



Happy Mothers Day!

MAY 10, 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Stella Maris Parish

2901 S. 10TH STREET

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19148

May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter



Your Church Contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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.

God's Plan for Giving - Tithing-A Way of Life
Collection for weekend of May 2 & May 3

Income: Plate = \$ 4,062.00 + AWC = \$81.25= \$4,143.25

Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$ 13,680.28)

Total = (\$9,537.03)



STEWARDSHIP *Living*

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the love of a Mother. --- St. Therese of Lisieux

Please Pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Blaise Ambrosini, Dominick Anastasi, Nicholas Andreola, Neil Baldwin, Lisa Baranek, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, Kelly Ann Bodine, 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, Emilio Colella, Thomas Coco, Mary Conte, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Daniel DiCarlo, Louis DiBruno Matthew D'Imperio, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Michelle Dolce, Marie Donato, Lisa Donoffio, Lucy Dougherty, Vera Dolan, Dolore Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Vera Freni, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Dalonzo Sr., Russell Fiugalski, Jerry Francesco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Anthony Gentile, Gerta Goren, 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, Missy McGrath, Rita Mendicino, Harooz Morrall, Michelle Miller-Killian, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecilia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Joe Petrizzi, Sophie Philipp, Johanna Pizzo, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Heather Russino, Patricia Resniak, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, 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, Steven Tropea, Cindy Tuohey, Stephen Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Paul and Geri Verdi, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, Carolyn Young, Deborah Young, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.

We pray for our deceased Parishioners and Relatives:

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 May 10, 2026

Saturday May 9

5:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris

Sunday May 10

8:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris
 10:30 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris

Monday May 11

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday May 12

8:00 + Toby Massini

Wednesday May 13

8:00 + Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph
 5:00 + Intentions of Thomas Donnelly

Thursday May 14

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
 7:00 + Intentions of Jennifer Bull

Friday May 15

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald

Saturday May 16

8:00 + Margaux Leuzzi
 5:00 + Augusta Potito

Sunday May 17

8:00 + Ronald Lalli
 10:30 + Joseph Gatto

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Cosmo Campanella
 Requested By
 June, Bob, Louis and Holiday



Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Sister Lawrence
 Requested By
 Natalie and Vy Trinh



Adoration Chapel Candles

1) In Memory of
 Anna Ficiak and
 Francesca Calabretta
 Requested By
 Marie Calabretta



2) In Memory of
 Dmytro Ficiak and
 Giuseppi Calabretta
 Requested By
 Marie Calabretta

Paschal Candle

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



Letter from OUR PASTOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

To all of our Mothers, Grandmothers, Great-Grandmothers, Godmothers and all those women who fulfill the role of Motherhood, I wish you a happy and peaceful Mother's Day. May our Blessed Mother, Mary, intercede for all her children on this special day.

Today's readings emphasize the presence of Jesus in the world today through the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. Sent by Christ that His followers will continue to change the face of the earth, the Advocate encourages and intercedes for us. Through our faith, the Holy Spirit urges us forward to bring the Good News of God's love and mercy to those we meet wherever we go.

In our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, the Christian community has now spread beyond Jerusalem to include Samaria. The bitterness between the Samaritans and Jews had been addressed by Jesus, who imposed no boundaries or limitations on "love of neighbor."

In our Gospel from St. John, Jesus identifies the two greatest commandments: Love God and love our neighbors. These are simple words but living them out is no easy task. Love means laying down our lives for one another as Jesus has done for us. The disciples did not understand how Jesus could be with them unseen, or how they would never be orphaned. Later as they watch Him suffer and die, they begin to understand the depth of His love, but they remain fearful. True to His word, Jesus sent the Advocate to help them.

The nudging we feel to pray, to love one another, to help strangers, and to protect the innocent all represent our response to the Holy Spirit's urging us forward to be Christ alive. Christianity is not a private faith. The Holy Spirit moves us toward others, without judgment or division. When we act with humility, we lay down our lives. When we work for justice and care for the poor, we put the lives of others before our own. So, the question for us is, where do we see Jesus? We see Jesus today in one another and ourselves when we respond generously to the Holy Spirit. Hence the life of a Christian does not rely on theory or an intellectual system of laws. We are Christ alive in the world today because the Holy Spirit dwells within us.

A reminder that Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. It is the Ascension of Our Lord. There will be a 5:00 PM Vigil Mass on Wednesday, May 13, 2026; on Thursday, May 14, 2026, there will be 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM Mass.

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

God Bless,

Father Di Orio

STELLA MARIS/EPIPHANY

Religious Prep (CCD) 2026-2027

Early Registration is now open!

Requirements:

1. Students must be 6 or older by 9/1/26
2. Baptismal Certificate
3. Completed Registration Form by 7/6/26
***Early Bird Special \$140**
4. \$40 Deposit by 7/6/26

Email: stellamarisdre@comcast.net or

Phone: 215-465-2336

for information and forms

Please Note: After 7/6/26 Registration Fee \$175
Completed Registration Form and \$75 Deposit
due by 8/31/26

**Classes are held on Sunday mornings at
Stella Maris**

Catholic Charities of Philadelphia

Manna Bags

**Please help support one of the biggest food drives from
the Archdiocese!**

Manna Bags will be available at all of our Masses this weekend. Kindly return your filled Manna Bags OR bring in your own paper, plastic or reusable shopping bag(s) of canned goods on

Saturday, May 16 or Sunday May 17.

Canned food items in greatest need are : beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soup, and beans (red, black, pinto). These will help restock food cupboards throughout all five counties of the Archdiocese.

If you are unable to bring a bag of food, please consider donating online at:

www.nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org

Now, more than ever, it is crucial to support our neighbours in need.



Stella Maris Events

2026

Spring 2026—\$50 Grand Raffle

**\$50 Raffle tickets will be sold beginning in May 2026
for a drawing of 6 prizes which will be held after each
Mass the weekend of Nov. 22/23.
More information to follow.**

MOTHER'S DAY BIBLE TRIVIA

- 1) Which Catholic feast celebrates Mary's role as the Mother of the Church?
- 2) Which Gospel contains the account of Mary visiting her cousin Elizabeth?
- 3) Who is considered the patron saint of mothers?
- 4) Which Marian title refers to Mary's appearance to St. Juan Diego in Mexico?
- 5) Who was the mother of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, canonized alongside her husband in 2015?
- 6) Which Catholic holy day celebrates Mary's conception without original sin?
- 7) Which Old Testament figure is often seen as a model of faithful motherhood?
- 8) What is the name of the hymn traditionally sung in May to honor Mary?
- 9) What is the name of the prayer that begins with "Hail Mary, full of grace"?
- 10) What month is traditionally dedicated to Mary in the Catholic Church?

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

Answers to Trivia Questions

- 1) The Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church
- 2) The Gospel of Luke.
- 3) St. Monica.
- 4) Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- 5) St. Zélie Martin.
- 6) The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.
- 7) Hannah, the mother of Samuel.
- 8) "Bring Flowers of the Rarest"
- 9) The Hail Mary.
- 10) May.

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 Thursday 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. Contact 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 #

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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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