

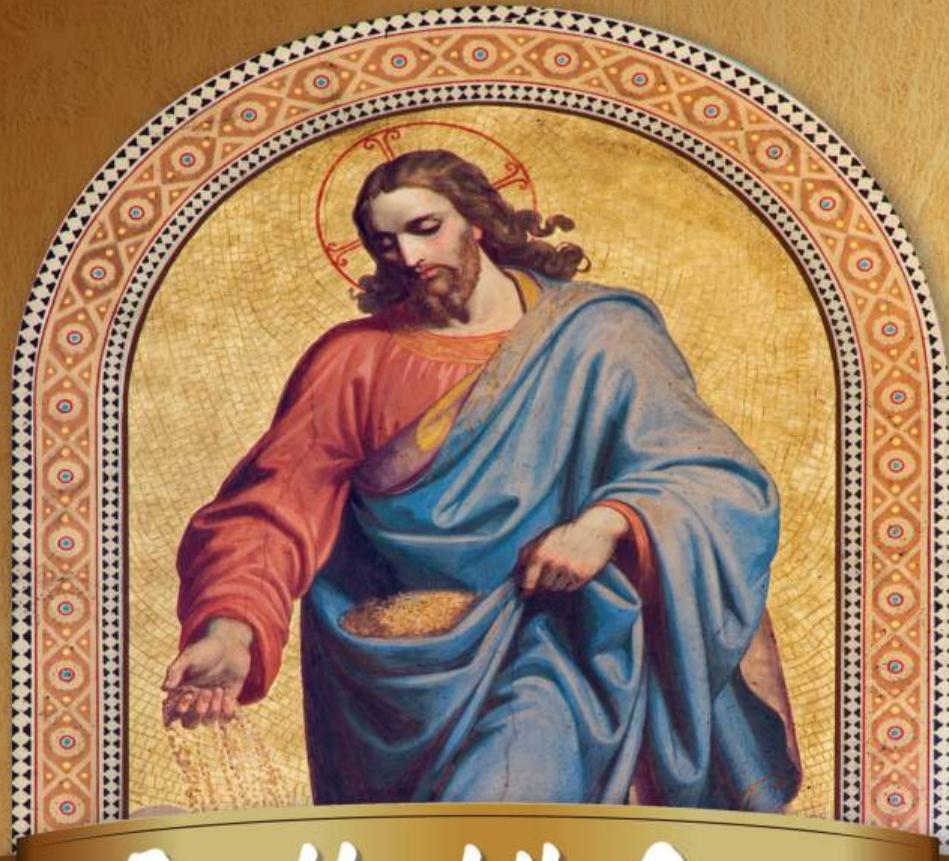
# St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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JULY 16, 2023

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Parable of the Sower

MATTHEW 13:1-23



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Today's parable of the sower and the seed reminds us of what happens these days to so many people and their families. The sower's seed falls on the path and the birds eat it; the seed falls on rocky ground and is scorched by the sun; the seed falls among the thorns and grows and then is choked by the thorns. How many of us have treated our faith in this way? How many of us were taught so much about God and how we should live our lives in order to obtain eternal life with Him - and yet life seems to carry us away from all we learned? How many of us grew up in homes where our religious teachings were practiced and a part of our everyday life, and yet once we moved on, the fire within us burned out?

Many of us were brought up in homes where our faith and how we lived out our faith were a part of our lives. Yes, our Catholic faith held a prominent place in our life from the first moment we could remember...through the times we received our sacraments to the times we started to make our own decisions on how we were going to practice our faith in the future. We all started with abundant enthusiasm and it is up to us to keep those seeds of faith growing within us.

God gave us the gift of free will. This allows us to choose our own destiny. You can make the graces that God gives us grow like seeds in the finest soil, or let them dry up and die. Therefore, you get to choose what will happen to you in the end of your life here on earth. May God bless you in making the right choices.

God Bless,  
*Father Murray*



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Sunday, July 16, 2023

*Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
5:00pm Vigil ~ Kathryn Philipp  
9:00am ~ Rev. Raymond Costello  
11:00am ~ Kathryn Philipp

### Monday, July 17, 2023

8:00am ~ Lawrence Ott  
**\*\*\*No Adoration in Church until September**

### Tuesday, July 18, 2023

*Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest*  
8:00am ~ Eileen O'Donnell

### Wednesday, July 19, 2023

8:00am ~ Boell Family

### Thursday, July 20, 2023

*Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr*  
8:00am ~ Tom Maher

### Friday, July 21, 2023

*Saint Lawrence of Brindisi and Blessed Francis Jordan*  
8:00am ~ Anthony Monterosso

### Saturday, July 22, 2023

5:00pm ~ John F.X. Stever

### Sunday, July 23, 2023

*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
9:00am ~ Louise Costello  
11:00am ~ Rosie Duffy

**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](http://www.sthilarypoitiers.org)**

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## UPDATE TO THE ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

This June, we have completed the first year of 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 \$420,776.25 has been pledged. Of that amount, we have collected and deposited \$313,098.50. Of the 229 families who have pledged, 157 families are paid in full. All of our projects have been completed...now we just have to pay the bills! I hope you are enjoying our new air conditioning system in the Church. 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 enter the second year of our Campaign, I am most grateful for your kind generosity. As always, the people of St. Hilary always come through! God's grace and peace.

