

June 8, 2025
Pentecost Sunday



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

Collection for weekend of May 24 & May 25

Income: Plate = \$4,244.00 + AWC= \$85.00 = \$4,329.00

Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$27,791.95)

Total = (\$23,462.95)

Collection for weekend of May 31 & June 1

Income: Plate = 4,804.00 + AWC= \$68.00 = \$4,872.00

Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$2,790.25)

Total = \$2,081.75



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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 truths of the spirit, the truths about good and evil, about the great goals and horizons of life, about our relationship with God, these truths cannot be attained without profound consequences for the way we live our lives”
-Pope Benedict XVI



Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Neil Baldwin, Lisa Baranek, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, Kelly Ann Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borges, 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, Mary Conte, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Daniel DiCarlo, Louis DiBruno, Matthew D'Imperio, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Michelle Dolce, Marie Donato, Lisa Donoflio, Lucy Dougherty, Vera Dolan, Dolore 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 Goren, 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 Liggio, 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, Harooz Morrall, 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, Thomas Palagruto, Theresa Quiet, Angela Raffa, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Patricia Resniak, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Rocco Santangelo, Steve Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Erica Siderio, Joe Shireta, Katie Signell Ventus, Grover Simpson, Karen Specht, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, 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 8, 2025

Saturday - June 7

5:00 + Annette Di Domenicis

Sunday - June 8

8:00 + Anthony and Mary Pizzo

10:30 + Joseph and Dolores Crusco

Monday - June 9

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - June 10

8:00 + George and Claire Weinhardt

Wednesday - June 11

8:00 + Angelina and Al Romolini and Frank Romolini

Thursday - June 12

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald

Friday - June 13

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Saturday - June 14

8:00 + Anthony Filippello

5:00 + Living and Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

Sunday - June 15

8:00 + Living and Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

10:30 + Living and Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris



Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Dolores Crusco
Requested by
Her Family



Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Dolores Crusco
Requested by
Roe and Jerry Palestini



Adoration Chapel Candles

- 1) In Memory of
Dee Gentile
Requested by
Kay Cella
- 2) For the Living and Deceased
Members of Stella Maris



Paschal Candle

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





Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Today we celebrate the birthday of the Church. Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit among the apostles, reminds us of our baptism and our confirmation. Today is the day to renew our promises made in these sacraments where we commit to live and preach the Gospel with our lives. The gift of the Holy Spirit allows us to see Christ in our midst.

In our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear how the Holy Spirit came like “tongues as of fire.” Just as a campfire gives warmth when we are cold, so also does the Holy Spirit bring peace when we are troubled. Like fire, the Holy Spirit enlightens us to see what was once obscure to us. The Holy Spirit draws us into one community, like those huddled around a common flame. Like fire, the Holy Spirit is mysterious and alive!

The first gift after His resurrection Jesus gives to the Apostles, who were locked in the upper room for fear of the Jews, is the gift of peace. Sometimes we find ourselves frightened and “locked away.” Stricken by grief or troubles beyond our understanding, we feel alone and are tempted to hide away from the world. The gift of the Holy Spirit assures us that, as with the disciples, the Lord is at our side. We are warmed by this presence and invited to rejoice that God never leaves us frightened and alone.

“No one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit.” We understand things we can see, touch, taste and hear. We learn by experience. For this reason, people cannot fully comprehend the nature of Resurrection on their own. To have faith in Christ is a gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit enlightens us and brings to light what is otherwise hidden. It is by the Holy Spirit that we may truly hear God’s voice. Likewise, when we offer bread and wine, it’s by the Holy Spirit that they are made into Christ’s Body and Blood.

Jesus’ primary ministry while on earth was to heal and restore God’s community. Jesus’ work of healing and restoration continues with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. People of different ethnicities, languages, and cultures all share in the singular fire of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is robust. He gives us what we need to live out the Gospel message while making us members of the one Body of Christ.

The Holy Spirit descended on the disciples like “tongues as of fire,” offering peace and consolation while revealing Jesus as the Christ and Lord of all. Drawn into the Spirit’s singular gift, believers share in Christ’s life and become “one body” with many parts and distinct gifts. We are transformed by the Holy Spirit. While there are sacraments to mark these events officially in the community of believers, the transformation is also a daily choice to live as the Holy Spirit calls us to be.

“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.”

