

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.



PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. John C. Nguyen

Sacristan & Assist. to Director of Family Faith Formation:

Tvler 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 Formation

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.

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



21 Days of Drawings
June 1-20 One Winner Each Day \$250*
*Daily winning tickets will be re-entered each
day for a total of 20 chances to win \$250.
June 21st One Grand Prize Winner \$5,000**
Tickets are \$25 each.

You are under no obligation to purchase or sell any tickets but we hope you will!

Tickets are available at the Parish Center and will be on sale after all Masses the weekend of May 14th & 15th.



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!

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!

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 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.

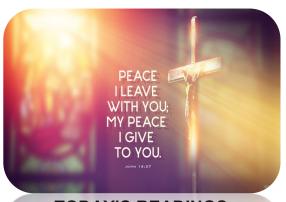
The following times are in need of a second Guardian partner: 1:30 to 2 p.m.

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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.

PRE-JORDAN CLASS

Pre-Jordan classes are offered the second Wednesday of each month in the Parish Library at 7pm. The next class will be held on *Wednesday, June 8th*. Pre-Jordan is required for parents wishing to have their child baptized and optional for godparents. You must attend Pre-Jordan prior to having your first child baptized. It is not necessary to attend if you have attended a session within the past 5 years. *Please call the Parish Center to register for the class at 215-721-0199*. You are welcome to bring your little one. The class is approximately one hour.



TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Through prayer and consultation, the early Church resolves the thorny question of whether Gentile converts have to observe Jewish cultural rituals. The answer was negative because this would put an unnecessary burden on them.

Reading II: Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23

All the nations, as noted in today's Responsorial, are called to dwell in a glorious and heavenly Jerusalem, founded on the Lamb and His twelve apostles.

The Gospel: John 14: 23-29

Jesus promises that the Father and He will dwell among them but not as Jesus has up until then. He also promises to send "the Advocate" the Holy Spirit, who will teach them all they need to know.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., May 22 7:30 A.M. Mary Rita & Stanley

Golazeski

Req. by Theresa Golazeski 9:30 A.M. Maria Rodrigues Req. by Dolores Clower

11:30 Å.M. The Richardson Family

Req. by Maria Richardson

MON., May 23 8:30 A.M. Francesco & Giuseppe

Marciano Req. by The Family

TUES., May 24 8:30 A.M. Thomas Mercaldo

Req. by Jerry & Gail Behl

WED., May 25
8:30 A.M. Carol Kratz
Req. by Pat & Tom Gallo
7:00 P.M. David Coughlin
Req. by Carole Coughlin

THURS., May 26 7:00 A.M. Glenn Pinkston

Req. by Pat Pinkston 8:30 A.M. Dena Manai Req. by The Fantuzzo Family 12 noon Gemma & Luigi Req. by The Cavacim Family 7:00 P.M. Vietnamese Mass

FRI., May 27 8:30 A.M. Charles Gibbins Reg. by Anna Marie Parsons

SAT., May 28 No Morning Mass

5:00 PM The Downey & DeVito Families Req. by Rosemary & Roger Downey

SUN., May 29 7:30 A.M. Ralph & Mary Massaro

Req. by Linda & Joseph Bensicheck 9:30 A.M. Helen & Carmine Vernacchio Req. by Carman Vernacchio & Family

11:30 Å.M. Patricia Raciah

Req. by David & Maria Richardson

SANCTUARY LIGHT

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



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for *The SMG Parishioners*Requested by Father Chung.

MONTHLY HOLY HOUR

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.

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, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Joanne Fell, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, Tanner Gower, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Ladley, John McLaughlin, Ed Malley, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Frank Moran, Tom Murphy III, Bill O'Brien, Patricia Naab, Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Joanne Reube, Linda Santana, Rose Santulli, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Gary Stark, 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.

PLEASE NOTE: SATURDAY MORNING MASS WILL RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 10TH

PRE-JORDAN COUPLES NEEDED A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG COUPLES TO MEET OTHER YOUNG COUPLES THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



This program is open to married couples with experience in facing the challenges of parenting and communicating Christian values in our society. Each couple is assigned to 2 Pre-Jordan classes per year and helps with baptisms once every 8 weeks or so. The time commitment is minimal and the rewards are many! Please prayerfully consider this wonderful ministry. If in-

terested please contact Bob Rounay at 215-272-6322.

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



THE SHEPHERD'S SHELF EMERGENCY FOOD CUPBOARD

Dear St. Maria Goretti Parishioners,



On behalf of the families we feed and our volunteers who serve, we want to express our profound gratitude and appreciation to you for your commit-SHEPHERD'S SHELF ment to support The Shepherd's Shelf Food Cupboard. The contribution of 3 carful's of donations on February 14,

2022 will be used to help feed the many families and individuals who find themselves in need.

The Shepherd's Shelf serves an average of 121 individuals monthly, distributing over 467 bags of food and supplements each month. Our service area is the Sumneytown corridor from Towamencin Township to Green Lane. Although our community doesn't look like an area where so many families need food assistance, we have found silent pockets of need.

The Shepherd's Shelf is run almost entirely by volunteers who donate over 250 hours a month. Once again your generosity makes it possible for us to continue to help other families in the area in their time of need.

> Sincerely, Sharon Noble

JOB OPPORTUNITY AT SAINT JUDE PARISH~ COORDINATOR OF MINISTRY WITH YOUTH & YOUNG **ADULTS**



We are excited to offer this new position! Our new Coordinator of Ministry with Youth and Young Adults will be responsible for growing St. Jude Parish new generations of missionary disciples of Jesus Christ by providing encounter opportunities,

faith formation, leadership, and service opportunities for middle - and high-school youth and young adults. This is a full-time position.

