

# Saint Maria Goretti Parish

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I am reminded of your sincere  
faith, a faith that lived first in  
your grandmother...  
and your mother...  
and now, I am sure,  
lives in you.  
2 Timothy 1: 5



## Happy Mother's Day

## SAINT MARIA GORETTI PARISH HONORS MARY AT LAST WEEKS MAY PROCESSION



### 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 Peter,

Deacon Steve and the staff of SMG

### UNDECORATING OF THE CHURCH

The Easter Decorations, including the Narthex Fountain, need to come down following Pentecost on May 20. We could use strong arms and backs to move the stones back to the storage place. Please come to help on Monday, May 21 at 9 am. It won't take long if we have many hands to help. Thanks.

### SAVE THE DATE! SMG Vacation Bible School



Get ready to explore time at VBS at the St. Maria Goretti Educational Center! This year's theme is Time Lab, so join us as we explore God's omnipresence from June 25th to June 29th, from 9 - 12. For more information and to register, please see the St. Maria Goretti website at <http://stmariagoretti.net/>.

We also need volunteers! Come join us in guiding the next generation on their faith journey! For more information and to volunteer, please see the St. Maria Goretti website at <http://stmariagoretti.net/>.



### BLESSED ARE THE POOR OF HEART



In joyous celebration of our parish's 65th Anniversary and the Feast Day of our beloved parish patroness, Saint Maria Goretti, mark your calendar and save the date for a special breakfast following the 8:30 AM morning Mass on **Friday, July 6th**. During breakfast we will view a brief DVD presentation that examines how Saint Maria Goretti exemplified the Beatitude, "Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God." Hopefully, we will be motivated and inspired by her life and spirituality to live the Beatitudes in our everyday life, as well.





## Mass Schedule

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>SUN., May 13</b>	7:30 A.M. Mother's Day Intention 9:30 A.M. Mother's Day Intention 11:30 A.M. Mother's Day Intention
<b>MON., May 14</b>	8:30 A.M. Ann Armstrong Req. by The Farzetta Family
<b>TUES., May 15</b>	8:30 A.M. Shirley Finkleston Req. by The Family
<b>WED., May 16</b>	8:30 A.M. Sally Victor Req. by Joanne Gressang
<b>THURS., May 17</b>	8:30 A.M. Karen Yozallinas Req. by The Family
<b>FRI., May 18</b>	8:30 A.M. Joseph Flynn Req. by Dolores Flynn
<b>SAT., May 19</b>	<b>No Morning Mass</b> 5:00 P.M. John Seliga Req. by Bob & Carol Weaver
<b>SUN., May 20</b>	7:30 A.M. Thelma Stanek Req. by Deborah, Catherine & Andy 9:30 A.M. The Pirrello & Morkavage Families Req. by John & Carol Pirrello 11:30 A.M. Deceased Members of the Balsamo & Musso Families Req. by Elvira Musso



### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in celebration of **Ron Duch's** birthday requested by Eleonore Duch.

**PLEASE NOTE: Beginning April 28th through the summer months there will not be a Saturday morning Mass. The Mass will resume on September 8th. Thank you.**

### ELDERCARE CORNER

#### Did You Know...?

That the average wait list for Senior Apartments in Montgomery and surrounding counties is 2-2.5 years? Many Senior Housing communities also have a waitlist for both Independent and Assisted Living in this area as well. If you are thinking about downsizing from your home or making a move, its best to plan well in advance. Contact Amy Juarez at 215-721-0199 x225 or [ajua-rez@chs-adphila.org](mailto:ajua-rez@chs-adphila.org) for more information or to get started on your housing transition options.



### 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. Anyone wishing to become a member of the parish prayer line ministry can join at any time by calling the Parish Center.



