

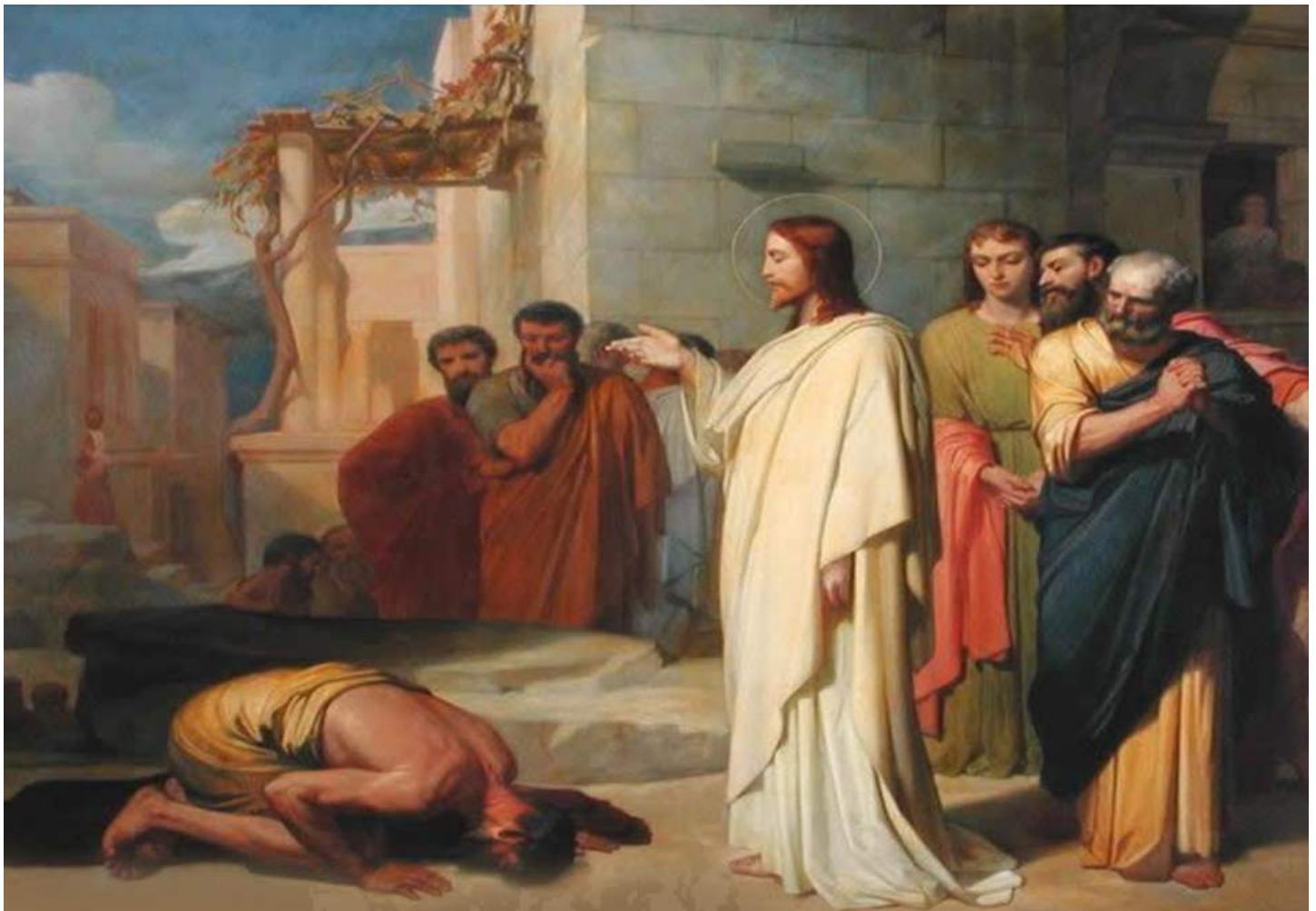
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FEBRUARY 11, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



I do will it.
Be made clean.

MARK 1:41

PASTOR'S CORNER

"I do will it. Be made clean."

