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our families,
our country...
for whatever
their reason,
thank you
to our
veterans.**



**Cross Catholic
OUTREACH**

Delivering Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor

CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

We welcome Father John P. Fischer of Cross Catholic Outreach who is speaking this weekend at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. This ministry was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central & South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

**ARCHBISHOP CHARLES J. CHAPUT,
O.F.M. Cap., INVITES YOU
TO THE CELEBRATION OF THE
INSTALLATION OF THE TOMB WITH
THE SACRED REMAINS OF
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL**

Sunday, November 18, 2018 at
11:00 AM Solemn Mass

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway,
Philadelphia



THIS INVITATION IS EXTENDED TO ALL
IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA
THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA AND
SURROUNDING REGIONS.

**PRO-LIFE MARCH ~ WASHINGTON D.C.
Friday, January 18, 2019**



Bus departs from SMG parking lot at 5:45am.

Join Pro-Life members from all over the country in the fight to end abortion. We will leave at 5:45am (with a stop for a quick break) to participate at Mass at 10am at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. After Mass there will be time to visit all of the beauty of the Shrine.

The March will begin between 12—1pm and all participants will be supplied with Metro passes to the March. The bus will leave the Shrine parking lot at 4pm and we will stop at Old Country Buffet in Newark, DE for dinner. The bus, metro pass and dinner are included in the cost of \$15. Family discounts are available.

Anyone who cannot make the March but would like to donate to help with expenses can drop your check in the collection basket payable to St. Maria Goretti marked Pro-Life March or mail to 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield. For more information, please call Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@verizon.net.

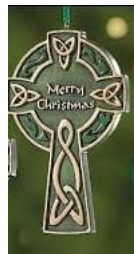
Tickets must be purchased in advance. Send your name, address, phone number, number of tickets along with your check to SMG attention Pro-Life March.



REGISTRATION SUNDAY TODAY

Registration Sunday will take place **TODAY, November 11th**. 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.

**CHARLIE ZAHM'S "CELTIC"
CHRISTMAS CONCERT**



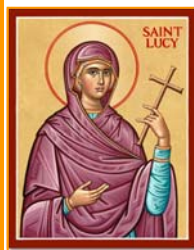
Sunday, December 2nd, 2018 at 7 PM. The concert is being held in the St. Maria Goretti Church for the benefit of Society of St. Vincent de Paul, SMG conference. Cost is \$10 per ticket, \$5 children 12 or under. Please bring a canned food item for the December Food Pantry drive. Light refreshments served and basket raffle held at intermission.

"LIGHT" LUNCH

Celebrate the feast of Saint Lucy with a "light" lunch as we view the heartwarming film entitled, "Beyond Christmas." Be inspired by the story of three benevolent spirits who work behind the scenes to ensure that a young couple, who they met at Christmas, will find a way to be together and have a love that will last forever.

**Thursday, December 13, 2018
12:00 PM to 2:00 PM**

Parish Center: Lower Level
Movie Running Time: 84 Minutes
Luncheon Cost: \$10.00



Please register using the form that can be found on our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net or on the Adult Faith Formation table in our narthex. Please mail form along with payment. Payment is transferrable to another person but not refundable.

**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 !



Mass
Schedule

SUN., Nov. 11	7:30 A.M. Brendan Devine Req. by The Pagni Family 9:30 A.M. Neil Beauchamp Req. by Donna Beauchamp 11:30 A.M. Carol, Marissa & Family Req. by Christine Benson
MON., Nov. 12	8:30 A.M. Mark Vincent Johnson Req. by Grant Wolfgang
TUES., Nov. 13	8:30 A.M. John Grabowski Req. by The Grabowski Family
WED., Nov. 14	8:30 A.M. Harry Gear Req. by Kathleen Gear
THURS., Nov 15	8:30 A.M. Eileen Schultz Req. by Elaine (her daughter)
FRI., Nov. 16	8:30 A.M. Robert J. Morasco Req. by Gia Mascola
SAT., Nov. 17	8:30 A.M. Maryanne McLaughlin Req. by Her Loving Family 5:00 P.M. Angeline Hosteley Req. by Jim & Pat Petro
SUN., Nov. 18	7:30 A.M. Joseph & Margaret Braunstein Req. by The Braunstein Family 9:30 A.M. Karen Hutcheon-Leflar Req. by Denise & Cliff Taylor 11:30 A.M. Michael Andrejczak Req. by Bertha Matzo

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in memory of **Arthur Bimson (25th Anniversary)** requested by Claire Bimson.



