



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.

May 21, 2023
Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

Collection for weekend of May 6 & May 7

Income: Plate = \$5,952.00 + AWC = \$72.50 = \$6,024.50

Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$20,082.20)

Total = (\$14,057.70)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

“The secret of holiness is friendship with Christ and faithful obedience to His will.”

“The better you know Jesus the more His mystery attracts you. The more you discover Him, the more you are moved to seek Him.”

-Pope Benedict XVI



Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Jeannette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Dottie Arcuri, 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, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Thomas Coco, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio & Family, Louis DiBruno, Matthew D'Imperio, Dom Dinella, Kathy Dinella, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Deborah Dolce, Marie Donato, Lisa Donoflio, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Fiugalski, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Ellen Gabarino, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Bethany Hopkins, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Ashleigh Leone, Stacey Loke Pelle, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Marsha Magen, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, 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, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophie Philipp, Johanna Pizzo, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, 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, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.



We pray for our deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends: ROSE RAFFERTY MICHAEL WEAVER

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 21, 2023*

Sunday - May 21

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald

10:30 + Maria Squillacioti

Monday - May 22

8:00 + Communion Prayer Service

Tuesday - May 23

8:00 + In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday - May 24

8:00 + Gloria Angelozzi

Thursday - May 25

8:00 + Henry Barone

Friday - May 26

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Saturday - May 27

8:00 + Rita Giunta

5:00 + Anna Salmieri

Sunday - May 28

8:00 + Margaret Zoller

10:30 + Veterans Mass



Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Lina Maniaci

Requested by
Loretta Mirarchi and Family

Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Henry Barone

Requested by
Lorinda Fina



Paschal Candle

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

MANNA BAGS

Your **filled Manna Bag** should be returned **this weekend, 05/20/23-05/21/23**. If you were unable to bring a filled Manna Bag, you can still help by making a donation online at:

<https://yougivegoods.com/drive/view/26972>



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

In Memory of

Rose Cappetto

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Donor

Emilio and Maureen Matticoli and
Michael-Ann and Michael Cooper
Tina and Steven Sheets



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We congratulate our seven new priests who have been ordained for our Archdiocese by Archbishop Nelson Perez this past Saturday May 20, 2023:

Rev. Anthony Albanese	Rev. Phong Le
Rev. Shane Flanagan	Rev. John Okpara
Rev. Randall Kraft	Rev. Kenneth Omeke
Rev. Wesley Taveras	

We 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/or religious life” from our parish in your prayers.

The theme of today’s reading is prayer. Jesus prays for us, but not random prayer, rather, prayer that highlights a dependence on God and an openness to what God may want. Jesus is at the Last Supper with His closest followers. He is praying a lengthy prayer to His Father. What Jesus is asking is that His mission be brought to its redemptive conclusion. Jesus is offering His life-giving death as the culmination of His total submission in glorifying His Father. Jesus thanks His Father for glorifying Him in turn by bestowing on Him His rightful titles as Son and Lord. Jesus further adds glory to the Father by extending to others the life Jesus enjoys with His Father. Didn’t His Father promise to claim anyone as His own who accepts Jesus as Lord and Savior? From today’s readings, it may become obvious how Jesus’ model of praying influenced His disciples. Throughout their moments together, Jesus’ disciples notice how many times He called upon His Father in prayer. They also saw that it was not because of obligation, but because Jesus had an intimate relationship with Him. What His followers admired most was Jesus’ sincere love for His Father. The bond forged between them was loving and irreversible. This quality is what the apostles and women followers bring to the Upper Room as they gather in anticipation of the appearance of the Holy Spirit. Coming together in faith, the disciples realize that when prayer has God as its center, God comes quickly. God gave us to Jesus, which reminds us that we belong to God because of our Baptism. Therefore, God wants to be a part of our lives just as He is a part of Jesus’ life. Through His prayer, Jesus is also reassuring them of His ongoing care and protection. He knows that they will struggle with the events of the next few days, and He wants to plant these words deep in their hearts and minds. When our lives get chaotic and we are dealing with difficult situations, it is hard to hear the words of Jesus. Jesus prayed that just as He “knows” the Father, He hopes His followers will also “know” the Father. Coming to know God is the whole point of prayer. Knowing God has consequences in our world, and in fact, knowing God is the basis of joy in eternal life. We must learn to “offer it up” so that our intimacy with God can grow. Jesus shows us how prayer anchors us in God all our days, including the day of our death. He shows us how prayer binds us to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit in an intimate relationship of lasting love. We are also shown how prayer deepens our union with God and each other, enabling us to live the faith we profess. We need to develop regular habits of prayer and resting in God’s presence.

