

*Give Thanks to the
Lord, for He is Good.*

*Happy
Thanksgiving*

*Saint Maria Goretti Parish
Hatfield, PA
www.stmariagoretti.net*

Thanksgiving Blessings



Dear SMG Family and Friends,

During this month of Thanksgiving, I want to express my extreme gratitude to my SMG parish family for their goodness and generosity to our parish. Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy this day with your family and friends!

*Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Father Chung*

Thanksgiving Prayer

*Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love,
please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.
Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual; our faith and religious heritage.
Our food and shelter, our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends.*

*Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessings
throughout the coming year.*

In the name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

"AND LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST CONTROL YOUR
HEARTS, THE PEACE INTO WHICH YOU WERE ALSO
CALLED IN ONE BODY. AND BE THANKFUL."

- COL 3:15

HELP SMG MEET OUR GOAL AT #iGiveCatholic CAMPAIGN

We're excited to announce that we are participating for the second year in #iGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday, our nation's only Catholic day of giving! This year it will be **Nov. 29th from 12:00 AM to 11:59 PM**. If that date doesn't work, there is an **Advanced Giving Day** phase for donations beginning **November 14th at 12:00 AM and running through November 29 at 11:59 PM**.

Watch your e-mail for a link to our site or use this link for easy access to our giving page at <https://www.givegab.com/nonprofits/saint-maria-goretti-parish> and make your donation.

Your generous donations will be used for SMG Assistance Fund, Parish Life to provide ministries to strengthen your faith, and to help care for those in our community that are less fortunate. Thank you, for your continued support of Saint Maria Goretti Parish on the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day!

#iGIVECATHOLIC

iGiveCatholic.org



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., Nov. 20** 7:30 A.M. Angeline Hostelly
Req. by Pat & Jim Petro
9:30 A.M. John Conroy
Req. by Pat Conroy
11:30 A.M. The Golazeski Family
Req. by Theresa Golazeski
- MON., Nov. 21** 8:30 A.M. Frances A. Norrett, III
Req. by The Family
- TUES., Nov. 22** 8:30 A.M. Ed & Mary McBride
Req. by Terry McBride
- WED., Nov. 23** 8:30 A.M. Karen Nebrotski
Req. by The Family
- THURS., Nov. 24** 8:30 A.M. Cecelia Gressang
Req. by Joanne Gressang
- FRI., Nov. 25** 8:30 A.M. Helen Curran
Req. by Denise & Ted DeMarino
- SAT., Nov. 26** 8:30 A.M. The Gallagher Family
Req. by Edd & Sally Murphy
4:30 P.M. Laura & John Benischeck
Req. by Linda & Joseph Benischeck
- SUN., Nov. 27** 7:30 A.M. Bernie Phillipeck
Req. by Pat Patterson
9:30 AM Christine & Anthony Dieckhaus
Req. by Betty & Jerry Dieckhaus
11:30 A.M. The McCrane Family
Req. by The Family

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **Matthew Melendez** requested by The Bimson Family.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for the **60th Anniversary of the Tachovsky's** requested by The Grant Family.

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, Bob, Rob Daum, Ted DeMarino, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, Ilianessa Gonzalez, Tanner Gower, Pamela Guld, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Ladley, Troy Landis, Mary Jane McCann, John McLaughlin, Ted Malinchak, Ed Malley, Greg & Kathy McCloskey, Madeline McGinley, Tom Miller, Mary Moses, Tom Murphy III, Bill O'Brien, Patricia Naab, Marianne Peters, Bridget and Colleen, Michael Rafter, Alice Rau, Joanne Reube, Antonio & Veanessa Rivera, Linda Santana, Rose Santulli, Mike Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Gary Stark, Lawrence Stempel, John Tulley, Frank Vallone, Paul Wheeler, Carmella 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.

OUTREACH GIVING TREE



The Outreach Giving Tree will continue to provide for the needy of our community as we have the past two years with gift cards. **We still desperately need your generosity for families who need our help.** We are accepting monetary donations, grocery or Walmart gift certificates only.

