

# St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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JULY 12, 2020

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish  
Sunday Mass Video Available  
All Public Sunday Masses will resume on  
our Summer Schedule

5:00pm Vigil

9:00am Sunday

11:00am Sunday

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Daily Mass is Monday—Friday 8:00am  
(Please be mindful of social  
distancing guidelines)

Watch our Sunday Masses through our  
Flocknote Video or YouTube available  
through our website

**Pastor - Rev. Kevin P. Murray**

Weekend Assistance - Rev. Edward Dixey, OSA  
Weekend Assistant—Msgr. Gregory J. Fairbanks

Permanent Deacon - Deacon John K. Hunter

Pastor Emeritus - Msgr. Michael J. Carroll

St. Hilary School Principal - Mrs. Eileen Fagan

PREP Program Coordinator - Mrs. Noreen Forkin

Music Director, Justin Jue,

[jjue@sainthilaryschool.com](mailto:jjue@sainthilaryschool.com)

Maureen Maher, Business Manager

Marian Stengel, Parish Secretary

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**BAPTISM:** First and third Sundays of the month.  
Contact the Rectory for more information.

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

**RECTORY OFFICE IS NOW OPEN!**

*Deacon's Corner*

*The fruitfulness of God's word depends on the openness of the heart into which it falls.*

The parable in today's Gospel acts as a mirror into which we can look and see ourselves. This parable invites us to ask ourselves what seed we are like. Are we like the seed that fell on the footpath? Or are we like the seed that fell on rocky soil? Or the seed that fell among the briars? Or are we like the seed that fell on good soil? Being viewed as seed scattered on the ground does not seem to leave much room for free will. The seed scattered on rocks can scarcely move itself to the fertile soil. Is it the fault of the seed for landing in an inhospitable environment? The again, what about the seed that finds itself in fertile soil? Is there a responsibility to grow and produce fruit? That can hardly happen if its eaten by a bird. Again, the question of free will seems not to be a part of this parable. We have all come to the understanding that the seeds we are referring to are the Word of God given to each and every one of us. It is all about what we do with them. How we share that Word will determine how fruitful we are. If we choose not to share them or live by them then we die spiritually.

Today we might pray for the grace to grow where we find ourselves and to produce as much fruit as possible. One day there will be a harvest and we all have an opportunity to experience this new life if we choose.  
Have a safe summer!  
Deacon John



**Sunday, July 12, 2020**  
**ALL MASSES in Church have**  
**Resumed on our Summer Schedule**

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

5:00pm Living & deceased members of the  
O'Connor & McGarrity families  
9:00am Andrew Martin  
11:00am Larry Trebilcock

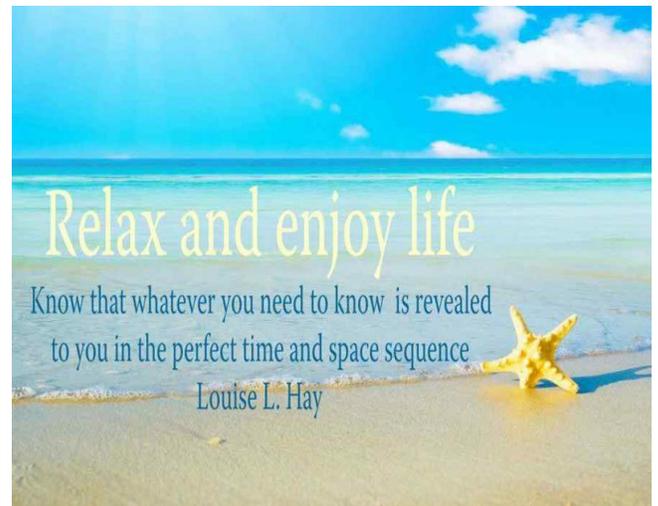
St. Henry  
Monday, July 13, 2020  
8:00am Adeline McDermott  
No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin  
Tuesday, July 14, 2020  
8:00am The Youell Family

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Wednesday, July 15, 2020  
8:00am Marie Wise

Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Thursday, July 16, 2020  
8:00 am Father Raymond Costello

Friday, July 17, 2020  
8:00 am James Wise



***Stewardship Report***  
**TOTAL WEEKLY**  
**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

**Reporting of Sunday Offering will be on hold until further notice.**



**On June 24th the 8th grade students of St. Hilary of Poitiers School Graduated**  
**The following Students Received Special Recognition for excellence in the Subjects listed below:**

**Religion:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Colette Owens**

**Language Arts/Writing:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Colette Owens**

**Mathematics:**

**Adrianna Doyle  
Caroline Farrell  
Mia Wolos**

**Algebra:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Colette Owens**

**Social Studies:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Maddie Listman  
Colette Owens**

**Literature/Reading:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Brianna Sherman-Blanding**

**Science:**

**Jessica Crocker  
Caroline Farrell**

**The Father Cosgrove Award:**

**Brynn Wisniewski  
Jack Greenberg**

**The Graduating Class of 2020 earned more than \$700,000. In high school scholarships and awards. Congratulations!!!**

## **5 Things Too Many Catholics Think the Church Stopped Teaching... But Didn't, let's set the record straight on some things here today, things that we taught before 1965 and *still* teach long after 1965 today.**

### **1) Sin, including Mortal Sin, still exists**

Sin didn't morph into "making mistakes." Personal sin didn't disappear and morph into "corporate or social sin."

