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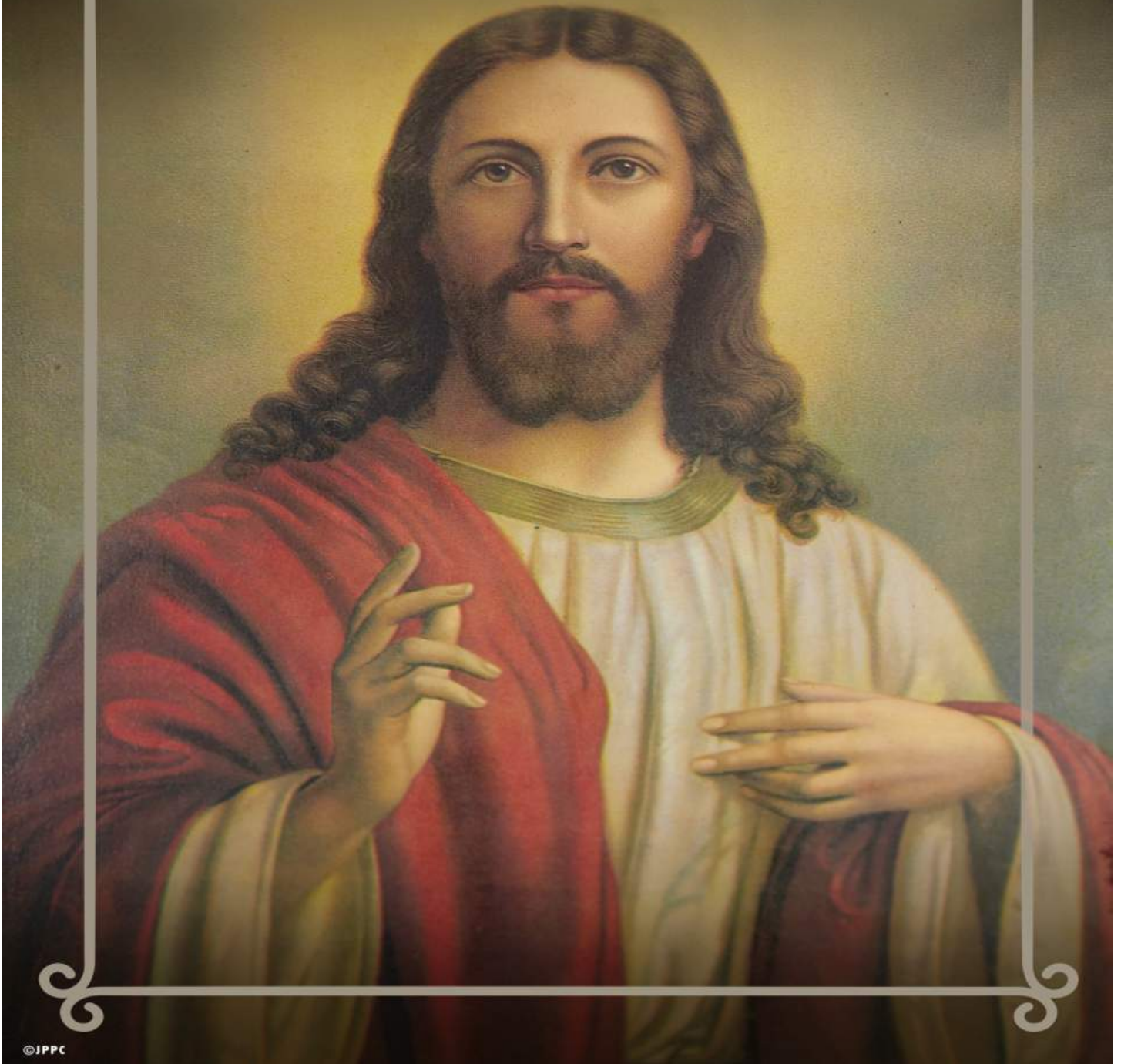
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MAY 7, 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I am the way and the truth and the life.

JOHN 14:6



PASTOR'S CORNER

***“Do not let your hearts be troubled;
have faith in God and faith in me.”***

-- John 14

Well, it is hard not to have troubled hearts sometimes. Worries, fears, and anxieties are part of every day life. Caring for a family member who is ill, worrying about growing older, the loss of a job, and anxieties of what the future holds can be overwhelming, to say the least. Needless to say, our present situation magnifies the endless & seemingly impossibility of it all.