**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, Paul Baril, Ray

Baril, Joey Berical, Jerilyn Bowler, Mary Callaghan, Mary Campagna, Caridad Carlos, Aldo Carnara, Danny Catts, Kristen Chipollini, Joanna Cavacini, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Regina DeFeo, Leo Dennis, Ceferina Eusubio, Sally Esbensen, Peter Fallon, Patrick Gardenier, Rita Gildea, Lianessa Gonzalez, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Michelle Heacock, Ron Hoffman, Kevin Iavecchia, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempf, Trish Lavelle, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Mary Magnarella, Patti Maguire, William & Kristen Morrow, Rita Martin, John McLaughlin, Bridget Michener, Helen Millar, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Mele Lee-Nippins, Ernie Nippins, Bill O'Brien, Catherine Pagano, Robert Pauloski, Floerfida & Savador Penganon, Michael Prahrer, Marian Quinn, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Susan Schmidt, Helen Shekalis, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, Barbara Wetzel, Paula Jayne White, Patty Wiley, John Willstaudt, Molly Worner, Arlene Wyatt, Salem Yabet, Rita & Joe Zdun.

## HELP WANTED

### PARISH CENTER VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED

Being a volunteer receptionist is a great way to get to know Fr. Chung, the parish staff and fellow parishioners. Show your stewardship to the parish by answering the phone and door at the parish office twice per month Monday through Friday in either the mornings of afternoons. We will work around your schedule. If this sounds like something you would enjoy, please call Cheryl or Mary at 215-721-0199. Thank you!

### ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this weekend are donated in loving memory of  
**Licia Butera**  
requested by her family.



If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the parish office at 215-721-0199.

### BREAKFAST CLUB



The Breakfast Club is held on designated First Thursdays of the month in the church narthex and provides a way for people to gather together in friendship following their time spent together in worship and prayer. Coffee, tea, juice, and nutritious breakfast refreshments are served along with lots of laughter and conversation. There is no cost to participate in the Breakfast Club and no registration is required. Non-parishioners are always welcome. **Mark your calendar for September 6, and October 4 following the 8:30 AM Mass!**



### THAT MAN IS YOU—TMIY

TMIY is a morning program for men organized around a central theme each year and presented through the lens of 7 steps that make it simple for men to follow. Each morning session has three components: a social gathering over breakfast refreshments, a 30 minute DVD presentation, and opportunity for discussion. The program honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers, although single men benefit, as well. For more information or to register contact: Bill Wynne at TMIYSMG@gmail.com or 215-721-0199 (ext. 254).

Wednesdays: Spring and Fall Semesters  
6:00 AM to 7:30 AM OR

Saturdays: Spring and Fall Semesters  
7:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level

### CATHOLICS IN THEIR 20'S & 30'S

Metanoia is an active community of Catholic young adults in western Montgomery County, PA. The group supports Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to deepen their faith and meet fellow Catholics in the area. We meet on Tuesdays at 7:30pm unless otherwise noted.

#### May 2108

**Tuesday, May 15:** Theology on Tap @ Appalachian Brewing Co., Collegeville; Doors at 7:00pm, Talk Starts at 7:30pm

**Tuesday, May 22:** Holy Hour @ Mary, Mother of the Redeemer Parish, North Wales; 7:30pm

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER CELEBRATES 50 YEARS!!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been strengthening marriages for 50 years. Join the millions of couples around the world who have made a weekend. The next weekends in the Philadelphia Area are July 13-15, 2018 and October 19-21, 2018, both at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA.

For more information or to register go to [www.wmme-philly.org](http://www.wmme-philly.org) or call 484-393-1645. Help us celebrate 50 years by experiencing a Weekend of Discovery and a Lifetime of Love!

### READY, SET READ!!

On October 22nd, our parish will host a Book Club on the personal reflections of Saint John Paul, Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis written by Cardinal Timothy Dolan in his e-book entitled, *Soul, Mind, and Heart*. Download it for free at <https://www.osv.com/Shop/Ebooks/dolanebook.aspx> or pick up a copy at our parish center once you register for the book club. Spring and Summer are great times to begin your reading in preparation for this Fall Book Club. Register for this Book Club at [angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net](mailto:angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net).

