

# St Hilary



## Mass

{First Saturday | 7am}  
Saturday Vigil | 4pm  
Sunday | 7, 9, & 11am  
Monday | 7am  
Tuesday | 5:15pm  
Wednesday | 7am  
Thursday | 5:15pm  
Friday | 7am

## Adoration

Our Adoration chapel is available for prayer 24/7. There is a keypad with a code to get in after hours. Please call the office for the code.

## Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 30 minutes prior to the start of every Mass and by appointment.

## Clergy

**Rev. Fr. Rusty Bruce**  
Parochial Administrator  
**Rev. Fr. Davis Ahimbisibwe**  
Parochial Vicar  
**Rev. Mr. Tim Vedros**  
Deacon

**St. Hilary of Poitiers**

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SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 | THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Week at a Glance

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:00am | Mass

9:30am | Mommy & Me Monday

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

5:15pm | Mass + Perpetual Help Novena

5:30pm | GriefShare

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

6:20am | Divine Mercy + Vocations  
Prayers

7:00am | Mass

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:00am | Women's Study Group

2:45pm | Flame of Love Rosary (Chapel)

5:15pm | Mass

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

7:00am | Mass

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

#### Legacy Sunday Weekend

4:00pm | Vigil Mass

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

#### Legacy Sunday Weekend

7:00am | Mass

9:00am | Mass

9:30am | OCIC

10:15am | OCIA

11:00am | Mass

6:00pm | Youth Formation (K-10th)

## Advisory Councils

The Advisory Councils of St. Hilary of Poitiers serve to support the pastor in the administrative leadership of the parish. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to one of the members.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council consists of elected representatives who bring parishioner ideas and concerns to the pastor, assist in brainstorming solutions, and help plan major parish events. The current members are:

- President - Kristen Hernandez
- Monique Aucoin
- Brady Theriot
- Tommy Blanchard
- Kelly Dufrene
- Misty Eschette
- Andrew LeBlanc
- Leon Richard
- Cynthia Thibodeaux
- Ann Babin
- John Dufrene
- Moraine Griffin

### FINANCE COUNCIL

The Finance Council, appointed by the pastor, meet quarterly to assess financial matters, provide advice on budgeting, and ensure the parish's financial well-being. The current members are:

- Chairman - Norris Cantrelle
- Lester Haydel
- Daniel Duplantis
- Bud Breau
- Dr. Sarah Knight
- Eric Landry
- Neal Bollinger



## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday | 8 am - 12 pm  
1 pm - 4 pm  
Friday | 8 am - 12 pm


## Parish Office Staff

Office Manager | Diane Melancon  
Coordinator of Parish Life | Sarah Matherne  
Maintenance | Harold Matherne  
St. Hilary Housekeeper | Cindy Martin

## Liturgical Assistants

Coordinator of Music | Nicholas Matherne  
Sacristans | Misty Eschette, Kelly Dufrene, & Steve Leininger

# Youth Formation Schedule | Fall 2025

K-10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Class 6:00   MPB	Youth Mass 6:00pm   Church	Confirmation Class 5:00   MPB
September 14th	September 21st	September 7th
September 28th	November 2nd	September 21 <sup>st</sup> <b>Class then Mass</b>
October 19th	November 30th	October 5th
October 26th		November 2nd <b>Class then Mass</b>
November 16th		November 9th
December 7th		November 30th <b>Class then Mass</b>
		December 14th



## Youth Group

Youth Group Nights are starting up again! This year is focused on having fun together and high school and middle school are totally separate. Take a flier in the vestibule for more info! We can't wait to get started!

## Kiddie Corner

Use the list on the right to find all of the words from our Sunday readings!

