SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 9, 2018

“THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US; WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY”
Psalm 126

Rev. William Brown — Pastor
Rev. Andrew Ginter — Parochial Vicar

“This is the cause of our life: that we have Christ dwelling within our carnal selves through the flesh, and we shall live through Him in the same manner as He lives through the Father.”
Saint Hilary of Poitiers († 360 A.D.)
Second Collection
December 15-16

St. Hilary Music Fund

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10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To learn more, please contact:
Janice Russell at 889-5329

Book Club: Monday, Dec. 17
7:00-8:30 P.M.

Title: Animal Farm by: George Orwell
and
Title: Fahrenheit 451 by: Ray Bradbury

In our lovely & Cozy Tarantino Hall
All are Welcome!

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Baptism
Each child should be baptized as soon as possible after birth.
Parents are required to attend an instruction session before the baptism of their baby.
Please contact Diana Rittenhouse at (415) 937-5524.
Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Dear parishioners,

This past week we had the blessing of taking part in an Advent Retreat led by two Dominicans who came to stay with us, pray with us, and offer us food for thought as we began the journey toward the birth of Jesus.

Father Jude Siciliano, OP, and Sister Patricia Bruno, OP, worked closely with Sister Dolores Maguire, CHF, and other members of our Retreat Team to give us a wonderful experience of something new and different, before the days get too terribly hectic — we are most grateful to all of them!

As part of the retreat, each night one member of our community got up during the evening ritual to share their story of faith, and in some cases, these were former members of our RCIA group, adults who had chosen, as adults, to become full members of the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

For those of us who have been Catholics a bit longer, it’s always refreshing to see and hear the joy of new members, especially when they have plunged wholeheartedly into the life of our church and school! In this sense, words from today’s Second Reading remind me of the rituals we went through during our seminary years, words which also apply to all of us who are constantly on the way toward glory:

Brothers and sisters:
I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you,
because of your partnership for the gospel
from the first day until now.
I am confident of this,
that the one who began a good work in you
will continue to complete it
until the day of Christ Jesus.
(Philippians 1:3-6)

The funny thing is that, almost two thousand years ago, these words were also directed to converts, and Saint Paul makes it clear that any genuine conversion, grace, growth, and goodness starts with God, comes from God, and only then can change our lives — and the world we embrace. “The one who began a good work in you” is the one who made the heavens and the earth, and all living things; who made us in his own image and gave us the ability to follow him — or to turn away.

If you desire to do something for the Lord, you can purchase a $50.00 Safeway gift card as part of our Christmas food drive and drop it into the Poor Box, or into the collection basket: in feeding the poor, we feed Jesus, as he made clear in those famous words from the Gospel (Matthew 25:35).

If you wish to use your blessings to help others, you may contact Catholic Charities USA and donate to help the California fire victims. If you want some quality prayer time, you can always visit our Blessed Sacrament Chapel (between the Church and Tarantino Hall), which is a place of sacred silence.

If you need to go to confession and give your soul a fresh start, check our schedule: there are several opportunities before Christmas, for you and your family!

Father Brown
Are you or someone you love dealing with separation or divorce? The Archdiocese strives to make known Christ’s healing love, so that all who suffer from separation and divorce might experience new life, reconciliation and restoration, meet people in a similar position and find help to rebuild their own lives.

We also recognize that separated and divorced people are not mere recipients of the Church's compassion; they are ministers of that compassion. Through their vulnerability, suffering, courage, faithfulness, and patient endurance they bear witness to Christ and his redeeming grace in the world.

New Beginnings: a Catholic Divorce Ministry group in Marin (St. Hilary Parish) meets the 2nd Friday of the month (6:30pm) – contact Karen (415-250-2597).

A Spanish-speaking group meets at Our Lady of Loretto/Novato the 3rd Friday (7:00pm) – contact Victoria (702-460-3116).

Deck the Halls and Celebrate Jesus’s 2018th Birthday

Please save the date for your parish family. On December 16th after the 5 pm Holy Mass the St Hilary Parish family will be decking the halls and celebrating Jesus’ 2018th birthday.

