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OCTOBER 17, 2021

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTOR'S CORNER

"What do you wish me to do for you?"
- Mark 10:35-45

What will we allow God to ask of us? We place many demands on Him, many pleas, many calls. James and John in the Gospel are caught up in the world of status, prestige, and power. They wanted to really make their importance felt. True faith moves in the other direction, however. This is what Jesus asks of us...to be more humble and of service to His ways. If we have power or status, use it to make others know and feel their importance. If anyone had the right to make His importance felt, it was Jesus. Instead, He used His power and position in life humbly, even to the point of suffering and shedding blood. As one of our third graders, preparing for their First Holy Communion said, "Humility means putting Jesus first, and not worrying that what we do is more important."

As we prepare for our Forty Hours Devotion next week, I invite you to put Jesus first during those days. Join us for private adoration during the days, and our prayer services at night. The Lord is asking for your time and presence. Through our Eucharistic devotion, we are reminded again of the Lord's humility and what length he was willing to go to show how important we are to him. Let us again "confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help."

God bless,
Father Murray



Forty Hours Devotion October 24, 25, 26

Mass Intentions for the Week

Weekend Mass Times are as follows:
5:00pm Vigil, 9:00am and 11:00am Sunday

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm ~ Anthony and Lorraine Carbone
9:00am ~ Annie McReynolds
11:00am ~ John Lima

Monday, October 18, 2021

Saint Luke, Evangelist
8:00am ~ Joseph P. McGuinn
8:30am thru 4:00pm ~ Adoration

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues
8:00am ~ Suzanne Thiboldeaux

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest
8:00am ~ Anthony and Mary Morley

Thursday, October 21, 2021

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

Friday, October 22, 2021

Saint John Paul II, Pope
8:00am ~ Edward S. Brown

Saturday, October 23, 2021

5:00pm ~ William and Rosemary Wynne

Sunday, October 24, 2021

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am ~ William and Dolores Hunter
11:00am ~ Andrew Martin
(*Forty Hours begins at 11:00am Mass*)

PLEASE JOIN THE FLOCK BY SIGNING UP FOR FLOCKNOTES!

If we don't have your email address to send you parish news, please either call the Rectory with it, or email us at sthilaryrydal@gmail.com. Thanks!

**Sunday Mass at 9am is being livestreamed - those
who are unable to attend Mass in person can tune
in to the St. Hilary Church YouTube Channel:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdL54x3eSpRbtrRsB3uNPEQ>

This link stays the same each week; it brings you to the list of all the mass videos. The new video will show up as soon as we start recording it. Thank you!

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

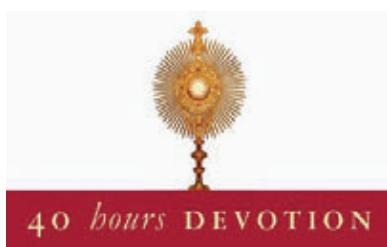
Our parish is celebrating a special devotion called Forty Hours on October 24-25-26. Services will begin at 7:00pm each of these evenings. Forty Hours devotion is an ancient devotion praising and honoring the Lord Jesus Christ present in the Holy Eucharist. This devotion was introduced to the United States by Saint John Neumann, 4th Bishop of Philadelphia, in 1853.

The Forty Hour devotion consists of Songs, Prayers, Reflections on God's Word, and Benediction. On Tuesday, the closing night, there is a special procession around the Church with the Blessed Sacrament, symbolizing the call of Jesus "to come and follow me."

We are asking our families to come and participate in some or all of these devotions. It is one way to give thanks and praise to God for all His love. As Catholics we believe that Jesus is present in a special way in the Holy Eucharist. By coming to Him, we can be certain to receive much needed blessings and graces to help us in our journeys in life, especially in these most troubling times.

Our Forty Hour devotion begins at the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, October 24. The church will be open all day for private visits to the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Evening services will be held at 7:00pm each of those nights. **"Time before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is not time wasted but time gained."** (Pope St. John Paul II)

SEE THE "INSERT" IN TODAY'S BULLETIN



Please join us for one, two or all three nights!

DATES:

October 24th, 25th and 26th, 2021

7:00pm

HOMILIST:

Rev. Thomas F. Dailey, O.S.F.S.

