



Stella Maris Catholic Church
Founded in the Marian Year 1954
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Perpetual Adoration: Come adore our Eucharistic Lord in our 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 in the Rectory, Monday through Friday, 9am to 4pm. (A \$5.00 donation is requested for each key fob.)

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 and 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 a Pre-Jordan Class, please call the Rectory during regular business Hours (Monday through Friday, 9am to 4pm). Baptisms may be held on any Sunday once the Pre-Jordan Class 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.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age, please call the Rectory to receive the Anointing of the Sick.

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Collection for weekend of September 10 & September 11
Income: Plate = \$4316.00 + AWC= \$72.50 = \$4,388.50
Bills Paid= Total Disbursements = (\$1,400.70)
Total = \$2,987.80



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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

"We must be sure that however burdensome and tempestuous the trials that await us may be, we will never be left on our own, we will never fall out of the Lord's hands, those hands that created us and now sustain us on our journey through life."

-Pope Benedict XVI



Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted: Jeannette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Susan Benco-Castle, Elaine Bianculli, Kim Birch, Kelly-Ann Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Anthony Borzillo, Mr. & Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappetto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Joseph Dalessio, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Anna DelVecchio & Family, Louis DiBruno, Matthew D'Imperio, Dom Dinella, Kathy Dinella, Lynn Di Orio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Fiugalski, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Ellen Gabarino, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Bethany Hopkins, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Ashleigh Leone, Stacey Loke Pelle, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, 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, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophie Philipp, Barbara Polce, Christopher Pronio, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rondone, Michael Rines, Juan Rodriguez, Denise Romolini, Rich Rosati, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Baby 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, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, the military disabled, the home-bound and their families.



We pray for our deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends: **FRANK DeSIMONE**
GLORIA MONZO

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 September 18, 2022

Sunday - September 18

8:00 + Marion Iaconangelo
10:30 + Norma and Louis Schiavoni and Linda Calabrese

Monday - September 19

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - September 20

8:00 + Mark Pizzo

Wednesday - September 21

8:00 + Agnes Brett

Thursday - September 22

8:00 + Bernard and Loretta Young

Friday - September 23

8:00 + Sr. Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM

Saturday - September 24

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
5:00 + Anthony and Mary DeLuca

Sunday - September 25

8:00 + Anthony DeMarzio Sr.
10:30 + Agnes Brett

Church Sanctuary Lamp



In Memory of
Sebastian and Maria Squillacioti
Requested by
Their daughter Tina

Adoration Chapel Candles



1) In Memory of
Daniel P. Olivieri
Requested by
His mother Lena Olivieri and Family



2) In Memory of
Geraldine Gregorio
Requested by
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Liccio

Altar Bread and Wine

In Memory of
Sister Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM
Requested by
Lorinda Fina



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

Leonilda Kenny
Rosaria Tesauo
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Donor

Joe-Jean Inc., Mirarchi's Williamstown Inn
Stephen Albertini
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Lorraine Mancuso
New Guard IT INC.
Diane and Aniello Pennetti
Armando and Edda Portaro
Loretta and Christopher Ragni
Ten Pennies Florist
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Adrienne Terico



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We pray for our children as they begin PREP/CCD today. We also welcome those families from Epiphany Parish who have become a part of our PREP/CCD program. We support and encourage our children and we thank their parents who are honoring the promise made at their child's baptism to educate them in the faith. We hope and pray that they will have a faith-filled learning experience.

Today is Catechetical Sunday, therefore, we thank and recognize all of our Catechists for their dedication and support in sharing the faith with our young parishioners and R.C.I.A. candidates. They have each generously answered God's call to be stewards of the Church.

Our annual Forty Hour Devotion will take place after the 10:30AM Mass on October 09, 2022, and will conclude on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at 7:00PM with evening prayer. Fr. John Weber, Pastor of Queen of the Universe in Levittown, PA, will be our homilist during this wonderful grace filled time for our parish.

Today after the 10:30am Mass we will be hosting YO PHILLY PHESTIVAL LIVE! in our parking lot. Plan on spending some time at the festival. There will be lots of fun: Entertainment, Food, Beverages, Vendors, and Kid's Rides.

