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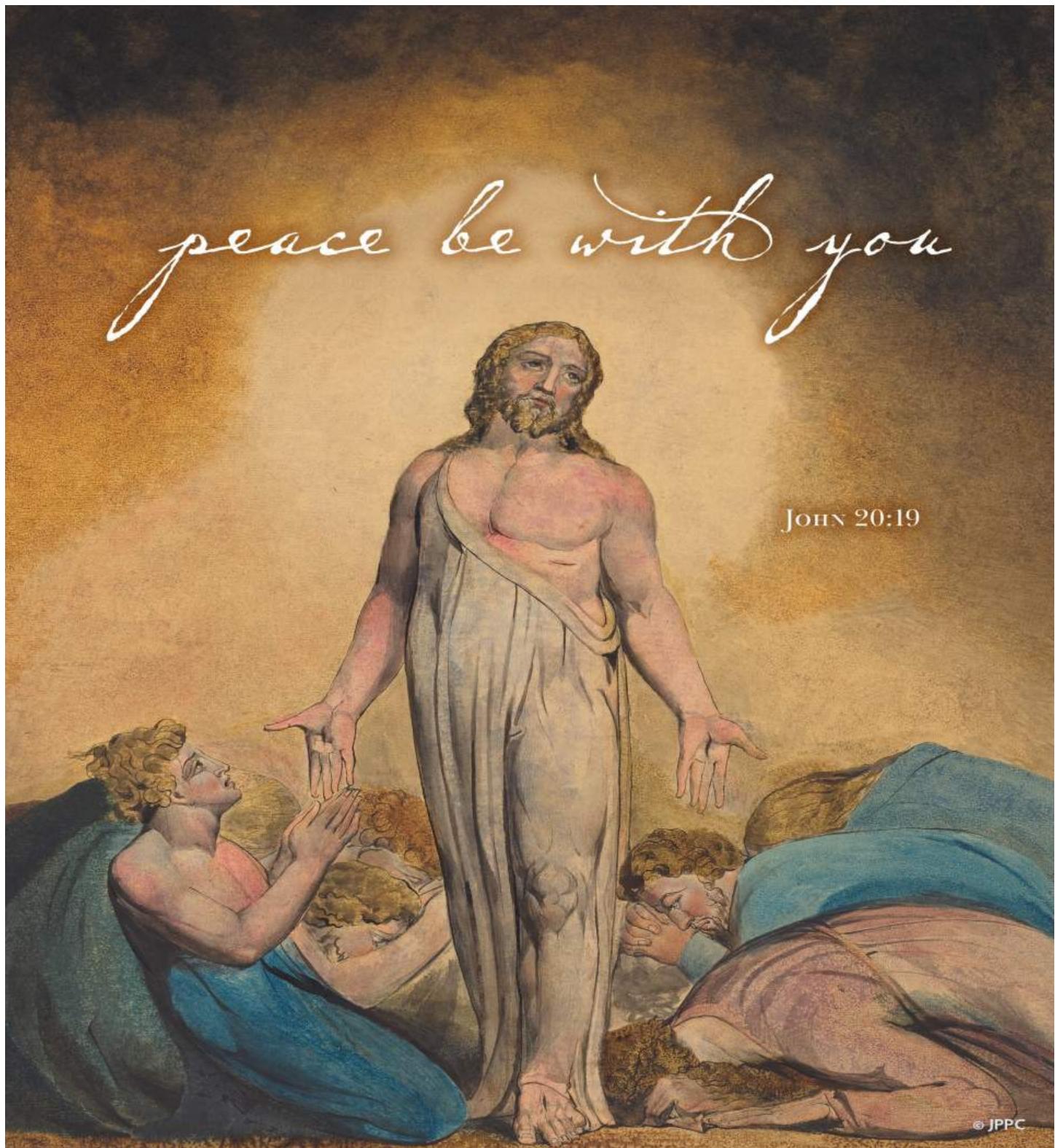
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MAY 19, 2024

PENTECOST SUNDAY

peace be with you

JOHN 20:19



PASTOR'S CORNER

"Come, Holy Spirit"

