



*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 \$5.00 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.

**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 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.

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


***Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time***  
***October 24, 2021***

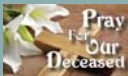
**October 24, 2021**  
**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life**  
**Collection for weekend of 10/16/21 & 10/17/21**  
**Income = Plate \$3,761.00 + AWC \$72.50 = \$3,833.50**  
**Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$21,152.94)**  
**Total = (\$17,319.44)**

 Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

**Living Stewardship:** "Panhandlers are utterly dependent on charity for their daily bread. They have nothing of value, so they have nothing to lose. Might our own self sufficiency, self defensiveness, and self importance blind us to something that their poverty reveals? Like Bartimaeus, we must depend utterly on Jesus for mercy, vision, direction, and daily bread."

 **Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:** Jeannette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Bianculli, Elaine Belfi, Susan Benco-Castle, Kim Birch, Kelly Ann Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Anthony Borzillo, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Debra & Louis DiBruno, Matthew D'Imperio, Dom Dinella, Kathy Dinella, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Fiugalski, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Bethany Hopkins, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Ashleigh Leone, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Maryanne McCaffrey, Karen McConnell, Danielle McDevitt, Mildred Megali, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Michelle Miller-Killian, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Renate Nardy, Kristie Norkus, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, William Parrish, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophie Philipp, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Baby Rocco Santangelo, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Katie Signell Ventus, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohey, Stephen Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.

 **We pray for our deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends :**  
**NICHOLAS BONGIORNO JOSEPH MARANO**  
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 24, 2021*

**Sunday-October 24**

8:00 + Anthony and Frances Masciantonio  
10:30 + Barbara and Robert Glynn

**Monday-October 25**

8:00 + Communion Prayer Service

**Tuesday-October 26**

8:00 + Lorenzo and Victor Trimarco

**Wednesday-October 27**

8:00 + Rose and John Zambrano

**Thursday-October 28**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Friday-October 29**

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald

**Saturday-October 30**

8:00 + Christine Gambacorta  
5:00 + Frank and Anna Mendille

**Sunday-October 31**

8:00 + Deceased Members of the Birch Family  
10:30 + Frank, Anna, Antoinette and Sam Palesano

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**



In Honor of  
Stevent, Lala, Silvy and Okie  
Requested by  
Their Mother, Rita Fransiska

**Altar Bread and Wine**

In Memory of  
Tan Tek Liong and Auw Hok Kiaw  
Requested by  
Their Daughter, Rita Fransiska



**Adoration Chapel Candles**

1) In Honor of  
Bryant, Stella, Christie and Cliff  
Requested by  
Their Grandmother, Rita Fransiska



2) In Memory of  
Salvatore Vernaccio  
Requested by  
Bernadette and Tony Mercurio

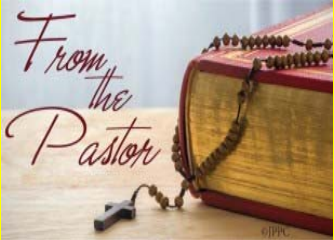


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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In today's Gospel from Mark, Bartimaeus cries out, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me." It's funny how people who could see Jesus did not recognize who He really was. They could not see that He was God. All they saw was the human Jesus, not the divine Jesus. And yet, Bartimaeus, a beggar who could not see, recognized who Jesus was with eyes of faith. He saw beyond the human Jesus, what the others could not see. Bartimaeus was able to hear. Whatever he had heard about Jesus, he was able to call Jesus, "Son of David," a title for the Messiah. He knew Jesus was a special person who might show him pity, someone he could ask to heal his blindness. Without eyes, he saw Jesus more clearly than the people who could see, who were walking along with Jesus, and who tried to quiet Bartimaeus. When Jesus called him and asked what He could do for him, on hearing his request, Jesus did not say: Be healed. He simply announced that the blind man's faith had saved him. Jesus then said to Bartimaeus, "Go your way." But instead of going on his way, Bartimaeus chooses to follow Jesus. He would walk the vision of faith along the way of the Lord. Like Bartimaeus, we cry out in faith claiming Jesus as our Savior, and embrace the new life He graciously gives. We implore Jesus for the gift to see and accept our own dignity as forgiven sinners and all others as equally beloved by God.

However, unfortunately like the early followers of Jesus, we are often afflicted with blindness. The trials and puzzles of life make it difficult for us to see the way. As we see what is going on in our lives and in our world, we may call out in desperation to the Lord for pity. If, at the same time, we ask for the gift of sight, we may discover that the Lord's gift of faith has been all we needed.

Jesus calls us to follow Him along His Way. He will help us see Him in family and friends, the poor and the needy, in creation, in our obligations as citizens of our country, and in our mission in His Church. Are we, like Bartimaeus, willing to say "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me"?

