

June 21, 2020
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Love
of a father,
a love
without end

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

Collection for weekend of June 13 and 14, 2020:
Income - Plate: \$5,265.00 + AWC: \$82.00 = \$ 5,347.00
Bills Paid - Total Disbursements = (\$19,231.09)
Total = (\$13,884.09)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris. Please visit us at stellamarisphila.com and click on **Parish Giving** (under our Mass Schedule) for information and/or to enroll.

Living Stewardship:

“Joy is often found behind little things and is reached by following one’s proper daily duty with a spirit of devotion.”

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Jeanette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine & Enrico Belfi, Kim Birch, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Mr./Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, S Jeanne Crane SSJ, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D’Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Matthew D’Imperio, Lynn DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Louis Falciani, Virginia Faulkner, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Charles LaSpada, Samantha LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, 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, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Anna Philipp, Sophie Philipp, Sophia Phillips, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Baby Rocco Santangelo, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn & Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, Matt Watson, military disabled, home-bound, and their families.



We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:

**MARIE BRADY
ANNA MARIE DADARIO
MARY HARRIS**

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 21, 2020**

Sunday - June 21

8:00 + Living & Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris
10:30 + Living & Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

Monday - June 22

8:00 + Communion Prayer Service

Tuesday - June 23

8:00 + Vincent C. Milione

Wednesday - June 24

8:00 + Living & Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Thursday - June 25

8:00 + Michael DeStefano

Friday - June 26

8:00 + Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph

Saturday - June 27

8:00 + Frank and Anna Palesano
5:00 + Ann Marie Wolfheimer

Sunday - June 28

8:00 + James and Anna Salmieri
10:30 + Rita D’Ambrosio

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Mario Calabretta
Requested by
His Children and Grandchildren



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Gloria Angelozzi
Requested by
Antoinette Filippello



STELLA MARIS RECTORY SCHEDULE

Stella Maris Rectory is now open. Our regular business hours are 9:00AM to 4:00PM, Monday through Friday. Thank you for your cooperation.

**YOU CAN WATCH STELLA MARIS
LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS!**

Please Note: You do not need Facebook to view the video of Liturgical Celebrations. Just access the Facebook page on the Parish’s Website (stellamarisphila.com). Click the link and it will take you to Facebook. When asked to log in, just click “not now” or “x” out of the box. Go to “Videos” and click on the Liturgical Celebration you want to watch.



STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

Due to the present situation with Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the safety of all involved, all Stella Maris events are suspended until further notice.

Stay safe and stay well! God bless!



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

To all our Dads, Grandfathers, Great-grandfathers, Godfathers, and all who fulfill the role of Dad, I extend a Happy Father's Day. May our heavenly Father bless all our Dads who are with us here, with good health and happiness. May all who have passed away be at peace and rest with God our Father in Heaven.

Yesterday, June 20, 2020, Archbishop Nelson J. Perez, conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on six young men who have been called to priesthood. We congratulate our new priests: Rev. Wilmer Chirino, Rev. Cesar Izaguirre, Rev. Louis Monica, Rev. Kevin Okafor, Rev. Martin Okwudiba, and Rev. August Taglinetti. Again, 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 in your prayers: "a vocation to the priesthood and/or religious life" from our parish.

Today's readings reassure us that God is faithful and trustworthy, even when our life circumstances make that hard to believe. Like Jeremiah, we may struggle with faith at times. That is why Jesus tells the Twelve in advance to expect misunderstanding and rejection. Jesus Himself encountered unbelief – and eventually even suffering and death. Even He knew moments of doubt in Gethsemane and on the cross. But as Paul reminds us, Jesus' obedient faithfulness to the will of His Father won resurrection and new life for all.

Whether we "take vows" or not, by our Baptism, we enter into a serious relationship, one of "give-and-take" with God. Jesus' teachings need to be made public. They must be communicated loudly and clearly. This communicating, this evangelizing, is critical. And risky!

