



Stella Maris Catholic Church

Founded in the Marian Year 1954

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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*

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

Miraculous Medal Novena: *Each Saturday immediately following the 8am Mass. Veneration of the relic of St. Catherine Laboure concludes the service.*

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.*

***May 8, 2016
Seventh Sunday of Easter***

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Mass Intentions For
The Week of May 8, 2016

God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life		
Collection for weekend of April 30 & May 1		
Income: Plate	= \$ 5,940.50	+ AWC+\$91.00 = \$6,031.50
Bills Paid= Total Disbursements	=	(\$6,675.41)
Total	=	(\$643.91)
Living Stewardship-Living God's Word:		
<i>"One must thank mothers above all because they have had the courage to give life."</i>		
<i>-Pope Benedict XVI (Address to Roman Clergy, 03/02/06)</i>		
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Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn monthly from your account and deposited directly to your parish.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: Rosario Allia, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Ralph Berarducci, Kelly Anne Bodine, Anthony Bologna, Emmanuel Borgesi, Maria Bozzi, M/M Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Arthur Carrado, Thomas Ciasullo, Sister Jeanne Crane SSJ, Sarah Croce, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Joanne DePena, Lenora Derogatis, Elvira DeSumma, Charles DiMartini Jr., Teri DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Frederick Earlari, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Samuel Fiore, Clara Fioravanti, Russell Fiujsalski, Marlene Flocco, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Eleanor Grecco, Keith Green, Maribel Guerrero, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Howard Horner III, Lucy Intelisano, Ann & Anthony Ippolito, Thomas P. Jones, Frank Kane, Sr. Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM, John Knight, Vito LaFranci, Ronald Lalli, Joseph Lombardi, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Marie Marino, Carmela Martini, Edward Marquis, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Ernest Megali, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Joanne Minniti, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Josephine Dolores Napoli, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Albert Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Lenny Olivieri, Marie Ordine, Louis Pagano, Fred Papaleo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Charles T. Pestacchi, Theresa Pignotto, Lauren Poppa, Madeline Porsia, Angela Raffa, M/M Robert Reed, John Renzulli, Sr., Jason Rindone, Joan Robb, Keith Ross, Maria Russo, Theresa Salvatore, Domenic Santaguida, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Ralph Spina, Thomas Sweeney Jr., James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Caila Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Robin Twaddell, Christopher Vacante, Mike Vicario, Michael Valardi, Joseph Vitello, Kylie Waldron, Veronica Walls, Ed Williams, the military disabled, the home-bound, and their families.

- Sunday—May 8**
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
- Monday—May 9**
8:00 + Michael DeStefano
- Tuesday—May 10**
8:00 + (L. & D.) DePrince and Pagnotto Families
- Wednesday—May 11**
8:00 + Connie D'Agostino
- Thursday—May 12**
8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano
7:00 + May Procession
- Friday—May 13**
8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald
- Saturday—May 14**
8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald
5:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
- Sunday—May 15**
8:00 + John and Betty Simpson
9:30 + Marziale Mirarchi
11:00 + Ann Ferro

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Rita Cappocci
At the Request of
John Corvino



Adoration Chapel Lamp

- 1) In Memory of Deborah L. Schad
At the Request of Mildred Santore
- 2) In Memory of Virginia Novelli
At the Request of Claudia Perri



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Joan Johnston
At the Request of
Cousins Marie and Joseph Italiano



PASCHAL CANDLE

In Memory of the
Deceased Members of
The Kubicky and Monteith Families
Donated by
Mr. & Mrs. Robert and Donna Kubicky



**We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners,
Relatives and Friends:**
GABRIELLA ESHELMAN

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.
rest in peace. Amen

From the Pastor's Desk

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.

We will gather at 7:00 PM this Thursday evening, May 12th for our Parish May Procession. This traditional devotion in May, gives honor to Our Blessed Mother. All are encouraged and welcome to be a part of this annual devotion.

In Today's Gospel from John, Jesus prays for the disciples and us. He prayed for unity among those who believe in him, a unity so intimate as to mirror the unity of Jesus with the Father. "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their words, so that they may all be one, as you Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us..." Jesus' ultimate concern is the unity of the community of disciples. He wants us to share the love that He and the Father shares. Jesus' relationship with the Father is a mutual relationship of giving and receiving love.

