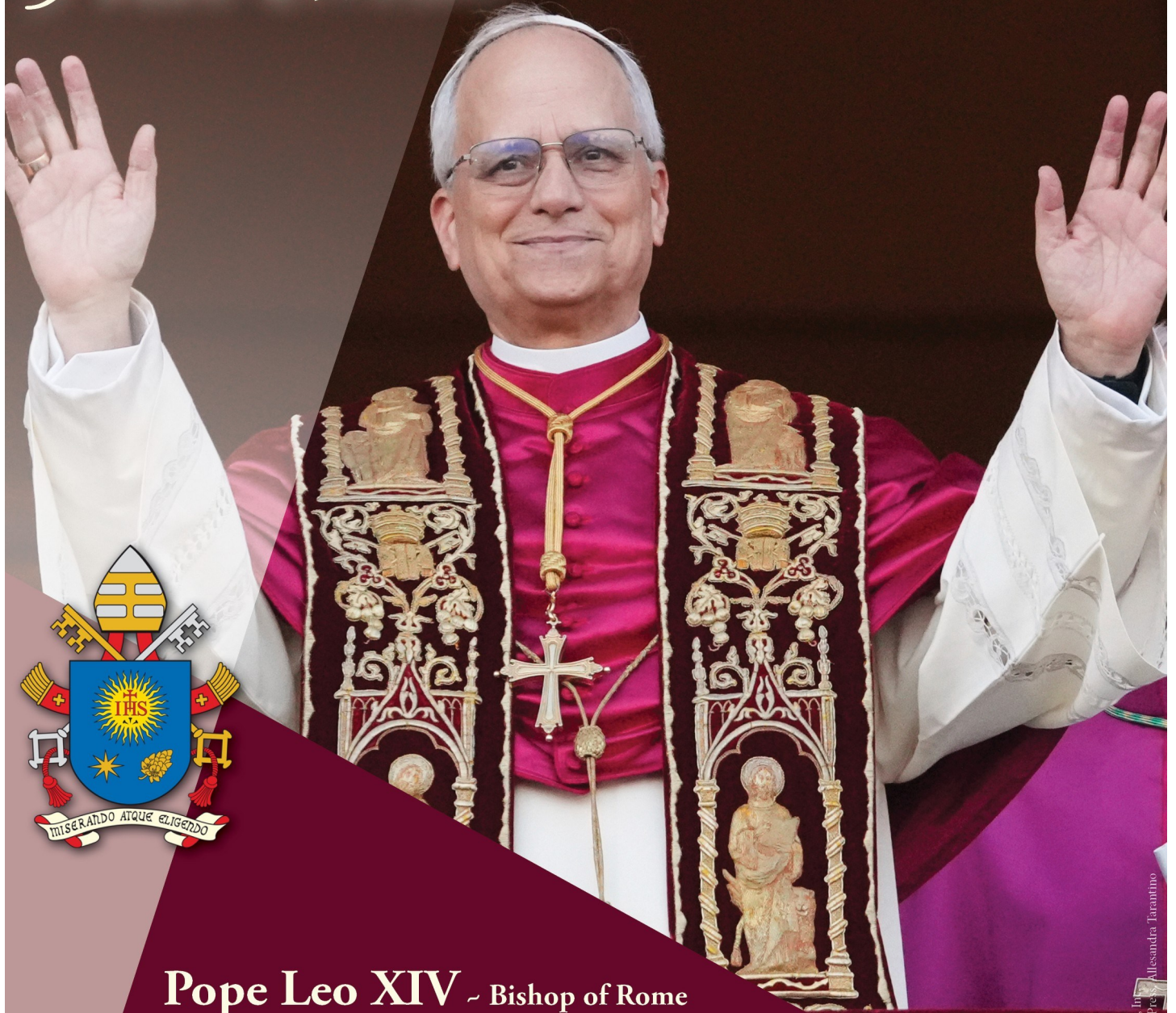


Habemus PAPA!



