

## Saint Maria Goretti Parish

## 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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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 7pm

\*Mass Live Streamed on SMG Facebook page or a link on the parish website Sundays at 9:30am and daily

at 8:30am.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday through Friday: 9am to 4:00pm Saturday & Sunday by appointment only during the pandemic.

# Jesus said to them, BRING SOME OF THE FISH YOU JUST CAUGHT... COME, HAVE BREAKFAST."

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. John C. Nguyen

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 Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass.

Saint Maria Goretti: Monday during the 8:30 am Mass.

#### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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
Sacristan & Assist. to Director of Family Faith Family

Wietnamese Apostolate: Rev. John C. Nguyen
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.

MARDIAGE

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.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR PARISH MAY PROCESSION MONDAY, MAY 2nd AT 6PM

Please join Fr. Chung, our Deacons, fellow parishioners, PREP students and families, parish ministry volunteers, Knights of Columbus... to honor Mary at an outdoor procession

(weather permitting) at 6pm on May 2nd. The children that have received the sacraments this year are invited to wear their Confirmation robes and the First Holy Communion children are asked to wear their special First Communion attire.

Everyone is invited. Hope you can make it!



#### The SMG Assistance Fund

In the very near future, St. Maria Goretti Parish will be sharing with you an exciting new opportunity that we are currently pursuing with the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia to maximize the impact of your generous Parish donations. The SMG Assistance Fund will be the means by which our parishioners can directly partner with the Parish to support, sustain and expand the numerous assistance programs and ministries that benefit our church families, children, youth, young adults, adults and seniors.

Please keep an eye out and an ear open for upcoming Narthex displays, Mass announcements, website link and page, and other informational outreach that will describe in more detail as SMG shares this exciting opportunity for you to cost-effectively partner with your Parish in supporting and benefitting our Parish families and community. Please keep this initiative in your prayers. Thank You!



#### WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS TO THE SMG PARISH FAMILY

Ms. Sandrina Alexander
Mr. and Mrs. William Smith and Family
Miss Lauren Kline
Mr. and Mrs. Matt Wahl and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Justin Worzel and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Behl
Ms. Beverly Carbone and Family
Mrs. Patricia Colaguori
Mrs. Kelly Smith and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kolich and Family
Mr. Alex Catterini

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Stickle Mr. and Mrs. William Mullan

## MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE Change is coming!

Starting in May, we have moved our monthly pantry drive to the left side of the narthex. Please put your bags on the tables and larger items under the tables. We are doing this to accommodate the funeral arrangements needed by our parishioners. Thank you for your generous donations, St Vincent de Paul Society



## DON'T MISS IT-GET YOUR ORDERS IN NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY. VIETNAMESE EGG ROLL SALE ~ MAY 7/8 Get Your Eggrolls for Mother's Day!



The Vietnamese Community will be holding an Egg Roll Sale on Saturday and Sunday, *May 7/8*. Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase these delicious homemade egg rolls. Treat Mom to a delicious egg roll or two for Mother's Day. They freeze well and make a great snack. If interested, please fill out the form below and drop it off in an envelope marked "Egg Roll Sale" to the parish center or in the collection basket with cash or check payable to St. Maria Goretti Parish no later than <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 4th</u>. *Thank you for your support*.

Cost is \$2 per egg roll or 3 for \$5

Name:	Phone:			
Number of Egg Rolls:	Cash:		Check #:	
The cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and they will be available	e for pick-u	p on May 7th	or 8th after all	Masses.
Please circle the Mass you will be picking up your order:	5pm	7:30am	9:30am	11:30am



#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., May 1 7:30 A.M. Dominic Mazzeo

Req. by Lisa Steen 9:30 A.M. Joseph Flynn Req. by Dolores Flynn 11:30 A.M. Ernie Forchetti Reg. by Maria Richardson

MON., May 2 8:30 A.M. Frank & Bernie Phillipeck

Req. by The Patterson Family

TUES., May 3 8:30 A.M. John S. Tamaro

Req. by Barry, Anna, Maria Bintliff

WED., May 4 8:30 A.M. MaryAnne Petitto

Req. by Joe & Rose Bondi

THURS., May 5 8:30 A.M. Peg McGann

Req. by The McGann Family

FRI., May 6 8:30 A.M. Martin Westerman, Sr.