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 7pm.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this weekend are donated in loving memory of **Kathryn Lockard** requested by The Family.

Anyone interested in donating flowers on the Altar in memory of a loved one, celebration of a special anniversary or birthday, please call the parish office to reserve your special date.



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,

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, Ceferina Eusubio, Sally Esbensen, Peter Fallon, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Sebastian Fillion, Patrick Gardenier, Lianessa Gonzalez, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Michelle Heacock, Ron Hoffman, Kevin Iavecchia, Lindsay Jaso, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempl, James LaGreca, Trish Lavelle, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Mary Magnarella, Patti Maguire, Barbara Masser, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, Helen Millar, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Mele Lee-Nippins, Ernie Nippins, Zachery Olberholzer, Bill O'Brien, Catherine Pagano, Robert Pauloski, Flocefida & Savador Penganon, Michael Praher, Marian Quinn, Pat Raber, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Barbara Scally, Susan Schmidt, Helen Shekalis, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, Paula Jayne White, John Willstaudt, Arlene Wyatt, Salem Yabut, Joe Zdun & Jack Zampirri.

SAINT VINCENT dePAUL MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE



Listed below are the organizations that will benefit from the SMG - St. Vincent dePaul Society's **November Food/Pantry Drive (Saturday, November 17 and Sunday, November 18)**. They are shown below along with their wish lists.

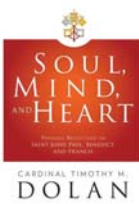
Catholic Social Services: General groceries plus granola bars and quinoa, personal care items, household cleaners, laundry detergent, paper products.

Diaper Bank at Mitzvah Circle Foundation: Diapers (all sizes, especially newborn and size 1), baby wipes, baby wash, new towels, washcloths, baby bottles, new or gently used baby clothing and blankets.

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

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 Encuentro Personal con Jesús



GOOD READING!

Copies of Cardinal Dolan's eBook entitled Soul, Mind, and Heart are available for **FREE** on the Adult Faith Formation table in the narthex. Please help yourself!

ADVENT CALENDAR FUNDRAISER
Benefits Adult Faith Formation



Saturday, November 17th
Sunday, November 18th

Following All Masses
\$3.00 Each
Cash or Checks Accepted
Exact Change Appreciated

ELDERCARE CORNER

Seniors, it is currently **Open Enrollment for Medicare** and there is still plenty of time to compare plans. If you or a family member are computer savvy, go to www.medicare.gov, choose the green button that says, "Find Health & Drug Plans," and follow the instructions. You will need your Medicare card and list of medications. If you need help with this, please call Amy Juarez with the Eldercare Assistance Program to schedule an appointment. Amy can be reached at 215-721-0199 x225 or ajuarez@chs-adphila.org. As always, the Eldercare Assistance Program is free of charge and using the Medicare website is free and simply a way to compare plans without any pressure or commitment. Contact Amy with any questions.

Seniors—travel FREE on SEPTA!

With the full transition of the SEPTA KEY fare system, PA issued Senior Citizen Transit ID Cards ARE NO LONGER VALID FOR SEPTA TRAVEL.

Senior Citizens age 65 and older must have a new SEPTA KEY ID to ride FREE at all times on **all Transit Routes**.^{*} Effective September 1, seniors will need a SEPTA Key Senior Photo ID Card or a valid Pennsylvania Driver's Licenses and Non-Driver IDs with a magnetic stripe on the back, which can still be swiped at turnstiles and fare boxes to receive the free Transit and Regional Rail rides. New licenses issued by PennDOT on or after July 2017 do not have magnetic stripes and cannot be used.

^{*}On September 1, 2018, SEPTA eliminated the \$1.00 Cash Fare on Regional Rail for travel within PA. Half Fare (50% of the Weekday Fare) for travel to/from New Jersey and the State of Delaware will remain in effect. You can apply for a free SEPTA KEY card at the following local locations (Bring your valid driver's license or state ID) :

The office of Legislator Robert Godshall
1702 Cowpath Road, Hatfield
215-368-3500
Monday thru Friday from 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

The office of Legislator Kate Harper
1098 Skippack Pike, Blue Bell
610-277-3230
Monday thru Friday from 8:30 AM-4:00 PM

Call Amy Juarez with the Elder Assistance Program at 215-721-0199 x225 or email at ajuarez@chs-adphila.org with any questions.



CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES SPOTLIGHT

"A single individual is enough for hope to exist, and that individual can be you."

~ Pope Francis

Are you looking to join a community of Catholic advocates confronting global poverty? Join Catholic Relief Services's mobile action network and receive text message alerts right to your phone when urgent action is needed. All you have to do is text the phrase "CONFRONT POVERTY" to the phone number 306-44 right now to sign up! It's that easy to make a difference. Thanks for your support!

EXPERIENCE HEALING

A Kathleen McCarthy Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat
Malvern Retreat House: Nov 12-16, 2018

An extraordinary mid-week retreat offering preaching, teaching, and healing prayer. World-renown preacher, author, and minister of healing, Kathleen McCarthy will direct this retreat. Special guest on this retreat will be Fr. Dermot A. Roache, SMA, internationally known for preaching and healing. Cost: \$280, single occupancy in Our Lady's Hall, Main (includes accommodations, meals, and amenities) Register Early: Visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400

"DARE TO PREPARE"

Advent Retreat for Teen Girls

St. Agnes Church in Sellersville is hosting a "Dare to Prepare" Advent Retreat for Teen Girls ages 12+ on Saturday, December 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Church hall. Sponsored by Young Women of Grace, this day-long event features Mass, social time, games, and a very special Christmas craft. Author Susan Brinkmann, OCDS will give two presentations on the critical role women play in the world today through the gift of their feminine genius, as well as on how to welcome Emmanuel by learning how to practice the presence of God. A local youth minister will also address the girls on the importance of respecting themselves in their dress and in how they relate to themselves and others. This day includes a light breakfast, pizza for lunch, and lots of homemade Christmas cookies & treats! Cost is just \$30 per girl. Visit the "Events" page at www.womenograce.com for more information.

COAT DRIVE ~ 2018 ~ THANK YOU

I recently read, "Warmth shouldn't be a luxury". This year we exceeded all expectations for our Coat Drive. There were 31 wonderful volunteers from six local churches, 185 children from 50 families, 250 coats donated this year and \$500.00 donated for purchasing additional coats. We had many challenges this year because of the sizes of the coats needed by the families. In fact, since we were not the only group collecting coats, it became a real challenge to find the specific coat sizes we needed. We heard from a local clothing store that they had another group purchase 900 coats right before we were buying our coats. In spite of the hardships we encountered, we were able to take care of 185 children who, because of all of your efforts, won't be cold this winter. Thank you for all of your donations and upon finding we were in need of specific sizes or genders, many of you went out shopping again for these children. Thank you all for your sharing of your time, talents and treasures, without all of you this community project wouldn't exist. Times are tough for many and through your generosity, we helped ease some of the load in many families.

God Bless You All, The Hatfield Coalition of Churches

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: \$311.27

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 **November** and **December** 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!*

DO YOU WANT TO HELP MORE YOUNGSTERS OF OUR PARISH ATTEND CATHOLIC SCHOOL AT VERY LITTLE COST TO YOU?

Did you know that if you own a business that pays taxes to Pennsylvania or you personally meet certain financial criteria, you can direct up to 90% of those tax dollars to Mater Dei Grade School for tuition assistance of MDS students. The Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program provides businesses that pay PA taxes with a credit for certain donations for tuition scholarships to qualifying students of MDS. This program also provides for individuals to divert certain PA taxes with (specific conditions) to this same program. Contact Mater Dei Regional School-Grace Samanns-Development office at 215-368-9787 for details and particulars.

PLAY & PRAY MOM AND TOTS GROUP!

Moms/Grandmoms and their little ones infant through age 5 are most welcome to join our weekly playgroup! We gather for simple crafts/coloring, Bible stories and songs, as well as a chance for free play and socialization. What a great way to get to know other moms as well! We hope you will join us on Thursdays from 9:30am-11am in the Parish Library for fellowship and fun. There is no need to register, but for more info please contact Kendra at itpmentor209@yahoo.com



RECEPTIONIST POSITION AT THE BIRCHES IN HARLEYSVILLE

The Birches is hiring a full time and part time receptionist with flex hours and benefits. Pay is comparable to experience. For more information, please call Nick DelPopolo @ 215-541-3700, The Birches 691 Main Street, Harleysville.

