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Sincerely Yours in Christ, Father Chung



The SMG Assistance Fund Coming Soon...Very Soon

In the very near future, St. Maria Goretti Parish will be sharing with you an exciting new opportunity that we are currently pursuing with the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia to maximize the impact of your generous Parish donations. The SMG Assistance Fund will be the means by which our parishioners can directly partner with the Parish to support, sustain and expand the numerous assistance programs and ministries that benefit our church families, children, youth, young adults, adults and seniors.

Please keep an eye out and an ear open for upcoming Narthex displays, Mass announcements, website link and page, and other informational outreach that will describe in more detail as SMG shares this exciting opportunity for you to cost-effectively partner with your Parish in supporting and benefitting our Parish families and community. Please keep this initiative in your prayers. Thank You!

There will NOT be Adoration on Easter Monday, April 18th. The Parish Office will also be closed. **Happy Easter!**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR PARISH MAY PROCESSION MONDAY, MAY 2nd AT 6PM

Please join Fr. Chung, our Deacons, and fellow parishioners, PREP students and families, parish ministry volunteers, Knights of Columbus... to honor Mary at an outdoor procession

(weather permitting) at 6pm on May 2nd. The children that have received the sacraments this year are invited to wear their Confirmation robes and the First Holy Communion children are asked to wear their special First Communion attire.

Everyone is invited. Hope you can make it!

Thank you to everyone that made the Easter Egg Hunt of 2022 a success!

that didn't stop the Easter Bunny and the little ones at SMG from having a at time! Plan on joining us in 2023

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., April 17	 7:30 A.M. Helen Nebrotski Req. by The Family 9:30 A.M. Deep Thanksgiving to Our Lord & The Blessed Mother Req. by Dottie Keane 11:30 A.M. Gemma & Luigi Rosmini Req. by The Cavacim Family
MON., April 18	8:30 A.M. Antonina Davi Req. by The Family
TUES., April 19	8:30 A.M. James Kennedy Req. by Mariam Kennedy
WED., April 20	8:30 A.M. MaryJo Ciccanti Req. by Ted & Lana Skrzat
THURS., April 21	8:30 A.M. Cheryl DeFucia Req. by Ted & Lana Skrzat
FRI., April 22	8:30 A.M. Rose & Gus Schmidt Req. by Rosemary Endrick
SAT., April 23	8:30 A.M. Brendan Heary Req. by Carollyn & John Heary 5:00 P.M. Lucy Williams Req. by The DiBiase Family
SUN., April 24	7:30 A.M. Thomas D. O'Neill Req. by John & Jane Rossi 9:30 A.M. Scott Spicuzza Req. by Matt & Cindy Shepardson 11:30 A.M. Robert Reinhardt Req. by The Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for *Luigi & Gemma Rosmini* Requested by the Family





BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for *Ritamarie Denning* requested by Mary Chantry.

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, Regina Cardillo, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, John McLaughlin, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Frank Moran, Tom Murphy III, Patricia Naab, Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Joanne Reube, Don Robberstad, Linda Santana, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Lawrence Stempel, Ron Szewczak, John Tulley, Paul Wheeler, Salem & Valerie Yabut.

IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR LIST CURRENT WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CALL THE PARISH CENTER WITH ANYONE CURRENTLY IN NEED OF PRAYERS OR THAT SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM OUR LIST.



WORSHIP | NIGHT PRAYER | FELLOWSHIP Thursday, April 21st 6PM-8PM

Join us in worship and communal praying of Liturgy of the Hours before the Blessed Sacrament, followed by outdoor fellowship (weather permitting). This is a prayer & fellowship event for parishioners of all ages, children are welcome! Liturgy of the Hours will take place in the main church to allow for spacing and in order to observe all current COVID precautions.



