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**MAY 3, 2020**

**WELCOME**

New parishioners are most welcome!  
Please call the office to register.

**MASSES**

**\*\*Please note:** All publicly celebrated  
Masses are suspended until April 13.

**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** To arrange your child's Baptism  
& participation in the Baptism Preparation,  
contact Beth Rado, Ext. 206

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** The engaged  
couple should contact one of the clergy at  
least 6 months before the desired wedding  
date.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 3-3:45 p.m. or by  
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## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER



"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The  
gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the  
shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

## IMPORTANT PARISH OFFICE UPDATES

**Church Building For Private Visiting:** Due to an understandable lack of activity as people successfully observe the Governor's orders for social distancing, and for your safety, the church building will only be open for visitation Monday – Friday from 9:30 am – Noon. Fr. Steve or Fr. Matt will be on hand for your special requests at that time. Please ring the bell at the office entrance to speak to one of them. Outside of those times the priests can be reached via 330-867-1055, x 207 for Fr. Matt, and x 204 for Fr. Steve, or the parish emergency line: 330-606-0914.

**Church Office Hours:** The Church Office will be closed to the public during this time. Church staff will be working on an abbreviated basis in the office and also working remotely from home. We can take care of many of your needs via e-mail or by phone. You can call the Parish Office and leave a voice mail at 330-867-1055. Staff will also be retrieving e-mails during this time. *Staff e-mails can be found here:* [sthilarychurch.org/welcome/meet-us/](http://sthilarychurch.org/welcome/meet-us/).

**Faith Direct & Offertories:** Offertory Contributions can be mailed to the Parish Office. We also encourage you to register with Faith Direct to contribute using online giving. To sign up and learn more, visit [sthilarychurch.org/give/faithdirect](http://sthilarychurch.org/give/faithdirect). Thank you for your generosity!

**Masses/Liturgies:** The Catholic Bishops of Ohio have extended the temporary suspension of all publicly celebrated Masses/liturgies to May 29, with the hope of publicly celebrating together the Solemnity of Pentecost on the weekend of May 30/31. Please see page 4 of the bulletin on how to watch our daily LIVE Masses on our website and Facebook.

For the latest updates and memos regarding COVID-19, please visit our website page: [sthilarychurch.org/coronavirus-updates/](http://sthilarychurch.org/coronavirus-updates/)

### MASS SCHEDULE READINGS & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### MONDAY, MAY 4

*Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:11-18*

7:00 AM Louis Maglione (Jim & Dottie Lambright)

9:30 AM Deceased members of J. Mihalic Family (Arline Sobek)

#### TUESDAY, MAY 5

*Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Ps 117:1a]/Jn 10:22– 30*

7:00 AM Nicoletta Bevilacqua (Mr. & Mrs. George Mendiola)

9:30 AM To Honor our Blessed Mother (Frank & Agnes Lettieri)

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

*Acts 12:24–13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50*

7:00 AM Joan Magrini (Susie Straits)

#### THURSDAY, MAY 7

##### National Day of Prayer

*Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20*

7:00 AM Ludean & George Yott (Barb Yott)

9:30 AM Harold McDonald (Joe & Mary Ann Scalia)

#### FRIDAY, MAY 8

*Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6*

7:00 AM Joe & Helen Cwiklinksi (Bill & Gloria Hirsch)

9:30 AM Viola M. Mignella (Harriet Richman)

#### SATURDAY, MAY 9

##### St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

*Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14*

7:00 AM John Nigborowicz (Denise Labut)

4:00 PM Jean O'Neil (Tom O'Neil)



### UPDATE ON MASS INTENTIONS

St. Hilary is live streaming a private Mass offered at 9 a.m. every day. The daily intentions for the 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. weekday Masses will both be celebrated during the Live Masses, as Fr. Steve and Fr. Matt can each take an intention. The intentions for the 4 p.m. Saturday Mass will be said during Saturday's Live Mass at 9 a.m. The intentions for the Sunday Masses will be rescheduled for the same corresponding weekend in 2021. The office will be contacting those who are affected. If any changes need to be made, they will be done upon our return to normal Mass schedules.



Please remember in your prayers the recently departed and their families, especially:

Joe Zabasnik

Agnes Nemer



## FAITH FORMATION

### Gospel Reflection

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

We are three weeks into this Easter Season...usually a time of rejoicing with alleluias and spring flowers, with white vestments and joyful hymns.