- Sadly, since the Pandemic, we have not be able to do things as we did in the past. We agreed food certificates and Walmart gift cards would be best. Please consider using our Scrip program to purchase these. Scrip can be purchased by calling the Parish Center and your order can be filled and ready for pick-up. The Parish Center is open Monday through Friday from 9am to 4pm.
- We are also accepting cash donations and checks made out to "Outreach SMG", which can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish Center.
- Parishioners who have Parish Giving accounts may donate to Outreach-Giving Tree that way. Parishioners who would like to open an account to donate electronically can go to the parish website at stmariagoretti.net & click Parish Giving.
- Thank you for your generosity! Any questions, please call Maripat Shelly at 215-256-0273

CAN IT BE CHRISTMAS DECORATING TIME AGAIN???

Yes, and if you have the time, your help is needed on **Tuesday, November 29 at 9 am** to put up the indoor and outdoor crèche. Then on Sunday, **December 18 at 6:30 pm**, we will be putting up the trees with lights and other decorations for Christmas week. On **Thursday, the 22nd**, we will be putting on the finishing touches with the poinsettias at 9 am. Your help makes the season bright and parish family togetherness. Thank you!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL

Weekly Adult Faith Formation

Please Join us Any Thursday

7:00 – 8:30 PM SMG IHM Room
(Parish Center Basement)

Contact the Big People Church Team @
bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com

Sign up for our Weekly Newsletter
<https://bigpeoplechurchschool.substack.com/>

[See Newsletter on SMG Facebook page](#)



CLUB 50+ LUNCHEON

The luncheon is held in the IHM Room at 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 activities! Cost: \$ 9.00 Per Person for lunch. Please sign up one week in advance.

November 30

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Mass, short teaching on
Mass Confusion!

November, 2022 through March, 2023
After 8:30 AM Mass in the IHM Room

Save these dates: **December 2nd, January 6th, February 3rd & March 3rd**

Gertrude the Great – “For each Mass we hear with devotion, Our Lord sends a saint to comfort us at death.” “Each time we look at The Most Blessed Sacrament our place in heaven is raised forever”

Padre Pio – “Every holy Mass, heard with devotion, produces in our souls marvelous effects, abundant spiritual and material graces which we, ourselves, do not know.”

John Vianney – “If we knew the value of the Mass, we would die for joy.

No registration is necessary ~ Free Will Donations are Appreciated!

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



ADULT FAITH FORMATION



THE CHOSEN SEASON 2

Come one and all!
Come and see what they saw!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION WINE & CHEESE DISCUSSION GROUP

Watch episodes prior to attending:

December 7, 2022 - Season 2 (3&4)

January 4, 2023 - Season 2 (5&6)

February 1, 2023 - Season 2 (7&8)

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM – IHM Room

Watch at home 2 shows per month and come discuss what YOU saw! Watch in mobile app: www.thechosen.tv/app, you can stream to your TV using another device, such as Roku, Apple TV, Fire TV, Android TV, Chromecast, etc. Free on YouTube and AMAZON Prime TV.

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

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

SMG VIRTUAL CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP



EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT ON
ZOOM

7:30 pm—Register one time only at

<https://stmariagoretti.net/virtual-charismatic-prayer-meeting/>

Contact Maria Richardson,
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

YOUTH MINISTRY

Luminary Fundraiser after all Masses

December 10th & 11th
Sign up to help!

Luminary Placement and Cleanup
December 24th & 26th



TEEN SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

St. Vincent dePaul Truck Day
November 19, 2022
Contact Edie at 215-855-4919



GINGERBREAD HOUSE FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT

December 13, 2022—SAVE THE DATE!

