

OUR LADY  
OF HOPE

Established 2021

*Sunday, January 9, 2022*



HEAVEN WAS OPENED AND THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DESCENDED UPON HIM. - LK 3:21

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - JANUARY 8-16, 2022

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	INTENTIONS	REQUESTED BY
<i>Saturday, January 8</i>	<b>St. Valentine</b>	4:00 PM	Frances McAleavey	Family
	St. Gabriel	5:00 PM	Harvey Lober (Anniversary)	Wife, Gerry
<i>Sunday, January 9</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	7:30 AM	Rose & Michael Stanko	Bob & Anna Kanotz
	<b>Nativity</b>	9:00 AM	Nancy Wilson	Carol Vavro
	St. Gabriel	9:00 AM	Mrs. Maria Toscano	Mr. & Mrs. Forte
	<b>St. Valentine</b>	10:30 AM	Ken Duttine	Family
	<b>St. Germaine</b>	10:30 AM	Larry Michael Winkowski	Family
	St. Gabriel	11:00 AM	Lynn Pugh	Tomasits & Vanity Family
<i>Monday, January 10</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	8:00 AM	Elizabeth & Wallace Carroll	Family
	<b>St. Valentine</b>	11:30 AM	Mary Ann Stadler	Bill & Mary Jo Densmore
<i>Tuesday, January 11</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	8:00 AM	Bernard & Sheriden Families	Family
	St. Gabriel	11:30 AM	John Barry	Ed Mickney
<i>Wednesday, January 12</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	8:00 AM	H. Michael Korb	Mary & Frank
	<b>St. Valentine</b>	11:30 AM	Donna Frattaroli	Husband & Family
	<b>Nativity</b>	7:00 PM	Rose Barone	Jim Homer
<i>Thursday, January 13</i>	<b>St Germaine</b>	8:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory	Prayer Group
	St. Gabriel	11:30 AM	John Barry	Sue Beringer
<i>Friday, January 14</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	8:00 AM	Harry Nieman	Lorraine Rosso
	St. Gabriel School Mass	9:00 AM	Richard Lapping, Jr.	Bianca DiNardo
	<b>Nativity</b>	11:30 AM	Elizabeth Kenyherz	Steve Thompson Family
<i>Saturday, January 15</i>	St. Gabriel	10:00 AM	Intentions of Hilda Populo (Birthday)	Kathy
<b>NEXT WEEKEND - VIGIL &amp; SUNDAY MASSES</b>				
<i>Saturday, January 15</i>	<b>St. Valentine</b>	4:00 PM	Carl Klegg	Marguerite Burns
	St. Gabriel	5:00 PM	Brain J. Bentz (Birthday)	Mom & Family
<i>Sunday, January 16</i>	<b>St. Germaine</b>	7:30 AM	Maurice Abel	Wife
	<b>Nativity</b>	9:00 AM	In Thanksgiving	Marian Roznowski
	St. Gabriel	9:00 AM	Michelangelo & Clelia Sciulli	Family
	<b>St. Valentine</b>	10:30 AM	Oliver Diclaudio	Jan
	<b>St. Germaine</b>	10:30 AM	John & Mary Valdisera	Mark & Linda
	St. Gabriel	11:00 AM	Gene Costa	Wife & Family

**OUR LADY OF HOPE WEBSITE - OLHPGH.ORG**



# FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOHN SKIRTICH



Our Lady of Hope Parish Family,

On behalf of all the priests and deacons, I would like to thank those who sent Christmas cards, offered gifts and provided delicious baked goods for Christmas. We are so appreciative of your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Our Parish Feast Day is Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, which falls on Martin Luther King Day this year. We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Monday beginning immediately after the 8:00 AM Mass until closing Vespers and Benediction. Our presider and homilist at the closing service of Vespers and Benediction will be Fr. Brian Welding, Pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Mt. Lebanon and Scott Township. Fr. Welding is a native son of the former St. Gabriel Parish as well as an excellent speaker and holy priest. Come and spend time with Jesus by praying the Rosary, reading the Bible or devotional books or simple being still in the presence of God. Signup sheets are in the back of each church. Come for any length of time you desire.

The celebration of Our Lady of Hope Feast Day will also include the following:

- † Day of Service lead by our Confirmation students.
- † Cookie Social in the Multipurpose Room following Vespers & Benediction.
- † Voting on CCD classroom doors decorated for Our Lady of Hope.

