

# Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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Phone: 215-721-0199 PREP Phone: 215-721-6559 Fax: 215-721-4320 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 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

Director of Music: Eileen Ericsson

Admin. Assist. of Religious Education: JoAnn Prahler

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

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.

**ANOINTING 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.



## **SAVE THE DATES** September 25, 26 & 27, 2022 FORTY HOURS

The celebration of the annual Forty Hours Devotion provides a wonderful opportunity for the spiritual growth of each person and for the parish as a whole by nurturing love for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. If you are longing to find peace in your heart, you will find it in the heart of Jesus! For more information, please contact the parish center at 215-721-0199. Non-parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. Evening Service with Benediction 7:00pm.

Please join in welcoming Father James DeGrassa as the homilist for this parish celebration.



The Celebration of the annual Forty Hours Devo-7pm. Four Altar Servers are needed on the evenings of the 19th & 20th. Tuesday Sept. 27th we

will close 40 Hours with outdoor Eucharistic Procession and Benediction, all servers are strongly encouraged to attend. Please sign-up in the Altar Servers room. Thank you!!

## Are you ready for SMG PARISH **RELIGIOUS PROCESS (PREP) to begin** on September 19th?

## MEET & GREET If you are not registered please do so ASAP!

All PREP Family Members—Please 🗽 join us for the first night of Monday PREP

All Sunday families are welcome! Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:30 PM in Church for an Opening Prayer

Service, Parent Meeting, and Catechist Meet and Greet.

## CALLING ALL SMG CATECHISTS. **ASSISTANTS & HALL MONITORS!**

Please join us for a Catechist In-Service Dinner Meeting Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the church Narthex. Please RSVP by Labor Day, September 5th to Jo Ann at joann.prahler@stmariagoretti.net or by calling 215-721-6559 We hope to see all of you!!!!!



Please join us for a Wine & Cheese Meeting with Dinner to follow Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the church Narthex. Dinner will be followed by a PREP Catechist Meet-

Feel free to stay and join us for that or not! Please RSVP by Labor Day, September 5th to Jo Ann at

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# GORETTIFEST

## Food Trucks & Beer Garden Friday. September 30th—5pm to 9pm

- · Children's games · Live music
  - · Cornhole tournament

LIVE MUSIC FROM THE WELL KNOWN AND FOLLOWED BAND "ROLLIN & TUMBLIN" YOU **WON'T WANT TO MISS IT!** 



## HELP US SPREAD THE NEWS...WITH A YARD SIGN

The Gorettifest Committee is asking if you have a property that would get some exposure and are willing to place a yard sign promoting Gorettifest in your yard, please stop by the parish office Monday through Friday to sign out a yard sign. Help us to make this another successful event!

## FOOD TRUCK HIGHLIGHT— THE TOT-ROD

Established 2020

In the Summer of 2019, a father and son duo decided they were sick of the typical "Nine-to-Five" life. One night while gathered for dinner together, they decided to combine their two passions: A love for cars & a love for food. Thus, The Tot Rod was born.

They planned together to build a mobile food cart from the ground up. After some long months, and a lot of blood, sweat, and cooking oil, The Tot Rod was completed. Since then, they've strived to provide the most delicious gourmet tater tot experience - Servicing everywhere in Southeast Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, the Lehigh Valley, and New Jersey.



