



## *Stella Maris Catholic Church*

*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*

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*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*

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

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

**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.*

**October 23, 2016**  
**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Mass Intentions For**  
**The Week of October 23, 2016**

<b>God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life</b>		
<b>Collection for weekend of October 15 &amp; October 16</b>		
<b>Income: Plate</b>	<b>= \$6,347.00</b>	<b>AWC = \$91.00 = \$6,438.00</b>
<b>Bills Paid= Total Disbursements</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>(\$8,419.90)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>(\$1,981.90)</b>

**Living Stewardship-Living God's Word:** *The proclamation of the kingdom of God goes hand in hand with the need for conversion and love that encourages, that knows the way, that teaches an understanding that with God's grace even what seems impossible becomes possible.*

**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:**

Rosario Allia, Ed Alioto, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Anthony Bologna, Emmanuel Borges, M/M Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Thomas Ciasullo, Sister Jeanne Crane SSI, Sarah Croce, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Mary Joyce DeMarco, Joanne DePena, Elvira DeSumma, Michael DeSumma, Charles DiMartini Jr., Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Frederick Earlori, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Samuel Fiore, Clara Fioravanti, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Eleanor Grecco, Keith Green, Maribel Guerrero, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Lucy Intelisano, Ann & Anthony Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, John Knight, Vito LaFrancia, Ronald Lalli, Frederick Walter Lampe III, Petronella MacCarter, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Ernest Megali, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Joanne Minniti, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Josephine Dolores Napoli, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Patrick Oldfield, Lenny Olivieri, Marie Ordine, Louis Pagano, Fred Papaleo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Charles T. Pestacchi, Lauren Poppa, Madeline Porsia, Angela Raffa, M/M Robert Reed, John Renzulli, Sr., Jason Rindone, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Philomena Salvatore, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Carmen Sipia, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Thomas Sweeney Jr., James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Caila Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Robin Twaddell, Christopher Vacante, Mike Vicario, Michael Valardi, Joseph Vitello, Kylie Waldron, Veronica Walls, Ed Williams, the military disabled, the home-bound, and their families.

**Sunday—October 23**

8:00 + Louise and Frederick Penzo  
 9:30 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris  
 11:00 + Vincent and Olivia Martino

**Monday—October 24**

8:00 + Carmen and Florence Prinzo

**Tuesday—October 25**

8:00 + Benedict Victor Arul

**Wednesday—October 26**

8:00 + Jean and James Grosse

**Thursday—October 27**

8:00 + Kathryn and Frank Matise

**Friday—October 28**

8:00 + John Connell

**Saturday—October 29**

8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald  
 5:00 + The Kinee Family (L & D)

**Sunday—October 30**

8:00 + Mary Nuccio, Joseph Nuccio,  
 and Louis Nuccio  
 9:30 + Rita Maria Long  
 11:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of  
 Charles and Anna St. Joseph  
 At the Request of  
 Tom and Tinker St. Joseph Family



**Adoration Chapel Lamp**

- 1) In Honor of The 60th Wedding Anniversary of Marge and Don Varley  
 Requested by  
 The Sisters at Stella Maris Convent
- 2) In Honor of The 60th Wedding Anniversary of Marge and Don Varley  
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**Bread & Wine**

In Memory of  
 Barbara L. Percival  
 Requested by  
 Stella Maris Choir

**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 a part of one of our ministries (Lectors, Singers/Cantors, Ushers, etc.). If you are interested, please call the Rectory. **Thank you and God bless.**



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

**JOHN GIOSA**

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.

# rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Saturday, October 29, 2016, Msgr. Daniel Kutys, our Vicar, will be making his canonical visit to our parish. While he is visiting, Msgr. will meet with the priests, the staff, council members both parish and finance, and the head of the organizations. Msgr. will also review the parish's spiritual records. He will celebrate the 5:00pm Vigil Mass and greet parishioners in the back of Church.

The Mass book for 2017 will open this Tuesday, October 25, 2016. Please see the insert in today's bulletin.

In our Gospel reading from St. Luke, much to the surprise of Jesus' first listeners, the tax collector "goes home justified." Why?

What does the parable highlight? The Pharisee was actually better than he said he was, and the tax collector was probably worse than he said he was. What is going on? The problem Jesus exposes is that the Pharisee was comparing himself to other people. He gives no credit to God and views himself as quite self-accomplished. He is the proverbial "self-made man." While the tax collector was comparing himself to God, the tax collector recognized and admitted his dependence on God. In that sense, he is humble enough to know that he cannot rightfully boast of his accomplishments. Jesus' expectation of the Pharisee, and thus of us, is that we judge our goodness and holiness by looking at God, not by looking at those around us. God is the standard!

