



## *Stella Maris Catholic Church*

*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*

*2901 S. 10th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148*

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*Rev. John R. Di Orio*

*Pastor (ext. 3)*

*Rev. Msgr. James F. Connelly*

*Pastor Emeritus*

*Rev. James T. McCabe*

*Parochial Vicar (ext. 4)*

### *Staff:*

*Mrs. Carmel Brabazon - Parish Secretary (ext. 9)*

*Mr. Cormac Brady - Music Director (ext. 7)*

*Mrs. Carmella DeSimone - Business Manager (ext. 6)*

*Sister Veronica Maier, SSJ - Parish Services Director (ext. 8)*

*Mrs. Marie Milano - Director of Religious Education (ext. 5)*

*Rectory: 215-465-2336*

*Convent: 215-462-1111*

**Perpetual Adoration:** *Come adore our Eucharistic Lord in the Little Flower Perpetual Adoration Chapel located in the basement of the rectory. The chapel is available for prayer at all times. However, a key fob is necessary to gain entrance. Key fobs are available at the Rectory.*

### **The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

*Sundays: 5:00pm (Saturday Vigil)  
8:00am; 9:30am; 11:00am*

*Weekdays: 8:00am (Monday – Saturday)*

*Holy Days: 5:00pm Vigil; 8:00am; 7:00pm*

**Confessions:** *4:00pm - 4:45pm Saturday in Church*

**Miraculous Medal Novena:** *Each Saturday immediately following the 8am Mass. Veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Laboure concludes the service.*

**Bible Study:** *Bible Study is held in the classroom in the Church Vestibule every Saturday after the 8:00am Mass. (Please note: No Bible Study on Sodality meeting Saturdays, and July and August.)*

**Baptism:** *Anyone who plans to have their child baptized is asked to call the Rectory to make arrangements. Parents are required by Canon Law to attend a Pre-Jordan Class prior to the Baptism. These classes will take place at the Rectory, by appointment only. To register for Pre-Jordan, please call the Rectory. Baptisms may be held any Sunday—once Pre-Jordan is completed.*

**Sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation:** *Anyone asked to be a Godparent/Sponsor should contact the Rectory regarding their Letter of Eligibility.*

**Matrimony:** *Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the intended wedding date. All couples are required to attend pre-marital instructions in preparation for marriage.*

**Anointing of the sick:** *In case of serious illness or advanced age, please call the Rectory.*

***January 20, 2019  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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**Mass Intentions For**  
**The Week of January 20, 2019**

<b>God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life</b>	
<b>Collection for weekend of January 12 &amp; January 13</b>	
<b>Income: Plate = \$4,007.00+ AWC = \$102.50 =</b>	<b>\$4,109.50</b>
<b>Bills Paid= Total Disbursements</b>	<b>(\$19,463.18)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$15,353.68)</b>

**Living Stewardship-Living God's Word:**

*"The better you know Jesus the more His mystery attracts you. The more you discover Him, the more you are moved to seek Him."*

**Automated Withdrawal Contributions (AWC):**  
 Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn monthly from your account and deposited directly to your parish. Your offering can be in any amount. Please call the Rectory for more information. Thank you!

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

**Please pray for all the sick that they may be comforted:**

Jeanette Albanese, Rosario Allia, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Enrico Belfi, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Vincent Carchidi, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Elaine Cipparone, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Sarah Croce, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Anna Del Vecchio and the Del Vecchio Family, Matthew D'Imperio, Lynn DiOrio, Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Louis Falciani, Virginia Faulkner, Samuel Fiore, Clara Fioravanti, Russell Figalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Dakota Hussein, Alice Idell, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Barbara Lalli, Ronald Lalli, Samantha LaSpada, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Joseph Martino, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Josephine Dolores Napoli, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Kathleen Nardy, Theodore Norkus, Patrick Oldfield, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Fred Papaleo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophia Phillips, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Reed, Jason Rindone, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, Mary Toscano, James Trainor Jr., Alessandra Trimarco, Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohy, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, the military disabled, the home-bound, and their families.

*Rest in Peace* **We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:**

**CONCETTA "CONNIE" SCAFIDE**  
**JOHN SCARPATO**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
 and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.