Did Jesus ever experience these fear and troublesome moments? Certainly...especially the night before He died. By His agony in the garden, so overcome with fears was He that Jesus sweat drops of blood. Yet in that moment, He turned to His Father in prayer and trust. It was that simple act of faith that gave Him the strength not to despair or give up. He was able to transcend such impossibilities, even death itself.

So even though our hearts are troubled still, have faith in God and faith in Jesus Christ. His Holy Spirit is the way through troubled times; the truth to realize that you are “chosen and precious in His sight, calling you out of darkness into His light.” He is calling you so that you may have His Life in the most troubling of times.

Happy Easter,
Father Murray

**Do not let your
hearts be troubled.
You have faith in
God; have faith
also in me.**

John 14:1



*Mass Intentions
for the Week*

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:00pm Vigil ~ Dorothy Vaughan

8:00am ~ Monterosso Family

10:00am ~ Suder, Niewodowski, and
Thomas Families

12:00pm ~ Joseph DeGrazia III

Monday, May 8, 2023

8:00am ~ Pasquale and Anna Mattia

8:30am - 4:00pm ~ Adoration in Church

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

8:00am ~ Daniel J. Murray

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of Church

8:00am ~ Chris Schroeder

Thursday, May 11, 2023

8:00am ~ Gary Cattie

Friday, May 12, 2023

Saints Nereus and Achilleus and Pancras

8:00am ~ Gaetana Monterosso

Saturday, May 13, 2023

5:00pm ~ Joseph and Mary Forkin

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am ~ John, Rose and Henry McErlean

10:00am ~ Patsy Whalen

12:00pm ~ Joan Gallagher



ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



THANKS to this parish community for the tremendous support for the 2022 St. Hilary Diamond Jubilee Capital Campaign. Seeing the progression of this campaign these past months has been truly a blessing. We have an exciting update; this campaign has raised **\$407,191.25**. Through your prayers and help, we have even surpassed our initial goal of \$350,000. The sooner that the pledges are redeemed, the better it will be for paying for these projects. Of the 229 campaign responses, 141 are now paid in full. We currently have about \$287,730 of the campaign contributions already deposited, and it is imperative that we continue to collect all payments on pledges to ensure that we can complete all the capital work. Thank you very much for your kind generosity!!

PROJECT UPDATE

Just a reminder that the monies raised from the Jubilee Capital Campaign are directed toward the following goals:

- * New Air Conditioning System in the School ~ completed
- * New Lighting in the back parking lot for safety and security ~ completed
- * New Air Conditioning System in the Church ~ completed
- * New Church Doors ~ will be installed in a few months...please see the pictures in the Church, of the beautiful stained glass to be inserted into our new Church doors

Once again, I am sincerely thankful for the overwhelming response & generosity! All donations are very much appreciated!

Father Murray



THINGS TO THINK ABOUT



- The most useless thing to do.....**Worry**
- The greatest joy.....**Giving**
- The greatest loss.....**Self-Respect**
- The most satisfying work.....**Helping Others**
- The ugliest personality trait.....**Selfishness**
- The most endangered species.....**Dedicated Leaders**
- The greatest "shot in the arm".....**Encouragement**
- The greatest problem to overcome.....**Fear**
- The most effective sleeping pill.....**Peace of Mind**
- The most crippling disease.....**Excuses**
- The most powerful force in life.....**Love**
- The world's most incredible computer.....**The Brain**
- The worst thing to be without.....**Hope**
- The deadliest weapon.....**The Tongue**
- The two most power-filled words.....**I can**
- The greatest asset.....**Faith**
- The most worthless emotion.....**Self-Pity**
- The most prized possession.....**Integrity**
- The greatest channel of communication.....**Prayer**
- The most contagious spirit.....**Enthusiasm**
- The most important thing in life.....**God**



The goal of a Catholic Liturgy is to Communicate a transcendent awareness of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. Faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist demands great beauty, dignity, and reverence".

At the Last Supper, Jesus said, "This is my body... this is the cup of my blood" (Matthew 26:26-28) over the bread and wine, and so it was. He commanded His Apostles, and the priests after them, to do the same at every Mass (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1375)

When we receive Communion, we're literally heart-to-heart with Jesus. The details are a mystery, but that doesn't stop Jesus from coming to us, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, in the Eucharist.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

The publishing company is moving offices during the month of May, so Sunday Bulletin submissions are due extra-early. This weekly Sunday Collection Report will be behind during this month, due to early deadlines for the Bulletin.