The unity for which Jesus prayed has already begun in us. This unity is the result of perfect and ongoing self-sacrificing love and sharing. Jesus wants us, his disciples, to be one, just as he and the Father are one. We who believe in Jesus are called to be one by mirroring Jesus. Jesus challenges us to love one another just as he loves us. He wants to share His glory with us. Are we ready to accept the challenge and love as Jesus' loves and are we willing to share in His glory? Are we willing to mirror Jesus?

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

Happy Mother's Day!
God Bless!
Father Di Orio



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

As of April 22, 2016, we have reached 70% of our parish goal of \$ 22,783, which means \$15,993 has already been donated to the Catholic Charities Appeal from our parish. Every donation helps, no matter what size.

Thank you to all who made donations thus far. We hope those who have not yet made a contribution this year+ will still consider doing so.

Catholic Charities Night with the PHILLIES will take place at Citizen's Bank Park on Thursday, June 16th at 7:05PM. A portion of the proceeds from tickets purchased through a dedicated link will go directly to the appeal. To purchase tickets to this game against the Toronto Blue Jays and support the Catholic Charities Appeal, please visit :

www.phillies.com/catholiccharitiesnight.



REVISITING OUR BAPTISM

A mere seven weeks ago thousands of new Church members were baptized. Their new life in Christ has once again infused new life into the Church. Their new-found faith has inspired and bolstered the faith of those who have followed Christ for many years. As the Easter season nears its end, we revisit the scene of our baptisms. In the second reading we hear Christ calling us: "Come. . . Let . . . the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water" (Revelation 22:17).

But our baptism is not one of water only. John refers to washed robes, and we know that this washing is to be "in the blood of the Lamb." To make sure we get this message, we have today's first reading from Acts. It is the story of Stephen, the first Christian to be killed for his faith in Jesus. We remember the promise and also the cost of being a disciple of Christ.



MANNA FOOD DRIVE

Manna Food Bags will be distributed at all Masses next weekend, May 14th and 15th. Kindly return your filled Manna Bag on either Saturday/Sunday-May 20th and 21st or May 28th and 29th. Canned food items needed are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups, and pork and beans. Thank you for reaching out to people in emergency situations.

Manna Prayer

Jesus, many times throughout Your life You fed the hungry people 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.



CCD NEWS

CCD Classes for the 2016-2017 school year will take place on Sunday mornings. **Registration** for current and new students for CCD Classes for the 2016-2017 school year will take place in the Church Vestibule after all the Masses on the weekend of May 21 & 22 .

When registration takes place, you will need the following:

- 1) Completed Registration Form
- 2) Signed copy of "Appendix A" from the Handbook
- 3) Baptismal certificate for all **new** registrations (only if your child was **not baptized** at Stella Maris)
- 4) Signed letter of permission from your pastor (only if you are **not** a member of Stella Maris Parish)
- 5) Registration fee of \$150 per child for parishioners and \$175 per child for non-parishioners of Stella Maris

We are offering an "Early Bird" **Special discount of \$25 per child to those who register before May 23, 2016.** You may also register at the Rectory, Monday-Friday, 9AM-4PM.



Sodality
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BLESSING OF THE WATERS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

The Sodality and Seniors Groups are sponsoring a trip to Atlantic City for the Blessing of the Water on Monday, August 15, 2016. The cost is \$68 per person and includes Mass, lunch at the Tuckahoe Inn, and a visit to the Resorts Casino (with a \$25 Bonus). A deposit of \$38 is now due, with the final payment of \$30 due no later than July 1st. For more information, please call Helen at 215-468-6618 or call Marge at 215-463-3386.



STELLA MARIS HELPING HANDS CLOTHING DRIVE



Helping Hands is sponsoring a **Clothing Drive** on **Saturday, May 21**. A "Green Drop" truck will be in the **parking lot** from **9AM to 2PM** to receive your donations. They will be accepting usable men's women's, children's, and baby/infant clothing and shoes; bed and bath linens; pots, pans, dishes, and cooking utensils; books; and small appliances in good working order. We appreciate your support of our projects which help those in need who live in the Philadelphia area..



