



Stella Maris Catholic Church

Founded in the Marian Year 1954

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

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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; 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*

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.*

November 19, 2017

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Intentions For
The Week of November 19, 2017

- Sunday—November 19**
 8:00 + Francesca DeMaria
 9:30 + Marziale, Vincenzo and Valeria Mirarchi
 11:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
- Monday—November 20**
 8:00 + Arthur “Bud” Maier
- Tuesday—November 21**
 8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald
- Wednesday—November 22**
 8:00 + DeSimone and Pagnotto Families (L & D)
- Thursday—November 23 (Thanksgiving Day)**
 9:00 + In Thanksgiving
- Friday—November 24**
 8:00 + In Honor and Thanksgiving to Our Blessed Mother
- Saturday—November 25**
 8:00 + Marietta and Concetta DeMaria
 5:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
- Sunday—November 26**
 8:00 + Frank and Ilda Colelli
 9:30 + Lillian and Fred Montella
 11:00 + Rita Tordini



Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
 Gloria Cosentino
 Requested by
 Bernice Cosentino



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
 Jerry Palestini II
 Requested by
 Mom and Dad



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



In Memory/Honor Of Donor

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| Gerald Boyle | Theresa and Steven Annucci |
| Gerard Boyle | Joseph and Patricia Castagna |
| Gerald Boyle | Alex DeLucci |
| Gerald Boyle | Donna Marie Fumo |
| Gerald Boyle | Tom and Sheila Kahriger |
| Gerald Boyle | Lorraine and Robert Klock |
| Gerald Boyle | Barbara Lawson |
| Gerald Boyle | Kimberly Lawson |
| Gerald Boyle | Ellen M. Lucchetti |
| Gerald Boyle | Frank Maddolo Sr. |
| Gerald Boyle | William and Lenora Meagher |
| Eleanore Pancari | Louise C. Green & Nancy L. Green |
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| Lorenzo Trimarco | Ersilia Boccuti |
| Lorenzo Trimarco | Felicia Boccuti |
| Lorenzo Trimarco | Maureen Finley |
| Lorenzo Trimarco | Gemma and Charles Perna |
| Lorenzo Trimarco | Rose Rocca |
| Lorenzo Trimarco | Theresa Rocca |

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Stella Maris Rectory will be closed this **Thursday, 11/23/17 and Friday, 11/24/17** in observance of Thanksgiving. **Thank you and God bless you!**



God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life	
Collections for the Weekend of Nov. 11 and Nov. 12, 2017	
Income: Plate	=\$5,227.00 + AWC = \$131.25 = \$5,358.25
Bills Paid = Total Disbursements	= (\$19,708.16)
Total	= (\$14,349.91)

Living Stewardship—Living God's Word:

"In the serene and faithful abandonment of our freedom to the Lord, our work also becomes solid, capable of bearing lasting fruit."

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, Ed Alioto, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, M/M Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappetto, William Carbo, Grace Carchidi, Vincent Carchidi, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Elaine Cipparone, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Sarah Croce, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Joanne DePena, Baby Matthew D'Imperio, Michael DeSumma, Charles DiMartini Jr., Lynn DiOrio, Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Frederick Earlori, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Samuel Fiore, Clara Fioravanti, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Maribel Guerrero, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Alice Idell, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Anthony Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Ronald Lalli, Samantha LaSpada, Petronella MacCarter, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Carmela Martini, Joe Martino, Tina Martino, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Ernest Megali, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Josephine Dolores Napoli, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Baby Theodore Norkus, Patrick Oldfield, Lenny Olivieri, Marie Ordine, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Fred Papaleo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Angela Raffa, M/M Robert Reed, Jason Rindone, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Alessandra Trimarco, Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Caila Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Robin Twaddell, Christine Upchurch, Christopher Vacante, Michael Valardi, Anthony Vanore, Joseph Vitello, Kylie Waldron, Veronica Walls, Ed Williams, the military disabled, the homebound, and their families.

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

RAYMOND BRESSI
ROCCO RUSSO

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.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As we know, the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Annual Appeal is held during the month of November. You should have received a direct mailing from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. You are asked to make your contribution directly to the Seminary. In the pews are pledge cards for your taking. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our Seminary and Seminarians. Again, thank you! thank you! thank you!

This week we celebrate our national holiday, Thanksgiving Day. I would like to wish you a happy and blessed Thanksgiving. A wonderful way to begin Thanksgiving Day, for those who can, is to celebrate Mass. The word Eucharist means "Thanksgiving". Come to Mass Thursday and offer your thanks to God. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 A.M. on Thanksgiving morning. Invite someone to join you.

Also, next weekend, we welcome our very own Sisters of St. Joseph, who will speak to us at all the Masses on behalf of the Retirement Fund for Religious. This special collection will be taken up the following weekend, December 2nd and 3rd.

