



## *Stella Maris Catholic Church*

*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*

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*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 27, 2019  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

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**Mass Intentions For**  
**The Week of January 27, 2019**

<b>God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life</b>	
<b>Collection for weekend of January 19 &amp; January 20</b>	
<b>Income: Plate = \$5,350.00+ AWC = \$102.50 =</b>	<b>\$5,452.50</b>
<b>Bills Paid= Total Disbursements =</b>	<b>(\$12,178.28)</b>
<b>Total =</b>	<b>(\$6,725.78)</b>

**Living Stewardship-Living God's Word:** *"At the heart of the social life of a city, of a community, of a people, there must be a presence that calls to mind the mystery of the transcendent God, a proper space for God, a dwelling for God. Man cannot walk well without God; he must walk together with God through history, and the task of the temple, of the dwelling of God, is to point out in a visible way this communion."*

**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 Cappetto, William Carbo, Vincent Carchidi, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Elaine Cipparone, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, 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 Fiugalski, 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 Tuohey, 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:**

**JOHN CONWAY**  
**SARAH CROCE**  
**RICHARD PETRONIS JR.**

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 27**

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

**Monday—January 28**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Tuesday—January 29**

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano

**Wednesday—January 30**

8:00 + Ginny McGowan and Billy Hamilton

**Thursday—January 31**

8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald

**Friday—February 1**

8:00 + Michael Mazzucca

**Saturday—February 2**

8:00 + Charles DiMartini, Jr.  
5:00 + Robert Maffei

**Sunday—February 3**

8:00 + Vincent Tonelli and Family  
9:30 + Maria Muoio  
11:00 + Elizabeth Mordell



**Bread & Wine**

In Memory of  
Henry Barone

Requested by  
Lorinda Fina

**WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

As we near the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, celebrated on February 2, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia takes this opportunity to acknowledge the many men and women who have dedicated their lives in service to the Church. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is blessed to have Monastic Life, Consecrated Virgins, Hermits and Institutes of Contemplative Life, Apostolic Religious Life, Secular Institutes and Societies of Apostolic Life. Presently, within the Archdiocese we have approximately 2400 religious priests, sisters and brothers, with about 1600 remaining active in ministry. We are also blessed to have new communities in the Archdiocese. We welcome the Dominican Friars at St. Patrick's; the Sisters of Life at St. Malachy's; the Dominican Sisters of St. Rose of Lima (from Vietnam) at St. Helena's; and the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate at Sacred Heart Parish in Clifton Heights. Today, in our Church and our world, the dedicated witness of consecrated men and women is essential, and the need for this special form of witness, along with prayer and the Sacraments as weapons of holiness, has never been more obvious. Please pray for an increase of vocations to the consecrated life, and an increase in spiritual and material support for those who choose to heed God's call.

**We invite all consecrated women and men to come for a Holy Hour at 11:00AM at the Cathedral Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul, prior to the 12:05PM Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the Feast of the Presentation on Saturday, 02/02/2019. Come, pray and celebrate together with those in Consecrated Life—Everyone is most welcome!**

# rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In Today's Gospel reading, Jesus makes a fairly astounding claim when He calmly tells the congregation in the synagogue at Nazareth that the prophecy of Isaiah that He has just proclaimed to them is fulfilled in Him. Yet, His tone is neither grandiose nor self-congratulatory. Jesus is a surprisingly self-effacing messiah figure. His claim to the title is implicit rather than overt, and He prefers to let the claim be validated through His message and mission.

He does not claim to be a political (i.e. kingly) messiah. At least some of the messianic expectation at the time of Jesus centered on the notion of a king from the line of David who would restore Israel's political fortunes.

He does not see His role of messiah as a "one-person job." Jesus makes it clear that His mission is to be a sign of, or a kind of, wake-up call to something bigger than Himself: the arrival of God's reign.

Jesus is, above all else, a suffering Messiah - one who saves the world through His passion and death. The end of Jesus' life and ministry represent a shocking reversal of the most prevalent messianic notions of His time.