Req. by The Westerman Family

SAT., May 7 No Morning Mass

5:00 P.M. Mary Zamorski Reg. by Ted & Dot Zamorski

SUN., May 8 7:30 A.M. Marta Carrares

Req. by Angel Carrares 9:30 A.M. Michael Hill Req. by Katelyn Viers 11:30 A.M. Joe O'Sullivan Reg. by Rosanna O'Sullivan

#### **SANCTUARY LIGHT**

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for *Frances Szewczak* requested by Jim & Pat Petro.





#### **BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL**

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for *Jackie Van Arsdale* requested by Dottie Eckard.

## 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 on Thursday, May 5th.* 

#### **PRAYER LINE**

Our Parish Prayer Line consists of five adult prayer groups. Requests for prayers for the prayer line may be given by calling **the Parish Center at 215-721-0199**. Your prayer request is mentioned in the prayers of those on the line for 2 weeks and then included in their prayers for the following weeks in an inclusive prayer.



PLEASE KEEP IN MIND the following people who at this time need your prayers and support: Carol Algrogge, Lori Aiello, Baby David, Chuck Biehn, Suki Borowski, James Caprioli, Regina Cardillo, Bob, Joanne & Rob Daum, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, John Gunder Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, John McLaughlin, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Frank Moran, Tom Murphy III, Bill O'Brien, Patricia Naab, Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Joanne Reube, Don Robberstad, Linda Santana, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Lawrence Stempel, Ron Szewczak, John Tulley, Paul Wheeler. Salem & Valerie Yabut.

IN ORDER TO KEEP OUR LIST CURRENT WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CALL THE PARISH CENTER WITH ANYONE CURRENTLY IN NEED OF PRAYERS OR THAT SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM OUR LIST.



#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

#### Reading I: Acts 5: 27-32, 40b-41

Peter and the apostles bravely proclaim Jesus' name before the assembled Sanhedrin, boldly stating "We must obey God rather than men." They add their conviction that the Holy Spirit is with them as a fellow witness.

#### Reading II: Revelation 5: 11-14

John heard and saw great numbers of angels and elders proclaiming the Lamb as worthy while prostrating themselves before Him. This posture and praise was typically given to the Roman emperor. John is announcing a conflict between God and Caesar.

#### The Gospel: John 21: 1-19, or 21: 1-14

Jesus makes a third post-resurrection appearance to Peter and the disciples seaside at Tiberius. He breakfasts with them and then gives Peter a chance to repeal his triple denial. Then follows Peter's unique commission.

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**



#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Join us for Mass, short teaching on Saints & Breakfast! September, 2021 through May, 2022 May 6

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)



## 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, May 11

Questions: Contact Maria Richardson maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

#### **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

Your voice is needed now. Increased flooding, longer and more severe droughts and other erratic weather patterns stemming from climate change are making it difficult for millions of people to survive. Farmers can't grow enough crops, and families are forced to flee uninhabitable homes in search of safety and work. Urge Congress to address the impacts and root causes of climate change by providing robust funding for international assistance programs in the fiscal year 2023 budget and investing in the Green Climate Fund.

The Green Climate Fund helps vulnerable communities around the world adapt to climate change. By becoming more resilient to future natural disasters like cyclones and droughts, our sisters and brothers in places like Bangladesh, Madagascar and Guatemala can sustain their livelihoods and protect their homes. Pope Francis urges us, "All the peoples of the earth, all men and women of good will, we must raise our voice in defense of these two precious gifts: peace and nature—Sister Mother Earth." If we want to protect our planet and global family, we must act now. Visit www.crs.org. Thanks for your support!

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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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.

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### Young Adult Ministry

#### YOUNG ADULT FIELD DAY

SMG Ballfield—Join us for Volleyball, Cornhole, Spike Slip'n'Slide and more...

Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 7:00 PM



Contact Tyler Grant, 215-721-6559 or tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net

### Youth Ministry

## Save the Date Family / Teen Bowling!

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 More details to follow in upcoming bulletins.



Flyer and registration available at https:// stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/ Contact Maria Richardson, maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

## Eucharistic ADORATION

#### WHAT CAN I DO?

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

The following times are in need of a second Guardian partner:

1:30 to 2 p.m. 2 to 2:30pm

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

## SAINT MARIA GORETTI MEN'S NIGHT OUT IN HATFIELD

Wednesday, May 11 at 6:00PM

Join the men of St. Maria Goretti for a night out in beautiful downtown Hatfield. We will gather at the Hatfield Auto Museum located on Lin-

coln Street at 6:00PM. Afterwards, around 7PM, we will walk over to Casey's Restaurant/Pub for some dinner and refreshments. The museum is free of charge. Just bring a few bucks with you for something to eat and/or drink. Bring your son, a friend, or neighbor.

RSVP to Dave Kelly at 215-439-4791, by May 6th.



## MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, MAY 8th

#### **E.M. of Holy Communion**

5:00pm – Sacristan, V. Lelii, P. Pinkston 7:30am – Sacristan, R. & R. Mazur 9:30am – Sacristan, M. & M. D'Elia 11:30am – Sacristan, T. McGann, C. Zuluaga

#### E.M. Home Visits

**A1**–K. Staudt, **A2**-D. Fuse, **A3**-J. Naab, **A4**-K. Hay, **A5**–P. Walsh

#### Lectors

5:00pm – J. Gressang, M. O'Pella 7:30am – D. Smith, C. McNally 9:30am – D. Grant, R. Jones 11:30am – M. Faymore, P. Villucci

#### **Altar Servers**

5:00pm – B. Mazeroski, D. Farzetta 7:30am – N. & J. Boell 9:30am – M. & N. Cugini 11:30am – T. McGann, O. Watters

#### **Cantors**

5:00pm – Guitar Ensemble 7:30am – Joe Bondi 9:30am – Janna 11:30am – Michele

#### **MUSIC NOTES**



Rehearsals for Tuesday, May 3rd

Guitar Ensemble —7:00pm

#### **Music Ministry for Next Weekend:**

Saturday, May 7th 5pm – Guitar Ensemble Sunday, May 8th

9:30am—Guitar Ensemble

#### SAINT STANISLAUS PARISH GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) PROGRAM IS RETURNING!

Please join us on Tuesday, May 10th, at 7:00pm in the Lobby Meeting Room of the Parish Center for an inspiring talk by a dynamic speaker.

Topic: Becoming More Compassionate Speaker: Anne DeSantis, Executive Director of the Saint Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith

Based on her latest book "Love and Care for the Marginalized: 40 Meditations, Spiritual Outreach Reflections for Catholics", Anne will uncover how we, as Catholics, can extend greater outreach to those who feel rejected, isolated, and marginalized. Learn ways to effectively reach those people in our lives who need to know that not only does God love and care for them, but so do we.

#### **POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP**

The total collected last week was: \$653.30

#### **BENEFITS ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

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 **March and April**, **2022**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **St. Vincent de Paul Society**. The SMG Conference of the Society was newly formed in 2007 and meets each Monday evening in the Parish Center to review the needs of individuals within our community. The Society works in collaboration with other organizations to provide person-toperson service, recognizing Christ in the face of those in need. The Society also supports the initiatives of the International Society, including clothing and food drives, as well as other special projects. This collection will provide much needed funding to fulfill our mission to serve the poor and needy. As quoted in the Society's motto..."No form of charity is foreign to the Society." *If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!* 





## "IN THEIR SHOES" 2022 WALK FOR THE POOR Saint Vincent DePaul Society Saint Maria Goretti, Hatfield PA

Invites YOU and YOUR FAMILY to SAVE THE DATE and walk a mile for the poor of our community on Saturday, September 24, 2022

@School Road Park, 1610 School Road, Hatfield PA 10:00 am

The Saint Vincent dePaul Society is a volunteer organization with a mission to help the poor in our area. Those in need are visited by our volunteers who determine how best the Society can use its resources to help improve their lives. In fiscal year 2020-2021, volunteers visited 251 households and provided \$61,000 in assistance for housing/rent, utilities, food, clothing, and other basic needs. All proceeds from the walk go to support this mission!

