

LENT

First Sunday



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Then Jesus was  
led by the  
Spirit into the  
desert to be  
tempted by the  
devil

Matthew 4:1

*First Sunday of Lent  
March 6, 2022*

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**Collection for weekend of February 19 & February 20**

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| <b>Income: Plate = \$4,412.00 + AWC= \$72.50</b> | <b>=</b> | <b>\$4,484.50</b>   |
| <b>Bills Paid= Total Disbursements</b>           | <b>=</b> | <b>(\$4,521.45)</b> |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>=</b> | <b>(\$36.95)</b>    |



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

*Living Stewardship:*

**“Love must not simply abide by earthly laws but must let itself be illumed by the truth which is God and must be expressed in that superior measure of justice which is mercy.”**  
-Pope Benedict XVI, 02/24/2006



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

Jeannette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Susan Benco-Castle, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, KellyAnn Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Anthony Borzillo, Mr. and Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D’Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Debra and 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, Rita Mendicino, Michelle Miller-Killian, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, William Parrish, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophie Philipp, Barbara Polce, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, 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 and Theresa Sherwin, Joe Shireta, Katie Signell Ventus, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Steven Tropea, 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 :*

**DAWN DePRINCE      MARGARET SICORA**

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 March 6, 2022*

**Sunday - March 6**

8:00 + Carmen Potito  
10:30 + Sebastiano Squillacioti

**Monday - March 7**

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

**Tuesday - March 8**

8:00 + Wanda Johnson

**Wednesday - March 9**

8:00 + Living & Deceased Parishioners of Stella Maris

**Thursday - March 10**

8:00 + Robert and Dolores Coluzzi

**Friday - March 11**

8:00 + Rose and John Zambrano  
7:00 + Stations of the Cross

**Saturday - March 12**

8:00 + Mary, Rose and Francesco Primerano  
5:00 + Catherine “Kate” Benco

**Sunday - March 13**

8:00 + Mary D’Ambrosio  
10:30 + Rita Diogenia and Rebecca Battaglia

*Church Sanctuary Lamp*



In Memory of  
William Glanz

Requested by  
Joe Gatto

*Altar Bread and Wine*

In Memory of  
Theresa Carrozza-1st Anniversary

Requested by  
Bill and Mary Ellen Carrozza



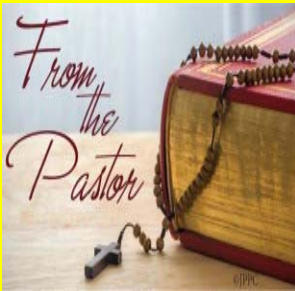
**Lenten Day of Recollection**

On **Saturday, 03/26/22, from 9AM to 3:30PM**, a Lenten Day of Recollection is being held at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in the Cathedral Chapel and Drexel Hall (which is the hall located below the Cathedral). The theme is ***The Two Hearts: Experiencing the Passion of Christ with the Immaculate and Sacred Hearts***. The speaker is Jenn Settle, a consecrated virgin in the Diocese of Orlando, who was consecrated by Archbishop Charles Chaput, O.F.M. on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, 02/02/2017 in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. She currently serves as a spiritual director as well as assisting women in discernment for consecrated life throughout the country. The day’s schedule is as follows:

9:00AM-Sign-In/Coffee & donuts  
10:00AM-Morning Conference  
11:00AM-Quiet Time/Confessions  
12:05PM-Holy Mass followed by Lunch (which is provided)  
1:30PM-Afternoon Conference  
2:30PM-Holy Hour

This Day of Recollection is free but **you must RSVP** to Sr. Gabrielle Mary Braccio, RSM at: [sr.gbraccio@archphila.org](mailto:sr.gbraccio@archphila.org) or by calling 215-587-3795

**All are welcome!**



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We have begun our Lenten journey. Let us all pray for one another and make our intentions the words we heard on Ash Wednesday to “Repent and believe in the Gospel.” Lent affords us the opportunity to change and be converted, to reflect on major life changes through a faith lens.

