



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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Web Site: www.stmariagoretti.net

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am
Vietnamese Mass: 2:30 pm
Weekdays & Saturday Mass: 8:30 am
Holy Days: Vigil 7:00pm, 7:00am, 8:30am
& noon, Vietnamese Mass at 7pm
***Mass Live Streamed on SMG Facebook page or a link on the parish website Sundays at 9:30am and daily at 8:30am.**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday: 9am to 4:00pm
Saturday & Sunday by appointment only during the pandemic.



PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. John C. Nguyen
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Leonard N. Peterson
Vietnamese Apostolate: Rev. John C. Nguyen
Permanent Deacons:
Deacon Phuong Nguyen
Deacon Stephen Vondercrone
Mater Dei Regional Catholic School President:
Ms. Diane McCaughan
Mater Dei Principal: Ms. Beth Waltrich
Director of Family Faith Formation, Religious Education & Parish Services: Maria Richardson
Sacristan & Assist. to Director of Family Faith Formation:
Tyler Grant
Admin. Assist. of Religious Education: JoAnn Prahler
Director of Music: Eileen Ericsson
Pastoral Assistant: Patricia Conroy
Office Manager: Cheryl Ryan
Parish Secretary: Mary Faymore
R.C.I.A. Coordinator: Al Pandolfo
Elder Care Assistance Program: Amy Juarez
Business Manager: Douglas Smith

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration: Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass -
Concludes at 5pm with Benediction
Marion: Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass.
Saint Maria Goretti: Monday during the 8:30 am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday at 12:45 pm (except the first Sunday of each month). Please call the Parish Office to register for Baptism. Pre-Jordan classes required for parents and optional for godparents, are offered the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted in the bulletin. Baptisms are limited to four children per Sunday. **Letters of eligibility are due at the Parish Center before a date can be given for Baptism.**

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with a priest at least six months in advance. You must speak to a priest before making arrangements for a reception hall. Scheduling, rescheduling or cancellation MUST be done by a priest. Pre-Cana classes are required for all couples. Please visit the archdiocesan website at <http://phillycatholiclife.org/marriage-and-family/preparing-for-marriage/>

ANNULMENTS

Following the directive of Pope Francis, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is offering annulments without cost to the petitioners. There are additional changes which would make annulments easier to obtain. Contact the Parish Center to speak with Fr. Chung for more information on the annulment process.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK

Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3pm - 4pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Friday, November 4th



On Friday, November 4th the SMG community will offer a "Mass of Remembrance" at 7pm. At that time, a particular acknowledgement will be made of those who have died during **this past year**. This would include those whose funerals were celebrated here during the past year, as well as other family members and friends of parishioners who died within the year. If you wish to have your deceased loved one included in this commemoration, you must contact Cheryl at 215-721-0199 **no later than October 24th**. This will ensure that your loved one will be included by name in this annual Mass of Remembrance. Each of these beloved deceased will be memorialized with a candle lit by family members during the Mass. Also, each deceased person's name will be mentioned and prayed for. Following Mass refreshments will be served in the narthex.

REFRESHMENTS NEEDED

Once again we are asking for the help of our great bakers and snack providers for the Mass of Remembrance to be held on **Friday, November 4th** at 7pm. We are looking for any type of finger food that can be served easily in the narthex following Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to build community with fellow parishioners and their families. If you are able to help out, please call Sara Ertel at 215-407-0096. Thank you for your continued support and your delicious baking!



#iGIVECATHOLIC

#iGiveCatholic Prayer for Success

O Lord, giver of life, we know that all we are, and all we have are gifts from You. We live in a world that celebrates consumption. But You call us to be good stewards of all You have entrusted to us. May this #GivingTuesday prompt us to gratitude and generosity, that brings nourishment to the hungry and hope to the hopeless. We pray that #iGiveCatholic may be a miracle of loaves and fishes, where every gift shared lovingly from a grateful heart becomes bread for the multitudes, and the ordinary becomes extraordinary. In this giving and receiving, may our hearts rejoice in You alone, who are Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

SMG PARISH IS PARTICIPATING IN #iGiveCatholic on November 29th

#iGiveCatholic is a giving day event that provides our Catholic parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries the opportunity to connect with their current donors, reconnect with past supporters, and establish relationships with new donors. It is also an opportunity for Catholics to affirm our faith as disciples of Jesus Christ by sharing our gifts out of love for God and one another. The goal of #iGiveCatholic is to inspire the Catholic community to come together as faithful stewards and to "Give Catholic" on #GivingTuesday, a global day dedicated to giving back.