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

God Bless!  
Father Di Orio

#### VENERABLE MATT TALBOT SHRINE

Visit the new Venerable Matt Talbot Shrine, located in St. Gabriel Church, 29th and Dickinson Streets, in the neighborhood of Grays Ferry. The Shrine is open before and after weekend Masses as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays following the daily 8:30AM Mass until 6:00PM. There is also a Holy Hour on Tuesdays at 1:00PM. Pray for all who struggle with or have succumbed to addiction and their loved ones. For more information, call Our House Ministries at **267-928-3173** or visit [www.matttalbotshrine.org](http://www.matttalbotshrine.org).

#### OFFICE FOR LIFE AND FAMILY

A Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat will be held the weekend of **12/03/21 through 12/05/21**. This retreat is for anyone who has struggled with the pain of abortion. Whether you are post-abortive or associated with someone who is A (parent, spouse, friend), there is nothing to fear and so much to gain. For more information about this beautiful and liberating opportunity, **call or text Nan Freeman at 302-463-7711** or visit: [ucyminn929@gmail.com](mailto:ucyminn929@gmail.com), or [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)


#### GET TO KNOW OUR SAINTS

During these beautiful autumn days, why not take some time to research our Saints? You will find that we have lots of things in common with some of the Saints. This is a great activity for children and their parents, guardians, and/or grandparents to do together. You can start with your favorite Saint, the Saint for whom you are named, the Saint of the day, or the Saint for your birthday. The saints we celebrate this week are as follows:

October 28 - Saints Simon and Jude

Enjoy your Saints Adventure!

#### PARISH FROZEN FOOD PROGRAM



Our Parish Frozen Food Program is in great need of frozen dinners: pasta, chicken, beef, ham, pork, and 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.

**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).**

Thank you for your generosity in helping those in need!

#### A BABY'S BREATH CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTERS 19th ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION AND DINNER

A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy Centers is an all-volunteer organization providing free services to pregnant women and their families who experience the impacts of a crisis pregnancy. Please support the 19th Annual Silent Auction and Dinner Reception, which is being held on **Saturday, 10/30/2021 at 6:30PM at the Crowne Plaza in King of Prussia, PA**, with special guest, Fr. Stephen Delacy. Auction features tickets to Phillies and Flyers games, restaurant and golf course gift certificates, gift baskets, and much more! Tickets are **\$70 per person**, which includes dinner wine and beer. For tickets and sponsorship donations, please **contact Kim Granito at 610-792-0737** or email [kim@thegrantos.com](mailto:kim@thegrantos.com) or visit [ababysbreath.org/auctions/](http://ababysbreath.org/auctions/).



### COME AND SEE WEEKENDS AT ST. CHARLES SEMINARY

Come and See Weekends are a perfect opportunity for a man who is discerning the priesthood to come to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary for a weekend to see what seminary life is like and explore a possible call to the priesthood. Held throughout the year, these weekends for high school men and post-high school men include Mass, praying Liturgy of the Hours with the Seminary Community, Holy Hours, talks on discernment and vocations, and the opportunity to spend time with the seminarians in formation. There is no cost to attend these weekends, which include a single room and all meals. For upcoming weekend dates, to register, and for more information, please visit: [Heedthecall.org/ComeandSee](http://Heedthecall.org/ComeandSee) or contact **Father David Friel**, Vocation Director, at [fr.dfriel@archphila.org](mailto:fr.dfriel@archphila.org) or call the **Vocation Office** at 610-667-5778.

### SEMINARIAN SPOTLIGHT

As we pray for vocations to the priesthood, a good way to get to know our seminarians studying for ordination in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is by listening to their vocation stories by visiting: [Heedthecall.org/poster](http://Heedthecall.org/poster).

### TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE

The Star of the Sea Seniors are sponsoring a trip to the **Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA on Thursday, 11/04/21**, to see the stage production of *“Queen Esther”*. **Cost is \$135 per person** and includes the show, a buffet meal at Millers, free time at Kitchen Kettle Village, round-trip motor-coach transportation, all taxes and gratuities (except for the driver). **Full payment of \$135 is now due.** For information, please call **Marge Varley** at 267-882-7717.

### OUR LADY OF HOPE SCHOOL NEWS

**Bag Night Fundraiser** will be held on **Friday, 11/19/21 at 6:30PM in Our Lady of Hope School**. The cost of each ticket is \$15 and includes: admission, door prizes, 1 ticket for the many baskets that will be chanced off, water, soda, coffee and dessert. You are welcome to bring your own “beverages” and snacks for your table. We hope you can join us for this **“ADULTS ONLY”** fundraiser. **Tickets can be purchased from school (215-467-5385) or by contacting Mrs. Testa at [jtesta@ourladyofhopephilly.com](mailto:jtesta@ourladyofhopephilly.com).**

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**“Spreading Hope”**: This Thursday, 10/28/21, the students and families of Our Lady of Hope School will be working on a project to spread Hope throughout our city and school communities. The students will decorate poster boards with positive messages of hope, faith and encouragement. The students and their families will place these posters around the city. If you see one of these posters, please take a picture of it and send it to: [pcody@ourladyofhopephilly.com](mailto:pcody@ourladyofhopephilly.com), so we can post them to our social media and spread hope and positive energy to others.