This weekend is *Sign-Up Weekend* at Our Lady of Hope Parish for all the volunteer ministries you have read about in the bulletin for the past several weeks. Individuals will be in the back of each church to answer any questions you may have and to gather your information for the ministry you may be interested in. I offer a great big thank you to Jonathan Harvat, Deb Gray and Greg Bucci, whom have worked so hard on this effort to gain more volunteers for the many liturgical ministries available in our parish.

Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> marks the ordination of Bishop-elect Mark Eckman as the new Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. A native of the former St. Valentine parish, Bishop-elect Eckman will maintain his responsibilities as Pastor of Resurrection Parish in Bethel Park. As we did with native son Bishop David Bonnar, the Bishop of Youngstown, we will have our good friend Mark for a Mass and celebration later this year.

Gratefully in Christ,

## Our Lady of Hope WEEKLY OFFERING

### WEEK ENDING DEC 24, 2021

Offertory	\$24,542.00
Christmas	\$8,537.00
Parish Share	\$4,969.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 38,048.00</b>

### WEEK ENDING DEC 31, 2021

Offertory	\$38,841.50
Christmas	\$41,502.05
Parish Share	\$24,607.07
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,950.62</b>

## ATTENDANCE

### CHRISTMAS EVE/CHRISTMAS DAY

#### St. Gabriel

4:00 PM	560	10:00 PM	170
		11:00 AM	256

#### St. Germaine

4:00 PM	353	8:00 AM	186
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#### Nativity

4:00 PM	300	9:00 AM	207
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#### St. Valentine

4:00 PM	418	7:00 PM	183
		10:00 AM	129

**Total.....2,762**

**YouTube Mass.....508**

### Sunday 12/26 1/2

#### Nativity

9:00 AM	205	211
<b>Total</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>211</b>

#### St. Gabriel

9:00 AM	146	178
11:00 AM	285	283
<b>Total</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>461</b>

#### St. Germaine

7:30 AM	202	202
10:30 AM	147	143
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>345</b>

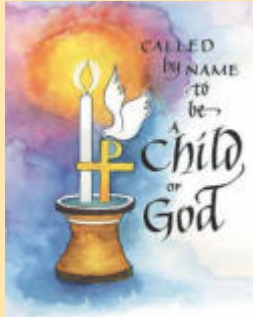
#### St. Valentine

10:30 AM	181	263
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>263</b>

**Total Attendance 1,166 1,280**

# LOVE JESUS

## Newly Baptized



**BRIA CLAIR PICONE**

*Daughter of Bradd & Lauren (Markley) Picone*

**BRENDAN RONALD TIMKO**

*Son of Stephen & Anastasia (Sobecky) Timko*

**CARSON AMATO TIMKO**

*Son of Andrew & Marissa (Swearingen) Timko*

*Please pray for Bria, Brendan & Carson along with their parents and godparents.*

## Rest in Peace

Barbara Brown

Paul Caspary

Robert Fuchs

Joseph Fusca

Brad Gremba

Donald Griffin

Mary C. Jones

Joseph Kniola

John Murphy



### NATIVITY DIVINE MERCY CANDLE

Lit in Memory of

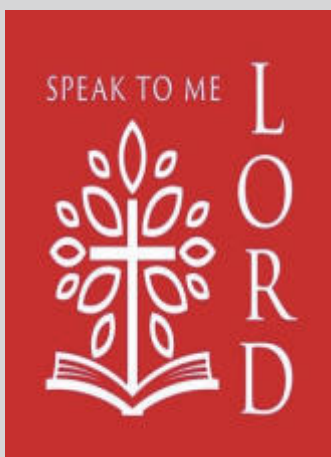
**John Clayton**

By Wife, Mary

## READINGS AND OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9 2021

*Sunday:* Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

*The Baptism of the Lord*



*Monday:* 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

*Ordinary Time*

*Tuesday:* 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

*Ordinary Time*

*Wednesday:* 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

*Ordinary Time*

*Thursday:* 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

*St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

*Friday:* 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

*Ordinary Time*

*Saturday:* 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

*Ordinary Time*

*Next Sunday:* Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

# HAPPENINGS

## A LOOK AHEAD

January 2022

- 9 ● TLC Service Project/St. Germaine Youth Room ♦ 11:30AM
- 10 ● Gospel Study Group/Nativity Spiritual Center ♦ 2:00PM
- 12 ● Legion of Mary Meeting/St. Gabriel Mtg House ♦ 4:15PM
- 16 ● CCD Home Study Meeting/St. Germaine MPR & Church ♦ 11:30AM
- 17 ● Gospel Study Group/Nativity Spiritual Center ♦ 2:00PM

