

Stella Maris Parish

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



Celebrating 65 Years
1954-2019

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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

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 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.

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

May 5, 2019
Third Sunday of Easter

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Mass Intentions For
The Week of May 5, 2019

Sunday—May 5

8:00 + Rita and Anthony Badame
9:30 + Concetta, Anna, and Luisa Innaurato
11:00 + Anthony Bologna

Monday—May 6

8:00 + The Vivone and Tecco Families

Tuesday—May 7

8:00 + Robert Green

Wednesday—May 8

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Thursday—May 9

8:00 + Michael DeStefano

Friday—May 10

8:00 + Danny Rapp and Family

Saturday—May 11

8:00 + Domenic and Giuseppe Campese
5:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris

Sunday—May 12 (Mother's Day)

8:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris
9:30 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris
11:00 + Living and Deceased Mothers of Stella Maris



God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life		
Collection for weekend of April 27 & April 28		
Income: Plate = \$4,576.00 + AWC = \$102.50 =		\$4,678.50
Bills Paid= Total Disbursements =		(\$7,285.32)
Total =		(\$2,606.82)

Living Stewardship-Living God's Word: *"Many of our young people erroneously imagine that commitment and making definitive decisions entail the loss of freedom. It is right to remind them...that people become free when they unconditionally commit themselves to truth and goodness. Only in this way, if they keep Jesus at the center of their lives, will they be able to give life meaning and build something important and lasting."*

Automated Withdrawal Contributions (AWC):

Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn monthly from your account and deposited directly to your parish. Your offering can be in any amount. Please call the Rectory for more information. Thank you!

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for all the sick that they may be comforted:

Jeanette Albanese, Rosario Allia, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Maryann Baranek, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Enrico Belfi, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappetto, William Carbo, Vincent Carchidi, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Elaine Cipparone, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, Anna Del Vecchio and the Del Vecchio Family, Matthew D'Imperio, Lynn DiOrio, Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Louis Falciani, Virginia Faulkner, Frank Filippello, Samuel Fiore, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Dakota Hussein, Alice Idell, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Barbara Lalli, Ronald Lalli, Samantha LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Kathleen Nardy, Theodore Norkus, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophia Phillips, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Reed, Jason Rindone, Stella Rizzo, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, Mary Toscano, James Trainor Jr., Alessandra Trimarco, Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohy, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, the military disabled, the home-bound, and their families.

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Anthony Bologna

Requested by
His wife, Loretta



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Edward A. Altieri Sr.

Requested by
The Locicero Family



Adoration Chapel Lamp

1) In Memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Flavio and Stella Palestini
Requested by
The Palestini Family

2) For the Living and Deceased
Parishioners of Stella Maris



Paschal Candle

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

Donated by
Robert and Donna Kubicky



Rest in Peace We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners,
Relatives and Friends:

CLARA FIORAVANTI

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.



BAKE SALE

We are having a **BAKE SALE** after all Masses next weekend, **Mother's Day Weekend, 05/11/19-05/12/19**, sponsored by our CCD Level 6.
Donations accepted. Please drop off your baked donations on Saturday, 05/11/19, from 2:00PM to 4:30PM in the church vestibule. Thank you for your support!

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In today's Gospel from St. John, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" And Peter's response is, "Yes Lord, you know that I love You." Then Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." However, when Jesus asked the question of Peter, it is unclear to what "these" means. "These" could mean Peter's profession as a fisherman, his boats, his friends, etc. Jesus is asking Peter to love Him above everything and everyone. Once Peter puts Christ first and truly becomes His disciple, then he would be able to feed His lambs. Discipleship requires that we love Christ above everything and everyone.

The question then for us is, what are the "these" in our lives? What do we love more than Jesus? Do we love our comfort more than we love Jesus? Do we love our pleasures more or our success more than Jesus? Do we love what is politically correct more than Jesus who teaches us moral values? Do we love what the majority says is acceptable more than what Jesus says is truth? Do we love not being ridiculed for our stance on the values that Jesus teaches? Do we love our sense of freedom more than having to stretch out our hands and having someone lead us where we do not want to go? Are we willing to be disciples of Jesus?

Perhaps we should note that in the Gospels, the Apostles never could accomplish anything without Jesus' help. If we want something more than we now know, we should decide what or whom we love more than anything or anyone else. "Do you love Me more than these?"

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

God Bless!
Fr. Di Orio



**PLEASE NOTE NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE
EFFECTIVE THE WEEKEND OF 06/22/19-06/23/19**

**Saturday evening Vigil Mass-5:00PM
Sunday Masses-8:00AM and 10:30AM**

**(As of 06/23/19, there will no longer be
9:30AM or 11:00AM Masses on Sundays)**



PREP/CCD NEWS

Registration for PREP/CCD classes for the 2019-2020 school year is under way. **This weekend, May 4/May 5, after all Masses in the church vestibule**, someone will be available if you wish to register. Also, you may register at the Rectory, Monday to Friday, between 9:00AM and 3:00PM.

