



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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Web Site: www.stmariagoretti.net

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 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
Closed Saturday & Sunday: through the summer 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 Peter Niche
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
Admin. Assist. of Religious Education: JoAnn Prahler & Pat Kendig
Director of Adult Faith Formation: Angela McClellan
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
Asst. Business Mgr.: Geri Salanik

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration: Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass -
Concludes at 5pm with Benediction
Marian: 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 **ONE CHILD** 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

Archbishop Charles Chaput, following the directive of Pope Francis, 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 3:30 - 4:30 pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

Welcome Fr. Binh Nguyen Perpetual Help Thailand Ministry



MISSIONARY COOP APPEAL
Fr. Binh Nguyen, SVD will be with us this weekend August 1-2 to speak on behalf of the Perpetual Help Thailand ministry of his religious community the Divine Word Missionaries. They are an international religious community of missionary priests and Brothers serving in 81 countries helping to build chapels, celebrate the sacraments, and spread the Word of God in the remote mission communities. Please click the video to learn more and meet some of the people you can support with Br. Damien Lunders SVD. You may also go to their web site www.perpetualhelpthailand.com.

Fr. Binh Nguyen, SVD met Pope Francis at the Vatican during a gathering on August 7, 2015 in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Worldwide Eucharistic Youth Movement.

GORETTIFEST IS POSTPONED



With much thought and serious consideration we regrettably announce the cancellation of the 2020 Goretifest due to concerns for the safety of our Parishioners, vendors, musicians and the amount of visitors to our campus for this event.

We feel this decision is in the best interest of everyone involved because of the COVID-19 restrictions that are in place at this time and that it is questionable if this event could take place this September and certainly not to the degree that we have all come to know and expect.

We hope to do a Cinco de Mayo themed Goretifest on Friday, May 7, 2021. More details on this new event and how you can help make it a fun and successful event for our Parish community will be announced after the Labor Day holiday.

In the meantime stay well and stay safe.

WELCOME BACK—WE MISSED YOU!

*Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus
as we make our way back to the in
person celebration of the Mass.*

While it is great to be together to celebrate Mass as a parish family once again, our main concern is to keep the people of SMG parish safe. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation continues to be lifted during the "Green Phase". You are not required to attend Mass at this time. If you are at high risk or not feeling well please stay home. We will continue to offer Mass live streamed though the Saint Maria Goretti Facebook page and a link on the parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net.

Many precautions have been put in place for your safety such as; all high touch areas will be sanitized between each Mass, the missals have been removed from the pews, Communion lines and seating is socially distanced, hand sanitizers are available, masks are strongly encouraged for everyone except those under 2 years old or with health issues that prevent you from wearing a mask, doors will be propped open so entering and exiting the church is easy. Every other pew is open for seating, remember to leave 6 foot space between your household and members of a different household. There will be no sign of peace or Precious Blood during the "Green Phase".

We all need to do our part to make sure that our return to Mass is a peaceful and safe experience for all. May God Bless you and keep you safe!



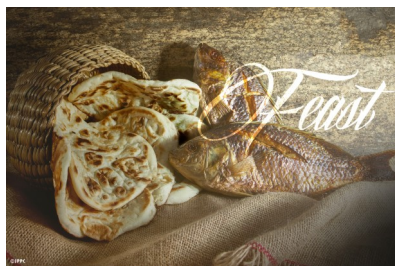
THE TIME IS NOW!

Eucharistic adoration is essential to fighting the dark forces present in our society today. The time is now to get down on our knees to love and adore our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Perhaps you are being called! Will you answer? Jesus is waiting.

Adoration takes place every Monday beginning immediately following the 8:30 AM mass and continuing until benediction at 5 PM. We are in need of guardians who will commit to spending 30 minutes or more to ensure that our Lord in the Eucharist is never alone. The following times are available.

Noon to 12:30 p.m.
12:30 to 1 p.m.
1:30 to 2 p.m.

