

*June 2, 2024*  
*The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*



*Stella Maris Catholic Church*  
*Founded in the Marian Year 1954*  
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Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris. Please go to [stellamarisphila.com](http://stellamarisphila.com) and click on **Parish Giving** (under our Mass Schedule) for information and / or to enroll. Thank you.

**Living Stewardship:** "Lord Jesus, in Baptism we were washed in the blood of the Lamb; at every Communion, we eat your Body and drink your Blood. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we continue to live with your life, sharing in your divinity as you have shared in our humanity. For this we give you praise and thanks."

-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 Cipparone, 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 Goreni, 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 Santaguیدا, 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, 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 June 2, 2024**

**Saturday - June 1**

5:00 + Anna Salmieri

**Sunday - June 2**

8:00 + Margaret Zoller  
 10:30 + Jerry Palestini II

**Monday - June 3**

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

**Tuesday - June 4**

8:00 + Anthony and Mary Pizzo

**Wednesday - June 5**

8:00 + Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph

**Thursday - June 6**

8:00 + Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

**Friday - June 7**

8:00 + John, Nina and Nicholas Cecala

**Saturday - June 8**

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris  
 5:00 + Maria Dineia Soares

**Sunday - June 9**

8:00 + Procopio Rudi and Gallelli Family  
 10:30 + Dolores Crusco



**Church Sanctuary Lamp**

In Memory of  
 Gerald Palestini II

Requested by  
 The Crusco Family

**Altar Bread and Wine**

In Memory of  
 Jerry Palestini II

Requested by  
 Mom and Dad



**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](http://phillymissions.org)).

**ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION 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.



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Today we celebrate "*Corpus Christi*", the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The Church, in her infinite wisdom, gives us this solemnity to remind us of the gift of the Eucharist. We believe that we receive Christ, Body and Blood, Soul, and Divinity under the appearance of ordinary bread and common wine.

There is truth in the old saying, "You are what you eat." Sadly, our national epidemic of obesity makes that all too clear. But when applied to the spiritual food we eat and drink at the Eucharist, the adage takes on a new and more beautiful meaning. If we honestly believe that the Risen Christ becomes really present – body, blood, soul and divinity – under the outward sign of bread and wine, then when we eat this "heavenly food," we are being fed on the Risen life of Christ.

If we really "are what we eat," then it is more than a metaphor when we speak of ourselves, the Church, as the living Body of Christ.

When we receive Holy Communion, we also receive a mission. As one of the dismissal formulas in the Mass puts it: "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." Then others should encounter Christ in and through us. In other words, become what you have just eaten. Become another Christ for others.

Our faith teaches us that in the Eucharistic Species after the words of consecration the bread and wine cease to exist. The entire substance of the bread and wine instantaneously becomes the body and blood of Jesus; this is called transubstantiation.

In the fourth verse of the hymn, "Gift of Finest Wheat", we are reminded of who it is we receive in Eucharist; "The mystery of your presence Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell".

Sometimes we can take this most sacred gift for granted. Let us never take the Body and Blood of Christ for granted, let us always nurture and cherish this gift with our lives, remembering that the world cannot contain Him, yet He comes into our hearts to dwell. We should be willing to worship and protect Him at all costs. May the Body and Blood of our Lord continue to nourish us spiritually and physically, transforming our lives so that we may become another Christ for others.

I am happy to announce that Arkesh Ragel a 3<sup>rd</sup> year Theologian, from Sri Lanka, who is studying at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, has been assigned to Stella Maris for his Summer Pastoral internship. Arkesh will begin his ministry Monday, June 3, 2024, until Monday, August 5, 2024. Please keep Arkesh in your prayers.

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](mailto:stellamarisdre@comcast.net)**

**Or**

**Phone 215-465-2336**

**For more information and forms**

Please note: CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings.

### **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!**

**STELLA MARIS 2024 LOTTERY CALENDAR**  
**WINNING NUMBERS OF May 20th THROUGH May 26th**

Due to early deadline requested by our Bulletin company. The Lottery Calendar winning numbers of May 20 through 26 will be published in next week's Bulletin.

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD**

If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of abortion- no matter how much time has passed-please know that a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help your soul transform that pain into hope for the future. Rachel's Vineyard retreats bring healing and God's forgiveness to the trauma and darkness of abortion for those who think they have committed the unforgiveable sin. God's mercy is greater than sin and is waiting for us to reach out for it. Join us for a safe, loving, and confidential weekend to experience the healing power of God's infinite mercy.

**To contact our team to register or for questions:  
Susan-610-716-4795; Georgeann-484-955-4278**

**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.**

**\* Full payments due by July 8, 2024.**

**\*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**

**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.wmephilly.org>**

**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.

**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](http://www.archphila.org/support)**

**CatholicPhilly.com**

**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!

**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](http://archphila.org/hope) for details and postings.

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**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](mailto:IDDhelp@chs-adphila.org).

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**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](http://www.payingforseniorcare.com). This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

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**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](http://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.

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**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](mailto: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:**

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**REQUESTED BY:**

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**PHONE #**

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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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