We’ll have dinner, share tree trimming duties, pick out presents for Jesus, sing our favorite Christmas carols, share our favorite formation stories about the birth of Jesus, and—of course—we’ll top the evening off with a birthday song, candles and cake for our Lord.

It’s an opportunity to build another memory with your children and family and to build community.

(Bring your own wine or beer. Punch and water will be provided.)

For planning purposes, RSVP is preferred but not necessary: dorindasears@gmail.com or Diana Rittenhouse 415-937-5524

Doing some year-end tax planning? If you have to take a minimum distribution from your IRA and you don't need to the money, please consider a Charitable IRA rollover to Saint Hilary Church. You save on taxes while supporting our mission to continue the work of Jesus right here in your neighborhood!

http://www.sthilary.org/our-call-to-stewardship.html

Reminder to turn in your $50.00 Safeway gift cards by Dec. 18th for delivery on the 20th.

You may drop your cards off in the collection basket, the poor box or at the Rectory.

The Giving Tree star gift presents are due back Dec. 9th.
### Pasta Night
6:00 p.m. — Saturday, December 15
Tarantino Hall
*All are welcome!*

### Confessions before Christmas:
Communal Penance Services with Individual Confession and Absolution (several priests hearing confessions):
- Mon., Dec. 17, 7:00 PM in Sausalito at Saint Mary Star of the Sea
- Tue., Dec. 18, 7:00 PM in Mill Valley at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- Wed., Dec. 19, 7:00 PM in Tiburon at Saint Hilary of Poitiers

### Confessions at Saint Hilary:
- Friday, Dec. 21, at 9:00 AM
- Saturday, Dec. 22, at 4:00 PM
- Monday, Dec. 24, at 9:00 AM

### Christmas Eve Masses:
- 3:00 PM Children’s Pageant Mass: Fr. Brown
- 5:00 PM Family Mass with Children’s Choir: Fr. Ginter
- 7:00 PM Sing-Along Christmas Carols with our Schola Cantorum
- 7:30 PM Candlelight Mass with Adult Choir: Fr. Brown

### Christmas Day Masses:
- 7:30 AM Quiet Mass at Dawn (with no music): Fr. Ginter
- 9:00 AM Family Mass: Fr. Brown
- 11:00 AM Mass with Adult Choir: Fr. Ginter

*No Evening Mass on Christmas Day*

Thank you for your generosity at Christmas, which helps your parish stay in the black.

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Join the fun at Saint Hilary School in Tiburon!

Saint Hilary School is a K-8 Catholic school where children receive an exceptional academic and religious foundation, allowing them to develop their unique personal and intellectual gifts.

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- Application Deadline: 1/31/19

**Book Your Tour:** admissions@sainthilaryschool.org or 415-937-5502
The St. Hilary Tiger says:

"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

Think about it…

This Week at St. Hilary Parish

- **Monday, December 10**
  - Women’s faith sharing group
- **Tuesday, December 11**
  - Men’s faith sharing group
- **Wednesday, December 12**
  - Divorced and Separated Support Group
- **Thursday, December 13**
- **Friday, December 14**
  - Holy Hour for Vocations
  - Pasta Night
- **Saturday, December 15**
  - Daughters of St. Paul selling Religious Articles after all Masses

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**Masses at St. Hilary’s — December 10-16**

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**Readings for the Week**

- **Monday:** Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
- **Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
- **Wednesday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
- **Thursday:** Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
- **Friday:** Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
- **Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- **Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;

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**Rest In Peace**

President George H.W. Bush
Mr. Brewster Bermingham Carroll
Fr. Paul Aquinas Duffner, O.P.
Mrs. Mary Neveaux

**ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?** If not, please return this form and we will be happy to send you an official registration form.

Name

Address

City ___________________________ Phone ___________________________

Email ___________________________ Year you moved into the parish? ___________________________

Have you changed your address, phone number or e-mail address?
Please return this form to help us keep in touch with you.