CALLING ALL WORLD WAR II VETERANS

Honor Flight Philadelphia is currently looking for WWII veterans who would like to travel to Washington, D.C. on **May 21, 2016**, where you would have the opportunity to visit those memorials dedicated to your service and sacrifice to our great nation. Although we can never repay you, we can show you our appreciation. Transportation, breakfast, lunch, dinner, memorabilia, as well as a USO style show will be provided at **NO COST** to the veterans. For information, please visit : jodean@honorflightphiladelphia or call JoDean at 610-627-1494.

A WELCOME HOME FOR OUR WW II VETERANS

Please join us on **May 21, 2016** upon our arrival from Washington, D.C. and welcome home over 150 World War II veterans as they walk the red carpet on this Day of Honor. Let's show them our appreciation for the freedoms they preserved for us. Please come to St. Kevin's Church, 200 W. Sproul Rd., Springfield, PA 19064 by 6:00PM on May 21, 2016, as the buses from Washington, D.C. will arrive at 6:15PM. There is no charge for this event, which is open to the public. For more information, please contact Andrew at 610-662-1812.



STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

- Tuesday, May 10-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM
Vestibule Meeting Room
- Thursday, May 12-May Procession-7:00PM,
Church/Parking Lot
- Saturday, May 14-Stella Maris Flea Market-9:00AM,
Parking Lot
- Sunday, May 15-CCD Closing-9:15AM, Church/School
- Monday, May 16-Helping Hands Board Meeting-7:00PM,
Rectory Conference Room
- Saturday, May 21-Helping Hands Clothing Drive-9:00AM,
Parking Lot
- Tuesday, May 24-Star of the Sea Seniors-1:00PM,
Vestibule Meeting Room



STELLA MARIS FLEA MARKET

Stella Maris Fund Raising Committee is hosting a **Flea Market** this upcoming **Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 9AM to 3PM**. All spots/tables are already reserved.

The Committee will also have a bake sale table at the Flea Market. We kindly ask if anyone would like to donate cakes, cookies, or any type of sweet treats (homemade or store bought are fine) to please **bring your sweet treat donations** to Stella Maris Parking Lot on **Saturday, May 14, at 8AM** and ask for **MaryAnn Jones**. Food, water, and soda will also be available for purchase.

We are also asking if any men of the parish would be willing to volunteer to help us bring up the tables on Friday evening and we also need volunteers to help clean up at 3PM on Saturday.

If you can volunteer to help with set up/clean up, and/or have **any questions about the Flea Market**, please call **Antoinette at 215-551-8988**. Thank you for your cooperation in making our Flea Market a success.



GET WELL WISHES FOR SISTER MARY AGNES

If anyone would like to send get well wishes to Sister Mary Agnes, our music director, you may mail them to: Sister Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM, Mary Immaculate Convent, 1731 South 11th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148.

SAINT MARON CHURCH LEBANESE FESTIVAL

Saint Maron's Church, 1013 Ellsworth St., is having a Lebanese Festival from Friday, May 13th, through Sunday, May 15th. Festival hours are as follows: Fri.-05/13-5PM to 11PM; Sat.-05/14-3PM to 11PM; Sun.-05/15-1PM to 9PM.
Taste the Food-Meet the People-Enjoy the Atmosphere!



CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL- THANK YOU!

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and will help ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about home missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Registration for Our Lady of Hope School



Registration for **new** students for the 2016-2017 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, and Registration fee of \$200 and tuition deposit of \$200. Make checks payable to Our Lady of Hope School. Financial Aid for the 2016-2017 school year is currently available for Kindergarten through Grade 8. Contact the school office for applications. Tours of the school are available by calling the school office to make an appointment.

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. All names and information will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

REQUESTED BY:

GET WELL WISHES FOR FATHER McCABE

If anyone would like to send get well wishes to Father McCabe, our parochial vicar, you may mail them to: Rev. James T. McCabe, Stella Maris Rectory, 2901 South 10th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148.

A THANK YOU FROM FATHER JAMES McCABE

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, and Mass Enrollments. They are very uplifting and helping in the healing process. God Bless You!
Father McCabe



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. All names and information 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. All names will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly. Thank you!



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THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.