www.thetotrod.com



### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

7:30 A.M. Frank Menta **SUN., Aug. 21** 

Req. by Linda & Joseph Benischeck 9:30 A.M. Francesco & Guiseppe

Marciano Req. by The Family

11:30 A.M. Charles & Elizabeth

Dabagian

Req. by The Fernes Family

MON., Aug. 22 8:30 A.M. Evelyn Grabowski

Req. by The Éricsson Family

TUES., Aug 23 8:30 A.M. Jane Baker

Req. by The Family

8:30 A.M. Ed McBride WED., Aug. 24

Reg. by Terry McBride

THURS., Aug. 25 8:30 A.M. Richard Hampel

Reg. by Betty & Jerry Dieckhaus

8:30 A.M. Al & Ruthy Joseph FRI., Aug. 26

Req. by Cindy & Matt Shepardson

SAT., Aug 27 No Morning Mass

5:00 P.M. Dec'd members of the

Hardnock Family

Reg. by Edie Hardnock

SUN., Aug 28 7:30 A.M. Robert Graham

Reg. by The Graham Family 9:30 A.M. Jenna Burleigh Req. by Tom & Lori Zane 11:30 Å.M. Henry J. Lee

Reg. by Maude Lee

## SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for the 63rd Wedding Anniversary of Edward & Patricia McKelvev





### **BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL**

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for Bill & Francesca Filler's 28th Wedding Anniversary

requested by The Family

## 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, Joanne & Rob Daum, Ted DeMarino, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Joanne Fell, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, ILianessa Gonsalez, Tanner Gower, Pamela Guld, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Mary Jane McCann, 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, Mel Stubbs, Ron Szewczak, John Tulley, Frank Vallone, 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.

## PLEASE NOTE: CHANGE IN WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning the weekend of September 3rd and 4th the Saturday evening vigil Mass will be celebrated at 4:30pm with confessions beginning at 3pm. Mark your calendars so you're not late for Mass! Thanks.

## 2023 MASS BOOK

The St. Maria Goretti 2023 Mass Book will open on Monday, September 12th from 9AM to 4PM. In order to give all our parishioners a chance to obtain Masses, there will be a limit of 5 Masses per person. Hopefully this will allow for Masses during the year for our recently deceased parishioners and family members. Thank you.

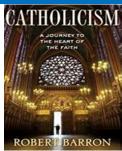
#### Reuniones de los Retiristas del Movimiento

al Grupo para que tengas un Encuentro Personal con Jesús



Juan XXIII Hatfield PA. Todos los Martes a las 7:00 PM Aquí en la Capilla de La Iglesia. Para más información Contactar a Carlos Zuluaga Presidente Parroquial Juan XXIII Hatfield . Al 954-309-177 Acércate

## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**





### **BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL**

For Adults who want to grow in their faith!!

September 15th – INFORMATION NIGHT
SMG Parish Center, IHM Room 7PM
Sept 17th & 18th – Stop by our table after Mass
Starting Sept 22nd Catholicism by Robert Barron
Ask The Team: Bill Wynne, Jim& Barbara Braun,
Rich Mazur, Ben Braun or Andrew Wynne
Email: Bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com

## CLUB 50+ SUMMER SESSIONS LUNCHEON



IHM Room 12:00 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.

Wednesday, August 31st

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

## **ARE YOU BEING CALLED?**

## **Permanent Diaconate Information Night Session**



Thursday, September 22, 2022—7:00 PM Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, Vianney Auditorium, Wynnewood, PA 19096

We invite Catholic men (and wives if married) between the ages of 29 and 55 to join us for an in person panel of clergy about discerning a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate and admit-

tance to the School for Diaconal Formation program.

Interested in attending this Permanent Diaconate Information Night Session? Scan this QR code to register! Want to learn more visit https://archphila.org/deacon or School of Diaconal Formation website https://www.scs.edu/diaconal-formation



## Youth Ministry

## **ALTARATION FOR TEENS!**



Not to fill your heads with information but to pierce your hearts!
Wednesday Nights 7PM to 8PM
September 21st to October 19th, 2022
Parish Office IHM Room
For Middle School
High School Teen Leaders Needed
Don't miss the fun!
Flyer and registration available at:
https://stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/

## **TEEN BAKING PARTY!**



Monday, August 29, 2022 SMG Parish Center Cookie Baking Service Opportunity 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM Sign up in advance