### Parish Ministry Update!

#### Hospitality Ministry

**Greeters needed for the Saturday Vigil Mass**

Joe Pekala— [joe.pekala@insurancejpa.com](mailto:joe.pekala@insurancejpa.com)

### CLUB + 50

*Longwood Gardens Day Trip*

*May 22, 2018*

**For more information on the trip please see the insert in today's bulletin or call Maria Richardson at 215-721-0199.**

### GAMES DAY

**The first Wednesday of the month  
1PM – 4PM Parish Library**

### JOSEPH'S PEOPLE CHAPTER MEETING

**ARE YOU UNEMPLOYED OR LOOKING FOR  
FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT?**

Do you want a place to network and meet others who are sharing a similar experience as you?

At Joseph's People we offer both spiritual and emotional support to those who are unemployed or underemployed. We also provide tools and resources in order to pursue a successful job search. Stop in and see what we are about. We are a very friendly and welcoming group.

Join us at our upcoming meeting on **May 17th at 7:30 pm** in the Parish Center Library. No prior registration is needed! All are welcomed! For more information contact Nancy Boak at [nancyboak@aol.com](mailto:nancyboak@aol.com)

### El Movimiento de Retiros Parroquiales Juan XXIII



Estará ofreciendo un Retiro de Conversión y Evangelización para damas los días 8, 9 y 10 de Junio En la Iglesia Santa Juana de Arco en Filadelfia. Para más información, favor contactar a Carlos Zuluaga al 954-309-1771

### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Life is a GIFT...Give more of it. **Wednesday, May 16, 2018** from 2 to 7pm in Drexel Hall. Please match our last drive or supersede it by DONATING. To schedule an appointment please call Eleonore Duch at 215-855-9017. Sign-ups in the narthex after Mass.

**POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP**

The total collected last week was: **\$266.62**

**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 **May** and **June 2018**, 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-to-person 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!**

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL**

*May 13-The Ascension of the Lord*

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

*When we serve the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and into the hearts of those who are poor. Will you join us in service? Call the Society of St Vincent de Paul at (215) 721-0199 ext.224*

**MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, MAY 20th****E.M. of Holy Communion**

**5:00pm** – Sacristan, M. Reynolds, M. & M. D'Elia  
**7:30am** – Sacristan, D. Johnson, D. Fuse, R. Pacheco  
**9:30am** – Sacristan, M. Lee-Nippins, M. Rosenberger, D. Grant  
**11:30am** – Sacristan, L. Arkens, J. McNally, M. Niche

**E.M. Home Visits**

**A1**– J. Burke, **A2**-K. Hay, **A3**-E. Duch, **A4**-P. O'Hara,  
**A5**–D. Mischak, **B1**-C. Opdyke, **B2**-C. LeBrocq,  
**B3**-B. McCormick, **B4**-K. Clapper, **B5**-E. McBride

**Lectors**

**5:00pm** – B. Braun, M. Faymore  
**7:30am** – M. McCormick, T. Hipp  
**9:30am** – T. Mazzeo, R. Miller  
**11:30am** – M. O'Pella, C. McNally

**Cantors**

**5:00pm** – Ugochi  
**7:30am** – Lynne  
**9:30am** – Michael  
**11:30am** – Andrew

**Altar Servers**

**5:00pm** – nB. Braun, G. Heim, C. McColgan  
**7:30am** – I. Gonzales, B. & C. O'Reilly  
**9:30am** – J. & J. Hier, A. Mazzeo  
**11:30am** – A. Ericsson, S. Holland, A. Wertz

**ATTENTION BOYS & GIRLS GRADES 5 THRU 12 INTERESTED IN BECOMING A NEW ALTAR SERVER**

If you are interested in assisting Fr. Chung and other Priests at Mass or liturgical gatherings this would be the ministry for you. Practice for new servers will start in the fall. On average you would be scheduled to serve Mass every 4 to 6 weeks. Servers are also needed for funerals and weddings in which a stipend is paid. If you are interested in signing up or would like more information, please pick up a registration form in the narthex and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish center. Sign-up forms will be given out at PREP this week. For more information please call April LeBrocq at 215-721-4967 or Cheryl Ryan at 215-721-0199. Thank you!

