

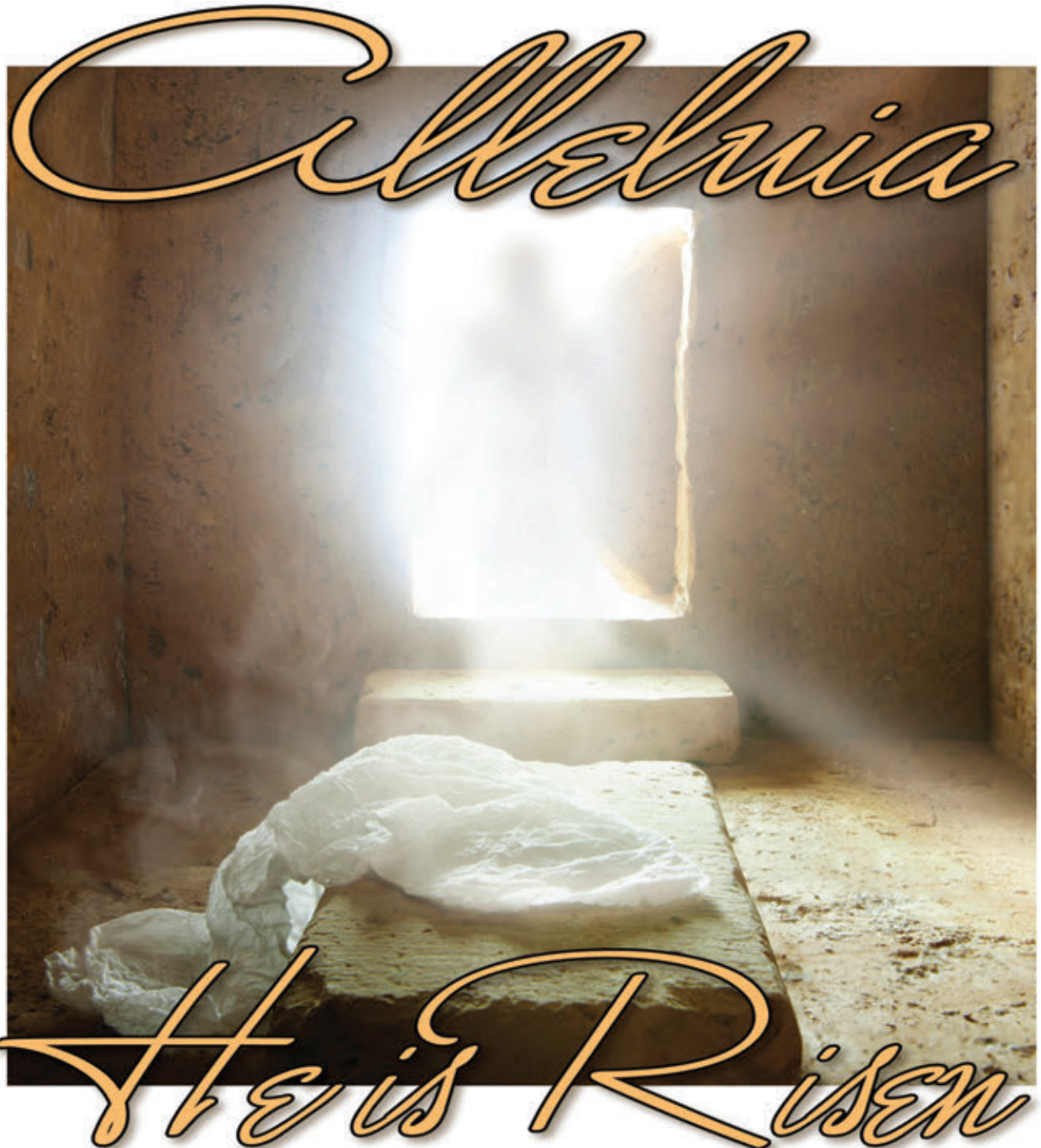
# St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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APRIL 4, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Pastor's Corner

The night shall be as bright as day”

Exsultet

In an address to young people, St. John Paul II said”

“do not let hope die, stake your life on it. We are not the sum of our weakness and failures; we are the sum of the Fathers love for us and our real capacity to become the image of His Son”

Yes on this Easter day we are called to heed those prophetic words. Our hope is in a Person, who came back from the dead. Our hope is renewed each morning no matter how dark the night has been. The light of Jesus Christ, risen from the dark night of death burnt away the guilt, the weaknesses, and failures of the Apostles. Because of the Fathers love for them, they were able to rise from the tomb of their failures. They were able now to become the image of his Son and change the world.