Please call or contact Nancy Boak if you would like to be a part of this ministry. Phone: 215-393-3763 or 908-616-7611 cell
Email: nancyboak@aol.com



TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Isaiah 55: 1-3

The Bible frequently uses the symbol of a banquet to celebrate God's care for Israel. Here the banquet is linked with the fulfillment of the covenant that was once made with King David.

Reading II: Romans 8: 35, 37-39

None of life's troubles or pain can make a true Christian forget the love of Christ made manifest in His death and resurrection. Even hostile forces cannot separate us from His love.

The Gospel: Matthew 14: 13-21

After curing the sick, Jesus feeds the people, likely numbering more than 15,000 in total. The blessing and breaking of the bread anticipates the Last Supper, which in turn does the same for the future heavenly banquet.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., August 2** 7:30 A.M. Vera Bunza
Req. by Rose & Matthew Fantuzzo
9:30 A.M. Dolly Vare Vernachio
Req. by Carman Vernachio
11:30 A.M. Nick, Rose & Debbie Prozzillo
Req. by Tom & Angie Kane
- MON., August 3** 8:30 A.M. Joan Payton
Req. by Pam & John Kuntz
- TUES., August 4** 8:30 A.M. The Lillis Family
Req. by The Schussler Family
- WED., August 5** 8:30 A.M. Wanda Langiewicz
Req. by The Family
- THURS., August 6** 8:30 A.M. Jeffrey Keffer
Req. by Charlie & Sally Keffer
- FRI., August 7** 8:30 A.M. Peg & Jack McGann
Req. by Tom & Carla McGann
- SAT., August 8** **No Morning Mass**
5:00 P.M. Alfred & Anna Gray
Req. by Patty & Chris Gray
- SUN., August 9** 7:30 A.M. Frank Phillipeck
Req. by The Patterson Family
9:30 A.M. John Conroy
Req. by Pat Conroy & Family
11:30 A.M. Dorothy Pauloski
Req. by Stanley Pauloski

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in memory of **Francine Menla** requested by Linda & Joseph Benischeck.



MONTHLY HOLY HOUR RESUMES ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 6th at 4PM

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY FOR AUGUST 2nd

CANTORS

5pm—Chelsea	7:30am—Michele
9:30am—Ugochi	11:30am—Donna

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: Josephine Albert, Warren Allison, Ruth Adams, Jennifer & Kimberly Agnew, Mark Altroggi, Matthew Arrow, Christina Augustine, Paul Baril,

Ray Baril, Joey Berical, Jerilyn Bowler, Patricia Britton, Linda Burbank, Mary Callaghan, Ron Cariola, Aldo Carnara, Danny Catts, Joanna Cavacini, Aura Chaustre, James Chrissy, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Susan & Anthony Dalesio, Joanne Daum, Loretta Deller, Leo Dennis, Karen Diana, Peter Fallon, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Carol Galinski, Joe Gallant, Erin Gilbert, Lianessa Gonzalez, Abby Graham, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Kathleen Hauck, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Ron Hoffman, Jeanette Hoy, Kevin Iavecchia, Richard Jedlicka, Jean Kerr, Charles Kline, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempf, Jama Lecore, Curt Lecrone, Angelique, Gina & Keenan Lee, Dorothy Lougee, Dina Lukasko, Patti Maguire, Joe Martin, Sean McKelvey, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, Debbie Murray, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Regina Nimmo, Ernest & Mele Lee-Nippins, Bill O'Brien, Matt Page, Anthony & Michael Paone, Kathy Paone, Catherine Pagano, Al Palatucci, Robert Pauloski, Flocerfida & Salvador Penganon, Connie Perrong, Michael Prahler, Marian Quinn, Marlin Raber, Dolores Radicioni, Michael Rafter, Joan Ramsher, Scott Randall, Frank Reiner Jim Richardson, Vanessa Rivera, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Barbara Scally, Helen Shekalis, Melissa Shelly, Mary Smith, Anthony Smith, Rukiatsu Smith, Valerie Somma, Lawrence Stempel, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, John Willstaudt, Salem Yabut, Jack Zampirri, Joe Zdun & Joan Ziegler.

