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MAY 31, 2026

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have **eternal life**.

JOHN 3:16

PASTOR'S CORNER

"Oh Lord, do come along in our company."
-- Exodus 34:8-9

Six years ago, the church reopened after being closed for Covid. Obviously, Covid hasn't fully and completely disappeared, but the very strict rules have been long-lifted. Those were certainly trying times; communities and families were isolated due to the pandemic. Our cities and communities were set ablaze with anger and turmoil.

Violence on anyone's part is never justified. In such times, we wonder if we can ever live in greater harmony. Is there such a thing as a perfect community? The answer is yes, and all of us are invited to be part of the most perfect community. Three Persons invite us to join them in living in greater peace and harmony - the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is a community united in love, "slow to anger, rich in kindness and fidelity."

With all of our shortcomings, conflicts, pride, and egos, God still calls us. When the world fills us with fear and doubts about the possibility of living in greater harmony, remember God's invitation to us today. Our response to this invitation is found in St. Paul's words: "Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree to live in peace." May those virtues we celebrate today in the Holy Trinity be found in each of us. Let us strive to imitate the love of God and form that perfect community by being "slow to anger, rich in kindness, merciful, and gracious."

God Bless,
Father Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

5:00pm Vigil ~ Suzann Wardle

8:30am ~ Bridie and Pearse Winters

10:30am ~ Mike and Peggie Lyons

Monday, June 1, 2026

Saint Justin, Martyr

8:00am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

*** Adoration 8:30am to 4:00pm

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

8:00am ~ Agnes Irene Sheridan

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

8:00am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

Thursday, June 4, 2026

8:00am ~ Tran Von Hau

Friday, June 5, 2026

Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

8:00am ~ Andrew Keegan

Saturday, June 6, 2026

5:00pm ~ William and Rosemary Wynne

Sunday, June 7, 2026

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:30am ~ Stephen Emrich

10:30am ~ Angela Procaccino

There are still Announced Masses left for 2026



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GOOD NEWS!

I am very happy to announce that Archbishop Perez has appointed a new Pastor and Administrator to St. Hilary's. He is someone very close to us and has been with us for many years. Please welcome **Msgr. Gregory Fairbanks** to our parish community in this new leadership role. Msgr. Fairbanks served many roles in the Archdiocese. He was ordained in 1990 and his first assignment was Parochial Vicar at Christ the King Parish in Philadelphia. He served as a Chaplain at Temple University and then was sent for graduate studies in Church History at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. Upon returning to Philadelphia, he taught Church History at the Seminary and directed the Archdiocesan Office of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs. In 2008, he was called to serve at the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity in Rome. In 2015 he returned to St. Charles Seminary, teaching Church History, and since 2020 he has directed the Permanent Deacon Formation Program.



Msgr. Fairbanks brings a wealth of pastoral experience that will serve our parish well. I am very happy to welcome Msgr., who is a faithful and dedicated priest, and I wish him many long and happy years here in our wonderful St. Hilary faith community. Please join me in welcoming him!

-- *Father Murray*

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SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS AS WELL AS RETURNING STUDENTS FOR THE 2026-27 YEAR IS NOW OPEN FOR PREK - 8th!

**PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE
Father Murray's
Retirement**

WE WILL CELEBRATE FATHER'S 22 YEARS AS PASTOR AT SAINT HILARY OF POITIER AT THE
10:30 AM MASS



AFTER MASS WE'LL BE FIRING UP THE GRILL! THE PARISH IS SPONSORING A BBQ, IN FATHER'S HONOR. THERE WILL ALSO BE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE CHILDREN.

SUNDAAY
07
JUNE

**10:30 AM MASS
BBQ TO FOLLOW**

RSVP BY JUNE 1ST SO WE CAN PLAN!

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST
ALTAR SERVRS AT ST. HILARY PARISH!**

Lily Brady

Julia Dryhynych

James Gillard

Quinlan Halpin

Juliette Laska

Greenleigh Lovell

Eddie McDonald

Chelsea Nguyen

Grant Peppard

Emma Stasky

Henry Wilson

Nora Wybranski



Altar Servers

Wishing them all the best in their new ministry as Altar Servers at St. Hilary!

