



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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
Closed Saturday & Sunday: through the summer during the pandemic.



"...They were overjoyed at seeing the star & on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.

They prostrated themselves & did him homage.

Then they opened their treasures & offered him gifts..."

Epiphany of Our Lord

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. John C. Nguyen
In Residence: Rev. Joseph Lap Le
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

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.



MASS LIVE STREAMED

If you haven't logged onto SMG Mass being Live Streamed through Facebook, or by clicking on the link on the home page of our website at www.stmariagoretti.net in a while, you may want to **give it another try!** Through the generosity of a very giving parishioner, we have the capability to Live Stream Mass in which the audio and video are top quality. Much research for the best equipment (all donated) and many hours of hard work over the past few weeks by a couple very dedicated parishioners have made this all possible as we continue to be dispensed by Archbishop Nelson Perez to attend Mass in person. Thank you for your patience over these past months as we finally are able to provide Live Streamed Mass at a quality that is worth watching. **Many thanks to the gentleman who made this possible! Mass will be Live Streamed Monday through Saturday at 8:30am, Sunday at 9:30am and Adoration all day on Mondays with Benediction at 5pm.**

HOLY LAND TRIP WITH FR. CHUNG



Due to the worldwide pandemic the parish trip to the Holy Land with Fr. Chung and Fr. Brody has been postponed until **November 6 through 14, 2021**. For more information call Father Chung at 215-721-0199 or pick up a brochure in the narthex. Consider

traveling with us in 2021, it will be something to look forward to as we get through the uncertainty of 2020!!



**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!

**PRO-LIFE MARCH
WASHINGTON, D.C.
Friday, January 29, 2021**



Bus Departure from St. Maria Goretti Parking Lot at 7am
Join Pro-Life members from all over the country in the fight to end abortion. We leave SMG parking lot at 7am (with a stop for a quick break) to Metro Center in Washington DC—Cost is \$10.

We will need to walk from the Metro Center to the rally point on 12th Street—approximately 1 mile. Rally is at 12 noon. The March will begin at 1pm. The destination is the Supreme Court, where more speakers will speak out in support of life.

The bus leaves the Metro Center at 4pm. There will not be a dinner stop due to Covid. There will be a quick rest stop on the way home. We suggest you pack any food and drinks you might need for the day.

Any questions, please contact Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@verizon.net.

Tickets must be purchased in advance, please mail the registration form to Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Pro-Life March, 1601 Derstine Rd., Hatfield, PA 19440

Name(s): _____

of tickets: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Parish: _____



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., Jan. 3** 7:30 A.M. Anthony Gatto
Req. by Theresa Miller
9:30 A.M. Rosa & Stanislaus Vernachio
Req. by Carman Vernachio & Family
11:30 A.M. Intentions of Patrick Kendig
Req. by Maria Richardson
- MON., Jan. 4** 8:30 A.M. Glenn Pinkston
Req. by Tom & Rita Miller
- TUES., Jan. 5** 8:30 A.M. Bill Filler
Req. by Francesca Filler
- WED., Jan. 6** 8:30 A.M. Judy Gow
Req. by Jim Gow & Family
- THURS., Jan. 7** 8:30 A.M. Louis Guiliano
Req. by Bob Ryan
- FRI., Jan. 8** 8:30 A.M. Luigi Antonio Rosmini
Req. by The Cavoalni Family
- SAT., Jan. 9** 8:30 A.M. Elizabeth & Joseph Cochrane
Req. by Betty & Jerry Dieckhaus
5:00 P.M. Christopher Nicolas DiLissio
Req. by The Family
- SUN., Jan. 10** 7:30 A.M. Dec'd members of the Topley Family
Req. by The Family
9:30 A.M. Patty Quittle
Req. by Kevin & Mary McCorry
11:30 A.M. Raymond & Margaret Smith
Req. by Gary & Barbara Smith & Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

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



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit in memory of **Gemma Rosmini** requested by Pat & Rich.

