

# St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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FEBRUARY 19, 2023

*SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

**“Offer no  
resistance to one  
who is evil.”**

MATTHEW 5:39



## PASTOR'S CORNER

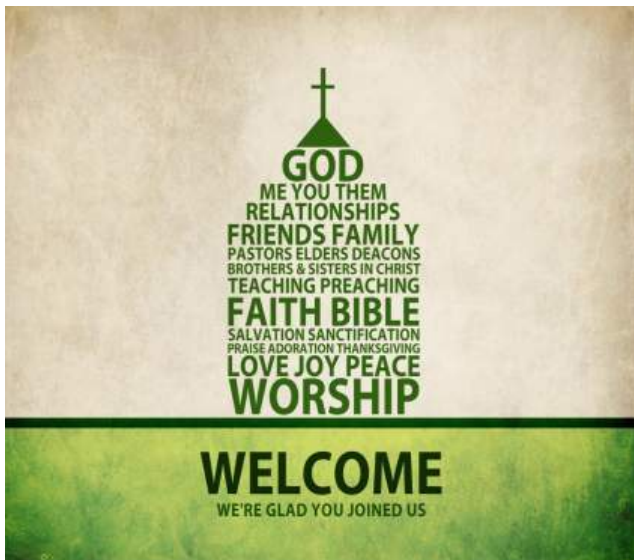
**WELCOME ~  
REV. MR. JOSEPH W. BERNAUER**

I am happy to announce that Deacon Joseph Bernauer has been appointed by Archbishop Perez to serve here at our parish. Deacon Bernauer will begin by serving here one weekend a month. Presently, he is serving at Maternity BVM Parish in Philadelphia. This assignment is part of the Archbishop's and the Permanent Diaconate Advisory Council's Plan to assign Deacons from parishes which have more than one Deacon to assist parishes where there are none.

Deacon Bernauer will assist at Mass, proclaim the Gospel, preach, baptize, lead Prayer Services, offer blessings, and participate in charitable works of mercy. He was ordained a Deacon in June 2014. He and his wife, Marianne, have two children, Joseph and Rachel. The family are members of Maternity BVM Parish. Deacon Bernauer serves on the Deacon Advisory Board to the Archbishop as well as on the Archdiocese Elementary Advisory Board.

We are very happy to welcome Deacon Bernauer to our parish community and sharing his gifts with us.

God Bless,  
*Father Murray*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Sunday, February 19, 2023**

*7th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm Vigil ~ Bandura Family

8:00am ~ John, Rose and Henry McErlean

10:00am ~ James and Bernadette Thomas

12:00pm ~ Elizabeth Cirigliano

**Monday, February 20, 2023**

8:00am ~ Evelyn Duffy

\*\*\* NO ADORATION TODAY (President's Day)

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023**

*Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of Church*

8:00am ~ Eileen O'Donnell

**Wednesday, February 22, 2023**

*ASH WEDNESDAY*

8:00am ~ Emil A. Maikner

10:00am ~ Jack and Patsy Whalen

7:00pm ~ Living and Deceased of St. Hilary

**Thursday, February 23, 2023**

*Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr*

8:00am ~ Joseph M. Magee III

**Friday, February 24, 2023**

8:00am ~ Michael Coulston

**Saturday, February 25, 2023**

5:00pm Vigil ~ Kevin Supka

**Sunday, February 26, 2023**

*First Sunday of Lent*

8:00am ~ Lois Mahan

10:00am ~ Theresa James

12:00pm ~ Kathleen Tracey

## DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

*In the words of Pope Francis*

- \* Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- \* Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- \* Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- \* Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- \* Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- \* Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- \* Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- \* Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- \* Fast from selfishness & be compassionate to others.
- \* Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- \* Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



## 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 **\$406,841.25**. 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. We currently have about \$237,538 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!

### 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 to the right, of the beautiful stained glass to be inserted into our new Church doors

Once again, I am sincerely thankful for the overwhelming response & generosity! New pledges are most welcome. All donations are appreciated! *Father Murray*

## **3 NEW CHURCH DOORS COMING SOON...**



ST. HILARY

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**SCHOOL HALL DOOR**

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LOCATION OF DOOR:  
**CHURCH TO COURTYARD**



SACRED HEART OF MARY

LOCATION OF DOOR:  
**HALL TO CHURCH**



## **ASH WEDNESDAY IS THIS WEDNESDAY,** **FEBRUARY 22, 2023**

**MASSSES are at 8:00am, 10:00am and 7:00pm**  
**(Ashes are given out during Mass)**

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2023, on all the Fridays of Lent and on Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided the countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.



