

SAINT MARIA GORETTI PARISH

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Oh Saint Maria Goretti who, strengthened by God's grace, did not hesitate even at the age of twelve to shed your blood and sacrifice life itself to defend your virginal purity, look graciously on the unhappy human race which has strayed far from the path of eternal salvation. Teach us all, and especially youth, with what courage and promptitude we should flee for the love of Jesus anything that could offend Him or stain our souls with sin. Obtain for us from our Lord victory in temptation, comfort in the sorrows of life, and the grace which we earnestly beg of thee (here insert intention), and may we one day enjoy with thee the imperishable glory of Heaven. Amen.

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.

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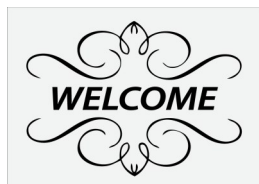
Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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



REGISTRATION SUNDAY

Registration Sunday will take place next Sunday, July 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.

ADORATION—GUARDIAN PARTNER

Guardian Partners needed at the following times: 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4p.m



Each Monday in the chapel, after the 8:30am morning Mass until 5p.m., we have the opportunity to adore Our Lord's body, blood, soul and divinity in the presence of the Eucharist. While adoring Our Lord, we must also ensure that the Holy Eucharist is never left unattended. A Guardian helps to ensure that the Holy Eucharist is never left alone by committing to spend thirty minutes or more each Monday with the Holy Eucharist. You share this holy commitment with a partner so that if something unforeseen occurs in your schedule you can feel confident that Jesus will not be left alone. Substitute Guardian positions are also available. Contact: Nancy Boak nancyboak@aol.com or 215-393-3763.

Help Needed

The sisters from Saint Elisabeth Convent, Belarus will be visiting our parish the weekend of August 24/25 to set up a small sale of religious articles and souvenirs from their Convent to support vulnerable people who they take care of. If you would be interested in providing hospitality for 2 sisters for a night or two while they are in our area please call Cheryl for more details at 215-721-0199. Thank you for your consideration.

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Bus Departure: 7:00 AM—Saint Maria Goretti Church Lot

Approximate Arrival Home: 7:30 PM

Cost: \$50.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child

Join Saint Maria Goretti Parishioners as we embark on a spiritual journey with other parishes from across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and make our way as pilgrims to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. We will also make a brief stop at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine where his first-class relic can be venerated and the self-guided tour of the nine gallery exhibit on his life and legacy can be viewed. Pack your own snacks and lunch; cost of dinner stop on your own. For more information contact: angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-0199 (ext. 202). Please register using the form that can be found on the Adult Faith Events page of our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net.

FATHER CHUNG IS TURNING 50!!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 20th following the vigil Mass to celebrate Father's BIG 50!

Immediately following the vigil Mass plan to celebrate with plenty of food, drinks and music outside church (weather permitting, otherwise the celebration will be held in Drexel Hall). If you would like to help in planning Father's birthday bash, please contact Cheryl at 215-721-0199 or by e-mail Cheryl.ryan@stmariagoretti.net. Hope everyone can make it!



ST. VINCENT DEPAUL MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

Please consider the following needed items when doing your upcoming shopping. Listed below are the organizations that will benefit from the SMG - St. Vincent dePaul Society's July Food/Pantry Drive (**Saturday, July 20 and Sunday, July 21**). They are shown below along with their wish lists.

Saint Mary's Church - Canned fruit; fruit cups; Jello cups; pudding cups; snacks for kids; canned pasta; canned beef stew; mayonnaise; mustard; ketchup; spaghetti only (no other type of pasta, please); pasta sauce; canned vegetables - carrots, potatoes, beets, asparagus, spinach, etc. (no beans of any kind, please); laundry detergent; household cleaners; deodorant.

Keystone Opportunity Center - Pancake mix; oatmeal; jelly; pasta; pasta sauce; canned - fruit, tuna, potatoes, salmon, chicken; Beefaroni; ravioli; Spaghettoes with meatballs; laundry detergent; dish liquid; body wash; shampoo; conditioner; toothpaste; deodorant.

Thank you so much for all you do for the needy who benefit greatly from your help.

ELDERCARE CORNER

Farmer's Market Vouchers will be available beginning June 3rd at Generations Senior Center in Souderton. You will get \$20.00 in vouchers to be used at local Farmer's Markets between June 3rd and October 31st.

A recipient must:

- ⇒ Be a MontCo resident
- ⇒ Be at least 60 years old
- ⇒ Have an income no more than \$23,107/year (one person)

Generations will have the vouchers available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 11:00-1:00 and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30am.