G H L U F Q L J Z H T  
 A C R O S S Q K U W R  
 L D I S C I P L E L O  
 W T U D P L A U T I O  
 S W P Y C U I R P Y P  
 J T I J O T A U J W S  
 Z O X L S X R P C R D  
 J W S M T S U A H Z F  
 I E V U L I F E V U S  
 M R C A R R Y S K E B  
 S S A M E N K I N G L

- Travel
- Life
- Disciple
- Carry
- Cross
- Tower
- Cost
- King
- Troops
- Same



## Major Life Moments

### BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Congratulations and welcome to the newest members of our church family! Madilyn Carnes, daughter of David & Hali Carnes was baptized on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> and Athena Olivia Marie Crosby, daughter of Melvin Crosby and Breanna Peterson was baptized on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> here at St. Hilary. If you are interested in the Sacrament of Baptism for your child, please visit our website at [sthilaryraceland.org/baptism/](http://sthilaryraceland.org/baptism/)

### MARRIED IN CHRIST

We have not celebrated any weddings in the past week, but please continue praying for all of our engaged couples as they journey toward their sacrament. May blessings pour out abundantly on them! If you would like to be married at St. Hilary, please visit our website at [sthilaryraceland.org/marriage](http://sthilaryraceland.org/marriage)

### DIED IN CHRIST

We pray for the repose of the souls of our departed brothers and sisters who have died in Christ, especially those who have died with no one to pray for them. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

## Happening Soon

### MOMMY & ME

Our next gathering for the Mommy & Me group is this Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. To keep informed about the dates for the group, you will receive information about the GroupMe chat when you arrive for this month's gathering. This is for mothers of children 7 and under who would like to gather for Catholic-based fun and learning.

### MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING

If you are a man who is at least 18 years old and you would like to meet a group of men who enjoy eating together and talking about life and faith, then please join our Men's Fellowship Group at our meeting on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the KC Hall in Mathews. Ladies, feel free to send your husbands, brothers, sons, and fathers.

### BLUE MASS

In honor of all First Responders, the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux will celebrate the annual Blue Mass on Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Houma.

## Happening Soon

### ST. HILARY LEGACY SUNDAY

What Will Your Legacy Be?

Next weekend, we invite you to reflect on your Catholic legacy during Legacy Sunday. Your faith, love, and generosity can leave a lasting impact on our parish and future generations. Discover how you can ensure your values live on through a planned gift. Stay tuned for more details! Visit [bit.ly/legacysunday](http://bit.ly/legacysunday) to learn how to begin your legacy of faith!

Legacy SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 13-14

WHAT WILL YOUR Legacy BE?

SCAN TO LEARN MORE OR VISIT [www.bit.ly/legacysunday](http://www.bit.ly/legacysunday)

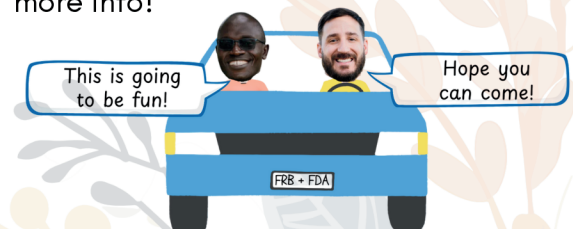
### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Diocesan Office of Worship is inviting all couples married in the Catholic Church who are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or greater anniversary during 2025 to a Mass celebrated by Bishop Simon Peter Engurait. This celebration will take place on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at 10AM at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales in Houma. **If you wish to take part in this celebration, contact the parish office before September 19, 2025, to register.**

All registered anniversary couples attending the diocesan celebration will receive an inscribed diocesan certificate following the Mass, and will have the opportunity to take their photo with Bishop Simon Peter Engurait. Our parish celebration will take place on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at the 4pm Mass. If you would like to have your marriage recognized, please contact the parish office.

### JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE

Friday September 26<sup>th</sup> - Take a flier for more info!