### Our Lady of Hope Parish Feast Day - January 17



- ✦ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/St. Germaine Church ♦ 8:30AM
- ✦ Vespers & Benediction/St. Germaine Church ♦ 7:00PM
- ✦ Cookie Reception after Vespers & Benediction/St. Germaine MPR
- ✦ Vote for best OLH decorated CCD doors/St. Germaine School Building
- ✦ Confirmation Class Service Project

- 19 ● Legion of Mary Meeting/St. Gabriel Mtg House ♦ 4:15PM
- 19 ● First Reconciliation Parent Mtg/St. Valentine ♦ 7:00PM
- 21 ● Women's Guild Guest's Night Out/St. Val's Frawley Hall ♦ 6:00PM
- 24 ● Gospel Study Group/Nativity Spiritual Center ♦ 2:00PM
- 26 ● Legion of Mary Meeting/St. Gabriel Mtg House ♦ 6:30PM

### WEEKLY CONFESSION

#### NATIVITY CHURCH

Wednesday ● 6:15-6:45 PM

#### ST. GABRIEL CHURCH

Saturday ● 11:00-Noon

#### ST. VALENTINE CHURCH

Saturday ● 11:00-Noon

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

#### ST. GERMAINE CHURCH

**First Tuesday** of each month immediately following 8:00 AM Mass & concluding at Noon.

#### NATIVITY CHURCH

**Every Friday** following the 11:30 AM Mass & concluding at 1:00 PM.



## Pray For Our Military Personnel

Master Sergeant **Jeff Andrulonis**, ARNG  
Gunnery Sergeant **Louis J. Boff, III**, USMC  
Lieutenant Commander **Chris Dindal**, USN  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant **William Gabrys**, ARNG  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant **Samuel Gobbie**, USAF  
Commander **Mark Gordon**, USN  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant **Presten Grace**, USAF  
Chief Warrant Officer 2 **Nevin Kraus**, USA Rangers  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant **Sean Langer**, USA  
Corporal **Tyler Manning**, USMC  
Staff Sergeant **Michael Matthews**, USA Special Forces

Major **James Morris**, USA  
Master Sergeant **Mandy Mueller**, USAF  
Lieutenant **Jacob O. Murphy**, USN  
Lieutenant Commander **Kevin Nist**, USN  
Sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> Class **Shawn Porter**, USA  
Corporal **Jordan Rush**, USMC  
Private First Class **Hunter Schweitzer**, USA  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant **John M. Selep**, USA  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant **Madison Sgattoni**, USMC  
Colonel **Clint Wilson**, USAF

To add a name to our military list provide name, rank and which armed force they serve in to: Cindy Gilfoyle at [cgilfoyle@olhpgh.org](mailto:cgilfoyle@olhpgh.org) or 412-833-0661.

Please let us know when they are no longer in active duty.



# LIVE JESUS

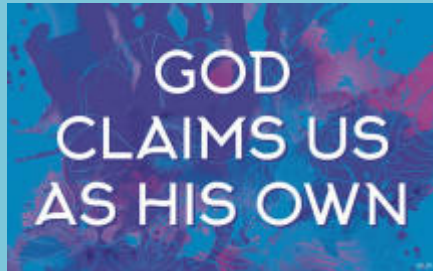
## GOSPEL MEDITATION – A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 9, 2022 | The Baptism of the Lord

“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.”

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.



It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of

death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ Himself, revealing to others the new creations we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK-Examples of our Faith

St. Hilary of Poitiers | January 13



Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ's divinity. From Phrygia, St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.

# SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER THIS WEEKEND



Our Lady of Hope Parish needs additional volunteers to help serve in various ministries. Pastoral and Worship Council members are working to build these ministries and respond to God's call for all of us to be good stewards of God's gifts. God is asking us to make a commitment to share our time, talent, and treasure with others in our parish.