The Walk for the Poor is open to ALL family members. Lots of fun activities are planned for the kids – and adults!

Registration is \$20/per family and \$10/per individual

Prizes for those with the most pledges!

More info to follow on how to register. Mark your calendars – and tell your friends!!



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 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.

2021	2022	Difference
\$60,248.50	\$55,740.41	(\$ 4,508.09)

Sunday, April 24th

FOOD

DRIVE

2021 2022 Difference \$20,767.51 \$24,483.76 \$ 3.716.50

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

#### SVDP MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Maria Goretti Parish will collect groceries for charities next weekend, May 7-8. Please take a bag from the Church vestibule and return it next weekend with groceries for one of the charities indicated below.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Nutritional **Development Services** is sponsoring its annual

"Manna Sunday" grocery collection. This effort is critical, as individuals and households continue to face financial challenges, elevated levels of food insecurity, and other hardships stemming from the ongoing pandemic. Donations will be distributed to a network of more than fifty food cupboards and outreach programs throughout the five-county metropolitan area. The Archdiocese requests food in individual or household sizes, preferably in cans or plastic containers rather than bags or box-

The Archdiocese' "Manna Prayer" is pertinent next Sunday and every day: "Jesus, many times throughout Your life, You fed hungry people and You called others to help. You called the young child with the loaves and fishes to share his gifts. You call each one of us today. Open our eyes to see the needs of others. Open our ears to hear Your call to share. Open our hearts to welcome all people to the table of love. Amen.'

Shepherd's Shelf is an emergency food cupboard. Its goal is to provide enough groceries and other household items to feed households for three days. It serves households living in the Souderton Area School District, as well as Kulpsville, Lansdale, and Towamencin. It particularly needs diapers size 4 and 6, grape jelly, oatmeal canisters, boxed cookies and crackers (not bags), dry cat food, and cat litter.

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

May God bless you for your generosity!



#### 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! 112 new applicants have already been accepted! We have a waiting list for Pre-K 4 at both campuses, but we have availability in Pre-K 3 at both our Hat-

field and Lansdale campuses for September. Please contact Samanns in Advancement Grace gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787 for more information about registering your child for the 2022-23 school

And you can use the QR code below to register your Pre-K 3 through Grade 8 student now by completing a 2022-23 New Student Registration Form!



BLOCS, Business Leadership Organized for Catholic Schools helps Mater Dei do just that with their Tax Credit Program. Through the EITC and OSTC Programs, donors (individuals or businesses) can receive up to a 90% tax credit against their personal PA state tax liability by making their scholarship designation to Mater Dei through BLOCS. There is minimal cost to you to participate in this program but the impact you make by participating helps Mater Dei families in a big way. Would you like to know more? Please email Grace Samanns at gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com

#### 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 Director, Julie Townsend at childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211.

The Mater Dei Child Care in Hatfield is currently searching for Lead Teachers and Assistants to join our team. Candidates should be energetic, patient, friendly, nurturing and enjoy working with young children and their families. Looking for candidates passionate about working with infants and toddlers. Please contact the Center's Assistant Director, Marv Whittam at mwhittam@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211 if you are interested.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is an equal opportunity employer.

#### **QUO VADIS**

#### Monday, June 27 - Thursday, June 30, 2022



This 4-day camp for high school men is VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE held at Black Rock Retreat Center in Acknowces of PHILADELPHIA Quarryville and is filled with inspirational talks, time for prayer, daily Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, and activities such as

ropes course, basketball, and the all-time-favorite: Gaga Ball. Run by the Vocation Office and Philadelphia Seminarians, Quo Vadis is a great opportunity for young men to grow and remain active in their faith and interact with other faithful young men from diverse backgrounds. Activities and talks will be centered around our theme of 'To the Heights' where we will explore the life and teachings of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. For more information or to register visit https://heedthecall.org/ events/quo-vadis/