# Calendar of Events

## SEPTEMBER

**Sat. 6<sup>th</sup>** | Second Collection – Parish Building Fund | Church | 4:00pm

**Sun. 7<sup>th</sup>** | Second Collection – Parish Building Fund | Church | All Masses  
Canonization of Blesseds Carlo Acutis & Pier Giorgio Frassati  
Mass of Thanksgiving Animated by the Ugandan Community |  
St. Francis de Sales Cathedral | 11:00am  
Reception to Follow | St. Francis KC Hall

**Mon. 8<sup>th</sup>** | Mommy & Me Monday | MPB | 9:30am

**Tues. 9<sup>th</sup>** | Mat Ministry | MPB | 10:00am

**Thurs. 11<sup>th</sup>** | KC Meeting | KC Hall | 6:30pm

**Wed. 17<sup>th</sup>** | Men's Fellowship Group | KC Hall | 6:00pm

**Wed. 24<sup>th</sup>** | Diocesan Blue Mass | St. Francis de Sales | 12:00pm

**Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup>** | High School Youth Group | MPB | 6:00pm

**Fri. 26<sup>th</sup>** | Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage | Church | 7:00am–5:00pm

**Sat. 27<sup>th</sup>** | New Altar Server Training | Church | 9:00am–11:00am

## OCTOBER

**Wed. 1<sup>st</sup>** | Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux – Bring Flowers | Chapel | All Day

**Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup>** | First Friday Devotions | Church | 6:00am  
First Friday Mass | Church | 7:00am

**Sat. 4<sup>th</sup>** | First Saturday Devotions | Church | 6:00am  
First Saturday Mass | Church | 7:00am  
St. Francis Pet Blessing | Prayer Garden | TBD  
Second Collection – Parish Youth Group | Church | 4:00pm

**Sun. 5<sup>th</sup>** | Second Collection – Parish Youth Group | Church | All Masses  
Fete des Vieux Temps Mass | Central Market | 9:00am  
\*No 9:00am Mass at Church.\*  
Baptism Seminar | MPB | 2:00pm

**Mon. 6<sup>th</sup>** | Mommy & Me Monday | MPB | 9:30am

**Tues. 7<sup>th</sup>** | Grief to Grace | Chapel | 6:00pm  
Night Out Against Crime | MPB Parking Lot | 6:00pm

**Wed. 8<sup>th</sup>** | Diocesan Red Mass | St. Francis de Sales | 12:00pm

Please note that dates and times are subject to change. Check back weekly for updates.

LOOKING AHEAD

## Mass Intentions

**Sanctuary Lamp** | Bobby J. Dominique (DA), Damian Theriot (B), Louis Boudreaux (B), Sylvia Boudreaux, Patick Danos Jr. (DA), Elsie Comeaux (DA), Weldon Lovell

**Saturday, September 6** | Patrick Danos Jr. (DA), Clifton & Mary Danos, Ella Mae Bailleaux, Chester Boudreaux, Leon Sr., Ruby & Kenneth Foret, Desiree Boudreaux, Howard Jones, Elsie & Clayton Comeaux, Iola & Abel Folse, Sheila Gautreaux, Merrill Matherne, Weldon Lovell, Hugh Foret, John Foret, Wallace Landry, Weldon Lovell, Warren Robichaux (B), David Robichaux, Louise, Nilton, Weldon Eschette & Fam., M/M Lucien Toups & Fam., M/M Sullivan Eschette & Fam., Oaklan & Rita Bourgeois & Fam., Shelby Champagne, Ralph Champagne, Gerald, Gladys, Lovelace, Beulah & Cindy Detillier, Felix & Valerie Babin, Bourgeois & Foret Fam., Madge & Hudson Foret, Noel LeBlanc, Bolton & Cerita LeBlanc, Zachary Foret, Kathy Blanchard, Nikki Garner, M/M Edwey Adams, M/M Richard Borne, Daniel Garner, Marie Bananto, Shedrie Bananto, M/M Frank Bananto & Sons, Kathleen Broussard (B), Wilton & Rosalie Keller, Etite, Julia & Gerald Guidry, Sherry Zeringue, James E. Trant, James "Joe" & Carol Franklin, James W. & Pasty G. Zeringue, Harrington J. Dufrene, Leona & Nessey Adams, Bonnie & Victorin Hotard, Cunningham "Mouse" Bradberry, Edgar (B) & Rosalie St. Pierre, Frederick (B), Augustine, Margorie Bradberry (DA), Ralph & Ruth (B & DA) Knight, Andrew Frederick Jr., Winston Gaston, Eddie Orgeron, Ray Hodson III, Juanita Detillier, Owen Matherne, Margaret Gerrets (B), Donald Theriot, Harold J. Folse Sr., Marius & Laura Folse, Arnold & Corinne Matherne, Arnold & Carol Matherne Jr., Lisa Duffy, Bruce A. Zeringue, Eloise F. Babin, Hazel G. Babin; Martial Babin Jr., Mary & Joseph Cantrelle