Now that we are nearing the end of the Easter Season, I believe that all the Easter donations have been made by now. Our Easter collection total is \$16,211.00. Thank you for your generosity and support of the Parish in our recent Easter Collection.

This time of year, we hear the end of school year bells ringing! Graduation time surrounds us. Already some of our young men and women of the parish have graduated from colleges and universities. This past week our high school students who attend Catholic High Schools celebrated their Baccalaureate Mass and commencement exercises, and this coming week our young parishioners who attend Catholic Elementary Schools and Public Schools will be graduating. Congratulations on their achievements.

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

God bless,
Father Di Orio

**Stella Maris/Epiphany
CCD 2025-2026
Early Registration for
Religious Education now open!**

Requirements:

1. Students must be 6 years or older by 9/1/25
2. Baptismal Certificate
3. Completed Registration Form by 6/30/25
4. \$40 Deposit by 6/30/25

Early Bird Special \$140

Email: stellamarisdre@comcast.net

Phone: 215-465-2336 for information and forms

Note: After 6/30/25 Registration Fee \$175

Completed Registration Form and

\$75 Deposit due by 8/29/25

Classes are held on Sunday mornings

**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

2025 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Women on Mission
*"The Feminine Genius in the new
Apostolic Age"*

Saturday, October 18

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Czestochowa Shrine

Doylestown

Keynotes:

Mary Ann Wiesinger-Puig

Sister Faustina Maria, S.V

Full details & registration:

catholicwomensconference.org



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 and October 11-13 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more info visit:

<https://www.wwme-philly.org>
Or contact Al & Mary Liz at:
Application@wwme-philly.org
Phone: 610-449-1859

save the date

For one night and one night only the legendary actor, comedian, and performer at St. Monica for Friday with Frank!

with
*Special
Guest*

**Joe
Piscopo**

**Michael
Longoria**

Best known for playing
Frankie Valli in
"Jersey Boys."

09/12/25

more information to follow

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**.

STELLA MARIS SODALITY TRIP TO BLESSING OF THE WATERS IN OCEAN CITY, NJ FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

Stella Maris Sodality is sponsoring a trip to Ocean City for the Blessing of the Waters on **Friday, August 15, 2025**. **Cost is \$80 per person** and the schedule is as follows:

- *Depart Stella Maris Church at 7:45AM
- *Blessing of Waters Mass at St. Damien Parish at 10:00AM
- *Procession - Group walk to beach after Mass at 11:00AM
- *Depart for Resorts Casino at 12:00 NOON
- *Arrive at Resorts Casino at 12:30 PM w/\$20 Meal Voucher & \$10 Slot Bonus
- *Depart for Home at 5:30 PM
- *Arrive at Stella Maris Church approximately 7:00 PM

To make your reservation or for more information, please call Cathy Everett at 215-465-7451

-Full payment: due on or before July 15, 2025

-Make Checks Payable to: Stella Maris Sodality

-Mail payments to: Stella Maris Rectory, 2901 South 10th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RETREAT Friday - Sunday, JUNE 20 - 22, 2025

"thus says the Lord,... Do not fear...you are mine"

Join us at the Malvern Family Life Center for a retreat with Father Joseph Ita-Sam, Kathleen McCarthy and music by REMNENT Music Ministry!

Location: Malvern Family Life Center, 313 S Warren Ave, Malvern, PA 19355

Register at: <https://archphilaccr.org/events/>

Questions: Maria C. Richardson at :
mrichardson@archphila.org or 267-664-2878

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Jubilee of 2025 is a Holy year of grace and Pilgrimage in the Catholic Church. The Jubilee occurs every 25 years and is a time for Catholics to come together and grow in their faith. The theme of the 2025 Jubilee is **"Pilgrims of Hope"**

For your desired Pilgrimage, please visit

www.catholicpilgrimoffice.com OR
coordinator@catholicpilgrimoffice.com

DO YOU KNOW YOUR TRIBUNAL?

The Tribunal is available to help people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Catholic Church. Whether you are divorced and want to marry in the Catholic Church or are remarried outside the Church, please visit our website:

archphila.org/archdiocesan-offices/metropolitan_tribunal

**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.payingforseniorcare.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.

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 Thursday 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.

Contact Maria at 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:

REQUESTED BY:

PHONE #



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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