In the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, sections 1846-1876, the issue of sin, both venial and mortal, are defined in union with the constant teaching of the Church.

Since sin didn't evaporate into the ether, neither did the necessity to address their effect and need for healing. Being in a state of mortal sin will still send you to hell. Dismiss that at your own risk. Being in a state of mortal sin still excludes a person from the reception of the Eucharist until Confession has happened. Receiving the Eucharist in a state of mortal sin is, itself, a mortal sin.

We have never taught that one has a right to the Eucharist in any old state. Never. In fact, if we did, that would point to a belief that the bread and wine must still be just bread and wine. We do not believe this either.

### **2) Sunday Mass/ Holy Day Masses are currently dispensed during the Covid 19 pandemic**

A Catholic in good standing, exempting those who are ill or taking care of someone who is ill, are obliged to worship God in Mass on every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation. That never changed.

When one chooses to opt out of Mass in favor of sleeping in, sports, shopping, or anything in this vein, one has found a god they think is more worthy of their time than the God.

That any Catholic would believe their faith life is just fine without Mass is delusional. Willfully missing mass is starving oneself to death spiritually. To knowingly and willfully miss Mass *is* mortally sinful. To teach one's children by word or example that Mass is optional is to teach your children how to mortally sin. This is a very serious matter.

### **3) The sanctity of human sexuality is still upheld**

We view human sexuality as such a profound good that the Church advises against the abuse of human sexuality into a mere plaything. We have always had problems with the misuse of human sexuality and the devastation it brings.

I know, I know...what about those clerics who sexually preyed on their flocks? They did so in direct opposition to the teachings of the Church.

The use of artificial birth control was never a "let your conscience be your guide" type of thing. That was the mantra of clerics who either bought into worldly views on human sexuality or were too cowardly to uphold those teachings for fear of the backlash that would come.

The Church does not okay the use of porn, masturbation, homosexual acts, or any other use of human sexuality that goes against its very nature.

I know this is not popular, but the Church has not changed its teachings about this. See *Catechism* sections 2331-2400.

### **4) Confession is still necessary for the forgiveness of Mortal Sin**

Sin needs to be forgiven for the relationship between God and with His people to be restored. It is that relationship that opens us to the freedom of receiving God's grace in the sacraments. It is that relationship that opens us to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Mortal sin severs that relationships. Without that relationship, we have no true access to the grace of the other sacraments nor to the Kingdom of Heaven. Confession is the way we fix that.

Whether one feels that is true or not, does not change that this is the constant teaching of the Church. See *Catechism* sections 1446-1470.

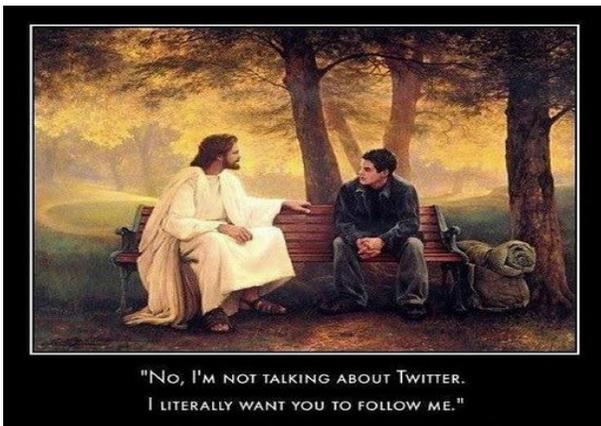
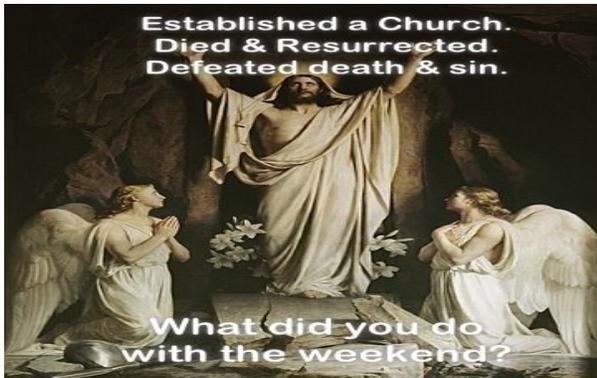
### **5) The Catholic faith is not a buffet where one picks and chooses what is okay and comfortable**

The Catholic faith has the right to say that this is what we believe. It has the right to set the standard. We do so because this is what Christ taught. End of story.