Today - Pentecost Sunday - is the birthday of the Church. But why today and not Christmas, Easter Sunday, or the Ascension? What makes this day so singular to make it the birthday of the Church? This is the day when the disciples emerged from a womb of fear and doubt, guilt and shame, to go out into the world proclaiming their faith and allegiance to Jesus Christ fearlessly. This is the day that the disciples caught fire; they were now on fire for God. Despite the world's threats and intimidation, nothing could put that fire out. They wanted to build a city, a culture, a life where God would be praised and worshipped above all - not just in a Church building, but in a way of living where one's conscience is formed by God's moral truths. This way of life and choosing between right and wrong are not based on opinion polls, but by spiritual and Gospel values.

Pentecost needs to happen all over again in each of us. You and I are called to be on fire for God. Our culture continues to tread on our values. Government policies threaten how we worship, our respect for conscience, our respect for traditional values, and respect for life. Like that first generation of Christians, let us stand firm in the faith...to speak out and speak for it...and never take it for granted.

We pray:

"Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created,
and they shall renew the face of the earth."

Happy Pentecost,
Father Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

5:00pm ~ Marylou and Charles McKeough

8:30am ~ Mary Jane Garry

10:30am ~ Lawrence Ott

The new Sunday Mass Schedule started in January

Monday, May 20, 2024

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00am ~ Rosemary Rabbit

*** **7:00pm ~ Miraculous Medal Novena**

Adoration 8:30am to 4:00pm

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions

8:00am ~ Living and Deceased of St. Hilary

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

Saint Rita of Cascia

8:00am ~ Jack Whalen

Thursday, May 23, 2024

8:00am ~ Joseph Magee III

Friday, May 24, 2024

8:00am ~ Richard Hopkins

Saturday, May 25, 2024

5:00pm ~ Robert Seifert

Sunday, May 26, 2024

The Most Holy Trinity

8:30am ~ Patrick and Mary Costello

10:30am ~ Joseph and Mary Forkin

ST. HILARY PARISH NOW HAS A TWITTER ACCOUNT, INSTAGRAM, AND FACEBOOK PAGE! PLEASE SEE THE LINKS BELOW ~ YOU CAN ALSO ACCESS THESE SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS BY GOING TO OUR PARISH WEBSITE AT: www.sthilarypoitiers.org

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UPDATE TO THE ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

This coming June, we will complete our two-year Capital Campaign. As previously noted, our original goal was \$350,000. The generosity of our parishioners has been overwhelming. Currently a total of \$427,176.25 has been pledged. Of that amount, we have collected and deposited \$355,498. Of the 231 families who have pledged, 172 families are paid in full. All of our projects have been completed, and all bills are now paid, thanks to you! I hope you enjoyed our new air conditioning system in the Church in summer. Our children and teachers were kept cool with our brand new school air conditioning system. Our new lighting in the parking lot and the new beautiful side Church doors have been a most welcome addition as well. So, as we are in the second year of our Campaign, I am most grateful for your generosity. As always, the people of St. Hilary always come through! God's grace & peace, Fr. Murray



**CONGRATULATIONS
AND THANK YOU
TO THE FOLLOWING
WHO ARE BEING INSTALLED
AS NEW ALTAR SERVERS
AT ST. HILARY CHURCH
THIS WEEKEND AT MASS:**

Cate Carroll

Jack Courtney

Michael Coyle

Daniel Gillard

Emily Horan

Hallie Howard

Ryan Landgrebe

Nolan Peppard

James Wilson

**MAY GOD BLESS THEM
IN THEIR NEW MINISTRY!**



In this year of reviving our devotion to the Eucharist and encouraging everyone to return to Mass, we will offer weekly meditations, reflections, and poetry from various saints and authors on the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, which is "the source and summit of the Christian life." Excerpts are taken from the book *The Holy Hour*, a Word on Fire publication.

Reflection by St. Ignatius of Antioch

**"The Eucharist is the Flesh of
our Savior Jesus Christ,
Flesh which suffered for our sins
and which the Father, in
his goodness, raised up again."**



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MORE SAFETY FOR SHS! GREAT NEWS FOR ST. HILARY SCHOOL!

