

# Stella Maris Parish

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



1954-2019

Celebrating 65 Years

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Rev. John R. Di Orio  
Pastor (ext. 3)

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Pastor Emeritus

Staff:

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

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

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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 and 10:30am

Weekdays: 8:00am (Tuesday– 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.

October 20, 2019

Twenty-ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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

<b>God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life</b>		
<b>Collection for weekend of October 12 &amp; October 13</b>		
<b>Income: Plate = \$4,589.00 + AWC = 102.50 =</b>		<b>\$4,691.50</b>
<b>Bills Paid= Total Disbursements =</b>		<b>(\$5,971.38)</b>
<b>Total =</b>		<b>(\$1,279.88)</b>

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

“Faith cannot be reduced to a private sentiment or indeed, be hidden when it is inconvenient; it also implies consistency and a witness even in the public arena for the sake of human beings, justice, and truth.”

**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, Maryann Baranek, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Enrico Belfi, Ralph Berarducci, Kim Birch, 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, Robert Costello, 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, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Louis Falciani, Virginia Faulkner, Frank Filippello, Samuel Fiore, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, Theresa Frangelli, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Barbara Lalli, Ronald Lalli, Charles LaSpada, Samantha LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Kathleen Nardy, Renate Nardy, Theodore Norkus, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophia Phillips, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Reed, Jason Rindone, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenick Santaguida, Baby Rocco Santangelo, 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

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

**ERNEST DAULERIO**

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—October 20**

8:00 + Rina Rudi and Angela and Vincent Gallelli  
10:30 + Gilda Lamberto

**Monday—October 21**

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

**Tuesday—October 22**

8:00 + Vincenzo and Olivia Martino

**Wednesday—October 23**

8:00 + John and Pauline Liccio

**Thursday—October 24**

8:00 + Angelo and Nicoletta Borzillo

**Friday—October 25**

8:00 + Vincent and Olivia Martino

**Saturday—October 26**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris  
5:00 + Rose and John Zambrano

**Sunday—October 27**

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano  
10:30 + Anthony and Frances Masciantonio

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of  
Arthur V. Carrado

Requested by  
Mary Simeo and Family



**Bread & Wine**

In Memory of  
Vincent and Olivia Martino

Requested by  
Lorinda Fina



Below are donations that have been made to honor the memory of loved ones who have passed on, but will never be forgotten.

**In Memory of**

Theresa (Teri) Di Orio  
John Nazzario

**Donor**

Joyce Varley-Hirst  
Charles and Rita Young

**STELLA MARIS MINISTRY**

As Christians, we are called to share our time, talents, and treasures. Our Parish is asking you to share some of your time and talents by volunteering to be part of one of our ministries (Lectors, Choir/Cantors, Ushers, etc.). If you are interested, please call the Rectory at 215-465-2336 during regular business hours.

**Thank you and God bless.**



**ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION 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.

# rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you to Fr. Robert George for his inspiring homilies during our annual Forty Hour Devotions. It was a grace-filled time for our parish. I was edified by the attendance of our parishioners and for your participation in the Eucharistic Procession. Thanks to the altar servers, the lectors, Charlie, Sal, Mr. Cormac Brady, music director/organist, the children's choir under the direction of Mrs. Kristin Campbell-Salamone, the adult choir and cantors, for making these days special. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Also, the Mass book for 2020 will open this Tuesday, October 22, 2019. Please see the insert in today's bulletin.

Today's readings can be summed up in one word, "prayer". In our reading from Exodus, we heard that Joshua is praying while Moses is standing on the mountain with arms outstretched, and as long as Moses' arms are outstretched, Joshua's army has the upper hand. In our Gospel from St. Luke, the lonely widow has God as her defender. With constancy in her heart and reliance on God, she persists in wearing down the obstinacy of the dishonest judge. St. Paul, in his letter to Timothy, speaks words of encouragement, telling his hearers to remain faithful, to stand firm and to be committed. Two things are essential. The first is coming to know who God is by reading the scripture. Second, to get to know God, we have to talk to Him, we have to pray.

Prayer is important even when hope seems lost. When prayer is difficult, pray anyway, like the widow who believes in her cause. God answers every prayer. God grants our request or gives us the grace to endure whatever the response. We should pray always without growing weary. Have faith that God is with us even when we do not immediately see the results of our prayers. If God does not respond right away to our prayers, do we give up? Do we lose our faithfulness and our trust in God if our prayers seem fruitless? We should take our lead from Jesus who prayed constantly and fervently. Jesus actually prayed that "this cup," His Passion, would be taken away. Did Jesus give up when that did not happen? Jesus teaches us that a widow, the most defenseless in society, got her way with the most powerful man in the community, and this man was unjust as well. God is not the unjust judge. God is just and compassionate, yet do we go to Him often enough? When Jesus comes, when He examines our life of prayer, will He find faith? Praying is not easy,

but if we are faithful and persevere, then we can be assured that our faith in God and our relationship with God will grow, and that there isn't anything that we cannot overcome.