But this year, the lens through which we view our world is skewed, darkened by this deadly virus. Its trail of death and destruction, impacting every segment of our lives, bears grim witness to what is happening and gets in the way of Easter joy.

What solace can we find in our Easter Scriptures? Perhaps this year they are speaking to us in new ways, reminding us that there is life after death, joy after suffering, healing after pain.

Listening to the **Acts of the Apostles**, we might be inspired by their enthusiasm for spreading the Gospel. Perhaps we can't preach, teach, heal and baptize as they did, but we can reach out in many other ways to vulnerable people, using phones, texts, emails, the postal service, Zoom meetings (etc.) to communicate. We are called to reach out—through whatever means at our disposal—to embrace those who bear the wounds of this unique crucifixion.



As we face another week of living this new way of life, let us be consoled and encouraged by some of the words from today's Scriptures.

*Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil, for you are at my side; with your rod and your staff you give me courage. Ps. 23*

*"If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. For to this you have been called..." 1Peter*

Mary Lou Grossmann

#### GET YOUR ST. HILARY WEEKLY BULLETIN ONLINE!

To get your weekly bulletin online, please visit our website at [sthilarychurch.org/resources-media/bulletin/](http://sthilarychurch.org/resources-media/bulletin/). You will then be able to download any of the current or past bulletins and newsletters. To receive these in your email each week, click "Click here to receive notifications." You will then receive the bulletin in your email as soon as it's posted each week.

#### MEDIA DURING THE CRISIS

During this time of crisis, we may find we have a little extra time to focus on ourselves. We encourage you to use this time to learn a little more about your faith and our parish by watching videos available on our website! Visit [sthilarychurch.org](http://sthilarychurch.org) and click on the "Media During the Crisis" button to start watching! Current content includes: Fr. Steve's Fireside Chats, A Tour of St. Hilary, and much more!

#### THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS

May 18 at 7 PM

Join us on Monday, May 18 at 7 p.m., as we live stream our Guest speaker Mr. Tony Agnesi, Host of *The Storyteller's Radio Program* heard locally on WILB, Living Bread Radio, who will present a talk entitled "Be Someone's Angel." Log on to view at [www.youtube.com/channel/UC0FM4PBnZG--2iVayQrFQ9w](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0FM4PBnZG--2iVayQrFQ9w). For more information contact Keith Johnson at [johnsonk@stsebastian.org](mailto:johnsonk@stsebastian.org). Sponsored by St. Sebastian Parish, Akron.



#### CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME PRAYER & SUPPORT

Catholics Returning Home Prayer and Support is meeting via Zoom on Fridays at 10:30-11:30 a.m. If you are interested in joining, please email Michele Mills at [mt4@uakron.edu](mailto:mt4@uakron.edu) with your email address and phone number. The meeting format will then be emailed to you.

## VIBRANT WORSHIP

### WATCH ST. HILARY'S DAILY 9 AM MASS FROM HOME!

During this current stay-at-home order, we will be providing you with the opportunity to celebrate Mass with us through live streaming! We will be live streaming Mass at 9 a.m. everyday, Monday-Sunday, on our Facebook page. You DO NOT need to have Facebook to watch! To watch, visit [sthilarychurch.org/live](https://sthilarychurch.org/live) for links to the live videos OR visit our Facebook page at 9 a.m. each day. All recordings will be available on our website as well as on Facebook through the week.

Readings for all Masses can be found online at [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings) and the Mass music for 9 AM Mass on Sunday morning will be posted on [sthilarychurch.org/live](https://sthilarychurch.org/live).

Please share with others, and let's celebrate Mass together—online!

### PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US EVERY THURSDAY—ONLINE!

Join the St. Hilary Rosary Making & Repairing Ministry in praying the Rosary every Thursday at 8 p.m. ONLINE through Zoom. All are welcome! To be added to the weekly mailing list for Thursday virtual prayer meetings, please email Rosanne Rohana at [RosanneR@gmail.com](mailto:RosanneR@gmail.com).

### JESUIT RETREAT CENTER PROGRAM UPDATES

The JRC staff would like to extend our care and prayers for you and your parishioners in this time of unprecedented challenges for our community and our world. We encourage you to look ahead with hope to future retreat and programs: [jesuitretreatcenter.org/calendar](http://jesuitretreatcenter.org/calendar). Stay informed about any program postponements or cancellations on our website: [jesuitretreatcenter.org](http://jesuitretreatcenter.org).

### FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS TO BE HELD WEEKEND OF JUNE 13 & 14

Our parish staff has made the difficult decision to postpone our First Communion celebrations that were originally scheduled for May to the weekend we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi (The Feast Day of the Body and Blood of Jesus) on June 13 and 14. These celebrations will look different in that they will be celebrated with our wider parish community during our normal weekend liturgies at 4:00, 9:00, 11:00 and 5:30 Masses.



The sacramental life of our parish is still alive and well. Please pray for the children in our parish preparing for this very special day.

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

#### Recognizing the Voice of Jesus

When my wireless provider introduced HD Voice, the voice I heard on my phone was unbelievably clear, and it felt at times like both the caller and I were in the same room. The best aspect of this feature is that it didn't cost the customer any additional fees, and it didn't require any changes to the phone. I could say it was free, but I suspect I was already paying for it in my monthly bill anyway. At least it felt free.

The clearer the voice calling you, the easier it is to recognize who it is on the other end of the line. In John's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the gatekeeper who opens the gate and calls for his sheep. They respond because they know his voice. Others try to lure the sheep when the gatekeeper is not there, but the sheep find their voices unclear or unfamiliar.

Jesus is our gatekeeper. But unlike receiving something for free from a wireless company, to be able to hear his voice we need to pay attention and practice listening. By developing a stewardship way of life that is mindful and prayerful, we become attuned to his voice and are able to discern when the call is from our Lord and when it is from an imposter. It is great to talk about all the things we can do and all the gifts we can share, but if we are not listening for his call to hear where our offerings are needed, we can end up like a lost sheep searching for the gatekeeper.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## CARING & PARTICIPATING

### ST. HILARY PARISH 16-WEEK WELLNESS TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM



How are your health habits during quarantine?! If you find yourself struggling to stay healthy, join the St. Hilary VIBRANT Parish 16-week Wellness Transformation Program! Over the duration of 16 weeks the VIBRANT Parish program focuses on helping you to transform in mind, body, and spir-

it through nutrition principles, exercise, and theological lessons. Space is limited to cohort #1 (10 women) and cohort #2 (10 couples). This course is designed to help those who have a strong desire to live a healthier life and change their nutrition and exercise habits. This course is not designed for the fit athlete. A free will offering will be accepted throughout the course. You must be a St. Hilary Parish parishioner to register. To register email [Lindsay@FitFromFaith.com](mailto:Lindsay@FitFromFaith.com). For more information, click on "Wellness Transformation Program" on the homepage of our website: [sthilarychurch.org](http://sthilarychurch.org). The program runs from May 8-August 28. Grab a friend and join us!

### UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVES

THANK YOU to everyone who donated blood at our Blood Drive on April 27, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. We have a few more scheduled in the upcoming months. Please stay tuned for more information and details in the coming weeks. Thank you again for your generosity during this difficult time—YOU are saving lives!



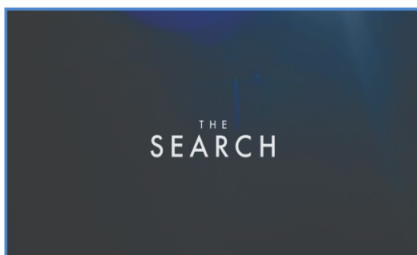
### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD REFLECTIONS & ACTIVITIES

New to our website is a page dedicated to Children's Liturgy of the Word, filled with weekly Gospel reflections, activities, and stories read by our CLOW catechists! We want your children to be able to experience CLOW each week as if they were here with us at church! Check back weekly for new content, and please share with your friends and family members who have children that can benefit from and would enjoy CLOW! Visit [sthilarychurch.org/clow](http://sthilarychurch.org/clow) for this weekend's reflections and stories!

### OPEN M CHALK THE WALK

The OPEN M Walk scheduled for Saturday, May 16 has been moved to a virtual event. Join us in walking to break the cycle of poverty during the month of May! Get outside and get creative with some chalk, take a walk, and start a Facebook fundraiser to support OPEN M. Take a picture of your chalk art and tag us on social media for a chance to win a prize. If you have any questions about the virtual event, please contact Jess at 330-434-0110 x 409 or [j.rist@openm.org](mailto:j.rist@openm.org). Donations can be made online at [www.openm.org/donate](http://www.openm.org/donate) or by sending cash or check to OPEN M and putting "Walk the Chalk" in the memo line! 941 Princeton Street, Akron, Ohio 44311

## FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



### THE SEARCH

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What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.

