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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 and 10:30am

Weekdays: 8:00am (Tuesday– 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 who is 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.

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Collection for weekend of August 8 and August 9, 2020:
 Income - Plate: \$4,367.00 + AWC: \$82.00 = \$4,449.00
 Bills Paid - Total Disbursements = (\$16,319.87)
 Total = (\$11,870.87)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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.

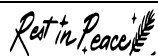
Living Stewardship:

“In the serene and faithful abandonment of our freedom to the Lord, our work also becomes solid, capable of bearing lasting fruit.”

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, 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, 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, Askold Zagars, military disabled, home-bound, and their families.



We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:

SAMUEL GUAGLIONE RICHARD MASINO

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 August 16, 2020**

Sunday - August 16

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of the DeSanto, Vigna and Yorkivich Families
 10:30 + Rose and Mauro D'Ambrosio

Monday - August 17

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - August 18

8:00 + Bing Bobcowski

Wednesday - August 19

8:00 + Living & Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Thursday - August 20

8:00 + Rita Yankus

Friday - August 21

8:00 + Robert DeMarzio

Saturday - August 22

8:00 + Anne Marie McDonald
 5:00 + Vincent Vernose

Sunday - August 23

8:00 + Rose and John Zambrano
 10:30 + Frank Rua

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
 Anna Gajewski
 Requested by
 Her husband, Joe



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
 Vincent Vernose
 Requested by
 His wife, Rita



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

Gloria Angelozzi
 Barbara LaPergola
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Donor

Cecelia Delgado
 Jeannette Anderer
 Laraine Andrews
 Nina Benigno
 Tom Cipriano
 Gerry Dolce
 John Dave Hyers
 M/M Rocco Ionno
 John and Maura Kilroy
 Joseph Nardella
 Carlo Ruggieri
 Marge Varley

rom the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In our reading from Isaiah today, he says to us, "Observe what is right, do what is just/... The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord/ ministering to him,/ loving the name of the Lord,/ becoming his servants-/all who keep the sabbath free from profanation/and hold to my covenant,/them I will bring to my holy mountain/and make joyful in my house of prayer;/their burnt offerings and sacrifices/will be acceptable to my altar,/for my house shall be called/a house of prayer for all peoples." In the Gospel, the Canaanite woman shows herself to be such a person. In her pleading to Jesus to cast out the demon from her daughter, it is as if this courageous woman heard the text of Isaiah, and was reminding Jesus that when the bread of the New Covenant is offered, the table overflows with an excess of God's promise much too great to measure: that the Holy One of God will sanctify by faith. This steadfastness to God and His covenant, we know, is what is acceptable to the altar, for only then will the Lord's house be called a house of prayer for all peoples. The Canaanite woman's faith is matchless, including its hope and love in God's promise. Her bold humility wins over Jesus, and He ends up granting her plea. The woman has a clear focus on what she needs: healing for her daughter. She's willing to seek it from this itinerant healer and His somewhat intimidating band of followers. She is able to stand outside of her worry and her panic for the time that it takes to respond to Jesus with faith and humility. What we witness is that her initiative is so persistent and sincere that it attracts Jesus' love. She sacrificed her dignity for the sake of her daughter. Her offering was acceptable. This truly is a story of faith and humility. This woman is driven by faith from beginning to end. Despite the culture and norms of her time, she does not let society dictate to her, her faith. Because of her faith in who Jesus is and what He can do, she was not about to be put aside by anyone or anything. She is not fighting for herself; she is fighting for the life of her daughter. The power of her faith keeps her focus filled with humility, which makes her willing to risk insult, encourages her boldness, gives her a sense of empowerment, and ultimately brings about the transformation she seeks. She shows that staying focused is what motivates us to take the right action at the right time. Matthew truly then teaches us a lesson about the power of faith, staying focused, and remaining humble. Faith can clearly bring power to the powerless. Where are we in our faith? We should strive for the kind of faith that this woman had. How focused are we? Is our sacrifice acceptable?

Be assured of my prayers and I ask you to please pray for me.

Happy Summer!
God Bless,
Fr. Di Orio



VACATION TIME IS PASSING BY

At this time of year, many are blessed to be able to go away for the summer months or weekends. Be safe and enjoy yourself. God doesn't take a vacation from us, so we should remember to keep the Lord's Day holy.

As you travel this summer with family and friends, please remember your Parish Family. You are respectfully asked to continue to support Stella Maris over the summer by keeping up with your contributions. God will surely reward you.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity. May you enjoy the beauty of summer and return home safely and in good health!



RCIA
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IS THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.) FOR YOU?

