

St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish

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AUGUST 11, 2024

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The bread that
I will give is my
flesh for the life
of the world.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Today we read of the prophet, Elijah, running for his life because he dared to speak the truth. The authorities are pursuing him and despairing, he prays for death. Yet at the lowest point of his life, he finds new purpose. God becomes his shade and protector. God provides food for the journey that enables Elijah to fully complete his mission.

All of us have a journey to complete. The journey is to find our way home to God. The journey is challenging; situations and circumstances can lead us to despair. These are confusing times for sure. Conflicting messages about the truth, and of right and wrong from secular and religious leaders, make matters worse. We need something or someone to revive our drooping spirits. The journey is too long if we just rely on ourselves or our institutions. So we gather at the Lord's Table today and find that something and that someone who gives us the grace to carry on.

Jesus, the Bread of Life, answers all of our needs. Here at the Eucharist, Jesus becomes our shade and food and drink. With Him, we can complete the journey home to God and meet the challenges of the day. Not only that, St. Paul reminds us that we now "can become imitators of God himself." We need not be weighed down by "anger, bitterness or reviling." Now we are called to offer the "sweet fragrance of kindness, compassion, and mercy to each other." This is who we really are and called to be. As St. Catherine of Siena reminds us, "If you are what you should be, you will set the world ablaze."

God Bless,
Fr. Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm ~ The McGilvery Family

8:30am ~ John, Rose and Henry McErlean

10:30am ~ Thomas Bossert

The new Sunday Mass Schedule started in January

Monday, August 12, 2024

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:00am ~ Michael Laganella

(The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed daily after the 8am Mass - all are welcome to join.)

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

Saint Pontian, Pope, and Saint Hippolytus, Priest

8:00am ~ Joseph Hartey

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8:00am ~ Royal Uhlman

7:00pm Vigil for Holyday ~ Joseph Magee III

Thursday, August 15, 2024

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am ~ Anna Marie and Emil A. Maikner

10:00am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

Friday, August 16, 2024

Saint Stephen of Hungary

8:00am ~ Edward Fellmeth

Saturday, August 17, 2024

5:00pm ~ Cass Brown

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am ~ Cass Brown

10:30am ~ Michael Laganella

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

[St. Hilary of Poitiers Online \(Rydal, PA\) \(@sthilary_rydal\) / Twitter](#)

[St Hilary of Poitiers - Rydal, PA \(@sthilary_rydal\) | Instagram](#)

[St Hilary of Poitiers Church - Rydal, PA | Abington PA | Facebook](#)

PLEASE "FOLLOW / LIKE" THESE PAGES, AND ASK YOUR
FRIENDS & FAMILY TO DO THE SAME! THANKS!

UPDATE TO THE ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



We are now completing our two-year Capital Campaign. As previously noted, our original goal was \$350,000. The generosity of our parishioners has been overwhelming. A total of \$427,176.25 had been pledged. Of that amount, we have collected and deposited \$402,773. Of the 231 families who have pledged, 202 families are paid in full. All of our projects have been completed, and all bills are now paid, thanks to you! I hope you enjoy our new air conditioning system in the Church. Our children and teachers 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. Thank you to those who are still paying toward their pledge. So, as we are in the completion stage of our Campaign, I remain most grateful for your kind generosity.

God's grace & peace, Fr. Murray

THE 2025 MASS BOOK FOR ANNOUNCED MASSES IS OPEN

You can call or stop by the Rectory during business hours. Any questions, please contact Marian at the Rectory at 215-884-3252 or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com

What is the Assumption?

The first name of this solemnity was the Feast of Mary, Mother of God. Later, its name in the East carried over, the Dormition (or Falling Asleep) of Mary. In the West, it became known as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This solemnity celebrates the fact that Mary's Assumption is "a pledge of the future participation of the members of the mystical Body of Christ in the paschal glory of the Risen Christ." It shows that the Lord "reserves a munificent reward for his humble Servant because of her faithful cooperation with the divine plan, which is a destiny of fullness, happiness, glorification of her immaculate soul, her virginal body, perfect configuration to her Risen Son" (Directory, no. 180). The Mass has a proper vigil, and the solemnity replaces the Mass of the day when it occurs on a Sunday in Ordinary Time. What does this all mean? On Nov. 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which the Church celebrates every year on August 15. Simply put, the dogma of the Assumption states that at the end of her life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken, body and soul, into Heaven. While this event isn't reflected in Sacred Scripture, it is clearly part of the Church's earliest observance.



MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE ASSUMPTION

A holyday of obligation

Wednesday, August 14th at 7:00pm

Thursday, August 15th at 8:00am and 10:00am

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL

PreK Kindergarten Grades 1-8

Website: www.sainthilaryschool.com

Phone: 215-887-4520

Principal: Mrs. Eileen Fagan

Email: efagan@sainthilaryschool.com



OPENING OF SCHOOL

Wed., Sept. 4 for Grades 5-8

Thurs., Sept. 5 for Grades 1-4

Fri., Sept. 6 for Gr. PreK thru 8

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL has developed and maintains an Asbestos Inspection and Management Plan as required by the Asbestos Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA). A copy of the plan is available for your inspection at the school office during regular office hours. Any inquiries regarding the plan should be directed to the school's asbestos consultant, Acer Associates, at 856-809-1202.