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Adult Faith Formation



CHOSEN

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS Join us for Mass, short teaching on Saints & Breakfast! September, 2021 through May, 2022 May 6

After 8:30 AM Mass in the IHM Room

According to this devotion, the first Friday of each month was designated by Jesus himself as consecrated to honoring his Sacred Heart, to increase our love for him and to make reparation for past and present offenses against his love. Go to https://stmariagoretti.net/news-events/ to see these 12 promises of the Sacred Heart to those who attend Mass and receive Holy Communion for 9 consecutive First Fridays according to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690)

WINE & CHEESE DISCUSSION GROUP

Come one and all! Come and see what they saw! The Third Wednesday of the Month

January, 2022 through April, 2022 April 20

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. Watch it on web player: https:// studios.vidangel.com/the-chosen/player. Purchase the DVD/ BluRay: https://thechosengifts.com/collections/best-sellers.



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. Wednesday, May 11

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

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send your bulletin announcements by 12 noon on the Monday prior to publication. The preferred method is by e-mail to cheryl.ryan@stmariagoretti.net with the word "*bulletin"* in the subject line. Thanks for your cooperation.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT FIELD DAY

SMG Ballfield—Join us for Volleyball, Cornhole, Spikeball, Slip'n'Slide and more... Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 7:00 PM



Contact Tyler Grant, 215-721-6559 or tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net

Youth Ministry



FIRE PIT HOT TOPICS Come to one session or all of them! Tuesday, April 19, 2022

Save the Date Family / Teen Bowling! Tuesday, May 17, 2022

More details to follow in upcoming bulletins.



Flyer and registration available at https:// stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/ Contact Maria Richardson, Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Tatyana left her home in Ukraine in early March, walking the last 10 miles to reach Moldova. She says the people of Chisinau have been good to them, but hopes to go home

soon. "I wish this would end, so that there is peace and we can return...and live as before," Tatyana said.

More than 3.9 million Ukrainians have fled Ukraine since the war started over a month ago. Connor O'Loughlin, the lead coordinator of emergency refugee services for Catholic Relief Services, spoke to USA Today about the situation: "For many, many people, those who are staying in Moldova, they want to be close to home and return when it's possible. And it's important that they retain that hope." Please visit www.crs.org to see how you can help!



EASTER SUNDAY HAPPY EASTER!

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to share our

Easter joy with those in our local community and around the world.

Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the basket in the narthex or donate online at crsricebowl.org/giv

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MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 24th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm – Sacristan, D. Misczak, M.K. Ramsey
7:30am – Sacristan, B. Braun, P. Walsh
9:30am – Sacristan, M. Rosenberger, S. Steklenski
11:30am – Sacristan, S. Nagele, T. McBride

E.M. Home Visits

A1–D. Grant, A2-B. Hudak, A3-J. Naab, A4-T. McGann, A5–R. Mazur

Lectors

5:00pm – J. Gressang, J. O'Brien 7:30am – B. Healy, M. McCormick 9:30am – R. & N. Boak 11:30am – R. Jones, P. Villucci

<u>Altar Servers</u>

5:00pm – D. Farzetta, S. Filler 7:30am – A. & L. Wertz 9:30am – A. DeSiro, J. Kuduk 11:30am – E. Sharp, O. Watters

<u>Cantors</u>

5:00pm – Chelsea 7:30am – Joe Bondi 9:30am – Isabella 11:30am – Ugochi





No Rehearsals for Tuesday, April 19th Have a Blessed Easter!



BENEFITS ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Before leaving our church building each weekend, please consider stopping by one of our poor boxes located in the narthex, with your contribution. For the months of **March and April 2022**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **St Vincent de Paul Society**. The SMG Conference of the Society was newly formed in 2007 and meets each Monday evening in the Parish Center to review the needs of individuals within our community. The Society works in collaboration with other organizations to provide person-toperson service, recognizing Christ in the face of those in need. The Society also supports the initiatives of the International Society, including clothing and food drives, as well as other special projects. This collection will provide much needed funding to fulfill our mission to serve the poor and needy. As quoted in the Society's motto..."No form of charity is foreign to the Society." If donating by check, please make payable to **St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!**



BAPTISMS

Welcome to the newest members of our parish:

Brielle Grace daughter of Daniel & Kendra Luther, Jacob Ryan and Logan Thomas sons of Thom-

as & Denise Killen, *Everly Layne* daughter of Joseph & Kathleen Bennett, *Molly Rose* daughter of Robert & Elizabeth Wideman, *Dominic Roy* son of Lawrence & Christine Roy, *Jayce Joel* son of Jared & Amanda Martin, *Rhys Anthony* son of Frank & Melissa Hansen, *Luke Henry* son of Robert & Natalie Kulik.