Please contact Amy Juarez at 215-721-0199 x 225

Weekly MASS Intentions

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., July 7	7:30 A.M. Michele Heacock Req. by Linda & Vic Lelii 9:30 A.M. Thomas Jones Req. by Betty & Jerry Dieckhaus 11:30 A.M. Salem Yabut Req. by Cathleen Somma
MON., July 8	8:30 A.M. John Conroy Req. by Vic & Linda Lelii
TUES., July 9	8:30 A.M. Jim Smith Req. by Pete & Bette Jellen
WED., July 10	8:30 A.M. Donna Riopelle Req. by Roseanna Sigwart & Janet Sabota
THURS., July 11	8:30 A.M. Catherine Moll Req. by Catherine Wolfgang
FRI., July 12	8:30 A.M. Thelma Stanek Req. by Deborah, Catherine & Andy
SAT., July 13	5:00 P.M. Maria Gracey 1st Anniversary Req. by Chris & Patty Gray
SUN., July 14	7:30 A.M. Donna Bowen Req. by Maryann & Frank Brandt 9:30 A.M. Henry Baker Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Lucy DeFrancesco Req. by The Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week
is lit in memory of
George Olden
Requested by Sisters in Spirit



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC ?

Please encourage them to contact Al Pandolfo at 267 688 9475 or the parish center at 215 721 0199 or email RCIA@stmariagoretti.net as soon as possible. We would love the opportunity to tell him or her about the wonderful process for spiritual growth called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA. In this process adults learn with other adults about Church teachings and prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. Baptized Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments are also welcome. Don't delay !

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, Mark Altroggi, 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, Carol Galinski, Patrick Gardenier, Lianessa Gonzalez, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Ron Hoffman, Jeanette Hoy, Kevin Iavecchia, Lindsay Jaso, Richard Jedlicka, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempf, Jama Lecore, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Mary Magnarella, Patti Maguire, Barbara Masser, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, 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, Al Palatucci, Robert Pauloski, Floerfida & Salvador Penganon, Michael Prahler, Marian Quinn, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Barbara Scally, Susan Schmidt, Helen Shekalis, Melissa Shelly, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Judy Turner, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzell, Paula Jayne White, John Willstaudt, Arlene Wyatt, Salem Yabut, Joe Zdon & Jack Zampirri.

NOVENA TO ST. PEREGRINE

A novena to St. Peregrine, the patron saint of cancer patients will be held on **Thursday, July 11th** at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Maria Goretti chapel. The novena will include prayers for your special intentions and veneration of the relic of St. Peregrine and will conclude with the recitation of the Rosary.

Our Prayer Line is actively praying for many cancer patients. While personal, individual prayer is wonderful, there is great power in praying in numbers. If you are stricken with this illness, or have family or friends who are struggling to be healed, come join us in this monthly Novena dedicated to praying for each others' special needs.



ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

Mark your calendar for our annual Dorney Park Trip!

As a thank you to our altar servers a trip to Dorney Park is planned for **Thursday, July 11th**. Permission forms and more details were sent home with the last schedule. Don't forget to turn your permission form in to the parish center no later than July 9th. If you need a form they can be found in the narthex or at the parish center. Hope you can make it!!



WINNING PRO-LIFE ESSAY

Congratulations Erin Kelly! 3rd Place Winner in the Senior Division

Abortion Through The Eyes Of Christ Man's ability to terminate human pregnancies, and if that termination is just or unjust, has been a debate throughout the country and the world for several decades. The 1973 debate Roe V. Wade brought great attention to this issue. It is important when discussing this topic that both sides of the argument, whether pregnancy termination is just or unjust, listen to opposing points as the reality of abortion may entail multiple valid dimensions to consider. Webster dictionary claims the definition of life is the existence of an individual including the capacity for growth, reproduction, functional activity, and conditional change preceding death. The dictionary also claims that the definition of murder is an unlawful premeditated killing of one human being by another. Termination of pregnancy is unjust*and therefore immoral due to the Virtue approach, or the writer's personal moral philosophy. Adding onto this argument, an individual contains the capacity to grow and process from conception until birth. Enforcing the act of abortion should be illegal because it goes against both virtue, moral philosophy and the Catholic faith*

