



# Saint Maria Goretti Parish

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## **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  
7:00pm  
***\*Mass Live Streamed on SMG Face-  
book page or a link on the parish  
website Sundays at 9:30am and daily  
at 8:30am.***

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 4:00pm  
Saturday & Sunday by appointment only



## **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.

### **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.

*Acts*

**WORSHIP | NIGHT PRAYER | FELLOWSHIP**

**Thursday, February 17th from 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 to observe all current COVID precautions.

**Pro-Life Marchers Huddle Together Before the March in Front of the Basilica of Immaculate Conception on January 22.**



**St. Maria Goretti Parish is proud to have two high school students receiving the Union League Good Citizenship Award for 2022! Please join in congratulating Rachel Benner & Sean Kudes.**



**REGISTRATION SUNDAY**

Registration Sunday will take place **TODAY, February 13th**. 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.



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**Reading I: Jeremiah 17: 5-8**

The prophet offers wisdom by saying that truthful people are blest. He uses the idea common at that time of the just man being like a green tree.

**Reading II: I Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20**

Paul makes the point that what was done for Christ in His resurrection can be done for everyone who believes and tries to live His way.

**The Gospel: Luke 6: 17, 20-26**

Jesus' great sermon (on the plain) involves the listing of the beatitudes, followed by that of the woes. The latter keep in check any facile decision we may make about who is or is not "the poor of God."



**Saint Maria Goretti will be participating in a PARISH-WIDE SURVEY!**

Saint Maria Goretti Parish will be participating in a parish survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute! We need your help!

Please help us by participating in a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed through an online link from **March 2 to April 4, 2022** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. We will share the link with you a bit closer to the launch of the survey.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Father Chung and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

If you prefer a paper copy you may pick up a paper copy of the survey after daily and Sunday Masses. They will be located on a table in the narthex. To submit the completed paper survey, please drop off at the parish center or in the collection basket in a sealed envelope clearly marked "SURVEY". To make special arrangements for getting a paper copy, please contact Cheryl Ryan at 215-721-0199.

Thank you for helping with this important project!





### MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>SUN., Feb. 13</b>	7:30 A.M. Gemma & Luigi Rosmini Req. by The Cavacim Family 9:30 A.M. Patrick McIlhenney Req. by Pat Conroy 11:30 A.M. Geraldine Roth Req. by The Family
<b>MON., Feb. 14</b>	8:30 A.M. Dorothy Howell Req. by Kathleen Grear
<b>TUES., Feb. 15</b>	8:30 A.M. Trish Lavelle Req. by Mary Faymore & Family
<b>WED., Feb. 16</b>	8:30 A.M. Licia Butera Req. by The Butera Family
<b>THURS., Feb. 17</b>	8:30 A.M. Antonio Lombardo Req. by The Family
<b>FRI., Feb. 18</b>	8:30 A.M. Joseph Gressang Req. by Joanne Gressang
<b>SAT., Feb. 19</b>	8:30 A.M. Francis Norrett Req. by The Family 5:00 P.M. Beverly Klisen Req. by The Family
<b>SUN., Feb. 20</b>	7:30 A.M. Dec'd members of the Stengeland & Nazarek Families Req. by Tom & Patty Nazarek 9:30 A.M. Richard Eckard Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Fran Casinella Req. by Maria Richardson

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week  
is lit in memory of **Licia Butera**  
requested by The Butera Family.



### BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week  
is lit for the intentions of the SMG Parishioners  
Requested by Father Chung

### 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 pray for the sick of our parish.....  
..... and those that care for them



**PLEASE KEEP IN MIND** the following people who at this time need your prayers and support: Lori Aiello, Mark Algrogge, Carol Algrogge, Baby David, Chuck Biehn, Suki Borowski, Rita Marie Denning, Joseph DeVito, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Ron Hiltbold, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, John McLaughlin, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Frank Moran, Tom Murphy III, Patricia Naab, Kristine Nolan and her twin babies Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Joanne Reube, Linda Santana, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Lawrence Stempel, Fran & Ron Szewczak, John Tulley, Carol Venezia, Paul Wheeler, Bette Wilson, 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.**



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE



In case of inclement weather, please contact Nancy Boak to confirm whether Adoration will take place. If Souderton or North Penn School District is closed or on a delayed opening due to weather, there will **NOT** be Eucharistic Adoration. Thank you to all of our Adorers!