Jesus also cautions His followers that the world will hate them for the message that He brings. This is a theme throughout John’s Gospel, the battle between the dark and the light. But we know from the very first chapter that the darkness will not overcome the light. These words from Jesus aren’t a call to engage in the culture wars that at times seem to surround us. While threats to Christianity around the world are very real, the Gospel reminds us to focus on the light and to remember the prayer that Jesus prayed for His followers, (us). The reality of the Resurrection does not make life easy. However, it does give us hope to live our lives in love.

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

God bless,
Father Di Orio

STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

The Seniors are sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City from **09/27/23 through 09/29/23**, (3days, 2 nights). Cost is \$282pp for double/triple occupancy; \$425pp for single occupancy. Cost includes: round-trip motorcoach transportation via JC Tours, 2 night stay at **Tropicana Casino** with \$30 slots, \$50 food and Matinee Show-*The Spinners*, baggage handling–1 bag per person; **Resorts Casino** with \$15 slots and meal voucher; **Bally’s Casino** with \$20 slots; all taxes and gratuities (except for restaurants, hotel maid and JC Tours driver). **Deposits of \$210pp for single occupancy or \$140pp for double/triple occupancy, are now due. Full payment is due no later than 07/10/23.**

Make checks payable to Star of the Sea Seniors, (mail payments to: Stella Maris Rectory, c/o Star of the Sea Seniors, **Attention: Rose Giovanelli**, 2901 South 10th St., Phila., PA 1948). For more information or reservations, contact **Marge Varley at 215-463-3386 or 267-882-7717.**

STELLA MARIS/EPIPHANY CCD REGISTRATION 2023-2024

Registration for our Religious Education Program for the 2023-2024 school year is now open!

Requirements:

- 1) Students must be 6 years or older by 09/01/23
- 2) Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- 3) Completed Registration Form by 09/01/23
- 4) Registration Fee of \$175 (\$75 Deposit) by 09/01/23

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

Email: stellamarisdre@comcast.net

or

Phone 215-465-2336

For information and forms

Please note: CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have called for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the USA, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. Visit: phillyeucharisticrevival.org.

“Prayer for the Revival”

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. (three times)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

Quo Vadis Days 2023

Quo Vadis Days, run by the Philadelphia seminarians and sponsored by the Vocation Office for Diocesan Priesthood, is a **4-day/3-night camp** for high school men (incoming freshmen to graduating seniors). This camp seeks to ask the question: *Where are you going?* Focusing on our theme, *Dearest God, Give Me Holiness*, young men will have the opportunity to reflect on how God is working in their lives while engaging in fun activities, daily prayer experiences, and great talks.

Quo Vadis will take place at Black Rock Retreat Center, 1345 Kirkwood Pike, Quarryville, PA 17566, from **Monday, 06/26/23 through Thursday, 06/29/23**. Registration is now open, and due by **May 31, 2023**. The registration fee (sliding scale from \$25-\$300-pay what you are able) includes all meals, lodging, T-shirt, snacks, activities, and optional bus transportation.

If you have questions, contact **Jillian Minnich**, Program Coordinator, at jminnich@archphila.org or call the Vocations Office at **610-667-5778**.

STELLA MARIS SODALITY TRIP TO BLESSING OF THE WATER IN ATLANTIC CITY

Stella Maris Sodality is sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City for the Blessing of the Waters on **Tuesday, August 15, 2023**.

