



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

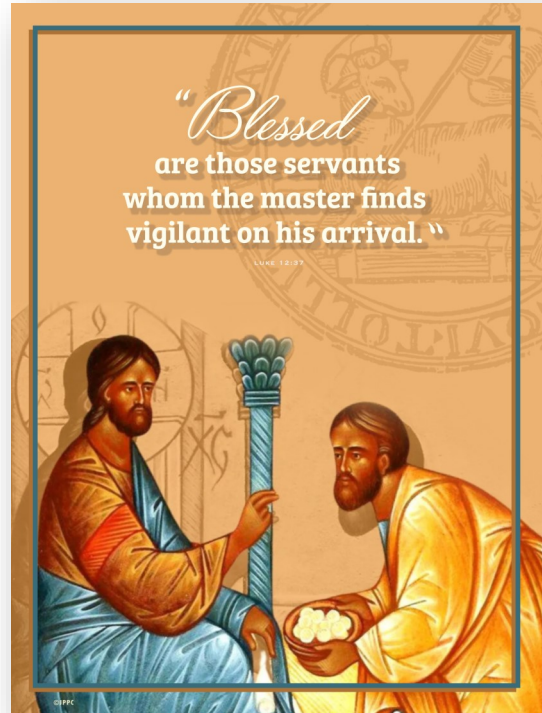
Phone: 215-721-0199
PREP Phone: 215-721-6559
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Web Site: www.stmariagoretti.net

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
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
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

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 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.



REGISTRATION SUNDAY

Registration Sunday will take place **Sunday, August 14th**. Please stop by the Parish Center between the hours of 10am and 1pm to be officially welcomed into the parish. No paperwork is necessary from your previous parish. The process will take no longer than 15 minutes.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this weekend are donated in celebration of the marriage of **Lauren & Branden Ferriera**

CONGRATULATIONS!



Reuniones de los Retiristas del Movimiento



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 al Grupo para que tengas un Encuentro Personal con Jesús



GORETTIFEST

**Food Trucks & Beer Garden Friday, September 30th—
 5pm to 9pm**



Children's games • Live music • Cornhole tournament

Many hands make light work! Goretifest is set for Friday, September 30th from 5:00 pm till 9:00 pm on the Parish Grounds. More details about the food trucks, beer, and wine selection as well as other particulars about the event will be advertised here in the bulletin over the next few weeks.

Help needed with raffle items:

Ministry Leaders - would your Ministry be interested in donating a basket or item to be raffled off? If so, please let Tom Coughlin know by or before September 1st via email at sahs01@comcast.net.

Parishioners - would you or your family be interested in donating a basket or item to be raffled off? Do you have a vacation home that you'd like to donate a weekly or weekend rental to be raffled off? If so, please let Tom Coughlin know by or before September 1st via email at sahs01@comcast.net.

- ◆ When putting your basket together or purchasing your raffle item, don't forget that you can **DOUBLE** your donation by purchasing gift cards through Scrip!
- ◆ We are asking for all baskets or raffle items to be turned in by or before September 11th so we can get everything together.
- ◆ Baskets and raffle items will be on display and everyone will have a chance to get a head start on taking a chance on winning their favorite prize before Goretifest after all Masses in the Narthex on September 17th and September 18th as well as September 24th and September 25th. Winners will be chosen and announced at Goretifest and via Facebook.

Help needed with sponsorships:

Would you be interested in helping to sponsor or know of someone or a business that would like to sponsor Goretifest? Please have them email Tom Coughlin at sahs01@comcast.net to discuss the various opportunities.

Help advertise - yard signs will be distributed the weekend of August 28th after all Masses. Please consider taking one to place in your yard or business. Help spread the word about the event.

We need volunteers - many hands make light work. Please consider helping out on the day of the event. Have children that need service hours? This is a great opportunity for them to complete their obligation! More details to come as to what help is needed and when and how to sign up. We definitely need help at the end of the event to get everything cleaned up and put away!