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

## **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**



## National Shrine Pilgrimage to Washington DC Saturday, October 15, 2022

8:00 am TO 10:00 pm \$45.00 per person for transportation only

Scholarships available! Register before September 1, 2022

## SMG VIRTUAL CHARTISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

## EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT ON ZOOM

7:30 pm

Register one time only at <a href="https://stmariagoretti.net/virtual-charismatic-prayer-meeting/">https://stmariagoretti.net/virtual-charismatic-prayer-meeting/</a>



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

## MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR **SUNDAY, AUGUST 28th**

## E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm - Sacristan, B. Pollock, D. Blanche 7:30am - Sacristan, R. & R. Mazur 9:30am - Sacristan, V. & L. Lelii 11:30am - Sacristan, C. Zuluaga, T. McBride

### E.M. Home Visits

A1-P. Walsh, A2-J. Gressang, A3-J. Naab, A4-M. D'Elia, A5-M. D'Elia

#### **Lectors**

5:00pm - A. & R. Whtley 7:30am - C. McNally, M. McCormick 9:30am - D. Grant, F. Stumpo 11:30am - B. Braun, M.J. Vondercrone

## Altar Servers

5:00pm - Volunteers Needed **7:30am** – A. & T. Baran 9:30am - T. McGann, E. Walsh 11:30am - C. Murphy, Volunteer Needed

#### **Cantors**

**5:00pm –** Andrew **7:30am** – Joe D. 9:30am - Isabella 11:30am - Bruce

## **ELDERCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

You may qualify for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits with your income. If you have a gross monthly income (some retirement and pension plans are not counted as income!) of \$1396.00 or less in a one-person household, you may qualify. The minimum SNAP benefits are



\$15 per month, but here is what \$15 can buy you! Contact Amy Juarez with the Eldercare Assistance Program to complete an application and find out if you may qualify for SNAP and other benefits. Amy can be reached at 215-853-7676 or ajuarez@chs-adphila.org. (Aldi's on 8-3-22)

## CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Drought in Somalia is ravaging crops and water resources. This is the most devastating drought Somalia has faced in 40 years, affecting nearly DLIC RELIEF SERVICES results. 90% of the country. CRS is working to provide families with a range of assis-

tance to help them survive and thrive.

Before the drought, Somalia was already among the countries with the highest food insecurity rates and the lowest life expectancy rates in the world. Due to this drought, there are now 918,000 people in Somalia displaced from their homes. CRS and other local partners in Somalia are on the ground providing nutrition services, clean water, cash and more.

Visit ww.crs.org to see how you can help!

### POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: \$436.50

## BENEFITS A BABY'S BREATH ~ CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER

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 through August 2022, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to A Baby's Breath. This Crisis Pregnancy Center currently has four locations which include Jeffersonville, Collegeville, Bryn Mawr, and Warminster, PA. The center is comprised of caring individuals, which are all volunteers, and provide many free and confidential services which include ultrasound services, pregnancy counseling, parenting classes, natural family planning classes, prenatal classes, post-abortive support, chastity counseling, GED training/tutoring, and the "Loving Our Life Support Group". The center also offers assistance to those choosing adoption. If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!



The annual Pennsylvania March for Life will be held on Monday. September 19th in Harrisburg. Bus will leave SMG at 8:30am. At 11:00 AM, marchers will rally at the steps of the state capitol to call on legislators to protect unborn children, followed by the March at noon. Cost is \$20.

## JOIN PARISHIONERS FROM SMG & LOCAL PARISHES IN HARRISBURG

Key Speakers include: Michael Geer, President of PA Family Institute, Abby Johnson, Pro-Life Ministries, Jeanne Mancini, President of the March for Life, Speaker of the House, Rep. Bryan Cutler, District 1

Please drop off payment at parish center in file cabinet inside door. Place in pro life folder. Or drop the form below in the collection basket. The bus will leave Harrisburg at 2pm. There will be no stops so all are welcome to bring food and drink to the event. For more info please contact Bob McCormick 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@gmail.com

Name(s):	Total:	_
Address:		_
Phone:	Parish:	

St. Maria Goretti along with The Helpers of God's Precious Infants would like to invite all parishioners, priests and deacons to a 2-day presentation/discussion on sidewalk counseling at the abortion clinics, peaceful prayer, history before Roe vs Wade, and what could be said to a mother who may not consider keeping the child. Please consider coming out for a night of fellowship, prayer, and unique learning experience. Free event!