Our readings truly then do give us an insight to realize our amazing identity that we have in Jesus. As Christians, we are part of the story of salvation. We are to participate in salvation through our lives, our vocation, our work, or the use of our talents that we have received from God. If we are to be followers of Jesus, we cannot ignore this most basic messianic message to help the poor, the imprisoned, the captive, and the physically impaired. Jesus wants us to do these things if we are to follow Him.

Though Jesus' demands lie heavily upon us, He has given us His Spirit so that we can follow in His footsteps. For example, Saint Teresa of Calcutta showed her undying love and care for the poor. Dr. Thomas Dooley exhibited his devotion to the sick and poor in Cambodia. St. Katherine Drexel evangelized Native and African Americans.

All of us can enter into some part of Jesus' ministry. If we cannot personally take part, we certainly can support the efforts of others, not only by prayer, but also by encouraging those who are engaged in these various ministries.

Next weekend, February 2nd and 3rd, throats will be blessed after all Masses in honor of St. Blaise.

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

God Bless you!  
Fr. Di Orio



## TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time. When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep." The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.



## 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.**



## 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. **Cash bar.** Entertainment will be provided by the **Sensational Soul Cruisers.** Tickets are available after the 5PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, after all Sunday Masses, and in the Rectory during regular business hours.

**SPECIAL EVENT!**



### **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 AT 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:** 02/16/19-02/17/19
- Post High School Men:** 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.**

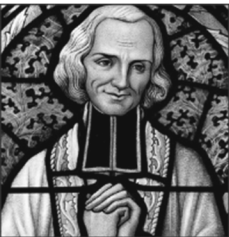
**March 1-3: Renounce evil through the Father's love.**

**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**

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)**.



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**FEB 2 - 3, 2019**

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul  
Philadelphia

**[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: **[GROUPMATICSEVENTS.EVENT/CATHOLICCHARITIES6](http://GROUPMATICSEVENTS.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.



**SANCTUARY LAMPS,  
ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES, AND  
OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE**



Although the Mass Book for 2019 is full, there are Church Sanctuary Lamps, Adoration Chapel Candles and Offerings of Bread and Wine still available in 2019. Each of these are lit or offered for an entire week, seven days. Just like a Mass, you may offer these for a living or deceased person, or a special intention. The donations are: \$20 for each Church Sanctuary Lamp, \$20 for each Adoration Chapel Candle, and \$25 for the offering of Bread and Wine. Please call or come to the Rectory during regular business hours to see which weeks are available, or you may complete one of the forms on this page, being sure to include your phone number in case we need to contact you, attach your donation to the form, and place it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket when you attend Mass.

**SEEKING HEALING IN THE CHURCH**

On **Thursday, 02/07/19 at 7:00PM** in the **Lower Shrine Chapel of the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia**, there will be an evening of reflection on Seeking Healing in the Church. Fr. Jim Paradis, O.S.A. will provide thoughts addressing healing in the church following last year's sexual abuse crisis revelations. The talk will be followed by questions and moderated discussions. This event is free and all are welcome to attend! For more information, **please call 215-546-8333** or visit **[www.SaintRitaShrine.org](http://www.SaintRitaShrine.org)**

**ON-LINE LIVE SUPPORT GROUP FOR  
ADULT CHILDREN OF DIVORCE**

On the **last Thursday of every month**, join this **LIVE** support group for adult children of divorce. **Participants must be at least 18 years old.** Speakers are presented by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith. This on-line via Laptop or Call-in with Phone support group is guided by the teachings of the Catholic Church. Prayer, Reflection, and Sharing in a safe setting. To learn more or to sign up, email: **[director.smf@gmail.com](mailto:director.smf@gmail.com)** and type **THURSDAY** in the title to receive sign-in link. Call/Text **215-870-9913** for more information. You may also visit: **[www.nonnatus.org](http://www.nonnatus.org)**.

**STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR**

- 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.
- Friday, 02/22/19-65th Parish Anniversary Celebration-5:30 PM Mass, followed by 7:00PM dinner at Galdo's
- Saturday, 02/23/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday, 02/23/19-Confirmation Retreat-12Noon, Church/School
- Sunday, 02/24/19-1st Communion Parents' Meeting-after the 9:30AM Mass in Vestibule Mtg. Rm.

**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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