**Sunday, September 7** | Earl Walker Jr. (DA), Mildred Thibodeaux, Dolores Breaux Adams, Edmond Adams Sr., Donna Marie Adams, Norman, Thersea, Erroll, Betty Falgout, Elmo & Helen Falgout, Barbara Dupre Orgeron, Rosalie Toups, Brandy Toups, Chelsie Pertuit Eschette, Lois Toups Crosby, Richard P. Adams, Sidney & Gladys Rogers & Fam., Etite, Julia & Gerald Guidry, Sherry Zeringue, James E. Trant, James "Joe" & Carol Franklin, James W. & Pasty G. Zeringue, Harold Guidroz Jr., Mary G. Saucier, Nicholas Braud, Gilmer Gaudet, Richard & Ruth Lasseigne, Freddie Chiasson, Easman & Marie Chiasson & Fam., Felician & Clara Dempster & Fam., Cheryl Plaisance, Velma & Moise Ford Jr., Irvin & Michael Boudreaux, Luke Sposito Sr., JT & Rena Allemand, Elmo & Kathleen Broussard, Dolores Breaux Adams, Edmond Adams Sr., Donna Marie Adams, Wanda Adams Champagne, Simon & Nazy Hebert (WA), Linda Boudoin Lee, M/M Enoch Lee, George Foret, Jr., M/M George Foret Sr., M/M Warren Boudoin, Owen Matherne, Johnny & Nola Foret, Rebecca Foret Ricks, Stephen Ricks (B), Lawrence & Margie Guidry, Cindy Guidry (DA), James Neideffer, Spring Guidry, Linda & Wesley Landeche, Donald Theriot, Dale P. & Catherine Boudreaux, Stacey & Julie Gautreaux & Fam., Carol Gautreaux, Mike & Loretta Jambon, Charley & Marie Pierce, Harold J. Folse Sr., Marius & Laura Folse, Arnold & Corinne Matherne, Arnold & Carol Matherne Jr., Lisa Duffy, Geraldine Adams, Katherine "Kitty" Dupre, Lonis Comeaux, Alden, Todd, Modress, Eugene Degruise & Degruise Fam., Maude & Clinton Breaux, Aubrey Morales, Geraldine Adams, Weldon Lovell, Emile Guidry, Mr. & Mrs. Nick Cahanin (WA), James "TJ" Cantrelle III, Pro Populo (For the People)

**Monday, September 8** | Junior LeBouef (DA)

**Tuesday, September 9** | Elisa Comeaux (DA), Douglas (B) & Genevieve Acosta, Jada (DA) & Benton Keller, Joanna, Bryan & Sergian Truxillo Sr., Sybil & Raymond Pitre, Lucia & Hubert Gervais Sr., Patricia & Richard LeBlanc Jr. (WA), Damian Theriot (B), John Rogers, M/M Oral Bourgeois, Cheryl Bourgeois, Marcelin Detillier

