

Saint Maria Goretti Parish

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acceptance

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday at 12:45 pm (except the first Sunday). Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment to meet with a priest or deacon to complete the necessary paperwork. Pre-Jordan classes required for parents and optional for godparents, they are offered the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted in the bulletin. . 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.

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.

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 Principal: Ms. Diane McCaughan 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 R.C.I. A. Coordinator: Al Pandolfo Elder Care Assistance Program: Amy Juarez

Office Manager: Cheryl Ryan Parish Secretary: Mary Faymore Business Manager: Douglas Smith Asst. Business Mgr.: Geri Salanik

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

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 after the 8:30 am Mass.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9am to 8:00pm Friday and Saturday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

FEBRUARY 3, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





PLEASE JOIN IN CONGRATULATING ZACHARY SHEPARDSON Be Assured of Many Prayers from Your SMG Parish Family

Zachary Shepardson was recently accepted at Saint Charles Seminary where he will begin his studies late this summer. Zachary is 17 years old and a senior at Lansdale Catholic High School. Zachary has an older brother. Zachary and his family moved to Pennsylvania two years ago from Colorado. He enjoys playing soccer, tennis and he plays the oboe and alto saxophone in the band. He loves to travel and enjoys meeting new people. The Catholic Faith has always been a huge part of his life as he has been discerning the Priesthood since he was eight years old. In Colorado he attended a monthly discernment group for several years until the family moved to PA. After they moved Zachary contacted Fr. DeLacy the vocation director of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia where he attended several come and see weekends and other vocation events at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. In August of 2018 he began his application to St. Charles and at the same time the Shepardson family became parishioners of Saint Maria Goretti Parish. In December of 2018 he completed his application and was accepted to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary where he will study next year as a Seminarian of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia representing Saint Maria Goretti. Zachary is looking forward to becoming more involved here at Saint Maria Goretti and is excited to get to know more of you! May God Bless you today and always.



PRO-LIFE NEWS

On Friday, January 18th a full bus of Saint Maria Goretti parishioners traveled to Washington, DC in support of the 46th Annual Pro-Life March. Parishioner, Robin McLaughlin awaits the start of Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Robin, Valerie and Rachel among many others attended the Mass just before participating in the 46th annual March for Life, which drew over 3,000 Philadelphia-area attendees. For more information on this years March for Life, please visit CatholicPhilly.com. Robin and her daughters were all interviewed and have photos posted on this site. Thank you to all of the parishioners that attended the March and



represented SMG so well. We are PROUD!

MLK DAY OF SERVICE



A special thank you goes out to the youngsters from Cub Scout Pack 414, Daisy/Brownie Troop 795, Ambassador Troop 7656 and Junior Troop 71399 who braved the extreme cold last Monday and gave up a day off from school to help clean and sanitize the pews in church and do some other sprucing up around the parish. We are grateful to you for your service!!! What a great example of selfless giving you are to all of us. May you be blessed for your service.

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR



Every year we celebrate the Vietnamese New Year, called Tet, Our Lady of La Vang Community often does an anual fundraising for the Vietnamese Children's Program at Saint Maria Goretti. We will sell 50/50 tickets for \$1/ticket at all Masses of Jan. 26 and 27, 2019 and Feb 2 and 3, 2019. We accept

cash or check (payable to St. Maria Goretti and memo: Vietnamese Children's Program). The drawing will be on the night of Feb. 10, 2019. Thank you for your support and good luck!



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE

In case of inclement weather, please contact the Parish Center to confirm whether Adoration will take place. If the Parish Center is closed due to weather, there will not be Eucharistic Adoration.

February 3, 2019



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., Feb. 3	7:30 A.M. Margaret & Leo Hummer Req. by Aileen & Bob Jost 9:30 A.M. Henry Baker Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Michelle Hoffman Req. by The Hoffman Family
MON., Feb. 4	8:30 A.M. Diane Durso Req. by Theresa Miller
TUES., Feb. 5	8:30 A.M. Gary Hotte Req. by Pat Conroy
WED., Feb. 6	8:30 A.M. Harry Grear Req. by The Family
THURS., Feb. 7	8:30 A.M. Gregory Walsh Req. by Patrick & Susan Walsh
FRI., Feb. 8	8:30 A.M. Dorothy Gabana Req. by Joanne Gressang
SAT., Feb. 9	8:30 A.M. Anna Tropiano Req. by Theresa Vail 5:00 P.M. Anita Porambo Req. by Marlene Borosiewicz
SUN., Feb. 10	7:30 A.M. Robert Shute, Sr. Req. by MaryEllen & John Witteg 9:30 A.M. Amelia Vare Vernachio Req. by Carman 11:30 A.M. James Seward, Sr. Req. by The Powell & Wing Families & Mike Drake



SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in memory of *Harry Grear* 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 7pm.