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you curious about the Catholic faith, but not sure you want to make a commitment? Are you married to a Catholic spouse, raising the children Catholic, and interested in knowing more to be able to share with them? Are you a Catholic who desires to complete the initiation process by receiving Eucharist and/or Confirmation? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the R.C.I.A. may be for you.

The R.C.I.A. is designed to assist youth and adults who:

- *Have never been baptized and wish to be baptized in the Catholic Church
- *Have been baptized in another Christian Tradition (Lutheran, Episcopalian, etc.) and wish to become Catholic
- *Were baptized Catholic but have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation

There's no time like the present to begin your inquiry in the faith. If you are interested in learning more about R.C.I.A., please contact Mrs. Marie Milano at 215-465-2336, ext. 5.



CCD REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2020!

Registration for New Students for our Religious Education Program for 2020-2021 continues.

Requirements:

- Students need to be 6 years or older by 09/01/20
- Registration Form and Fee
- Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- Signed Letter of Permission from your Pastor, if not a member of Stella Maris Parish

REGISTRATION-\$175

*Paperwork due upon registration

1) Option 1: \$175 by 09/01/20

2) Option 2: \$75 by 09/01/20 and

\$20 monthly (Oct, Nov, Jan, Feb, Mar)

If you have any questions, please email at:

stellamarisdre@comcast.net

**Registration forms are available in the Rectory,
Monday through Friday, 9:30AM to 4:00PM.**



**WATCHING STELLA MARIS
LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS ON-LINE**

Please Note: Our on-line celebrations of the Liturgy are being suspended until Wednesday, 09/09/20. We thank you for your patience and understanding. On-line viewing of our Liturgy Celebrations will return on 09/09/12.

**STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS
TRIP TO LANCASTER**



Important Notice: The Star of the Sea Seniors trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, to see the show, “Queen Esther”, has been cancelled. If you have any questions, please call Marge Varley at 215-463-3386.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS



Due to the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Eucharistic Congress that was scheduled to be held here in Philadelphia on October 9-10, 2020, has been postponed until the Fall of 2021. As soon as new information is available, full details will be published in our parish bulletin.



**ARCHDIOCESAN
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The Annual Archdiocesan Wedding

Anniversary Mass has been rescheduled for **Saturday, 10/17/20 at 5:15PM** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City Philadelphia. Archbishop Nelson Perez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will be celebrating, in particular, those couples who have been married 1-5 years, 25 years or more, and 50 years or more. To RSVP, please visit www.phillycatholiclife.org or call the Office for Life and Family at 215-587-0500.



**LIVE ROSARY TO END CORONAVIRUS
WITH THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE**

Join us online, by phone, or in spirit as we pray the Rosary. We will ask the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the Coronavirus and to bring restoration to those most severely impacted by the pandemic. **New schedule: Monday through Thursday Nights, 8:00-8:30 PM (Eastern), until further notice.** 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: 490 480 541. Hosted by: Meghan Cokeley, Office of New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

+ 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!



PARISH FROZEN FOOD PROGRAM

Our Parish Frozen Food Program is in need of dinners: pasta, chicken, beef, ham, pork and fish. We kindly ask that meals prepared 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. We are grateful to those who take home trays and return them with their leftovers/prepared meals, and/or those who bring pantry items on a regular basis.



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.

ATTENTION: EPIPHANY CLASS OF 1960

Graduates of Epiphany of Our Lord School Class of 1960- we need your help! Are you interested in reuniting with your friends from 8th grade? No date, time, or place is scheduled yet, so please contact us so we can begin to make plans! Please call: Loretta Joy Portaro (DeSalis) at 215-271-5192 (home) or 267-971-0378 (cell); or you may also call Maryann Cancila (Gahagan) at 215-389-0306 (home) or 215-460-3199 (cell). Please pass this on to any graduate you know who might be interested! Thank you for your help!

GET TO KNOW OUR SAINTS

As we continue in the “open 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 named, the Saint of the day, or the Saint of the month.. The Saints we celebrate this week are as follows:

- August 19—St. John Eudes
 - August 20—St. Bernard
 - August 21—St. Pius X
 - August 22—The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Which Saint is celebrated on your birthday?
Enjoy your Saints Adventure!

STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

For the safety of everyone, all those in leadership positions of Stella Maris organizations are asked to call the Rectory before resuming your regular meetings in order to receive instructions for keeping within the safety guidelines set by the Archdiocese.

Stay safe and stay well! God bless!



**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**

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

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 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 a 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.Lily'sGift.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.



**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.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

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