



**Stella Maris Catholic Church**  
Founded in the Marian Year 1954  
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**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 who is 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 25, 2020**  
**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life:**

Collection for weekend of 10/17/20 and 10/18/20:  
Income - Plate: \$4,279.00 + AWC: \$102.50 = \$4,381.50  
Bills Paid - Total Disbursements = (\$22,245.49)  
Total = (\$17,863.99)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

**Living Stewardship:** *"Whenever God is not there, the human being is no longer respected either. Only if God's splendor shines through on the human face, is the human image of God protected by a dignity, which subsequently no one must violate."*

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

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

Jeanette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine & Enrico Belfi, Kim Birch, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, 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, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Matthew D'Imperio, Dom Dinella, Kathy Dinella, Lynn DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Charles LaSpada, Samantha LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, 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, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophia Philipp, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, 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, Grover Simpson, Evelyn & Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, military disabled, home-bound, and their families.

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

**HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY**

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 25, 2020**

**Sunday - October 25**

8:00 + Paul, Annina, and Vincent Fargione  
10:30 + Connie Qualtieri and David Qualtieri

**Monday - October 26**

8:00 + Communion Prayer Service

**Tuesday - October 27**

8:00 + Francesca Altamuro

**Wednesday - October 28**

8:00 + Living & Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Thursday - October 29**

8:00 + Lorenzo and Victor Trimarco

**Friday - October 30**

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano

**Saturday - October 31**

8:00 + Louis Morrell  
5:00 + Rose and John Zambrano

**Sunday - November 1**

8:00 + Deceased Members of the Romolini and  
Padlo Families  
10:30 + Anthony and Frances Masciantonio

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of  
Al Gagnon  
Requested by  
Tom and Tinker



**Bread & Wine**

In Memory of  
Vincenzo and Olivia Martino  
Requested by  
Lorinda Fina



**Adoration Chapel Lamp**

1) In Memory of  
Louis Di Maria  
Requested by  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Glynn



2) In Memory of  
Agnes Brett  
Requested by  
Mary and Joe Gatto



**YOU CAN WATCH STELLA MARIS  
LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS ON-LINE!**

**Please Note:** You do not need Facebook to view the video of Liturgical Celebrations. Just access the Facebook page on the Parish's Website ([www.stellamarisphila.com](http://www.stellamarisphila.com)). Click the link and it will take you to Facebook. When asked to log in, just click "not now" or "x" out of the box. Go to "Videos" and click on the Liturgical Celebration you want to watch.



## rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The Sisters of St. Joseph Annual Chance Drive is underway. However, because of COVID-19, the Sisters are selling their chances online. Let us support our Sisters in their chance drive, remembering all the good that they have done and continue to do for our parish and community. Please refer to the insert in today's bulletin. Thank you.

In today's Gospel, when asked to name the greatest commandment, Jesus quotes Deuteronomy 6:5: "You shall love your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." God is the greatest of all that has been and ever will be. Thus, we love God most of all. This commandment is the wellspring from which all else flows. We love God first, which then allows us to love what He loves, shaping our identity completely. Question: who do you resemble in your family? Loving God in this way links us to the source of our own creation and reveals our deepest identity: God's children. The more we love God, the more we look like our heavenly Father. Then Jesus adds another commandment, "Love your neighbor as yourself" to Deuteronomy, therefore, combining the two commandments into one. This commandment flows from the one to love God first. Loving God genuinely requires loving our neighbor. These two commandments, are in fact, one, inseparably tied to one another. You cannot have one without the other. This bond between the love of God and neighbor tells us that God is love itself. He creates, sustains, restores, and redeems everything; He is a loving God. We truly look like our Father when we must love others as God loves us. Of course, these two commandments summarize the Ten Commandments and the whole of the law of Moses. Christ points out that this law and the traditions of the elders are meant to reflect one simple and absolute reality: We are children of a loving God and must live in accordance with His divine love. God commands His people to care for widows and orphans. He tells, "I surely hear their cry." Our Father is moved with compassion and we should be also. We do not keep God's commandments to win favor with God, who loves us regardless of our station in life. We can do nothing to change that! We keep God's commandments for love of God. By following the law as a means of loving God and neighbor, we are reflecting the image of our heavenly Father. When we do as Jesus commands, we reflect our inheritance as children of God. God is glorified in His children. His children are glorified in Him, and any outcasts are restored to their dignity as members of this divine family of love. Through Jesus' act of selfless love, God's will for us has been revealed. By sharing in His Body and Blood, we are made adopted children of God. The love that invites us into His embrace also sends us out to restore what is broken, find what is lost, and bring light to those in darkness. As God's children, we are able to live so

