paul VI Catholic High School is moving to Loudoun County. Join our administration, parents and students for an informational meeting and learn more about one of the **Top 50 Catholic High School's in the Country**. How can a PVI education benefit your child? **Thursday, May 5th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Theresa's School.**

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.

**Black & Indian Missions Collection**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the annual Black and Indian Missions Collection. Our parish collected \$2,950.62. Your support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel can only happen with your prayerful support.

Attention High School Seniors

The Knights of Columbus have established a Scholarship Grant program to provide annual grants of financial assistance to qualified young adults who have demonstrated superior academic achievement and valuable Christian service to the community. Two Scholarship Grants for 2016 have been set at \$1,000 each in direct assistance to two qualified young adults. *The deadline for applications to be submitted is **April 15, 2016**.* The application can be found at: www.oloh-council.org/scholarship.

Cajun Cookout

Please join your fellow parishioners on April 2, 2016 from 6-11 p.m. for the 2nd Annual Cajun Cookout, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Feast on boiled shrimp, crayfish, jambalaya and red & rice while enjoying special musical guests "The Crowdaddies." The cost is \$30, which includes all food and beverages, and profits go to support OLOH Catholic School and Knights of Columbus charities. Tickets may be purchased in the Narthex after all Masses or online at www.oloh-council.org/cc2016.

Auction 2016

Tickets are going fast to the 11th Annual Dinner/Auction on Saturday, April 9th at Lansdowne Resort. You may purchase tickets after all the Masses this weekend. Plan on attending this wonderful evening that our Auction Committee has planned! The theme this year is "Celebrating our Heritage". For questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Auction Event Chair, Suzanne Volpe at 703-406-6147 or auction@ourladyofhope.net.

Our Lady of Hope School News

We want to congratulate four of our eighth grade students for recently being accepted at **St. John's College High School!** St. John's received approximately 1,100 applications this year for 275 openings for the upcoming freshman class. Congratulations to:

Caelen Grange	Anne Phan
Maggie Maguire	Megann Robinson

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.

Dear Parishioners,

"Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!" The tomb is empty. Jesus- the Son of God, Lord, and Savior- has conquered sin, death, and evil itself. He has established a new Kingdom of love and truth, justice and peace. This Kingdom is made visible in the Church, which is founded upon the apostles, which continues to share His life and love through the sacraments.

And how has all of this been possible, despite the persecutions, schisms, heresies, and human frailty within the Church seen over the centuries? Because the Risen Christ is with His Church. Therefore, this Easter, we again renew our baptismal promises. 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:

Maria Alfaro	Doris and Darlton Haick
Robin Clark	Michael William North
David Garmon	Gayani Paolino
Heather and Justin Garza	Julia Margaret Simpson
Loren Harvey	Cherie Denise Tippet

May the Lord continue the good work begun in them!

Please also remember to pray for the Christians who are suffering persecution throughout the world, especially in Syria and Iraq; and for the Little Sisters of the Poor, who await the Supreme Court decision as to whether their religious beliefs will be honored and protected, and they will not have to close their homes for the poor elderly. May the Risen Christ stand with them and triumph over evil.

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 Farrell 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, Pastor

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 29: Resurrection Party

April 5: 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

April 4th: Falcon's Landing

Upcoming Junior High Events:7th & 8th Graders

April 3rd: 6:15—8:00 p.m. in the Gym.

For more information:

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

CYO News

The 2015-2016 CYO Basketball Season has come to an end and many of our teams did very well and we would like to congratulate them for a great season!

4th/5th Grade Boys -Sportsmanship Award

5th/6th Grade Boys -Sportsmanship Award

6th/7th Grade Boys -Sportsmanship Award

8th Grade Girls- 2nd Place in Division 2 for Tournament

8th Grade Boys -2nd Place in Division 1 for the Season

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 27: Easter Sunday**

12:00 pm Mom's Group in the Parish Hall

Monday, March 28

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

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

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

Tuesday, March 29

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

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

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

7:00 p.m. **NO CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:30 p.m. Youth Ministry in School Gym-Resurrection Party

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

Wednesday, March 30

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:15 a.m. Endow – Parish Hall & Seton Room

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

7:00 p.m. **NO CHOIR REHEARSAL****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-Parish Meeting Room

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass/Confessions

5:00 p.m. Holy Mass

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

Next Week at a Glance**Sunday, April 3: Divine Mercy Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Donut Sunday—Parish Hall

4:00 p.m. GS Troop 917 in Meeting Room

6:00 p.m. Jr. High Youth in School Gym

Monday, April 4:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

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, April 5:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

3:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal– Meeting Room

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

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

7:00 p.m. **NO CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Monthly Council Meeting

7:15 p.m. Youth Ministry in School Gym–
Great Adventure Bible Study**Wednesday, April 6:**

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

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

7:00 p.m. **NO CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:30 p.m. Bible Study – Parish Hall

Thursday, April 7:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration

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

Friday, April 8:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass

7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 1871—Parish Hall

Saturday, April 9:

8:30 a.m. Holy Mass/Confessions

11:00 a.m. Baptism Class—Parish Meeting Room

4:00 p.m. Boy Scouts—Parish Hall

Divine Mercy

A Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be held on Sunday, April 3, 2016 from 3 - 4 p.m. Please join the Our Lady of Hope Music Ministry for Adoration of the Blessed Eucharist, recitation of the Rosary, sung Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Benediction. Come and pray with us.

Easter Flowers

A special thank you to all who contributed to our Easter Flowers, which made our church especially beautiful.

**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 Monday, March 28. There will be no 6:45 a.m. Mass on March 28–April 1.



March 27, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Lord Jesus,

As we rejoice on this Easter Day and throughout the fifty days of the Easter season, do not the words of the psalmist echo over and over again: "Praise the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever" (Ps 136:1)? God's mercy is revealed clearly and so intentionally in the Dying and Rising of His Only-begotten Son, sent to be our Savior and Redeemer precisely through His victory over evil, sin, suffering and eternal death.

Yes, "Jesus Christ is the Face of the Father's Mercy" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 1). In His words and actions, we see revealed to us how loved we are by Our Father, how enveloped we are by His mercy. We encounter His mercy every time we receive the Sacrament of Penance, which the Risen Lord Jesus instituted and gave to His apostles and through them to His Church on that first Easter night. During the Last Supper, Jesus Christ instituted both the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of Holy Orders, these sacraments being confirmed, in a sense, by His Dying on the Cross and by His Rising on Easter. And in His new commandment to love, the Lord reveals the depths of His Father's mercy towards us and of the corresponding mission given us to be convincing heralds of this same divine mercy to everyone we encounter.

Yes, in the Dying and Rising of Jesus Christ, the mercy of Our God is so clearly revealed, so that, in turn, we become its heralds every day!

Assuring you of my prayers, especially on Easter and throughout the Easter Season, I remain

Faithfully in the Heart of Christ,



Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde
Bishop of Arlington