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED



Please remember in your prayers the all who lost their lives to COVID-19 and the following parishioners who have passed in the past 15 weeks. May they rest in peace.

Terry Ray, Sue Drop, Ray Peacock, Glenn Pinkston, Jim Sinz, Gloria Nolen, Joan Davis, Jerry Coshin, Vincent Vozzo, Francis Hurley, Charles Minquez, Rose Gotowski, Nancy Schwoyer, Eliseo Saldivar, Stephen Evalt, Charles Simpson, Charles Middleton, James McCook, Caridad Carlos, Catherine McCauley, Ronald Chieffe, Mary Beatty, Michael Saylor and John Groller.

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BAPTISMS

Welcome to the newest members of our parish:



Matteo son of Bernardino & Maria Barrales,
Dominick Lucca son of Nicholas & Julia Radzicki,
Joseph Anthony son of Mark & Jennifer Sandor,
Chandler Elizabeth daughter of Thomas & Sara
Kingsbury. **CONGRATULATIONS!**

FIRST FRIDAY LIFE CHAIN

Friday, August 7th ~ 9:30 – 10:30 am



Planned Parenthood, 610 Louis Drive, Warminster

The Bucks County Pro-Life Coalition invites everyone to join them for their monthly First Friday Life Chain. We will stand in front of Planned Parenthood as well as across the street facing this facility and pray for an end to abortion at this site, as well as other abortion facilities in Southeast Pennsylvania. Signs will be provided for this event.

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. Thank you!

Join us for *Mass!* ©JPPC

Let us gather and celebrate the Mass. Visit our parish Facebook® page!

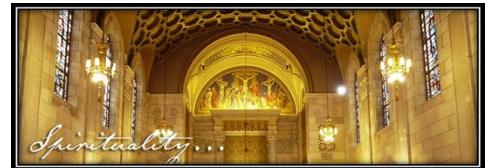


CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Action needed! Congress is currently working on its next COVID-19 bill. As negotiations continue, your voice is needed so your members of Congress hear from their voters to support those most vulnerable worldwide. Call 844-329-3060 now and urge your members of Congress to provide at least \$12 billion in funding for the international response to prevent, prepare for and respond to COVID-19 around the world. Visit www.crs.org for more information. Thanks for your support!

Day Retreat



Tuesday, October 6, 2020

Bus Departure: 7:30 AM ~ Approximate Return Home: 4:30 PM

Join the staff of Saint Maria Goretti Parish for a day of silence, stillness, and spiritual recollection at the **Jesuit Center for Spiritual Growth in Wernersville, PA**. The Jesuit Center is comprised of 250 acres of beautiful rolling hills, planned roads, walkways, terraces, grottos, and cloister gardens.

Retreat includes: a continental breakfast, a spiritual conference, opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, lunch, and quiet time to pray.

Cost is \$60.00 per person and includes bus transportation and meals. Payment is transferrable to another person but not refundable.

For more information contact: Angela McClellan, 215-721-0199 (Ext. 202), Angela.McClellan@stmariagoretti.net



Day Retreat

Please mail registration form below and check for \$60.00 payable to Saint Maria Goretti Church to:
Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center - c/o Angela McClellan—1601 Derstine Road—Hatfield, PA 19440

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Town/Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Parish _____

**SVDP MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE
RESUMES AUGUST 15/16**



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will resume its monthly food collection next weekend. Please take a brown bag from the Church vestibule and return it next weekend with groceries for the charities indicated below. May God bless you for your generosity!

Catholic Social Services (Martha's Choice Marketplace) needs school supplies: notebooks, loose leaf paper, pocket folders; pens, pencils, markers; mini-staplers, staples, crayons; rulers, Scotch tape, Post-it notes; calculators, flash drives, glue sticks; and backpacks for children ages five through thirteen and for high school students.