These past few weeks have been long night for us. A nightmare that we can't seem to awake from. Yet scripture reminds us in St. Paul's words:

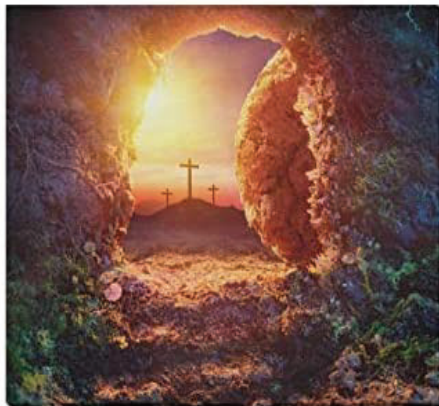
“awake oh sleeper rise from the dead and Christ will give you light”

Jesus risen is calling us all out of our tombs. The tombs of fear, despair, sin and regrets. With Christ ever before us the future is always full of hope and promise. The Fathers love now at work in us will enable us to become the image of His son. May we all rise when this darkness is over to become better persons, kinder, compassionate, ever more grateful for the gift of life. As the beautiful Easter Exsultet proclaims:

“the sanctifying power of the night dispels wickedness, washes away faults, restores innocence to the fallen and joy to mourners fosters concord and brings down the mighty’

Christ is risen let us rejoice and be glad. Gods grace and peace.

Happy Easter  
Father Murray



Sunday, April 4, 2021  
Mass Times are as follows:  
5:00pm Saturday Vigil, 9:00am & 11:00am Sunday

If you are unable to attend Mass in person please watch our Video Masses

Easter Sunday

7:30pm Vigil The McGilvery Family  
9:00am Joseph A. Curcillo, Jr.  
11:00am Lidia Yacilla

Monday in the Octave of Easter

Monday, April 5, 2021

8:00am Rose McCourt

Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

8:00am Kathleen T. Murray

Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

8:00am Helen Metzger

Thursday in the Octave of Easter

Thursday, April 8, 2021

8:00am Helen & Edward Metzger

Friday in the Octave of Easter

Friday, April 9, 2021

8:00am Colette Dolan

Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Saturday, April 10, 2021

5:00pm Joseph & Mary Forkin

2nd Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 11, 2021

9:00am William Patrick O'Brien

11:00am Frances D'Urbano.



Let it snow, let it snow No! No More.

Our snow blowing bill so far this year is \$11,895.00. Thanks to our Eagles Pool and Super Bowl Pool we raised \$12,325.00

which covered the cost and more. Thank you for all your support, especially our organizer. Father Murray

## *Alleluia, Alleluia He Has Risen from the Dead*



Our prayers and meditations during this season, which lasts seven weeks from Easter Sunday until Pentecost, can also remind us of the many ways in which what we commonly refer to as the Paschal Mystery is not some whimsical story, as some might have you believe these days. (The Paschal Mystery refers to Jesus' Passion, Resurrection, Ascension into heaven, and sending of the Holy Spirit.) Christ wasn't just some philosopher or prophet but was indeed the Son of God, the Second person of the Trinity! After His Resurrection Jesus wasn't a ghost either! One of the apostles, St. Thomas, inadvertently helped provide proof of that when at Jesus's behest, he touched His wounds from His crucifixion, after having previously expressed his doubts about our Lord's rising from the dead. Luke's gospel (24:42) includes another incident mentioned earlier when Christ ate some food in front of His joyfully amazed disciples. After His Resurrection, Christ had a glorified body, one that could move and appear or disappear instantaneously, much as the two disciples discovered when they met Him on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13).

When we renew our [baptismal vows](#) at mass on Easter Sunday, we strengthen our faith and our determination to "walk in newness of life" with our Lord, as St. Paul put it so well (Rom 6:4). With Christ's help we can free ourselves from the shackles of our sins and share Eternal Life with Him when we pass away. Just as He conquered death, then so can each of us, if we persevere in prayer and in sincerely trying to do His will!

Easter prayers also help us reflect on the fact that these efforts towards holiness will indeed be rewarded in heaven. It is an important tenet of our faith that our bodies will join our souls either in heaven or in hell at the Last Judgment, reaffirming the eternal destination established at our death.

Our bodies in heaven will be immortal, pain-free, and able to move at the speed of thought, much like Christ's in the gospel accounts of events between His Resurrection and His Ascension! (Imagine never having to worry about aches and pains again? Or about some craving that will only make you miserable afterwards!)

In our Easter prayers let us keep "our eyes on the prize" as we contemplate St. Paul's words that our bodies shall rise in power and in incorruptibility to join our souls if we have attained Eternal Life with God.

# St. Hilary of Poitiers Church

April 2021

Dear Parishioners,

In recent years because of your support, we have made many significant upgrades and improvements to our Church, School, and grounds – from new rooftops on all our buildings, a new Parish Center, new school windows, new interior and exterior lighting, and two new ramps. These improvements have all brought new vitality and security to our parish.

There was one project that remained a hope of mine for some time. The front doors of our Church are over fifty years old and have become warped and faded. I am happy to announce that we have received a very generous gift from the Estate of Phyllis and Thomas Asson to be used to replace the four front doors of St. Hilary Church. These new doors will be custom-made of mahogany wood, featuring hand painted leaded stained glass. The doors will be more energy-efficient, with panic bars for added safety and security.

