

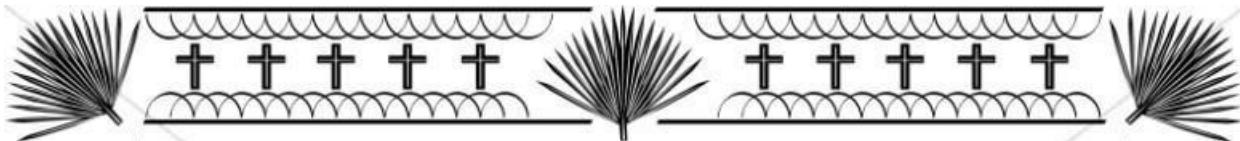
# Saint Hilary's Episcopal Church

## WELCOME

### ALL STREAMING AND IN PERSON WORSHIPPERS

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us at St. Hilary's today.

If you have been looking and praying, hoping and searching for a place to belong, for opportunities to serve God and to make a difference in the world, God has prepared a place here for you at St. Hilary's.



The Mission of St. Hilary's Episcopal Church is to make known the love and kindness of Jesus Christ to all people, within our congregation and in the wider community, through worship, service, and compassion.

**RITE II, 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, July 26, 2020**

**Saint Hilary's Episcopal Church  
5011 McGregor Boulevard  
Fort Myers, Florida 33901  
(239) 936-1000  
office@sainthilarys.org**

**Phase II Office Hours: M-F, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM  
NOT CLOSED FOR LUNCH**

St. Hilary's prayer list is published once a week, and included in the "Stay Connected" email. If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please send a request to [prayers@sainthilarys.org](mailto:prayers@sainthilarys.org) or call 239-936-1000 by Wednesday before 2:30 PM.

## **VESTRY**

Margi Ehle, Senior Warden, Ruth Walters, Junior Warden, Margaret Lane, Treasurer, Steve Barchers, Stefani Dougherty, Kristina Hodge, Ray LaGrange, Ro Mathews, Joann Oxender, Clay Spikes, Bev Swanson, Marie Vidrine, Jim Walter, Jo Lane, Clerk

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# Holy Eucharist, Rite II

**Opening Hymn**, #388, O Worship The King  
Lester Erich, tenor

*Hanover*

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*  
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
People            ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

## **Collect for Purity**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

## **Gloria**

*Robert Powell*

## **Collect of the Day**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

## **A Reading from the Book of Genesis**

*Sybil Edgar*

### **Genesis 29:15-28**

Laban said to Jacob, “Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?” Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When

morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

## Psalm 128

Bob Eagan

- 1 Happy are they all who fear the LORD, \*  
and who follow in his ways!
- 2 You shall eat the fruit of your labor; \*  
happiness and prosperity shall be yours.
- 3 Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine within your house, \*  
your children like olive shoots round about your table.
- 4 The man who fears the LORD \*  
shall thus indeed be blessed.
- 5 The LORD bless you from Zion, \*  
and may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.
- 6 May you live to see your children's children; \*  
may peace be upon Israel.

## A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans Romans 8:26-39

Margi Ehle

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he

called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;  
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn, #753, Father Eternal, Ruler of Creation**

*Langham*

Lester Erich, tenor

## The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People*      **Glory be to you, Lord Christ.**

### **Matthew 13:31-33,44-52**

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of

fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.  
“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People Praise be to you, Lord Christ.*

## The Sermon

### The Nicene Creed

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.*

*We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.*

*Through him all things were made.*

*For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.*

*For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.*

*On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.*

*He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.*

*We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.*

*With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.*

*He has spoken through the Prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.*

*We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.*

*We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## Prayers of the People

Gene Montooth

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work; for our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For this community, the nation, and the world; for all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For the just and proper use of your creation; for the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; for those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; for all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, our Presiding Bishop, and the Rt. Reverend Dabney T. Smith, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers; for all who serve God in his Church. Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

*The Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

## Confession

*Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned  
against you in thought, word,  
and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.*

*We have not loved you with our  
whole heart; we have not loved  
our neighbors as ourselves. We  
are truly sorry and we humbly  
repent.*

*For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us  
and forgive us; that  
we may delight in  
your will, and walk  
in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

## Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Peace

*Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People: And also with you.*

## The Offertory

*Please place envelope in basket by front door.*

**Offertory Solo: Simple Gifts**

Lester Erich, Tenor

*Bach/Schweizer*

## Holy Communion

## Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* ***We lift them to the Lord.***

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* ***It is right to give him thanks and praise***

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always

and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father

Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with  
Angels and Archangels and with all the company  
of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to  
proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

*Robert Powell*

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love  
you made us for yourself, and, when we had  
fallen into sin and become subject to evil and  
death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your  
only and eternal Son, to share our human  
nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile  
us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and  
offered himself, in obedience to your will, a  
perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is  
to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words  
concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and  
any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and  
death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and  
when he had given thanks  
to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and  
said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given  
for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith

*Celebrant and People*

***Christ has died. Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours. ***Amen.***

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*The Celebrant then says*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