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## SOCIAL ACTION

### FAITH DIRECT AT ST. HILARY PARISH



Did you know that St. Hilary pays a small fee for all gifts made using credit cards and bank accounts? Faith Direct is now offering a way St. Hilary families can give a little bit extra each month to offset these processing costs. We ask you to prayerfully consider adding this 2.5% processing offset to your regular tithing so that St. Hilary can receive the full amount of your gifts each month. If you manage your giving online, you can log into your Faith Direct account and check the box on the page where you update your payment information. You can also contact Faith Direct's customer service team at 866-507-8757 to make the change for you. Faith Direct is also now offering real-time donations using your bank account. You will no longer have to contact Faith Direct customer service for a one-time gift or offertory catch-up. Starting in May 2020, you will be able to make the gifts directly from your Faith Direct account using your bank account! Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

### UNITED WAY'S RESOURCE WIRE

#### GET CONNECTED, GET HELP

United Way's 2-1-1 wants to make sure that you are aware of resources and programs in our community. To subscribe to FREE 2-1-1 Resource Wire, visit <https://bit.ly/3b8E8f5>. You'll receive a weekly e-newsletter with timely, relevant information you can take action on and use to improve your life, or the life of those you're trying to help.

### ST. BERNARD HOT MEAL PROGRAM

#### Cookies still needed!

St. Bernard's sandwich program will continue to pass out daily bagged lunches to go. Cookies are still needed for this program. If you are able to bake cookies, please bring cookies to the Parish Office during our new office hours (9:30 am.-Noon) so that our baggers can distribute accordingly. Thank you!

## ST. HILARY LIFE TEEN

### MAY CHRIST'S RESURRECTION BRING YOU ENCOURAGEMENT DURING THIS TIME.

#### OPPORTUNITIES OF GROWTH!

There are many resources available to help you continue moving forward on your journey of faith. If there is something you don't see, contact Rachel.

You are encouraged to visit St. Hilary's LT Website:

[livefiat.wixsite.com/sthilary-lifeteen/resources](http://livefiat.wixsite.com/sthilary-lifeteen/resources)

Take advantage of the following weekly opportunities:

LECTIO LIVE - Every Wednesday at 6:00 PM

[www.youtube.com/user/LifeTeenInc/featured](http://www.youtube.com/user/LifeTeenInc/featured)  
(Scroll down to "Lectio Live")

LIFE TEEN GLOBAL LN - Every Sunday at 5:00 PM

<http://lftn.co/lifenight>

PROJECT YM LIVE - Youth Night, Sunday's at 8:00 PM

[live.projectym.com](http://live.projectym.com)

**PLEASE NOTE: The 2020 Steubenville Youth Conference from June 12-14th has been cancelled. More summer updates to come.**

St. Hilary Life Teen is here to support you and your family. If there is anything you need, do not hesitate to reach out! You are in the thoughts and prayers of the Youth Minister and Core Team!

### Let Us Pray In Communion With Life Teen . . .

Lord, Jesus Christ, There are many people in our world who are sick, dying, hurting, afraid, and anxious.

Our routines are messy, and the future is uncertain. But we know you were close to the sick and comforted those who suffered. You went to those who were isolated.

You spent time alone, but were never alone. Help us know you have not abandoned us; we are not alone.

Send your Holy Spirit to be with the medical professionals who are serving those in need. Give them courage and peace.

Send the Holy Spirit to comfort those with friends, family, and co-workers who are sick or dying.

Be with all those who are still working the essential jobs we need to ensure we have food, medicine, and supplies - all the people who have jobs we may not have thought were glamorous or heroic until now.

Provide for those who are already suffering because of homelessness, are at greater risk because they lack access to medical help, or are in living situations that prevent them from getting proper care.

Lord, during this time when we cannot pray together in our parishes, help us know the Mass is still offered and the Eucharist is still true. Help us long to receive you in Holy Communion again and never take it for granted.

Deliver us from bodily illness and suffering, from anxiety and fear, and from the temptation to sin during this time.

Most importantly, Lord, deliver us from eternal death so we may live with you.

