St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



PASTOR'S CORNER

"Our citizenship is in heaven."

The two great Feasts of the Church - All Saints and All Souls - remind us what God has in store for all who believe in Him. The seasons of life are many...the springs of birth and childhood; the summers of adulthood and maturity; the autumns of diminishment and growing older; the winters of sickness and death. Now, however, because of Christ, we have every reason to hope for a season beyond death - the everlasting season of Resurrection. The saints, those officially canonized by the Church, now experience that season in all its wonder. Their efforts to live the true spirit of the Beatitudes by being poor in spirit, pure in heart, merciful and gentle, are rewarded by seeing God face to face. The eternal embrace of God's love is theirs forever.

This is now our hope for All Souls. These unofficial saints of the Church whom we know by personal experience strove to live good lives. They are canonized in our own minds and hearts. We know them and were blessed by their sacrifice and love. Though grief and remorse are deep as we recall their memory today, our hope is real. We can be at peace and be happy for them as their salvation is assured. They are on the threshold of heaven and need our prayers to be released from their "purgatory state." This is what the Church calls the pain of a divided heart. Perhaps, like all of us, letting go is hard for them too; our attachments for people and things are strong. Our prayers are that they be released from clinging to the past and complete their journey home to God.

We pray for all our friends, parishioners, and family members this November who have died to this world. May the wonders and joys that await us sustain us in our seasons and our journey home.

> God Bless. Father Murray



Mass Intentions or the Week

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed 5:00pm Vigil ~ All Souls Mass 8:30am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary 10:30am ~ Daniel Callahan

Monday, November 3, 2025

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious 8:00am ~ Marseilles May

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop 8:00am ~ Verna Cauvin

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 8:00am ~ Tom Stengel

Thursday, November 6, 2025 $8:00am \sim Al King$

Friday, November 7, 2025 9:00am ~ Refugio Hernandez

Saturday, November 8, 2025 5:00pm ~ Michael Schlacter

Sunday, November 9, 2025 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 8:30am ~ McErlean & McReynolds Fam. 10:30am ~ James Wardle

The 2026 Mass Book for Announced Masses is now open.

ST. HILARY WEDNESDAY NIGHT **ROSARY GROUP**

Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm on the first floor of the Parish Center to pray the Rosary. All are welcome! For more information, contact Maria Greenberg at 215-603-3092 or mariastell72@gmail.com

CHECK OUT THE ST. HILARY PARISH TWITTER ACCOUNT. INSTAGRAM. AND FACEBOOK PAGE!

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Congratulations to the School and PREP children who recently received their First Holy Communion!

Nicolas Adamow

Amelia Budnev

Taylor Michael Cohen

James Delaney

George Dorsey

Chloe Ferro

Logan Hartsough

Peyton Howard

Emma Keenan

Colin Daniel McKenna

Alexander Milano

Ustym Mykytchyn

Owen O'Neill

Reagan Signarovitz

John Thomas Bolton, Jr.

Anne Budney

Peyton Day

Andriy Dobush

Greyson Evans

Michael Gillard

Michael Helak

Charlotte Kane

John Keenan

Lacie Mattern

Daniela Motruc

Ryan Niewood

Divinity Savage

Brady Smalarz

Cecilia Skoczylas Aiden Sullivan Nora Zimmer



THANKS FOR 40 HOURS PARTICIPATION!

Nothing gives more joy to a pastor than seeing the Church full. Thanks to all of you who made time for these beautiful devotions. It was a moment of grace as we lifted each other up in prayer. Thanks also to Mr. Justin Jue, our Cantors, Lectors, Altar Servers, Student Council, and all our children, especially our First Communion class.

Special thanks to Msgr. Mullin for his energetic reflections on the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation. As he celebrates his 50th Anniversary of Priesthood, we wish him many happy and restful years ahead.

Thanks again to all those who attended our annual Forty Hours at St. Hilary! - - Fr. Murray

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL

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ST. HILARY SCHOOL CE FOR EDUCATION



SHS has started their annual Race for Education, and we ask you to please join us in supporting this fundraiser (last year, over \$45,000 was raised!) St. Hilary's is a special community where students exhibit incredible school pride and enthusiasm. We could not engage in all of the wonderful learning opportunities and fun events without the monetary support of the great St. Hilary families, friends, and terrific parishioners thank you! Please know that no amount is too small and your support is greatly appreciated!