*Celebrant and People together pray*

*Our Father who art in Heaven,  
    hallowed be thy Name,  
    thy kingdom come,  
    thy will be done,  
    on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those  
    who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
    and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **The Fraction**

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:  
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world:  
grant us thy peace.*

**The Communion Hymn, #316. This Is The Hour**  
Lester Erich, tenor

*Canticum reflections*

## Prayers to Prepare you for Spiritual Communion

### Prayer 1

Lord, Jesus Christ my God, forgive the faults and sins which I, Your unworthy servant have committed from my youth to this day and hour. Make me worthy without condemnation to receive Your precious, immortal and life-giving Mysteries for the forgiveness of sins and eternal life. May the Eucharist sanctify, enlighten, strengthen and heal my soul and body and thus destroy my evil thoughts, intentions and prejudices.

*St. John Chrysostom*

### Prayer 2

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation.

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

### Prayer 3

Lord, Jesus Christ, I approach your banquet table in fear and trembling, for I am a sinner, and dare not rely on my own worth but only on your goodness and mercy. Gracious God of majesty and awe, I seek your protection, I look for your healing, poor troubled sinner that I am, I appeal to you, the fountain of all mercy. May your body and blood, which I intend to receive, although I am unworthy, be for me the remission of my sins, the washing away of my guilt, the end of my evil thoughts, and the rebirth of my better instincts. May it incite me to do the works pleasing to you and profitable to my health in body and soul and be a firm defense against the wiles of my enemies. ***Amen.***

*St. Ambrose*

## A Form for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*The Celebrant dismisses the people*

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*The People respond:*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### June 2020 Financials

Year-to-Date	Month-To-Date
Revenue: \$256,539	Revenue: \$26,523
Expenses: \$228,133	Expenses: \$38,861

**NOTE: There was a \$15,000 shortfall in 2019 (which had to be subtracted from 2020 funds)**

### Happy Birthday

Ed Mathews Sr., Sue Merchant, Alena Michel  
Diane Colonnello, Christopher Homan,  
Roger Lagasse, Carol Sinks

### Happy Anniversary

Robinanne and Alan Wale,  
Gerry Mungan and Ann Rice

**The Quilt Project** is a new outreach ministry for Saint Hilary's. The goal is to provide quilts to non-profits in the Fort Myer's area. The project started when Ray LaGrange bought a longarm quilting machine and started practicing. When Jo Kramer with [www.joscountryjunction.com](http://www.joscountryjunction.com) asked for longarmers to complete community quilt tops for donation to their local charities, Ray volunteered. Labels are sewn on all the quilts stating that they came from Saint Hilary's. If you know how to sew and would like to assist in piecing backs or adding labels, your assistance would greatly be appreciated. Also if you have a contact at a local charity that would use quilts in their work, please contact Ray LaGrange, Margi Ehle or Margaret Lane, or just contact the office

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study via ZOOM:** For information, contact Mary Richardson at 239 281-2049 or [mcrichardson@comcast.net](mailto:mcrichardson@comcast.net)

**Youth and Families News:** This week two mailings were sent to the families of St. Hilary's. First a Survey to find out where we should be focusing our resources and energy to engage new and existing children, youth and families. Second was a Booklet of Service/Learning Activities to direct families in creating donation packs of clothing, toys, books and more for St. Hilary's drop-off and deliver to Pine Manor Community Center and Salvation Army, building empathy and understanding of others. Youth and Families, Nursery, Children's Church and YOSH are looking for new leadership and ideas. Please contact Bev Swanson, vestry liaison, at 239-823-4685 or [hairswan@aol.com](mailto:hairswan@aol.com) to find out more. YOSH will continue to meet on Zoom for games and prayers up to twice a month. We are beginning small group gatherings for campfires and movies. Schedules are sent via email – please contact the office or [youth@sainthilarys.org](mailto:youth@sainthilarys.org) if you wish to be informed of the next Zoom or gathering.

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**Altar Flowers and Sanctuary Candles** are still available. Cost for Altar Flowers are \$50; Candles are \$20. If you would like to remember a loved one, contact the office at 239-936-1000 or [office@sainthilarys.org](mailto:office@sainthilarys.org) by the Wednesday prior to the Sunday.

**St. Hilary's Streaming Service on St. Hilary's Facebook page,**

<https://m.facebook.com/OfficeSaintHilarysFM/live/>

Monday, Wednesday Friday: 9:00 AM Morning Prayer

Tuesday, Friday: 6:00 PM Evening Prayer

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**St. Hilary's St. Mary Garden, and Columbarium:** Located just off the patio side of Browning Hall, The Mary Garden and Columbarium is the final resting place for many parishioners. It is a place of peaceful rest, with lovely plantings and benches for meditation or prayer. Each columbarium niche holds the cremains of two people. The cost is \$1,000 and includes two brass urns and two plaques. Many people order them "pre-need" and payment plans can be arranged. For more information, contact the office at 239-936-1000 or [office@sainthilarys.org](mailto:office@sainthilarys.org).