**Wednesday, September 10** | Kerry Chiasson (B), Richard & Ada Cologne Fam., Donald & Janice Leininger Fam., Mathew W. Leininger Fam., Jimmy Aucoin Fam., Mike & Irene Aucoin Fam., Troy & Debbie Smith Fam., Patricia Leininger Fam., Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, September 11** | Louis Boudreaux (B), Sylvia Boudreaux

**Friday, September 12** | Holy Souls in Purgatory

## Prayers for Healing

Heavenly Father, we pray for peace and healing for: Bailey Adams, Robin Adams, Sawyer Jean Adams, Ann B. Allemand, Joann Allemand, Donna Anderson, Lynelle Arabie, Keelan Arbuckle, Debbie Arceneaux, Rodney Arceneaux, Susan Arceneaux, Braden Ashbey, Mary Ayo, James Badeaux, Mike Bailleaux, Ellie Barker, Roy Blouin, Lindsey Boudreaux, Elisabeth Bourgeois, Betty Breaux, Caleb Breaux, Debbie Breaux, Jolie Breaux, Lester Breaux, Monique Breaux, Chris Brunet, Caleb Byrd, Ronald Callais, James "Jimmy" Cantrelle I, Franky Carlisle, Claire Savoie Champagne, Shelby & Ralph Champagne, Demi Charrier, Jason Chiasson, Kellee Chiasson, Lucy Chiasson, Michael Comardelle, Nancy Couture, Gilbert Danos, Jackie Danos, Jamie Danos, Dave DeFalice, Jr., Harold Dufrene, Joetta Dufrene, Leann Dufrene, Stacy Melancon Dufrene, Todd Dufrene, Andre Engleton, Allie Ewing, Annie Falgout, Roger Felarif, Leonard Folse, Milton & Vera Folse, Dianna Foret, Kenneth P. Foret, Maria Foret, Carolyn France, Herman Freitag, Dale Gaudet, Loyce Gaudet, Norman Gaudet, Sandy Gaudet, Kris Grabert, Kathi Griffin, Dot Griffin, Cheryl Guidry, Seth Guidry, Sue Gouaux Hagman, Breann Hargis, Mona Hebert, Ben Holbert, Brenda Hunter, James Peter Johnston, Jackson Knight, Scarlet Lafont, Denise Lagarde, Candace Landry, Linda Landry, Jimmy Leblanc, Julie Leblanc, Terry LeBlanc, Cullen Lebouef, Roland Lecompte, Percy Lee, C.J. Leonard, Angie Lewis, Kathy Lyles, Randy Martinez, Annick Matherne, Benny & Gert Matherne, Florence Matherne, Eve McKee, Ben Minchew, Bonnie Morris, Glenn Mousseau, Lily Grace Mouton, Kevin P. Naquin, Frank Oncale, Ruby Ordoyne, Marguerite Orgeron, Rose Orgeron, Janet Pellegrin, Ted Pellegrin, Danielle Pierce, Virginia Pitre, Wade Plaisance, Dora Mae Rebstock, Clyde Paul Richardel, Mark Rodriguez, Robert Roger, Colette Ryals, MaryAnn Saucier, Verina Schouest, Troy Templet, Marvin Theriot, Dawn Toups, Deb Ullrich, Jasmine Uzee, Brenda Vedros, Deacon Tim Vedros, Bridget Verret, and anyone who has no one to pray for them. Amen.

If you or a loved one is in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, or there is an emergency, please call our **Emergency Line at 985-300-5022**.