lovingly that the world may see in us the face of our heavenly Father. By faith, we know that God is a holy Trinity of love. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit experience an endless spiral of love out of which God creates. Truly being in God's image and likeness means reflecting the love that is our patronage.

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

God bless you,  
Fr. Di Orio

### PARISH FOOD PROGRAMS



Our **Parish Frozen Food Program** is in need of dinners: pasta, chicken, beef, ham, pork and fish. We kindly ask that meals prepared 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.

Our **Parish Food Pantry** can use some help as well. Non-perishable items (jarred peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauces; canned tuna fish, stews, vegetables/soups; boxed pasta, crackers, potatoes, etc.) are appreciated by those in emergency situations. Please leave your non-perishable food donations in the Outreach Room (across from the trophy case).

We are grateful to those who take home trays and return them with their leftovers/prepared meals, and/or those who bring pantry items on a regular basis.

**May God reward your efforts for feeding those in need.**

### BEATIFICATION OF FR. MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY

The founder of the Knights of Columbus, Father Michael J. McGivney, is to be beatified on October 31, 2020 in Hartford, Connecticut. The Pennsylvania State Council of the Knights of Columbus would like to foster awareness of this beatification which might in turn help foster prayer among the faithful for his intercession on their behalf. As we celebrate this historic event, please join in asking Blessed Michael McGivney for his intercession and praying for his eventual canonization.

To learn more about Fr. McGivney, visit:

[www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org)



### IS THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.) FOR YOU?

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you curious about the Catholic faith, but not sure you want to make a commitment? Are you married to a Catholic spouse, raising the children Catholic, and interested in knowing more to be able to share with them? Are you a Catholic who desires to complete the initiation process by receiving Eucharist and/or Confirmation? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the R.C.I.A. may be for you.

**The R.C.I.A. is designed to assist youth and adults who:**

- \*Have never been baptized and wish to be baptized in the Catholic Church
- \*Have been baptized in another Christian Tradition (Lutheran, Episcopalian, etc.) and wish to become Catholic
- \*Were baptized Catholic but have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation

There's no time like the present to begin your inquiry in the faith. If you are interested in learning more about R.C.I.A., please contact Mrs. Marie Milano at 215-465-2336, ext. 5.



### WEEKLY ROSARY

Join us every **Saturday after our 8:00AM Mass** as we pray the Rosary in front of the Blessed Mother Grotto on Bigler Street near 10th Street. We are praying for our upcoming presidential election, for an end to the violence happening in our country, and for an end to the pandemic affecting our world. We will ask for God's blessings on our country and for our Blessed Mother to protect us.

**Everyone is welcome!**

### VOCATION PRAYER PARTNERS

Each day, numerous men and women in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia pray a rosary for the specific intention of an increase in vocations to the diocesan priesthood for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Prayer is the foundation of all that we do, and these faith-filled and supportive individuals are spiritual prayer-warriors, praying specifically for the men to whom God is calling to follow Him as His priests, and that they listen and heed His voice. On the **first Saturday of each month**, this group gathers online to pray as a community and in support of each other. If you wish to join this dynamic and growing community of Prayer Partners, please contact: Sue Matour at **610-667-5778** or [smatour@archphila.org](mailto:smatour@archphila.org).