In our Gospel the devil tempts Jesus. Luke shows how Jesus deals with His encounter with the devil. “One does not live on bread alone! You shall worship the Lord, your God, and him alone shall you serve. You shall not put the Lord your God to the test!” Jesus’ responses to the devil offer three concrete practices we can adopt in times of transition and temptations in our life.

**Practice gratitude for the journey:** Jesus speaks with gratitude for His Father when He says, “One doesn’t live on bread alone.” His 40 days in the desert recall the 40 years that God nourished the Israelites in the wilderness. Moses instructs the Israelites to keep a ritual of gratitude to remember how God accompanied them on their journey. He reminds us that practicing gratitude grounds us and fundamentally changes how we experience life’s challenges.

**Center your relationship with God:** Jesus makes it absolutely clear as He rebuffs the devil’s promises and ignores his judgments. Jesus tells the devil in no uncertain terms that His life is totally centered on God. Unfortunately, in life, especially during times of transition, many things compete for our attention, even distractions. Try simple ways of centering your relationship with God; prayer, spiritual reading, Mass, nature, or other devotions that connect you with God and keep you rooted.

**Trust the slow unfolding of God’s plan in your life:** The devil offered the world to Jesus immediately. What a temptation! But Jesus trusted that His mission would unfold over time. Not controlling our future is scary. Fear and mistrust of God can creep in. Jesus invites us to trust God in time, especially during transitions and temptations. Changes/transitions in our life involve moments of struggle but also pause and promise, moments that can pattern our life in gratitude, help us find our center, and send us forth with the courage to trust God. As the Austrian poet Rainer Maris Rilke writes in *Letter to a Young Poet* that perhaps God “requires of you precisely this existential anxiety in order to begin. Precisely these days of transition are perhaps the period when everything in you is working on Him.” Jesus will guide us through life’s transitions if we allow Him.

Now that we are at the beginning of our Lenten Season, I believe that all the Christmas donations have been made by now. Our Christmas collection total was \$22,710.00. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for your generosity and support of the parish in our recent Christmas collection.

Be assured of my prayers and I ask that you please remember me in yours.

Happy Lent!  
Fr. Di Orio

#### **FROM INCLUSION TO BELONGING WORKSHOP**

The Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate are sponsoring a workshop entitled “*From Inclusion to Belonging*” on Saturday, March 19, 2022, from 9:30AM to 12Noon, at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103. The presenters will be Bridget Brown, a young woman with Down Syndrome who is an international presenter on the topic of faith and inclusion, and Nancy Brown, Bridget’s mother and Bridget’s greatest advocate, is an inclusion specialist who will share practical strategies related to inclusion and parish life.

Please RSVP: by email: [OPD@archphila.org](mailto:OPD@archphila.org) or online at: [www.opdarchphilly.org](http://www.opdarchphilly.org).

Please note: At this time the Pastoral Center requires that all staff and visitors wear face masks.

#### **BROTHERS OF BORROMEIO VOCATION CAMP**

Young men in grades 6th, 7th and 8th are invited to join the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood and the Philadelphia Seminarians for the Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp on **Saturday, April 9, 2022, at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, from 9AM to 3PM.** With the theme, **To the Heights**, this one-day camp provides young men a chance for great talks, activities, fellowship, games, and powerful prayer centered around the life and teachings of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. The registration fee of \$25 includes a t-shirt, and lunch/snacks. **Register by March 25th** at [HeedTheCall.org/BBCC](http://HeedTheCall.org/BBCC).



#### **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!

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL MASS**

You are invited to join the Catholic Charities Appeal for a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson Perez on Monday, March 21, 2022 at 7:00PM at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. This Mass is being celebrated in thanksgiving and gratitude for your commitment to the Appeal and to our faith. If you have any questions, please call **215-587-5650** or email [RSVP@thecfcp.org](mailto:RSVP@thecfcp.org). Your generosity is fundamental to the success of the Catholic Charities Appeal, and we want to thank you for supporting our vital mission.



### 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 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 you may 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).

### HIGH SCHOOL MEN! Our Annual Quo Vadis Days Camp is going TO THE HEIGHTS!

This 4-day camp, held between Monday, June 27th and Thursday, June 30th, is filled with many opportunities for fun and fellowship, and includes dynamic talks, time for prayer, daily Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, and fun activities.

