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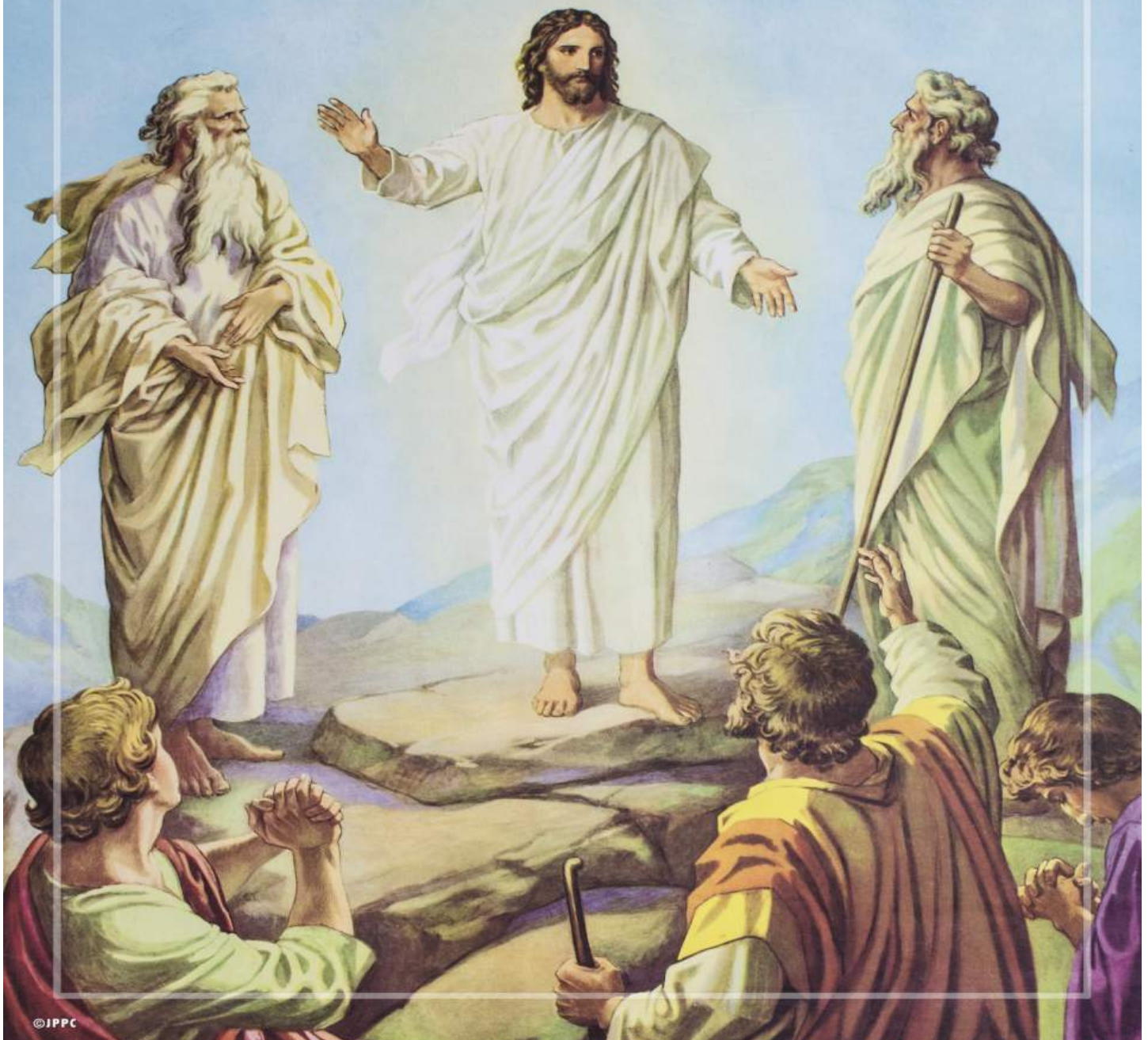
MARCH 5, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON

with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

MATTHEW 17:5



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 **\$407,191.25**. 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 \$248,340 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 in the Church, of the beautiful stained glass to be inserted into our new Church doors

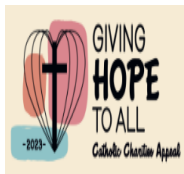
Once again, I am sincerely thankful for the overwhelming response & generosity! New pledges are most welcome. All donations are appreciated! *Father Murray*

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.