Below is a deeper description of each ministry. Take some time to reflect on how the Holy Spirit may be calling you and how you may best share your gifts. If you are feeling called to serve in any of these specific ministries, contact the parish office. If you need more time, or have additional questions, representatives will be available during this **WEEKEND, January 8/9, 2022.**

Our goal is to recruit enough people so those who are serving will serve once per month. We will accommodate your regularly attended Mass and/or legacy church, with the hope of willingness to serve at additional worship sites throughout the parish. The more volunteers we enlist ultimately results in a more regular scheduling format. Contact Jonathan Harvat at [jharvat@gmail.com](mailto:jharvat@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you in advance for your help in creating a vibrant parish life in the Our Lady of Hope Parish community.

## **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- Help Priests and Deacons distribute Holy Communion at Mass
- Be willing to distribute Eucharist to the sick and homebound

## **GREETER/USHER**

- Greets, smiles, and guides visitors and parishioners
- Directs and points out the restrooms, the sanctuary
- Familiarity with a particular church and able to answer questions
- Is available before and after Mass
- Offer and find seating
- Support in taking up collection, offertory, and communion flow
- Distribute bulletins
- Handle emergency situations with courage and composure

## **READERS**

- Proclaims readings at Mass
- Comfortable with public speaking
- Familiar with readings prior to Mass
- Offer Prayers of the Faithful (Petitions) if Deacon is not present

## **ALTAR SERVERS**

- Ensure everything is set-up prior to Mass
- Lead procession and carry the cross
- Actively participate in Mass
- Assist priest in the sanctuary during the Mass and other liturgical functions

*Volunteers who have been absent due to the pandemic or personal reasons, we would love to welcome you back. Please consider rejoining us as we build our volunteer ministry.*

# LIVE JESUS

## AWAKE!

### AN EVENING SET ASIDE FOR:

- ✦ Praise and thanksgiving to God who deserves all our worship.
- ✦ Empowerment in the Holy Spirit to take up our call as the Laity.
- ✦ Repentance and reparation for the sins of our church, our nation.

*"To receive the power of the Holy Spirit to become witnesses; this is our path as Church." ~ Pope Francis, September 2021*

### Music by One aChord



**Saturday, January 15, 7:30-8:45 pm**  
**St. Thomas More Church**  
**across from the South Hills Village Mall**

## LIFELINE DONATIONS

### Christian's Christmas Project

(1-31-96 – 2-8-96)



Thank you so much to everyone who participated in our 26<sup>th</sup> annual collection to assist mothers and babies in stressful situations! The very beautiful and useful baby items donated have been delivered to Lifeline of Southwest Pennsylvania! In addition to clothing, diapers, and infant care essentials, several hand-made gifts will welcome precious little ones with a cozy entrance of love into our world! It is such a tremendous light in difficult times when faith-filled people touch our lives and hearts with helping hands!

May God continue to bless us one and all!

Suzan Stark, Slezak, M.Ed. BSSW  
Director  
Our Lady Hope Parish  
St. Gabriel Early Childhood Program

## SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

**This SUNDAY, January 9<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM**  
**Our Lady of Hope Parish**  
**St. Gabriel Church**



The Rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet will be said along with the Litanies to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary!

Let us journey into the new year and become closer to Jesus through the Most Blessed Sacrament! Oh come let us adore Him!

*Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.*

† Proverbs 19:21



The Eucharist began at Bethlehem in Mary's arms. It was she who brought to humanity the Bread for which it was famishing, and which alone can nourish it. She it was who took care of that Bread for us. It was she who nourished the Lamb whose life-giving Flesh we feed upon. She nourished him with her virginal milk; she nourished him for the sacrifice, for she foreknew his destiny.  
~ St. Peter Julian Eymard

For information on the Legion of Mary contact Marlene Yannone at 412-310-7793 or Barbara Hogan at 412-884-3154.



# MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ZUBIK



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
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**For Release: December 31, 2021**

## **IMPORTANT COVID-19 PROTOCOL REMINDERS FOR MASS ATTENDANCE IN THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PITTSBURGH**

Friday, December 31, 2021

The celebration of the Holy Mass, where we gather to worship God and receive Holy Communion, is the heart of our Catholic faith. Given the recent record-breaking surge in positive COVID-19 cases in Allegheny County and surrounding counties, Bishop David Zubik is reminding everyone of the current diocesan safety protocols. He is doing so in order to safely continue in-person Masses throughout the Diocese of Pittsburgh. This is also being done as an urgent request for everyone to do their part to remain vigilant and mitigate the spread of the virus.