### SSJ ANNUAL CHANCE DRIVE

The Sisters of St. Joseph Annual Chance Drive to benefit St. Joseph Villa has begun! Grand Prize is \$10,000; 5 additional prizes of \$500 each. Donation is \$5 for each ticket or \$20 for a book of 5 tickets. **Winners will be drawn on December 5, 2021.**

Please help make this year’s Chance Drive especially successful by getting your tickets online!

Visit our Chance Drive page at:

<https://ssjphila.org/home/support-our-mission/fundraising-events/annual-chance-drive> or

<https://bit.ly/3vg4gRO>

For additional information, contact any Sister of Saint Joseph or the Development Office at 800-482-6510 or visit:

[Development@ssjphila.org](mailto:Development@ssjphila.org)

### HEALING RETREAT FOR VETERANS

The David Healing Retreat for Veterans is being held from **Thursday, 11/18/21 through Sunday, 11/21/21** at Discovery House, 3730 Richards Avenue, Hammonton, NJ 08037. Active Duty, Reservists, and Retired Military Personnel are welcome!

This retreat is directed by Veterans, and includes daily Mass and Confession, 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration, Sunrise Hikes, Outdoor Activities, Gourmet Food, Peaceful and Tranquil Setting, Military Comaraderie, Encouraging Conversation, and Transformational Moments.

For more information and to register, please call **Mark** at 267-980-5507 or visit [www.davidretreat.com](http://www.davidretreat.com).

This retreat is sponsored by The King’s Men, who want to make a difference in the lives of these heroes.

### SENIOR FOOD BOX PROGRAM

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging seeks to increase access to Pennsylvania’s Senior Food Boxes, a supplemental food program available free for adults 60 or older, whose annual household income is at or below 130% of the U.S. poverty level (\$16,744/individual or \$22,646/couple). The state has removed several barriers to participation, including giving the program a new name and removing proof of income requirements to encourage older adults to take advantage of the program. For more information, call 800-468-2433 to be directed to the regional food bank in your county.

### ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION

There will be an Advent Day of Reflection on **Saturday, 12/11/21, from 9AM to 3:20PM** in Drexel Hall at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Monsignor John M. Savinski will speak on the topic: *Saint Joseph in Advent*. This Day of Reflection includes: morning conference, quiet time in Chapel, Confessions in the Main Cathedral, Holy Mass in the Chapel at 12:05PM, lunch, afternoon conference, Holy Hour with Exposition, Scripture reading and reflection, and Benediction. Lunch is provided. Registration is required.

To register, please call 215-587-3795 or

visit: [sr.gbraccio@archphila.org](mailto:sr.gbraccio@archphila.org).

This day of reflection is sponsored by the Office of Consecrated Life.

**All are welcome.**

### THE FAITH AND LIBERTY DISCOVERY CENTER

The Faith and Liberty Discovery Center is a technologically immersive state-of-the-art museum, illuminating the influence of the Bible’s role as an essential freedom text and even a founding document. St. Katharine Drexel and Dorothy Day are among those featured in one of the exhibits. The Center is located on Independence Mall in Center City Philadelphia.

### NAZARETH ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

NAHS is holding its 8th Grade Entrance Exam on **Sunday, 11/06/21, from 7:45AM to 12NOON**. All 8th grade girls interested in applying to Nazareth’s Class of 2026 are welcome to take the exam. **An information session for parents will be held at 10:30AM on exam day.**

For more information or to register for the Entrance Exam please call the Admissions Office at 215-268-1026

or visit [NazarethAcademyHS.org/EntranceExam](http://NazarethAcademyHS.org/EntranceExam)

### ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Roman Catholic High School will administer two more Entrance Exams for 8th grade boys on **Sunday, 11/07/21; and Saturday, 11/27/21**. Testing begins at 9AM and concludes at 12Noon. All applicants should arrive 30 minutes ahead of time. Please call 215-627-1270, ext. 10 or 111, or visit: [www.RomanCatholicHS.com](http://www.RomanCatholicHS.com) for more information.

**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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**IN-HOME SUPPORT SYSTEM**

Are you homebound? Would you benefit from on-going services such as meals, transportation, a senior companion, or short-term services, (housekeeping and personal care)? The In-Home Support Program may be able to help you. If you are at least 60 years of age, need assistance or supervision when leaving the home, and are basically homebound, please call 215-732-1140 to learn more about this program.

This information has been provided by Catholic Health Care Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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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.Lily'sGift.org](http://www.Lily'sGift.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.



**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 #**

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**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE**

Altar Bread and Wine is available to 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, 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.



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