Visit our website stjudechalfont.org for a complete job description: Scroll down on the Homepage to the News Items, or go directly to stjudechalfont.org/news/job-youth-leader.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



In support of the Global COVID Sum-Catholic Relief Services is committing \$14 million to the global action. response. "Right now, the world is not on track to prevent future waves of

COVID-19," CRS said in a statement. "For many countries, it seems like the virus is diminishing, but we have not done enough to prevent people from illness or death. There needs to be a refocus on vaccinations and improving health systems, or else we are going to be stuck in a nonstop COVID-19 cycle.'

With a focus on vaccinating the world, saving lives now, and building up global health security, CRS is committed to helping bring the pandemic to an end. Please visit www.crs.org for more information. Thanks for your support!



"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!!

Reuniones de los Retiristas del Movimiento



Juan XXIII Hatfield PA. Todos los Martes a las 7:00 PM Aguí 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

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, MAY 29th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm - Sacristan, J. Gressang, K. Hay 7:30am - Sacristan, R. & R. Mazur 9:30am - Sacristan, P. Walsh, M. Wrubel 11:30am - Sacristan, C. Zuluaga, V. Lelii

E.M. Home Visits

B1-D. Fuse, B2-D. Johnson, B3-S. Nagele, B4-B. Hudak, B5-P. O'Hara

Lectors

5:00pm - F. Filler, M.J. Vondercrone 7:30am - M. McCormick, C. McNally 9:30am - T. Hipp, F. Stumpo 11:30am - M. D'Elia, M. Faymore

<u> Altar Servers</u>

5:00pm - D. Farzetta, S. Filler 7:30am - N. & J. Boell 9:30am - T. McGann, G. Sabia **11:30am** – J. & M. Franek

Cantors

5:00pm - Katie 7:30am - Donna 9:30am - Michele 11:30am - Michael



OUR PRO-LIFE MINISTRY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Saint Maria Goretti's Pro-Life Ministry would love feedback on how our ministry can grow from activities, awareness and community. All are invited to a meeting on May 19th from 6:30

to 8pm in the IHM room. (lower level of parish center) High school students, young adults are more than welcome to attend to find out about our ministry or maybe give some ideas Please consider joining us, the unborn are depending on you. bobmcc52@gmail.com

"America you are beautiful...and blessed.... The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life." ~Pope John Paul II

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: \$642.75

BENEFITS THE APOSTLE PROGRAM -KENSINGTON MISSION

Before leaving our church building each weekend, please consider stopping by one of our poor boxes located in the narthex, with your contributions. For the months of May and June 2022, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to The Apostle Program - Kensington Mission. The mission of The Apostle Program is to engage young people, adults, and families in spreading God's love through ministries serving local communities and their needs, particularly the needs of the homeless and the addicted populating the streets of Kensington. This 7-mile radius is the center of the East Coast urban opioid crisis and home to more than 22,000 individuals and families struggling with the challenges of poverty far exceeding those in any other neighborhood in Philadelphia. *If donating by check, please* make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!



RIDES TO MASS

Two female Parishioners, living at Grundy Manor in Telford, are looking for rides to Mass. If you are able to assist them with this, please email Amy Juarez, Eldercare Program Director, at ajuarez@chs-adphila.org or call 215-853-7676. The ladies are flexible with attending any Mass and appreciate any assistance.

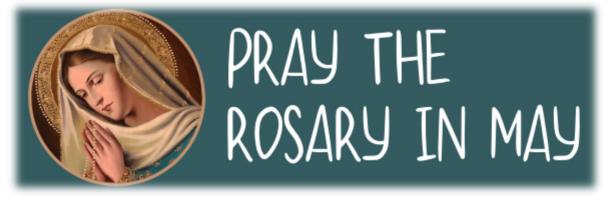
QUO VADIS

Monday, June 27 - Thursday, June 30, 2022



This 4-day camp for high school men is VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE HOLD AT Black Rock Retreat Center in ARCHDIOCES OF PHILADELPHIA Quarryville 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/





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 \$22.582.42 Sunday, May 15th 2022 Difference \$21.834.00 (\$ 748.42)

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

MATER DEI CATHOLIC SCHOOL **PRESENTS**



Saturday, June 4th Doors open at 6:30pm Trivia starts at 7:30pm

Tickets can be purchased at https://www.showtix4u.com/eventdetails/65009

Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Teams of 8 - 10 people per table. Beer, soft drinks and light snacks are included. Prizes for First & Second Place and Most Team Spirit! Feel free to bring your own beverages and food.

Decorate your table, create a team name and make sure you bring your "A" Game!





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 homep-
- Go to www.parishsolutionsco.com/



Mater Dei's Fifth. Sixth. Seventh. and Eighth Graders gave of their time and energy at St. Mary's Manor in Lansdale



visiting and playing Bingo as well as helping out at Catholic Social Services' Community Farm. Mater Dei Proud of these students for their acts of service and kindness.

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 Hatfield and Lansdale campuses for September. Please contact Grace Samanns in Advancement at gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com



or 215-368-9787 for more information about registering your child for the 2022-23 school year.

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

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.

Employment Opportunities

The Mater Dei Childcare 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, Mary Whittam at mwhittam@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211 if you are interested.

Mater Dei Child Care Center is an equal opportunity employer.