PRECIOUS BLOOD

The distribution of Precious Blood will be discontinued for the winter months and will resume following Easter to help to prevent the spreading of winter illnesses. The faith of the Church teaches that Christ, whole and entire, is received even under only one species.

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: Warren Allison,

Immaculata Antonucci, Ruth Adams, Jennifer & Kimberly Agnew, Christina Augustine, Paul Baril, Ray Baril, Joey Berical, Jerilyn Bowler, Linda Burbank, Mary Callaghan, Mary Campagna, Caridad Carlos, Aldo Carnara, Danny Catts, Kristen Chipollini, Joanna Cavacini, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Leo Dennis, Ernest Doherty, Sally Esbensen, Peter Fallon, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Sebastian Fillion, Patrick Gardenier, Lianessa Gonzalez, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Ron Hoffman, Kevin lavecchia, Lindsay Jaso, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempl, Jama Lecore, Trish Lavelle, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Mary Magnarella, Patti Maguire, Barbara Masser, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, Helen Millar, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Mele Lee-Nippins, Ernie Nippins, Zachery Olberholzer, Bill O'Brien, Anthony Paone, Catherine Pagano, Robert Pauloski, Flocerfida & Savador Penganon, Michael Prahler, Marian Quinn, Pat Raber, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Barbara Scally, Susan Schmidt, Helen Shekalis, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, Paula Jayne White, John Willstaudt, Arlene Wyatt, Salem Yabut, Joe Zdun & Jack Zampirri, Ted Ziegler.





CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES SPOTLIGHT

You may not see the problem, but it's there. It's estimated there are more than 21 million human trafficking vic-

tims worldwide. This is not something that occurs only in dark alleys in the far corners of the Earth, though. It's happening around the world every day. "The trade in human beings, a modern form of slavery,... violates the God-given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters and constitutes a true crime against humanity."

~ Pope Francis

Human trafficking is the act of recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing or obtaining a person for compelled labor or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud or coercion. Sexual exploitation and forced labor are the most common forms of human trafficking. More than half of the victims are female, and 1 in 5 victims are children. Visit www.crs.org to find out how you can fight against human trafficking.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 nutri-

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tious 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. Nonparishioners are always welcome.

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Thursday, April 4, 2019-with Special Guest Presentation by Father Gabriel O'Donnell, O.P., Rose Hawthorne: Servant of God and of the Poor

Thursday, November 7, 2019

Thursday, December 5, 2019

All dates are following the 8:30 AM Mass in the church narthex. The Breakfast Club is automatically cancelled when a funeral is scheduled for the same morning.

"Our parishes must be capable of generating a people, that is, of offering and creating relationships where people feel that they are known, recognized, welcomed, listened to, loved-in other words, not anonymous parts of a whole." ~Pope Francis

RACISM AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Drawing upon her research in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Archdiocese of New York, Dr. Tia Noelle Pratt will discuss her forthcoming book on African-American Catholics and systemic racism in the Catholic Church. She will discuss how liturgy has been used to form an African-American Catholic identity and how that identity has been shaped by racism. To learn more about the work of Tia

Noelle Pratt, PhD, visit her website at https://tiapratt.com/.

Monday, March 11, 2019 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Chapel Guest Presenter: Dr. Tia Noelle Pratt Scholar-in-Residence, Aquinas Center, Philadelphia

MARRIED COUPLES GIVE THE GIFT OF LOVE

Refresh your marriage relationship on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Getting ready for the new year means lots of time spent on everything but your relationship. For early 2019, why not give yourselves some time together? Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are: Feb. 8-10 & April 12-14 at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more information visit our website at: https://www.wwme-philly.org/ or contact Al & Mary Liz at Applications@wwme-philly.org or 610-449-1859.