Lord, Jesus Christ, our hope is in you, who is king over this world, in unity with God the Father and the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

# Growing in FAITH™

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May 2020

St. Hilary Parish

Fr. Steve Brunovsky, Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### St. Rita of Cascia

Born in 1381 near Spoleto, Italy, St.

Rita was known for her holiness and charity from a young age. She wanted to be a nun

but was forced into marrying when she was twelve. Unfortunately, her husband was cruel and violent. After eighteen years, she was widowed. Following the deaths of her sons, she finally entered the convent, where she became known for her piety, kindness, and humility. She is the patron saint of impossible causes.



### Honor Mary

Jesus performed his first public miracle because his Mother asked. He said "no" at first, but his mother asked for help. The Bible is clear—Jesus listens to his Mother.

*"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."*  
(Philippians 4:6)



## Why does God let us suffer?

When we watch a loved one suffer – or suffer ourselves – hearing "it's God's will," can feel unsatisfying. The implication is that God directs us like chess pieces, and bad things result. In fact, germs, atmospheric conditions, human error, or just plain chance account for what is often outside of our control. It helps to remember that God is always present, he wills our good, and evil is not of his doing.

God is always present. Our Father loves us deeply, cares about our concerns right down to the hairs on our heads (Matthew 10:30). He urges us to respond well to a world we can't control. If we let him, God will enable us to learn and grow

through our experiences, no matter how overwhelming or unpleasant.

God wills our good. It is not God's will that we suffer. The ways of the world aren't always in harmony with his will. However, his plan for us will bring us the ultimate good. He loves us with true love and wants us prepped and ready for Heaven.

God doesn't make evil. What we see as evil in the world, God can use for good. When

we cooperate with him,

suffering becomes meaningful, struggle worthwhile, victory affirming, and even the acceptance of what we cannot overcome life-giving, as they were for Jesus.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

## Why do Catholics call Pentecost the "birthday of the Church?"

On the feast of Pentecost, the Apostles were in the Upper Room where they held the Passover with Jesus. All of a sudden, the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles in the form of wind and fire. *"And they were all filled with the Holy*

*Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance"*  
(Acts 2:4).

Then the Apostles were emboldened and rushed out to preach the Gospel and baptized 3,000 people. We call this the "birthday" of the Church because this is the day when the Holy Spirit made the Church visible to the world.





## Jesus understands

*"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:15).* It is astounding to think that in his human nature, Jesus experienced fear and suffering, just like we do. Even better, he wants to help.

**Fear.** Early in his life, soldiers hunted him down to kill him. His neighbors threatened him with harm when they didn't like his teaching. He endured a horrific Passion. Jesus coped by relying on prayer, grace, and



confidence in his Father's will. He showed us how so we can endure, as well.

**Suffering.** During his crucifixion, Jesus became sick, dehydrated, and exhausted as his body began to shut down. Once on the Cross, it became harder and harder for him to breathe. In fact, throughout his life, Jesus experienced how it feels for a body to fail. He knows how it feels to die. When we are sick and suffering, we can turn to him for a cure, or the grace and strength to accept his will. All we have to do is ask.

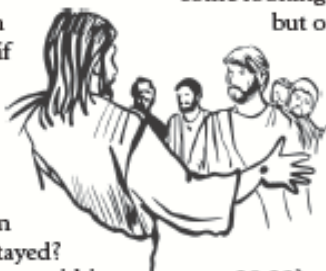
### from **S**cripture

#### John 20:19-23, Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit

This Gospel shows us a glimpse of how most of the disciples spent their first Easter Sunday – hiding in fear. They were terrified the Romans would find them and execute them. What if the Resurrection really happened as Mary Magdalene said? What if Jesus came looking for them? Would he punish them for abandoning him when they should have stayed?

Yet, Jesus appeared to them within the locked room and spoke words of peace. He wasn't a ghost; his glorified body wasn't limited by the physical world. He showed them his wounds as

"the living proof" of the Resurrection. Imagine the Apostles' great relief at having their Friend back. Jesus did come looking for them, not in anger, but offering his forgiveness.



Instead of punishing them, Jesus gave them a mission and the Holy Spirit to help them. He said, *"Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained"* (John

20:23), establishing the Sacrament of Penance. Having authority to forgive sins, the Apostles and their successors could continue Jesus' work after he returned to Heaven.

