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NOVEMBER 10, 2024

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Amen, I say to you, this poor widow
put in more than all the other
contributors to the treasury.

Mark 12:43



PASTOR'S CORNER

*"Now once for all, He takes away sin by His sacrifice."
(Hebrews 9:24)*

The two widows in our readings today show absolute trust and confidence in God's providence. The widow of Zarephath shared her last meal with a stranger and God transformed her want into abundance. IN the Gospel, no one seemed to notice the poor widow who "gave not from a surplus of wealth but from her poverty" to support God's temple. However, Jesus did notice her and she has been celebrated down through the centuries.

How much deeper should our trust in God's providence be? As the Scriptures remind us, "Though He was rich, He became poor for our sake." Jesus is our great high priest who accomplished what the priests of old could never accomplish. By His own blood shed on the Cross, He has taken away our sins. Here at the Eucharist, that sacrifice of Christ is made present. Again and again, Jesus offers Himself up for our sins. Christ offered Himself completely for our sake. Before we ever knew Him or His story, He gave His all for you and me.

We now have an even greater motivation - a greater reason than the widows in our readings - to hold nothing back from God. He has done everything possible to earn our time, our trust, and our faith.

God Bless,
Father Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, November 10, 2024
Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00pm ~ Katherine Bahleda
8:30am ~ Virgilio Procaccino
10:30am ~ Vittoria Gallina

Monday, November 11, 2024
Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
8:00am ~ Michael Schlacter
(The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed daily after the 8am Mass...all are welcome to join.)
8:30am-4:00pm ~ Adoration

Tuesday, November 12, 2024
Saint Josephat, Bishop and Martyr
8:00am ~ Tom Hall, Jr.

Wednesday, November 13, 2024
Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
8:00am ~ Virgilio Procaccino

Thursday, November 14, 2024
8:00am ~ Martin E. Murray

Friday, November 15, 2024
Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:00am ~ Joseph Rao

Saturday, November 16, 2024
5:00pm ~ Msgr. Daniel J. McGlynn

Sunday, November 17, 2024
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am ~ McErlean and McReynolds Fam.
10:30am ~ Edward Keenan



ST. HILARY WEDNESDAY NIGHT ROSARY GROUP

Please join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm on the first floor of the Parish Center to pray the Rosary. All are welcome! For more information, contact Maria Greenberg at 215-603-3092 or mariastell72@gmail.com

CHECK OUT THE ST. HILARY PARISH TWITTER ACCOUNT, INSTAGRAM, AND FACEBOOK PAGE!

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SOME PICTURES FROM LAST WEEKEND'S HOSPITALITY SUNDAY AFTER BOTH OF THE MORNING MASSES. THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS POSSIBLE!



During this month of November, we will remember all of our deceased loved ones at Masses. A special Memorial Shrine has been set up at the Blessed Mother altar, where you can place names of the deceased in the Book of Life and light a Memorial Candle.



Father, in your plan for our salvation, you provide shepherds for your people. Fill your Church with the spirit of courage and love. Give the Church more priests, worthy ministers for your altars and ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel. Grant also to us an increase in vocations to the Religious Life. May more of our young people respond to your call in a spirit of joyful generosity. May they serve your people in love by following in the footsteps of Christ your Son and provide by their way of life a convincing sign of Your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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JOIN US ON NOVEMBER 11, 2024 AT 9:00am

There will be a Morning Tribute and Prayer Service for our Veterans on Mon., Nov. 11 at 9:00am. There will also be a Veterans' Day Museum in the Parish Center, sponsored by SHS students. All are welcome.

Pictures from the SHS All Saints Prayer Service



UPDATE TO THE ST. HILARY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

We are still 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 \$406,952. Of the 231 families who have pledged, 215 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. 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. I remain most grateful for your generosity. God Bless, Fr. Murray



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PARISH FUNDRAISER**

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We will have Stocks Cakes for sale (no pre-orders) after all Masses the weekend of November 23/24 - just in time to add to your Thanksgiving Dinner! They also freeze well and can be saved for later! The Knights of Columbus and the Fundraising Committee will be helping to sell the cakes in the main entrance of the Church. Thank you!

Below is a "Thank You" from the Sisters of Life:

"In the month of October, the Church celebrates the feast of St. John Paul II. His courage in welcoming Christ and allowing him full access to his heart, as well as his steadfast witness to his faith, show us what it means to live out the faith in our times. St. John Paul II encourages us to let Christ speak to our hearts, so that we can discover more deeply the meaning of our lives, become attuned to His voice, molding us into the reflection of Christ's glory that we were created to be. One of the ways we see Christ's glory reflected in you is through your thoughtful generosity to us. We are endlessly grateful for the ways you support us, most especially by your recent gifts from the amazingly generous Respect Life baby drive. Thank you! Please know of our prayers for you and your families."

In Christ, our Life,
Sister Maeve Nativitas, SV



Below is a "Thank You" from Saint Francis Inn:

"We are so grateful for the abundance of items St. Hilary's donated to our mission: hoodies, sweatshirts, underwear, socks, jackets, etc. All of these items came carefully sorted, folded, and labeled. How timely! This whole effort was coordinated through the St. Hilary Knights of Columbus. God bless you! A special acknowledgement goes out to Leo Vaccaro for being the point person on this project. Thank you, St. Hilary's!"

Peace,
Karen Pushaw, Staff for Saint Francis Inn

OCTOBER COUNT FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Each year, every parish in the Archdiocese is required to submit an "October Count" ~ as you know, at each weekend mass during the past month of October, each person was counted. Below are the results, and then compared with results from 2023.