Our Gospel today is from a section of Matthew that deals with the Second Coming and Final Judgment. It has been chosen to prepare us for next Sunday's celebration of the Feast of Christ the King, our anticipation of Our Lord's return in glory at the end of time. Jesus tells today's parable to help us understand the ground rules for judgment when He returns. Jesus explains to His disciples that when He does come again, the proper use of their gifts is an essential.

Matthew uses a talent to instruct us and to make some points we dare not ignore. A talent was not a coin; it was a weight. A talent of silver could be almost as much as 15 years' wages for a laborer, which means five talents would equal about 75 years of an average wage earners pay. Therefore, each individual in the parable was given a lot of money! Because of the word talent, we relate the enormous sum of money to our personal talents (skills), but Matthew is not thinking money when he wrote this parable. For Matthew, the rich master is God and the talent is faith. To each of us God has given a certain, measured gift of faith, each according to our ability to use it.

One man buried the master's money. This was, in fact, the accepted way of protecting money. If you buried it, you were not liable for it if it were stolen. However, if you invested it and lost it, you would be held completely accountable. Matthew's listeners would have thought the man who buried the talent would be rewarded for his handling of the money. Imagine their surprise when they learn that putting the master's money at risk was what Jesus expected!

Therefore, what God expects is not ordinary. Faith must be invested. God expects us to use it in a way that will make it grow, make it spread. We must risk our gift if it is to become anything more than it is now.

Simply sitting around and avoiding evil gains us nothing! Like the man who buried his treasure, we, in burying our faith, are wicked, lazy servants. If we do not use our faith and make it grow, God will take it away from us and throw us outside of His Kingdom.

How have you invested the gift of faith entrusted to you? When Jesus comes and asks for His talents back, what are you going to be able to give to Him?

Happy Thanksgiving!
Fr. Di Orio



SHARING OUR GIFTS



Autumn is the season for harvesting and sharing the fruits of our labors. This week's scriptures use images of the harvest, family life, pregnancy, and investment to describe the abundant harvest in the reign of God. We discover that sharing the gifts we have been given brings eternal rewards for everyone. In the Gospel parable, a master entrusts his possessions to three servants before going on a journey. Each is given some talents. What they do with those talents determines what the master will do with them when he returns. How about us? What are we doing with our talents? How will our Master treat us when He returns?

ADVENT FAMILY BREAKFAST BUFFET



Please join us for our **Advent Family Breakfast Buffet** on **Sunday, 12/03/17** after each Mass in Stella Maris Parish Hall. Breakfast Buffet includes: scrambled eggs, French toast, sausage, bacon, bagels, cream cheese, condiments, coffee, tea, juice and water.

Cost: Adults-\$12 (ages 12 and up);
Children-\$10 (ages 5 to 11)
(Free for children ages 4 and under)
At the door-\$15.00 each for all ages

Since Christmas is quickly on its way, and before he gets too busy, we welcome a special guest-SANTA! Pictures with Santa will be available for you to take home for only \$5.00 each!



Tickets will be available in the church vestibule after all weekend Masses, and at Stella Maris Rectory, Monday through Friday, 9:00AM to 4:00PM. Kindly note: **There is a limited number of tickets, so we encourage you to purchase your tickets in advance.**

Please come to share this meal with our parish family and friends. Thank you and God bless you!

ANNUAL VISITATION AND CAROLING

Every year Stella Maris young people and adults visit our homebound parishioners to bring Christmas cheer and a gift from our parish, including joyful caroling. Our Annual Christmas Visitation will be held on Sunday, December 10, 2017, from 12:00NOON to 2:00PM. Adult volunteers are needed to accompany the school children to the homes of our homebound parishioners. This is a great family activity in preparation for the feast of Christmas! **Everyone is invited to participate.** Please call Sr. Veronica at 215-465-2336 ext. 8, or sign up on the sheet in the vestibule.



Date: 12/10/17; Time: 12:00NOON-2:00PM; Place: Church Hall



STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS TRIP TO LANCASTER

Star of the Sea Seniors are sponsoring a trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, to see the brand new show, "JESUS", on **Tuesday, 03/13/18**. Cost is \$130 per person and includes: Theater matinee show, buffet lunch at Millers Restaurant, Rockvale Outlets, round-trip motorcoach transportation, all taxes and gratuities. **Deposit of \$65 is now due; balance of \$65 is due no later than 01/09/18**. For reservations, please call Marge Varley at 215-463-3386 or Helen Wagenborg at 215-468-6618.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our parishioner, Karissa Fabi, Class of 2018 at Our Lady of Hope School, who was selected to receive the Millay Scholarship to Saints John Neumann/Maria Goretti High School for her freshman year of high school. This award is based on the student achieving the highest general average in their class. She received the award at the Millay Dinner on Thursday, November 9, 2017. Best wishes to Karissa and continued success as you enter High School.

FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES AT OUR LADY OF HOPE FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

There are currently two applications available for financial aid:

- 1) **Children's Scholarship of Philadelphia** is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. Applications are available at www.csphiladelphia.org. **Final deadline** for completing an application is **03/01/18**.
- 2) **FACTS** Financial Aid Application replaces the Smart Aid Financial Application. Financial Aid through FACTS is **now open** and the **application cost is \$30**. **Priority** is given to applications completed by **12/31/17**. Financial application **deadline** is **03/15/18**. Visit the website at: www.factstuitionaid.com.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office at **215-467-5385** or via email at: pcody@ourladyofhopephilly.com.

ART BY RICHARD G. CANNULI, O.S.A.

Mixed media images: Sacred art and other subjects. Watercolors, icons, and vestments, now through 12/19/17. For more information, call **610-519-4612** or visit: www.artgallery.villanova.edu



LINVILLA PIES FOR THANKSGIVING



For those who have ordered Linvilla pies for Thanksgiving, you will be able to pick up your pies this **Tuesday, Nov. 21st** in the church lobby between **4PM and 7PM**. **Thank you for your support!**

STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

- Tuesday, 11/21/17-Seniors B'Day (Oct./Nov./Dec.)-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Tuesday, 11/21/17-HH Linvilla Pies Pick-Up-4:00PM, Vestibule
- Thursday, 11/23/17-Mass for Thanksgiving Day-9:00AM, Church
- Sunday, 11/26/17-NO CCD-Thanksgiving Weekend
- Saturday, 12/02/17-Sodality Meeting-8:30AM, Church/Vestibule
- Sunday, 12/03/17-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Sunday, 12/03/17-Advent Family Breakfast Buffet, 8:30AM. (after each Mass), Hall

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

8th grade students wishing to attend Roman Catholic High School should be sure to register for the Scholarship Entrance Test which is required for acceptance into Roman's Class of 2022. The next testing date is **Saturday, 12/02/17**. Registration is online at:

RomanCatholicHS.com

For more information or questions, contact Roman's admission office at **215-627-1270, ext 146/159**, or email:

Admissions@RomanCatholicHS.com

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1967-50th REUNION



Roman Catholic High School Class of 1967 is celebrating it's 50th Anniversary Reunion on **Saturday, 11/25/17** at the Sandy Run Country Club, 200 Valley Green Road, Oreland, PA 19075.

For information, please contact Jim Fitzsimmons at:

267-716-9716 or

by email at jfitzsimmons0124@gmail.com.



WEST PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1969-50th REUNION

West Philadelphia Catholic Girls High School Class of 1969 will be having their 50th Reunion Celebration on **September 15, 2019** at Drexelbrook's Mansion House, 4700 Drexelbrook Drive, Drexel Hill, PA 19026, from 12PM to 4PM. For further details, please contact Jeane Hugues Milligan and her committee at:

wcmh1969_50th@yahoo.com

OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Lily's Gift

Lily's Gift is a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis (PPD). A collaboration of the Office for Persons with Disabilities, Catholic Social Services and the Office of Life and Family, this service can provide a peer support team to assist couples during this critical time. For support, email LilysGiftLuke12.27@gmail.com or call **215-587-3530**. For information about a Catholic response to PPD, visit:

www.Lilysgift.org or www.benotafraid.net

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GIVING TUESDAY



Held on the first Tuesday following Thanksgiving, #GivingTuesday is an international day of charity, and this year, the Catholic Charities Appeal has partnered with St. Edmond's Home for Children. St. Edmond's is an Intermediate Care Facility for children with severe and profound intellectual and physical disabilities. The facility's primary role is to provide an exceptional range of services and compassionate, quality care for medically fragile children ages 6 weeks to 21 years.

This #GivingTuesday, your donations can help provide funds specifically for therapy programs and programming equipment at St. Edmond's Home.

To learn more and to donate, please visit:

www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org/donate/givingtuesday

HAPPY GIVING!



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

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

REQUESTED BY:

SONS OF ITALY
ST. MARY MAGDALEN DE PAZZI LODGE

You don't have to be Italian to be a member! If you enjoy the Italian culture, please join us on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM for a complimentary dinner at Columbus House, 712 Montrose St., Phila., PA 19147. You can also email at saintmarymagdalen@soi.com or call Dominic at 856-429-3420.

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ANNUAL MEMORIAL AND COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Roman Catholic High School Annual Memorial and Communion Breakfast is being held next **Sunday, 11/26/17**, beginning with the 9:30AM Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, followed by breakfast at 10:45AM at the Sheraton Hotel, and 1:00PM Homecoming Reception at Roman Catholic High School. For information, please call Lisa Mertz at 215-627-5487, ext. 315.

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:

REQUESTED BY:

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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