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**NEW SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY MASS  
STARTING IN 2024**

At the Last Supper, Jesus told the apostles, "Do this in memory of Me." Remember what it cost God to free us from sin and the fear of death. It cost God the death of His only Son. With St. Paul, all of us can say that this is the Son who loved me, bled for me, and died for me. The Living Christ is present at every Mass. It is here where we can encounter Him and the saving power of His sacrifice.

I am grateful for all of you who have returned to Mass after the pandemic. I hope and pray that more of our parishioners will return to Mass as well. There is nothing like being there! Watching Mass on TV no longer fulfills the Sunday obligation, unless you are sick, elderly, have an emergency or have conflicts with work schedules. So come home to the Lord who desires to make His home in you.

With this in mind, please note our new Mass Schedule beginning in January 2024:

**2024 Winter/Spring/Fall Schedule**

(January thru June & September thru December)

**Saturdays at 5:00pm**

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

**2024 Summer Schedule**

(1st Sunday in July thru Labor Day in September)

**Saturdays at 5:00pm**

**Sundays at 9:00am and 11:00am**

Hopefully if our Mass attendance picks up, we can return to having three Masses on Sundays again. Thank you for your understanding. Your thoughts and comments are most welcome - you can call me at the Rectory or email me at [sthilaryrydal@gmail.com](mailto:sthilaryrydal@gmail.com)

God bless, Father Murray

## EUCARISTIC REVIVAL

The Church teaches that the Eucharist "is the source and summit of the Christian life." It is a living source because the sacrament of the Eucharist contains the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. This belief is not make-believe or a symbol, but based on the very words of Jesus Christ: "This is My Body and this is My Blood."

We began our Eucharistic Revival with a beautiful outdoor procession of the Holy Eucharist on May 24. May we all rekindle our faith in the gift of the Eucharist, the Real Presence of Jesus Christ.

**Prayer for the Eucharistic Revival**

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope,  
and I love You!

I beg pardon for those who do not believe,  
nor adore, nor love You. (Three times)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
I adore You profoundly.

I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul,  
and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the  
tabernacles of the world in reparation  
for the outrages, sacrileges,  
and indifference by which He is offended.

And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of  
Mary,

I beg of You the conversion of sinners.  
Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

[phillyeucharisticrevival.org](http://phillyeucharisticrevival.org)

## OPENING OF THE 2024 MASS BOOK FOR ANNOUNCED MASSES AT ST. HILARY

The 2024 Mass Book for Announced Masses for deceased will open at the Rectory beginning on **This Wednesday, July 19**

during business hours (8:30am to noon and 1:00 to 4:00pm Mon. thru Thurs.; 8:30am to noon on Fri.) and will be open going forward after that date on weekdays during business hours.

\*\*\* Please note the changes in 2024 Mass Times on Sundays as announced by Fr. Murray on this page \*\*\*

Any questions, please contact Marian at the Rectory Mondays thru Thursdays.

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

**July 9, 2023**

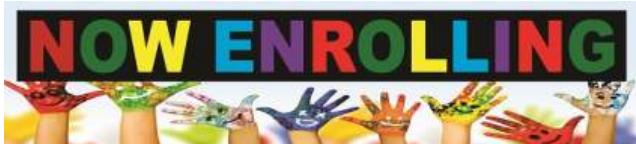
**July 10, 2022**

Sunday Offering: \$7,115   Sunday Offering: \$4,457  
Electronic Giving: \$3,021   Electronic Giving: \$2,018

**Total: \$10,136**

**Total: \$6,475**

## ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL



### 2023-24 SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS 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)

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### "SUMMER SUNDAY" MASS SCHEDULE

(July 2 thru September 3, 2023)

**Saturdays:**  
5:00pm

**Sundays:**  
9am and 11am

### A SUMMER PRAYER

**Dear God,**  
**Thank You that it's summertime once again!**  
**Thank You for bright sunshine, beaches for swimming and warm sand to sink my toes in.**

**Thank You for Your summertime gifts of ice cream cones, watermelon, fireworks, and carnivals.**

**Thank You for showers of rain and puddles to splash in.**

**Remind me to think of You when the breeze is blowing, when the birds are singing, and when the sun is warm on my face.**

**All these good things are gifts from You.**

**Remind me to pray to You each and every summer day with joy and wonder and thanks for all Your great gifts!**

**Thank You for all Your awesome and amazing summertime blessings!**

**Amen**



## PREP REGISTRATION AT ST. HILARY PARISH (Parish Religious Education Program)

PREP registration for 2023-24 is currently underway. PREP Classes Tuesday nights 6:30pm

Registration is online at:  
<https://form.jotform.com/230998856177072>

(you can also access PREP registration on our parish website: [www.sthilarypoitiers.org](http://www.sthilarypoitiers.org))

Registration needs to be done soon - please register by the end of June! Parents of 1st grade students must send a copy of their child's Baptismal certificate to the Rectory by mail (Attn: PREP) or drop it in the secure black mailbox outside the rectory. You can also email a copy of the Baptismal Certificate to [sthilaryprep@gmail.com](mailto:sthilaryprep@gmail.com). Please email Noreen Forkin, PREP Coordinator, or you can call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 with any questions. Please register your child(ren) ASAP - thank you!