The above invitation was sent out last week via Flocknotes emails.

*** If you don't receive Flocknotes emails and would like to attend Father Murray's Celebration of his retirement, please either email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com or call 215-884-3252 **BY THIS WEDNESDAY** (be sure to indicate in your email or your voicemail message your name, and how many people will be attending, for catering purposes). If you have any questions, please call or email us. Please join us! Thanks!

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS FUNDRAISER

2026 Raffle

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Tickets are \$10 each!

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(Seller of Grand Prize Ticket receives \$250)

One Winner receives \$2,500 (Seller \$125)
One Winner receives \$1,000 (Seller \$100)
One Winner receives \$500 (Seller \$50)

Drawing will be held Sunday, May 24, 2026,
after the 10:30AM Mass.

THANK YOU
to all those who
helped sell tickets for
our Raffle Ticket
Fundraiser!

**Winners will be posted
in future Bulletins.**

THANK YOU AGAIN!



PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell, and opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit, Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.



A joyous, grateful, and prayerful welcome is extended to the men who were ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, May 16, 2026 in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia:

Rev. Charles H. Cappelli
Rev. Thomas G. Cipolla
Rev. Declan J. Cole
Rev. Alexander B. Cross
Rev. Michael J. Gokie
Rev. Dominic W. Mirenda
Rev. Jude U. Opara
Rev. Griffen T. Schlaepfer

God bless them in their new ministry as priests!



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”.

DID YOU NOTICE...

The parking lot and driveways have been realigned with fresh paint. This project was funded from our recent Capital Campaign. Please do not double park in the driveways in front of Church and the side of Church, in case of emergencies. And for your own safety, do not make U-turns along Susquehanna Rd.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RECENTLY BAPTIZED AT ST. HILARY CHURCH:

Callahan Dean Zubkoff, son of Joseph and Kacie
Isabella Jordan McGinley, daughter of Patrick and Bailey
Valentino Michael Guido, son of Michael and Lori
Esme Anna Bella Dearden, daughter of Daniel and Sanda
Daniel Joseph Dearden, son of Daniel and Sanda



A heartfelt "THANK YOU" to everyone who made this year's Ladies Night Out such a spectacular success! The St. Hilary Home and School Committee and volunteers brought the "Philadelphia Freedom" theme to life, celebrating the 250th Anniversary of our city with incredible energy. The decorations captured the spirit of the historic theme. Chef U Catering provided a delicious Philly-inspired menu that was enjoyed by all. Additionally, the online auction was a resounding success. The gift baskets were simply terrific, and we are so grateful for the hard work of the committee & the enthusiastic involvement of our parent community!



MANY, MANY THANKS FOR THE FILLED BABY BOTTLES AND THE FILLED MANNA BAGS FOR THOSE IN NEED!

Growing Together in Faith: Our DMI Survey Journey

In 2022 and 2025, our parish participated in the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey, a tool provided by the Catholic Leadership Institute to help us understand our strengths and opportunities for growth. Your honest feedback has truly provided a clear roadmap for our future.

We are excited to share these key highlights comparing our 2022 and 2025 results:

A Younger, Growing Parish: We are welcoming many new faces! In 2025, 16% of respondents had been members for fewer than 5 years, compared to 9% in 2022.

Empowered Leadership: Our community is more engaged than ever. 79% of you now feel you have opportunities to serve the parish, up from 67% in 2022.

A Deeper Sunday Experience: The Eucharist remains our heart. 63% of respondents in 2025 reported growing spiritually from attending Mass, an increase from 59% in 2022.

Stronger Spiritual Practices: Our personal prayer lives are flourishing. 71% of parishioners now pray daily, up from 64% in 2022.

A Rising Missionary Impulse: We are sharing our faith! 64% of you invited someone to a parish activity this past year, a significant jump from 48% in 2022.