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

God Bless!  
Father Di Orio



## **PERSISTENCE**

Today's readings are about persistence, passionate persistence. Exodus tells of a battle won despite weariness because Moses, with help from Aaron and Hur, held his hands raised. Timothy asks that same persistence of his community and us. Luke tells of a court case won by a widow, despite the dishonesty of the judge, because she will not leave him alone. The psalm reminds us that God is everywhere, guarding us from harm day and night, coming and going, now and forever. The readings are about persistence, the relentless, unwavering pursuit of what must not be lost. The readings are about God's passionate persistence in pursuing us, seeking to win our hearts.



## **ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED!**

We thank our Stella Maris Adult Choir for their continued dedication to our music program, and we invite **all men and women who enjoy singing** to join them. No prior experience is necessary-all you need is a joy-filled love of singing! **Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM in the Rectory music room** (please enter through the patio door). Help us to enhance our liturgical celebrations with beautiful music and to vocally give praise and thanks to our Lord for all He has done for us. **"To sing is to pray twice."**



## **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

As we continue with our Choir Season for the 2019-2020 school year, we welcome back all the members of our Stella Maris Children's Choir for another event-filled year, and we invite all of our young parishioners currently in grades 1 through 8 who enjoy singing to join the Children's Choir. Rehearsals are held on Sundays at 11:15AM in the Rectory Music Room. More information will be given to you at rehearsals.



## **STELLA MARIS HELPING HANDS CLOTHING DRIVE**



We have come to that time of year when we put away the warm weather gear and get out the sweaters! It's time to clean out those closets and drawers of items you can no longer use. Please consider donating the following items; adult and children's usable and clean clothing, bedding (sheets, blankets, pillows, comforters), silverware, dishes, glasses, books, toys, knickknacks, decorations, as well as small appliances in working condition. Please bring your items to the Stella Maris Helping Hands Clothing Drive which is being held on **Saturday, October 26, 2019. Please note revised time for drop off:** The "Green Drop" truck will be in the parking lot from **9:00AM to 1:00PM**. Tax forms will be available. **(No electronics, computers, TV's, furniture or large appliances).** Thank you for helping those less fortunate.



**RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR**

The Stella Maris Fundraising Committee is sponsoring a bus trip to Radio City Music Hall in New York City to see the **“Christmas Spectacular”** on **Saturday, 11/30/19**. **Cost is \$215** and includes: round-trip deluxe Motorcoach, Orchestra Seating at the Radio City Music Hall **Christmas Spectacular** featuring the famous Rockettes, free time (on your own), and a delicious dinner at Mastoris Restaurant in Bordentown, NJ. **\$100 deposit is due at time of reservation to secure your seat. No refunds unless a replacement is made. Checks should be made payable to Stella Maris Church, and please include your reservation form. Balance of \$115 is due no later than 11/15/19.** Itinerary is as follows: 7:30AM-departure from Stella Maris Church; 10AM-approximate arrival in NYC; Doors open at Radio City Music Hall for Christmas Spectacular with show beginning at 10:30AM; 12:00Noon-Depart from Theatre; After show, free time on your own; 3PM-Depart New York City; 4:30PM-Dinner at Mastoris; 6PM Depart for home; 7:30PM-approximate arrival at Stella Maris Church. For reservations, please contact Dominic Verdi at 215-416-8239 or the Rectory at 215-465-2336.

**Special thanks to all who are participating in this trip.**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Maintenance/Janitor needed at Our Lady of Hope RC School, 1248 Jackson St., Phila., PA 19148. Full-time position. 6:30AM to 3:30PM. Cleaning, light maintenance, break-down/set-up auditorium, trash disposal, opening and securing school building, accepting and storing deliveries, lifting up to 30 pounds required. Safe environment clearances required. Salary and benefit package offered.

For more information or to apply, contact Mr. Ralph Citino at: **businessmgrcc@gmail.com**.

**MERION MERCY ACADEMY NEWS**

**Scholarship and Entrance Exam** has been scheduled for **Saturday, 10/26/19, from 9AM to 12:30PM**. The make-up date is 11/02/19.

The **Application/Test Registration** can be completed online at **www.merion-mercy.com**. Students are encouraged to sign up for a school-day visit to Merion any time from now through December 13.

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Merion Mercy Academy is looking to hire two Custodians to join their existing staff. Responsibilities include facility cleaning and event set-ups and take-downs. Hours are 3PM to 11PM during the school year, and 7AM to 3PM when school is not in session. Occasional weekend work is required depending on the event schedule. Applicant needs to supply current clearances or be prepared to obtain them if offered the position. If interested, please contact Mr. Mike Wallace at **610-664-6655 X169** or **mwallace@merion-mercy.com**.

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**PASSION PLAY IN OBERAMMERGAU, GERMANY**

Join Fr. Kenneth Brabazon and Fr. David Friel, priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, on an incredible journey through the Catholic Wonders of Alpine Europe, from **May 26, 2020 through June 4, 2020**. Included in this trip: Tickets to the world famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany; Explore Switzerland, Germany, Austria and Liechtenstein; Daily Mass in extraordinary Churches and Shrines; 4 Star hotels-centrally located, where old world charm meets modern comfort; Private luxury motor-coach; Catholic tours; Three course dinners. Cost is \$3490.00 per person and includes airfare from EWR airport (Newark, NJ). For more information, please contact Mr. Joseph Long, the Tour Coordinator, at **540-466-6070**, or **JLONG@PROROME.COM**.

