

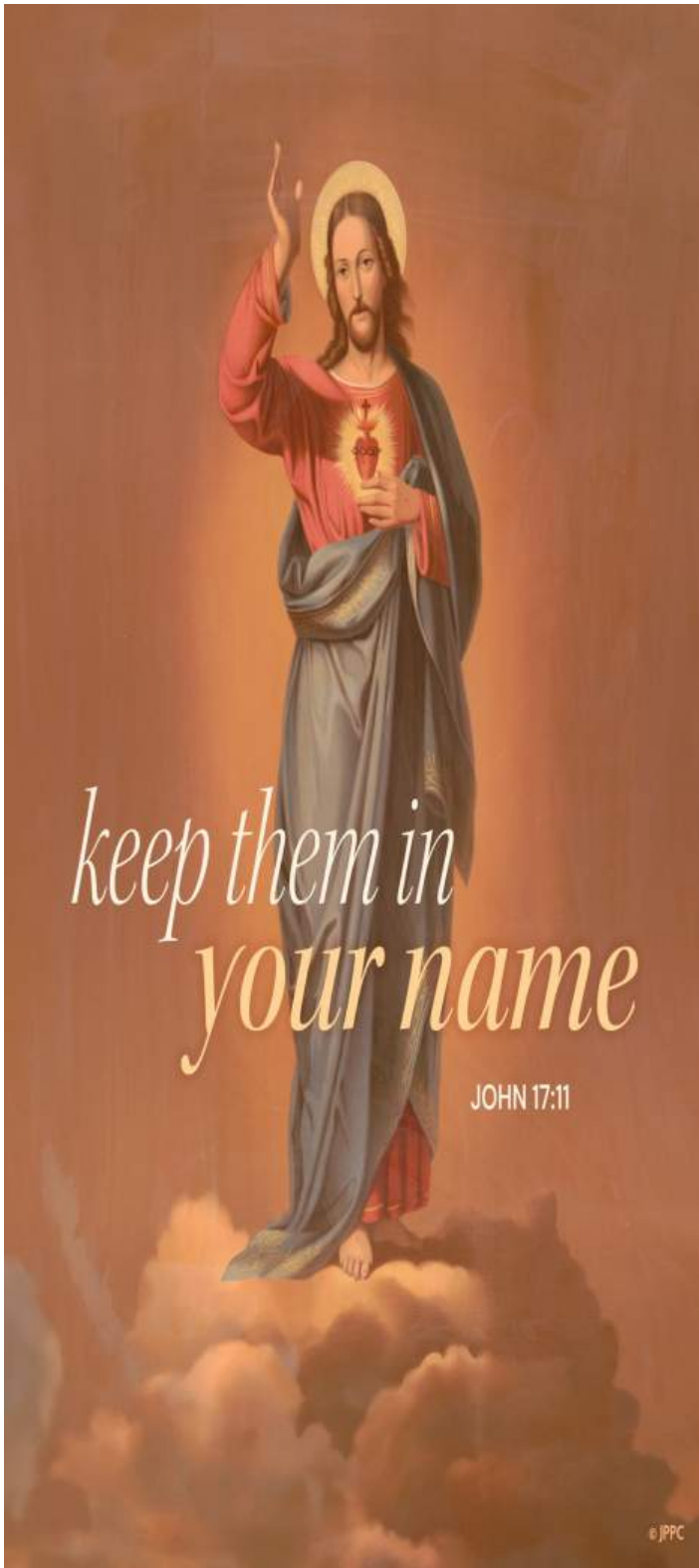
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MAY 12, 2024

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



PASTOR'S CORNER

“They returned to Jerusalem and gathered in the Upper Room.”