### **WOMEN OF ST. HILARY...**

Please join us for a wonderful **FREE** presentation on women's safety in today's world on

**Thursday, February 23**

**at 7:00pm**

**in the Parish Center**

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Topics which will be discussed include home security, physical security, automobile security, travel security, technological security, workplace security, and security reminders for parents, children, senior citizens, as well as people with disabilities. Any questions, call Stacey Ellis at 215-896-3424. Thanks for your consideration!

## **STEWARDSHIP REPORT** **TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION**

**February 12, 2023**

Sunday Offering: \$5,603  
Electronic Giving: \$2,251

**Total: \$7,854**

**February 13, 2022**

Sunday Offering: \$6,830  
Electronic Giving: \$4,108

**Total: \$10,938**

**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](http://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](mailto:efagan@sainthilaryschool.com)



**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY AT ST. HILARY PARISH SUNDAY, MARCH 12**



**AFTER THE 8am AND THE 10am MASSES**

All are welcome to stop in the Parish Center on March 12 to have a drink and a snack after the 8am and 10am Masses! Please join us!

**ST. HILARY VERY SUPER SUPER BOWL POOL**



**MANY THANKS TO BOB LATTANZI, OUR FOOTBALL BLOCK POOL EXPERT! HIS TIME & SUPPORT OF ST. HILARY'S PARISH ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!**



St. Hilary Parish made \$6,700 from the 2022 regular season football pool (\$5,700 from sales and \$1,000 from four weekly winning blocks).

St. Hilary Parish made \$3,000 from the 3 Super Bowl Block Pools, and paid out \$4,500 in winnings!

Thanks to all who participated!!



**Below are the big winners from the Super Bowl Block Pools:**

Dave S. (Vare)	\$500
Ann Wise	\$500
Dan DiCiacco	\$500
Kathy Lennon	\$265
Joe Kilian	\$240
Stephen Vito	\$240
Pat & Cass Egan	\$218
Forkin Family	\$193
Mike O'Rourke	\$193
Tom Yaegel	\$193
Rick Alegado	\$193
Frank Altamuro	\$168
George & Joann Brenner	\$50
Bill McGinn	\$50
McCrea Family	\$50

Thank You

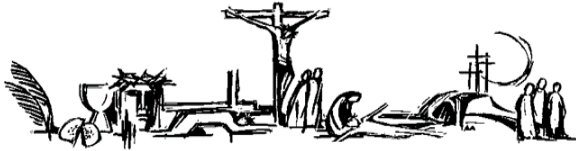


**There were also many who won \$25:**

Frank & Kate Hopkins, Mary McCallister, Bill & Ellen Romano, Brazukas Family, Father Murray, Art (Vare), Joe Henry, Bob Tate, Kilkenny Kats, Stuart & Karen Skinner, David Luschini, Pete & Deb Comas, Sharon (Matty) Hopkins, Bernadette Mulvey, Otto Family, Kevin Tracey, Mosie Barrett, Bob Donnelly, Connie Fennell, Tom Greenfield, Alex Muttreja, Amanda Spahits, Tommy Shute, John Roken, Tumbler Hueber, Mike Verdi, Gracie Keller, Alaina DiCiacco, Bob & Diane Sawyer, Joanne McKee, Kevin Walker, Jennifer Powers, The Ogre (Hartey), John Kolla, Ray Vandegrift, Meredith Merlini, John Dunleavy, Frank Davis

**THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!**

## LENTEN CALENDAR



### Daily Mass

Monday thru Friday at 8am,  
followed by the Rosary  
Adoration every Monday 8:30am to 4pm  
(No Adoration on Monday, Feb. 20)

### Confessions

Saturdays 4:00 to 4:45pm  
Sundays during Lent after the 10am Mass  
Monday Evening, April 3 at 7:00pm