One real life example representing the immorality of abortion is the story of Gianna Jessen. Jessen's biological mother had a saline abortion, which is when saline is injected into the mother's womb ultimately causing a multitude of life ending physiological complications. Her biological mother would give birth to a dead fetus within twenty-four hours. To everyone's surprise, Gianna was born alive, not dead. At seven and a half months, Gianna Jessen had a heartbeat as well as eyes, ears and a tongue. All of her muscles had been formed. She could kick, hiccup, frown and even squint. Every organ in Gianna was present even at eight weeks. Gianna's sex could be determined and her brain had created billions of nerve cells. She could feel pain and as saline was injected into her, Gianna would pull away from it knowing she was in a state of danger. The abortionist had to sign Gianna's birth certificate which states "Born during saline abortion" ("Jassen Testimony"). As Gianna researched all about the physician who tried to terminate her, she came across something he said that stood out to her. "I have aborted over a million babies and I consider it my passion" ("Jassen Testimony"). Gianna was diagnosed with cerebral palsy, which was caused by the lack of oxygen going to her brain while she was trying to survive. Her reaction to her failed termination attempt is summarized when she states: "If abortion was merely about women's rights ladies and gentlemen, than where was mine?" ("Jassen Testimony"). Janssen has used her testimony in public speaking to government officials, church leaders and feminist. Her story is one that shows the love of God for his children. Keeping her alive, Jassen uses her platform to share the love of God to all close enough to listen. "The right to life is the first among human rights. To abort a child is to kill someone who can not defend himself." Pope Francis.

Federal law prohibits destroying the egg of a bald eagle and the punishment contains several thousand dollars or a year in jail. There is a big difference between a bald eagle and a human life, yet there is no punishment when committing murder to a human being. Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God. Urban dictionary states that the definition of murder is the unlawful premeditated killing of one human being by another. What makes the human inside of you and less of a person then you are? "A person is a person, no matter how small," Dr. Seuss. Truthfully, abortion has come down to who has a voice vs. who doesn't. That child has a heartbeat, a living heart beat. That child is alive and they are blooming into the individuals that God has created them to be. Then they are stripped. We are literally killing God's creation, we are killing our own. We are killing our future generations and world changers. One third of my generation is missing, one third. This is an issue that needs to be addressed. It is not about rights, because if abortion was about rights then the child inside of you would not be torn into pieces if they had a right. That child has a right that is being violated by abortion clinics all across the world, especially Planned Parenthood. It is a scientific fact that a human life begins at conception. Human life; the most beautiful gift of all. We are destroying God's masterpieces.

Genesis 1:26-31; 2:4-25 "Tells us this, "God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them." I have volunteered at "A Baby's Breath" for the past two years which is a Catholic organization that advocates for anti-abortion. They provide families with educational lessons such as resume building, mock interviews and life skills needed to have a successful future for individuals and their children. They work alongside of parents who have turned away from abortion and have decided to raise their beautiful children. A Baby's Breath provides families with clothing, toiletries, diapers, food and anything your child would need. I have watched teen mothers walk into the ultrasound room not sure whether they will keep their baby or not. I have seen every teen mother that has walked into the room afraid, scared and unsure, walk out about to take on a whole new life for their child. Imagine if we put money into these types of organizations that help make it possible for mothers to keep their children instead of the ones that strip a life. If it is not right to take a life of someone on the street, what makes it right to take a life away from a human who lives inside of you?

There are so many alternatives to aborting a baby: Adoption, temporary foster care, family members who can raise the child, and seeking support are all very good alternatives for abortion. One of these alternative is a crisis pregnancy resource center, "A Baby's Breath" women may receive support in choosing life for their baby. A Baby's Breath provides educational lessons from how to do CPR to help create an effective resume for a job. With these organizations, less excuses for aborting a child will be made which will stop killing future generations. With the money used to help fund Planned Parenthood, imagine how many babies America could save by giving the money to organization such as "A Baby's Breath" that is a non-profit. Planned Parenthood is funded through the federal government. Although many will say the government does not give money directly for the abortions, the government is giving money to provide for the abortions. Imagine if the Federal Government invested that much money into the foster care system. "According to Planned Parenthood, the federal government gave the institution \$528 last year" (Kurtzleben 1). Planned Parenthood has made 220.9 million dollars on aborting innocent human beings.

In conclusion, there are a lot of different ways to go about abortion because for the majority, there seems to be no compromise. However, killing the future generations needs to be controlled and abortion needs to be put to a end. It is not morally correct to choose who dies and who lives, nor is it morally correct that our government is funding the biggest abortion institution of all times and giving so little for America's foster care system. "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter" -Dr. Martin Luther King

**MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR
SUNDAY, JULY 14th**

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm – Sacristan, .S. Lynam, V. & L. Lelii
7:30am – Sacristan, C. Friel, R. Pacheco, K. Hay
9:30am – Sacristan, B. Smith, D. Johnson, D. Fuse
11:30am – Sacristan, L. Arkens, T. & E. McBride

E.M. Home Visits

A1– J. Burke, **A2**-B. Hudak, **A3**-A. Russo, **A4**-M. D'Elia,
A5– J. Forbes, **B1**-M. Collis **B2**– D. Mischak, **B3**-K. Clapper,
B4-B. McCormick, **B5**-K. Staudt