-- Acts 1:12-14

The apostles, 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, worship, and hope. Who are they praying to and worshipping? They are worshipping and praying to Jesus, now resurrected and ascended to His Father. All that Jesus claims as Son of God and all that He taught have 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 the Upper Room for generations. 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 knew 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
and
Happy Mothers Day,
Father Murray

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter

5:00pm ~ Lidia Yacilla

8:30am ~ Patsy Whalen

10:30am ~ Joe Hartey

The new Sunday Mass Schedule started in January

Monday, May 13, 2024

Our Lady of Fatima

8:00am ~ Guna Pantele

*** 7:00pm ~ *Miraculous Medal Novena*

Adoration 8:30am to 4:00pm

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Saint Matthias, Apostle

8:00am ~ Timothy Dempsey

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Saint Isidore

8:00am ~ Marie and James Wise

Thursday, May 16, 2024

8:00am ~ Marie Scalfaro

Friday, May 17, 2024

8:00am ~ John Banas

Saturday, May 18, 2024

5:00pm ~ Marylou and Charles McKeough

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

8:30am ~ Mary Jane Garry

10:30am ~ Lawrence Ott

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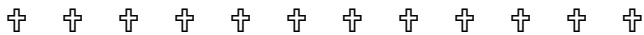
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FRIENDS & FAMILY TO DO THE SAME! THANKS!

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 \$354,313. Of the 231 families who have pledged, 173 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 generosity. As always, the people of St. Hilary always come through! *God's grace & peace, Fr. Murray*

We are pleased to share with you that the **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage** that will travel across the USA this summer **will be passing through the Archdiocese of Philadelphia between May 30 and June 3!** See below for the link to get up-to-date information. What a grace that we will all have the opportunity to welcome & adore Jesus. All are invited to join in the pilgrimage as it makes various stops. **Please also see the full schedule of the opportunities which are available by the Church entrances.**



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.

Reflection by St. Augustine:

*"You ought to know what you have received,
what you are going to receive,
and what you ought to receive daily.
That bread which you see on the altar,
consecrated by the word of God,
is the Body of Christ."*

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA



As we honor Mary during this month of May, we hope that you please join us for our Miraculous Medal Novena on two Mondays in Church at 7:00pm

Mondays: May 13 & May 20 at 7pm

The Miraculous Medal was given to Saint Catherine Laboure by the Virgin Mary through a series of three apparitions.

"Behold, your Mother! And from that hour," the Gospel continues, "the disciple took her into his home." (John 19:27)

SUMMER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

The summer schedule will remain the same as now, which is 8:30am and 10:30am. Thank you for your input. Our Weekend Mass Schedule will remain: Saturdays at 5pm and Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT
TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION**

<u>May 5, 2024</u>	<u>May 7, 2023</u>
Sunday Offering: \$6,264	Sunday Offering: \$7,513
Electronic Giving: \$3,379	Electronic Giving: \$4,631
Total: \$9,643	Total: \$12,144



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MORE SAFETY FOR SHS! GREAT NEWS FOR ST. HILARY SCHOOL!

St. Hilary of Poitiers School has been awarded the **2023-2024 School Safety Grant** through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for \$73,655! These grant funds were allocated for Building Improvements for Physical Safety!

We extend our gratitude to the Montgomery County Department of Public Safety, the School Safety Specialist and School Safety Coordinator, Abington Management Team, Rep. Ben Sanchez, and Abington and Philadelphia Departments for their assistance with formal assessments for supporting background and documentation.

We will continue to share the exciting improvements as we receive further information from the state!



THANK YOU to all who attended and helped plan a fun "Ladies Night Out" - it was a terrific event filled with delicious

food, great raffles, etc. Thanks again to everyone!

PICTURES FROM THE SHS MAY PROCESSION THIS PAST MONDAY



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PLEASE JOIN US!

***** Deadline is SOON!**

We currently have 68 golfers — we have room for some more! Let us know soon!



little change makes a **BIG** difference.