*Come Join Us for Forty Hours!
Spend some time with the Lord!*

ST. HILARY EAGLES FOOTBALL BLOCK POOL



LATEST WINNERS:

WEEK 3:

Ann Wise and Donna Lattanzi

WEEK 2:

Frank & Kate Hopkins and Msgr. Fairbanks

WEEK 1:

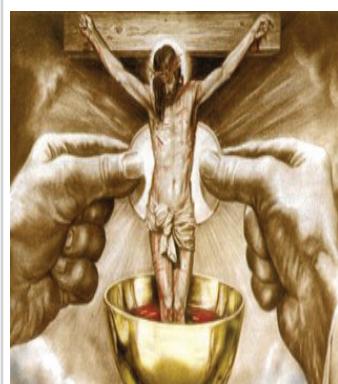
Kilkenny Cats #1 and Joe & Margie Magee

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

"The body of Christ that hung on the Cross is the body of Christ that rose from the tomb, is the body of Christ that ascended to the Father, and is the body of Christ that is presented on the altar and that makes those who receive it into the body of Christ the Church. And this is why we bow and genuflect before the consecrated elements. We are not bowing to statues, icons, or symbols; we bow to the Real Presence of Christ in His Body and Blood, at the same time both here on earth and in the Kingdom of heaven."

— James L. Popandrea

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".

Reverence, dignity, beauty... simple ways we all can proclaim our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH SUNDAY MASSES

**5 PM Vigil Saturdays;
9 AM and 11 AM on Sundays**

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 11:00am Mass. Please contact 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!*

ST. HILARY ANNUAL BLOCK COLLECTION

Thank You!

Thanks to all those who have already contributed to the annual Block Collection. Your generosity & sacrifices are greatly appreciated!

Your loyalty and care for the needs of the parish have been an inspiration. For those who still wish to contribute, you can mail it to the Rectory, drop it in the secure black lockbox outside the Rectory, or put in the baskets at Church. Thank you ~ and God bless you.

-- Fr. Murray

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



**Year of St. 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 & asking for his intercession. To find local events, prayers, and faith study resources to celebrate this Year of St. Joseph, please visit archphila.org/joseph

Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez will preside over the Closing Ceremony for the Archdiocesan Phase of the “Cause of Beatification and Canonization” of the Servant of God, **William E. Atkinson** (1946-2006) on Tues., Oct. 19, 2021 at 6:30pm in the Church of St. Thomas of Villanova. Born in Philadelphia, Fr. Atkinson is the first quadriplegic ordained as a priest in the history of the Roman Catholic Church. He was at Msgr. Bonner H.S. for almost 30 years where he served on the faculty and as asst. school chaplain, moderator of the football team, and director of the detention program known as “JUG” (Justice Under God). The Closing Session brings to completion the juridical inquiry into his life, virtues, and reputation of holiness and of intercessory power that began in 2015. **More info in next week's bulletin.** To seek further information about Father Atkinson, you can visit www.augustinian.org/the-cause (you can also access from there the 2020 PBS documentary entitled “Extraordinary: The Bill Atkinson Story.”)

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Every year, something special happens on the next-to-last Sunday of October. World Mission Sunday joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At Mass next weekend, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism, to be Missionaries...through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving as best we can to help Missionaries world-wide. Your help and your prayers reach the most remote Mission areas. The celebration of World Mission Sunday is an occasion for reaffirming how prayer, reflection, and the material help of your offerings is an opportunity to participate actively in the Mission of Jesus Christ in his Church. Please see today's bulletin insert.

ST. HILARY SCHOOL RACE FOR EDUCATION



St. Hilary School is starting their annual Race for Education with a goal of raising \$25,000 by Nov. 8.

Thank you for your consideration!

Race for Education Link:

<http://independent.pledgebrite.org/fund/sthilaryrfe21>
or you can drop an envelope in the weekend collection baskets or in the black lockbox outside the rectory marked "Race for Education"
(please be sure to include your name & address or your email address). Thank you!

The 26 letters of the English alphabet are so intelligently arranged...They show you the way of life....

"A"lways "B"e "C"ool.
"D"on't have "E"go with
"F"riends and Family.
"G"ive up "H"urting
"I"ndividuals. "J"ust "K"eep
"L"oving "M"ankind. "N"ever
"O"mit "P"rayers. "Q"uietly
"R"emember God. "S"peak
"T"ruth. "U"se "V"alid
"W"ords. Finally, "X"press
"Y"our "Z"eal.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Every October, we consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable from the beginning of life to its end, and every point in between. **There is still information at the Church doors about the activities and services available through the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia at all the church entrances.** You are invited to take home a brochure and a donation envelope. Thank you in advance for your generosity in this vital ministry.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Christ told us some demons can only be driven out by prayer and fasting. The two go hand-in-hand. Prayer keeps us rooted in the fact that it is our desire to carry out God's will. Fasting is a sacrifice that helps us reach beyond our own limitations with God's help. Each day during 40 Days for Life, churches, individuals, families, and groups will be asked to join together in prayer for a specific request so the entire Body of Christ can unite around a common focus. People of faith are also invited to fast throughout 40 Days for Life. We believe that when God's people fast with a broken, repentant, and contrite spirit, our heavenly Father will hear from heaven and heal our lives, our churches, our communities, our nations, and our world.