In the ancient world, leprosy not only brought about physical disfigurement but also social and emotional suffering. One was banished from all of their family; banned from synagogues and temples. A leopard was truly living in the shadows of walking death. Today, a man with leprosy draws near to Jesus; no social distance back then. The first thing the man does is kneel before Jesus out of worship. Though disfigured, he recognizes Jesus as Lord of Life. "Your will be done," he cries out, which is the attitude of a true disciple.

There are situations we all experience where we feel cut off from others...relationships with family, marital problems, or our own struggles with the spiritual leprosy of sin. Like the man in the gospel, we need to imitate his humility and his wisdom - the humility to say that we don't have all the answers, but Christ does. "Your will be done" was the faith that led this man to healing. Those words should be our mantra in life. Jesus became his Lord; He must be Lord of our lives. This means to worship Him not just by our presence in Church but also by the life we lead. Jesus brought a healing touch to many...we can do no less for others. The great Church hymn says, "Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found." May charity and love prevail in all of us so that those in need will find the Lord's healing touch once more.



God Bless,
*Father
Murray*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm ~ Joseph and Clara McGilvery

8:30am ~ Augustine Salvitti

10:30am ~ Maria DeGiosoffato

The new Sunday Mass Schedule started in January

Monday, February 12, 2024

8:00am ~ Anne Deely

***** Adoration in Church 8:30am to 4pm**

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

8:00am ~ Rev. John Silcox

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00am ~ Michael John Corley

10:00am ~ Michael and Helen Harrington

7:00pm ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

Thursday, February 15, 2024

8:00am ~ Rev. James Grant

7:00pm ~ *Stations of the Cross*

Friday, February 16, 2024

8:00am ~ Raymond and Kathleen McCabe

Saturday, February 17, 2024

5:00pm ~ Bandura Family

Sunday, February 18, 2024

First Sunday of Lent

8:30am ~ John, Rose, and Henry McErlean

10:30am ~ Anne Deely

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TWITTER ACCOUNT, INSTAGRAM, AND FACEBOOK PAGE!
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PARISH WEBSITE AT: www.sthilarypoitiers.org**

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AND ASK YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY TO DO THE
SAME! THANKS!**

UPDATE TO THE ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



This coming June, we will complete 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 \$427,176.25 has been pledged. Of that amount, we have collected and deposited \$346,008. Of the 231 families who have pledged, 168 families are paid in full. All of our projects have been completed, and all bills are now paid, thanks to you! I hope you enjoyed our new air conditioning system in the Church in summer. 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 are in 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.

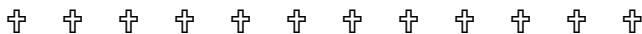
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Thursday, February 15**

There will be a follow-up meeting of the Knights of Columbus on **Thursday, February 15**. The meeting will begin with Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in Church, followed by the meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Center. Those men who have already committed to join will participate in a Degree for the Members. New members welcome! All men 18 years & older please join us!

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to several thousands of people.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL



In this year of reviving our devotion to the Eucharist and encouraging everyone to return to Mass, we will offer weekly meditations, reflections, and poetry from various saints and authors on the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, which is "the source and summit of the Christian life." Excerpts are taken from the book *The Holy Hour*, a Word on Fire publication.

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.



St. Hilary of Poitiers School
THANK YOU
to everyone who joined us recently for the packed Catholic Schools Week Mass, and for the tours! And thanks to all those who continue to support our terrific school!

SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR NEW STUDENTS FOR THE 2024-25 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



Activities



Tours



St. Hilary School Alumni

LENT begins this week.

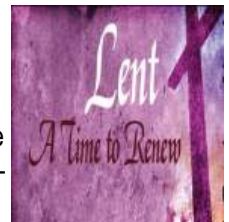
Here are some suggestions for the first few days of Lent this week:

Wed., Feb. 14 - attend Mass and receive ashes; prayerfully choose Lenten offerings of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Thurs., Feb. 15 - set aside an empty jar for loose change; when it's full, donate it to the poor box at church.

Fri., Feb. 16 - offer up every time you're tempted to have meat for those who can't afford to have meat regularly.

Sat., Feb. 17 - adopt a seminarian or consecrated religious to pray for this Lent; check the diocesan website to see who is in discernment.