ST. HILARY RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE will again be participating in the Pro-Life Union's Baby Bottle Campaign and this year, 100% of the contributions will be donated to the Pro-Life Union for their Guiding Star Ministries Maternity Home. The home provides housing, counseling, training, and a range of other services to pregnant women. Members of the Respect Life Committee will be distributing baby bottles at the church entrances after every Mass this weekend, May 11/12. We respectfully request that you fill them with loose change and bills. The bottles will then be collected by the members after all Masses on the weekend of May 25/26. **Thank you!!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Vivet Jesus!



On April 25, we welcomed five new men as 3rd Degree Members to the Knights of Columbus. Congratulations to:

*Matthew Douglass
Don Hopkins
Brandon Chong
Mike Schell
Joe Magee*

A NEW Knights of Columbus will be forming here at St. Hilary Parish. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 14 at 7pm in the Parish Center. All men from the parish are encouraged to join. The Knights of Columbus are dedicated to fostering Christ's faith, unity and fraternity. We invite all our men to join us in this organization that serves the Church so faithfully.

AUXILIARY BISHOPS

As they take up full-time episcopal ministry, each of the active auxiliary bishops will be entrusted with oversight of a particular region of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The "regional bishop" will provide a pastoral presence in the parishes of the region through pastoral visits, celebrations of Confirmation and other liturgies, installation of pastors, and other important events. He will also take the lead, in collaboration with the deans of the region, in planning and implementing the planning initiatives of the "Fourth Way."

The bishop assigned to each region is as follows:

- Bishop McIntyre:** Delaware and Chester Counties
- Bishop Chylinski:** Montgomery County
- Bishop Cooke:** Bucks County
- Bishop Esmilla:** City of Philadelphia

MANNA BAGS are available at the Church doors. You are asked to kindly return your filled Manna Bag **NEXT Saturday or Sunday, May 18th/19th.**

Food/Canned items in greatest need are:
peanut butter beef stew tunafish fruit
vegetables pasta soups
pork & beans

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration in helping all those in emergency situations. Your food donations will go to Saint Vincent Food Cupboard. (Food is being picked up by them on May 20th.)



ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB NEWS

The St. Hilary 55+ Spirit Club next meeting is on Wed., May 15 at which time fellow parishioner Ray Vandegrift will be talking to the club about financial planning in retirement. Lunch will be provided, courtesy of Ray. New members are always welcome. We are a very welcoming & fun group! You do not have to be a parish member to join. Please call Ro or Mike Schell at 215-663-1421 or contact Rosesylvia McDonald at 215-219-0651 with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you on May 15; doors open at 9am and the meeting starts at 10am. Thanks!

PARISH OUTREACH PROGRAM

"Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did to me." Matthew 25:40

Your charitable donations to our St. Hilary Parish Outreach Program have benefitted many organizations and individuals. Here is just a sample:

Cradle of Hope	St. John's Hospice
St. Vincent de Paul	St. Francis Inn
St. Margaret Maternity Home	Redeemer Health
Manor College Pantry	Unbound
Ukraine Educational Center	Birthright

Many thanks for your sacrifices, compassion, and mercy responding to our brothers and sisters in need. Thank you also to the Parish Outreach volunteers who work hard behind-the-scenes.

- - Father Murray

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 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, 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, Gloria Merron

Please pray for the souls of all of the deceased

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS CHURCH

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays at 5:00pm
Sundays at 8:30am and 10:30am,
(new schedule started in January 2024; this will be the permanent schedule all during the year, including the summer)

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 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. Thanks!*

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to several thousands of people. These individuals are served by an array of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The beneficiaries of this Appeal focus on five key areas:

- Education
- Social Services
- Local Mission Activities
- Clergy
- Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life

Thank you for your support !



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

2024 "ANNOUNCED" MASSES AVAILABLE

There are still Masses (weekend and daily) remaining in 2024 if you'd like to have a Mass said for deceased loved ones. Please call the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or feel free to stop by the Rectory during business hours with any questions. Thanks!

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