Please use the link below for more information: https://www.givegab.com/nonprofits/saint-maria-goretti-parish/giving_days/igc-philadelphia2022

PRO-LIFE BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION



A big thank you goes out to those who have returned their baby bottles with donations towards the SMG Pro-Life events. Currently there are still over 175 baby bottles missing. If you picked up a baby bottle in early October, **please return it to the church narthex ASAP** as we close out Pro-Life month. Your support in this most important ministry is greatly appreciated.



**THEY'RE BACK!!!
VIETNAMESE EGG ROLL SALE ~ NOVEMBER 19/20
Get Your Eggrolls for the Holiday Season**



The Vietnamese Community will be holding an Egg Roll Sale on Saturday and Sunday, **November 19/20**. Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase these delicious homemade egg rolls. They freeze well and make a great appetizer for the Holiday Season. If interested, please fill out the form below and drop it off in an envelope marked "Egg Roll Sale" to the parish center or in the collection basket with cash or check payable to St. Maria Goretti Parish no later than **Wednesday, November 16th**. *Thank you for your support.*

Cost is \$2 per egg roll or 3 for \$5

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Egg Rolls: _____

Cash: _____

Check #: _____

The cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and they will be available for pick-up on November 19/20 after all Masses.

Please circle the Mass you will be picking up your order: 5pm 7:30am 9:30am 11:30am



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., Oct. 30** 7:30 A.M. Glenn Pinkston
Req. by Pat Pinkston
9:30 A.M. Helen & Carmine Vernachio
Req. by Carman Vernachio & Family
11:30 A.M. Gerald J. Schneider, Sr.
Req. by Marianne & Bob Peters
- MON., Oct. 31** 8:30 A.M. Tom & Rita Miller
(41st Wedding Anniversary)
Req. by The Family
- TUES., Nov. 1** 7:00 A.M. Frederick Mark
Req. by Patty Mark
8:30 A.M. Elizabeth & William Kelly
Req. by Richard & Melissa Kelly
12 noon Richard Eckard
Req. by The Eckard Family
7:00 P.M. Vietnamese Mass
- WED., Nov. 2** 8:30 A.M. Gemma & Luigi Rosmini
Req. by The Cavacini Family
- THURS., Nov. 3** 8:30 A.M. John Grabowski
Req. by The Ericsson Family
- FRI., Nov. 4** 8:30 A.M. Jenna Burleigh
Req. by The Burleigh Family
- SAT., Nov. 5** 8:30 A.M. Elizabeth Ecker
Req. by Dolores Flynn
4:30 P.M. Alfred & Anna Gray
Req. by Chris & Patty Gray
- SUN., Nov. 6** 7:30 A.M. Maryann Regan
Req. by The Meinhardt Family
9:30 A.M. Members of the Vernachio
Family
Req. by Carman Vernachio & Family
11:30 A.M. Rebecca Hunkins
Req. by Parish PREP Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **Arthur Bimson, Jr.** requested by The Family.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for **Antonio Sealy** requested by Cedric & Joanna Chin.

MONTHLY HOLY HOUR

A great opportunity for stewardship!

Holy Hour gives the parish an opportunity to pray for the needs of the church especially vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The Holy Hour will include public prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) and private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is welcome. Holy Hour is held the Thursday evening before First Friday at 4pm.

PRAYER LINE

Our Parish Prayer Line consists of five adult prayer groups. Requests for prayers for the prayer line may be given by calling **the Parish Center at 215-721-0199**. Your prayer request is mentioned in the prayers of those on the line for 2 weeks and then included in their prayers for the following weeks in an inclusive prayer.



PLEASE KEEP IN MIND the following people who at this time need your prayers and support: Carol Algrogge, Lori Aiello, Baby David, Chuck Biehn, Suki Borowski, James Caprioli, Bob, Rob Daum, Ted DeMarino, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, Ilianessa Gonzalez, Tanner Gower, Pamela Guld, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Ladley, John McLaughlin, Ted Malinchak, Ed Malley, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Mary Moses, Tom Murphy III, Bill O'Brien, Patricia Naab, Marianne Peters, Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Alice Rau, Joanne Reube, Antonio & Veanessa Rivera, Linda Santana, Rose Santulli, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Gary Stark, Lawrence Stempel, John Tulley, Frank Vallone, Paul Wheeler, Carmella Wheeler, Salem & Valerie Yabut.