May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed,  
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**Sunday—January 20**

8:00 + Vincent and Jennie Moffo  
 9:30 + Easery "Tinker" Bowen  
 11:00 + Gerard McNulty

**Monday—January 21**

8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald

**Tuesday—January 22**

8:00 + Betty Livewell

**Wednesday—January 23**

8:00 + Judy Jacquindo and Gerry Murphy

**Thursday—January 24**

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano

**Friday—January 25**

8:00 + Anthony Vivone

**Saturday—January 26**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris  
 5:00 + John and Yolanda Nazzario

**Sunday—January 27**

8:00 + Mike Viray  
 9:30 + Vincent Tonelli and Family  
 11:00 + DeSimone and Pagnotto Families (L & D)

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of  
 Theodore Furia  
 Requested by  
 Wife MaryAnn and Family



**Bread & Wine**

In Memory of  
 Theodore Furia

Requested by  
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Below is a list of donations that have been made to honor the memory of loved ones who have passed on, but will never be forgotten.

**In Memory**

Mildred Armentani  
 Lorenzo Trimarco  
 Gaetano "Tommy" Turco  
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**Donor**

Karen Armentani  
 Josephine Paskevicius  
 M/M Joseph Annarelli  
 Jo-Ann Parillo



**PARISH FROZEN FOOD PROGRAM**

Our Parish Frozen Food Program is in great need of frozen dinners containing chicken, beef, ham, pork or fish. We kindly ask that the meals you prepare contain meat or fish, a starch (pasta/potatoes/rice), and a vegetable. Those who receive these meals are elderly and it is healthy for them to get a balanced, nutritious meal.

# rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Here we are in the Ordinary time of the Church year. A great reminder at this time of the year is to try to do all the ordinary things that we learned and been taught as Catholic, extraordinarily well.

To all who gave of their time and energy last Sunday afternoon to put Christmas away, thank you, thank you, thank you. I am grateful to all who were here to clean up and tidy up the Church.

Most of us are old enough to remember the Mama Celeste's frozen pizza ad, where her signature line became well known, which was "*Abbondanza!*" In today's Gospel from John, Jesus changes the water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana. However, the focus of the story is not how Jesus turned water into wine. That appears to be an accepted fact, and nothing more is said about it. The attention is not what we would call the miracle. The focus is on what the miracle or "sign", as St. John calls it, says about the identity of Jesus. He is the one who offers an abundance of wine. Jesus brings true salvation - not the ritual washings. What St. John is conveying is that Jesus is the abundance of salvation and, as is always the case in John's Gospel, the sign brings some people to believe in Jesus, in this case, the disciples. Jesus, as the abundance of salvation, makes present the copious salvation offered to us by our loving God. What was promised by the prophets has come true in Jesus. Jesus is the fulfillment of all of the hopes and dreams of Israel, as well as our own. At the banquet of the Lord's Supper, the Spirit transforms bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ. That miraculous food and drink are but a foretaste of the heavenly wedding feast that awaits us because of the dying and rising of Jesus. The good news for us then is that if we trust God and follow His Son faithfully, we can expect them regularly to exceed our hopes and expectations. "*Abbondanza,*" indeed. Jesus is the overflowing, abundant goodness of God.

Be assured of my prayers and I ask you to pray for me.

God Bless!  
Fr. Di Orio

### A PRAYER FOR OTHERS

Help me to live from day to day, in such an unforgetting way, that even when I kneel to pray, my prayer might be for others, yes others, let this my motto be. Help me to live for others, that I might live for Thee. Amen.



### A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, to demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to see, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks, we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began His adult "public life" at His baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of His "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in His own day, nor is He even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of His birth, His humility and openness before John the Baptist, His kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.



### SPECIAL EVENT!

**SAVE THE DATE! FRIDAY, 02/ 22/19-  
CELEBRATE STELLA MARIS' 65th ANNIVERSARY!**



Join us on **Friday, 02/22/19**, as we celebrate the 65th Anniversary of our beloved parish of Stella Maris.

Our celebration will begin with **Mass at 5:30PM** followed by **dinner at Galdo's, 20th St. and Moyamensing Ave., from 7PM to 11PM.** Ticket cost is \$50 per person and includes a hot buffet, dessert, soda, water, and coffee. Entertainment will be provided by the Sensational Soul Cruisers. **Cash bar.** Tickets are available after the 5PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, after all Sunday Masses, and in the Rectory during regular business hours.

### SPECIAL EVENT!

### THANK YOU FROM HELPING HANDS

Many thanks to all parishioners who helped in any way with Helping Hands outreaches at Christmas. Our Christmas Tree serviced 26 families with gifts for children; 67 children received three gifts each. Our food outreach supplied 15 families with a full course Christmas dinner. New hats, gloves, scarves, underwear and socks filled 9 cartons for St. John's Hospice for homeless men. Dawn's Place received 24 gift certificates to various stores. Toys and games numbered close to 100 for needy children. Our outreaches are possible only because you, our parishioners, are so generous.

