



*Stella Maris Catholic Church*  
*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*  
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*Perpetual Adoration:* Come adore our Eucharistic Lord in our 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 in the Rectory, Monday through Friday, 9am to 4pm. (A \$15.00 donation is requested for each key fob.)

*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass:*

*Sundays:            5:00pm (Saturday Vigil)*  
*8:00am and 10:30am*  
*Weekdays:      8:00am (Tuesday - Saturday)*  
*Holy Days:       5:00pm Vigil; 8:00am and 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.

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

*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 a Pre-Jordan Class, please call the Rectory during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 9am to 4pm). Baptisms may be held on any Sunday once the Pre-Jordan Class 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.

**October 13, 2024**  
**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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<b>God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life</b>		
<b>Collection for weekend of October 5 &amp; October 6</b>		
<b>Income: Plate = \$6,272.00+ AWC= \$68.00</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>\$6,340.00</b>
<b>Bills Paid = Total Disbursements</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>(\$25,765.43)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>(\$19,425.43)</b>



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris. Please go to [stellamarisphila.com](http://stellamarisphila.com) and click on **Parish Giving** (under our Mass Schedule) for information and / or to enroll. Thank you.

**Living Stewardship:** "Some believers tithe. Others try to keep a balanced perspective by living simply. There are some who choose to place a self-imposed limit on their savings. And then there are those radical few who choose to live without any possessions or belongings beyond what is absolutely essential. Regardless of the path we choose, we must seek to remove every obstacle to embracing our loving God."

- Renewed by God's Word

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



Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Neil Baldwin, Lisa Baranek, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, Kelly Ann Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Anthony Borzillo, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Loretta Bologna, Al Caruso, Clem Ciaramella, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Thomas Coco, Mary Conte, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Louis DiBruno, Matthe D'Imperio, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Michelle Dolce, Marie Donato, Lisa Donoflio, Lucy Dougherty, Dolore Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Vera Freni, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Dalonzo SR., Russell Fiugalski, Jerry Francesco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Ellen Gabarino, Evelyn Gardella, Anthony Gentile, Gerta Goren, Margie Gurbuz, Charles Harron, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Bethany Hopkins, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Charles LaSpada, Jean LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Robert and Marie Liccio, Rita Lange, Stacey Loke Pelle, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Michael Macomber, Marsha Magen, Kathleen Magnotta, Mario Marchetti, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Maryanne McCaffrey, Karen McConnell, Danielle McDevitt, Dorothy McGrath, Rita Mendicino, Harooz Morrall, Michelle Miller-Killian, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Joe Petruzzi, Sophie Philipp, Johanna Pizzo, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quiet, Angela Raffa, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Rocco Santangelo, Steve Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Joe Shireta, Katie Signell Ventus, Grover Simpson, Karen Specht, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Steven Tropea, Cindy Tuohey, Stephen Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Paul and Geri Verdi, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, Caroyln Young, Deborah Young, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.



**We pray for our deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:**  
**JOSEPH COLEY MARK COLEY**  
**LEONILDA TALOTTA**

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

**Mass Intentions for**  
**the Week of October 13, 2024**

**Saturday - October 12**

5:00 + Barbara Polce

**Sunday - October 13**

8:00 + Carol Badolato

10:30 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris  
(Opening of Forty Hours Devotion)

4:00 + Forty Hours - Evening Prayer

**Monday - October 14**

8:00 + Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

7:00 + Evening Prayer

**Tuesday - October 15**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph

7:00 + Evening Prayer

**Wednesday - October 16**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Thursday - October 17**

8:00 + Carol Badolato

**Friday - October 18**

8:00 + Trimarco Family

**Saturday - October 19**

8:00 + Robert Reina

5:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Brett Family

**Sunday - October 20**

8:00 + Elizabeth and Fred Maier

10:30 + Anthony and Frances Masciantonio



***Church Sanctuary Lamp***

In Memory of  
Susanna Zoller  
Requested by  
John Zoller

***Altar Bread and Wine***

In Memory of  
Anthony Ottobre  
Requested by  
Kathy Ward and Kim Macey



***Adoration Chapel Candles***

- 1) In Memory of  
Salvatore Sergi  
Requested by  
Charles Brett
- 2) In Memory of  
Salvatore Sergi  
Requested by  
Carl Latorre





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Our annual Forty Hour Devotion will take place today after the 10:30AM Mass and will conclude on Tuesday at 7:00PM with evening prayer. Rev. Msgr. Joseph Nicolo, Pastor Emeritus of St. Helena Parish, Blue Bell, will be our homilist during this wonderful grace-filled time for our parish.

Also, the Mass book for 2025 will open on Wednesday, October 23, 2024. Please see the insert in today's bulletin.

In today's Gospel reading from St. Mark, Jesus offers us challenging words.