* **Average monthly attendance increased in 2024!**

2024 OCTOBER COUNT RESULTS

Total Attendance in October for 12 Masses: 1,815

(we have 2 Sunday Masses and 1 Vigil in 2024)

Total Number of Weeks: 4 (4 weekends in 2024)

* Average Attendance per weekend at Mass: **454**

2023 OCTOBER COUNT RESULTS

Total Attendance in October for 20 Masses: 2,197

(we had 3 Sunday Masses and 1 Vigil in 2023)

Total Number of Weeks: 5 (5 weekends in 2023)

* Average Attendance per weekend at Mass: **439**

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS ANNUAL GIVING TREE!

This year, the gifts will benefit 3 organizations:

* **Birthright** which aids women in crisis pregnancy and after childbirth

* **Cradle of Hope** which provides warmth & shelter for single mothers

* **St. Francis Inn** which meets the immediate needs of the destitute



The Giving Tree will be placed at the main entrance to the Church with tags listing the needed items beginning first weekend of Advent, Nov. 30/Dec. 1. Also, inside the Church, a basket with tags can be found by both of the side exit doors, and you can pick up a tag from there as well. We ask that all gifts be **UNWRAPPED** and placed under the tree at the entrance to Church by Sunday, Dec. 22. Thanks to your kind generosity, this drive has always been a great success and a wonderful way to begin the season of giving!

ST. HILARY'S EAGLES FOOTBALL BLOCK POOL

Week 07 Winners

Pool #1: Mary McCallister

Pool #2: Vito Family

Week 06 Winners

Pool #1: Alex Muttreja

Pool #2: Egan Family

Week 05 Winners

Pool #1: Hartey Family

Pool #2: John Tyszka

Week 04 Winners

Pool #1: Ed Bongard

Pool #2: Valentino Fam

Week 03 Winners

Pool #1: Debbie Shute

Pool #2: Alaina DiCiaccio

Week 02 Winners

Pool #1: Connie Fennell

Pool #2: Fenstermakers

Week 01 Winners

Pool #1: Debbie Shute

Pool #2: Alaina DiCiaccio

ST. HILARY OF POITIERS FORTY HOURS 2024

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS AND VISITED THE LORD IN OUR DAYS OF ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. THANKS ALSO FOR ATTENDING THE BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES DISPLAY.



ADVENT SCRIPTURE SERIES #1

Journey Through Scripture is the St. Paul Center's dynamic Bible study program designed to help ordinary Catholics grow in their knowledge of the Scriptures while deepening their understanding of the riches of our faith. This series beautifully explains the Catholic truths about Our Lady, showing how she has been a part of God's plan to bring salvation to the world since the beginning of time.

The 4 Advent Sessions start the week of Nov. 18 in the Rectory
(sessions are the weeks of Nov. 18, Dec. 2, Dec. 9 & Dec. 18)



Choose your day & time:

- * **Tuesdays at 1:30pm** with Cass Melly
- * **Wednesdays at 7:00pm** with Father Murray

Cost is a free-will offering for new participants (free for returning ones)

Call the Rectory to sign up at 215-884-3252 or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com by Nov. 14th

ADVENT SCRIPTURE SERIES #2

The Eucharist in Scripture explores the biblical theme of meals shared in faithful fellowship and in covenant relationship with God. Old Testament meals and promises provide a foundation for gospel meals with Jesus, culminating in the Last Supper as it is understood throughout the New Testament. Jesus' Bread of Life discourse and the early Church's practice of "breaking bread" are also explored.

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Day & Time Offered for this Series:

- * **Mondays at 10:30am** with **Sandy Repitcky** in the Rectory

Cost is \$15 (to cover the cost of the book)

Call the Rectory to sign up at 215-884-3252 or email sthilaryrydal@gmail.com by Nov. 14th



Updated St. Hilary 55+ Spirit Club News:

The St. Hilary 55+ Spirit Club next meeting will be on **Wed., November 20** and the speaker will be the Abington Fire Commissioner. New members are always welcome - we are a very fun and welcoming group! You do not have to be a parish member to join. Feel free to call Ro Schell at 215-206-5313, Mike Schell at 215-206-4530, or Rosesylvia McDonald 215-219-0651. Doors open at 9am; meeting starts at 10am. Looking forward to seeing you on November 20!

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT LIFE FROM NOAH'S ARK:

- * Don't miss the boat.
- * Remember that we are all in the same boat.
- * Plan ahead; it wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
- * Stay fit; when you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
- * Don't listen to critics; just get on the job that needs to be done.
- * Build your future on high ground.
- * For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
- * Speed isn't always an advantage; the snails were on board with the cheetahs.
- * When you're stressed, float a while.
- * Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
- * No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting!

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, 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, Theresa Williams, Bob Donnolly, Gloria Merron, Ilda Leal, Isaiah Walter, Regina Carberry, Scott Paris, Ben Paris, Michelle Hannah

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

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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!

Thank You!

ST. HILARY ANNUAL BLOCK COLLECTION

Thanks to all those who have already contributed to our annual St. Hilary Block Collection! Your kind generosity and sacrifices are greatly appreciated! Your loyalty and care for the needs of the parish have been an inspiration.

God bless, Fr. Murray

STEWARDSHIP REPORT TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION

November 3, 2024

Sunday Offering: \$4,518
Electronic Giving: \$3,449

Total: \$7,967

November 5, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$6,996
Electronic Giving: \$3,557

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