Weekly Mass Intentions

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., Aug. 7** 7:30 A.M. Frank Phillipeck
Req. by The Patterson Family
9:30 A.M. John Rotelle
Req. by Al Rotelle
11:30 A.M. Al Faymore, Sr.
Req. by Edie Hardnock
- MON., Aug. 8** 8:30 A.M. Jeff Keffer
Req. by Sally & Charlie Keffer
- TUES., Aug. 9** 8:30 A.M. John Conroy
Req. by Pat Conroy
- WED., Aug. 10** 8:30 A.M. John Conroy
Req. by April & Carter LeBrocq
- THURS., Aug. 11** 8:30 A.M. Leonard Petro, Jr. & Sr.
Req. by Pat & Jim Petro
- FRI., Aug. 12** 8:30 A.M. Jack Senay
Req. by Kathy Senay
- SAT., Aug. 13** *No Morning Mass*
5:00 P.M. William Callan
Req. by The Sirianni Family
- SUN., Aug 14** 7:30 A.M. Mike & Mary Gianfrancesco
Req. by The Gianfrancesco Family
9:30 A.M. Sylvia Bondi
Req. by Joe & Rose Bondi
11:30 A.M. Gemma & Luigi Rosmini
Req. by The Cavacim Family

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 your not late for Mass! Thanks.

SANCTUARY LIGHT
The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **Robert Bowser** requested by The Bowser Family.

BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL
The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for **John Rotelle** requested by Al Rotelle.

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 Ladley, Mary Jane McCann, John McLaughlin, Ted Malinchak, Ed Malley, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Frank Moran, 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, 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.



WHAT CAN I DO?

We are living in very challenging times and often we feel helpless, but we are never helpless nor alone. Jesus is waiting for us to come to Him. There are many graces waiting for us at Eucharistic Adoration. All you need to do is just come and sit with Jesus. There are no special prayers or readings just your time and a commitment. By becoming a Guardian, you tell Jesus that spending time with Him is a priority in your life. You are willing to even arrange your schedule for Him! Imagine how happy this makes our Lord and Savior.

The following times are in need of a second Guardian partner:
2 to 2:30pm

Come and receive the peace that only He can give. Please contact Nancy Boak by phone 215-393-3763 or email nancyboak@aol.com to sign-up or inquire.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

Beginning September 15th

Every Thursday Night from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the SMG Parish Center, IHM Room.

Current Leadership Team: Bill Wynne, Jim & Barbara Braun, Rich Mazur, Ben Braun and Andrew Wynne.

This is an opportunity not to be missed! Come and find out what you didn't know that don't know about being Catholic.

Come every Thursday or come when you can. We will be learning our Catholic Faith anew. First sessions will involve a video presentation from Bishop Robert Barron with a discussion after the presentation. Questions?

Contact us at bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com

CLUB 50+ SUMMER SESSIONS LUNCHEON



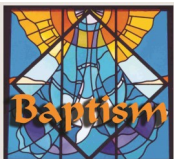
IHM Room 12:00 Noon ~ Followed by Game Day 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 PM to 3:15 PM. Come for part or all of the afternoon activity!
Cost: \$ 9.00 Per Person for lunch. Please sign up one week in advance.

Wednesday, August 31st

Questions: Contact Maria Richardson

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Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

PRE-JORDAN COUPLES NEEDED A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG COUPLES TO MEET OTHER YOUNG COUPLES THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



This program is open to married couples with experience in facing the challenges of parenting and communicating Christian values in our society. Each couple is assigned to 2 Pre-Jordan classes per year and helps with baptisms once every 8 weeks or so. The time commitment is minimal and the rewards are many! Please prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry. If interested please contact Bob Rounay at 215-272-6322.

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
<https://stmariagoretti.net/virtual-charismatic-prayer-meeting/>



Contact Maria Richardson,
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tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net
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MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 14th

E.M. of Holy Communion

- 5:00pm – Sacristan, D. Blanche, D. Misczak
- 7:30am – Sacristan, K. Hay, P. Walsh
- 9:30am – Sacristan, V. & L. Lelii
- 11:30am – Sacristan, C. Zuluaga, B. Pollock

E.M. Home Visits

- A1–K. Staudt, A2-B. Hudak, A3-J. Naab, A4-M. D’Elia, A5–E. Perez

Lectors

- 5:00pm – T. Mazzeo, *Volunteer Needed*
- 7:30am – K. Luther, D. Grant
- 9:30am – R. & N. Boak
- 11:30am – R. Miller, E. Gallagher

Altar Servers

- 5:00pm – J. & M. Berical
- 7:30am – A. & T. Baran
- 9:30am – J. & M. Franek
- 11:30am – A. Boyle, A. Kunjachen

Cantors

- 5:00pm – Bruce
- 7:30am – Donna
- 9:30am – Sofia
- 11:30am – Katie

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: **\$484.15**

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!***



MARCH FOR LIFE

The annual Pennsylvania March for Life will be held on Monday, September 19th in Harrisburg. 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.