PRO-LIFE MARCH WASHINGTON, D.C.

Friday, January 20, 2023



Join Pro-life members from all over the country in the fight to end abortion. We will leave St. Maria Goretti parking lot at 5:45 A.M. (with a stop for a quick break) to participate at Mass at 10 A.M. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. After Mass we will take the Metro to the rally sight.

A rally will begin at noon. The March will begin at 1:00 P.M. The destination is The Capitol, where more speakers will speak out in support of life.

The bus will leave the Shrine parking lot at 4:00 P.M. There will make a stop for a quick meal on the way home.

We suggest you pack any food and drinks you might need for the day. The cost is \$25.00. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please mail the registration form to Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Pro-Life March, 1601 Derstine Rd., Hatfield, PA 19440. Any questions contact Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@gmail.com.

Name(s): _____

of tickets: _____ Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Parish: _____

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL

Presents

Episode Three of Bishop Barron's
Catholicism

THE INEFFABLE MYSTERY OF GOD
"That Than Which Nothing Greater can be thought"



Thursday October 13th and Thursday October 20th
7:00 – 8:30 PM Parish Center Basement
Please contact the Big People Church Team @
bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com



CLUB 50+ LUNCHEON

The luncheon is held in the IHM Room at Noon ~ Followed by Game Day 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 PM to 3:15 PM. Come for part or all of the afternoon activity! Cost: \$ 9.00 Per Person for lunch. Please sign up one week in advance.
October 26, November 30

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Mass, short teaching on
Mass Confusion!

November, 2022 through March, 2023
After 8:30 AM Mass in the IHM Room

Save these dates: **November 4th, December 2nd, January 6th, February 3rd & March 3rd**

Gertrude the Great – "For each Mass we hear with devotion, Our Lord sends a saint to comfort us at death." "Each time we look at The Most Blessed Sacrament our place in heaven is raised forever"

Padre Pio – "Every holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our souls marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we, ourselves, do not know."

John Vianney – "If we knew the value of the Mass, we would die for joy."

No registration is necessary ~ Free Will Donations are Appreciated!

Questions: Contact Maria Richardson
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559



ADULT FAITH FORMATION



THE CHOSEN SEASON 2

Come one and all!
Come and see what they saw!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION WINE & CHEESE DISCUSSION GROUP

Watch episodes prior to attending:
November 2, 2022 - Season 2 (1&2)
December 7, 2022 - Season 2 (3&4)
January 4, 2023 - Season 2 (5&6)
February 1, 2023 - Season 2 (7&8)

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM – IHM Room

Watch at home 2 shows per month and come discuss what YOU saw! Watch in mobile app: www.thechosen.tv/app, you can stream to your TV using another device, such as Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV, Android TV, Chromecast, etc. Free on YouTube and AMAZON Prime TV.

Questions: Contact Maria Richardson
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

SMG VIRTUAL CHARTISMATIC PRAYER GROUP



EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT ON
ZOOM

7:30 pm—Register one time only at
<https://stmariagoretti.net/virtual-charismatic-prayer-meeting/>

Contact Maria Richardson,
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

YOUTH MINISTRY

Luminary Fundraiser after all Masses

December 10th & 11th
Sign up to help!

Luminary Placement and Cleanup
December 24th & 26th



TEEN SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

St. Vincent dePaul Truck Day
November 19, 2022
Contact Edie at 215-855-4919



GINGERBREAD HOUSE FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT

December 13, 2022—SAVE THE DATE!

