



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 \$15.00 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.

April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

Collection for weekend of April 20 & April 21

Income: Plate = \$4,500.00 + AWC = \$85.00 = \$4,585.00
Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$13,873.54)
Total = (\$9,288.54)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

Living Stewardship: “Jesus tells us: “ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you” Which words of his are calling you to life? Ask him to help you to trust in the Father and surrender to what the Father wills for you.”

-Renewed by God's Word

Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:



Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Neil Baldwin, Lisa Baranek, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, Kelly Ann Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Anthony Borzillo, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Loretta Bologna, Al Caruso, Clem Ciaramella, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Thomas Coco, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Louis DiBruno, Matthe D'Imperio, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Deborah Dolce, Michelle Dolce, Marie Donato, Lisa Donoflio, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Vera Freni, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Dalonzo SR., Russell Fiugalski, Jerry Francesco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Ellen Gabarino, Evelyn Gardella, Anthony Gentile, Gerta Goren, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Charles Harron, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Bethany Hopkins, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Charles LaSpada, Jean LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Robert and Marie Liccio, Rita Lange, Stacey Loke Pelle, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Michael Macomber, Marsha Magen, Kathleen Magnotta, 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, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Joe Petruzzi, Sophie Philipp, Johanna Pizzo, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Rocco Santangelo, Steve Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Joe Shireta, Katie Signell Ventus, Grover Simpson, Karen Specht, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Steven Tropea, Cindy Tuohey, Stephen Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Paul and Geri Verdi, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, Caroyln Young, Deborah Young, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.



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 April 28, 2024*

Saturday - April 27

5:00 + Mr. & Mrs. James Brett

Sunday - April 28

8:00 + George & Clare Weinhardt
10:30 + 1st Holy Communion

Monday - April 29

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - April 30

8:00 + Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday - May 1

8:00 + Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 + May Procession

Thursday - May 2

8:00 + Edward Marquis

Friday - May 3

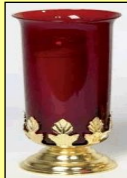
8:00 + Sarahina Baranowski

Saturday - May 4

8:00 + Living and Deceased members of Stella Maris
5:00 + Marie Leuzzi

Sunday - May 5

8:00 + Johanna Pizzo
10:30 + Joe Gatto



Church Sanctuary Lamp

For the Intentions of
Ray and Pat De John

Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Gina Durham

Requested by
Lynda Bertolini



Adoration Chapel Candles

For the Intentions of
Fr. John Di Orio

Requested by
Theresa and Joe Capocci



Paschal Candle

In Memory of the
Deceased Members of
The Kubicky and Monteith Families





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, "I am the vine, you are the branches". An important task of the disciples and followers of Jesus is to bear fruit. In this Gospel that means to keep Jesus' commandments, to do acts of love. To accomplish that, the disciples, and followers of Jesus (the branches) must remain intimately connected with Jesus (the vine). We are not the vine, we are the branches. Therefore, we must be united in the vine who is Christ to bear much fruit. We cannot allow ourselves to grow too far away from the true vine. The farther away we are, the less quality fruit we produce. If we get too far from the vine, we produce nothing of lasting value. Therefore, we must remain in Christ and Christ will remain in us. It is then that we will bear much fruit, because without Christ (the vine) we (the branches) can do nothing.

Today, at the 10:30AM Mass, ten of our young parishioners will be making their First Holy Communion. We congratulate these young boys and girls, along with their families. Let us keep them in our prayers as they receive the Lord for the first time:

Ariana Alper
Grace Bilott
Shayna Checchia
Joseph DiDonato
Carmen Forker
Vida Galdo
Olivia Murray
Dominic Richmond
Kristina Smith
Luz Vazquez

Archbishop Perez invited all the Archdiocesan Priests to a convocation which is to be held in Hersey PA, from Monday, April 29, 2024, to Thursday, May 02, 2024. Since I am attending the convocation, there will be no 8:00 AM Mass on these days.

Please note, our annual May Procession in Honor of Our Blessed Mother will be held this Wednesday, May 1st at 7:00PM. Everyone is encouraged and welcomed to be a part of this annual devotion. Please mark your calendars.

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

God bless,
Father Di Orio



OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

May 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Home Mission Dioceses are often impoverished and have small or widely dispersed Catholic populations that stretch over vast areas of terrain. These economic, demographic, and geographic challenges make it difficult for the Church to minister to the needs of Her people in those regions. In addition, the populations of Home Mission dioceses are disproportionately impacted by unemployment, natural disasters, and crime rates.

In the Diocese of Amarillo, for example, the diocesan criminal justice ministry answers Christ's call to visit and serve prisoners and patients confined to hospitals. Since 2004, this ministry has expanded to bring the Eucharist, Sacred Scripture, and prayer to inmates of the seven prisons and two large hospitals in the diocese. This ministry of mercy includes retreats during which inmates can encounter the love of Jesus, heal from past failures and wounds, and develop new hope for the future. Many inmates have experienced spiritual conversions that have inspired them to join formation programs and enter the Catholic Church.

