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FEBRUARY 1, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Blessed

ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT,
FOR THEIRS IS THE
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

MATTHEW 5:3



PASTOR'S CORNER

"I will leave a faithful remnant in your midst."
-- Zephaniah 2:3

The Scripture today speaks of the "faithful remnants." It refers to individuals, families, and institutions that remain loyal to God's ways and commandments. Last week, we paused to celebrate Catholic Schools. These Catholic Schools, and in particular St. Hilary School, are powerful witnesses to that vision. In a culture where God's name is shunned or at best whispered about, right here at St. Hilary School, God's name is proclaimed and shouted out as the name above every other name!

To be faithful to God's moral views will not win you applause from today's culture. In fact, St. Paul says you will be viewed as "foolish." No one appeared more foolish than Jesus, hanging on the Cross. He seemed a conquered man, weak, and absurd by the world's standards. Yet in St. Paul's words, "His weakness proved stronger than human strength; His foolishness wiser than human wisdom." All this was proven true by Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Jesus' resurrection shed light on everything we teach and value and hold sacred in our Catholic School. Our school is not just about expanding the intellect but also expanding the heart, forming conscience, building character, celebrating virtue, promoting charity, and most importantly, living the faith.

Jesus invites us all to become children of the Beatitudes...poor in spirit, rich in mercy, pure in heart, makers of peace, and proud to be called children of God. I am most grateful to all of you who so generously support our school. Most especially, I am thankful to our principal, Mrs. Fagan, as well as to our teachers, staff, volunteers, and parents for all of their sacrifices and good will in keeping the spirit of the Beatitudes front and center here at St. Hilary School.



God Bless,
Father Murray

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm ~ Celeste Tate
8:30am ~ William and Rosemary Wynne
10:30am ~ Angelo Mattia

Monday, February 2, 2026

The Presentation of the Lord

8:00am ~ Thomas Hughes
*** *Adoration 8:30am - 4pm*

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, and Saint Ansgar, Bishop
8:00am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

8:00am ~ Don Burger

Thursday, February 5, 2026

Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
8:00am ~ Patrick Callahan

Friday, February 6, 2026

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
9:00am ~ Joe Hartey

Saturday, February 7, 2026

5:00pm ~ Jack Duffy

Sunday, February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am ~ Bernice and John Dugan
10:30am ~ Don and Eileen Burger

The 2026 Mass Book for Announced Masses is open.



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Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez has proposed a bold vision for the future of the Catholic Church of Philadelphia in his pastoral letter, *Trust and Hope* (more information can be found at TrustandHope.org). The Catholic Church of Philadelphia is not defined by its structures, but by its greatest treasure – it's people. To plan its future, the Archdiocese is working with the Steier Group, a national Catholic fundraising firm, to conduct a campaign planning study. Please accept the invitation to share your feedback on the Church of Philadelphia's proposed plans. This is our moment to renew the Catholic Church of Philadelphia – to strengthen parishes, form missionary disciples, and bring Christ to a world in need. **YOUR VOICE MATTERS!** Impact our future by taking our survey at: <https://forms.office.com/r/9fc595U5B4> or scan the QR code.



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Thank you to our parishioners for your support of St. Hilary School! We celebrate with grateful thanks to everyone involved in helping to make St. Hilary of Poitiers School the wonderful school it is! Thanks to our principal, our teachers, staff, parents, guardians, volunteers, and our amazing children in PreK thru 8th Grade!

2026 CYO SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Spring Sports Registration is now open for the 2026 season for St. Hilary parishioners! Below is a list of the sports. Practice schedules will go out once all teams secure a coach. Game schedules will go out after the region-wide scheduling meetings.

*** Link to sign up is below.

Varsity Track & Field - birth years: 2016 thru 8th grade

Bantams Track & Field - Kind. thru birth year 2017 (no PreK)

Co-Ed High School Volleyball - Grades 9-12 (just games)

Girls Flag Football - Grades 5-8; JV & Varsity levels

Baseball - Grades 5-8 boys; JV & Varsity levels

Co-Ed Cadet T-Ball - Grades PreK thru 2nd grade

Multi-family discount available thru Feb. 3. Registration closes Feb. 13. Thanks for your continued support and commitment to our student-athletes - looking forward to a fun and faith-filled, spring sports season!

*** <https://registration.teamsnap.com/form/49948>

ST. HILARY CYO



Forming Future Saints Through Stronger Schools

The Catholic Church of Philadelphia is proposing to strengthen the Catholic identity of our schools and better connect students and families to parish life by placing missionaries in each school. To help make Catholic education more affordable, we also plan to hire and better train development directors.

Share your thoughts by participating in the planning study survey. Click this post to offer your feedback.

Learn more about the schools plan at TrustandHope.org.

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2026 Raffle

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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.