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS SCHOOL admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin. All privileges, rights, programs, and activities accorded are made available to all students of our school. Similar policies apply to the school staff. Our school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, or in any school administered program.



Join TuitionCare 2024!

Would you rather send your PA Income Tax money to Harrisburg or redirect it to SHS School?

TuitionCare is a program developed by the Foundation for Catholic Education that allows you to redirect your PA income tax dollars toward St. Hilary of Poitiers School providing a tuition credit for ALL families in Grades K-8! Anyone associated with St. Hilary Parish or School can participate! If you are new to the program, the minimum to redirect is \$1,000. For each participating School or Parish family, the SHS School TuitionCare fund will receive \$1,000 toward tuition credits for K-8 families. You can also find additional info on the school website: www.sainthilaryschool.com under "Admissions". Thank you for your consideration.



**OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish**

OCIA, or Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, is the process by which people who are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith can attend classes and have the opportunity to become members of the Catholic Church.

OCIA is for adults who:

- Are interested in learning about the Catholic Faith
- Have never been baptized
- Have been baptized in another Christian faith and are interested in the Catholic faith
- Are baptized Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation
- Are married to a Catholic and attend Mass, and would like to take the next steps to become a member of the Catholic Church

OCIA is a spiritual formation process beginning in October and ending with initiation in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. OCIA classes are taught by Father Murray and are held every Monday evening from 7:00-8:30pm at the rectory. These classes are for anyone with interest, no matter what your current denomination. Please encourage your friends and neighbors with interest in Catholicism, too! If you are interested in attending and/or would like more info, please contact Father Murray at 215-884-3252, or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com. Thank you.

**LAST CALL FOR PREP REGISTRATION
AT ST. HILARY OF POITIERS PARISH**

Please note that if you wish to sign up your child(ren) for PREP classes at St. Hilary Parish for Grades 1-7, you need to do so now. Go to www.sthilarypoitiers.org and click "register" and then click "register for PREP". You can drop off payment to the Rectory in the secure black lockbox at any time of night or day. Any questions, please contact Noreen Forkin at sthilaryprep@gmail.com. Thank you!

CYO SPORTS AT ST. HILARY

CYO Fall Sports Registration is now open (see links below) at St. Hilary School! Cadet Soccer is new this fall for Grades PreK to 2nd grade for boys and girls. CYO Soccer is Grades 3rd to 8th for boys and girls. CYO Volleyball is Grades 5th to 8th for girls. **Please register by August 16th.** Thank you.



Soccer Link:

<https://registration.teamsnap.com/form/9828>

Volleyball:

<https://registration.teamsnap.com/form/10234>

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY
BAPTIZED AT ST. HILARY CHURCH:**

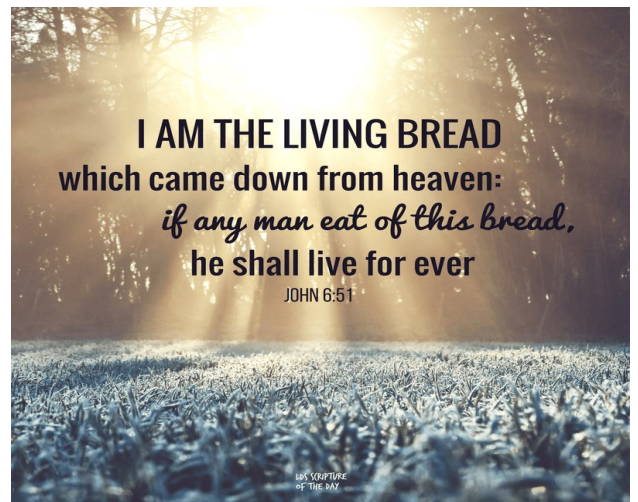


Caeden John Roantree,
son of Christopher and Megan

Luna Sky Liss,
daughter of Michael and Dawn

Jackson Robert Wolf,
son of Robert Wolf and Christine Prokopick

Hazel Rain Rathgeb,
daughter of Ken and Amy



**I AM THE LIVING BREAD
which came down from heaven:
if any man eat of this bread,
he shall live for ever**

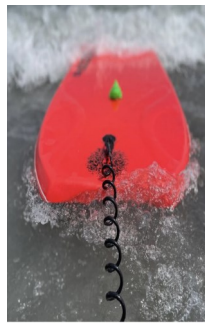
JOHN 6:51

MISSION CO-OP

NEXT weekend, August 17/18, we will be visited by Father Tanoh Koffi, a missionary who belongs to the **Yarumal Mission Society**. He is a missionary priest who is serving the people of God in Kenya-Africa. He is originally from Burkina Faso in West Africa. The goal of the Yarumal Mission Society, founded 97 years ago, is to witness the Gospel of Jesus Christ among people and cultures where the Gospel is not yet fully preached. They are present in Bolivia, Cambodia, Kenya, Ecuador, and Panama, to name a few. In order to carry out their pastoral programs and social projects, the missionaries depend very much on the generosity from parishes they visit. Our support for Father Tanoh and his missions is a sign that reminds us of our baptismal vocation - **we are all missionaries of Christ**. Please consider being as generous as possible. (You can use the blue Mission Coop envelopes in the packets you receive in the mail any week in August, or the envelopes on the windowsill, or you can contribute to the second collection on Aug. 17/18.) Thank you for your consideration!