Pope Leo XIV ~ Bishop of Rome
Formerly Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A.
First American Pope
May 8, 2025

Stella Maris Parish
May 18, 2025
Fifth Sunday Of Easter

May 18, 2025 Fifth 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Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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.

Living Stewardship:

“Only a people that knows God and defends spiritual and moral values can truly go towards a profound peace and also become a strength of peace for the world and others.”

-Pope Benedict XVI



Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Neil Baldwin, Lisa Baranek, Raymond Baxter, 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, 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 Donoflio, 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, Ellen Gabarino, 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, Rita Mendicino, Harooz Morrall, 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, Thomas Palagruto, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Patricia Resniak, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Rocco Santangelo, Steve Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Erica Siderio, 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, 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 May 18, 2025

Saturday - May 17

5:00 + Primerano Family

Sunday - May 18

8:00 + Sr. Lawrence Elizabeth, SSJ

10:30 + Living and Deceased Members of Nardy and Delia Families

Monday - May 19

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - May 20

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Wednesday - May 21

8:00 + Vivone and Tecco Families

Thursday - May 22

8:00 + Milton Kosmin

Friday - May 23

8:00 + Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph

Saturday - May 24

8:00 + Marion Iconangelo

5:00 + Augusta Potito

Sunday - May 25

8:00 + Ronald Lalli

10:30 + Veterans Mass



Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Angelozzi and Picnataro Families
Requested by
Michael and Maria Bryson



Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Frank McAnally
Requested by
Brenden and Elisabeth Naughton



Adoration Chapel Candles

- 1) In Memory of
Donna Salvatore
Requested by
Her husband Ronald
- 2) For the Living and Deceased Members
of Stella Maris



Paschal Candle

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





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Habemus Papam Leo XIV! We have a Pope Leo XIV! What a wonderful time for the Church. Robert Francis Prevost, O.S.A. of the United States of America was elected pope Thursday, May 8, 2025, becoming the 1st American Pope. He chose the name Leo, suggesting he intends to work on behalf of the working class by continuing the legacy of his predecessor Pope Leo XIII. Let us remember Pope Leo XIV in our prayers as he begins his papacy.

At this time of the year, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia confers the Sacrament of Holy Orders on young men who have been called to priesthood. This year we congratulate our five new priests Rev. Robert Bollinger, Rev. Peter Nguyen, Rev. Przemyslaw Rozestwinski, Rev. Edward Town, and Rev. Richard Withers who have been ordained for our Archdiocese by Archbishop Nelson J. Perez this past Saturday May 17, 2025. We congratulate them and pray that their journey as priests be happy and blessed. As you can see the need for priests is great. There has not been a vocation to the priesthood from Stella Maris Parish for many decades. Keep this intention, “a vocation to the priesthood and religious life” from our parish in your prayers

In today’s Gospel from St. John, Jesus gives a command to “Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.” This new commandment opens the door to the foundation of Christian living, the way of love. In order to fulfill this command, we need to look at how Jesus loved and how that love is concretely manifested in some of today’s disciples. To make proper use of this command, we must understand that the command to love is the center of Jesus’ teaching and the center of Christian life. Jesus’ love is unconditional and sacrificial. While hanging on the cross in agony, He forgave those who crucified Him. Do we forgive those who hurt us? Do we truly love our enemies? Jesus’ first great sacrifice was becoming human. He accepted the limits of time and space to embrace our humanity so that He could save us. Are we willing to share our time and talents with others? Jesus loved social outcasts as well as the rich leaders. Do we discriminate in the people we choose to love? Jesus treated all as equals. Do we treat others as equal or, do we look down upon them? Jesus’ love was compassionate. Are we compassionate to those who need a shoulder to cry on? True love requires us to care about others, always putting them first. We cannot truly love God if we do not love them. The basic challenge of the Good News is to love all people, including those whom we dislike. If we do not perceive Christ’s call to love as being the motivation and inspiration of our decisions and actions, then we have yet to understand the Christian life. Genuine love is the hallmark of Christianity. John’s Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. He presents a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. Therefore, the question for all of us is, how well do we love? The way Jesus loved was unconditional and sacrificial. To love this way is a way that countered cultural norms. Are we willing to be counter cultural? Loving, in the Christian context, is not a more intense form of liking. To like people means that we experience them as agreeable or pleasant. In contrast, to love people means that, regardless of whether or not we consider them agreeable or likable, we respect them. We are always patient and kind toward them. We are not Christians for what we can get out of Christianity. We are Christians so we can give God honor and glory. Each day requires an active commitment to live this new commandment, to open our hearts in the love and joy of Jesus Christ. We share the good news best by the way we live and model the teachings of Jesus.

