

May 12, 2024
Seventh Sunday of Easter



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

Collection for weekend of May 4 & May 5

Income: Plate = \$5,291.00 + AWC = \$85.00 = \$5,376.00
Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$26,692.97)
Total = (\$21,316.97)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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: "Loving God, you have made us in your image and placed your truth within our hearts that we might know, love, and serve you.. Consecrate us further with the truth of the gospel and direct our feet in the way you wish us to walk. Let us live in your joy."
 -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 Ciparone, 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, Carolyn 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 May 12, 2024*

Saturday - May 11

5:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris

Sunday - May 12

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

Monday - May 13

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - May 14

8:00 + Fathers Amalfortano, Griffin and Esposito

Wednesday - May 15

8:00 + Living and Deceased members of Stella Maris

Thursday - May 16

8:00 + Peggy Juliano

Friday - May 17

8:00 + Salvatore, Frank and Rose Primerano

Saturday - May 18

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald
 5:00 + Margaux Leuzzi

Sunday - May 19

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of the O'Brien, DeCrosta, Connolly and Settle families
 10:30 + Anna Ficiak and Francesca Calabretta



Church Sanctuary Lamp

For the Intentions of
 Charlie Brett

Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
 Gloria Angelozzi
 Requested by
 Michael and Maria Bryson



Adoration Chapel Candles

In Memory of
 Theresa Petrella
 Requested by
 Carol Ann Greco



Paschal Candle

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



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

To all 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.

In today's Gospel from John, Jesus knows He must leave His disciples in a dangerous and troubling place to "go to the Father," and He worries about who will protect them from a world that has "hated them" for bearing God's word. The fact that Jesus sends His followers into the world is an indication that it needs to hear God's word (i.e. needs "saving"). Jesus calls them to build His Church. That won't be accomplished by looking back at the good times in Galilee, but only by looking forward knowing the Holy Spirit will guide them. In the first reading, the Holy Spirit is meticulously at work choosing Judas Iscariot's successor. The one chosen has the full resolve and assistance of the prayer-filled Christian community. The Gospel shows the apostles themselves preparing to be missioned to the waiting world from which Jesus chose them. John's epistle tells them the message they will preach to this world. It is one of John's favorite themes. It is simply faith and love. It is a message to be lived as much as to be preached. However, the missionary mandate is also a way of saying that the world is worth saving. We see the Risen Jesus as not above the world but rather, by His dying and rising, He renews and regenerates a world worn down by human sinfulness.

The Catholic vision of this situation has tended to be that there is no fundamental opposition between Christianity and the world. We are to transform it. It doesn't make sense to believe in the saving, incarnational work of Jesus and then see the world as evil. However, because the evil one exists, he will do everything in his power to keep the world from being transformed. Jesus prays for the disciples, asking the Father to keep them from the "evil one". While on earth, Jesus Himself protected all His disciples, but now that He is leaving, He entrusts the community to God's care. Jesus acknowledged that the work of the disciples in the world will not be easy. There has already been manifested opposition to the word that Jesus has given the disciples. Thus, clearly, they will have to live and work amid opposition. Therefore, as Christians, we have been elected by God to carry on the message and ministry of Jesus. We must love one another regardless of the opposition. We must simply live out our faith and love.

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

God bless,
Father Di Orio

**STELLA MARIS/EPIPHANY
CCD REGISTRATION 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.



**STELLA MARIS 2024 LOTTERY CALENDAR
WINNING NUMBERS OF
April 29th THROUGH May 5th**

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| MONDAY | #072-\$45 |
| TUESDAY | #502-\$45 |
| WEDNESDAY | #880-\$45 |
| THURSDAY | #686-\$45 |
| FRIDAY | #715-\$45 |
| SATURDAY | #392-\$50 |
| SUNDAY | #744-\$50 |



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.

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!

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 Rectory, 2901 S. 10th St. Phila. PA 19148

MANNA BAGS

Manna Bags are available at all Masses. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag by **05/18/24 - 05/19/24**. Canned foods items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pastas, soups, and pork and beans.

Manna Prayer

Jesus, many times throughout Your life You fed the hungry and You called others to help. You called the young child with the loaves and fishes to share His gifts. You call each one of us today. Open our eyes to the needs of others. Open our ears to hear Your call to share. Open our hearts to welcome all people to the table of love.

AMEN.

Stella Maris Sodality Blessing of the Waters Ocean City, NJ Thursday, August 15, 2024

INCLUDES:

- Blessing of the Waters Mass & Procession at St. Damien Parish
- Resorts Casino \$20 Meal Voucher
- Resorts Casino with Bonus: \$10.00 Slots
- Round-trip Motorcoach Transportation via JC Tours
- All Taxes & Gratuities (Except driver & Casino restaurant)

\$80.00 per person

Depart 8:00 Am: Phila. PA 10th \$ Bigler @ Stella Maris and 7:00pm Approx. arrival home.

For Reservations Call
Cathy Everett 215-465-7451

- Full Payment due on or before June 30, 2024
- Make Checks Payable to: Stella Maris Sodality
- Mail payments to: Stella Maris Rectory
2901 S. 110th St. Phila. PA 19148

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

MARRIED COUPLES: When's the last time you gave your marriage a tune-up? Keep your engines running by getting away together on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next in-person experience is July 12-14 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit:

<https://www.wwmephillly.org>

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

**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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