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 take place on Thursday, February 4th 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: Josephine Albert, 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, James Chrissy, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Susan & Anthony Dalesio, Joanne Daum, Loretta Deller, Leo Dennis, Karen Diana, Peter Fallon, Christine Fandozzi, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Carol Galinski, Joe Gallant, Erin Gilbert, Lianessa Gonzalez, Abby Graham, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando, Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Janet Hampton, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Ron Hoffman, Jeanette Hoy, Kevin Iavecchia, Richard Jedlicka, Charles Kline, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempf, Jen Kunkle, Jama Lecore, Curt Lecrone, Angelique, Gina & Keenan Lee, Dorothy Lougee, Dina Lukasko, Patti Maguire, Joe Martin, 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, Lisa O'Driscoll, Matt Page, Anthony & Michael Paone, Kathy Paone, Catherine Pagano, Al Palatucci, Robert Pauloski, Flocefida & 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, Rukiatu Smith, Valerie Somma, Lawrence Stempel, Judy Stangl, Joseph & Michael Thomas, John & Kathleen Thinnes, Jessica Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, John Willstaudt, Salem Yabut, Jack Zampirri, Joe Zdon & Joan Ziegler.

ARE YOU MISSING OUT...



on the many graces waiting for you in our chapel? Jesus is waiting. All you need to do is just come and sit with Him. 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:

12 noon to 12:30pm, 1:30pm to 2pm or 2pm 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.

**PHILADELPHIA
2021
MARCH FOR
LIFE**

Saturday January 23rd, 2021



*We will be practicing social distancing, and we ask that everyone wear a mask while at the event.

9:00AM Roman Catholic Mass (All are Welcome!)

Archbishop Nelson Perez will kick off the day by celebrating mass at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul (parking will be available at the Cathedral).

12:00PM Rally

We will conclude the day with a rally at Independence Mall!

10:30AM Let the March Begin!

The march will begin at the Cathedral and proceed to Independence Mall with several stops along the route, including Philadelphia Women's Center, where 6,500 abortions are committed each year.

For more information please contact Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or email at bobmcc52@verizon.net

RISE UP & JOURNEY WITH JESUS

Are you discerning religious life? The Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity will be hosting a virtual discernment retreat January 29th and 30th for single women, ages 18+ that are considering religious life. Join MSBT sisters in prayer, reflection and hear MSBT sisters share their stories on mission. To register go to msbt.org/rise-up-journ... or for more information email voc@msbt.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

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO GIVE THE GIFT OF A NEW HYMNAL

We are almost halfway there...550 of 1200 hymnals are already gifted!

With Christmas coming right around the corner, we all have that hard to buy for person, please consider the gift of a hymnal in their honor. This gift will last for years to come. While helping the parish to defray the cost with a donation of \$25 per hymnal. Consider this opportunity to honor loved ones or to commemorate a special event such as an anniversary, birthday...! Stop at the table in the narthex to pick up a reservation form or fill out the form below and drop or mail to the Parish Center, attention: Cheryl Ryan. Thank you for your consideration and support of this project for our parish! See the sample hymnals at the display in the narthex.

Number of Hymnals: _____

In Honor of: _____

Requested by: _____

In Loving Memory of: _____

Requested by: _____

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 10th

Lectors

5:00pm – B. Smith, M.J. Vondercrone
 7:30am – B. Braun, B. Malley
 9:30am – M. Faymore, M. McCormick
 11:30am – M. Mays, T. Prykowski

Cantors

* NOT AVAILABLE IN TIME FOR PUBLICATION

MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, January 5th
 Mini Bell Choir—6:45pm
 Mini Guitar Ensemble & Mini Choir—7:30pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, January 10th

9:30am – Mini Guitar Ensemble & Mini Choir
 11:30am— Mini Guitar Ensemble & Mini Choir

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Thanks to support from our partner USAID and from YOU, we were able to respond quickly to the needs of families in Guatemala who were affected by back-to-back Hurricanes Eta and Iota. We distributed hygiene products, household supplies, food, and safe water kits. Thank you very much for your support! Visit www.crs.org to find out more about what we accomplished together.