The following is required for Registration:

- 1) Completed Registration Form and Fee
(Registration fee of \$175 per child for Stella Maris Parishioners; \$200 per child for non-parishioners)
- 2) Signed copy of "Appendix B" from the CCD Handbook
- 3) Signed letter of permission from your pastor (only if you are not a member of Stella Maris Parish)
- 4) Baptismal certificate for all new registrations (only if your child was **not baptized** at Stella Maris)

**Early Bird Special for those
who register by this Sunday, May 5, 2019.**
\$135 for child for Stella Maris parishioners
\$160 per child for non-parishioners of Stella Maris

Please note: CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings.



MANNA FOOD DRIVE

Manna Bags will be distributed at all Masses next weekend, 05/11/19-05/12/19. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag on Saturday, 05/18/19 or Sunday, 05/19/19. Canned food items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruits, vegetables, pastas, soups, and pork and beans. If you are not able to bring a filled bag, feel free to donate online at:

<https://yougivegoods.com/mannadrive>

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 HELPING HANDS
CLOTHING DRIVE**



It's the time of year to put away the cold weather gear and get ready for the warm sunshine! It's time to clean out those closets and drawers of items you can no longer use. Please consider donating your items to the Stella Maris Helping Hands Clothing Drive, which is being held on **Saturday, May 18, 2019**. The "Green Drop" truck will be in the parking lot, near the Convent, from **11:30AM to 3:30PM**. Items being accepted for donation are:

- *Usable, clean men's, women's, and children's clothing
- *Sheets, blankets, pillows, and comforters
- *Small appliances in working order
- *Silverware, dishes, drinking glasses
- *Toys, books, knickknacks, decorations
- *Small electronics, flat screen TV'S (no tubes)
- *Flat screen computer monitors and computers
- *Table lamps (no floor lamps)
- *Furniture under 50 pounds (nothing upholstered)

(Tax forms will be available)

Thank you for your support.



BLESSING OF THE WATERS AND TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

The Sodality trip to **Ocean City, NJ** for the Blessing of the Waters will be **Thursday, August 15, 2019**. The cost of **\$75 per person is non-refundable, with full payment due no later than Friday, 05/31/19 (this is a revised due date)**. Cost includes Mass at Saint Damien's, procession to the Blessing of the Waters, sit-down lunch at the Tuckahoe Inn, a visit to the Resorts Casino (with a \$25 Slot Bonus), round-trip motorcoach, all taxes and gratuities (except driver). Please make checks payable to: **Stella Maris Sodality, 2901 South 10th St., Phila., PA 19148**. For reservations or information, please call Marge at 215-463-3386, Helen at 215-468-6618, or Cathy at 215-465-7451.



STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Seniors are sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City from **September 23rd through September 25th**. Cost is \$280 per person for Double/Triple Occupancy; \$395 for Single Occupancy. Cost includes: 2 night stay at **Resorts Casino** with \$25 slot bonus, two \$25 meal vouchers (valid at Breadsticks, Eastwind & Capriccio), \$5 meal voucher and Show Revue (based on availability), **Tropicana Casino** visit with \$TBA slot bonus and Carmine's meal voucher; **Caesars Casino** visit with \$25 slot bonus, buffet lunch, and "Carol King's Beautiful Tribute" Show; baggage handling (1 per person); all taxes and gratuities (except for restaurants and bus driver); round-trip motorcoach transportation via JC Tours. **Deposit of \$140 (double/triple occupancy) or \$197 (single occupancy) is due upon registration but no later than this Tuesday, 05/07/19; final payment/balance (\$140/\$198) is due no later than 07/18/19. 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 S. 10th St., Philadelphia, PA 1948). For more information or reservations, contact: Marge Varley at 215-463-3386, or Helen Wagenborg at 215-468-6618.



STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS TRIP TO NEW YORK

Star of the Sea Seniors are sponsoring a trip to New York to see the Broadway Musical, "**Pretty Woman**" on **Wednesday, 10/09/19**. The cost is **\$230 per person**, which includes the show, dinner at Carmine's, and round-trip motorcoach. A **non-refundable deposit of \$115 is due upon reservation, but no later than Tuesday, 06/04/19. The remaining balance of \$115 is to be paid no later than 09/09/19. Please make checks payable to Star of the Sea Seniors, and mail to: Star of the Sea Seniors, 2901 South 10th Street, Phila., PA 19148**. For information or reservations, please call Marge at 215-463-3386 or Helen at 215-468-6618.



