



## *Stella Maris Catholic Church*

*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*

*2901 S. 10th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19148*

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*Rev. John R. Di Orio*

*Pastor (ext. 3)*

*Rev. James T. McCabe  
Parochial Vicar (ext. 4)*

*Rev. Msgr. James F. Connelly  
Pastor Emeritus*

### *Staff:*

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

*Mrs. Carmella DeSimone - Business Manager (ext. 6)*

*Mrs. Lucille Hillerman - Director of Religious Education (ext. 5)*

*Sister Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM - Music Director (ext. 7)*

*Sister Veronica Maier, SSJ - Parish Services Director (ext. 8)*

*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*

**Anointing of the sick:** *In case of serious illness or advanced age, please call the rectory.*

**Miraculous Medal Novena:** *Each Saturday immediately following the 8am Mass. Veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Laboure concludes the service.*

**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.*

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**Mass Intentions For  
The Week of April 3, 2016**

**Sunday—April 3**

8:00 + Danny Rapp  
9:30 + Carmella Roselli  
11:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Monday—April 4**

8:00 + Vincent and Teresa Procopio

**Tuesday—April 5**

8:00 + Maria and Domenico Romeo

**Wednesday—April 6**

8:00 + Linda Berry

**Thursday—April 7**

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano

**Friday—April 8**

8:00 + Domenico Campese and Sons

**Saturday—April 9**

8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald  
5:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

**Sunday—April 10**

8:00 + Jennie Moffo  
9:30 + Frank D. Pagnotto and Family  
11:00 + Remo Sammarone

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

**Collections for the Weekend of March 19 & 20, 2016**

**Income: Plate = \$7,002.00 + AWC = \$113.75 = \$7,115.75**

**Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$15,254.40)**

**Total = (\$8,138.65)**

**Collection for weekend of March 26 & 27**

**Income: Plate = \$ 4,938.00 + AWC + \$113.75 = \$5,051.75**

**Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$9,376.33)**

**Total = (\$4,324.58)**

**Living Stewardship-Living God's Word:**

*Father of the only-begotten Son, send your Spirit upon us that we might know more deeply the truth of your Son's resurrection and allow it to penetrate our lives. Deepen our faith, hope, and love so the world will know us even now as children of the Resurrection.*

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

**Please pray for all the sick that they may be comforted:** Rosario Allia, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Anthony Bologna, Emmanuel Borgesi, Maria Bozzi, M/ M Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Arthur Carrado, Thomas Ciasullo, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Sarah Croce, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Joanne DePena, Lenora Derogatis, Elvira DeSumma, Charles DiMartini Jr., Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Frederick Earlori, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Samuel Fiore, Clara Fioravanti, Russell Fiujsalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Eleanor Grecco, Keith Green, Maribel Guerrero, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Lucy Intelisano, Ann & Anthony Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Sr. Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM, Vito LaFranci, Ronald Lalli, Joseph Lombardi, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Carmela Martini, Edward Marquis, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Ernest Megali, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Joanne Minniti, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Josephine Dolores Napoli, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Albert Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Lenny Olivieri, Marie Ordine, Louis Pagano, Fred Papaleo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Charles T. Pestacchi, Theresa Pignotto, Louis F. Pintarelli, Lauren Poppa, Madeline Porsia, Angela Raffa, M/M Robert Reed, John Renzulli, Sr., Jason Rindone, Joan Robb, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Theresa Salvatore, Domenic Santaguidda, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Thomas Sweeney Jr., James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Caila Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Robin Twaddell, Christopher Vacante, Mike Vicario, Joseph Vitello, Kylie Waldron, Ed Williams, the military disabled, the homebound, and their families.

**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In memory of  
Ronald Curro  
At the Request of  
His Mother



**Adoration Chapel Lamp**

1) In Memory of  
Alesandrina DiCamillo  
At the Request of  
Her mom, Marie  
2) In Memory of  
Joseph Catinella  
At the Request of  
His wife and children



**Bread & Wine**

For the Intentions of  
Sister Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM  
At the Request of  
Linda and Domenick



**PASCHAL CANDLE**

In Memory of the  
Deceased Members of  
The Kubicky and Monteith Families  
Donated by  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert and Donna Kubicky



**We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners,  
Relatives and Friends:  
DOLORES MONTELLA  
SALVATORE WISE  
RUTH MOLESS  
JERRY ZULLI**

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

# rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. We, like Thomas in today's Gospel, have our doubts about the truth of Jesus. Thank God for His mercy! However, the problem with mercy is that people do not think they need mercy. And, more and more think we do not need God. For them the cross is a piece of jewelry, not an execution device that shows God's loving mercy and forgiveness.