The criminal justice ministry is one of many innovative outreach efforts made by dioceses supported by Catholic Home Missions. Your participation in the annual Catholic Home Mission Appeal supports dioceses throughout the United States and its territories that need financial help to sustain core pastoral services and missions of mercy to those they serve. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. To learn more about the appeal and those who benefit from it, visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Thank you for strengthening the Church at home in places where our brothers and sisters are most in need and please be assured that you are remembered in my prayers.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,
+Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, D.D
Archbishop of Philadelphia



**STELLA MARIS 2024 LOTTERY CALENDAR
WINNING NUMBERS OF
April 15th THROUGH April 21th**

MONDAY	#356-\$45
TUESDAY	#156-\$45
WEDNESDAY	#359-\$45
THURSDAY	#021-\$45
FRIDAY	#589-\$45
SATURDAY	#050-\$45
SUNDAY	#701-\$50



**STELLA MARIS/EPIPHANY
CCD REGISTRATIONS 2024-2025**

**Registration for our Religious Education Program
for the 2024-2025 school year is now open!**

Requirements:

- 1) Students must be 6 years or older by 09/01/24
- 2) Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- 3) Completed Registration form by 09/01/24
- 4) Registration Fee of \$175 (\$ 75 Deposit) by 09/01/24

***Early Bird Special - Registration Fee of \$140*
Registration Form and \$40 deposit by June 30th**

**Email us: stellamarisdre@comcast.net
Or**

Phone 215-465-2336

For more information and forms

Please note: CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings.

BISHOP NEUMANN AND SAINT MARIA GORETTI

Bishop Neumann and Saint Maria Goretti **classes of 1974** (Philadelphia, PA) are planning a combined reunion for **September 13th, 2024**. In order to update our database, we are presently gathering address and email information from alumni. Please contact: Janet Ricci Tomasco at jriccit@aol.com, Denise LaRosa at martini121856@yahoo.com or Anthony DeFrancesco at anthonydefrancesco@outlook.com to submit your information.

**BE ENCOURAGED
CATHOLIC SUPPORT FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has launched a website with resources to support those who are experiencing mental health struggles and those who love them. The website offers links to find Catholic clinicians, local crisis response phone numbers and ministries that can assist with recovery and healing.

In addition, there are tools to help parishes, schools, and institutions cultivate a deeper awareness of and responsiveness to these realities, suffered by so many. Visit the Be Encouraged website at:

www.archphila.org/support

**STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS
ATLANTIC CITY, NJ
SEPTEMBER 19 -20, 2024**

INCLUDES:

- One Night Stay at Resort Casino: \$20 Slots & (1) \$20 Food Credit & (1) \$5 Food Credit
- Baggage Handling (1 person)
- Tropicana Casino: \$25 Slots, \$20 Meal Voucher & Show **"The Temptations Revue"**

(Groups must have a Total Rewards Card to redeem bonuses at Tropicana.)

- All Taxes & Gratuities (Except for Restaurants, Hotel Maid & JC Tours Driver)
- Round-trip Motorcoach Transportation via JC Tours
**\$250.00 per person double occup.
\$235.00 per person triple occup.
\$330.00 single occup.**

***Deposits due upon reservation by May 8, 2024.**

Deposit Amounts: Double occup: \$125.00 pp
Triple occup: \$125.00 pp
Single occup: \$165.00

*** Full payments due by July 8, 2024.**

- **Balance Amounts:** Double occup: \$125.00 pp
Triple occup: \$110.00 pp
Single occup: \$165.00

***Make Checks Payable to: Star of the Sea Seniors**

FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT

**Marge Varley 215-463-3386 or 267-882-7717
Fran Giaquinto 215-284-4686**

Mail Payments to: ATTN: Marge Varley or Fran Giaquinto

STELLA MARIS PARISH CLOTHING DRIVE

Stella Maris Helping Hands is sponsoring a Clothing Drive on **Saturday 5/25/24**, from **9:00AM to 12 Noon**, to benefit **St. Vincent DePaul**. Look for the **Thrifty Irishman Truck** in the church parking lot where an attendant will be able to assist you with your donations. Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing/shoes in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as linens, kitchenware, small appliances in good working condition, sporting goods, games, toys, bikes, tools and jewelry are also accepted.

We cannot accept furniture, large appliances, TV's, computers or computer monitors.

WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR OUR 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. **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).**

We are very grateful to those who bring pantry items on a regular basis.

May God bless you for helping those in need!

**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 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.

**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. This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

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.LilysGift.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.

ADOPTION SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

This group is open to anyone interested in learning more about the process of adopting children, in the process of adopting a child, or already a parent through adoption. Meet and talk to caring, supportive families that share their experience with the adoption process and parenting. **This group meets on the second Thursdays of each month from 7:00PM to 8:30PM.**

Meetings are in person or virtual. In person location is Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Church, 1325 Upper State Road, North Wales, PA 19454.

Email Maria at mariamalone@mmredeemer.org to attend in person, to get a virtual meeting link and to get any updates on meeting times and locations.



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 MEMORY OF or FOR THE INTENTIONS OF:

REQUESTED BY:

PHONE #



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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