### 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. **The next Holy Hour will be held on Thursday, March 3rd.**

## HELP NEEDED

### OPPORTUNITY FOR STEWARDSHIP

**Temple Cleansers**— This team of parishioners rotates through a six-week schedule to do light housekeeping of the church. These tasks include dusting, vacuuming, wiping of furnishings and renewing of the holy water font as well as the holy water reservoir. Each group sets its own time for gathering to clean, usually on a Friday or Saturday for an hour or so. To find out more about this ministry please call Cheryl at 215-721-0199.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION



### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

**Join us for Mass, short teaching on Saints & Breakfast!**

September, 2021 through May, 2022  
Feb 4th, March 4th, April 1st and May 6th  
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  
February 16th  
March 16th  
April 20th  
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](http://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>.

### CLUB 50+ LUNCHEON

**IHM Room at 12 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, March 9th  
Wednesday, April 13th  
Wednesday, May 11th

**Questions: Contact Maria Richardson**  
[Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net](mailto: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](mailto:cheryl.ryan@stmariagoretti.net) with the word **"bulletin"** in the subject line. Thanks for your cooperation.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



### HIKE TAMMANY MOUNTAIN!

Kittatinies Region Lower Parking Lot  
Hardwick Township, NJ 07825  
When: 9:00AM March 19, 2022

### 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](mailto:tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net)

## YOUTH MINISTRY



### FIRE PIT HOT TOPICS

Come to one session or all of them!  
**Wednesday, February 23, 2022**  
**Tuesday, March 22, 2022**  
**Tuesday, April 19, 2022**

Flyer and registration available at <https://stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/> Contact Maria Richardson, [Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net](mailto:Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net) or 215-721-6559

## CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Heavy rain from Cyclone Ana caused major flooding across southern Africa last month. We are responding in Zambia and Malawi by providing temporary shelter, water treatment for clean drinking water, and hygiene items. Please visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information to see how you can help! Thanks for your support!

*"In imitation of our Master, we Christians are called to confront the poverty of our brothers and sisters, to touch it, to make it our own and to take practical steps to alleviate it."*

~ Pope Francis

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

**Are you looking for a part-time job with full-time impact?** Come work with youth at the North Penn Valley Boys & Girls Club in Lansdale! We have openings after school as a Learning Center Coordinator and a Learning Center Aide in our 5th grade classroom. Email parishioner Michele Haytko at [mhaytko@npvclub.org](mailto:mhaytko@npvclub.org) for more information

## LIVE-STREAMING HELP NEEDED

We need volunteers to live-stream the 9:30am Sunday morning Mass and the 8:30am weekday Masses. We also need help occasionally with live streaming weddings and funerals. A small stipend will be paid. Training will be provided. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Bruce Pollock at [bdpollock@outlook.com](mailto:bdpollock@outlook.com) or 610-326-7388.



**MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20th**

**E.M. of Holy Communion**

**5:00pm** – Sacristan, D. Blanche, J. Gressang

**7:30am** – Sacristan, P. Walsh, K. Hay

**9:30am** – Sacristan, M. Reynolds, B. Smith

**11:30am** – Sacristan, P. O'Hara, B. Pollock

**E.M. Home Visits**

**B1-D. Johnson, B2-J. McNally, B3-M. Wrubel,**

**B4-S. Steklenski, B5-B. McCormick**

**Lectors**

**5:00pm** – M. O'Pella, R. Miller

**7:30am** – B. Braun, D. Smith

**9:30am** – F. Stumpo, M. McCormick

**11:30am** – M. D'Elia, J. MacFarland

**Altar Servers**

**5:00pm** – B. Mazeroski, ***Volunteer Needed***

**7:30am** – J. & M. Berical

**9:30am** – M. & N. Cugini

**11:30am** – T. McGann, A. DeSiro

**Cantors**

**5:00pm** – Janna

**7:30am** – Connor

**9:30am** – Ugochi

**11:30am** – Donna

**MUSIC NOTES**



**Rehearsals for Tuesday, February 15th**

Children's Chime Choir—6:00 to 6:45pm

Adult Bell Choir—6:45 to 7:30pm

Adult Choir—7:30pm

**Music Ministry for Next Weekend:**

**Sunday, February 20th**

9:30am – Adult Bell Choir

**CYO SPRING SPORTS**

Registration for CYO Spring Sports is now open and includes the following:



- ♦ Volleyball (Coed HS)
- ♦ Baseball (Varsity: Grades 7th/8th; JV: Grades 5th/6th)
- ♦ Softball (Varsity: Grades 7th/8th; JV: Grades 5th/6th)
- ♦ Track (Novice: 3rd graders born in 2012 or earlier through 8th grade; Sub Novice: K, 1, 2, and 3rd graders born in 2013 or later)

Go to [materdeicyo.sportssignup.com](http://materdeicyo.sportssignup.com) to register.