We would rather not forgive. We prefer to live in our anger rather than think about extending a hand of conciliation. We would rather be the loudest than the humblest. But Jesus says we cannot do these things. We are to be people of peace, people who lay down our anger in favor of love, people who humbly serve rather than scream for our rights.

Despite all this, the hallmark of Christ's teaching was forgiveness, compassion and mercy – the very things that seem so lacking today. But these are not dead. The cross could not defeat Christ; therefore, hope cannot be crushed. Thankfully, before Jesus told us to be different from everyone else, he breathed on his disciples: "he breathed on them and said to them 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'" Before Jesus asked us to do the hard things, to live the challenging path, he gave us the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we must breathe in the mercy of God. We must breathe in Jesus Christ who is mercy. We must do what Jesus told us to do. We have been given peace, and we have been sent by Jesus to pass on this breath of fresh air.

When Jesus entered the locked room with the greeting "Peace", the peace he wishes to give us is the sense of well-being that comes from believing that God is with us. This Peace that Jesus gives us is not a freedom from upsetting things in our lives. This peace enables us to live with upsetting things. This peace, this unity with God, this reconciliation with God, is what Jesus had to offer. Like the Apostles, we too are given this peace and the mission to continue to bring Jesus' love and mercy to all we encounter. Being reconciled with the Father is so important to the life of Jesus, that He consistently expressed God's willingness not to hold our sins - our unbelief - against us. We don't often give people who hurt us second chances, but Jesus gives us all the chances we need to fully trust Him - and this forgiveness is Divine Mercy.

To all who made our Holy Week services and liturgies so beautiful and prayerful I extend my thank you. To all who participated in some or all these prayer opportunities, I say thank you, thank you, thank you. May we all continue to keep the spirit of Jesus alive in us.

On a personal note, please accept my sincere thanks to all who sent Easter cards, spiritual enrollments, gifts and goodies to the rectory; be assured of my sincere gratefulness for your goodness and thoughtfulness.

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

Happy Easter!  
Father Di Orio



## STELLA MARIS FLEA MARKET

Stella Maris Fund Raising Committee is hosting a **Flea Market on Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9AM to 3PM.**

If you would like to reserve a spot (which includes a table) the donation is \$30. You may come to set up your spot/table at 8AM.

Spring is a great time to clear out all the extra and unwanted items in your house. You may donate these items to the Stella Maris Fund Raising "White Elephant" Table. We will accept books, jewelry, accessories and household items **AT MASS TIMES ONLY**, on the weekends in April, beginning April 9 & 10. Members of the Fund Raising Committee will be in the vestibule to accept your items on these weekends.

The Committee will also have a bake sale table at the Flea Market. We kindly ask if anyone wants to donate cakes, cookies, sweet treats (homemade or store bought are fine) to please let us know what you will bring and the price we should charge. You may then bring your sweet treat donations to Stella Maris Parking Lot on Saturday, May 14, from 8AM to 10AM, and ask for MaryAnn Jones. Food, water, and soda will also be available for purchase..

We are also asking if any men of the parish would be willing to volunteer to help us bring up the tables on Friday evening and we also need volunteers to help clean up at 3PM on Saturday.

If you are interested in a spot/table, would like to donate a cake/sweet treat, can volunteer to help with set up/clean up, and/or have any questions, please call the Rectory at 215-465-2336 during regular business hours.

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## CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CATHEDRAL STORE

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, located at 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City Philadelphia, invites you to visit the Cathedral Store. It is open year-round on Saturdays from 11:00AM to 5:15PM and Sundays from 10:30AM to 6:30PM (closed during Masses inside the Cathedral). The Cathedral Store is located inside the Cathedral to the right of the altar and through the double doors. Introducing the Official Custom Rosary for the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. This beautiful custom made rosary is handmade in Italy. Also available are inspirational gifts for the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation, as well as religious articles for your everyday needs.

**STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS  
UPCOMING TRIPS**



**Bus  
Trip**

**Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the  
National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception  
in Washington, DC**

On Saturday, April 23, 2016, our parish is hosting a Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The itinerary is as follows: Departure from Stella Maris Parking Lot at 8AM; arrival at Basilica approximately 11:30AM; lunch is on your own or you may "brown bag it"; Confessions, Basilica Tour, Crowning of Mary, etc.; Mass at 3PM, leaving Basilica at 4:15PM; dinner at Tony's Seafood at 5PM; depart for home at 6:30PM; 10PM approximate arrival home.

A few seats are still available. **The cost is \$95 per person, which is NOW due.** This includes round-trip transportation, dinner, taxes and gratuity. Make checks or money orders payable to Stella Maris. You may drop your payments off at the Rectory, or mail to: Stella Maris Church-Pilgrimage Committee, 2901 S. 10th St., Phila., PA 19148. Please call Marge Varley at 215-463-3386 for more information or to make reservations.