**God bless your generous hearts!**



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### **FLAME OF LOVE FEAST DAY/RETREAT**

Be renewed and refreshed by Mary's Flame of Love! The Flame of Love Feast Day/Retreat is being held on **Saturday, 02/02/19** at **St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Media, PA**. The day begins with Holy Mass at 8:30AM, and continues with First Saturday Devotions and Teachings. Bring your own lunch. Retreat **concludes at 2:30PM**.

For more information, please call **610-622-4257** or visit **[www.flameoflove.us](http://www.flameoflove.us)**

All are welcome! Bring a friend!



### **COME AND SEE WEEKENDS-ST. CHARLES SEMINARY**

**Come and See Weekends** are designed to let young men who are discerning the priesthood see what a typical Seminary weekend looks like. Between Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, and fellowship with the seminarians, it is an unmatched opportunity for a young man to see if he has a vocation to the priesthood.

Come and see weekends come in two varieties: an overnight stay from Saturday into Sunday for high school men, and a Friday night to Sunday for post-high school men. The upcoming weekends are as follows:

**High School Men:** 01/26/19-01/27/19  
02/16/19-02/17/19

**Post High School Men:** 01/18/19-01/20/19  
02/22/19-02/24/19  
03/29/19-03/31/19

If you know anyone who would benefit from a weekend of discernment, send them this information! Post-high school men and parents of high schoolers can register by contacting the **Vocation Office** at **610-667-5778**.

### **FORGED BY THE FIRE-MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION**

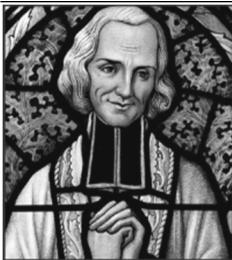
This group is a fraternal brotherhood for young men at any stage of life who hunger to experience deeper faith and vigorous spirituality. Each group experiences three retreat weekends at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

**February 1-3: Deepen your relationship with Jesus.**

**March 1-3: Renounce evil through the Father's love.**

**April 12-14: Join an Ignatian Retreat on the Holy Spirit.**

For registration information, please contact Christopher Gallagher at **[CGallagher@ArchPhila.org](mailto:CGallagher@ArchPhila.org)** or call **610-667-5778**.



### **Relic of St. John Vianney's**

### **Incorrupt Heart**

**FEB 2 - 3, 2019**

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul

Philadelphia

[cathedralphila.org/sjv](http://cathedralphila.org/sjv)

### **Relic of St. John Vianney's Incorrupt Heart**

The relic of St. John Vianney's incorrupt heart is coming to the **Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia** on **Feb 2 and 3, 2019**. All are welcome to come to the Cathedral for a time of prayer before the incorrupt heart of this saintliest of priests, patron saint of diocesan priests. It is a unique time to intercede for the healing of the Church, the healing of the priesthood, the sanctity of priests and holy vocations to the priesthood. For veneration times and more details, please visit: **[cathedralphila.org/sjv](http://cathedralphila.org/sjv)**.

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES NIGHT WITH THE FLYERS!**

Plan a night out with family and friends and head to the Wells Fargo Center for the Catholic Charities night with the Philadelphia Flyers versus the Pittsburgh Penguins on Monday, February 11th at 7PM. A portion of all tickets sold will directly benefit the Catholic Charities Appeal program. If 100 tickets are sold, CCA beneficiaries will perform on the concourse prior to the start of the game and Maddie from Archbishop Ryan Academy for the Deaf will get to sit in the penalty box during player warm-ups! To purchase tickets, please visit: **[GROUPMATICS.EVENTS/EVENT/CATHOLICCHARITIES6](http://GROUPMATICS.EVENTS/EVENT/CATHOLICCHARITIES6)**



### **VISIT THE TOMB OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL**

The Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel is open for visits at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul during regular Basilica hours. Information about these hours can be found on the Basilica website: **<http://cathedralphila.org/>**. Pilgrimages to the Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel are encouraged. Outside of the Cathedral parish Mass schedule, it is possible to offer Mass at the Drexel Family altar adjacent to the Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel. Please contact the Parish Office at 215-561-1313, You are welcome to present intentions and petitions to be placed at Saint Katharine's Tomb, asking for her heavenly assistance. You may place these intentions and petitions in the offering basket at Mass or send them to the Cathedral Parish Office, 1723 Race St., Phila., PA 19103. **The Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel begins on February 22, and concludes on March 2.**



### **HEALING MASS FOR ADDICTIONS**

On the First Tuesdays of every month, there will be a Healing Mass for all those in alcohol and drug addiction, and families affected by these addictions at 6PM in St. Raphael's Chapel, 3014 Dickinson St. (Myrtlewood and Dickinson Sts.). The service will include Mass, prayers, adoration, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Immediately following will be the Social and Meeting. Come and join us as we ask God to help defeat this epidemic in our nation.