These new additions will enhance our “home away from home” as a place of welcome, serenity, and beauty. I am most grateful to the late Phyllis and Thomas Asson for their longtime loving support, and for this special blessing from heaven.

God's grace and peace,  
*Father Murray*

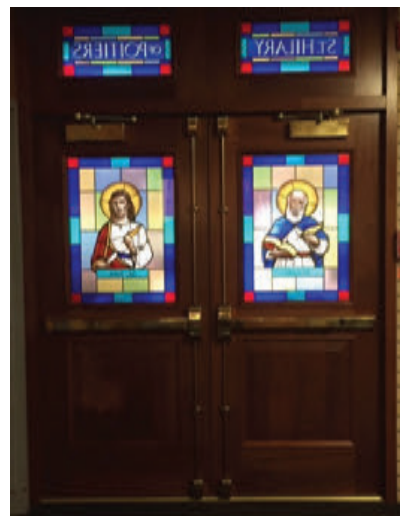
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Actual New doors installed on the Assumption of our Lord



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Our beautiful Memorial Garden in front of our Church has bricks with names of loved ones, both living and deceased. The cost of each brick is \$100.00. If you are interested in purchasing a memorial brick to be included in our Memorial Garden, please send an email to: [sthilaryrydal@gmail.com](mailto:sthilaryrydal@gmail.com) and we will get back to you promptly to answer any questions and let you know how to reserve one. (215)884-3252 We want to thank those of you who recently requested bricks.



**Pontifical Good Friday Collection**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday collection also helps preserve sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, this collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to this collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

**St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish  
Prayer Line**

To request Parish Prayer Line prayers for a loved one, friend who is ill, or a service man or woman, please call Virginia @215-663-1046 or the Rectory @ 215-884-3252 or if you would like a name removed from our list. If you would like to be part of the prayer Line and be contacted to pray for the sick and infirmed, please join our group by calling Virginia @ 215-663-1046

Please pray for the following:

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| David Gengler      | Paris Luckowski    | Jacalyn Strigle     |
| Helen Weinstrup    | Judy Sklar         | Dan Webb            |
| Mary Jane Namola   | Bernadette Redican | Rhodena Thompson    |
| Sophia Southerling | Gina Devaney       | Bruce Thompson II   |
| Mary Deely         | Bob Steele         | Linda Urie          |
| TJ McDonald        | Sandy Repitcky     | George Tomesko      |
| Charles Mulligan   | Linda Smithson     | Donna Alamar        |
| Ahmed Abdul        | Eileen Burger      | Sharon Fainelli     |
| Edward Watko       | Brian Bailie       | Donald Budrejko     |
| Salvatore Sermania | Joann Jordan       | Jair Merrida        |
| Kevin Mayer        |                    |                     |

**St. Hilary's Outreach Program**



St. Hilary's new Outreach Organization was created to continue the works of mercy. Through your generous support we are able to help members of our parish who are struggling. We also support St. Katharine Drexel food kitchen in Chester as well as Birthright. Your generous donations is a tangible way to respond to Jesus' call. Please see the Yellow Envelope marked Parish Outreach for your donation. Thank you for all your generous support of our Outreach Program.

**Burial & Cremation**

Pope Francis, through the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, has issued instructions regarding the burial of the deceased especially those who choose cremation. This instruction should help to maintain and recognize the human body as a living temple of Gods presence. Proper respect for the deceased and their remains must always be upheld. Copies on the guidelines are available at the rectory



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### **ST. HILARY OF POITIERS PARISH**



All Families interested in having your child baptized need to call the rectory at 215 884-3252 to make arrangements. All families must attend a Pre-Jordan class prior to the Baptism. (if you have already attended a pre-Jordan class for another child, you do not need to attend.

## **YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**



### **PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH**

**Glorious St. Joseph, you have the power to render possible things which are impossible, come to our aid in our present trouble and distress. Take this important and difficult affair under your particular protection that it may end happily.**

**Oh, dear St. Joseph, all our confidence is in you. Let it not be said that we have invoked you in vain, and since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary, show that your goodness equals your power. Amen**  
**Divine Providence can provide.**  
**Divine Providence did provide.**  
**Divine Providence will provide.**

*St. Hilary of Poitiers Church  
Celebrated the 150 Anniversary of the  
Proclamation St. Joseph Patron  
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**Year of Saint Joseph – December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021** Catholics around the world rejoice over the Holy Father's opening of the Holy Year of St. Joseph to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The entire Archdiocese of Philadelphia is encouraged to spend this year growing closer to St. Joseph by honoring him, imitating his virtues and asking for his intercession. To find local events, prayers and faith study faith study resources to celebrate the Year of St. Joseph, visit [archphila.org/joseph](http://archphila.org/joseph).

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