**MUSIC NOTES**

**Rehearsals for Tuesday, May 15th**  
Men's Ensemble— 8:45pm

**Music Ministry for Next Weekend:**

**Sunday, May 20th**  
 9:30am – Men's Ensemble



## SUNDAY OFFERING



Stewardship Offering ..... May 6, 2018  
 Total # of contributors (env, checks & EFT) ..... 605  
 Total to SMG: ..... \$26,392.00

## CYO UPCOMING EVENTS

Hello SMG CYO Participants,

As we near the end of another SMG CYO sports season, I wanted to remind everyone about our last two events of the season.

Our year end banquet will be June 3rd @ 5PM the Franconia Heritage restaurant. This year's participation gift is an SMG Hoodie with our new hawk logo!! Hopefully everyone can make their best effort to attend this year.



We will also be running our last service project of the year with our Spring Car Wash on Saturday May 19th from 9am till noon.

We need as many kids as we can have to help wash cars!!

Jeff Benner  
 SMG CYO President

## SMG CYO AWARDS BANQUET



When: Sunday, June 3, 2018  
 Where: Franconia Restaurant  
 Time: 5:00 PM

Please join us for the annual SMG CYO Awards Banquet! We will have a buffet dinner followed by our annual awards presentation. We hope to see everyone there! The cost of dinner will be \$10 per person for ages 15 and up and \$5 per person for ages 3-14. Registration forms are available in the narthex or at the Parish Center. Please return the slip below with your payment to the parish center or place in the Sunday collection basket (mark envelope "CYO Banquet"). **All slips and money are due by Friday, May 25th (tickets cannot be sold at the door).** Admission will be tracked by family name. Tickets will not be issued.

If you still have a uniform please return it at the banquet.

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP CORNER

(brought to you by your Parish Finance Council)

## TOPIC: PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

You have probably noticed the improvements we have made to our parish facilities during this fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. Lighting in our Church is much brighter due to the installation of LED light bulbs. These light bulbs will last longer and cost less to operate than their incandescent predecessors. We also replaced the roof of the Church, so we will have no more raindrops falling on our heads. We remodeled a portion of the Education Center to create a licensed child care center operated by Mater Dei School — a safe, cost effective, Catholic care center for our children. You probably also noticed the new truck and related snow removal equipment in the parking lot. We invested in this equipment so we could reduce our dependence on contractors and save operating expenses over the next several years by using our internal maintenance staff for weekday light snow removal. In total we spent about \$215,000 on these improvements of which \$150,000 was funded by the Heritage of Faith / Vision of Hope Campaign from 2009-2010 and the remainder from prior year budget surpluses due to your generosity. Thank you for your support!



## SAVE THE DATE

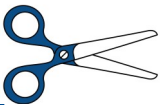
### Wine & Cheese Info Night

#### June 5th at 7pm

To celebrate the 65th Anniversary of our parish, please join Fr. Chung and fellow parishioners on a trip from November 5-15, 2018 to Italy including the Saint Maria Goretti Shrine, Assisi, Florence and so much more! Join us for wine and cheese to learn more about this wonderful trip. For questions, please call Pat Conroy at 215-260-5480.

## PAID CHILDCARE SERVICES

Individuals age 18 and over to provide Paid Child Care Services for Sunday worship service and Sunday School (8:45 - 11:30), as well as holiday and special services, at Zwingli United Church of Christ in Souderton, PA. A volunteer from the congregation will act as the assistant. Clearances will be required for employment. Please contact Lisa at Zwingli United Church of Christ at 215-723-5848.



## VIETNAMESE EGG ROLL SALE FOR FATHER'S DAY~JUNE 17th

### Pre-Order Form

The Vietnamese Community will be holding an Egg Roll Sale on Saturday and Sunday, **June 16/17**. Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase these delicious homemade egg rolls. They freeze well and make a great snack for DAD. If interested please fill out the form below and drop off in an envelope marked "Egg Roll Sale" to the parish center with cash or check payable to St. Maria Goretti Parish no later than Monday June 11th. You may also drop in the collection basket up until June 10th. **Thank you for your support.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Egg Rolls: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

**The cost is \$1 each and they will be available for pick-up on June 16 & 17 after all Masses.**

**Check Mass for pick-up: 5pm \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30am \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30am \_\_\_\_\_ 11:30am \_\_\_\_\_**