The parable of the dishonest steward and its interpretation are told as an example story by St. Luke. It is not an easy story to interpret because it is wrapped up in business practices of first-century Palestine, which appear very strange to us. How could Jesus praise a corrupt steward? The reality is that scholars struggle mightily with this parable and still come up short in understanding it. What is clear, though, is that Jesus was expressing concern about wealth and material possessions and what people do with them. We cannot be stewards to both God and money. At the heart of the story is St. Luke's conviction, that those who have possessions should share them with the needy and thus, use them to benefit others. That emphasis holds together the parable of the dishonest steward and its interpretation. Therefore, followers of Jesus should not pursue wealth to acquire money and possessions. No, the followers of Jesus should pursue wealth to become generous. It is important to remember that money belongs to God and not to us. We cannot live a split life. We are either with Jesus or we are not. There is not an in-between status. Jesus acknowledges that living according to faith would not make us popular. What Jesus wanted of His followers - and what He stills wants of us - is that we will be just as focused on protecting our faith as the steward was on protecting his own welfare. God has entrusted us with wealth. Can we be trusted by God to act as good stewards?

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

God bless!
Father Di Orio

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.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

Please patronize those who advertise here in our Church Bulletin. They enable us to publish our bulletin each week and we are grateful for their support. Tell them you are giving them business because you saw their advertisement in our Church Bulletin.



YO PHILLY PHESTIVAL LIVE

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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. **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).**

May God reward your efforts for feeding those in need!

WEEKLY ARCHDIOCESAN WORLD MISSION ROSARY

Every Monday at 8PM you can pray the rosary via Zoom or phone on the Archdiocesan LIVE World Mission Rosary. To join in this live rosary, visit phillymissions.org for the Zoom link, or type in <https://zoom.us/j/494480541#success>.

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!

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have called for a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. They believe that God wants to see a movement of Catholics across the USA, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. More information coming soon.

"Prayer for the Revival"

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I beg pardon for those who do not believe, nor adore, nor hope, nor love You. (three times)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences by which He is offended. And, through the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of sinners. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

PHILLY ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia Vocation Office invites you to the Sacred Heart Chapel at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, 100 E. Wynnewood Rd., Wynnewood, PA, to spend an hour before the Blessed Sacrament, on **Thursdays between the hours of 9AM to 5PM**, praying that more young people generously respond to the Lord's invitation to serve Him as priests and religious. To sign up to spend time with our Lord, visit: Heedthecall.org/Phillyadores. If you have any questions or would like more information, please email:

Phillyadoration@gmail.com

SEMINARIAN SPOTLIGHT

As we pray for vocations to the priesthood, a good way to get to know our seminarians studying for ordination in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is by listening to their vocation stories by visiting: Heedthecall.org/poster.

RETRouvaille:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy) If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to build intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

The next program begins on the weekend of **10/14-10/16**, at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.

For more information, or to register, call **215-766-3944** or **800-470-2230** or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

All inquiries are strictly confidential.



STELLA MARIS PARISH CLOTHING DRIVE

Stella Maris Helping Hands is sponsoring a Clothing Drive on **Saturday, 10/01/22**, from **9:00AM to 12Noon**, to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Look for the **Green Drop truck in the church parking lot** where an attendant will be able to assist you with your donations. Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as kitchenware, small appliances in good working condition, electronics, sporting goods, games, toys, books, CD's and videos are also accepted. **Unfortunately, we cannot accept furniture, large appliances, TV's, computers, or computer monitors.** For a full list of acceptable items, visit: www.gogreendrop.com.

ANNUAL NATIONAL ROSARY RALLY



Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary on **Saturday, October 8, 2022 at 12Noon**. We will Pray the Rosary for peace and healing. We will meet and pray the Rosary at 10th & Bigler Streets by the gate in front of the alcove with the image of our Blessed Mother.

All are welcome!

ADULT CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED!

The Stella Maris Adult Choir invites **all men and women who enjoy singing** to **join them**. No prior experience is necessary-all you need is a joy-filled love of singing! **Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM in the Rectory music room** (please enter through the patio door). Help us to enhance our liturgical celebrations with beautiful music and to vocally give praise and thanks to our Lord for all He has done for us.

All are welcome-the more, the merrier!

TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE

The Star of the Sea Seniors are sponsoring a trip to the **Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA on Thursday, 11/10/22**, to see the stage production of **"DAVID"**. **Cost is \$138 per person** and includes the show, a buffet meal at Millers, free time at Kitchen Kettle Village, round-trip motor-coach transportation, all taxes and gratuities (except for the driver). **Full payment of \$138 is now due**. Make checks payable to Star of the Sea Seniors and mail payments to: Rose Giovanelli, c/o Stella Maris Rectory, 2901 South 10th St., Phila., PA 19148. To make reservations, please contact **Marge Varley at 215-463-3386 or 267-882-7717**.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA PILGRIMAGE to the BASILICA of the NATIONAL SHRINE of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION in WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday, October 15, 2022**, leaving Stella Maris parking lot promptly at 9AM and returning to Stella Maris parking lot approximately 10PM. The **cost is \$75 per person** and includes: pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine, sit-down dinner at Phillip's Seafood Restaurant in Baltimore Harbor, round-trip motor-coach transportation via JC Tours, all taxes and gratuities except for the bus driver's tip. **\$75 must be paid in full at time of reservation. Act now-there are only 3 seats left!**

For reservations or for more information, please call Donna Glynn at 215-520-0699 or 215-465-2336. Please make checks payable to **Stella Maris Church** and drop checks off or mail to Stella Maris Rectory, 2901 South 10th Street, Phila., PA 19148.

