Saint Maria Goretti Parish wishes you a Happy Mother's Day!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN FROM OUR PARISH THAT RECEIVED THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION LAST WEEKEND. MAY GOD BLESS THEM TODAY AND ALWAYS!



MOTHER'S DAY PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES

At Masses *TODAY*, Mother's Day May 8, 2022, representatives of our parish's Respect Life Committee will be collecting donations for carnations, stick-on roses and other items to benefit the life-saving work of the Pro-Life Educational Foundation. Please be generous

in support of these activities.



TODAY'S READINGS

Reading I: Acts 13: 14, 43-52

Certain Jews, jealous of Paul and Barnabas' popularity, stir up a persecution of the two Apostles and expelled them. The preachers move on to Iconium, "shaking the dust from their feet" as they did so.

Reading II: Revelation 7: 9, 14b-17

John's vision of the Lamb on His throne, who will shepherd the flock, will also banish their sorrows.

The Gospel: John 10: 27-30

Since God has given the sheep to Jesus, no one else can take them away. The unity of Father and Son draws in the community as well and gives them eternal life.

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER Heavenly Father, to you I pray... On this day called,

"Mother's Day."

Let all mother's on earth give praise,
To you...for the children that you gave.

For you have blessed them from above, with little souls to nourish and love.

Let them mold each one with care...

And teach them to be kind and share.

Forgiveness is the special key...
Start early on, to help them see.
Their fragile minds are easily impressed.
Please teach them ways, so they'll be blessed.

Sow godly seeds into their minds. With careful pruning, you will find... Young adults with such strong roots, all through life, will bear rich fruit.

And then have faith for God to show...
Them all the rest they have to know.
Remember they're His children too.
For they were only lent to you.

Happy Mother's Day!
Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Father Chung, Deacon Phuong,
Deacon Steve and the staff of SMG



THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA

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 provide in more details 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!



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

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 Req. by Rosanna O'Sullivan

MON., May 9 8:30 A.M. Stanley Soltys

Req. by Harriet Soltys

TUES., May 10 8:30 A.M. Rafael Dimalanta

Req. by The Weisenbach, Zlogar &

Donahue Families

WED., May 11 8:30 A.M. Danuta Mazur

Req. by The Kelly Family

THURS., May 12 8:30 A.M. Joe DeLuca

Req. by The Family

FRI., May 13 8:30 A.M. Ruth & Glenn Forgie

Req. by Kathleen Grear

SAT., May 14 No Morning Mass

5:00 P.M. Stanley & Laura Licwinko

Req. by The Family

SUN., May 15 7:30 A.M. Robert McCormick

Req. by Bob & Zoi McCormick 9:30 A.M. Theresa Pisinki Req. by The Hotte Family 11:30 A.M. Elaine Reinboth

Req. by The Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **Brendan John Heary** requested by Mom & Dad.





BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for **Brendan John Heary** requested by Mom & Dad.

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.



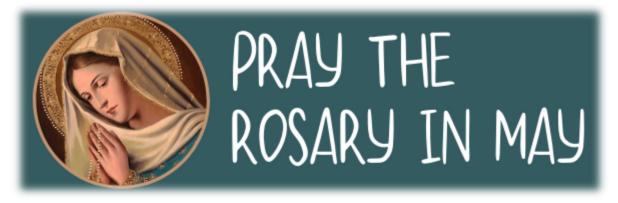
PLEASE KEEP IN MIND the following people who at this time need your prayers and support: Carol Algrogge, Lori Aiello, Baby David, Chuck Biehn, Suki Borowski, James Caprioli, Regina Cardillo, Bob, Joanne & Rob Daum, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Ladley, 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, Linda Santana, 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.



REGISTRATION SUNDAY

Registration Sunday will take place **Sunday**, **May 15.** 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.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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

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 7:00PM 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.



CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



When you train teachers in education programs to look for signs of malaria, children can get treated faster. That's part of our multisectoral approach that we hope can end malaria. Read more about how it

works at www.crs.org. Thanks for your support!

"I encourage financial experts and political leaders to ponder the words of [Saint John Chrysostom], one of the sages of antiquity: 'Not to share one's wealth with the poor is to steal from them and to take away their livelihood. It is not our own goods which we hold, but theirs."" ~ Pope Francis

Young Adult Ministry

YOUNG ADULT FIELD DAY

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

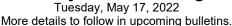
Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 7:00 PM



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

YOUTH MINISTRY

Save the Date Family / Teen Bowling!





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.

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.



MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR **SUNDAY, MAY 15th**

E.M. of Holy Communion 5:00pm – Sacristan, D. Blanche, D. Misczak 7:30am - Sacristan, M. & K. Staudt 9:30am - Sacristan, M. Reynolds, P. O'Hara 11:30am - Sacristan, S. Nagele, J. O'Brien

E.M. Home Visits

B1-J. Gressang, B2-M. Collis, B3-D. Grant, B4-J. MCNally, B5-S. Steklenski

<u>Lectors</u>

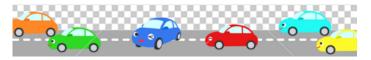
5:00pm - T. Mazzeo, M. Mays 7:30am - A. & R. Whitley 9:30am – A. Cattarini, M. D'Elia 11:30am - M.J. Vondercrone

Altar Servers

5:00pm - J. & M. Berical **7:30am** – A. & T. Baran 9:30am - N. & J. Boell 11:30am - C. Murphy, A. Kunjachen

Cantors

5:00pm - Janna 7:30am - J. Vacca **9:30am** – Ugochi **11:30am** – Chelsea



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 assis-



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.

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected in March & April for St. Vincent dePaul was: \$5,434.14

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!

Support your parish by purchasing SCRIP



"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!!



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.

Sunday, May 1st 2021 Difference 2022 \$24,380.67 \$29,440.96 \$5,060.29

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

WAYS TO GIVE & SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

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

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

Key Features

- Ability to make one-time contributions
- Ability to make recurring contributions
- Ability to contribute to multiple collections
- Ability to select your billing date
- Ability to use Credit Card or Bank Transfer
- Ability to access end-of-year contribution reports

Enroll Online Now at www.stmariagoretti.net



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 gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787 for more information about registering your child for the 2022-23 school

Or you may also 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 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.

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 ACCHOICCES OF BHILADELPHIA Quarryville and is filled with inspirational HEED THE CALL 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/