This summer, St. Hilary School has had “edu-gators” that have done some traveling, both home and abroad...



These “edu-gators” were spotted with many current students & alumni at the Rockledge July 4th Parade.



Another SHS “edu-gator” sighting at Montmorency Falls in Quebec, Canada with the Fagans.



This “edu-gator” traveled to the Hawaiian Islands for some fun adventures with the Wisniewskis.

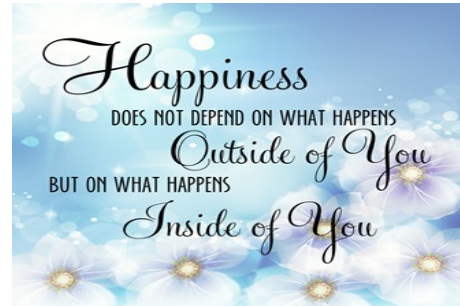


Mr. Jue traveled with this “edu-gator” all the way to South Korea (the farthest an “edu-gator” has been from SHS). He even made a stop at the highest Starbucks in the world.

INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHTS

The following are some thoughts...one of which you may connect with for further reflection.

- * A friend is a person who listens attentively while you say nothing.
- * The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail, not his tongue.
- * Deal with each other’s faults as gently as if they were your own.
- * No man/woman is worthy of your tears. But when you find one who is, they won’t make you cry.
- * Thinking well is wise...planning well is wiser...but doing well is wisest.
- * If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem.
- * Just because the message might not ever be received does not mean it wasn’t worth sending.
- * Don’t walk in front of me; I may not follow. Don’t walk behind me; I may not lead. Walk beside me and just be my friend.
- * Respect is what we owe; love is what we give.
- * People may doubt what you say, but they will always believe what you do.
- * Forbidden fruit creates many jams.
- * God won’t ask how much overtime you worked. He will ask if you did work overtime for your loved ones and family.



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S CONFERENCE

The Joys of Womanhood
Sacred, Beloved, and Beautiful
Saturday, October 19, 2024

9:00am to 4:00pm

Nat’l Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa,
Doylestown

**\$60pp; includes light breakfast, lunch, hospitality bag,
and full-day conference access**

Register Online:

catholicwomensconference.org



**ALL STAR TRIBUTE TO NEW JERSEY'S OWN
"THE BOSS" BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN**

*Mike Byrne All Star Productions at The Shore Club,
Spring Lake, NJ*

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 - \$110pp

*(includes deluxe motorcoach roundtrip transportation, show,
delicious meal, driver's tip)*

Departs 9:30am from Solly Ave, east side of Verree Rd.

Returns approximately 5:30pm

The All Star Players perform the music of singer-songwriter Bruce Springsteen. Add in the songs of Mama Cass and Linda Ronstadt sung by Deb Lyons, plus a comedian, a great meal and one-hour open bar, and you've got a great day. For more information, please see the flyers in back of church, or contact Michele at 215-498-5908.

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 Lid-
dy, Bob Kilcoyne, Mary Jane Namola, Elizabeth
Dieckman, Sophia Southerling, TJ McDonald, Ahmed
Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonia, Angela Gavin, Wil-
liam Hartner, Mary Jane Hummel, Pat Cass, Michele Kelly,
Tina Savarino, Nicholas Esposito, Sarah Koehler, Paris
Luckowski, Judy Sklar, Bernadette Redican, Gina Deva-
ney, 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 List-
man, Anne Visco, Daniel Hare, Gloria Hannah, BJ Verdon,
Fidelia Almerini, Liliana DeGrazia, Leila Koehler, Martha
Serdner, Rolando Juarez, Colleen Legare, Theresa Wil-
liams, Jim Curley, Bob Donnolly, Gloria Merron, Ilda Lea,
Stephen Kampfl

Please pray for the souls of the recently deceased:

Larry McGarvey

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

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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Coordinator of Religious Education ~ Noreen Forkin

sthilaryprep@gmail.com

Business Manager ~ Maureen Maher

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 Thursday 8:30am to 4pm; closed for lunch 12-1

Fridays 8:30am to noon

(Rectory is closed on Thursday, August 15 for the holyday)

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!



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

August 4, 2024

Sunday Offering: \$6,728

Electronic Giving: \$2,981

Total: \$9,709

August 6, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$5,295

Electronic Giving: \$3,384

Total: \$8,679