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm – Sacristan, D. Blanche, S. Lynam, B. Santulli
 7:30am – Sacristan, K. Hay, R. Pacheco, K. Staudt
 9:30am – Sacristan, D. Grant, A. Russo, M.J. Vondercrone
 11:30am – Sacristan, L. Arkens, T. & E. McBride

E.M. Home Visits

A1–M. Collis, A2–P. O’Hara, A3–C. Friel, A4–T. McGann,
 A5–C. LeBrocq, B1–M. D’Elia, B2–D. Trotter, B3–S. Sabia,
 B4–J. Burke, B5–C. Opdyke

Lectors

5:00pm – M. O’Pella, E. Murphy
 7:30am – C. Heim, C. McNally
 9:30am – N. & R. Boak
 11:30am – K. Luther, T. Prykowski

Cantors

5:00pm – Kathy
 7:30am – Michele
 9:30am – Katie
 11:30am – Teresa

Altar Servers

5:00pm – E. Walsh, N. & T. Burr
 7:30am – G., C. & S. Heim
 9:30am – K. Grant, J. & J. Hier
 11:30am – A. Antenuci, I. Sirianni, A. Craig

Children’s Liturgy

9:30am – S. Brodsky

MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, November 13th

Children’s Chime Choir—5:50 to 6:30pm
 Bell Choir—6:30 to 7:30pm
 Adult Choir—7:30 to 8:45pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, November 18th
 9:30am – Youth Bell Choir

CHILDREN’S CHOIR

The parish children’s choir will begin Saturday rehearsals on December 8th from 4:00-4:30. The children’s first Mass will be Christmas Eve at the 4:00 Mass. Please see Mrs. Ericsson for a schedule or email ileen.ericsson@stmariagoretti.net! Singing in choir is a great way for our parish children to learn about our Catholic faith and gain a sense of stewardship!

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



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

	Nov. 5, 2017	Nov. 4, 2018
Sunday Offering	\$20,479.00	\$18,464.36
Online Parish Giving	\$ 3,192.00	\$ 3,954.00
Total # of contributors		
Misc. Offerings November 4, 2018		
All Saint's Day Offering:	\$4,586.71	
Poor Box Offering:	\$311.27	
Heat, Energy & Maintenance collection:	\$213.00	



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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



Presented by Knights of Columbus
Sunday December 2, 2018
Drexel Hall – St. Maria Goretti Church
2 Seatings: 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Send in your reservations Today!

It is All You Can Eat buffet and includes a Picture with Santa. Tickets are \$9 each, and reservations are required by November 26th. It will be held at Drexel Hall. Reservation form available under the Events section of www.koc4396.org. Call Linda at 215-361-7650 or LansdaleBWS@gmail.com with questions. All Proceeds are used to provide winter coats for children and food baskets for families in the North Penn & Souderton area.



Celebration of Thanksgiving

Mater Dei, our parish's regional school, has been named a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School. The Blue Ribbon award is the most prestigious national honor available to public and private K-12 schools across the country for their commitment to excellence in education. Mater Dei invites you to celebrate this accomplishment with all of their school families at a:

Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday, November 17th at the 5:15 PM Mass at St. Stanislaus Church. All are welcome!

Schedule a Tour at Mater Dei Catholic School

All families with preschool to Grade 8 children are welcome to visit Mater Dei. Tours are available and the Advancement Office can accommodate your schedule. **Learn more about giving your child the gift of an exceptional Catholic education from a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School.** For more information, please contact the Advancement Office at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com.

Alumni of St. Maria Goretti, St. Rose, and St. Stan's...

Thank you to all who attended our Alumni Breakfast on Saturday, November 10th. It was great to see all of you at Mater Dei!



Still a few spots available! Immediate acceptance of infants to 36 month old children... If you

would like information or would like to schedule a visit, please contact Katherine Stansbury, Center Director, at childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211. Space is limited for Fall!



VIETNAMESE EGG ROLL SALE ~ NOVEMBER 24/25

Get Your Eggrolls for the Holiday Season



The Vietnamese Community will be holding an Egg Roll Sale on Saturday and Sunday, **November 24/25** Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase these delicious homemade egg rolls. They freeze well and make a great appetizer for the Holiday Season. 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 **Monday, November 19th. 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 November 24 & 25 after all Masses.

Please circle the Mass you will be picking up your order: 5pm 7:30am 9:30am 11:30am