**1<sup>st</sup> Challenge:** **"No one is good but God alone."** We can see in the rich young man the human impulse to try to earn or deserve God's love. We, too, fall into that type of thinking: "I don't deserve it unless I've earned it." There is nothing you or I can do to make God love us more or less. God's love is a gift. God loves us absolutely and unconditionally because God is good-not because we are. Our life as disciples is a free response to God's love for us. It doesn't matter who you are. Doesn't everyone find it difficult to comprehend and accept the unconditional love of God? How could God love me, flaws and all? How can God forgive what I have done? Does God really love me absolutely? YES!!! Tempted as we might be to walk away from this fact, dismiss it, or rationalize our way around it, we must all wrestle with it. We are absolutely precious in God's eyes and God loves us absolutely.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Challenge:** **"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."** This should challenge every American-rich, poor, or in-between-because it suggests that in God's eyes, wealth does not equal privilege; rather, it becomes an obstacle for entry into the kingdom! Money and possessions can hinder our relationship with God and our culture finds that a tough pill to swallow. Jesus is clear on this fact throughout the Gospel, "You cannot love both God and money (Matthew 6:24), and your life can only be at the service of one another. Every would-be disciple, you and I included, stands at this crossroad. Knowing full well that the wealthy young man might walk away at this request, Jesus nonetheless invited him to be His disciple: to choose one master and to love and serve God rather than money or possessions. Jesus approaches each of us today with a similar invitation.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Challenge:** **"Amen I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children... who will not receive a hundred times more."** Each of us is tempted to skip over, evade, or minimize the most demanding words of Jesus. Simply put, saints are the men and women who don't. They wrestle with those words, pray with them, and find their lives changed by them. Saints know the sacrifice of following Jesus, but they also know that the struggle holds a hundred-fold promise of fullness of life, joy, and the love of God in their lives, now and for all eternity.

You and I are called to be saints. Are we up to accepting Jesus' challenge?

Be assured of my prayers. I ask you to please remember me in your prayers.

God bless,  
Father Di Orio



**OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP**  
**OCTOBER 2024**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we gather in communion this World Mission Sunday on October 20, I encourage you to reflect on the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year: "Go and invite everyone to the banquet" ( Matthew 22:9). This message, inspired by the parable of the wedding banquet, leads us to a renewed sense of mission that invites all to partake in the Lord's feast of love and salvation.

As Catholics, we are called to engage in the worldwide mission of the Church. Pope Francis urges us to *tirelessly* "go out" and "invite" all to the Lord's banquet, ensuring that no one is excluded. It symbolizes the final banquet, "ultimate salvation in the Kingdom of God," anticipated in every Eucharistic celebration. This is Christ's gift, the banquet of the Eucharist, which the Church celebrates at His command. Our mission of evangelization is intrinsically linked to the invitation to the Eucharistic table where the Lord feeds us with His Words, His Body, and His Blood. It is the place that sustains us with the hope of eternal life.

Your prayers, sacrifices, and contributions on World Mission Sunday are more than offerings. They are tangible ways of extending the Lord's invitation to the world. They fuel the joy and hope being shared zealously in more than 1,111 Mission dioceses worldwide where the Church is young and in desperate need of resources. Your gifts support essential pastoral and temporal ministries such as churches, schools, orphanages, catechetical training, and programs of formation.

I encourage you to respond generously to this call. Let us unite in prayer for the success of the Church's missionary activity and for the missionaries who dedicate their lives to spreading the Gospel. Your generosity serves as a powerful witness to the love and compassion at the heart of our faith, ensuring that everyone receives the invitation to the Lord's banquet.

May this World Mission Sunday deepen our commitment to the Church's universal mission. Together, let us rejoice in the opportunity to share God's love with the world and invite all to the banquet of the Lord. Please be assured of a remembrance in my prayers. May God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely in Christ,  
+Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, D.D.  
Archbishop of Philadelphia



## **FOOTBALL MANIA WINNING NUMBERS**

### **WEEK FOUR**

**Winning numbers will be posted next week!**



## **PARISH FROZEN FOOD PROGRAM**

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

Please do not put individual leftover items in the freezer. We ask that you please only put complete balanced meals in the freezer (each filled tray should contain a protein, a starch and a vegetable).

**May God bless you for helping those in need!**



## **PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE DESTINED 2024**

Attention youth in 8th through 12th grade and adult leaders! Join us for **PCYC 2024 DESTINED** on **Saturday, November 23, 2024** at Immaculata University. Don't miss this opportunity to join youth and Ministers from across the archdiocese on this transformative, Spirit led experience with keynote, breakouts, live music, Adoration, Mass, games, exhibitors, and much more!

Adult leaders, **CONFERENCE PASSES AVAILABLE NOW!** Make sure to organize a group and get your passes.