Contact Maria Richardson or Tyler Grant @
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net
tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net—215-721-6559

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

E.M. of Holy Communion

4:30pm – Sacristan, J. Gressang, M.J. Vondercrone
 7:30am – Sacristan, B. McCormick, D. Fuse
 9:30am – Sacristan, S. Steklenski, T. McGann
 11:30am – Sacristan, E. & P. Perez

E.M. Home Visits

A1–C. Kirkwood, A2–D. Grant, A3–J. Naab, A4–P. Walsh,
 A5–M. Rosenberger

Lectors

4:30pm – F. Filler, M. O’Pella
 7:30am – A. & R. Whitley
 9:30am – B. Malley, M. Faymore
 11:30am – J. MacFrand, T. Mazzeo

Altar Servers

4:30pm – S. Filler, O. Watters, B. Mazerowski
 7:30am – T. & A. Baran, D. Engle
 9:30am – T. McGann, N. & J. Boell
 11:30am – C. Murphy, A. DeSiro, B. Brennan

Cantors

Not available in time for publication

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: **\$252.00**

BENEFITS ST. MARY’S FRANCISCAN SHELTER

Before leaving our church building each weekend, please consider stopping by one of our poor boxes located in the narthex, with your contributions. For the months of **September** and **October 2022**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **St. Mary’s Franciscan Shelter**. This non-profit organization, located in Phoenixville, PA, is an emergency shelter assisting homeless families to get back on their feet. Since its formation in 1987, they have housed hundreds of families and provided countless nights of shelter and meals. St. Mary’s recently opened transitional housing apartments to further support our homeless families. Families who have completed the emergency shelter program at St. Mary’s have the opportunity to live in brand new apartments for up to 24 months. Case management and support continue so families can successfully navigate the path to future permanent housing. They also provide additional services to the residents, which consist of helping them develop marketable skills, a presentable resume, facilitate job interviews and help to arrange transportation once a job is found. The organization’s ultimate goal is to move a motivated family from crisis to independence, eventually maintaining their own homes outside the residence. Please consider helping those that are less fortunate. **If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!**

MUSIC NOTES



No Rehearsals for Tuesday, November 1st

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Catholic Relief Services encourages you to invite your family and friends to join a movement where we come together to care for God’s creation and His sons and daughters. Simply text ACT to 677-68 and pledge to help communities most vulnerable to climate change become more resilient to its impact.

"Climate change is a global problem with grave implications... It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day." ~ Pope Francis, Laudato Si (Papal Encyclical), Paragraph 25



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COAT DRIVE!

If you have gently used children’s coats and/or winter clothing, please consider donating them to the Knights of Columbus Coat Drive! This annual drive collects for needy families in Philadelphia parishes, including St. Helena in Olney. A bin will be located in the narthex from October 29th until November 13th. Please consider helping the Knights serve the less fortunate in our area.

SISTERS IN SPIRIT CLOTHING DRIVE

Sisters in Spirit are collecting new socks and new underwear for infants up to 12 year olds, with a greater need for sizes adult small and medium.

We will delivering these items to Cradles To Crayons, a non-profit organization that provides resources to homeless and low income families and their children.

The collection will run until November 27th. Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Collection boxes can be found in the narthex.

HEALING MASS & PRAYER SERVICE

First Fridays, Nov 4, Dec 2, 2022-7:00 PM

Join us for Mass, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praise and worship music and healing prayers.

Location: National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa



Across the United States, Vocation Awareness Week 2022 will be celebrated from November 6-12th. This annual week-long celebration is designed to raise awareness of, and promote vocations to, the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. During Vocation Awareness Week, the Vocation Office for the Diocesan Priesthood invites you to pray for those men and women in formation, as well as for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Thank you to the parishioners of SMG that are able to continue to support the parish. Your generosity makes it possible to continue the wonderful ministries and programs within our parish. We are also able to continue to help those in need through our very generous Saint Vincent DePaul ministry. May God continue to bless all of you for your continued support!

<u>Sunday, October 23rd</u>		
2021	2022	Difference
\$23,794.76	\$21,096.90	(\$2,697.86)

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

WAYS TO GIVE & SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Each week check this column for ideas to support your parish (some that will cost you nothing)

Do you Need to make an RMD for your IRA?

You may qualify for tax benefits when you give to charities directly from your IRA.

IRA's free of federal income tax on your withdrawal - this year and in future years - if you meet the following criteria:

1. Are age 70 1/2 or older on the day of the gift.
2. Transfer up to \$100,000 directly from your IRA to one or more qualified charities such as St. Maris Goretti Parish. Note: This opportunity applies only to IRAs and not to other types of retirement plans.
3. Do not receive any goods or services in return for the rollover gift.

