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JANUARY 2, 2022

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



PASTOR'S CORNER

New Years resolutions fill the air at the moment. Today, the Feast of the Epiphany calls us to make perhaps the greatest of all resolutions - to make greater progress in the search for God. The Magi's journey lead to discovering an unexpected surprise. In a manger, they found God shedding his face upon them in Jesus Christ. By contemplating this child in the manger, may we discover how we have been singularly blessed and loved.

God can be found, if we take the time to look...to look and discover what Pope Francis calls "the God of perpetual surprises." Mary found God conceived in her womb. Kings and Shepherds found Him in a manger. A Roman soldier years later would find God on a Cross. Today, you and I can find Him in bread and wine transformed into His Body and Blood.

After worshipping Jesus, the Magi found a different way home. God is calling all of us home. May we have the wisdom of the Magi not to follow the path of the world, but the path that Jesus revealed. His path will lead us to our true home and enable us to wonder at the God of perpetual surprises!

Happy and Joyful New Year,
Father Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

Weekend Mass Times are as follows:
5pm Vigil on Saturdays (but not on 1/1/22)
8am, 10am, and 12pm on Sundays

Sunday, January 2, 2022

Epiphany of the Lord

*** There is no 5pm Mass on January 1, 2022

8:00am ~ Rachel D'Attilio

10:00am ~ Joe Casey

12:00pm ~ Anthony Gulli, Sr.

Monday, January 3, 2022

Holy Name of Jesus

8:00am ~ Herbert, Elfrieda & Lisa Schnepf

8:30am thru 4:00pm ~ Adoration in Church

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00am ~ Madeleine Kelly

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

Saint John Neumann

8:00am ~ Vincent Tartaglia

Thursday, January 6, 2022

Saint Andre Bessette

8:00am ~ Patsy and Jack Whalen

Friday, January 7, 2022

Saint Raymond of Penafort, Priest

9:00am ~ Patsy and Jack Whalen

Saturday, January 8, 2022

5pm ~ Rosie Duffy

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Baptism of the Lord

8:00am ~ Anna Mattia

10:00am ~ Billy Hamburger

12:00pm ~ Joe Casey

PLEASE SIGN 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 is being livestreamed - those who are unable to attend Mass in person can tune in to the FREE St. Hilary Church YouTube Channel at:

<https://tinyurl.com/sthilaryls>

This link stays the same each week; it brings you to the list of all the mass videos - so all you need to do is to click on the date of the Mass you wish to view. The new video will show up as soon as we start recording it. Thank you!

SOME REMINDERS...

Our Weekend Mass Schedule, starting this weekend, January 2, 2022, is as follows:

Saturdays at 5:00pm (but not on 1/1/22)

Sundays at 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm



THANKS ONCE AGAIN FOR THE GENEROUS RESPONSES TO OUR ADVENT GIVING TREE!



During the Advent season as we prepared to receive the coming of our Lord at Christmas, we had the opportunity once again to show God's love in giving to others who are in need. Through the generosity of many parishioners and friends, Christmas joy was given to so many families and individuals in need. Thanks for your kindness!

All of us know instinctively that nothing compares to "being there" in person. Whether it's being at a friend's wedding, sitting down to have a heart-to-heart conversation, comforting a family member while she is grieving or watching as your baby takes his first steps, we all know that being physically present makes all the difference. The same logic applies to our life as Catholics. Especially when it comes to the Mass, truly, nothing compares to *being there*.



A NEW YEAR YEAR'S PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you that you make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good along with the hard things, which have reminded us how much we need you and rely on your presence, filling us every single day.

We pray for your Spirit to lead us each step of this New Year. We ask that you will guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire you above all else. We ask that you will open doors needing to be opened and close the ones needing to be shut tight. We ask that you would help us release our grip on the things to which you've said "no," "not yet," or "wait."

We ask for your wisdom, for your strength and power to be constantly present within us. We pray you would make us strong and courageous for the road ahead.

