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AUGUST 22, 2021

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTOR'S CORNER

"Let whoever is simple turn in here."

- Proverbs 9:1-6

The best part of a nice meal is delicious warm bread before dinner. Eating too much of it before dinner can spoil your dinner. This can happen in our spiritual life as well. We can fill up on "worldly bread" like possessions, spending more time on cell phones, shopping, computers - to the point of being addicted to these worldly goods. We need the wisdom of the Scriptures to "be careful how you live" and to know the difference between what I want and what I really need.

No amount of possessions or the pursuit of worldly pleasures, power, fame or wealth can satisfy our longing for true happiness. Once again, Scripture reminds us, "Let whoever is simple turn in here." Here, Jesus offers us the Bread that truly satisfies all our longings. He is the Living Bread, the true food and true drink, enabling us to taste eternal life - meaning that we can experience life as God experiences it.

If Jesus can cure the sick, walk on water, rise from the dead, and if He can change these situations and realities, he certainly can change the reality and substance of bread and wine into His Body and Blood. Jesus is here now in this great sacrament. May we continue to have the wisdom to turn in here and "taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

God Bless,
Father Murray



Mass Intentions for the Week

**Weekend Mass Times are as follows:
5:00pm Vigil, 9:00am and 11:00am Sunday**

Sunday, August 22, 2021

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm ~ Madeleine Kelly

9:00am ~ Annie McReynolds

11:00am ~ Hopkins and McGuinn Families

Monday, August 23, 2021

Saint Rose of Lima

8:00am ~ William D. Reichert

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00am ~ Living & Deceased of St. Hilary

Wednesday, August 25, 2021

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

8:00am ~ Joseph A. Curcillo, Jr.

Thursday, August 26, 2021

8:00am ~ Peter Tien Tran

Friday, August 27, 2021

Saint Monica

8:00am ~ William & Rosemary Wynne

Saturday, August 28, 2021

Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

5:00pm ~ Cass Brown

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am ~ Joseph Harrington

11:00am ~ Rose Eckardt

PLEASE JOIN THE FLOCK BY SIGNING 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 st.hilaryrydal@gmail.com. Thanks!



**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
St. Hilary of Poitiers Parish**



RCIA, or Rite 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.

RCIA 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 Sacraments of First Communion & 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

RCIA is a spiritual formation process beginning in October and ending with initiation in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. RCIA 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 your current denomination. Please be sure to encourage your friends & neighbors with interest in Catholicism, too! If you are interested in attending and/or would like more info, contact Father Murray at 215-884-3252.

**Prayer to Begin a
School Year/Semester**

Blessed are you, Lord God,
Creator of body and mind
and heart;

you have sent the Spirit of wisdom
and knowledge to guide your people
in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new school
year (or semester/term)
we implore your mercy:

bless the students, teachers,
and staff,

that together we may grow in faith,
hope, and love as we learn from
you and each other how to follow
your Son Jesus.

Expand the horizons of our minds,
that we may grow in wisdom,
understanding, and knowledge;
deepen our commitment to seek
the truth of your ways;
and enliven our faith to reach out to
those in need.

Glory and praise to you, Lord God,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus
forever and ever.

Amen

Statement of Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez Regarding Safety As Mass Obligation Resumes

"Ensuring the health and welfare of those entrusted to the pastoral and temporal care of our Church, especially as we navigate a global pandemic, is a paramount priority as the Archbishop of Philadelphia. During this time of acute hardship and struggle, I have worked in conjunction with the Catholic Bishops of Pennsylvania and the senior administration of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to implement best practices intended to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and protect those most vulnerable.

As the COVID-19 landscape evolved, we continuously re-evaluated those efforts in consultation with public health officials and based on data.

As your Shepherd, I am called to provide the Eucharist in a safe environment. To that end, I ask that you prioritize your own health and the health of your neighbors and faith communities.