You can benefit when you:

1. Wish to make a gift without using cash or other assets.
2. Do not need all or a portion of your IRA income.
3. Are paying too much in taxes and are looking to reduce your income.
4. Want to increase your normal level of giving and IRA rollover gift does not count towards the 50% annual limitation on charitable gifts.

Making a gift from your IRA is easy! Please contact your tax preparer or financial advisor.

DESIGNER BAG

Saturday November 5th, 2022
St. Maria Goretti - Drexel Hall
7 pm (Doors open at 6:15pm)



\$35 per ticket -MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE

- Admission includes 12 games (extra games, Specials & daubers available for separate purchase)
- All tickets are virtual so include all names in your group
- Venmo payments to @Catherine-OReilly-7 (make sure it's between friends)

Reserve your table now! For tickets and information, please call, text or email Cathy at 610-517-4021 or catherine3oreilly@gmail.com

Benefits: Telford Fire Company
BYOB - 50/50 Raffle - Door Prizes – Basket Raffles – Extra Cards - Special Games - Daubers – Snacks

BRING A CANNED FOOD ITEM FOR THE KEYSTONE OPPORTUNITY CENTER & RECEIVE AN EXTRA DOOR PRIZE TICKET!



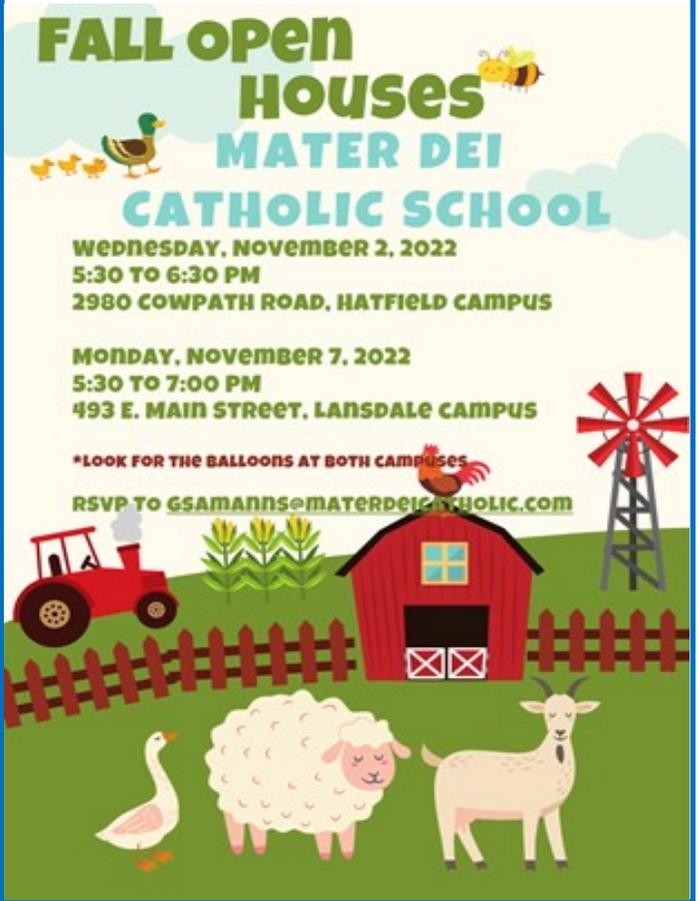
Save the Date: Mater Dei's Fall Open Houses

Mater Dei's Fall Open Houses for the 2023-24 school year will take place on the following dates:

Mater Dei's Hatfield Campus for children entering Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4—Wednesday, November 2 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM

Mater Dei's Lansdale Campus for children entering Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-8 Monday, November 7 from 5:30-7:00 PM.

All are welcome! Please RSVP to Grace Samanns at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com



MATER DEI WINTER SPORTS CYO REGISTRATION K-12



Registration for CYO winter sports is now open. See flyer here. Practices are able to start as early as November 2, so register early to get the registration discount and to be included on all team announcements from your coaches. For more information and the registration links: <https://www.ststanislaus.com/cyo/>. Any parent wishing to help coach will need to sign up on TeamSnap as well. Questions: please send an email to materdeicyopa@gmail.com

Mater Dei CYO Dance

Mater Dei CYO is hosting a dance for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders on October 29, 2022 from 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm in the St. Rose of Lima Parish Gym.