The current diocesan COVID safety protocols are:

- As already widely communicated, the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass in person was restored effective Sunday, August 15, 2021. That obligation remains in effect. Those who are sick, have a health risk, or are a primary caregiver, are excused from this obligation.
- The practice of extending the Sign of Peace at Mass is suspended until further notice.
- The distribution of the Precious Blood continues to be suspended until further notice.
- Given the high transmissibility rates, mask-wearing is urgently encouraged for all attending Mass regardless of vaccination status.
- Priests, deacons, and all Eucharistic Ministers must continue to wear masks during the distribution of Holy Communion, and at all times except when speaking.
- All greeters and ushers must wear masks while welcoming parishioners, should maintain social-distancing, and should refrain from hand-shaking with fellow parishioners.

“As we mark the end of 2021 and look with hope to a new year filled with God’s continued blessings, please join with me in praying for an end to the spread of COVID-19, and for health and happiness for all,” Bishop Zubik said.

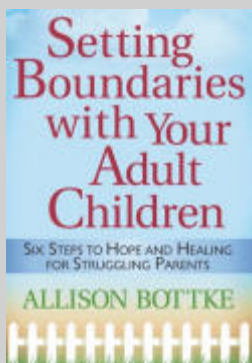
### SIX STEPS TO SANITY

Winter/Spring 2022 Session

*Dealing with addiction or alcoholism in your family?*

Six Steps to SANITY is a program designed to help parents, step-parents, grandparents, spouses, and family members who have an adult loved one suffering from the disease of alcoholism or addiction. It is designed to bring hope, healing, and serenity to those impacted by the addiction of a loved one, and develop healthy ways to relate and respond to them

This faith-based program is an outreach of the Substance Addiction Ministry (S.A.M.) of St. Catherine Labouré Parish (St. Louise de Marillac & St. Joan of Arc Churches). It is adapted from the best-selling book, *Setting Boundaries with Your Adult Children: Six Steps to Hope and Healing for Struggling Parents* by Allison Bottke.



Join us for this free 12-week program beginning:

Wednesday, February 2, 2022  
7:00-8:30 PM

St. Catherine Labouré Parish  
St. Louise de Marillac (LeGras Parish Center)  
320 McMurray Road  
Upper St. Clair, PA 15241

The program is open to all, regardless of religious beliefs

To register (required), or for further information, please contact Bruce or Nancy Shea  
bruceandnancy6@gmail.com or 412-952-1084.



### CHOOSING GODPARENTS FOR YOUR CHILD

From time to time, questions and controversies arise as to who may serve as a godparent for the Sacrament of Baptism. This is a review of the guidelines established by the Catholic Church concerning godparent eligibility. Below is the criteria to be considered before the parents of a child ask someone to be a godparent for their son or daughter:

✦The decision of choosing a godparent should be based upon **who would provide the best example of Catholic living for the child** and not merely for reasons of maintaining family harmony. A god-parent is not chosen to honor the godparent, but for the well-being and faith development of the child.

✦In order to be a godparent for Baptism, an individual must be a **practicing Catholic, at least 16 years of age and have received the Sacraments of Initiation** (i.e. Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation). Furthermore, if this person is married, **the marriage must be a valid, sacramental marriage** (i.e. one recognized and blessed by the Catholic Church).

✦The potential **godparent must be registered in a Catholic parish and able to obtain a letter of eligibility from his or her parish priest** to be a godparent.

✦Only one godparent is required by Church law. This godparent may be a man or a woman. However, if two godparents are selected (the more common practice), then there must be one man and one woman chosen. In other words, a child cannot have two men or two women as godparents.

✦In extraordinary situations, when two Catholic godparents cannot be found, a baptized person who belongs to another Christian denomination (i.e. Methodist, Lutheran, or Presbyterian) may serve as a Christian Witness. However, former Catholics who have left the Catholic Church for another Christian denomination are not permitted to serve, either as a Catholic godparent or a Christian Witnesses.

Since Baptism is the initial, foundational Sacrament in the life of a Catholic, great care must be taken in deciding who will serve as a godparent. The guidelines above are meant to assist parents in making a reasonable decision as to who will fulfill this critical role for their child. These guidelines are provided by the universal Church and individual priests are not vested with the authority to dispense from them.



# THIS & THAT

## OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH

### Women's Guild Guest's Night Out



St. Valentine Church  
Frawley Hall  
Friday, January 21 • 6:30 PM  
doors open at 6:00 PM

If you're looking for a casual night out after the busy Holiday Season, this is a perfect choice. All adult members of the Parish are invited (at no charge) to Frawley Hall for an evening of delicious food, uplifting fellowship and musical entertainment by **Night Star**.