In today's Church, we are fully aware that it's not simply "Father's job" to spread the Gospel, but the job, the mission, is for all of us. Each of us is called to be a missionary. We are to be missionaries with a job description from Jesus.

What exactly is that job description? What are we asked to do now that we have said yes to God? God's own love and sacrifice are our model. We are to love and sacrifice for those people we will never know. This can be difficult. However, we must ease the suffering of the world, now and in the future. We are to love and sacrifice for those people we know and love. This is easier, and yet, we often hurt the ones we love most. We are to love and sacrifice for our own betterment. We might call this building our Christian character. This is not being selfish, for the aim is to build strength and courage in order to give better witness to God's love. We are to love and sacrifice for God. That is our number one priority. It begins with knowing God through God's word. Here we discover the hard truth: God wants something from us.

Therefore, as followers of Christ, we, too, should expect to be misunderstood and rejected by the world at times. These moments of adversity may cause us to doubt or even to feel abandoned by God. But we are called to respond to our challenges with courage and faith, echoing the prayer of Jesus: "Not my will, but yours be done." Obedience to the Lord's will, in imitation of Jesus' example, will lead us to hope and, one day, to a share in Christ's risen life. Preparing the Twelve for their mission, Jesus assures them that God is faithful, forewarning that they need not worry or be afraid, even when they

are persecuted. Jesus gives us the same reassurance.

For those who are able to go away for the summer months or summer weekends, be safe and enjoy yourself. Also, thank you to those who continue their parish support even though they are away from Stella Maris on weekends or summer months. Please remember your weekly contribution for Stella Maris Church. Your support is so necessary for the parish expenses.

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

Happy Summer!
God Bless!
Father Di Orio



ENTHUSIASM AND GRAMMAR



There is a good reason that the writings of St. Paul don't show up as examples in grammar textbooks. Today's reading is a case in point. It begins with one of those long Pauline run-on sentences that leave lectors gasping for breath. So what? Take a closer look at how Paul's fervor for his subject matter derails the grammar. There is something admirable about being so caught up in his convictions that the words cannot come fast enough to express them, much less in an orderly fashion. Scripture scholars usually take this grammatical ineptness as a sign of a passage's early importance in the Christian community, something they were so ardent about that their language never got refined.

What leaves us in this condition? Re-telling the plot line of an action movie or the play-by-play of a sporting event? When was the last time any of us was so excited by our faith in Christ that we were left grasping for words, stumbling over our own errors in speech? It may be bad grammar, but it is an excellent way to inspire others with the message of Christ!



CCD REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2020!

Registration for our Religious Education Program for 2020-2021 is open.

Requirements:

- Students need to be 6 years or older by September 1, 2020
- Registration Form and Fee
- Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- Signed Letter of Permission from your Pastor, if not a member of Stella Maris Parish

Please send email stellamarisdre@comcast.net or call the Rectory at 215-465-2336 for more information and/or a Registration Packet.

MEMORIALS

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

In Memory of

Theresa Carrado
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Theresa Carrado
Rose Concilio
Alice Dougherty
Anthony Esposito Sr.
Elvira Gallo
Joseph Italiano

Joseph Italiano

Donor

Susanne (Rago) and Carl Latorre
Kathryn and Thomas Tait
Vincent and Barbara Termini
Ronald Pigliacelli
South Philadelphia String Band
Paul Gianette
Tara D. Chupka
His Granchildren-Olivia, Philip, and Alexander
Italiano & Perna Nieces & Nephews

STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS
TRIP TO LANCASTER



Important Notice: Star of the Sea Seniors trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, to see the brand new show, “Queen Esther”, which was scheduled for **Thursday, 03/19/20** **has been postponed until Thursday, September 17, 2020**, due to health concerns regarding public gatherings and the safety of those attending this trip. More information to follow as the trip date gets closer. If you have questions, please call Marge Varley at **215-463-3386**.