Hatfield Community Churches need lunchbox fillers for children ages two through five: granola bars, fruit packs, raisin boxes; juice boxes, pudding packs, squeeze applesauce; cracker sandwich packs, snack-size Goldfish crackers, and Teddy Grahams. They also need canned mandarin oranges, pineapple, tuna; canned peas, corn, mixed vegetables; canned beets, diced tomatoes, whole tomatoes; cereal, spaghetti sauce, pasta; laundry detergent, dish detergent, hand soap; bar soap, shampoo, and deodorant; paper towels, toilet paper, and diapers; and feminine hygiene products.

Shepherd's Shelf needs cereal, canned fruit, Chef Boyardee; Hamburger Helper, canned vegetables (not corn or green beans), canned potatoes; coffee, feminine hygiene products, laundry detergent; dish soap, and hand soap. Donations should be household size or smaller.

Thank you for your support!

FIRST THURSDAY BREAKFAST CLUB



The Breakfast Club is held on designated First Thursdays of the year and provides a way for people to build relationships and community and to gather together in friendship following their time spent together in worship and prayer. Coffee, tea, juice, and nutritious breakfast refreshments are served along with lots of

laughter and conversation. There is no cost to participate in the Breakfast Club and no registration is required. Non-parishioners are always welcome. **Thurs.: October 1, November 5, December 3, 2020. Following the 8:30 AM Mass—Church Narthex**

Our Breakfast Club this year is dedicated to the memory of Kathy Yucha who enjoyed baking for our Breakfast Club and for many of our Adult Faith events. May she forever rest in God's loving embrace.

HOPE IN CHRIST

Spiritual Support for Addictions

"I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security." ~ Jeremiah 33:6

Seeking solace and spiritual support in the journey towards recovery? Many local parishes are offering ways to experience Christ's extended hand of love and mercy in your time of need. Find Catholic resources for addiction for you or a loved one at www.archphila.org/hope

**POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP
BENEFITS ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY
The total collected last week was: \$152.44**

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 **July** and **August** 2020, 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-to-person 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!**

FRIENDS NEEDED:

Since 1994, Family Services of Montgomery County has helped seniors (ages 60+) remain safe and independent at home. We have achieved this through volunteer programs that provide many services including home repairs and organization, transportation, errands, and companionship.

At this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, Project HEARTH (Helping Elderly Adults Remain in Their Homes) is looking for people who can provide senior clients with transportation to scheduled appointments, grocery shopping, or running errands or yard work. Our Telephone Reassurance Program is looking for volunteers to connect with seniors by phone for one-on-one scheduled calls to promote meaningful conversation and to ensure their safety and well-being.

Once restrictions are lifted, Project HEARTH will need volunteers to meet with clients for friendly visits and companionship, help with organizing things in their homes, in addition to the above activities. Project HEARTH will also be in need of a handyman volunteer for minor house repairs.

Volunteer hours are flexible and variable. If you have one hour a week or two hours a month to volunteer and want to get involved, please contact: Anita Coffey at 610-213-0771 or acoffey@fsmontco.org.



**SAINT MARIA GORETTI ELDERCARE
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Providing Guidance, Supporting Choice

A Geriatric Care Manager can be helpful in the following situations:

- Concerns about elderly parent, spouse, or neighbor's safety
- Transitions from a hospital stay or to a nursing home setting
- Learning what options are available for you or your loved one
- Discovering services available in your community

For more information on this FREE service, call Amy Juarez at the Parish Center at 215-721-0199 x225 or email at ajuarez@chs-adphila.org

Every penny counts!



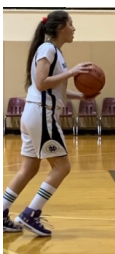
Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS THROUGH THE PANDEMIC

Thank you to the parishioners of SMG that are able to continue to support the parish through this 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 help those who need support financially by calling our St. Vincent DePaul Society at 215-721-0199 ext. 224. All calls are confidential.