**Each raffle ticket is \$10.
Great prizes to be had!**

**Raffle Tickets will be on sale after all Masses at
two of the Church entrances.**

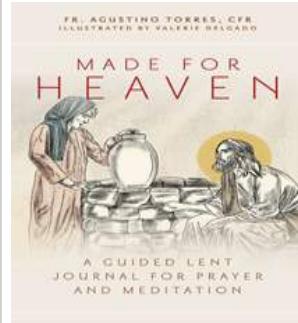
**Raffle Tickets will also be on sale in the
Rectory Mondays thru Thursdays from 8:30am to
4:00pm (closed from 12-1pm).**

**** It would be greatly appreciated if you would
take a packet of 25 tickets to sell them (anyone
can sell the tickets). There will be an Instruc-
tion Sheet included. Please stop by the table af-
ter Mass to pick up a packet to sell (special
incentive for sellers, too)!**

**If you have any questions, please call the
Rectory Mondays thru Thursdays at
215-884-3252 or you can email to
sthilaryrydal@gmail.com**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN
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and almsgiving - and
learn that you are made
for heaven!**

**Made for Heaven...this 6-Week Lenten Series will
be offered by Kathy Lill on six Tuesdays at
1:30pm in the Rectory (Feb. 17th, Feb. 24th,
March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th)**

Offering: \$15

**Register: Call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or
email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com**

***** Please register & pick up your book from the
Rectory before the first session...thanks!**



**Bishop Robert Barron's explo-
ration of Catholicism is deeply
rooted in the lives of the saints,
as he seeks to capture the
essence of the faith through the
stories and teachings of those
who have lived out their faith.**

**This 4-Week Series, "God's Friends in Heaven
and On Earth", will be offered by Fr. Murray on
four Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Rectory
(Feb. 25th, March 4th, March 11th, March 18th)**

**Register: Call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or
email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com**

Week 1: St. Peter & St. Paul

**Week 2: St. Katharine Drexel and St. Teresa
(Little Flower)**

Week 3: St. Edith Stein & St. Theresa of Calcutta

**Week 4: St. John of the Cross & St. Teresa of
Avila**



**ST. HILARY OF POITIERS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**WED., FEBRUARY 4, 2026
7:00pm - in the Parish Center**

**The St. Hilary Knights of Columbus are holding
a Degree Exemplification, followed by their
monthly business meeting, on Wed., Feb. 4 in
the Parish Center (2nd Flr.) Any men interested
in joining the Knights should reach out to Father
Murray. Thanks for your consideration!**

St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish ("Not-So-Super") Super Bowl Block Pool



The “Not-So-Super” Super Bowl is on Sunday, February 8th.
No expertise is needed, just pure random luck.

Blocks will be sold for \$25 each. Here's how it works:

The administrator, Bob Lattanzi, will randomly place your names on the grid(s), until the grid is full (100 blocks for one entire grid).

At that time, numbers from 0 to 9 will be randomly chosen for both, the New England Patriots and the Seattle Seahawks.

The completed blocks will be circulated through email before the kickoff.

The unit digit from each team's score will be used as lookups to determine the winning participants.
For example, Patriots 49 versus Seahawks 13, we would use
Patriots 9 and Seahawks 3 as the lookups.

We will have a \$25 winner after every score, including extra points.

The score at the end of the 1st Quarter will win 15% of the remaining pot
(probably about \$175).

The score at Halftime will win 20% of the remaining pot
(probably about \$250).

The score at the end of the 3rd Quarter will win 15% of the remaining pot
(probably about \$175).

The score at the end of regulation will win 50% of the remaining pot
(probably about \$600).

Unless the game goes into overtime, then the score at the end of regulation and the score at the end of the game split that 50% equally.

If we sell out 100 blocks, we estimate that the Parish will pay out \$1,500 in winnings and make \$1,000 to offset a variety of costs. We hope to sell 200 blocks and have 2 completed grids, doubling our intake and payouts (feel free to buy multiple blocks).

**Pool contact is Bob Lattanzi,
phone number 215-833-2535 (you can text, or leave a voicemail message),
and email address is RRLATT@COMCAST.NET**

***** Blocks are to be purchased by phone or email DIRECTLY TO BOB LATTANZI ~ let Bob know by Thursday, Feb. 5 how many blocks you want...thank you. *****

Checks should be made payable to St. Hilary; please put “Super Bowl” in the memo section of your check. You can drop off cash or checks to the Rectory in an envelope marked “Super Bowl Pool” (or if after business hours, you can put your marked envelope in the secure black lockbox outside the Rectory). In addition, you can put your marked envelope in next weekend’s church collection basket, or you can also Venmo Robert Lattanzi @sc1225.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO LET BOB KNOW BY THURSDAY, FEB. 5
HOW MANY BLOCKS THAT YOU WANT!**



Thanks, as always, for your support and participation!!!



SAINT HILARY'S 55+ SPIRIT CLUB

St. Hilary's 55+ Spirit Club will have its next meeting on **Wed., February 11**. **Spirit Club Members who are going on the bus trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa on April 9th are asked to bring their \$25 to the Feb. 11th meeting (make check payable to "St. Hilary Travels)**. New members are 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 Feb. 11 - doors open at 9am and meeting starts at 10am. Thanks!

**"Give yourself fully to God.
He will use you to accomplish great
things on the condition that you believe
much more in His love than in your
own weakness."**

~ St. Teresa of Calcutta



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 Masantonio, 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 Donnelly, 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

Please pray for the souls of all of the deceased

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WEEKEND MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

8 AM on Monday thru Friday

CONFESIONS:

Saturdays 4 – 4:45 PM; Sundays in Lent after 10:30am Mass

HOLY DAYS

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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.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

January 25, 2026

Sunday Offering: **\$4,177**
Electronic Giving: **\$3,115**

Total: \$7,292

January 26, 2025

Sunday Offering: **\$7,865**
Electronic Giving: **\$2,345**

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