### Q & A

#### Why is Mary pictured with a blue mantle?



In the Old Testament, the Ark of the Covenant was covered in blue (or "violet") fabric for traveling (Numbers 4:5-6). God's Presence would "rest" on the Ark as a king sits on his throne (Exodus 25:22).

When Mary agreed to be the Mother of Jesus (i.e. God), she became his living "resting place." In art, Mary's blue mantle signals she is the new Ark of the Covenant.

Blue also indicates Mary's royal status. Jesus is the King of Heaven making Mary the Queen Mother. In Biblical times, the mother (not the wife) of the king was the queen. She wasn't as powerful as the king, but her intercession with him had significant influence.

Mary is not God, but her intercessory prayers for us are powerful because she is Jesus' mother. When we consider that Mary is also our mother by grace, her blue mantle invites us to entrust our concerns to her. Rather than an obstacle to Jesus, Mary leads us directly to him by a sure, safe path.

### Feasts & Celebrations

**May 12 – Sts. Nereus and Achilleus** (1st century). Not much is known about them, but it is certain they were Roman soldiers under the Emperor Trajan. They converted to Christianity, were exiled from Rome, and eventually martyred.

**May 14 – St. Matthias the Apostle** (1st century). Chosen by lot to replace Judas Iscariot, St. Matthias is only mentioned once in Scripture, but had accompanied Jesus and the Twelve from the beginning. He spent his life preaching the Good News until his martyrdom.

**May 18 – Pope St. John I** (526). Born in Tuscany, Italy, John was elected pope in 523 while a deacon. His visit to Constantinople restored peace with the Eastern Church yet raised political suspicions. Arrested by King Theodoric, he died in prison.

**May 21 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** (1st century). This solemnity marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his triumphant entry into Heaven. Note: In many dioceses, observance of Ascension has been moved to the following Sunday.



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330-434-2221, 330-253-4071**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE****July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020****FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020**OFFERTORY \$ 31,110  
YEAR TO DATE \$ 1,750,191**FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019**OFFERTORY \$ 20,789  
YEAR TO DATE \$ 1,731,009**OFFERTORY GOAL**Offertory Year to Date \$ 1,750,191  
Offertory Goal  
(July 1, 2019-April 26, 2020) \$ 1,731,009  
Amount **AHEAD** of Goal: \$ 19,1822020 Easter through April 19, 2020 \$34,814  
2019 Easter Through April 22, 2019 \$37,387\*\*2020 Holy Thursday through April 19, 2020 \$15,681  
2019 Holy Thursday through April 22, 2019 \$11,304\*\*

\*Note: Easter 2019 was on April 21st

***We would like to thank and express our gratitude to our parishioners who have been continuing their offertory contributions through the mail and online giving. Thank you for your continue support of St. Hilary Parish. Have a Blessed Easter Season!*****Fr. Steve****In Our Thoughts & Prayers**

Bari Barbuto, Sarah Bokovitz, Debbie Dick\*, Taylor Ebert, Trish Goodin-Yard, Christine Jakiela-Myers, Genny Karder, Alvin Lieberman\*, Anna Lynn Mayer, Teresa McGee, Bob Moore, Fred Ost\*, Chris Parisi, Dan Richards, Don Roulett, Blanche Ruff, Mike Rullo, Margie Sprain, Jacob Wirtz, Ashley Whitmire, David Wojcik

**God Bless Our Troops**

Nicholas Abbott, Acadia Broscius, Tyler Chopko, Justin Colletti, Robert Copeland, William Crowder-Hughes, David Diamond, Gia Faetanini, Christopher Todd Foust, Joseph Cortland Hatch, Nicholas Holvey, Mitchel Ickes, Alexander Kornick, Benjamin Kovesci, Daniel Lloyd, Michael Londa, Mark Macanga, Daniel MacInnis, Matthew Nedolast, Keith Nordquest, Aaron Ravenscraft, Brandon Paul Robb, Anthony Ryba, Michael Saponetti, Todd Scarpitti, Jobie Siemer, John Silliman, Joseph Vitullo\*, Alex Worner

**Prayers for those parishioners discerning Vocations to the Religious Life or Priesthood**

Michael Garvin, St. Mary Seminary; and James Parisi, Borromeo Seminary, Diocese of Cleveland; Brother Xavier Kozlowski, Franciscan Friars of the Holy Spirit, Arizona