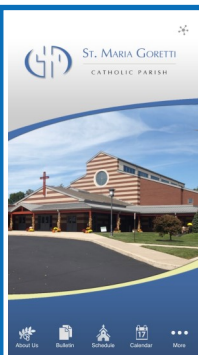
"Natural disasters could be avoided or at least limited, since their effects are often due to a lack of environmental care by man... Therefore I encourage you to join far-sighted efforts in the protection of our common home, promoting a culture of prevention, also with the help of new advances, in order to reduce the risk to the most vulnerable populations."

~ Pope Francis

DOWNLOAD THE FREE SMG PARISH MOBILE APP TODAY

3 Ways to get the app

- ◆ Search in the app store
- ◆ Click the link on SMG website homepage
- ◆ Go to www.parishsolutionsco.com/Goretti



POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected for St. Vincent DePaul was not available in time for publication.

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 2021**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **"Along The Way"** located in Souderton, PA. Along The Way is a non-profit faith-based organization that provides affordable, reliable, high-quality childcare services to the children of single mothers working or attending school/training during non-traditional business hours. Mothers qualify for these services based on financial need. They also offer and/or partner with other organizations to provide: parenting skills training, after school care for children, counseling, mentoring and/or training to help women navigate life's challenges. **If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!**



THE LAMB FOUNDATION ~ THANK YOU POOR BOX RECIPIENT

Dear Fr. Chung and Mrs. D'Elia,

Thanks you so much, again and again, for thinking of us especially during this time of need and pandemic upheaval, by donating the precious Poor Box of the parish to our organization.

We here at Lamb Foundation not only observe the same Christian tenets of caring for our fellow man as you all do at Saint Maria Goretti, but we truly believe that the most true and sincerest of help comes from fellow Believers who choose to teach the followings of Christ.

This has been a trying and worrisome season of despair and distress with the Covid Virus. We thank the Lord that we here—all 250 residents and 58 staff are in good health and maintaining employment and purpose. He has been so faithful to us!

Thank you, everyone at Saint Maria Goretti Parish, and Pastor, Rev. John C. Nguyen, for being so faithful in your calling, your charity and your faithfulness to the "least of them" which has often included the Lamb Foundation.

In all Blessed Hope this Season,
 Donna L. Mengel, Director

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. Bulletin inserts are due 2 weeks prior to the publication. Thanks for your cooperation.

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship.

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 stay current on our parish financial obligations as well as help those who need.

December 20

2019	2020	Difference
\$25,685.00	\$20,981.00	(\$4,704.00)

Our collections for 2020 to date are down by (\$97,421.61)



Registration 2021-22

It's time! New families can now register their child for the 2021- 22 school year at both Mater Dei Catholic School's Lansdale and Hatfield campuses. 63 new registrations have already been accepted! Many of our classrooms will be filled by December of 2020 for the 21-22 school year. So if you have a child who will be eligible for Pre-school through Grade 8 in September of 2021 and would like more information about registration or our programs, please contact Grace Samanns in the Advancement Office at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com.



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.

TURNING TAXES INTO SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are paying Pennsylvania state income taxes, why not turn your tax dollars into need based scholarships for schools? Pennsylvania provides a 90% tax credit to individuals who donate funds for Catholic School Education. The gift of a Catholic Education is an investment in our youth, our future and, our faith. To learn more, please call Grace Samanns at Mater Dei, 215-368-9787.



It's Simple:

- Hold your phone in camera mode to the QR code below to access Parish Giving or Log on to the parish website at 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 on 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



Thank you to the many families that have already signed up for the Parish Giving Program.

support your parish... purchase SCRIP

Available Monday to Friday between the hours of 9am to 4pm.



MATER DEI
CHILDCARE CENTER

JOB OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The new Mater Dei Childcare in Hatfield is currently searching for high-energy staff to join our team. Our staff will need to provide and maintain a positive and appropriate educational program that meets the social, emotional, and physical needs of the children within their care. Candidates should be energetic, patient, friendly, nurturing and enjoy working with young children and their families. Looking for someone interested in working with infants and toddlers in the afternoons until close (6pm). Must have own transportation. Please contact the center director Katherine Stansbury at kstansbury@materdeicatholic.com or 217-799-2211 if you are interested.