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

I SUNDAY EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY

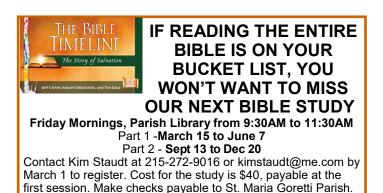
Join us in this 18 week study (divided into two nine-week sessions) on the Gospel of Saint Luke. Each session includes a powerful world-class video presentation shot on location in Rome and Assisi, a life application video, and discussion. Immerse yourself in the parables of mercy found in Luke, uncover God's mercy in His own words, and see how His mercy is still active in the world today. Discover Luke: The Gospel of Mercy. Participation in this study is free; however, if you would like to purchase the workbook the cost is \$40.00.

Sundays -March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14, 28, and May 5, 2019

7 PM to 8:30 PM-St. Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level

Please register using the form that can be found on the Adult Faith Events page of our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net or on the Adult Faith Formation table

in our narthex. Please mail form along with payment. Payment is transferrable to another person but not refundable. _ _ _





CHRIST ON THE BATTLEFIELD: A Heroic Chaplain's Story



Learn the heroic and virtuous life story of Servant of God, Father Vincent Capodanno and explore the remarkable spiritual journey of this Maryknoll Priest from his childhood to the day he died on the battlefield in Vietnam at the age of 38. A free will offering will be taken up during this presentation to support the efforts of the Capodanno Guild in promoting Father Vincent's cause for canonization.

Wednesday, March 20, 2019 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Chapel

Guest Presenter: Mr. Donald Campbell Capodanno Guild Board Member

To learn more about Father Vincent Capodanno go to: www.capodannoquild.org.

"Everyone fulfills their own special calling better when done in a spirit of discipleship - family duties are lighter, married love is deeper, service to our country more faithful, in short every kind of occupation becomes more acceptable and better performed where this loyal discipleship is the guide."

~Saint Francis de Sales

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm – Sacristan, P. O'Hara 7:30am - Sacristan, T. McGann 9:30am - Sacristan, M. Lee-Nippins 11:30am - Sacristan, M. Rosenberger

E.M. Home Visits A1–B. McCormick , A2-D. Trotter, A3-J. Burke, A4-S. Sabia, A5-M. D'Elia , B1-K. Staudt, B2-D. Fuse , B3-D. Misczak, B4-J. McNally, B5-E. McBride

Lectors 5:00pm – B. Hardnock, T. Mazzeo 7:30am - R. Jones, M. McCormick 9:30am - M. Faymore, A. LeBrocq 11:30am - B. Braun, J. MacFarland

Cantors

5:00pm - Chelsea 9:30am – Lynne

7:30am - Joe V. 11:30am - Katie

Altar Servers

5:00pm – S. Scassero, E. Boyd, A. Baran 7:30am - T. & G. McGann, A. Wertz 9:30am - A. Fabro, J. & J. Hier 11:30am - B. Braun, L. O'Leary, M. Rosenberger

> Children's Lituray 9:30am - M. D'Elia, M. Romito

MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, February 5th Adult Bell Choir—6:30 to 7:30pm Adult Choir—7:30 to 8:45pm Rehearsals for Saturday, February 9th Children's Choir-4pm to 4:30pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend: Saturday, February 9th 5pm - Guitar Ensemble

11TH ANNUAL MAN UP PHILLY Men's Spirituality Conference-March 9, 2019



Man Shall Not Live By Bread Alone! The men of our parish are invited to join Catholic Men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 11th Annual Man Up Philly Men's Conference on March 9th at Neumann University. Speakers include *Matthew Kelly*, Y acclaimed speaker and author of Rediscover Jesus and Rediscover Catholicism, Ron Ja-

worski, former Eagles star guarterback and TV personality, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers. Catholic author and evangelist, host of EWTN's Behold the Man-Spirituality for Men, and back by popular demand, Mark Forrest, internationally recognized Irish tenor, who will lead our Eucharistic Adoration. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Timothy Senior. For more information www.manupphilly.com

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP The total collected last week was: \$143.22

Sisters of the Visitation of Philadelphia

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 2019, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to "Sisters of the Visitation of Philadelphia". The Visitation Order is a cloistered contemplative religious order of women founded by Saint Frances de Sales and Saint Jane de Chantal. As "Daughters of the Church", the Visitandines are called to "assist the Holy Church and the salvation of their neighbor by prayer and good example". They find their first outreach in the hidden apostolate of prayer. Because the Sacred Heart of Jesus appeared to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, a Visitation Sister, the Sisters of the Visitation also strive to practice and spread devotion to the Heart of Christ. Their everyday life consists of Daily Mass, The Liturgy of the Hours, work, spiritual reading, personal prayer and meditation, community life, silence during most of the day, communal meals, leisure, and recreation. Donations will be offered to the Visitation Sister of Philadelphia to help defray the costs of their everyday expenses, food purchases, and convent maintenance and repairs. If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!