NEW 2024 SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY MASS

2024 Winter/Spring/Fall Schedule

(January thru June, and Sept. thru Dec., 2024)

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am

2024 Summer Schedule

(1st Sunday in July thru Labor Day in Sept. '24)

Saturdays at 5:00pm

Sundays at 9:00am and 11:00am

**ASH WEDNESDAY IS THIS WEDNESDAY,
FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

**MASSSES are at 8:00am, 10:00am and 7:00pm
(Ashes are given out during Mass)**

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2024, on all the Fridays of Lent and on Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

February 4, 2024

Sunday Offering: \$6,114
Electronic Giving: \$3,320

Total: \$9,434

February 5, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$7,730
Electronic Giving: \$3,228

Total: \$10,958

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR ST. HILARY
LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY**

**There are 2 choices
for Lenten Scripture Study this Lent:**

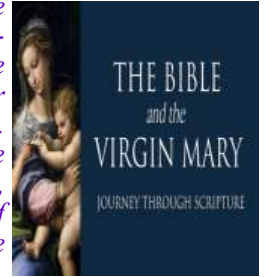
* Journey Through Scripture
“The Bible and the Virgin Mary”

OR

* *Around the Lenten Circle*

Journey Through Scripture “The Bible & the Virgin Mary”

is the St. Paul Center’s dynamic Bible study program designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge of the Scriptures while deepening their understanding of the riches of our faith. This series beautifully explains the Catholic truths about Our Lady, showing how she has been a part of God’s plan to bring salvation to the world since the beginning of time.

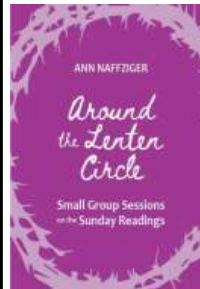


**Choose your day & time for Journey Through
Scripture “The Bible and the Virgin Mary”:**

- * **Mondays at 10am** with Sandy Repitcky (Sandy’s group is for 6 weeks, and begins on Monday, February 12th)
- * **Wednesdays at 7:00pm** with Father Murray (Fr. Murray’s group is for 4 weeks, and begins on Wednesday, February 21st)

Around the Lenten Circle

is a resource from The Pastoral Center that will find its way into many areas of parish life; each week includes conversation starters for reflecting back on the week; scripture readings; reflections with insights on how the readings may speak to us today; questions for reflection and conversation.



Around the Lenten Circle:

- * **Tuesdays at 1:30pm** with Kathy Lill (Kathy’s group is for 6 weeks, and begins on Tuesday, February 13th)

Cost for either Scripture Study is a free-will offering; all sessions are in the Rectory.

Call the Rectory soon at 215-884-3252 to sign up for one of the Lenten Scripture Series!

ST. VALENTINE'S STORY

Let me introduce myself; my name is Valentine. I lived in Rome during the third century. That was long, long ago. At that time, Rome was ruled by an emperor named Claudius. I didn't like Emperor Claudius, and I wasn't the only one! A whole lot of people shared my feelings.

Claudius wanted to have a big army. He expected men to volunteer to join. Many men just did not want to fight in wars. They did not want to leave their wives and families. As you might have guessed, not many men signed up. This made Claudius furious. So what happened? He had a crazy idea. He thought if men were not married, then they would not mind joining the army. So, Claudius decided not to allow any more marriages. Young people thought that this new rule was cruel. I thought it was preposterous! I certainly wasn't going to support that law. Did I mention I was a priest? One of my favorite works as a priest was to marry couples. Even after Emperor Claudius passed his law, I kept on performing marriage ceremonies - secretly, of course. It was really quite exciting. Imagine a small candlelit room with only the bride and groom and myself. We would whisper the words of the ceremony, listening all the while for the steps of the soldiers.

One night we did hear footsteps. It was scary! Thank goodness the couple I was marrying escaped in time. I was caught, however. I was thrown in jail and told that my punishment was death. I tried to stay cheerful. And do you know what? Wonderful things happened. Many young people came to the jail to visit me. They threw flowers and notes up to my window. They wanted me to know that they, too, believed in love. One young woman was the prison guard's daughter. Her father allowed her to visit me in the cell. Sometimes we would sit and talk for hours. She helped me to keep my spirits up. She agreed that I did the right thing by ignoring the Emperor and going ahead with the secret marriages. On the day I was to die, I left my friend a little note, thanking her for her friendship and loyalty. I signed it, "Love from your Valentine."