Avoid the late fee and register as soon as possible. Coaches are also needed and if anyone is interested in coaching, please contact Joe Campbell at [joccampbell22@verizon.net](mailto:joccampbell22@verizon.net) for more information. Practices may start as early as March 1st.

Mater Dei CYO is open to all registered parishioners of Saint Maria Goretti Parish youth who attend catholic school or are enrolled in our PREP program.

**POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP**

The total collected last week was: **\$331.05**

**BENEFITS GOD'S TREASURE HOUSE**

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 **January** and **February, 2022**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **God's Treasure House, Souderton, PA**. God's Treasure House is a Christ-centered transitional living center for women and their children built on a firm foundation of God's love. The ministry provides a comprehensive aftercare program targeted to a carefully selected number of women returning from prison to the community. Their goal is to minister to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the women, and their children, that God sends to them. ***If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!***

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL ANNUAL WALK**

**Please Consider Getting Involved**



Hello, my name is Cecelia Pawling. I am a member of SMG church and I am heading The Saint Vincent DePaul Walk for the first time. The committee plans on a successful walk and to build more awareness in our neighborhood, church, and community.

I am looking to gather helpers to be part of the walk committee. I thank you in advance for your time and talents. Please notify me if you are interested at [cecelia.pawling@comcast.net](mailto:cecelia.pawling@comcast.net)

**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**



**Parish Religious Education Process Update!**

**Sacrament of Confirmation Reminders**

**Monday, February 21, 2022 - Confirmation Penance Service 6:30 PM in Church**—Confirmation Candidates, Sponsors (who are local) and Parents This includes the sacrament of confession

**Thursday, March 17, 2022 - Confirmation**

**Arrive 3:00 PM** Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors. Mass at 4:00 PM - Family seating TBD based on COVID guidelines in February

**Sacrament of First Penance and First Holy Communion Reminders**

**April 30, 2022 – First Holy Communion 10:00 AM in church**

**May 1, 2022 – FHC Blessing of gifts after Mass**

**Save the Date**

**May 2, 2022 – May Procession 6:30 PM**





## 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 effect 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.

<u>Sunday, February 6th</u>		
2021	2022	Difference
\$22,795.98	\$26,336.01	\$ 3,540.03

**May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!**



**It's Simple:**

- Log on to the parish website at [www.stmariagoretti.net](http://www.stmariagoretti.net) and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

**It's Secure:**

- Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

**It's Convenient:**

- No more searching for the check book or Sunday morning stops at the ATM machine.
- You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed.

**Tax Benefits:**

- You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

**Parishioner Benefits:**

- Weekly or monthly contribution choices
- Ability to choose date and frequency of contributions

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL CRAB CAKE SALE



On Sale Now! Knights of Columbus annual Crab Cake Sale featuring Capt'n Chucky's famous Smith Island Crab Cakes, Maryland Crab Soup, Crab Critter Appetizers and More! Your orders must be placed and received no later than SATURDAY, February 19th. Orders must be picked up on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, between 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm at the MATER DEI SCHOOL GYM (St. Stanislaus Church School, Lansdale, PA). Visit [koc4396.org](http://koc4396.org) to download an order form or contact Al Perry: (215) 822-0683 or Chuck McNevin: (215) 622-1773 for more information.



## Service at Mater Dei

### Service to those

in need and outreach to our community is important to the students and staff at Mater Dei. We are especially grateful to all of our school families for supporting these outreach programs. And a big shout out and thank you to Mrs. Peggy Dominick for organizing, collecting, and coordinating all of it!

Here's what all of us accomplished so far this year...we are Mater Dei Proud!

- Afghanistan Refugee Collection (Sept.)
- Snack bags for Nutritional Development Services (Oct.)
- Catholic Social Services Farm (Oct 22-students helped on day off on the farm mulching etc.)
- At home freezer meals for Face to Face Ministries and St. John hospice (Oct, Nov, Dec.)
- Scholastic Pajama Drive (Dec.)
- Socks and Granola Bars Collection for homeless outreach (Jan, to be completed at Polar Plunge Fest)
- Valentine cards made by students for Abington adult day care center clients (February)

## 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](mailto: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!



LOCAL TAP



Local Tap, located at 527 S. Broad Street in Lansdale, is donating \$1.00 to Mater Dei for each pint of their house beer purchased during

the month of February. Stop by Local Tap, enjoy their house beer or pick up a to go pint or two, and support Mater Dei. Make sure you mention you are from Mater Dei! Special thanks to the Modestine Family for their generosity!

## 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 Assistant Director, Mary Whittam at [mwhittam@materdeicatholic.com](mailto:mwhittam@materdeicatholic.com) or [childcare@materdeicatholic.com](mailto:childcare@materdeicatholic.com) or 215-799-2211.