Race for Education Link: https://independent.pledgebrite.org/fund/sthilaryrfe25

Online donations are open now ~ or instead you can drop an envelope in the weekend collection baskets or black lockbox outside the rectory marked "Race for Education" (please be sure to include your name & address or email). You can make a general donation, or you can donate to a specific child or to faculty.

Thanks so much for your consideration!

Join TuitionCare!

Would you rather send your PA Income Tax money to Harrisburg or redirect it to SHS School?

TuitionCare is a program developed by the Foundation for Catholic Education that allows you to redirect your PA income tax dollars toward St. Hilary of Poitiers School providing a tuition credit for ALL families in Grades K-8! Anyone associated with St. Hilary Parish or School can participate! If you are new to the program, the minimum to redirect is \$1,000. For each participating School or Parish family, the SHS School

TuitionCare fund will receive \$1.000 toward tuition credits for Kind, thru 8th families. Much more information can be accessed here via the QR code above. or on www.sainthilaryschool.com. Thank you for your consideration!



ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN
US FOR
HOSPITALITY SUNDAY
THIS SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 2nd
AFTER THE 8:30am AND
10:30am MASSES
IN THE PARISH CENTER!



PLEASE STOP BY FOR SOME FOOD, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP!!



<u>Jack Greenberg</u>, one of our very own St Hilary parishioners, has been accepted by Archbishop Perez and has begun studies for priesthood at Saint Charles Borromeo

Seminary for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia!
Congratulations to Jack, and his proud family! Let us prayerfully support him as he takes the necessary steps to discern his call more clearly.

The 2025-26 St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal invites us to support those preparing to serve the Church. Your gift to the Appeal helps form seminarians, candidates for the Permanent Diaconate, and lay leaders who will guide and care for God's people. Most importantly, your generosity provides for the future of our faith. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution this year to help prepare the next generation of shepherds for Christ's flock. You can donate by mail or use the QR code here. Thank you!

On the weekend of Nov. 15/16 at Masses, we will be visited by Jack Greenberg who will speak to us on behalf of the Seminary!

You are cordially invited to join us as Father Jacob John celebrates a Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of his 25th Jubilee



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29th 5:00pm MASS

Celebration Reception to follow after
Mass in the Parish Center ~

<u>all are welcome</u> for
hors d'oeuvres & refreshments!

Please mark your calendars and plan to
join us for this very special occasion!

During this month of November, we will remember all of our deceased loved ones at Masses. A special Memorial Shrine has been set up at the Blessed Mother altar, where you can feel free to place names of the deceased in the Book of Life and light a Memorial Candle.





ELECTION BALLOTS FOR ST. HILARY PARISH COUNCIL



The purpose of the Parish Council is to foster full participation of the entire parish in the life and mission of the parish and of the Universal Church.

*** PLEASE CIRCLE UP TO TWO (2) NAMES, CUT OUT THIS SECTION, AND PLACE BALLOT IN THE COLLECTION BASKET, OR YOU CAN DROP IT OFF IN THE RECTORY OFFICE OR IN THE SECURE BLACK LOCKBOX OUTSIDE THE RECTORY. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CALL THE RECTORY ***

(must be at least 18 yrs. of age and a member of St. Hilary to participate in nominating)

PLEASE RETURN YOUR BALLOT BY NOVEMBER 12 ~ THANK YOU!

Chuck Beugless Joe Kelly Mike Schell

Shirley Callahan Matt Matkowski Christopher Vito

Stacey Ellis Ashley McVey Meghan Vito

Thank you for your input and participation in this Parish Council Election!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ADVENT SCRIPTURE SERIES – YOUR CHOICE OF TWO DIFFERENT SESSIONS!



Take an Advent Journey with Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR, the Saints, & the Holy Family, to prepare yourself to enter into the story of Christ's birth through prayer, charity, and joyful acts of service to the needy. During each week of Advent, you will embark on a new path informed by Franciscan spirituality to guide you to becoming closer to God.

This 4-Week Advent Series will be offered by Kathy Lill:

Day & Time: <u>Tuesdays at 1:30pm</u> in the Rectory (Nov. 18th, Dec. 2nd, 9th, 16th)

Offering: \$15 *** Please register & pick up your book from the Rectory <u>before</u>
the first session...thanks!