CONGRATULATIONS!





THEY'RE BACK!!! VIETNAMESE EGG ROLL SALE ~ MAY 7/8 Get Your Eggrolls for Mother's Day!

The Vietnamese Community will be holding an Egg Roll Sale on Saturday and Sunday, *May 7/8.* Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase these delicious homemade egg rolls. Treat Mom to a delicious egg roll or two for Mother's Day. They freeze well and make a great snack. 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 <u>Monday, May 2nd</u>. *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	e for pick-u	p on May 7th	or 8th after all	Masses.
Please circle the Mass you will be picking up your order:	5pm	7:30am	9:30am	11:30am

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Helping Our Parish Grow WEEKLY OFFERTORY

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Thank you to the parishioners of SMG that are able to continue to support the parish through the pandemic. We understand that this unprecedented health emergency has also had a negative affect financially on so many and because of your generosity we are able to stay current on our parish financial obligations as well as help those who need.

Sunday, April 11th				
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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)

Wills and Bequests - As you think about how you want your estate distributed after your death, keep in mind that making a will is often inexpensive and easy with costs as low as \$100 for simple estates. Take care of your family first and help ensure that your intentions are carried out by making sure that you have a will and that it is current. Also, please consider including SMG Parish in your will, estate planning or insurance policy for a specific amount, a percent of your estate or a certain property as a legacy gift. We recommend that you talk with an estate planning attorney.

Periodic Review and Checklist

- Take a Few Moments-to pray and write down ٠ the names of loved ones, people and institutions, including SMG Parish, you hold dear.
- Review Your Current Will-if you have one to ٠ see if it is up to date. Most original wills can be old and not fit current circumstances. If you don't have a will make an appointment with an attorney.
- Select an Attorney-who specializes in estate, tax, trust work. Many attorneys specialize in many different area.
- Write a "Laundry List"-of personal items and who should receive them. Families are often in conflict about these items sometimes more than financial assets.
- Tally the Value of Assets-land, securities, real estate, insurance, IRA's, 401K's.
- Inform Loved Ones-of your plans and any change in plans. This can avoid family conflicts.



Easter Blessings from Mater Dei Catholic School

This Easter, the hearts of the Mater Dei Family...our children, parents, and faculty ... are filled with gratitude for our growing enrollment, gen-



erous benefactors, and most of all, our Catholic Faith. We pray especially for our pastors and parishioners and wish all of you a very Happy and Blessed Easter!

Enrollment 2022-23 at Mater Dei Catholic School

Mater Dei is NOW accepting new Pre-K 3 through Grade 8 applications for the 2022-23 school year! 52 new applicants have already been accepted! Please contact Grace Samanns in Advancement at



gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787.

And you can use the QR code to register your Pre-K 3 through Grade 8 student now by completing a 2022-23 New Student **Registration Form!**



Kudos to the Casts of Frozen Jr at Mater Dei

Mater Dei students presented Frozen Jr to audiences on April 1, 2, and 3. The acting, singing, lighting, sound, and stage sets were delightful. Many thanks to the students, directorial team, parents, and staff who gave hours to make the performances а reality. Congratulations to all!

Childcare Space is Available... Mater Dei Childcare Center has room for your infant to 36 month old...CALL TODAY!

Mater Dei Child Care Center is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM to accommodate the working parent. Please contact the Center's Director, Julie Townsend at childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211.

The Mater Dei Childcare in Hatfield is currently searching for Lead Teachers and Assistants to join our team. Candidates should be energetic, patient, friendly, nurturing and enjoy working with young children and their families. Looking for candidates passionate about working with infants and toddlers. Please contact the Center's Assistant Director, Mary Whittam at mwhittam@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211 if you are interested.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is an equal opportunity employer.