2020 Weekly Total	2019 Weekly Totals	Difference
March 15th: \$11,745.00	March 15th: \$19,720.29	(\$ 7,975.29)
March 22nd: \$ 6,354.00	March 22nd: \$22,312.97	(\$15,958.97)
March 29th: \$14,319.47	March 29th: \$19,365.14	(\$ 5,045.67)
April 5th: \$12,847.67	April 5th: \$20,299.07	(\$ 7,451.40)
April 12th: \$14,605.00	April 12th: \$27,807.36	(\$13,202.36)
Easter: \$51,026.60	Easter: \$57,479.16	(\$ 6,452.56)
April 19th: \$ 9,497.00	April 19th: \$18,728.96	(\$ 9,231.96)
April 26th: \$18,922.00	April 26th: \$21,545.99	(\$ 2,623.99)
May 3rd: \$14,583.67	May 3rd: \$23,575.02	(\$ 8,991.35)
May 10th: \$21,400.00	May 10th: \$18,739.97	\$ 2,660.03
May 17th: \$15,981.24	May 17th: \$17,169.62	(\$ 1,188.38)
May 24th: \$12,184.00	May 24th: \$16,106.92	(\$ 3,922.92)
May 31st: \$14,857.00	May 31st: \$21,110.84	(\$ 6,253.84)
June 7th: \$27,902.62	June 7th: \$24,990.84	\$2,911.78
June 14th: \$25,258.75	June 14th: \$18,767.72	\$6,490.28
June 21st: \$18,677.44	June 21st: \$16,393.92	\$2,283.52
June 28th: \$25,159.00	June 28th: \$19,820.00	\$5,339.00
July 5th: \$18,515.42	July 8th: \$23,302.92	(\$4,787.50)
July 12th: \$27,409.00	July 15th: \$19,157.01	\$8,251.99
July 19th: \$16,469.00	July 22nd: \$17,458.16	(\$ 989.16)
July 26th: \$21,674.00	July 29th: \$20,892.59	\$ 781.41
	TOTAL:	(\$65,357.25)

MATER DEI CYO BASKETBALL AWARDS ~ SMG PROUD



Varsity Girls South: Spirit Award goes to Megan Wilkinson. From the coaches: Megan was a great addition to the team! Megan has such a positive attitude and she is an awesome teammate. She is very respectful to coaches and teammates. Despite being injured to start the season, Megan still attended team practices and games to support the team. Megan always did the little things to help the team like playing great team defense and rebounding. Megan has a bright future in high school. All the best!

4th Grade Boys White: Spirit Award goes to Luke Wilkinson. Luke exhibited a positive attitude, always willing to help his teammates and exhibited good sportsmanship and was respectful to his coaches and during our spiritual portion of practice. Congrats Luke!



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HUMBLE
and
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Mater Dei continues to accept New Registrations...

Pre-K 3 and 4 are filled at our Lansdale campus, but registration for 2020-21 continues for Pre-K 3 and 4 at the Hatfield Campus, as well as Kindergarten through Grades 8 in Lansdale. Secure your child's place in the classroom while spots are still available. New applications can be submitted at <https://www.materdeicatholic.com/admissions/registration-re-registration>. Please contact Grace Samanns at 215-368-9787 for a virtual look and more information so that you can guarantee your child a spot for the 2020-21 school year!

A reasonably priced childcare program and a nurturing, safe environment for your child while you work...

The **Mater Dei Childcare Center**, located at St. Maria Goretti Parish in Hatfield, watches over the youngest members of our community. Your child, ages 6 weeks to 36 months, is welcome to participate in an amazing program where he or she will learn and develop socially, emotionally, academically, and spiritually in a nurturing environment. Mater Dei Child Care Center is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM to accommodate the working parent. If you would like information about future availability for this wonderful program, please contact Katherine Stansbury, Center Director, at childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is an equal opportunity employer.