Cost is \$55 per person and the schedule is as follows:

- *Depart Stella Maris Church at 8:00AM
- *Arrive at St. Augustine's Church for the Blessing of the water at 9:30AM
- *Depart for Resorts Casino at 12NOON
- *Arrive at Resorts Casino at 12:30PM and receive \$10 in Slot Play
- *Depart for Home at 5:30PM
- *Arrive at Stella Maris Church approximately 7:00PM

You must have a government issued Photo ID to receive the Casino Bonus.

Casino Package subject to change at Any Time

To make your reservation or for more information, please call Cathy Everett at 215-465-7451. **Reservation and full payment is due no later than Thursday, June 15, 2023**. Make checks payable to Stella Maris Sodality, and mail to Stella Maris Sodality, 2901 South 10th St., Phila., PA 19148.

WEEKLY WORLD MISSION ROSARY

Every Monday at 8PM you can pray the World Mission Rosary, created by Venerable Fulton Sheen via Zoom. To join in the Monday evening Live Rosary, please visit the Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/494480541>. Join in as we ask for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary for our Catholic faith, world peace, personal intentions, and for the Missions world-wide!

Sponsored by the Pontifical Missions Society (phillymissions.org).

GO FORTH: DEEPEN YOUR DISCIPLESHP, GROW IN MISSION

Archbishop Perez wants to text you! Join Archbishop Perez in his mission to create a culture of missionary disciples in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia! Through the *Go Forth* initiative, you can subscribe to receive a weekly text from the Archbishop with one action step you can take that week to deepen your friendship with Jesus or grow in your mission to bring Jesus to others.

There are two ways to subscribe to receive the texts: (1) use your phone to **text goforth to the number 84576**, or (2) visit the website phillydisciples.org/goforth.

Texts continue weekly through February 2024.

NAZARETH ACADEMY NEWS

Nazareth Academy is offering a variety of summer programs, including a Summer Enrichment program for girls entering 7th and 8th grades in the fall, as well as Art Camp, STEM Camp, and athletic camps which include basketball, cheer, lacrosse, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Dates and times vary throughout the summer. For more information and online registration, visit:

NazarethAcademyHS.org/SummerPrograms

PHILLY'S LARGEST BABY SHOWER

In conjunction with the Annual Philadelphia March for Life, and in recognition of the reversal of Roe v. Wade, the Pro-Life Union invites everyone to participate in Philly's Largest Ever Baby Shower. **Trucks will be stationed at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul on Saturday, 06/03-06/04** to accept items needed by pregnant moms and babies. Let's show the Delaware Valley that we are more than anti-abortion, "We are Pro-Life"! For more information, call **215-885-8150**.

POWER AND PRAISE CELEBRATION WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

On **Saturday, 05/27/23**, from **7:30PM to 9:00PM**, at the **Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul**, the Archdiocesan Charismatic Renewal invites everyone to this special time of prayer, praise and worship, with reflections by Rev. G. Dennis Gill, and prayer teams offering personal prayer. Join and celebrate those who will be baptized in the Holy Spirit as they are completing their Life in the Spirit Seminar. Also invited are those who have participated in this seminar over the past two years to recommit themselves to the Holy Spirit. Music Ministry will be *Martha's House*. Also, plan also to attend the Extended Pentecost Vigil Mass at 5:15PM prior to the Power and Praise Celebration to make it an extra special evening! **There is limited parking in the Cathedral Lot-enter on 17th Street**. For more information, visit www.phillyspirit.com.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

Please patronize those who advertise here in our Church Bulletin. They enable us to publish our bulletin each week and we are grateful for their support. Tell them you are giving them business because you saw their advertisement in our Church Bulletin.

**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.pavingforseniorcare.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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

The Center provides an authentically Catholic approach to women's reproductive healthcare and follows Catholic medical ethics. The providers treat women in various age groups-from teen to seniors-and offer gynecologic care, yearly women's check-ups and natural family planning instruction in the Creighton Model Fertility Care System. Services are available in English and Spanish. The Gianna Center of Philadelphia is located in East Norriton (very close to the Plymouth Meeting Mall). For more information, call the center at 844-204-0005 or visit phgiannacenter.org.

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 HONOR/MEMORY OF:

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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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