St. Hilary of Poitiers School has been awarded the **2023-2024 School Safety Grant** through the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency for \$73,655! These grant funds were allocated for Building Improvements for Physical Safety!

We extend our gratitude to the Montgomery County Department of Public Safety, the School Safety Specialist and School Safety Coordinator, Abington Management Team, Rep. Ben Sanchez, and Abington and Philadelphia Departments for their assistance with formal assessments for supporting background and documentation.

We will continue to share the exciting improvements as we receive further information from the state!



THANK YOU to all who helped plan and organize the annual Ladies Night Out! And thanks to all those who attended! Pictures to follow in a future Bulletin.

THANK YOU TO OUR GRANDPARENTS...

Thank you for your love and support of your grandchildren and their education at St. Hilary School! For those who were able to make the special morning recently at SHS, we know you left filled with the love and happiness that only a child can bring with their smiles, hugs, and joy! The love, faith, and integrity of family that filled St. Hilary School that day was amazing! We honor and thank all of our grandparents for all you have done for our families and children...for being the root of our faith!

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.

*Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for
families, for the Church and for all of society.*

*Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to
be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith,
guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of
sound religious tradition. Make them teachers of
wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future
generations the fruits of their mature human
and spiritual experience.*

*Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the
presence and roles of grandparents.*

*May they never be ignored or excluded, but always
encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely
and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you
give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep
grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them
on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant
that all families may one day be reunited in our
heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for
the great embrace of life without end.*

Amen!

THANK YOU FOR THE MANNA BAGS

which were returned to Masses this weekend. The food is being picked up Saint Vincent Food Cupboard this Monday, May 20th. Thank you!



ST. HILARY RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE distributed baby bottles last weekend. We respectfully request that you fill them with loose change and bills. The bottles will then be collected after all Masses NEXT weekend, May 25/26. Thank you!



PICTURES FROM THE ST. HILARY SCHOOL AND PREP PROGRAM MAY PROCESSIONS



THEY WERE
REVERENT AND
LOVELY
CELEBRATIONS
DEDICATED TO
THE BLESSED
MOTHER
EARLIER IN
MAY

ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB NEWS

The St. Hilary 55+ Spirit Club had its May meeting on the 15th and the Parish Center was once again decorated in a spring theme. Ray Vandegrift talked to the members about financial security in retirement. It was entertaining and informative. We would like to thank Ray for treating the club to lunch. Everyone enjoyed the hoagies and Stocks pound cake and the many conversations around the tables. The next meeting is on **Wed., June 19 at which time we will have an ice cream social and bingo party.** New members are always welcome. We are a very welcoming & fun group! You do not have to be a parish member to join. Please call Ro or Mike Schell at 215-663-1421 or contact Rosesylvia McDonald at 215-219-0651 with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you on June 19; doors open at 9am and the meeting starts at 10am. Thanks!

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to several thousands of people. These individuals are served by an array of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The beneficiaries of this Appeal focus on five key areas:
- Education - Social Services - Local Mission Activities
- Clergy - Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life

Thank you for your support !



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

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, TJ McDonald, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonio, 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, 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, Dilynn Listman, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Martha Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Colleen Legare, Theresa Williams, Jim Curley, Bob Donnelly, Gloria Merron

Please pray for the souls of all of the deceased

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am,

(new schedule started in January 2024; this will be the permanent schedule all during the year, including the summer)

WEEKDAY MASSES

8 AM on Monday thru Friday

CONFESIONS:

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

Deacon ~ Deacon Joseph W. Bernauer, Jr.

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BAPTISM: Sundays after the 10:30am 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 Thursday 8:30am to 4pm; closed for lunch 12-1

Fridays 8:30am to noon

Please note that church envelopes, as well as Tuition payments and other school payments, can be dropped off in the secure BLACK lockbox outside the rectory during off-hours. Thanks!



PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM

"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did to me." Matthew 25:40

Your charitable donations to our St. Hilary Parish Outreach Program have benefitted many organizations and individuals. Here is just a sample:

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St. Margaret Maternity Home

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- Father Murray

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