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MAY 21, 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Father,
THE HOUR
HAS COME.

JOHN 17:1

PASTOR'S CORNER

“They returned to Jerusalem and gathered in the upper room.”

-- Acts 1:12-14

The apostles, along with Mary, returned to Jerusalem. This is the city that rejected Jesus, drove Him out, and crucified Him. They gathered in the “upper room”...once before they gathered there in fear and shame. Now that room of shame has been transformed into a place of prayer, hope, and worship. Who are they praying to and worshipping? They are worshipping and praying to Jesus, now resurrected and ascended to His Father. All of Jesus’s claims as Son of God and all of what He taught has been proven true. Yes, His “hour” as he called it, was a moment of triumph.

The hour of testing comes to every generation. The cities of the world are always driving Jesus away. The cities drive out prayer, trash the commandments, and marginalize our Christian faith. In such moments, we, like the Apostles, must return to the upper room. Our Church has served as that upper room for generations. Though we can’t gather here now, we can create our own upper room at home. We can gather there with Mary in prayer, read Scriptures, pray the rosary, and offer God our praise and thanks. In the midst of His suffering, Jesus knew where He came from and where He was going. Our prayers and worship enable us to hold onto His vision, even in the midst of suffering.

St. Pope John Paul II once wrote:

“The Church may indeed experience difficulties; the Gospel may suffer setbacks; but because Jesus ascended and sits at the right hand of the Father, the Church will never be defeated.”



Happy Easter,
Father Murray

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

5:00pm Vigil ~ The McGilvery Family

8:00am ~ Mary Jane Garry

10:00am ~ Thomas Suder and Niewodowski Family

12:00pm ~ Dorothy Donatelli

Monday, May 22, 2023

St. Rita of Cascia

8:00am ~ Jack Whalen

Adoration ~ 8:30am to 4:00pm

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

8:00am ~ The Murray Family

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

8:00am ~ Richard Hopkins

7:00pm ~ Novena and Eucharistic Procession

Thursday, May 25, 2023

St. Bede, St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi

8:00am ~ Ernest DiCarlo

Friday, May 26, 2023

Saint Philip Neri

8:00am ~ Howard and Mary Trappler

Saturday, May 27, 2023

5:00pm ~ Patsy Whalen

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday

8:00am ~ Tim Merlini

10:00am ~ Patrick and Mary Costello

12:00pm ~ Giuseppe Bucci

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

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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. Of the 229 campaign responses, 145 are now paid in full. We currently have about \$287,730 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 for your kind generosity!!

PROJECT UPDATE

Just a reminder that the monies raised from the Jubilee Capital Campaign were 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 were just recently installed ~ completed

Once again, I am sincerely thankful for the overwhelming response & generosity! All donations are very much appreciated!

Gratefully,
Father Murray



St. Hilary
School Hall Door



Sacred Heart of Jesus
Church to Courtyard Door



Sacred Heart of Mary
Hall to Church Door

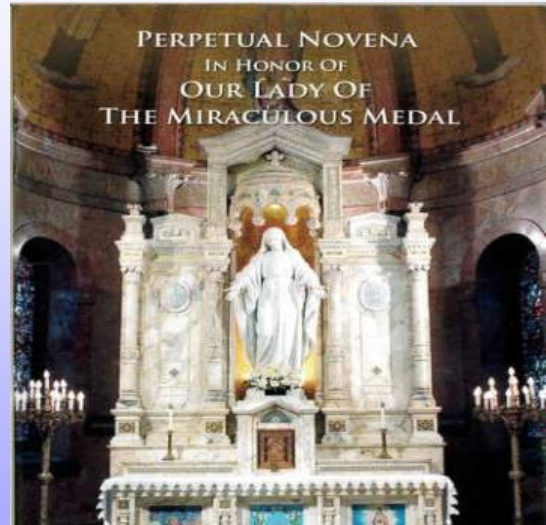
THE NEW CHURCH DOORS ARE HERE!

WE WILL HAVE A BLESSING OF OUR NEW DOORS THIS SUNDAY, MAY 21 AT THE 10am MASS ~
THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE ST. HILARY DIAMOND JUBILEE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

<u>May 7, 2023</u>	<u>May 8, 2022</u>
Sunday Offering: \$7,513	Sunday Offering: \$4,861
Electronic Giving: \$4,631	Electronic Giving: \$3,866
Total: \$12,144	Total: \$8,727

ST. HILARY CHURCH WILL BE HAVING A NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL AND EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION THIS COMING WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 2023 7:00PM



Please join us for this special Novena, followed by an Outdoor Procession of the Holy Eucharist around our parish grounds. All parish & school families and parish organizations are encouraged to come as we end this month of Mary honoring the Blessed Mother.

A very joyous, grateful, and prayerful welcome is extended to the men who were ordained to the holy priesthood on Saturday, May 20, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul:



- Rev. Anthony J. Albanese*
Rev. Shane M. Flanagan
Rev. Randall J. Kraft *Rev. Phong T. Le*
Rev. John Okpara *Rev. Kenneth Omeke*
Rev. Wesley L. Taveras Medina



3 NEW WITNESSES TO THE RESURRECTION!

THANKS TO HAL FAGAN, RICH BRAZUKAS, AND BILL BRAZUKAS FOR THEIR HELP RAISING THE LORD!
DEDICATION OF THIS STATUE IS THIS SUN., MAY 21 AT THE 10AM MASS.