For all the details scan the QR code or visit [phillyOMY.org](http://phillyOMY.org)



## **BINGO**

**St. Mary Magdalen De Pazzi Lodge**  
**Saturday, November 2, 2024**



St. Mary Magdalen Sons of Italy Lodge 2787 is having a Bingo Game on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at 2:15pm at St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi Hall, 714 Montrose St. \$35 per packet; \$15 food buffet package.

**To purchase tickets call Frank 267-582-1685**

## **ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA TELEVISED MASS**

Every Sunday, at 5:30AM on Channel 6-WPVI TV, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia celebrates Sunday Mass, which is broadcast through the courtesy of Channel 6-WPVI.



## **STELLA MARIS 2024 LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNING NUMBERS of SEPTEMBER 30th THROUGH October 6th**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>#094-\$45</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>#642-\$45</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>#502-\$45 Winner</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>#166-\$45</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>#970-\$55</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>#311-\$45</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>#858-\$50</b>



## **SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH ANNUAL CHANCE DRIVE**

SSJ Annual Chance Drive to benefit Saint Joseph Villa and help us complete the renovation of the Villa Chapel!

Please help us make this year's Chance Drive especially successful by getting your ticket online!

Turn \$5 into \$10,000 — 6 Ways to win!

Grand Prize — \$10,000 also 5 prizes of \$500 each!

Donation -\$5.00 each or \$20.00 for a book of 5 chances!

Visit our website at [www.ssiphila.org](http://www.ssiphila.org), click on **Support Our Mission** tab, then click on **Fundraising Events**.

**Winners will be drawn on December 11th, 2024**

For additional information, contact any Sister of Saint Joseph or the Development Office at 800-482-6510 or visit: [Development@ssiphila.org](mailto:Development@ssiphila.org)

## **ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA 2024 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

**The Joys Of Womanhood:  
Sacred, Beloved, & Beautiful**

Saturday, October 19, 2024

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa  
654 Ferry Road– Doylestown, PA

**Keynotes:** Fr. Stephen DeLacy

Emily Wilson

Full details & registration: [catholicwomensconference.org](http://catholicwomensconference.org)

## **BE ENCOURAGED**

### **CATHOLIC SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing mental health struggles and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing.

In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools, and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. Visit the Be Encouraged website at:

**[www.archphila.org/support](http://www.archphila.org/support)**

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

You are not alone! The Church desires to be close to her children who are struggling with addiction and to bring them the healing power of Jesus Christ's love. Many parishes around the Archdiocese are extending God's merciful and loving hand to those struggling with an addiction as well as their families and loved ones. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage provides a central location for Catholic resources, ongoing support, testimonies, and events that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to spiritually support you in your journey towards recovery.

You may visit [archphila.org/hope](http://archphila.org/hope) for details and postings.

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**INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES AND  
AUTISM HELP-LINE**

This convenient help-line assists families with connecting to disabilities services provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

To reach the Help-Line, please call **484-472-5041** or email [IDDhelp@chs-adphila.org](mailto:IDDhelp@chs-adphila.org).

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**ASSISTED LIVING AND/OR LONG-TERM  
CARE FOR SENIORS**

For information on the cost of, or questions about Senior Living and Care in Philadelphia, along with Financial Assistance Programs, please feel free to visit the following website: [www.payingforseniorcare.com](http://www.payingforseniorcare.com). This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

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**LILY'S GIFT MINISTRY**

Lily's Gift Ministry is a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced, or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. To expectant parents, we offer unique insight and sensitivity regarding such difficult issues as:

- +Maintaining hope when prognosis is poor
- +Sorting through medical decision making
- +Grieving the loss of the anticipated baby
- +Stillbirth and neonatal critical care

For more information, visit [www.LilysGift.org](http://www.LilysGift.org) or call **Sister Kathleen Schipani at 215-587-3530**.

This information has been provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Office for Life and Family.

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**ADOPTION SUPPORT GROUP MEETING**

This group is open to anyone interested in learning more about the process of adopting children, in the process of adopting a child, or already a parent through adoption. Meet and talk to caring, supportive families that share their experience with the adoption process and parenting. **This group meets on the second Thursday of each month from 7:00PM to 8:30PM.**

Meetings are in person or virtual. In person location is Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church, 1325 Upper State Road, North Wales, PA 19454.

Email Maria at [mariamalone@mmredeemer.org](mailto:mariamalone@mmredeemer.org) to attend in person, to get a virtual meeting link and to get any updates on meeting times and locations.



**CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLES**

Although the Mass Book for 2024 is full, and we have no more Church Sanctuary Candles, there are still some Adoration Chapel Candles available in 2024. Each of these are lit 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 donation is: \$20 for each Adoration Chapel Candle. Please call or come to the Rectory during regular business hours to see which weeks are available, or you may complete the form 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. **Please note**, Bread and Wine are no longer available.

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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, 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 MEMORY OF or FOR THE INTENTIONS OF:**

**REQUESTED BY:**

**PHONE #**

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