We pray that you keep us far from the snares and traps of temptations, and that you would whisper in our ear when we need to run, and whisper in our heart when we need to stand our ground.

We pray for your protection over our families and friends. We ask for your hand to cover us and keep us distanced from the evil intent of the enemy, and that you would be a barrier to surround us, that we'd be safe in your hands.

We ask that you would keep our footsteps firm, on solid ground, helping us to be consistent and faithful. Give us supernatural endurance to stay the course, not swerving or being too easily distracted by other things that would seek to call us away from a close walk with you.

Forgive us for all the times we have worked so hard to be self-sufficient, forgetting our need for you. Forgive us for letting our fear and worry control our minds, and for allowing pride and selfishness to wreak havoc over our lives.

We confess our need for you...fresh...new...again. We ask that you make all things new in our hearts, in our minds, and in our lives for this coming new year.

We ask that you would provide for our needs; we ask for your grace and favor. We pray for your blessings to cover us. We pray that you would help us to prosper and make every plan that you have birthed in our heart to succeed.

Shine your light in us, through us, over us. May we make a difference in this world, for your glory and purposes. Set your way before us. May all your plans succeed so that we may reflect your peace and hope to a world that so desperately needs your presence and healing.

To you be glory, in this New Year, and forever.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH **SUNDAY MASSES**

*** 5 PM Vigil Saturdays (not on 1/1/22)
*** 8am, 10am and 12pm on Sundays starting on
January 2, 2022

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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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!*

FLIGHT 2022 INSTRUCTIONS

Good morning and welcome to Flight 2022.
We are prepared to take off into the
New Year.

Please make sure your Positive Attitude
and Gratitude are secured and locked in the
upright position.

All self-destruct devices: pity, anger, pride,
selfishness, and resentment should be
turned off at this time.

All negativity, hurt, and discouragement
should be put away.

Should you lose your Positive Attitude
under pressure during this flight,
reach up and pull down a prayer.

Prayers will automatically be activated
by Faith.

Once your Faith is activated, you can assist
other passengers who are of little faith.

There will be **NO BAGGAGE** allowed
on this flight.

God, our Captain, has cleared us
for take-off.

Destination ~ **GREATNESS!**

Wishing you a New Year filled with new
HOPE, new JOY, and new BEGINNINGS!

Stay Blessed!

And welcome in 2022.



BAPTISM

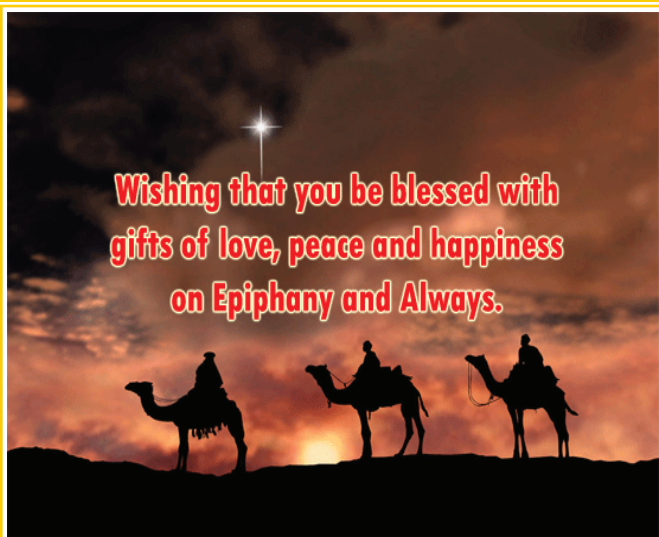
**We welcome into the Church and our
Parish Family those recently baptized:**

Maura Catherine Seybold, daughter of Matt
and Amy Seybold

Maura Catherine Reinhardt, daughter of Matt
and Colleen Reinhardt

Jason Robert Martinez, son of Jason and
Jennifer Martinez

**Wishing that you be blessed with
gifts of love, peace and happiness
on Epiphany and Always.**



THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our Christmas Festival was a great success. Young and old had a festive time sharing friendship, laughter, great food, games for the children and a visit with Santa! Many thanks to our Home & School and all who helped set up and clean up for this great occasion. It is so inspiring to see so many of you taking ownership and extending good will toward our parish and school community!