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.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

February 26, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$9,582
Electronic Giving: \$2,352

Total: \$11,934

February 27, 2022

Sunday Offering: \$5,133
Electronic Giving: \$2,037

Total: \$7,170

RECONCILIATION WEEKEND

MARCH 10th & 11th, 2023

COME BE RESTORED TO PEACE

No matter how long it's been, Jesus is always waiting to unburden you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Here, you will make your peace with God, with yourself, and with others. On March 10th & 11th, priests will be available to hear your confession at many locations and times in the greater Philadelphia area to make it as easy as possible to go. Even if it's been many years, don't let that stop you. Below are some sites - see full list in today's "insert"!

Fri., March 10

Sat., March 11

St. Hilary		4-5pm
St. Albert	3:30-4:30; 6:30-8pm	10am-3pm
St. Luke	6-8pm	12:30-4:30pm
Resurrection	7-9pm	10am-4pm
Our Lady of	3-8pm	8:30-11:30am
Good Counsel		

THE MEMORIAL OF SAINT PATRICK on March 17th falls on a Friday during the Season of Lent this year. In accordance with the Code of Canon Law (canon 87), Most Rev. Nelson J. Perez has granted dispensation to all Roman Catholics in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia from the obligation to abstain from meat on Saint Patrick's Day. However, as with every Friday of the Church Year outside of Lent, if a Catholic makes the choice not to abstain from meat, then some other penance of choice is to be observed in honor of the passion and death of our Lord on the Cross. On Saint Patrick's Day, the memory of this missionary apostle to Ireland recalls his preaching of the Faith and encouragement to live authentic Christian lives. Lent does not disappear with the festive celebration of Saint Patrick. Rather, in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Roman Catholics may fittingly observe March 17, 2023 with another choice of penance, rather than abstaining from meat.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY
NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12
AFTER THE 8am AND THE
10am MASSES



All are welcome to stop in the Parish Center NEXT Sunday, March 12 to have a drink and a snack after the 8am and 10am Masses! Please join us after either of these Masses next weekend!

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 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

EXCITING NEWS!

We are happy to announce that St. Hilary of Poitiers School is one of only a few schools that has been awarded a School Safety Grant for \$40,000. The grant will assist with the installation of a Complete Surveillance Security System with cameras around the property. In addition, a fob entry system will be installed to secure and record all visitors in and out of the building. We are very grateful to our principal, Mrs. Eileen Fagan, for her dedicated and untiring efforts in pursuing this grant to bring greater security to our school and peace of mind to all of us.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ~ NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Daylight Saving (not "Savings") Time begins in 2023 next Sunday, March 13 when clocks will "spring forward" one hour and we lose an hour of sleep overnight. Though we've had a little more light each day since the winter solstice on Dec. 21, the big change will be triggered at 2:00am on March 12 with the shift to Daylight Saving Time as clocks move ahead to 3:00am.

RESUME OF JESUS

Address: Ephesians 1:20

Phone: Romans 10:13

Website: The Bible

Keywords: Christ, Lord, Savior, and Jesus

Objective: My name is Jesus - The Christ. Many call me Lord! I've sent you my Redeemer because I'm seeking the top management position in your Heart. Please consider my accomplishments as set forth in my resume.

Qualifications:

- I founded the earth and established the heavens (See Proverbs 3:19)
- I formed man from the dust of the ground. (See Genesis 2:7)
- I breathed into man the breath of life (See Genesis 2:7)
- I redeemed man from the curse of the law (See Galatians 3:13)

Occupational Background:

I've only had one employer (See Luke 2:49). I've never been tardy, absent, disobedient, slothful, or disrespectful. My employer has nothing but rave reviews for me. (See Matthew 3:15-17)

Skills Work Experiences:

Some include empowering the poor to be poor no more, healing the broken-hearted, setting the captives free, healing the sick, restoring sight to the blind. I am a Wonderful Counselor (See Isaiah 9:6). People who listen to me shall dwell safely and shall not fear evil. (See Proverbs 1:33). Most importantly, I have the authority, ability, and power to cleanse you of your sins. (See 1 John 1:7-9)

Educational Background:

I encompass the entire breadth and length of knowledge, wisdom, and understanding. (See Proverbs 2:6). In me are hidden all of the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (See Col.2:3)

Major Accomplishments:

I laid down my life so that you may live (See II Cor. 5:15). I've miraculously fed the poor, healed the sick, and raised the dead.