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

2022-23 Admissions Events

SUNDAY, SEPT. 18TH - DISCOVERY DAY

SUNDAY, OCT. 9TH - OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, OCT. 15TH - ENTRANCE EXAM

SUNDAY, OCT. 23RD - ENTRANCE EXAM

SATURDAY, NOV. 19TH - ENTRANCE EXAM

For more detailed information, please call 215-627-1270, Ext.110.

**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.pavingforseniorcare.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.

OPERA IN THE CHURCH

St. Monica Parish presents "Opera in the Church", which will take place on **Saturday, 10/22/2022 at 6:30PM** in **St. Monica Upper Church**, located at **17th and Ritner Streets**, in South Philadelphia.

This event features a selection of favorite arias, Neopolitan songs and show tunes sung by students from the Academy of Vocal Arts. This is a performance comparable to any that you would see at the Kimmel Center!

Following the concert, there will be an opportunity to meet the artists at a reception that will include wine and finger foods (suitable for dinner).

Tickets are \$25. For more information, please contact **St. Monica Rectory** at 215-334-4170 or **Maria Buonadonna** at 215-833-1664.

**ALTAR BREAD AND WINE,
CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLES
AND ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES**

At the present time, we do not have any more Altar Bread and Wine, Church Sanctuary Candles, or Adoration Chapel Candles available in 2022. When the Mass Book for 2023 opens, (sometime in October-date not yet determined), these types of Memorials will again become available.

The information for the 2023 Mass book Opening will be posted in our bulletin as soon as the date is determined.

Please look for this information in future bulletins!

ANNUAL PADRE PIO FESTIVAL

The Annual Padre Pio Festival will continue **today, 09/18/22 from 12Noon to 6PM**, at St. Bede the Venerable, located at 1071 Holland Road, Holland, PA. Events include a Solemn High Mass at 12:30PM with Fr. Thomas Betz as the homilist, followed by a street procession and healing service with Padre Pio relics, food, games, entertainment, and amusements. This event is sponsored by St. Bede the Venerable Parish and Knights of Columbus Council 155478. For information, visit padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com/ or call 215-357-5720.

150th Anniversary of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church is celebrating its 150th Parish Anniversary with a Mass and dinner on **Sunday, 10/16/22**. Ticket price is \$75 per person. For more information, please call the Rectory at 215-465-4050 or visit their website at www.sacredheartchurchsp.com.

2022 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The 2022 Catholic Women's Conference (CWC) is being held on **Saturday, 10/22/22, from 9AM to 4:40PM at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, 654 Ferry Road in Doylestown, PA**. An early sell out is expected! This year's theme is "Be Not Afraid: Finding Your Freedom in Christ". CWC 2022 includes: opening Mass with Archbishop Perez, keynote speakers, breakout session, meals, and a closing prayer service. Cost-\$60 per person; Groups of 5 or more-\$50 per person; College Students-\$20 per person; Religious/Consecrated Women-\$15 per person. For full details about speakers, topics, and to register, please visit:

catholicwomenconference.org.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

The Center provides an authentically Catholic approach to women's reproductive healthcare and follows Catholic medical ethics. The providers treat women in various age groups-from teen to seniors-and offer gynecologic care, yearly women's check-ups and natural family planning instruction in the Creighton Model Fertility Care System. Services are available in English and Spanish. The Gianna Center of Philadelphia is located in East Norriton (very close to the Plymouth Meeting Mall). For more information, call the center at 844-204-0005 or visit pghiannacenter.org.

MERION MERCY OPEN HOUSE

Merion Mercy Open House will be held on **Sunday, 10/02/22 from 11AM to 3PM**. Mass will be celebrated in the chapel at 11AM and school tours will run from 12Noon to 3PM. Scholarship and Entrance Exam Dates for 8th grade students: **10/15/22 and 10/22/22**. A parent tour will be offered on test dates. For more information and to register for events, please visit: www.merion-mercy.com.