CONSTANT VIGIL

The visible, public centerpiece of 40 Days for Life is a focused, 40-day, non-stop, round-the-clock prayer vigil outside a single Planned Parenthood center or other abortion facility in your area. It is a peaceful and educational presence. Those who are called to stand witness during this 24-hour-a-day presence send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. For the Fall 2021 40 Days for Life Campaign, **St. Hilary Parish has been assigned to the Philadelphia Women's Center at 777 Appletree Street, 19106 on Wednesday, October 20.** Help with prayer and witness at the facility is still needed during these following times:

11am - 12noon 12noon - 1pm
1pm - 2pm

If you are able to help, kindly contact Annmarie Dugan via email to adugan315@gmail.com or call 267-253-1693. Thank you for your consideration!

Missionary Disciple Prayer

Good and Gracious God,
Your Son, Jesus Christ, invites all people
to follow Him and become His Disciples.
Touch our hearts, enlighten our minds,
and stir our spirit.

Help us daily to take up our Cross and
follow Him: by living His Word and
proclaiming his Good News to those
around us.

May our faith in you increase;
may our hunger for the Gospel intensify
and may our souls be strengthened as we
are *Called to be a Missionary Disciple* and
learn to love one another
as He has loved us.

Amen.

MASS BOOK OPEN FOR 2022

The Mass Book for 2022 is now open. Sunday Masses in 2022 will be going back to our former Sunday Schedule (prior to Covid restrictions) at 8am, 10am, and 12pm. We will continue to have our "Summer Sunday" Mass Schedule in July and August in 2022 with Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am. You can stop by the Rectory during business hours (see page 4) or mail your request to the Rectory, Attn: Marian (\$10 per Mass). Sunday Masses for the remainder of 2021 will remain at 9am and 11am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Michael Dooley, Jack Avak, Michael Brown, Kevin Mayer, Nicolas Liddy, Bob Kilcoyne, Mary Jane Namola, Elizabeth Dieckman, David Gengler, Sophia Southerling, Mary Deely, TJ McDonald, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonia, Angela Gavin, William Hartner, Mary Jane Hummel, Patricia Cass, Michele Kelly, Tina Savarino, Sarah Koehler, Paris Luckowski, Judy Sklar, Bernadette Redican, Gina Devaney, Bob Steele, Linda Smithson, Eileen Burger, Brian Bailie, Joann Jordan, 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, Jair Merrida, Maura Murphy, Gregory Marrone, Sandy Repitcky, Helen Blaszczyk, Jim Comet, Ian Reilly

Please pray for the recently deceased:
Bob Kenney Rev. Michael Rock

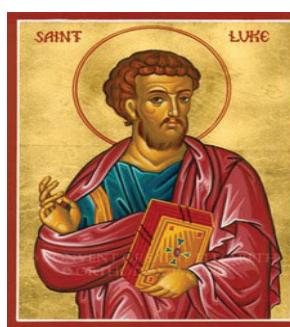
UPDATED ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB

NEWS:

- * Our St. Padre Pio Shrine bus will leave St. Hilary's on Wednesday, October 20 at 9:30am. Enter the parish grounds next to the rectory and look for parking attendants for directions on parking to get you to the right spots. We ask that you do not enter before 9am unless coming for the 8am Mass. We will not have Mass at the Shrine but the Rosary and Veneration of the Relic will be the first activity. Further info will be given on the bus. Hoping for good weather. Reminder that the donation to the Shrine, lunch, bus, and gratuities to driver are all covered. There is a gift shop and a café available.
- * For those planning ahead, we will have a Nov. 17 & Dec. 15 meeting of the 55+ Spirit Club. More info to follow!

ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Early historians said this author of the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles was born to a pagan family in Turkey and converted to Christianity. According to



Paul's letters and Acts, he was a doctor and Paul's companion during his later journeys and imprisonment in Rome. Luke's New Testament writings in Greek were for gentiles, extending to them the salvation promised to Israel. St. Luke is the patron of physicians and surgeons and, because of a legend that he painted a Marian icon, of painters. His feast day is October 18.

GODPARENT / SPONSOR INFORMATION

To be a Godparent or a Sponsor for a child who is going to be baptized or confirmed in the Catholic Church, the specific requirements are as follows:

- be at least 16 years old
- have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation
- if married, must be married validly in the Catholic Church
- be a practicing Catholic, regularly attending Mass & receiving Holy Communion on Sundays and Holy Days
- be an example of Christian living to the person that you are sponsoring, by the faith you profess in the Lord, His Church, and by your support and service to your parish community

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

If you are a school or parish volunteer (CYO, lunch monitor, etc.) you are required to be current on your Safe Environment Clearances (Safe Environment Part 1 & Part 2, PA Criminal Check, and PA Child Abuse Clearance). Please email Jennifer Radtke, Safe Env. Coordinator, at sthilarysafenvironment@gmail.com or call the rectory. No one is permitted to volunteer without the proper clearances.

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