The point of faith isn't to numb. The point of faith is to challenge to greater heights, courage, and holiness. Every rule and teaching of the Church comes from what it means to love God and love our neighbor as ourselves. It is an integral whole. Once we start picking and choosing, we damage the whole. When people start picking and choosing, it becomes easier and easier to abandon faith altogether.

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# CATHOLIC HUMOR



## ST. HILARY OF POITIERS PARISH— INTRODUCES A NEW WAY TO COMMUNICATE



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For those who have signed up for our flocknote communication hopefully you have enjoyed the information that we have shared with you over the past weeks. In addition to our spiritual segment we are able to keep you informed as to any parish based information you should be aware of. Please encourage others to join.

**HELP US CONNECT YOU TO "FLOCKNOTE" NAME:**

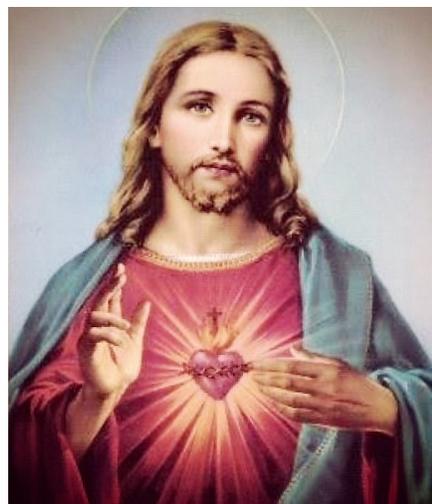
**E-MAIL ADDRESS:**

## 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 Evelyn at 215 947- 4951, Pat at 215 485-5512, the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or if you would like your name removed from our list.

Please pray for the following:

Michael Dooley	Angela Gavin	Tina Hardimon
Jack Avak	William Hartner	Lionel Melly Wright
Michael Brown	Mary Jane Hummel	Cole Plachter
Bob Bray	Pat Cass	Mary Joe Reaby
Nicholas Liddy	Michele Kelly	Arlene Rims-Lloyd
Bob Kilcoyne	Tina Savarino	Kevin Rosenbaum
Elizabeth Dieckman	Sarah Koehler	Capt..Schaffer
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	Evelyn Strigle	George Tomesko
	Linda Smithson	Donna Alamar



*O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to you will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen*

### 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 God's presence. Proper respect for the deceased and their remains must always be upheld.

Copies on the guidelines are available at the rectory



For Catholics a valid sacramental marriage is before a Priest and two witnesses in what is called the Form of Marriage. If you have been married by a Justice of the Peace or in a Civil Marriage and wish to have your marriage blessed by the Church and be able to return to the sacraments, most especially, the Sacrament of the Eucharist, please call the rectory at 215-884-3252

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### **PREPARING FOR YOUR WEDDING**

You can visit [www.phillycatholiclife.org](http://www.phillycatholiclife.org) to schedule your Pre-Cana classes. You would select **PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE**. Scroll down and select **FIND OUT MORE ABOUT PREP AND REGISTER**. At the bottom of the page select **REGISTER NOW**. We recommend that you register and attend the seminar **at least six months before your wedding date to reserve a seat**.

You can also contact the Family Life Office at 610-873-2016. if you have any questions regarding registration.

### PREP at St. Hilary's Parish

If you would like to register a new child to PREP (Parish Education Program) please email Noreen Forkin at [sthilaryprep@gmail.com](mailto:sthilaryprep@gmail.com). You must be a registered member of our parish. You will then receive information on registering (registration is now on line) as well as the documentation needed. Also returning students need to register for PREP for the upcoming school year. Please email Noreen at [sthilaryprep@gmail.com](mailto:sthilaryprep@gmail.com) to receive the online link and payment information.

If you have any questions call the rectory Monday-Thursday during business hrs. (215) 884-3252

Thank you,  
Noreen Forkin

### *Memorial Bricks*

*If you would like to remember a loved one in our St. Hilary's Garden of Remembrance, memorial bricks are available for a \$100.00 donation. Please call the rectory at 215 884-3252*



**ST. HILARY OF POITIERS PARISH  
ALL FAMILIES INTERESTED IN HAVING  
YOUR CHILD BAPTIZED NEED TO CALL  
THE RECTORY 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.  
TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS CALL THE  
RECTORY # 215 884-3252**

### DO YOU KNOW YOUR TRIBUNAL?

The Tribunal is available to help people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Catholic Church.

When a divorce occurs, the Catholic Church always seeks to balance two realities. On one hand the durable bond of marriage. This is God's law. On the other hand, the Church is concerned about the spiritual welfare of the people involved. Even though a Catholic wedding was celebrated, perhaps there was some deficiency in the consent of the parties involved regarding intentions, understanding or ability? The annulment procedure addresses these circumstances.

If you are divorced and want to marry in the Church or remarried outside the Catholic Church, please telephone the Tribunal Office at 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215) 587-3750