Register: Call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com



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This 4-Week Advent Series will be offered by Father Murray:

Day & Time: Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Rectory (Nov. 19th, Dec. 3rd, 10th,17th)

Offering: \$15

Register: Call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com



St. Hilary Knights of Columbus <u>Members Meeting</u> ~ Wed., Nov. 5 at 7pm in the Rectory



Thank you to all the St. Hilary Parishioners for their kind and generous donations the past two weekends for the poor and homeless in Kensington.

These items will come in handy, especially with the fall weather, and before long the winter weather.

Thank you from the Knights!



All Saints...Did you know?

In our three altars, the relics of six saints can be found. In the Main Altar are found the relics of Saint Verecundus and Saint Severianus, martyrs. In the Blessed Mother Altar are the relics of Saint Aurelia and St. Timothy, martyrs. And in the St. Joseph Altar are the relics of Saint Sixtus and Saint Perpetua, martyrs.

The relics of the saints are placed in altars to honor the saints as heroic witnesses to the faith and to connect the Mass to the early church's practice of celebrating in catacombs among martyr's tombs. This practice celebrates that the sacrifice of Christ celebrated on the altar is connected to the sacrifice of the martyrs who shed their blood for Christ.

The relics are also a reminder that the saints' lives were sacred temples of the Holy Spirit and that their bodies are worthy of respect.



All Souls Day, also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed and the Day of the Dead, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of all those who have died. At the 5pm Mass on Saturday, Nov.1, the names of those who died within the past year and were buried from St. Hilary Church will be read out loud. Please join us as we pray for all of the deceased in our lives who we keep close to our hearts.

The following are those who died since All Souls Day 2024:

Helen Moos Jacklyn McCrimmon Verna Cauvin Kathleen Weiseman

Lorna King Florence Stiglich Maureen O'Malley Thomas Hickey

Joseph Gallagher Kathryn Vassallo Barbara Martin James Vassallo

Cecilia Lawsin Manuel Lawsin Margaret Kilkenny Celeste Tate

Norma Rotoli Anna Marie Monaghan Patricia Cass Sara Adamczyk

Donna Cunningham Joanne Tartaglia Clare Kussay

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SAINT HILARY'S 55+ SPIRIT CLUB

St. Hilary's 55+ Spirit Club will have its next meeting on Wednesday, November 19th. New members always welcome - we are a fun and welcoming group! You don't need to be a parishioner. Please call Roschell at 215-206-5313 or Mike Schell at 215-206-4530 w/ questions. See you on Nov. 19th! Thanks!

ST. HILARY'S EAGLES FOOTBALL BLOCK POOL

Week 07 Winners

Forkin Family and Anthony Cesarini

Week 06 Winners

Steve Farrell and Frank Davis

Week 05 Winners

Steve Farrell and Frank Davis

Week 04 Winners

Connie Fennell and Fenstermaker Family

Week 03 Winners

Dan & Mary McVey and Terri Supka

Week 02 Winners

Dave Luschini and Gracie DiCiacco

Week 01 Winners

Ed McDonald and Tom Gilton

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, please call 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 Masantonia, Angela Gavin, William Hartner, Mary Jane Hummel, Michele Kelly, Tina Savarino, 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, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Martha Serdner, Theresa Williams, Bob Donnolly, Ilda Leal, Isaiah Walter, Regina Carberry, Scott Paris, Ben Paris, Michelle Hannah, Michael Keough, Joanne McKee, Jamie Leal, Helen Toland, Maryanne Powell, Sandra Rogers, Timothy Funk, Michelle Stuetz, Kim Huntoweski, Ariel Cleveland, Mary Garcia, Soon Lee

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased:

Clare Kussay Charles Mulligan

Florence Anderson

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am,

WEEKDAY MASSES

8 AM on Monday thru Friday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4 – 4:45 PM; Sundays in Lent after 10:30am Mass

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.

School Principal ~ Eileen Fagan

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Music Director ~ Justin Jue Plant Manager ~ Hal Fagan

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.

ANNUAL BLOCK COLLECTION

Thanks to all those who have already contributed to our annual Parish Block Collection! Your loyalty and care for the needs of the parish have been

an inspiration. Your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated! Thanks & God bless you.

-- Father Murray

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 26, 2025

Sunday Offering: \$4,486

Electronic Giving: \$2,424

Total: \$6,910

October 27, 2024

Sunday Offering: \$4,149 Electronic Giving: \$2,551

Total:6,700

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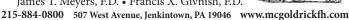
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