MEMORIAL TREES

Over the years, many trees on the property had to be removed. Our new plan is to plant new trees to add more beauty to our property grounds. These new trees are called **Saucer Magnolias**. They are a beautiful pink and white flowering tree. See the picture here of a bloomed one. If you would like to donate one of these trees in memory of a loved one, please call the Rectory. Thanks for your kind consideration.



ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL

At St. Hilary of Poitiers School, we focus on educating the whole child. We encourage our students to discover and develop their talents. Our Christian faith permeates each aspect of who we are and what we do. Our students are encouraged to develop leadership abilities and interpersonal skills, understand personal responsibility, practice sportsmanship, and provide service to the community. Recognizing that both home and school are an integral part to our faith-centered community, parents and teachers partner to guide each student to recognize and discover Christ in all people, and understand the importance of preparing students to be deeply rooted in their faith and their education, and become peace-filled citizens of the world.



SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR THE 2023-24 YEAR IS NOW OPEN FOR PREK - 8th!

Please visit www.sainthilaryschool.com for more information and a virtual tour. You can also contact the principal, Mrs. Fagan, at 215-887-4520 or email to efagan@sainthilaryschool.com

EXCITING NEWS!

We are happy to announce that St. Hilary of Poitiers School is one of only a few schools that has been awarded a School Safety Grant for \$40,000. The grant will assist with the installation of a Complete Surveillance Security System with cameras around the property. In addition, a fob entry system will be installed to secure and record all visitors in and out of the building. We are very grateful to our principal, Mrs. Eileen Fagan, for her dedicated and untiring efforts in pursuing this grant to bring much greater security to our school and peace of mind to all of us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING NEW ALTAR SERVERS AT ST. HILARY CHURCH:

<i>Gabriel Palamara</i>	<i>Julia Bongard</i>	<i>Casey Dugan</i>
<i>Violet Garecht</i>	<i>Olivia Kots</i>	<i>Orla Martin</i>
<i>Shane O'Rourke</i>	<i>Miabella Pepe</i>	<i>Gavin Riley</i>
<i>Brielle Rathgeb</i>	<i>Angelina Trinh</i>	<i>Delaney Ryan</i>



May God bless them in their new ministry as altar servers at St. Hilary Church!

ST. HILARY
17th ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT ~
THIS YEAR, IT WILL BE
DEDICATED TO THE LOVING
MEMORY OF KEVIN P. SUPKA



MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023
North Hills Country Club

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Golf Tournament Brochures are in the Church and Rectory. Any questions, please call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com



THE RISEN CHRIST

A six-foot statue of the Risen Christ will be placed on the front wall entrance to St. Hilary Church. This beautiful piece celebrates Christ's victory over sin and death. His outstretched arms beckon us all to come to Him – "All who are weary and find life burdensome, I will give you rest."

Funds for this gift to our parish were taken from generous donations to our St. Hilary Memorial Fund from the families of the deceased parish family members below, in their loving memory:

Ray and Catherine McCabe
Frank and Doris Devinney
Guy and Pat Pacitti
Joseph and Evelyn Strigle
Marg Lawton
Arthur Stevens
Robert and Rita Schnepf



Information on the Dedication and Installation of this statue will be shared with these families and the whole parish when the exact date is determined. May the Risen Christ bless you and your loved ones.

Thank you to the Police Officers who visited St. Hilary recently, and to those who stopped by for “Coffee with a Cop” after Mass



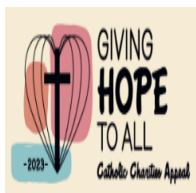
ST. HILARY RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE will be distributing baby bottles on Mother’s Day weekend at all the Masses (May 13th/14th). This year, 100% of the contributions will be donated to the Pro-Life Union in order to support homeless pregnant women at their guiding Star Ministries Maternity Home. The bottles will then be collected at all of the Masses on the NEXT weekend, May 20th/21st. A member from our Respect Life Committee will be at all of the entrances of the Church to hand out and collect the bottles; also, literature about the Pro-Life Union will be available to pick up. Thanks in advance for your kind assistance!

THANK YOU to all those who planned and helped with “Ladies Night Out” this year - it takes a lot of dedication and hard work, and it’s much appreciated! Some pictures of this fun night will follow in next week’s bulletin

PLANT SALE
Redeemer Valley Farm
Vegetables, Flowers, Herbs, Perennials
 521 Moredon Rd., Huntingdon Valley
 Friday ~ May 12 from 2-6pm
 Saturday ~ May 13 from 9am-2pm



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CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

MANNA BAGS will be distributed at our Masses this weekend, May 6th/7th. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag on either Saturday, May 20th or Sunday, May 21st.