**CALLING ALL GORETTI GRADUATES OF 1960**  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

The Saint Maria Goretti High School Class of 1960 is planning their **60th Reunion** for **Sunday, 10/11/2020** at Galdo’s Catering, located at 20th St. and Penrose Ave. in South Philadelphia. If you know any graduates of the Class of 1960, please spread the word! For planning purposes, please call **Lucy at 215-462-6589**.

**A BABY’S BREATH CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER**

A Baby’s Breath Crisis Pregnancy Center invites you to their 18th Annual Silent Auction & Dinner Reception-**Saturday, October 26th at 6:30PM** at the Crowne Plaza in King of Prussia, PA. The auction features vacations, tickets to sports events, restaurant gift certificates, gift baskets and more! Rev. Stephen DeLacy will be the guest speaker and MC. Tickets are \$70 per person (complimentary beer, wine and soda included). For tickets and more information, please contact **Kim Granito at 610-792-0737** or email **kim@thegranitos.com**.



**SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH CHANCE DRIVE**

Our Sisters of St. Joseph will be selling their chances on the weekend of November 2/3, 2019 in the vestibule after all the Masses. The cost is \$1 per chance or \$5 for a book of six. The first prize is \$10,000 and there are other prizes of \$500. Drawing will be held on December 8, 2019. Our Sisters would love to have a winner here at Stella Maris. These chances benefit the sick and infirm Sisters (a powerhouse of prayer) at St. Joseph Villa in Flourtown.



**HELPING HANDS THANKSGIVING OUTREACH**

Once again, we will be reaching out to people in our community who are in need of a little help during this giving season. The items needed are: turkeys, boxed potatoes and stuffing, canned sweet potatoes and gravy, canned cranberry sauce, canned corn, peas, green beans and carrots. Please drop off the items to the Food Program Room in the Church vestibule, but **no later than Friday, 11/22/19**. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be placed in the white bucket on the newspaper table.

**Your support is greatly appreciated!**





**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 vocations 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:** 01/25/20-01/26/20  
02/22/20-02/23/20  
03/14/20-03/15/20

**Post High School Men:** 01/17/20-01/19/20  
02/28/20-03/01/20  
04/24/20-04/26/20

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 emailing Sue Matour, Associate Director at [smatour@archphila](mailto:smatour@archphila) or by visiting the website at [heddthecall.org/comeandsee](http://heddthecall.org/comeandsee).

**NOURISH FOR CAREGIVERS WORKSHOP**

This workshop is scheduled for Saturday, 11/02/19 from 9AM to 12NOON in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center at 222 North 17th Street in Center City, Phila. Parish Disability Contacts/Advocates, staff and volunteers are invited to learn about this Christ-centered ministry that supports the practical and spiritual needs of parishioners caring for loved ones, whether it be a family member with a disability, an aging or ill parent, spouse, friend, or grandparent. To register for this informative workshop, please visit [www.opdarchphilly.org](http://www.opdarchphilly.org).

For information, please call 215-587-3530 or email [opd@archphila.org](mailto:opd@archphila.org). For more information about *Nourish for Caregivers* or to attend a monthly *Nourish* meeting visit the Archdiocesan webpage:

[www.phillyevang.org/nourish](http://www.phillyevang.org/nourish).

**DO YOU KNOW YOUR TRIBUNAL?**

The Tribunal is available to help people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Catholic Church. When a divorce occurs, the Catholic Church always seeks to balance two realities. One is the durable bond of marriage. This is God's law. On the other hand, the Church is concerned about the spiritual welfare of the people involved. Whether a Catholic marriage or a marriage between two non-Catholics was celebrated, perhaps there was some deficiency in the consent of the parties involved regarding intentions, understanding, or ability. The annulment procedure addresses these circumstances. Whether you are divorced and want to marry in the Catholic Church or are remarried outside the Church, please visit our website:

[archphila.org/archdiocesan-offices/metropolitan-tribunal](http://archphila.org/archdiocesan-offices/metropolitan-tribunal)

**STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR**

Monday, 10/21/19-Helping Hands-7:00PM, Msgr. JFC Conf. Rm.

Tuesday, 10/22/19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM,  
Vestibule Mtg. Rm.

Saturday, 10/26/19-HH Clothing Drive-12PM-3PM-Parking Lot

Saturday, 10/27/19-CCD/1st Penance Parent'Mtg.-9:00AM,  
School/Hall/Church

Thursday, 10/31/19-Vigil for All Saints-5:00PM, Church

Friday, 11/01/19-All Saints Day-8:00AM and 7:00PM Masses



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



Although the Mass Book for 2019 is full, and we have no more Church Sanctuary Candles, there are still some Adoration Chapel Candles and Offerings of Bread and Wine 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 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.

**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.

**IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:**

**REQUESTED BY:**

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

**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!

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