## Generosity

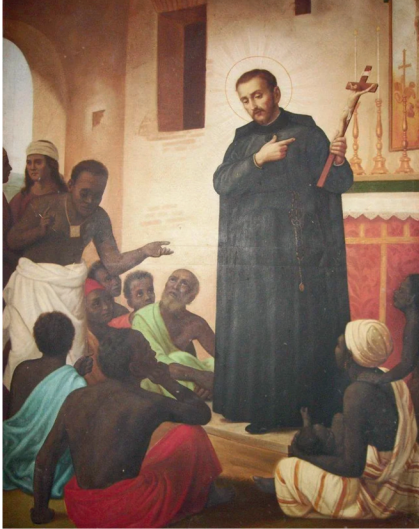
Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish. Each week's collection total reflects the combined contributions made through envelopes, cash, and online giving. Your faithful stewardship allows us to carry out our mission and serve our parish family and community more fully. We are truly grateful. Due to early deadlines and office closures, collections will be reported in September 21<sup>st</sup> bulletin.



# Saint of the Week

**Saint Peter Claver | Feast Day September 9 | Patron of Slaves, African Americans, & Columbia**

Have you ever been really, really thirsty? Maybe you were hiking or mowing the yard on a hot summer day. Maybe you just came in from the playground or off the basketball court. Think how good a drink of cold water would be. If some kind person brought you water, how would you feel? Peter Claver was that sort of person. Peter felt he was called to be a missionary. When he was 29 years old, Peter left his home in Spain and went to Cartagena (in what is now Colombia), South America. There he continued his studies and was ordained a priest.



Cartagena was a busy city, but its economic success came from dealing in human misery. Cartagena was the main market for the slave trade in the New World. Hundreds of thousands of people were brought there from Africa, herded into warehouses, and auctioned off to the highest bidder. They had been captured, chained together, crowded onto ships, and neglected during the long journey to South America. The conditions were so terrible that an estimated one-third of the captives died during the journey.

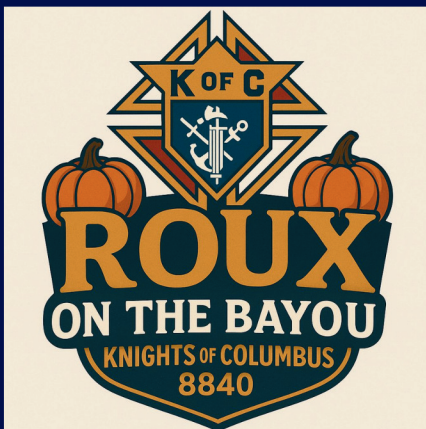
Whenever a ship carrying Africans arrived in port, Peter was there. He would hurry down with a jug of water, and a basket full of medicine, fruit, bread, and clothing. He would greet the slaves by giving them a drink of water. His first concern was to tend to their human needs—to ease their suffering and somehow restore their sense of dignity. He saw the suffering Jesus in the people he served. And he heard in their cry: “What you do for others, you do for me.” Peter nursed many back to health and, while they were in warehouses awaiting their sale, he told them that Jesus loved them and gave them the sacraments.

Peter Claver could not eliminate the strong hold that slavery had on society. The hearts and the consciences of many people had been so hardened that they refused to see this evil of slavery in their midst. But Peter did what he could. He tried to be a visible sign that the African slaves were indeed human beings, children of God. By bringing the love of Jesus to them, he was laying the foundations of justice and charity for the future. During his 40 years in Colombia, Peter Claver baptized nearly 300,000 Africans.

A man of deep prayer, unbounded energy, and steady devotion, Peter Claver realized that it was his relationship with Christ that nourished his spirit and gave him the courage to go on when so many problems surrounded his work. When he died the city that had opposed so many of his efforts honored him.

## Knights of Columbus

The KCs are hosting the Roux on the Bayou Cook-Off and Craft Show on Sunday, October 12th. If you or anyone you know might be interested in being a Sponsor, Craft Show Vendor, or Cook Off Team, registrations are due by September 15th. If you need a form, please see the KC table or contact a member of the Knights.



Attention all 8th through 12th graders, the annual Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest has begun. Last year our Council had the International Runner Up Winner – our very own Ms. Natalie Whitehead – and we’re hoping to have great representation again this year. Please take a flier from the KC table in the vestibule if you want to enter.