POSTPONED - PARISH BREAKFAST

Our Parish Breakfast, originally scheduled for **Sunday, 05/17/20**, has been **postponed** for the safety of all during this Covid-19 pandemic. We will provide all important information for this event as soon as it is re-scheduled. If anyone has purchased a ticket for the Parish Breakfast, please be assured that all tickets will be honored for the new date.



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.



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LIVE ROSARY TO END CORONAVIRUS WITH
THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

Join us online, by phone, or in spirit as we pray the Rosary every night at 8 PM. We will ask the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the Coronavirus. **When: Monday through Friday Nights: 8:00-8:30 PM (Eastern)**. Click the link 5-10 minutes early to allow your device to download necessary software. On your computer, go to www.archphila.org; click on “Offices,” a list of offices will appear, click on “New Evangelization.” Click “Events” tab and find “Nightly at 8PM ET, The Rosary...Coronavirus” and click on “full details.” The next screen will show a choice for “Rosary in English” and you can click on the words “Click here to join the Rosary by video.” You may want to dial in by phone at 646-558-8656 and enter the Webinar ID: 494 480 541. Hosted by: Meghan Cokeley, Office of New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

WHAT WE LOVE

“We cannot help conforming ourselves to what we love.”
—St. Francis de Sales

+ Please check with organizations, schools, parishes, etc. who have postings in our bulletin to see if their events and/or functions have been cancelled or postponed. Thank you. Be safe. God bless!



Registration for Our Lady of Hope
School

Registration for students for the 2020-2021 school year continues. 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.



ASSISTED LIVING AND / OR LONG TERM
CARE FOR SENIORS

Information on the cost of Senior Living and Care in Philadelphia, along with Finance Assistance Programs, can be found at www.payingforseniorcare.com. This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

GET TO KNOW OUR SAINTS

During this “restrictive phase”, why not take some time to research our Saints? You will find that we have lots of things in common with some of the Saints. This is a great activity for children and their parents, guardians, and/or grandparents to do together. You can start with your favorite Saint, the Saint for whom you are name, the Saint of the day, or the Saint of the month.

The Saints we celebrate this week are as follows:

- June 21 - St. Terence
- June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga
- June 22 - St. St. Paulinus of Nola
- June 22 - SS. John Fisher and Thomas More
- June 24 - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria
- June 29 - SS. Peter and Paul

Which Saint is celebrated on your birthday? Enjoy your Saints Adventure!



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**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.

IN-HOME SUPPORT SYSTEM

Are you homebound? Would you benefit from ongoing services such as meals, transportation or a senior companion, and short-term services (housekeeping and personal care)? The In-Home Support Program may be able to help you. If you are at least 60 years of age, need assistance or supervision when leaving the home and are basically homebound, please call 215-732-1140 to learn more about this program.

This information has been provided by Catholic Health Care Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

LILY’S GIFT MINISTRY

Lily’s Gift Ministry is a beautiful Philadelphia Archdiocesan resource for women and couples who have received a poor prenatal diagnosis and would like support carrying their precious baby to term.

Learn more about this very important ministry at www.lilysgift.org.

This information has been provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Office for Life and Family.

FATHER’S DAY BLESSING

God our Father,
In Your wisdom and love You made all things.
Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as
Christian fathers.
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,
May honor them always
With a spirit of profound respect.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

On this day that our country observes what is called “Father’s Day”, may we as Catholic Christians, pause not only to honor our human fathers, but even more importantly, also honor through, with, and in Jesus, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God the Father from whom all is created. Whenever we give all the glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, it is the **Father’s Day!** Have a happy and blessed Father’s Day!

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



Although the Mass Book for 2020 is full, there are Adoration Chapel Candles and Offerings of Bread and Wine still available in 2020. 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 special intention. The donations are: \$20 for each Adoration Chapel Candle and \$25 for the offering of Bread and Wine. You may call or come to the Rectory during regular business hours to see which weeks are available, or you may complete one of the forms below, 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. You may drop it in the collection basket when you attend Mass, or mail it to our Stella Maris Rectory: 2901 S 10th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148.



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.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

REQUESTED BY:

Phone# _____

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.



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