Special Thanks to our sponsors and donations of gifts in kind:

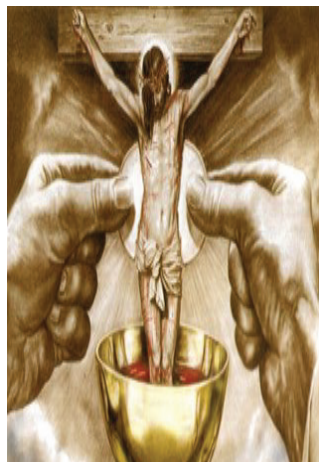
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Congratulations to the Winners of the Raffle:

\$1,000 ~ Lauren Centola *\$300 ~ Matt Douglas* *\$200 ~ Father Murray*



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's Adoration Society

There is Adoration in Church every Monday from 8:30am til 4:00pm.

Come spend some time with the Lord!



THANK YOU from Sandy Repitcky for all the prayers after her surgery! She felt the power of your prayer!

THANK YOU from Joanne Masciocchi who was on our Prayer Line and spent 233 days in the hospital with Covid - she came home for Christmas! She is grateful for all who prayed and for the power of prayer!

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, Jim Comet, Ian Reilly, Joe Degrazia, Kira McKeever

Please pray for the recently deceased:
May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace

UPDATED ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB NEWS:

* The recent Spirit Club Christmas Party was enjoyed by all. Once again, Elizabeth Knecht entertained us with her beautiful voice and wonderful personality. When she sang and danced with Santa, smiles were everywhere. Our 50-50 drawing donated \$75 to the St. Hilary Parish Outreach Program. Members and guests enjoyed a free lunch. We learned that the Holiday Gala bus trip on December 12 netted about \$1,000 for St. Hilary School!

* January 19, 2022 ~ starting at this meeting, dues of \$25pp for the 2022 calendar year will be collected. This covers programs and refreshments. We are in the planning stages for the 2022 season and will keep you posted. Every effort is made to find entertaining talent and enlightening speakers.

* March 8, 2022 ~ Bus Trip...this is a Tuesday we have scheduled a bus trip to The Shore Club in Spring Lake, NJ (the Irish Riviera) for a St. Patty's Party. The proceeds will benefit St. Hilary School. Information Flyers will be available at the December 15 meeting. Reserve your seat early by contacting Michele Laganella at sthilarytravels@gmail.com or call 215-498-5908.



SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Wackerman Funeral Home for their generous gift of our Parish Calendars!

To All the Kind Volunteers

who decorated our Church so beautifully for the wonderful celebration of the Birth of Christ!

ST. HILARY EAGLES FOOTBALL BLOCK POOL

LATEST WINNERS:

(please note that due to early bulletin deadlines, the latest winners are not updated in this bulletin)



WEEK 11: Ray Vandegrift and Father Murray

WEEK 10: Kathy McCrea and Steve Izzi

WEEK 9: Drumm Family and Sinead Wasserbach

WEEK 8: Kathy Lennon and Jennifer Powers

WEEK 7: Wylesol Family and Msgr. Fairbanks

WEEK 6: Father Murray and Dan Cifuni

WEEK 5: Alex Muttreja and St. Hilary

WEEK 4: Forkin Family and Nick Lattanzi

WEEK 3: Ann Wise and Donna Lattanzi

WEEK 2: Frank & Kate Hopkins and Msgr. Fairbanks

WEEK 1: Kilkenny Cats and Joe & Margie Magee

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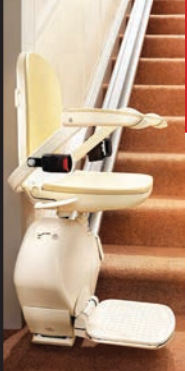


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