### **SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ADDICTION: HOPE IN CHRIST**

Seeking spiritual support in the journey towards recovery? Many parishes around the Archdiocese are extending God's merciful and loving hand to those who have an addiction as well as their families and loved ones. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage provides a central location for resources, events, and testimonies that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Visit **[archphila.org/hope](http://archphila.org/hope)** for new postings for Catholic resources available to you or a loved one.



### **MEN'S GROUP AT ST. RITA'S**

A Men's Group has formed at St. Rita's that meets each Monday evening from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. This is a great opportunity for men of all ages to receive support and assistance as they grow toward a chaste and joyful Christian life. This group is geared toward men struggling with pornography use, infidelity, and other temptations. Men of all ages are welcome. For more information, please call Fr. Jim at 215-546-8333, ext.14.



**STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS TRIP TO SMITHVILLE & TROPICANA CASINO**

Star of the Sea Seniors are sponsoring a trip to Historic Smithville and the Tropicana Casino and Resort on **Monday, 01/28/19**. **Cost is \$75.00** per person. The trip includes: departure from Stella Maris Church at 9:30AM, a sit-down luncheon at Smithville Inn from 11AM to 1:00PM (must choose one entrée of either Smithville Chicken or Pan-Seared Tilapia), arrive at the Tropicana Casino and Resort at 1:30PM and receive \$25.00 in slot play and a ticket to the 3:00PM "Oldies but Goodies" Show, depart for home at 6:30PM, and arrive at Stella Maris Church approximately 8:00PM. **You must have a government issued photo identification to receive the casino bonus. Full payment is now due.**

Please **make checks payable to Star of the Sea Seniors**, and mail to: Star of the Sea Seniors, 2901 South 10th Street, Phila., PA 19148. For information and to make your reservation, please call Marge Varley at 215-463-3386 or Helen Wagenborg at 215-468-6618. (\$100 bonus slot dollars prize for one lucky winner on each bus\* and Buffet Voucher for two lucky winners on each bus\*) \*Casino package subject to change at any time by the Casino.



**NEED FINANCIAL HELP TO ATTEND COLLEGE? APPLY FOR A STELLA MARIS SCHOLARSHIP!**

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- 1) Applicants must be high school seniors or graduates who are registered parishioners of Stella Maris Parish, Philadelphia, PA
- 2) Applicants must be active, participating members of Stella Maris Parish, recommended by the Pastor.
- 3) Applicants must demonstrate academic achievement and financial need. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale is desired.
- 4) Applicants must plan to attend or be enrolled full-time at an accredited college or university located in the state of Pennsylvania.

**Please call Stella Maris Parish Rectory at 215-465-2336, Monday through Friday, from 9AM to 4PM, up to and including Friday, February 22, 2019, to determine eligibility and for the web address. Applications will be accepted online only.**

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ALL MATERIALS IS 5:00PM EST ON MARCH 1, 2019!**

**STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR**

- Monday, 01/21/19-Helping Hands-7:00PM, Msgr. JFC Conf. Rm.
- Tuesday, 01/22/19-Star of the Sea Senior-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday, 01/26/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, 01/27/19-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Saturday, 02/02/19-Sodality-8:00AM, Church/Vestibule
- Sunday, 02/03/19-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Tuesday, 02/05/19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday, 02/09/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, 02/10/19-CCD, 7th-9:15AM, Church/School
- Saturday, 02/16/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, 02/17/19-No CCD Classes-President's Day Weekend
- Monday, 02/18/19-Helping Hands-7:00PM, Msgr. JFC Conf. Rm.
- Tuesday, 02/19/19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Thursday, 02/21/19-1st Communion Parents' Meeting-7:00PM, Church



**CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE**

Our Church Sanctuary Candle is available to be offered for the living or deceased, and will remain lit for seven days. If you would like to reserve a candle, please complete the information below and return the form to Stella Maris Rectory with a \$20 donation. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

**IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:**

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**REQUESTED BY:**

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**phone#** \_\_\_\_\_



**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE**

Altar Bread and Wine may be offered for an entire week, for the living or deceased. If you are interested, please complete the information below and return the form to Stella Maris Rectory with a \$25 donation. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

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**ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES**

Two Adoration Chapel candles are available to be offered (\$20 each) for the living or deceased, and will remain lit for seven days. If you would like to reserve a candle, complete the information below and return the form to Stella Maris Rectory with a \$20 donation. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly. Thank you!

**IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:**

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