References:

Believers and followers worldwide will testify to my divine healing, salvation, miracles, and guidance.

I'm confident that I'm the only candidate qualified to fill this vital position in your heart.

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

Lenten Scripture Series ~ Parables of the Kingdom

Six-week Scripture Study Sessions

Taize Prayer

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



Pro-Life Union

Life Advocate Resource Conference

Saturday, April 1, 2023
St. Matthew Church Hall

219 Fayette St., Conshohocken, PA 19428

**** Free event but registration required by emailing
pcorbett@prolifeunion.org or call 215-885-8150**

Over 15 member organizations will be attending. Learn of their special pro-life missions and how they can help advance the pro-life message. We will focus on how to become a more effective advocate for the unborn and for abortion-vulnerable women, how to motivate other pro-life minded people to get involved, etc. Please join us!

WHAT TO GIVE UP: A Lenten Reflection

*Give up complaining...focus on gratitude.
Give up pessimism...become an optimist.
Give up harsh judgments...think kind thoughts.
Give up worry...trust Divine Providence.
Give up discouragement...be full of hope.
Give up bitterness...turn to forgiveness.
Give u hatred...return good for evil.
Give up negativism...be positive.
Give up anger...be more patient.
Give up pettiness...become more mature.
Give up gloom...enjoy beauty all around you.
Give up jealousy...pray for trust.
Give up gossiping...control your tongue.
Give up sin...turn to virtue.
Give up pressure of giving up...hang in there!*



SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS UPCOMING WEEK OF LENT:

Sunday ~ after Mass today, consider going out to eat with other parishioners from Church

Monday ~ dive deeper into your faith; skim the glossary in the Catechism for an unfamiliar term and learn about it

Tuesday ~ pick an important issue in the news and pray over it today

Wednesday ~ figure out on which luxuries you spend the most money; take a tenth of that amount and put it in the poor box at Church

*Thursday ~ pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy for those who have no one to pray for them
(<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/divine-mercy-chaplet>)*

Friday ~ resist "idle curiosity"...don't research trivial questions or follow every browser thread, unless it's important

Saturday ~ pray for pregnant mothers and their babies; consider donating to Pro-Life charities that help women in crisis

UPDATED 55+ SPIRIT NEWS:

The 55+ Senior Spirit Club next meeting will be on March 15 in the Parish Center at 10am to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We will continue to collect stamps for the Wounded Warriors Project. Bring them to the meeting and include friends and family in this project brought to our attention by the representatives of the DAR Civil War Museum. Thanks!

Trips to the Irish show in Spring Lake on March 9 are sold out, as well as the Sight & Sound trip Dec. 12 for the Miracle of Christmas. There are seats available for April 12 to Spring Lake, NJ for "Oldies - Doo Wop to Disco". Dancing included! Also on May 21 there are some seats available on trip to Tomasello Winery for "Totally Tenors" - exceptional food and music included. Flyers are at church entrance or call Michele at 215-498-5908. Thank you!



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, 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, Dorothy Toner

Please pray for the souls of all those who are deceased

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

Pastor ~ Rev. Kevin P. Murray

Weekend Assistant ~ Msgr. Gregory J. Fairbanks

In Residence ~ Rev. Jacob John

Pastor Emeritus ~ Msgr. Michael J. Carroll

School Principal ~ Eileen Fagan

efagan@sainthilaryschool.com School phone: 215-887-4520

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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

*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!*



"LADIES NIGHT OUT"

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023

Stay tuned for more detailed information soon!

Hello Fellow Parishioners,

I have had diabetes for the last 20 years and it has taken a toll on my kidneys. I am looking for a Living Donor. The surgical procedure is less invasive on the donor than it was in the past. The procedure is done arthroscopically, usually just requiring 3-5 days in the hospital. Please contact me if you are willing to get tested or know someone who is willing.

Thank you,

Kevin Fries, Parishioner

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