### PREP TEACHERS / VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- \* Assistant needed for 4th Grade and 7th Grade
- \* Teacher for 6th Grade

Please contact Noreen Forkin if interested - thank you!

All of us have the responsibility to bring beauty, reverence and dignity to our celebration of Mass. The church directs us to do this in very simple and concrete ways:

- to receive the Eucharist, one must be in a state of Grace; serious sin must be confessed before receiving Holy Communion.
- fast from food at least one (1) hour before receiving Holy Communion; exceptions taking medication or other health issues.
- bodily demeanor, gestures & dress ought to convey respect as Christ becomes our guest.
- a simple bow before receiving Holy Communion and responding Amen.
- quiet reflection when returning to the pew acknowledging Christ's presence, and words of praise and thanksgiving and petitioning the Lord to answer our many needs. Leaving Church after receiving is not appropriate.
- to remember we are to become what we receive... how do we reflect the spirit of the Eucharist in our relationships, choices and decisions.
- be mindful of Christ's continuing presence in the Tabernacle; if able, genuflect entering and leaving Church or a simple bow is appropriate for those who cannot genuflect.

*The goal of a Catholic Liturgy is to Communicate a transcendent awareness of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. Faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist demands great beauty, dignity, and reverence".*



## **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish**

*RCIA, or Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process by which people who are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith can attend weekly classes and have the opportunity to become members of the Catholic Church.*

### **RCIA is for adults who:**

- Are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith
- Have never been baptized
- Have been baptized in another Christian faith and are interested in the Catholic faith
- Are baptized Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of First Communion & Confirmation
- Are married to a Catholic and attend Mass, and would like to take the next steps to become a member of the Catholic Church



RCIA is a spiritual formation process beginning in October and ending with initiation in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. RCIA classes are taught by Father Murray and are held every Monday evening from 7:00-8:30pm at the rectory. These classes are for anyone with interest, no matter what your current denomination. Please also encourage your friends and neighbors with interest in Catholicism, too! If you are interested in attending and/or would like more info, please contact Father Murray at 215-884-3252 .

## **GOLF OUTING REPORT 2023**

Thanks to all for the support. Mark your calendar - tournament next year is on June 3, 2024!



### **Expenses**

104 Golfers @ \$160	\$16,640
4 Gift Certificates	\$ 200
Bar	\$ 802
Brochures	\$ 270
New Signs	\$ 246
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,158</b>

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### **Income**

104 Golfers @ \$185	\$19,240
(2) Bronze Sponsors	\$ 2,000
25 Tee Sponsors	\$ 7,500
4 Gifts	\$ 550
Par 3	\$ 660
50/50	\$ 700 (Winner gave back)
Putting Contest	\$ 415
Raffle	\$ 1,590
Gift	\$ 500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$33,155</b>



### **PROFIT**

**\$14,997**

## **A FEW PICTURES OF SOME OF THE “ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB” FROM THEIR MEETING & LUNCHEON ON JUNE 21st ~ ALWAYS NICE TO HAVE THEM HERE!**



## GOD IS THE CURRENT OF LIFE

*"Each one of us is merely a small instrument. When you look at the inner workings of electrical things, often you see small and big wires, new and old, cheap and expensive, all lined up. Until the current passes through them, there will be no light. That wire is you and me! The current is God."*

-- Mother Teresa



### St. Hilary Parish Outreach

Because of your generosity, our St. Hilary Outreach Program continues to help those in need. Monies were sent to two local food pantries, St. Vincent DePaul and Redeemer. Your continual generous and kind donations are appreciated!

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

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9:00am - 4:00pm (\$60pp)*

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to register:

<http://www.catholicwomensconference.org>

### 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, Dilynn Listman, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Lilianna DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Kathy Huss, Martha Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Colleen Legare

*Please pray for the souls  
of all the deceased*

## ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 9:00am and 11:00am

**JULY 2nd THRU SEPTEMBER 3rd,  
MASSES ON SUNDAYS ARE 9:00am AND 11:00am  
FOR OUR "SUMMER SUNDAY" SCHEDULE**

### 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

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**Parish Secretary ~ Marian Stengel** 215-884-3252  
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**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 Thursday 8:30am to 4pm & Friday 8:30am to noon

Closed for Lunch: 12 PM to 1 PM

*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!*

*If you can't find  
the sunshine,  
be the sunshine.*



### NEW MEMORIAL BRICKS

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