#### Dates: Part 1 - Wednesday, September 7th, 2022 Part 2 - Wednesday, September 14th, 2022

\*\*\*Fellowship & Food at 6 PM, Presentation 6:30 - 8:30 PM Where: St. Maria Goretti Parish Center. Our call as Catholics is to be instruments in the salvation of souls. Let's not pass up this opportunity to answer the call. Please look for flyers at the back of the church. REGISTRATIONS ARE A MUST. ONLY 46 SPOTS AVAILABLE! Direct Contact: Jessica Akiya 215-350-7476. Registration Link: https://bit.ly/3Pzz1c1



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. 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!

**2021** \$22.483.31

Sunday, August 14th 2022

\$21.828.65

**Difference** (\$ 654.66)

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!





## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD REGISTRATION

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program is a Montessori based parish religious formation/education program for children age 3 to 6 in LEVEL 1 and age 6 to 9 in LEVEL 2. This experience is foundational for a life-long relationship with God which is then lived out in the Church community. Children live the

central mysteries of our faith by working with and reflecting upon the materials that revolve around: the life of Christ, liturgical color, geography, the altar and the Eucharist, the Gospels of the birth, passion and resurrection of Jesus, Advent prophecies, parables including the Good Shepherd and the True Vine and more.

Both Levels are offered September through May.

<u>Level 1 (age 3-6)</u> sessions are held Sunday mornings and Monday late afternoons.

<u>Level 2 (ages 6 to 9)</u> sessions are held Wednesday mornings and late afternoon. CGS Level 1 attendance is required before Level 2.

Specific times and registration form may be found at stmariagoretti.net/prep/forms

The addition of the Level II Atrium poses a need for additional volunteers. Please consider helping every other week for approximately 1 ½ hours at any of the sessions. I can guarantee a beautiful experience in return.

Information about securing the necessary clearances can be found on the SMG website: stmariagoretti.net main page, Safe Environment Requirements icon at the bottom of the page.

Contact: Linda Hudak 215-593-5903 or lshudak@yahoo.com



## Enrollment 2022-23 at Mater Dei Catholic School

Two Pre-K 3 spots at our Hatfield campus just became available for this September. And three Kindergarten spots at our Lansdale campus are still available too! Please contact Grace Samanns immediately at gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787 about registering your child for the 2022-23 school year.

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! (scroll down the page to locate)



## "IN THEIR SHOES" 2022 WALK FOR THE POOR

Saint Vincent DePaul Society, Saturday, September 24, 2022 @School Road Park, 1610 School Road, Hatfield Sign-in/Registration @ 9am; Walk Starts @10am



Hatfield Township Commissioner, Tom Zipfel will open the event Entertainment provided by the Harleysville New Dance Workshop.

The Walk for the Poor is open to ALL family members.

Lots of fun activities are planned for the kids – and adults!

Face Painting, Kids Craft Project, Bean Bag Toss/Games

Snacks & Water!!



Registration is: \$10/individual or \$20/family Prizes for those with the most pledges!

Sign-up and/or donate @ https://www.fopwalk.org/

The Saint Vincent De Paul Society is a volunteer organization with a mission to help the poor in our area. In fiscal year 2020-2021, volunteers visited 251 households and provided \$61,000 in assistance for housing/rent, utilities, food, clothing, and other basic needs.

All proceeds from the walk go to support this mission!

Thanks to our generous sponsors for supporting this worthy cause!