It might be interesting to note the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We often say we do not really need to go to confession, telling ourselves, "I'm not that bad. I haven't committed any serious sin." Compared to others, we might be right; we might actually be as good and holy as the Pharisee or even better. The word reconciliation has its root in the Latin word "cilia." It is part of the word for eyelash. Reconciliation could be translated to mean "eyelash to eyelash," or spiritually put, confession is to be eyelash to eyelash with God! We might be truly holy compared to other people, but how holy are we when compared to God? This is part of the reason for the sacrament, to help us set the bar for our personal holiness. Like the tax collector, we should humble ourselves before God. Remember the lowly are not defined by wealth and social status. The lowly are defined by those who understand their relationship with God. The poor and desperate know they are dependent on God. We who are comfortable tend to forget God and remember only ourselves.

Humility, along with truth, helps us view ourselves in right relationship with God, self and others. It helps us put things into proper perspective. It helps us recognize that what we have is all a gift from God to be used for and shared with others.

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

God Bless!  
Fr. Di Orio



## NO COMPARISONS

How many times have we read or heard about someone who's gotten into trouble—maybe even fired from a job—because of a brush with the law? While our "Christian" minds tell us to be sorry and even pray for the person, a little voice inside our heads may also be saying, "I'm glad I would never do anything like that."

And perhaps we wouldn't. But are there some things we do that are still not pleasing in God's eyes? Today's readings caution us not to look so intently at someone else's wrongdoing that we overlook our own weaknesses and shortcomings. When we measure ourselves against the worst people we can think of, we come out looking pretty good. There is a danger, however, in using someone else's behavior as a way of reflecting our own goodness.

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## BEREAVEMENT EDUCATION AND SUPPORT GROUP

If you are grieving the loss of a significant person in your life, you may want to consider this program which includes information on the grief process, the stages of grief and the feelings which usually accompany grief. It provides understanding of what happens to us when we experience the death of a loved one, and helps the healing process to begin. The group will begin on October 27th at 7PM in the convent basement. For more information, call Sister Veronica at 215-465-2336.

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## GRAND RAFFLE & RAVIOLI NIGHT

Tickets are now on sale for our **Grand Raffle and Ravioli Night**, which will be held on **Saturday, 11/19/16**. Tickets are **\$100 each** and are available in the Rectory during regular business hours, as well as after the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses. If you are able to help us sell tickets, please call the Rectory at 215-465-2336.



**Please help make this parish fundraiser  
a great success!**



## BIBLE STUDY

Everyone is most welcome to join us for our weekly Bible Study on Saturday mornings, immediately following the 8AM Mass. (Please note: There will be no Bible Study on Sodality meeting Saturdays). Sister Cathy Bones, SSJ, will lead the Bible Study, which will be held in the classroom in the Church Vestibule.



## BAPTISM IN CHRIST

We welcome to our Parish the children who were recently baptized:

Carmen Lucas Forker

John Willis McGrath Jr.

Giovani Michael Tinus

Angel of God, my Guardian Dear, to whom His love commits me here. Ever this day, be at my side to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

**STELLA MARIS  
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE  
TRIP TO RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL  
IN NYC**



We hope you will "Save the Date" and join us on Saturday, **November 26, 2016** to take a bus trip to New York City to see the "**Radio City Christmas Show**" with Orchestra Seating, sponsored by Stella Maris Fundraising Committee. Cost is \$185 and includes: Roundtrip Motor-coach Transportation via JC Tours Inc., Radio City Christmas Show, Family Style Dinner at NYC Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant, and all taxes and gratuities (except tip for bus driver). Family style dinner menu includes: mixed green salad, Caesar salad, house bread, cheese manicotti, baked rigatoni, chicken parmigiana, homemade cheesecake, unlimited soft drinks, coffee and tea. **Balance is due no later than October 24.**

**Itinerary is as follows:** 10:00AM-departure from 10th and Bigler Streets; 12NOON-approximate arrival in NYC (free time); 4:00PM-NYC Radio City Christmas Show; 5:45PM-Group walk to Dinner; 6:30PM-Family Style Dinner; 8:00PM Depart for home; 10:00PM-approximate arrival home. For more information, please call Dom Verdi at 215-416-8239 or Carmella DeSimone at the Rectory-215-465-2336.

**We hope you can join us for this grand Christmas Show!**

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**LIVE THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY!**

Encounter the life-changing mercy of God during this holy year by making a commitment to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy each day from now until November 20, 2016, the closing day of the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Watch how God brings powerful grace and blessings to you and your loved ones! Learn more at [archphila.org/mercy](http://archphila.org/mercy).