FLAME OF LOVE HEALING MASS

A special Healing Mass, sponsored by the Flame of Love Apostolate, is being held at **6:00PM on Tuesday, 05/14/19**, at **Saint Anastasia Church**, 3301 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073. The celebrant is Fr. Jim Blount, SOLT. Fr. Blount is a gifted spiritual director, confessor and charismatic preacher. He speaks of living a life and relationship with each of the three persons of the Holy Trinity. His teachings depict his deep love for the Eucharist and his devotion to both Jesus and Mary. If you have any questions, please call **610-622-4257**, or for more information, please call Denise at **610-356-7153**. All are welcome.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

If you have lost a significant person in your life and are interested in sharing with others who have recently lost loved ones, please contact Sister Veronica at the Rectory by calling 215-465-2336. A group will be forming sometime this month.



15th CANONIZATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF ST. GIANNA BERETTA MOLLA

Join in the celebration of the 15th Canonization Anniversary of St. Gianna Beretta Molla on Thursday, 05/16/19 at Nativity of Our Lord Church, 625 West Street Road, Warminster, PA 18974. Celebration begins with the Rosary at 6:30PM followed by Mass at 7:00PM. The main celebrant, Fr. Addisalem Mekonnen, will bless those in attendance with Saint Gianna's first-class relic, and you will have the opportunity to venerate St. Gianna's relics after Mass. The Society of St. Gianna Beretta Molla Society will provide, free of charge, a St. Gianna medal (made in Italy), prayer card, novena pamphlet and hand-made rosary. The celebration will end with light refreshments and fellowship in the downstairs Church Hall.

For more information, call 215-675-3101 or by email at jcw@saintgianna.org.



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Registration for Our Lady of Hope School

Registration for **new** students for the 2019-2020 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, most recent Report Card, standardized testing for students entering grades 1 through 8, Registration fee of \$150, and a \$200 tuition deposit. For Financial Aid, Grants or Scholarship information, please call 215-467-5385. Make checks payable to Our Lady of Hope School. Tours of the school are available by calling the school office to make an appointment. If you have any questions, please call the school at **215-467-5385** or email the principal at: pcody@ourladyofhopephilly.com.

PRAYER FOR AN END TO INFANTICIDE

The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act-legislation that prohibits infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join in prayer for an end to infanticide:

"Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."
AMEN.



**SANCTUARY LAMPS,
ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES, AND
OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE**



Although the Mass Book for 2019 is full, there are Church Sanctuary Lamps, Adoration Chapel Candles and Offerings of Bread and Wine still available in 2019. Each of these are lit or offered for an entire week, seven days. Just like a Mass, you may offer these for a living or deceased person, or a special intention. The donations are: \$20 for each Church Sanctuary Lamp, \$20 for each Adoration Chapel Candle, and \$25 for the offering of Bread and Wine. Please call or come to the Rectory during regular business hours to see which weeks are available, or you may complete one of the forms on this page, being sure to include your phone number in case we need to contact you, attach your donation to the form, and place it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket when you attend Mass.

NEWS FROM NAZARETH ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

Nazareth Academy High School is offering a variety of summer programs including a Pre-8th grade summer enrichment program for students who will enter 8th grade in September 2019, Rocketry Camp, Art Camp, and Glee Club. These programs run between **Monday, 06/24/19 and Thursday, 07/18/19**. Nazareth also offers athletic camps, including basketball, cheer, lacrosse, soccer, football, and volleyball. For more information, visit:

NazarethAcademyHS.org/Admissions/Summer-Programs



MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT AT MALVERN

A weekend retreat offers many opportunities: to know God better, to know your church better, to know your neighbor better, and to know yourself better. A Men's Weekend Retreat at Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA is being held from **June 14, 2019 to June 16, 2019**.

For more information, please call Mark F. DiGiovanni at **610-764-6525** or email him at markdigiov@aol.com.

STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR



- Tuesday, 05/07/19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday, 05/11/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, 05/12/19-NO CCD CLASSES-Mothers' Day
- Saturday, 05/18/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday, 05/18/19-HH Clothing Drive-11:30AM to 3:30PM, Parking Lot/Green Drop Truck
- Sunday, 05/19/19-CCD (Last Class)/Family Liturgy/Social-9:15AM, Church/School
- Monday, 05/20/19-Helping Hands-7:00PM, Msgr. JFC Conf. Rm.
- Tuesday, 05/21/19-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Saturday 05/25/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Sunday, 05/26/19-Veterans' Mass/Reception-11:00AM, Church/Hall
- Saturday 06/01/19-Bible Study-8:30AM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.
- Tuesday, 06/04/19-Star of the Sea seniors-1:00PM, Vestibule Mtg. Rm.

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:

REQUESTED BY:

phone# _____

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. 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, 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. Thank you!

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