Lectors

5:00pm – A. LeBrocq, J. Gressang
7:30am – M. McCormick, B. Malley
9:30am – K. Luther, T. Mazzeo
11:30am – E. Gallagher, S. Archambault

Cantors

5:00pm – Kathy
7:30am – Michele
9:30am – Tara
11:30am – Kristen

Altar Servers

5:00pm – N. Boell, B. Lare, C. Murphy
7:30am – V. & R. McLaughlin, T. Orndorff
9:30am – N. Cugini, T. & G. McGann
11:30am – M. Brodsky, J. & A. Kuduk

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

**The total collected last week was:
Not available at time of printing.**

BENEFITS ST. LUCIA MISSION

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 2019, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to St. Lucia Mission. The Redemptorist community, serving the poor and most spiritually abandoned, staff a large parish in the Caribbean island-nation of Saint Lucia. While faith is strong, financial resources are minimal. Their current project, on which they have been working on for the past 3 years, is building an addition on their Catholic elementary school, where over 200 children attend and adequate space limited. Their focus is to house a classroom for special needs children. Most of the structure of the school has been done voluntarily by a college group, parish members, and others within the community. The projected budget for the completion of the school is \$10,000. Your consideration of the completion of this project and the needs of these economically challenged children is greatly appreciated. If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!



**All children returning to the
SMG PREP Program should be
registered on-line through
Parish Giving.**

**Look for your e-mail from
info@parishgiving.org.**

**New parishioners and 1st Grade parents,
please contact us to
register as soon as possible.**

**All sessions are available on a first come
first served basis.**

**If you are able to serve as a
Catechist or Assistant, please let us
know!**

UNTIL SEPTEMBER,

**HAPPY
SUMMER**

**Maria Richardson, Director of
Family Faith Formation, Religious Education
and Parish Services**

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215-721-6559

Find details and registration at

<https://stmariagoretti.net/prep/>

**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

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. Thanks for your cooperation.

SUNDAY OFFERING



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COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS
Totals for June 30th not available
at time of printing.

Parish Ministry Update!



**CLUB + 50
GAMES DAY**

The first Wednesday of the month!
Cards, Rummikub,
Mexican Train,....
1PM – 4PM Parish Library

Save the Date:
“ESTHER” at Sight and Sound Theatre on
May 19, 2020



In an effort to keep the Donut Social going we
need ministries to volunteer to run them.
Please check with your Ministry Leader to help
on one of these dates:
November 3rd and December 1st 2019

Are you interested in going to see the Life Size
Noah's Ark in Kentucky? Let us know, we are
thinking about it!

Contact Maria Richardson
maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net
215-721-0559

DANUBE RIVER CRUISE

Wine & Cheese Information Night—July 15th

Please join us to learn more about this amazing River Cruise
led by Father Zachary Navit from **July 10-20, 2020**. With an
option to extend from July 19-21 to see the Oberammergau
Passion Play. Come hear the exciting plans for this excep-
tional trip. Hope you can make it, please call Pat Conroy if
you plan on attending at 215-260-5480.

Youth Ministry Update



Please Pray for the teens attending Steubenville
High School Conference July 12-14, 2019!



Wildwood Beach Retreat for
High School Teens in 9th to 12th grade
August 1-4, 2019

Coming This Fall



For all Jr. High Teens
High School Leaders Needed
September 17-November 12, 2019
Tuesdays 7:30pm to 8:30pm

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and Parish Services

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Find details and registration at
<http://stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/>

**SMG 13th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
Friday July 19, 2019**

Registration is from 12:35 PM—1:05 PM and golf will begin at
1:30 PM at Macoby Run Golf Course in Green Lane, Pa. The
outing is open to ALL parishioners and friends. Beginners, fam-
ilies, and seasoned golfers are encouraged to participate! One
experienced golfer must be included in each foursome.

We will play a scramble format. All golfers will tee off each hole,
then proceed to the best shot and hit the next shot and proceed
until the hole is complete. The cost is \$80 per adult and \$60.00
for children age 12 and under. Call Fred C. Cicacci (267-663-
9841) or email (FredCicacci@comcast.net) for questions.

The outing includes greens fees w/ cart, a snack upon arrival,
hotdogs & beverages at the turn. Following golf, we will have a
buffet dinner including chicken, another meat selection, ham-
burgers, salads, birch beer and beer. There will be door prizes
for each golfer, mulligan purchase, and a fun time for all is an-
ticipated. Registration forms are available in the narthex and
also on SMG's website, which is www.stmariagoretti.net. and on
SMG social media. ALL CHECKS (payable to St. Maria Goretti)
AND REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED to Fred
C. Cicacci by Wednesday, **July 11th** to play in the outing. See
the Registration Form for the mailing address.