**CCD NEWS**

CCD Classes for the 2016-2017 school year will take place on Sunday mornings.

**Registration** for current and new students for CCD Classes for the 2016-2017 school year will take place in the Church Vestibule after all the Masses on the weekends of April 16 & 17; May 21 & 22 .

When registration takes place, you will need the following:

- 1) Completed Registration Form
- 2) Signed copy of "Appendix A" from the Handbook
- 3) Baptismal certificate for all **new** registrations (only if your child was **not baptized** at Stella Maris)
- 4) Signed letter of permission from your pastor (only if you are **not** a member of Stella Maris Parish)
- 5) Registration fee of \$150 per child for parishioners and \$175 per child for non-parishioners of Stella Maria

We are offering an **"Early Bird" Special** discount of \$25 per child to those who register **before May 23, 2016.** You may also register at the Rectory, Monday-Friday, 9AM -4PM, beginning April 18, 2016.



**STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR**

- Tuesday, April 5-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM,  
Vestibule Meeting Room
- Thursday, April 7-Pro-Life Meeting-7:00PM,  
Rectory Conference Room
- Sunday, April 10-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Saturday, April 16-First Communicants Party-1:00PM, Hall
- Sunday, April 17-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School
- Monday, April 18-Helping Hands Board Meeting-7:00PM,  
Rectory Conference Room
- Tuesday, April 19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1PM,  
Vestibule Meeting Room
- Sunday, April 24-CCD-9:15AM, Church/School

**SODALITY NEWS-WORLD SODALITY DAY**



On Sunday, April 10, 2016, St. Richard's Church will be the location for the 2016 celebration of the World Sodality Mass at 2:00PM, sponsored by the Sodalities of Our Lady.

Celebrant and Homilist will be Father Michael S. Olivere. **All Are Welcome!** Social/Refreshments will be served after the Mass in the School Hall. For information contact Linda Coffea at 215-518-2336.

**BacktoSchool**



**Registration for Our Lady of Hope School**

Registration for new students for the 2016-2017 is now open. Appointments can be made by calling the school office at 215-467-5385. Documents needed for registration are: Original birth certificate, Baptismal certificate, Social Security Card, Immunization records, and Registration fee of \$200 and tuition deposit of \$200. Make checks payable to Our Lady of Hope School. Financial Aid for the 2016-2017 school year is currently available for Kindergarten through Grade 8. Contact the school office for applications. Tours of the school are available by calling the school office to make an appointment.

**MERCY VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
OPEN HOUSE**



Mercy Vocational High School, located at 2900 W. Hunting Park Avenue Phila., PA 19129, is having their Spring Open House this Sunday, April 3, 2016, from 12NOON to 3PM. If you have any questions, please call 215-226-1225.



**SAINT MARY INTERPAROCHIAL SCHOOL  
OPEN HOUSE**

Saint Mary Interparochial School, located at 5th & Locust Streets, Phila., PA 19106, is having an Open House on Wednesday, April 20th from 8:30AM to 9:30AM. Parking will be permitted on both sides of Locust Street between 4th & 5th Streets. Discounted parking will be made available at Park America Inc., 249 S. 6th St., Phila., PA 19106 for \$10. Please have your parking ticket validated with the Saint Mary stamp at the Locust Street entrance. To RSVP for this event, please call 215-923-7522 or email Maryellen Raday at mraday@saintmarys.us.



**Reunion ST. MARIA GORETTI & BISHOP NEUMANN  
CLASS OF 1966-REUNION**



St. Maria Goretta and Bishop Neumann Class of 1966 combined "50th Reunion" on **Friday, October 21, 2016.** For detailed information, please **mail bsaffici@bn-smg-66reunion.org** or go to **www.millayclub.org/reunions.**

**SAINT MARIA GORETTI HIGH SCHOOL  
BABY BOOMER CLASS OF 1964**

We are looking for former classmates to celebrate our 70th Birthday on October 16, 2016 at Popi's Italian Restaurant. Please contact Denise at 267-234-1064 for additional information.



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**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.

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**STELLA MARIS MINISTRY**

As Christians we are called to share our time, talents, and treasures. Our Parish is asking you to share some of your time and talents by volunteering to be a part of one of our ministries (Lectors, Singers/Cantors, Ushers, etc.). If you are interested, please call the Rectory.

**Thank you and God bless.**

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**GET WELL WISHES FOR SISTER MARY AGNES**

If anyone would like to send get well wishes to Sister Mary Agnes Kinee IHM, our music director, you can mail them to: Mary Immaculate Convent, 1731 South 11th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148.

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**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.

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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. All names will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly. Thank you!



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**Information Sheet**

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**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.**