**PARISH FOOD PROGRAM**



**Our Food Pantry needs your help!** Non-perishable items (jarred peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauces; canned tuna fish, stews, vegetables/soups; boxed pasta, crackers, potatoes, etc.) are greatly appreciated by those in emergency situations. Please leave your donations in the Outreach Room (across from the trophy case). We are very grateful to those who bring pantry items on a regular basis.

**STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR**

- Sunday, 10/30/16-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Wednesday, 11/02/16-All Souls Mass/Reception-7:00PM, Church/Hall
- Saturday, 11/05/16-Sodality Meeting-8:30AM, Church/Vestibule
- Sunday, 11/06/16-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Sunday, 11/06/16-Veterans' Mass/Reception-11:00AM, Church/Hall
- Tuesday, 11/08/16-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Meeting Room
- Sunday, 11/13/16-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Monday, 11/14/16-Helping Hands Meeting-7:00PM, Msgr. JFC Conf. Rm.

**HELLO DOLLY STARRING BETTE MIDLER**



The Seniors are sponsoring a trip to New York to see the Broadway Musical "Hello Dolly" with Bette Midler on Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2017. **Due to the popularity of this show, seats are limited!** The cost is **\$300 per person**, which includes the show, dinner at Carmine's, and round trip motor coach. **A non-refundable deposit of \$150 is due on or before Nov. 1, 2016.** The balance of \$150 is to be paid in two payments of \$75 each: First payment of \$75 is due on or before May 10, 2017 and the second payment of \$75 is due on or before August 1, 2017. For reservations, please call Marge at 215-463-3386 or Helen at 215-468-6618.



**LINVILLA PIES FOR THANKSGIVING**

Stella Maris Helping Hands Members will be taking orders for Linvilla Orchards Thanksgiving Pies. The cost of each pie is \$20 which is due when you place your order. A members of Helping Hands will be in the lobby after each Mass on Nov. 12th and 13th to collect your order and payment. You will be able to pick up your pie/pies on Tuesday, Nov. 22nd in the church lobby between 4PM and 7PM. Order forms will be available in the Church beginning Oct. 29th. Each person who places an order will be eligible to win a gift certificate to Linvilla Orchards.

**ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS  
SCHOLARSHIP ENTRANCE TEST**

Any student desiring admission to Roman Catholic High School for Boys is required to take the Scholarship Entrance Test. This year, the **test is scheduled for Saturday-11/05/16, Saturday-11/19/16 and Saturday-12/03/16.** For more information, please call Mr Adam Gault, Director of Admissions at 215-627-1270, ext. 146.

**ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME de NAMUR  
OPEN HOUSE & SCHOLARSHIP ENTRANCE EXAM**

will offer its Ninth Grade Entrance and Scholarship Exam on Saturday-11/05/16 and Sunday-11/13/16. Open House will be held on Sunday, 11/06/16 from 10:30AM to 1:30PM. For more information, call 610-971-0498 or visit [www.ndpa.org/admissions](http://www.ndpa.org/admissions). Private bus transportation from Philadelphia and shuttle service to Bryn Mawr are available. A private, Catholic, college preparatory school for girls in grades 6-12, Notre Dame is located at 560 Sproul Road in Villanova.

**STELLA MARIS ALL CLASS REUNION**



We are in the process of forming a Committee for an "**All Class Reunion of Stella Maris Students**" to plan to reach out to **All** former Stella Maris students regarding a possible **All** class reunion in the future. If you would like to be part of this committee, please call the Rectory at 215-465-2336.

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**THE MILLAY CLUB'S NEUMANN-GORETTI  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

invites you to their **79th Annual Alumni Meeting and Reverend George Feider, O.Praem Memorial Communion Breakfast** on **Sunday, 11/20/16, 9:00AM Mass and 10:00AM Breakfast** at **Penn's Landing Caterers**. For information and tickets, email [millayclub@gmail.com](mailto:millayclub@gmail.com) or please call the Alumni Office at **215-389-0925**.

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**HOLY DOORS OF MERCY**

The Holy Door in the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul is Open:  
Weekdays-11AM to 5PM  
Saturdays-9AM to 6:30PM  
Sundays-7AM to 8PM

During a Jubilee, pilgrimage to a Holy Door offers the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions. To learn more, visit:

[archphila.org/mercy/liturgy](http://archphila.org/mercy/liturgy).

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**EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**

**Solemn Mass and Closing of  
the Principal Holy Door of Mercy**

Everyone is invited to attend the Solemn Mass and Closing of the Principal Holy Door of Mercy for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be held on Sunday, 11/06/16 at 6:30PM at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, 18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City, Philadelphia. The Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.

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**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. All names and information will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

**IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:**

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**REQUESTED BY:**

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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. All names will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly. Thank you!

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