I do believe that this note started the custom of exchanging love messages on Valentine's Day. It was written on the day that I died, which was February 14, 269 A.D.



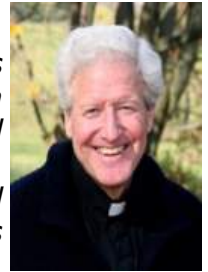
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Men & Young Men's Day of Recollection

Saturday, March 2, 2024
at St. Hilary Parish Center

**Our Retreat Master is
Rev. Dennis O'Donnell**

Father O'Donnell currently helps at Holy Redeemer Health System as retreat director, chaplain, and mission integration coordinator. He also conducts retreats and days of recollection for various groups throughout the USA.



**Cost is \$20 per person
(Continental Breakfast & Lunch included)**

Day Schedule

8:30-9:15am	<i>Check-in / Breakfast</i>
9:15-10:00am	<i>Introduction / Morning Prayer / Reflection by Fr. O'Donnell</i>
10:00-11:15am	<i>Confessions / Free Time</i>
11:15am-12:00pm	<i>Mass</i>
12:00pm-1:00pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:15pm	<i>Closing Reflection / Questions & Answers</i>

***** You must reserve your spot for
this event by Feb. 20th!**

**For Reservations, please call the
Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email to:
sthilaryrydal@gmail.com by Feb. 20th
Thanks for your consideration!**



**St. Hilary Ladies Sodality
Thursday, Feb. 22
7:00pm in the Parish Center**

**Open to all women of St. Hilary!
Please come join us for the
Rosary and Fellowship! We'll be
working on Easter Gift Bags for the shut-ins.**

**Please contact Stacey Ellis at scallah9@aol.com or
215-896-3424 for information. Thank you!**

ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB NEWS

The St. Hilary 55+ Spirit Club **next meeting is Wednesday, February 21, 2024** at which time Sister Maryanne King will be giving a short talk about the Sisters of the Redeemer, and Kate Jaanus will lead us in a craft. New members are always welcome. We are a very welcoming & fun group! You do not have to be a parish member to join. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Ro or Mike Schell at 215-663-1421 or Rosesylvia McDonald at 215-219-0651. Looking forward to seeing you on February 21st - doors open at 9am and the meeting starts at 10am.

St. Hilary "Not-So-Super" Super Bowl Block Pool

Thank you so much to Bob Lattanzi, our Football Block Pool Expert! His time & support of St. Hilary's Parish are greatly appreciated!

You needed to have reserved your Block(s) from Bob directly for the SuperBowl game! For those who still owe money for the Super Bowl Pool, checks are made payable to St. Hilary; please put "Super Bowl" in the memo section of your check. You can drop off checks in the secure black lockbox outside the Rectory in an envelope marked "Super Bowl Pool". You can also put your marked envelope in the Sunday collection baskets next weekend, or Venmo Robert Lattanzi @sc1225. Thanks!

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, TJ McDonald, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonina, 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, Dilynn Listman, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Martha Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Colleen Legare, Theresa Williams, Jim Curley, Bob Donnolly, Rafael Moreno

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased:

*Rev. Eugene Tully Joanne Longshore
Elizabeth Lipp Mario Arrieta*

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm
Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am,
(new schedule started in January 2024))

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

Pastor ~ Rev. Kevin P. Murray

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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 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 Friday 8:30am to 4pm

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!*

"CARING FOR FRIENDS" BREAKFAST BAGS

Please join our St. Hilary PREP students and families as they gather food to prepare 100 breakfast bags for Caring for Friends. Caring for Friends provides food and friendship to homebound seniors, veterans, homeless, and families with children in need. The needed items are:

juice boxes cereal bars granola bars
single oatmeal packets hot chocolate packets
Tea bags fruit cups (plastic or metal lids)
Instant coffee packets of peanut butter crackers
fruit or vegetable squeeze pouches

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