Women's Guild members will provide crock pots of soup and/or chili for everyone to share. Guests are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert. Food items can be dropped off at Frawley Hall any time on the day of the event.

If you're interested in attending, please reply with your menu item to Audrey Walbert at 724-518-6894 or [audreywalbert@gmail.com](mailto:audreywalbert@gmail.com) by January 17<sup>th</sup> allowing for set-up.

*We look forward to seeing you at this fun and relaxing night out!*

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A support group for those who have lost a loved one to the disease of addiction meets the first and third Monday of each month at St. Catherine



Labouré Parish, St. Louise Church, 320 McMurray Road, Upper St. Clair in the LeGras Conference Room starting at 7:00 PM.

Join facilitator Glenn Phillips and others who have also lost a loved one. This is a safe

place for sharing and listening to others who have experienced a similar loss.

Please contact Glenn at 412-316-7670 or by email at [gr\\_phillips@msn.com](mailto:gr_phillips@msn.com).

*This grief support group is sponsored by the Substance Addiction Ministry (SAM) of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. It is open to all persons regardless of their faith or religion.*

## OUR LADY OF SORROWS LITTLE LAMBS CHILD LOSS MINISTRY

Support and aid for families coping with grief from the loss of a child that occurred recently or long ago and support for families expecting again after a previous child loss.



### St. Paul of the Cross Parish

St. Anne's Church (DePalma Room)  
400 Hoodridge Drive  
Castle Shannon, 15234

Third Friday of each Month  
7:00 – 8:00 PM

*Please call or text Jessica Kline with any questions or for additional information at 412-352-2635.*



The **South Park Seniors** are seeking new members. The group meets at 11:00 AM on the first Wednesday of each month at Nativity Church, 5811 Curry Road, South Park, 15236

Come have a donut, coffee, socialize, and play Bingo. Any questions, please contact JoAnn Ricci 412-583-7878

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# FOR YOUR INFORMATION



## 2022 Enjoy Books

The 2022 Enjoy Book sale, sponsored by the Christian Family Movement of Our Lady of Hope Parish, St. Gabriel Church, began December 6<sup>th</sup> and will run through January 30, 2022. Books will be available at both the Our Lady of Hope Parish Administrative Offices at St. Germaine Church and St. Gabriel Church during office hours. You can also call or text Rex or Kathy at 412-427-3577 for assistance or a book delivery.

The price is \$30.00 per book and make a great gift!. Please make checks payable to St. Gabriel, CFM.

## POP AND BEER CAN TAB COLLECTION

We continue invite parishioners to collect the tabs from soda and beer cans. The tabs are recycled, and the money is used help parents to remain free of charge in the Ronald McDonald House.



Since opening in 1979, Ronald McDonald House Pittsburgh has provided comfort, care and support to thousands of families

traveling to the Pittsburgh area seeking medical care for their children. Each year over 1,600 families stay at the Pittsburgh location.

Bins are located in each of the churches for deposit. Tabs can also be brought to the administrative offices at St. Germaine Church during office hours.



Gift Cards are now available to purchase for BINGO at St. Valentine. They may be purchased on Tuesday nights at BINGO and are also available at Our Lady of Hope Parish Administrative Office at St. Germaine Church during office hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM and Friday, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM.

## OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH FOOD CLUB

Gift cards are sold before all weekend Masses at St. Gabriel Church (Saturday, 5:00 PM, Sunday, 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM.) Additionally, gift cards are available at St. Valentine, St. Gabriel and St. Germaine during office hours. Gift cards available include:



## SHOP'n SAVE

**Proceeds benefit our parish and your support is greatly appreciated!!**



## BULLETIN ARTICLES & ADS

If you are interested in placing an article in the **Our Lady of Hope Parish** bulletin, please submit information by the Friday of the week prior to the weekend you would like your article to be published.

The preferred way of article submission is electronically, either directly in the email body or in a word document attachment, to Cindy Gilfoyle at [cgilfoyle@olhpg.org](mailto:cgilfoyle@olhpg.org). Also, provide specifics as to when you would like the information to appear in the bulletin.

Occasionally, due to a holiday, the bulletin must be submitted early for printing. If this is the case, information may need to be provided several weeks in advance.

If you have questions feel free to call Cindy at 412-833-0661.

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