As previously announced, the Catholic Bishops of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are reinstating the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and holy days beginning on Sunday, August 15, 2021. However, by longstanding Church law, this obligation does not apply to those who are

sick;

have a serious health risk;

live in a household with those at risk;

serve as primary caregivers to those at risk;

have serious anxiety or concerns about being in a large-group setting due to COVID-19; or

are unable to attend Mass in person

As an act of charity, all who are able should become fully vaccinated. Anyone who believes they might have COVID-19 or one of its variants should seek testing and take every precaution for the preservation of public health. As a people of hope, let us pray for an end to this health crisis. "

*Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez
Archbishop of Philadelphia*

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

5 PM Vigil Saturdays;
9 AM and 11 AM on Sundays

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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Parish Secretary ~ Marian Stengel 215-884-3252
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BAPTISM: First and third Sundays of the month. Please contact the Rectory for more information.

MATRIMONY: Couples planning to marry should contact the Rectory six months before the desired date.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

The following are the Rectory Office Hours:

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 AM to 4 PM
Closed for Lunch: 12 PM to 1 PM

*** Fridays in the Summer: 8:30 AM to 12 PM

Please note that church envelopes and Tuition payments can be dropped off in the secure BLACK lock-box outside the rectory during off-hours. Thanks!

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



Glorious St. Joseph, you who have the power to render possible things which are impossible, come to our aid in our present trouble and distress.

Take this important and difficult affair under your protection that it may end happily.

Oh dear St. Joseph, all our confidence is in you.

*Let it not be said that we have invoked you in vain,
and since you are so powerful with Jesus and Mary,
show that your goodness equals your power.*

Amen.

*Divine Providence can provide.
Divine Providence did provide.
Divine Providence will provide.*

Year of St. Joseph ~ **December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021**

Catholics around the world rejoice over the Holy Father's opening of the holy Year of St. Joseph to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The entire Archdiocese of Philadelphia is encouraged to spend this year growing closer to St. Joseph by honoring him, imitating his virtues & asking for his intercession. To find local events, prayers, and faith study resources to celebrate this Year of St. Joseph, please visit archphila.org/joseph

PREP REGISTRATION (Parish Religious Education Program) AT ST. HILARY PARISH

PREP registration for 2021-2022 is currently underway. **PREP Classes will be in-person.**

Registration is online at: <https://www.sthilarypoitiers.org/post/prep-registration>

Parents of 1st grade students must send a copy of their child's Baptismal certificate to the Rectory by mail or drop off in black mailbox outside the rectory. You can also email a copy of the Baptismal Certificate to sthilaryprep@gmail.com. Please email Noreen Forkin, PREP Coordinator, or call the Rectory soon at 215-884-3252, with questions. The PREP Registration deadline has passed. Please register online ASAP.

HELP NEEDED FOR PREP ~ UPDATED:

• Assistant Teacher for Grade 2 (First Penance year) and Co-Teacher for Grade 7 (Confirmation year)
Please email Noreen Forkin at sthilaryprep@gmail.com if you are interested, or call Fr. Murray Thank you.



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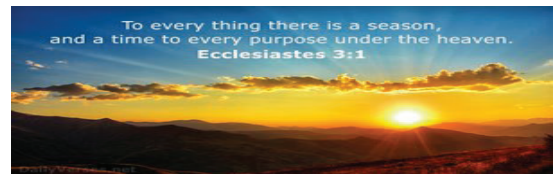
SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT OUR TERRIFIC SCHOOL!

"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".

All of us have the responsibility to bring beauty, reverence and dignity to our celebration of Mass. The church directs us to do this in very simple and concrete ways:

- to receive the Eucharist, one must be in a state of grace; serious sin must be confessed before receiving Holy Communion.
- fast from food at least one (1) hour before receiving Holy Communion; exceptions taking medication or other health issues.
- bodily demeanor, gestures and dress ought to convey respect as Christ becomes our guest.
- a simple bow before receiving Holy Communion and responding Amen.
- quiet reflection when returning to the pew acknowledging Christ's presence, and words of praise and thanksgiving and petitioning the Lord to answer our many needs. Leaving Church after receiving is not appropriate.
- to remember we are to become what we receive... how do we reflect the spirit of the Eucharist in our relationships, choices and decisions.
- be mindful of Christ's continuing presence in the Tabernacle; if able, genuflect entering and leaving Church or a simple bow is appropriate for those who cannot genuflect.

Reverence, dignity, beauty... simple ways we all can proclaim our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.