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 much greater security to our school and peace of mind to all of us.



ST. HILARY RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

*distributed baby bottles on Mother's Day weekend at all the Masses (May 13th/14th). This year, 100% of the contributions will be donated to the Pro-Life Union in order to support homeless pregnant women at their guiding Star Ministries Maternity Home. **Thank you for returning the bottles this weekend, May 20th/21st!** Thank you very much for your kind and generous assistance!*

ST. HILARY
17th ANNUAL
GOLF TOURNAMENT ~
THIS YEAR, IT WILL BE
DEDICATED TO THE LOVING
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North Hills Country Club

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Golf Tournament Brochures are in the Church and Rectory. Any questions, please call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com



DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS COMING SOON ~ PLEASE JOIN US!

THE RISEN CHRIST

A six-foot statue of the Risen Christ was recently placed on the front wall entrance to St. Hilary Church. This beautiful piece celebrates Christ's victory over sin and death. His outstretched arms beckon us all to come to Him – "All who are weary and find life burdensome, I will give you rest."

Funds for this gift to our parish were taken from generous donations to our St. Hilary Memorial Fund from the families of the deceased parish family members below, in their loving memory:

Ray and Catherine McCabe
Frank and Doris Devinney
Guy and Pat Pacitti
Joseph and Evelyn Strigle
Marg Lawton
Arthur Stevens
Robert and Rita Schnepf

Dedication of this statue will take place this Sunday, May 21 at the 10am Mass. May the Risen Christ bless you and your loved ones.



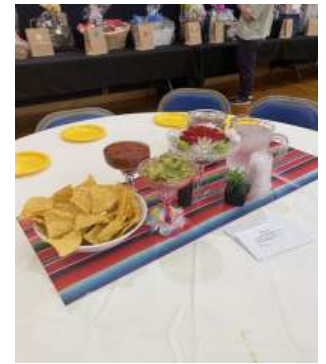
Ladies' Night out

THANK YOU AGAIN

to all who helped to put together a terrific Ladies Night Out - and for all the delicious food, terrific raffle baskets, great silent auction items, fun-themed decorations, drinks, and snacks, etc. etc. A great time was had by all!



Thank you so much to all who attended this fundraising event and for supporting St. Hilary Parish and School!



For 65 years, the Catholic Charities Appeal has embodied the spirit of missionary discipleship by giving hope to those in need throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We remind you and ask you to please send your Catholic Charities donations directly to the Archdiocese in the envelop that was mailed to you. **Thank you for your consideration!**

SINCERE APOLOGIES from the new Envelope Company for the occasional "doubles" in the envelope packets that they mail directly to your house. They are still working out the kinks, and your understanding and patience are kindly appreciated!

MANNA BAGS were distributed at all our Masses earlier in May. **Thank you for returning your filled Manna Bags THIS WEEKEND, May 20th/May 21st.** The bags are getting picked up soon, so we can't accept Manna Bags after this Monday.

Canned food items in greatest need are:

beef stew	tuna fish	fruit
vegetables	pasta	soups
		pork & beans

Thank you for your kind consideration in helping those in emergency situations. Your food donations will go directly to The Patrician Society in Montgomery County.

UPDATED 55+ SPIRIT NEWS:

The 55+ Senior Spirit Club ~ next meeting will be Wednesday, June 21 beginning at 10am in the Parish Center. This will be the last meeting until after the summer. Please join us! Thanks!

Divine Mercy's Mother Said: "Know, My daughter, that although I was raised to the dignity of other of God, seven swords of pain pierced My heart. Don't do anything to defend yourself; bear everything with humility; God Himself will defend you." (St. Faustina's Diary, 786)

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St. Albert the Great Parish, through the generosity of a parishioner, has purchased the Eucharistic Miracles Display compiled by Blessed Carlo Acutis. This exhibit will be on display June 2-4 in their parish auditorium. There are over 150 documented Eucharistic miracles in the display. These miracles document cases where the consecrated bread and wine had a change in physical appearance and became actual flesh and blood, cases where natural disasters, like Tsunamis, were averted in the presence of the Eucharist, and many other miracles attributed to the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to come and see - there is no cost, so spread the word.

Friday, June 2: 7:00 - 9:00pm

Saturday, June 3: 3:00-5:00pm and 6:00-8:00pm

Sunday, June 4: 9:00am - 3:45pm

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, Timothy Dempsey, Dilynn Listman, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon, Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Kathy Huss, Martha Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Tom Hall

Please pray for the souls of all of the 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

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

Deacon ~ Deacon Joseph W. Bernauer, Jr.

Pastor Emeritus ~ Msgr. Michael J. Carroll

School Principal ~ Eileen Fagan

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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 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!

PREP REGISTRATION

AT ST. HILARY PARISH

(Parish Religious Education Program)

PREP registration for 2023-24 is currently underway.

PREP Classes are on Tuesday nights at 6:30pm

Registration is online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/230998856177072>

(you can also access PREP registration on our parish website at: www.sthilarypoitiers.org)

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. Please email Noreen Forkin, PREP Coordinator, or call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 with questions.

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