### \*\*\* Stations of the Cross During Lent

Thursday afternoons at 2:15pm  
Thursday Evenings at 7:00pm

\*\*\* **Begins Thursday, March 2**

### Lenten Scripture Series ~ Parables of the Kingdom

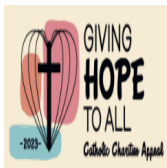
Six-week Scripture Study Sessions  
(see information on this page)

### Taize Prayer

Monday, March 20 at 7:00pm  
(by Director Justin Jue & St. Hilary Choir)



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.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

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 of the  
annual Catholic Charities Appeal.**

## **PLEASE JOIN US FOR ST. HILARY LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY**



*This program studies and explores the parables of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. Come and see how these stories of Jesus - spoken so long ago - are still relevant for us today! The parables are drawn from ordinary life that reveal God's universal truths.*

*This six-week program begins THIS coming week, February 20 - see below for info. \*  
PLEASE SIGN UP BY MONDAY!  
Call the Rectory SOON at 215-884-3252.  
All are welcome!*

- Mondays 10am with Sandy Repitcky in Parish Ctr.
- Mondays 7pm with Celeste Cattie in the Rectory
- Tuesdays 1:30pm with Kathy Lill in the Rectory
- Wednesdays 7pm with Fr. Murray in the Rectory \*
- \* Fr. Murray's group begins March 1 for four weeks

Cost: \$20

## **Prayer for the Catholic Charities Appeal**

*God, our Father,*

*We thank you for all the gifts and blessings that you give out of your love for us all. You call us to open our hearts to share what we have been given. Grant that through giving to the Catholic Charities Appeal, we may bring joy, hop, and strength to those who most in need. Our charity towards those in need is a real way in which we show our gratitude and love for you.*

*Through this year's Catholic Charities Appeal, may we help as many people as we can, including a young person striving to learn and grow in Faith; a deaf child receiving a quality Catholic Education; a veteran who is struggling with homelessness; a parish carrying out vital local missionary work; a retired priest who has dedicated his life to the needs of the faithful.*

*Help us do all we can to make sure the "poor have their fill" of your blessings. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.*



**UPDATED 55+ SPIRIT NEWS:**

**55+ Spirit Club** ~ The next Spirit Club meeting is Wed., March 15 at 10am in the Parish Ctr. Margie 215-885-8722 / Bridget 215-663-0411

**MAN UP PHILLY**

**Archdiocese of Phila.  
Men's Spirituality Conference  
Saturday, March 4, 2023  
Cardinal O'Hara's Vianney Hall Theater**

All men - fathers, sons, brothers, friends - are encouraged to join "On the Road to Emmaus" for an inspiring day of faith and fellowship. Mass will be celebrated by the Most Rev. Archbishop Nelson Perez. Please visit [manupphilly.com](http://manupphilly.com) for more information and to register.

**Divine Mercy said:** "In return for My blessings, I get ingratitude. In return for My love, I get forgetfulness and indifference. My heart cannot bear this."

(St. Faustina Diary, 1537)

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**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

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased:  
Christopher Kirk Anna LaRose Mike Triola

**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

\*\*\* Confessions on the Sundays in Lent after the 10am Mass

**HOLY DAYS**

7 PM Vigil

8 AM and 10 AM on holy day

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**Coordinator of Religious Education ~ Noreen Forkin**

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**Business Manager ~ Maureen Maher,**

**Parish Secretary ~ Marian Stengel 215-884-3252**

**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

\*\*\* Rectory is Closed on Mon., Feb. 20 (President's Day)  
Please note that church envelopes as well as Tuition payments can be dropped off in the secure **BLACK** lockbox outside the rectory during off-hours. Thanks!



**LENT begins this week.**

**Here are some suggestions for the days of Lent this week:**

Wed., Feb. 22 - wear ashes today as a sign that you are seeking both forgiveness and eternal life from Christ.

Thurs., Feb. 23 - start a prayer book and record those for whom you pray or for what you pray. Also keep track of how God answers you.

Fri., Feb. 24 - Catholics are required to abstain from meat on the Fridays during Lent as a form of penance.

Sat., Feb. 25 - the Bible teaches us to deny ourselves and give instead to those in need. Read Matthew 6:1-4 to learn more about sacrificial almsgiving.

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