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

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| Ashley Alvarez | Allison Hernandez |
| Ashley Analco-Gonzalez | Guadalupe (Lupita) Hernandez |
| Ashley Escobar | Gabriela Manzanarez |
| Naomi Guzman-Zapata | Alexis Martinez-Medina |
| Evelyn Martinez | |

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

God bless,
Father Di Orio



Below is a donation that has been made to honor the memory of loved ones who have passed on, but will never be forgotten.

In Memory of

Sr. Lawrence Elizabeth, SSJ

Donor

Mrs. Carol Tempesta

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA
TELEVISED MASS

Every Sunday, at 5:30AM on Channel 6-WPVI TV, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia celebrates Sunday Mass, which is broadcast through the courtesy of Channel 6-WPVI.

JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee of 2025 is a Holy year of grace and Pilgrimage in the Catholic Church. The Jubilee occurs every 25 years and is a time for Catholics to come together and grow in their faith. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee is “Pilgrims of Hope”

For your desired Pilgrimage, please visit

www.catholicpilgrimoffice.com OR
coordinator@catholicpilgrimoffice.com

MANNA BAGS

Manna Bags are available at all Masses. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag by this weekend **05/17/25 - 05/18/25**. Canned foods items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pastas, soups, and pork and beans.

If you are not able to bring a filled bag, feel free to donate online at:

www.nutritionaldevelopmentservices.org

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

save the date

For one night and one night only the legendary actor, comedian, and performer at St. Monica for Friday with Frank!

with Special Guest

Joe Piscopo

Best known for playing Frankie Valli in "Jersey Boys."

09/12/25

Michael Longoria

more information to follow

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

There is an 8 week Bereavement Support Group which runs several times each year at TJUH Methodist Hospital. Each week participants will have the opportunity to support one another and learn about different topics within the grieving process. For more information, please call the Department of Pastoral Care at **215-952-9547**.

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CatholicPhilly.com is the online successor to the Catholic Standard and Times. Read local and world Catholic news every day. Sign up for their free, weekly email newsletter!

STELLA MARIS PARISH CLOTHING DRIVE

Stella Maris Helping Hands is sponsoring a Clothing Drive on **Saturday, 05/24/25** from **9:00AM to 12Noon**, to benefit the *St. Vincent De Paul Society*. An attendant will be in parking lot 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.

**Stella Maris/Epiphany
CCD 2025-2026**

**Early Registration for
Religious Education now open!**

Requirements:

1. Students must be 6 years or older by 9/1/25
2. Baptismal Certificate
3. Completed Registration Form by 6/30/25
4. \$40 Deposit by 6/30/25

Early Bird Special \$140

Email: stellamarisdre@comcast.net

Phone: 215-465-2336 for information and forms

Note: After 6/30/25 Registration Fee \$175

Completed Registration Form and

\$75 Deposit due by 8/29/25

Classes are held on Sunday mornings



**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 and Oct. 11-13 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit:

<https://www.wwme-philly.org>

Or contact Al & Mary Liz at:

Application@wwme-philly.org

Phone: 610-449-1859

HEART TO HEART

**An Archdiocesan Gathering of
Young Adult Women**

JUNE 7, 2025

9:00 AM — 5:00 PM

Join women in our 20s and 30s for fellowship, keynotes, adoration, lunch, and much more of heart speaking to heart!

**THE THEME FOR THE 2025 GATHERING IS
“ DAUGHTERHOOD!”**

Registration: \$40

Location: National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa

Question? Contact: hearttoheartya@gmail.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 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 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 #



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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