### LIVE ROSARY TO END CORONAVIRUS WITH THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

Join us online, by phone, or in spirit as we pray the Rosary. We will ask the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the Coronavirus and to bring restoration to those most severely impacted by the pandemic. **The schedule is as follows: Monday through Thursday Nights, 8:00-8:30 PM (Eastern), until further notice.** Click the link 5-10 minutes early to allow your device to download necessary software. On your computer, go to [www.archphila.org](http://www.archphila.org); click on "Offices," a list of offices will appear, click on "New Evangelization." Click "Events" tab and find "Nightly at 8PM ET, The Rosary...Coronavirus" and click on "full details." The next screen will show a choice for "Rosary in English" and you can click on the words "Click here to join the Rosary by video." You may want to dial in by phone at **646-558-8656** and enter the Webinar ID: **490 480 541**. Hosted by: Meghan Cokeley, Office of New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

### ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS FOUNDATION

The St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith is offering two podcasts : 1) Podcast for "**Catholics Affected by Divorce and Separation**"-the first Tuesday of each month, 8PM to 9PM; 2) Podcast for "**Families in Crisis**"-the last Thursday of each month, 8PM to 9PM. Both podcasts are available on YouTube, Facebook, Podbean app, and Tune In app. Subscribe to the "Philly Nonnatus" YouTube channel, and on Podbean and Tune In subscribe to "Patchwork Heart Ministry". More information can be found at [www.Nonnatus.org](http://www.Nonnatus.org) or text or call **215-870-9913**. These programs are sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for Life and Family.

They can be reached at **215-587-0500** or by email at [www.phillycatholiclife.org](http://www.phillycatholiclife.org) or [sbozza@archphila.org](mailto:sbozza@archphila.org).

+ Please check with organizations, schools, parishes, etc. who have postings in our bulletin to see if their events and/or functions have been cancelled or postponed. Thank you. Be safe. God bless!

### HOLY HOUR FOR THE ELECTION 50 States-50 People-One Hour

Join us on Sunday, November 1, 2020, from 2PM to 3PM at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Center City Philadelphia, for an hour of prayer and adoration before Jesus in the Eucharist as we petition for grace and blessing upon our country, especially asking for God's will to be accomplished in the upcoming presidential election. We hope for at least 50 people to be present, one for each State of the United States of America, but more are welcome! The Presider will be Rev. Gerald Dennis Gill, Rector of the Cathedral Basilica. Free parking is available. Social distancing will be observed. Please RSVP at: [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events)

### ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM

The RCHS Scholarship Entrance Exam is being held on the following dates: Saturday, 11/14/20, Sunday, 11/22/20, and Saturday, 12/05/20. Testing begins at 9:00AM. If interested, please register at: <https://romancatholicshs.com/finalsite.com/admissions/important-dates>.

### ATTENTION: EPIPHANY CLASS OF 1960

Graduates of Epiphany of Our Lord School Class of 1960-we need your help! Are you interested in reuniting with your friends from 8th grade? No date, time, or place is scheduled yet, so please contact us so we can begin to make plans! Please call: Loretta Joy Portaro (DeSalis) at 215-271-5192 (home) or 267-971-0378 (cell); or you may also call Maryann Cancila (Gahagan) at 215-389-0306 (home) or 215-460-3199 (cell). Please pass this on to any graduate you know who might be interested! Thank you for your help!

### GET TO KNOW OUR SAINTS

As we continue in the "open phase", 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 of the month. The Saints we celebrate this week are as follows:

October 28 - Saints Simon and Jude

Which Saint is celebrated on your birthday?  
Enjoy your Saints Adventure!

### STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

For the safety of everyone, all those in leadership positions of Stella Maris organizations are asked to call the Rectory before resuming your regular meetings in order to receive instructions for keeping within the safety guidelines set by the Archdiocese.

Stay safe and stay well! God bless!



**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.

**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).



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

Information on the cost of Senior Living and Care in Philadelphia, along with Finance Assistance Programs, can be found at [www.pavingforseniorcare.com](http://www.pavingforseniorcare.com). This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

**IN-HOME SUPPORT SYSTEM**

Are you homebound? Would you benefit from ongoing services such as meals, transportation or a senior companion, and 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.

**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 a 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#** \_\_\_\_\_



**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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**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. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

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