This a great opportunity for young men to grow and remain active in their faith and interact with other young men from diverse backgrounds. Using our theme of To the Heights, this year we will be exploring the life of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati.

Registration materials are now available. In the interim, if you have any questions, please contact Jillian Minnich, Program Coordinator ([jminnich@archphila.org](mailto:jminnich@archphila.org)) or call 610-667-5778.



### 2022 WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

**MARRIED COUPLES** - Resolve to "Live your best life in love" in 2022. Why not give yourselves some time together by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next in-person experience is April 22 to 24 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown.

For more information, you are invited to visit: <https://www.wwme-philly.org/>

### ST. HUBERT CLASS OF 1972 REUNION

St. Hubert Class of 1972 will be celebrating their 50th high school reunion on Thursday, June 9, 2022 with a Golden Girls' walk alongside the graduating Class of 2022. The reunion will immediately follow at Knowlton Mansion. For more information, please contact Linda at

[SHBambies1972@gmail.com](mailto:SHBambies1972@gmail.com) or visit: <https://www.facebook.com/Saint-Hubert-Class-of-72>

### STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS RESORTS CASINO AND TOMASELLO WINERY TRIP

This trip has been postponed until Monday, April 4, 2022, and the itinerary is as follows: 9:45am - Bus will depart from Stella Maris Church at 10th & Bigler Streets; 11:00am - Tomasello Winery Tasting and Sit-Down Luncheon; 1:15pm - Depart for Casino; 2:00 pm - Arrive at Resorts Casino; 7:00pm - Depart for home; 8:30pm - Approximate arrival home.

The cost is \$75.00 per person, which includes: 1) Tomasello Winery Tasting; 2) Tomasello Winery Luncheon (pre-selected menu, call for details); 3) \$20 Slot Money from Resorts Casino; 4) Round-trip Motorcoach Transportation (via JC Tours); 5) All Taxes & Gratuities (except bus driver tip).

**Full Payment of \$75 is due upon reservation.** Please make checks payable to Star of the Sea Seniors and mail payments to Stella Maris Church, 2901 S 10th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148, Attention: Rose Giovanelli.

For more information and reservations, call Marge Varley at 215-463-3386.

### MAN-UP PHILLY MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

Philadelphia's biggest spirituality conference will be held on **Saturday, March 19, 2022, at Immaculata University in Exton, PA.** This conference is a day to inspire, energize and enable men to be better sons, fathers and husbands by living our faith and leading our families by their example. The speakers include Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, a globally recognized Catholic speaker and author of *Behold the Man: A Catholic Vision of Male Spirituality*, Pat Chambers, former head coach for both Boston University and Penn State's NCAA Men's Basketball programs, and Keith Nester of *Down to Earth Ministries* and author of *The Convert's Guide to Roman Catholicism*. Back by popular demand, internationally recognized Irish tenor, Mark Forrest, will again provide inspirational accompaniment and lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with a Mass celebrated by Archbishop Nelson J. Perez (this Mass is not the Sunday Vigil). For more information and to register, please visit:

<https://manupphilly.com/>

### SECOND ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Second Annual March for Life, sponsored by the Pro-Life Union of Greater Philadelphia, is being held on **Saturday, 03/26/22**, with the schedule as follows: 8:30AM-an interdenominational prayer service at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul; 10:30AM-march begins outside of Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul; 12:00Noon-Freedom Rally at Independence Mall.

**Let your voice be heard!**

### FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT WITH PHILADELPHIA UNION SOCCER

The Union will be hosting Columbus on **Saturday, 04/09/22**, with the match kicking off at **6PM**. Be sure to stick around after the final whistle to listen to Philadelphia Union players speak about faith and the role it has played on their journey to becoming professional athletes. Tickets start at \$26 for groups of 10 or more and your group's name will be featured on the LED ribbons at halftime! For information, contact:

[cloftus@philadelphiaunion.com](mailto:cloftus@philadelphiaunion.com)

**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:

REQUESTED BY:

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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