SUNDAY OFFERING



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS			
J	an. 28, 2018	Jan. 27, 2019	
Sunday Offering	\$14,044.99	\$15,429.65	
Online Parish Giving	\$ 6,787.00	<u>\$ 6,217.00</u>	
TOTALS:	\$20,831.99	\$21,646.65	
Total # of contributors		628	
Misc. Offerings January 27, 2019			
Heat & Energy Offering:		\$941.00	
Poor Box Offering:	-	\$143.22	
Catholic Relief Collection:		\$627.00	

WAYS TO GIVE & SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Each week check this column for ideas to support your parish (some that will cost you nothing)

Parish eGiving-- SMG has enlisted Parish Giving to provide our parishioners with the opportunity to use automatic payment from your checking account or credit card as an alternative method for giving-just as you may do now with your mortgage, household bills, and other monthly payments. Parish Giving is a service being offered to you free of charge. For our parishioners, this adds a safe and convenient method to make contributions. At the same time, SMG will benefit from a more reliable and efficient means to process the contributions that make it possible for us to support our mission. On the Parish Giving website, you will be able to select from the various opportunities to contribute to SMG and other initiatives. Keep in mind that all contributions are processed once a month to include your "weekly" contributions, special monthly SMG collections (such as holy days, etc.) and Archdiocesan collections (such as the Seminary Appeal, Catholic Charities, etc.) - and you select which ones to contribute to and when.



Piano & Guitar at Mater Dei

Did you know that both piano and guitar lessons are available at Mater Dei? Under the direction of Mrs. Eileen Ericsson and Mr. John Ericsson, Mater Dei students can take lessons during the school day. All of their hard work was recently showcased at their 2019 Recital at St. Maria Goretti Parish. Great job, everyone!

Support the Polar Plunge and Tuition Assistance

Mater Dei is celebrating its 11th Annual Polar Plunge in Sea Isle City on February 16, 2019. Please show your support of Catholic Education by donating money to our Tuition Assistance Fund. Staff and students will be collecting donations after all Masses on February 9th and 10th. Thank you for giving the gift of Catholic Education!

SAVE THE DATE--- SMG 13th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING -FRIDAY JULY 19, 2019



SMG will host its 13th. annual golf outing on Friday July 19, 2019 at Macoby Run Golf Course in Green Lane, Pa. The outing is open to ALL parishioners and friends. Specific outing details and registration forms will be available in May.



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GORETTIFEST 2019 COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Our first GORETTIFEST was a huge success. Over 1000 people came and enjoyed good music, food and beer. We could use you to be a part of this years Fest. We want to have children games, more food and another successful cornhole tournament. Please call the Parish office or Lynne Hipp, 267 382-3946 to help make this even more festive.

IRISH NIGHT

Irish Night, sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, is



coming to Saint Maria Goretti on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 7:00pm. Music will be by Reilly's Daughter with Tommy Conwell. Cost is \$35.00 per person or reserve a table or 8 for \$250.00, which includes buffet dinner, beer, wine and soda. Tickets are on sale after

all 5pm vigil Masses and all Sunday Masses beginning February 2nd through March 3rd or at the Parish Center anytime. For more information or for tickets contact John Cashley 267-467-0441 or Tom Coughlin 215-450-9662. All proceeds from this event will go towards the renovations of Drexel Hall. The committee is seeking donations of bottles of wine, liquor and beer to be used for a basket of cheer raffle. We are also looking for any donation that can be used for a raffle or auction item. If you are able to donate, please drop it off at any Sunday Mass beginning February 2nd through March 3rd at our table in the Narthex or at the parish center anytime or contact Tom Coughlin at (215) 450-9662 sahs01@comcast.net.