God Bless and Congratulations to the recently baptized at St. Hilary of Poitiers Church:

Siobhan Barry, daughter of Michael & Sarah Barry

Amelia Selvan and Elliott Selvan, daughter and son of Pravin & Tisha Selvan

GODPARENT / SPONSOR INFORMATION

To be a Godparent or a Sponsor for a child who is to be baptized or confirmed in the Catholic Church, the requirements are as follows:

- be at least 16 years old
- have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation
- if married, must be married validly in the eyes of the Catholic Church
- be a practicing Catholic, regularly attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion on Sundays and Holy Days
- be an example of Christian living to the person you are sponsoring, by the faith you profess in the Lord, His Church, and by your support and service to your parish community

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS

If you are a school or parish volunteer (CYO, lunch monitor, etc.) you are required to be current on your Safe Environment Clearances (Safe Environment Part 1 & Part 2, PA Criminal Check, and PA Child Abuse Clearance). Please email Jennifer Radtke, Safe Environment Coordinator, with any questions at sthilarysafenvironment@gmail.com or call the rectory. No one is permitted to volunteer without the proper clearances. Thanks!

ST. HILARY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Thanks to your kind generosity by using your yellow envelopes marked "St. Hilary Parish Outreach" - the Outreach group has made substantial contributions to the Nutritional Development Services of the Archdiocese, and St. Vincent de Paul Parish Food Bank, as well as a contribution to cover hefty medical expenses for a parish member. Please notify the rectory if you know of those in need in the parish. Your support is greatly appreciated.



ST. HILARY MEMORIAL GARDEN

Our beautiful Memorial Garden in front of our Church has bricks with names of loved ones, both living and deceased. The cost of each brick is \$100. If you are interested in purchasing a Memorial Brick to be included in our Memorial Garden, please call the rectory or you can also send an email to sthilaryrydal@gmail.com. Thank you.



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 215-663-1046 (leave a message on the answering machine). Thank you for your consideration.

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, Charles Mulligan, Ahmed Abdul, Sal Sermania, Sue Masantonio, 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, Kevin Mayer, Maura Murphy

***Please pray for the recently deceased:
Margaret Kraft Helen Stutz***

MASS BOOK HAS OPENED FOR ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR 2022

We have no more announced Masses for this current year of 2021, so the Mass Book for 2022 has opened earlier than usual. *** Sunday Masses in 2022 will be going back to our former Sunday Schedule (prior to Covid restrictions) at 8am, 10am, and 12pm. We will continue to have our "Summer Sunday" Mass Schedule in July and August in 2022 with Sunday Masses at 9am and 11am. You can stop by the Rectory during business hours (see page 4) or mail your request to the Rectory, Attn: Marian (\$10 per Mass). Thanks! Sunday Masses for 2021 will remain at 9am and 11am.

BULLETIN CONTEST

Where are you going on vacation this season?
Join the **Church Bulletin Contest!**

Bring back the Parish Bulletin from the church in the area that you are visiting. When you get home, drop the bulletin at the Rectory (or in the black lockbox outside the rectory) no later than Sept. 9. Please note your name & email address or phone number on the bulletin! A prize will be awarded in



September to the person/family who has the bulletin from the farthest point! **Happy and Safe Travels!**

UPDATED ST. HILARY 55+ SPIRIT CLUB NEWS:

- **Pilgrimage to St. Padre Pio's National Shrine** ~ Once again we ask that those interested in this trip on Oct. 20 contact one of the numbers below to verify your place on the trip. As of now, we have 25 people listed. If you were signed up for the original date, let us know your decision to go or cancel. Non-members cost is \$55. This includes round trip bus from St. Hilary, Shrine donation, gratuities, and catered boxed lunch.
- **Sunday, December 12, 2021 to Tomasello Winery** for a Holiday Opera Gala; again flyers are at church doors or call for more information.
- **Trip to Spring Lake, NJ on Nov 10, 2021** to hear the Byrnes Brothers (Irish Tenors) is very popular. Please see flyers at the church doors and call Michele (below).

Trips raise funds for St. Hilary's along w/ offering professional level entertainment close to home. The trips are St. Hilary Travelers, promoted by the Spirit Club, and open to all.

For info and to RSVP call:

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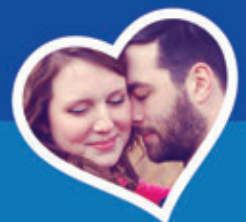
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