Thank you for your participation! These results show a vibrant community that is praying, serving, and inviting others into a deeper relationship with Christ.

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

PREP registration for 2026-2027 is now underway. Classes are on Tuesdays at 6:30pm.

***** You need to register online by going to the parish website:**
www.sthilarypoitiers.org

Follow the prompts for "PREP" once you are on the parish website. You can drop off payment in the secure black lockbox outside the Rectory at any time, for your convenience, or mail it to the Rectory. Please mark your envelope "PREP". Also, 1st graders need a copy of their baptism certificate, which can also be dropped off or mailed. If you have questions, please contact Noreen Forkin at sthilaryprep@gmail.com. Thanks!

***** *The PREP Program is in need of a 5th Grade Teacher, a 6th Grade Assistant, and a Special Ed Assistant. If interested, please contact Noreen at sthilaryprep@gmail.com.***



OPPORTUNITY FOR SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

If you are looking to deepen your prayer life, discern a life decision, or simply grow in your relationship with God, you are invited to explore this ministry. Spiritual direction is a confidential, prayer-centered conversation that helps a person notice how God is present and active in their everyday life. It is not counseling; rather, it is a sacred space for discernment and spiritual growth. If interested, contact Pat DeAngelis (trained & certified spiritual director and parishioner of 39 years) at 215-603-6095 to schedule an initial conversation.



ST. HILARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MEMBERS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3
7:00pm IN THE RECTORY

All men - members and those interested - are welcome!

Have fun and good luck to the 84 golfers who are participating in the annual Golf Outing this Monday! Thanks to all of the sponsors - you will soon see the sponsor signs along Susquehanna Rd. Pictures from the day will follow in later Bulletins, along with whether Fr. Murray or Msgr. Fairbanks got the better score!



SAINT HILARY'S 55+ SPIRIT CLUB

St. Hilary's 55+ Spirit Club will have its next meeting on Wednesday, June 17. At this meeting, we will be having an Ice Cream Social with entertainment being provided by musician William Monaghan. Come join us as we kick off summer! New members always welcome - we are a fun & welcoming group! You don't need to be a parish member to join. If you have questions, please call Ro Schell at 215-206-5313 or Mike Schell at 215-206-4530. Looking forward to seeing you on June 17 - doors open at 9am and the meeting starts at 10am. Thank you.

TRAGEDY OF THE MOLLY MAGUIRES

*Sat., June 6 at 2:00pm at the Southampton Library
Call to Register at 215-322-1415*

On June 21, 1877, ten men were executed in the Anthracite region of PA in what came to be known as Black Thursday, or the Day of the Rope. Accused of murder, kidnapping, and other crimes, they were also accused of belonging to a secret organization known as the Molly Maguires. This program will explore who the Molly Maguires were, and their motivations, actions, fate and



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, please call 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, TJ McDonald, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonia, Angela Gavin, William Hartner, Mary Jane Hummel, Tina Savarino, 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, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Martha Serdner, Theresa Williams, Bob Donnolly, Ilda Leal, Isaiah Walter, Regina Carberry, Scott Paris, Ben Paris, Michelle Hannah, Michael Keough, Joanne McKee, Jamie Leal, Helen Toland, Maryanne Powell, Sandra Rogers, Timothy Funk, Michelle Stuetz, Kim Huntoweski, Ariel Cleveland, Mary Garcia, Soon Lee, Thomas Decicico, Jr., Irene Tucci, John McGahy

Please pray for the souls of all of the deceased

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm
Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am,

WEEKDAY MASSES

8 AM on Monday thru Friday

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4 – 4:45 PM

HOLY DAYS

7 PM Vigil; 8 AM and 10 AM on holy day

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BAPTISM: Sundays after the 10:30am 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; closed for lunch 12-1

Fridays 8:30am to noon

*Please note that church envelopes, as well as Tuition payments and other school payments, can be dropped off in the secure **BLACK** lockbox outside the rectory during off-hours.*

Thanks!



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

**** Please note that the Stewardship Report will not be published the next couple of weeks - it will be available as soon as possible in June.*

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