Canned food items in greatest need are:
beef stew **tuna fish** **fruit**
vegetables **pasta** **soups** **pork & beans**

If you are not able to bring a filled bag, feel free to donate online instead at:

www.nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration in helping those in emergency situations. Your food donations will go to The Patrician Society in Montgomery County.



UPDATED 55+ SPIRIT NEWS:

The 55+ Senior Spirit Club ~ on April 24, thirty pilgrims traveled by motorcoach to South Philly to visit St. Rita of Cascia's Shrine, built in 1907 by the Augustinian Friars, just 7 years after canonization. This was a first visit for most of us. Pat McKenzie was our excellent guide for the day. Look at their website to get an idea of the beauty in the Upper and Lower Shrine: www.saintritaashrine.org It was a special day there with Mass commemorating the conversion of St. Augustine. May 22 is St. Rita's Feast Day and Mass will be televised at noon on EWTN.

The Spirit Club's next meeting will be Wednesday, May 17 at 10am - and there will be chocolate chip cookies! John Tracey from Redeemer Sports Medicine and Chris Regan from Redeemer Fitness Center will show us the value of proper muscle movement.

ST. HILARY PARISH OUTREACH



The Outreach Committee extends its sincere continued gratitude for your ongoing outstanding generosity. Recently, Cradle of Hope, Manor Food Bank and the Ukrainian Center received substantial donations. We again request referrals to the office for people in need, in particular those in our parish here. May you be blessed especially in this Easter season.

PRAYER LINE

Help is needed for our Parish Prayer Line. If you would like to be part of the Prayer Line and be contacted to pray for the sick and infirmed, please join by calling Virginia at 215-663-1418.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK:

Michael Dooley, Jack Avak, Michael Brown, Nicolas Liddy, Bob Kilcoyne, Mary Jane Namola, Elizabeth Dieckman, Sophia Southerling, Mary Deely, TJ McDonald, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonia, Angela Gavin, William Hartner, Mary Jane Hummel, Pat Cass, Michele Kelly, Tina Savarino, Nicholas Esposito, Sarah Koehler, Paris Luckowski, Judy Sklar, Bernadette Redican, Gina Devaney, Bob Steele, Linda Smithson, Eileen Burger, Brian Bailie, Tina Hardimon, Lionel Melly Wright, Cole Plachter, Mary Jo Reaby, Kevin Rosenbaum, Capt. Schaffr, Dan Webb, Rhodena Thompson, Bruce Thompson II, Linda Urie, Sonna Alamar, Sharon Fainelli, Donald Budrejko, Maura Murphy, Gregory Marrone, Jim Comet, Ian Reilly, Kira McKeever, Michael Lucas, John Rieth, Holly Judge, Greg Ziembe, Timothy Dempsey, Dilynn Listman, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Kathy Huss, Martha Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Tom Hall

Please pray for the souls of all of the deceased

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm
Sundays at 8:00am, 10:00pm, and 12pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

8 AM on Monday thru Friday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4 – 4:45 PM

HOLY DAYS

7 PM Vigil

8 AM and 10 AM on holy day

Pastor ~ Rev. Kevin P. Murray

Weekend Assistant ~ Msgr. Gregory J. Fairbanks

In Residence ~ Rev. Jacob John

Pastor Emeritus ~ Msgr. Michael J. Carroll

School Principal ~ Eileen Fagan

efagan@sainthilaryschool.com School phone: 215-887-4520

Coordinator of Religious Education ~ Noreen Forkin

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Business Manager ~ Maureen Maher

Parish Secretary ~ Marian Stengel 215-884-3252

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Music Director ~ Justin Jue

Plant Manager ~ Hal Fagan

BAPTISM: Sundays after the 12pm Mass. Please email or call the Rectory for more information.

MATRIMONY: Couples planning to marry should contact the Rectory six months before the desired date.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM to 4 PM
Closed for Lunch: 12 PM to 1 PM

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Cheltenham Friends Meetinghouse at 6:30pm**

*Tuesday, May 2 ~ Testing for Colon Cancer:
Colonoscopy of Stool-Based Testing*

Wednesday, May 10 ~ Understanding Atrial Fibrillation

Tuesday, May 16 ~ Parkinson's Disease 101

*Wednesday, May 31 ~ Spring Cleaning Your Diet
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