JOIN PARISHIONERS FROM SMG & LOCAL PARISHES IN HARRISBURG

- Date: Monday September 19th
- Bus leaving SMG parking lot: 8:30am
- Rally begins at 11am in front of capitol
- March begins at noon around capitol building
- Cost: \$20

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

This march does not replace Washington DC March in January but is another stand against the sin of abortion.

Name(s): _____ Total: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Parish: _____

SVDP MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE



The Society of St. Vincent De Paul at St. Maria Goretti Parish will collect groceries for local charities next weekend, August 13-14. Please take a bag from the church vestibule and return it next weekend with groceries for one of the charities indicated below.

Shepherd’s Shelf is an emergency food cupboard. Its goal is to provide enough groceries and household items to feed households for three days. It serves households living in the Souderton Area School District, as well as Kulpsville, Lansdale, and Towamencin. It needs cat litter, dry cat food, dry dog food; Manwich, Chef Boyardee meals, pancake mix; and Pull-ups – especially larger sizes. Donations should be household-sized; larger-sized items are difficult to distribute.

Martha’s Choice Marketplace, sponsored by Catholic Social Services, is the largest, most visited food pantry in Montgomery County. It needs Ensure, shampoo, deodorant; toothpaste, bar soap, individually-packaged toothbrushes; school supplies such as pencils, pens, scissors; glue, writing paper tablets, marking pens; and crayons.

Hatfield Church of the Brethren operates a food pantry for residents of Hatfield Borough and Township. It needs cereal, tomato sauce, canned vegetables; canned pineapple, canned mandarin oranges, white rice; pasta, dish detergent, laundry detergent; deodorant, toothpaste, other personal care products; canned salmon, canned tuna, baby food; paper towels, and toilet paper.

The Society cannot distribute opened packages, expired items, perishables, or religious articles. Cans and plastic containers are preferable to glass.

May God bless you for your generosity!

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.

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©PPC

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Sunday, July 31st

2021	2022	Difference
\$22,068.76	\$22,342.71	\$ 273.95

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



One in 10 people experience hunger worldwide, and the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and conflict are threatening millions more with food insecurity. The war in Ukraine - in addition to creating a new refugee crisis - is causing food shortages and increased prices as its major exports of wheat, corn and other food supplies remain trapped in the country. And our sisters and brothers who are already vulnerable, including refugees and communities impacted by poverty, will be harmed the most.

Urge your members of Congress to increase funding in the fiscal year 2023 budget for programs that help prevent and end global hunger and malnutrition! Foreign assistance helps meet emergency food needs, including for communities impacted by natural disasters like drought and refugees who have fled violence. It also addresses the root causes of hunger, including helping farmers learn more effective and sustainable ways to farm and earn a living in the face of climate change. Your voice is a critical tool to help our global family members impacted by hunger and to end hunger once and for all. Thank you for taking action!

CYO FALL SPORT REGISTRATION



Registration for all CYO fall sports is now open. Our team platform is called TeamSnap and you will find individual links below to register as either a volunteer or an athlete for your particular sport. Practices are able to start as early as August 1, so register early to get the registration discount and to be included on all team announcements from your coaches. Here are the links:

SOCCER Grades K thru 8th:

Players: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/326332>
 Volunteers: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327242>

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Grades 5 thru 8th:

Players: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327244>
 Volunteers: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327249>

CROSS COUNTRY Grades K thru 8th:

Players: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327250>
 Volunteers: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327251>

CHEERLEADING Grades 4 thru 8th:

Players: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327253>
 Volunteers: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327255>

HIGH SCHOOL CORNHOLE:

Players: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/327256>
 Volunteers: <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/328291>



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)



Summer Ministry at Mater Dei



**“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

Friends of the Poor Walk website is now open for registration and/or donation! Go to www.fop.org. Paper registration/donation forms are available in the narthex or at the parish center



The Walk for the Poor is open to ALL family members. Lots of fun activities are planned for the kids – and adults! Registration is \$20/per family and \$10/per individual. Prizes for those with the most pledges!

The Saint Vincent DePaul Society is a volunteer organization with a mission to help the poor in our area. Those in need are visited by our volunteers who determine how best the Society can use its resources to help improve their lives. 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!



ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

The Celebration of the annual **Forty Hours Devotion** is scheduled for September 25, 26 & 27 at 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!!