Contact Maria Richardson or Tyler Grant @
Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net
tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net—215-721-6559

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27th

E.M. of Holy Communion

- 4:30pm – Sacristan, S. & K. Clapper
- 7:30am – Sacristan, B. McCormick, J. O'Brien
- 9:30am – Sacristan, D. & K. Ericsson
- 11:30am – Sacristan, T. McGann, C. Zuluaga

E.M. Home Visits

- B1-S. Steklenski, B2-D. Fuse, B3-S. Nagele,
- B4-P. O'Hara, B5-Volunteer Needed

Lectors

- 4:30pm – R. Thawley, J. Gressang
- 7:30am – A. & R. Whitley
- 9:30am – B. Smith, M. D'Elia
- 11:30am – C. Friel, T. Mazzeo

Altar Servers

- 4:30pm – I. & F. Sirianni, E. Sharp
- 7:30am – T. & A. Baran, N. Barrales
- 9:30am – N. & J. Boell, A. Kunjachen
- 11:30am – T. McGann, O. Watters, C. Murphy

Cantors

- 4:30pm – Joe B. 7:30am – Bruce
- 9:30am – Andrew 11:30am – Connor

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: **\$257.31**

BENEFITS ST. VINCENT dePAUL 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 through December 2022**, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **St. Vincent dePaul 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!**

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.

MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, November 22nd

- Children's Chime Choir—6 to 6:45pm
- Youth Bell Choir—6:45 to 7:30pm
- Adult Choir —7:30pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, November 27th
9:30am – Youth Bell Choir

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



On **Sunday December 4th**, the Knights of Columbus, Pius IX Council will be holding **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA** – with seating's at 8:30am, 10:00am, and noon. It is All You Can Eat buffet and includes a Picture with Santa. Tickets are \$10 each, and reservations are required by November 23rd. It will be held at Drexel Hall at St.

Maria Goretti Church. Reservation form is available under the Events section of www.kofc4396.org. Call Linda at 215-808-8471 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.

SISTERS IN SPIRIT ~ CLOTHING DRIVE

Sisters in Spirit are collecting new socks and new underwear for infants and children up to 12 years old, with a greater need for sizes adult small and medium. We will delivering these items to Cradles To Crayons. A nonprofit organization that provides resources to homeless and low income families and their children.

The collection will run until November 27th. Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Collection boxes can be found in the narthex.

PRO-LIFE MARCH WASHINGTON, D.C. Friday, January 20, 2023



Join Pro-life members from all over the country in the fight to end abortion. We will leave St. Maria Goretti parking lot 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 we will take the Metro to the rally sight.

A rally will begin at noon. The March will begin at 1pm The destination is The Capitol, where more speakers will speak out in support of life.

The bus will leave the Shrine parking lot at 4pm There will not be a dinner stop. There will be a stop for a quick meal on the way home.

We suggest you pack any food and drinks you might need for the day. The cost is \$25.00. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please mail the registration form to Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Pro-Life March, 1601 Derstine Rd., Hatfield, PA 19440. Any questions contact Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@gmail.com.

Name(s): _____

of tickets: _____ Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Parish: _____

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship.

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Thank you to the parishioners of SMG that are able to continue to support the parish. Your generosity makes it possible to continue the wonderful ministries and programs within our parish. We are also able to continue to help those in need through our very generous Saint Vincent DePaul ministry. May God continue to bless all of you for your continued support!

	<u>Sunday, November 13th</u>	
2021	2022	Difference
\$27,942.57	\$20,208.97	(\$ 7,733.60)

~ SAVE THE DATE ~
Wreaths Across America Ceremony
 December 17, 2020 at 12 noon— St. John Neumann Cemetery, County Line Rd. Chalfont, Pa. Remembrance Prayer Service by Father Chung and VFW post 3258

GIVE A GIFT OF HOPE

Hand Carved Items on Display this Weekend

Shepherds of Bethlehem imports all of their works of reverent art from the finest Christian craftsmen in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Each piece is lovingly hand carved by our talented and dedicated artisans, and every item, including our olive wood nativity sets, stables, statues, crosses, rosaries, and Bibles, is carefully designed to capture the spirit of the Holy Land.

The most meaningful component of our art is not only that it directly supports the Christian community of the Holy Land, but that it comes straight from the land of the Bible; the birthplace of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, where He lived, where He ministered, where He paid for our sins, and where He rose from the dead. We trust that you will find our products to be of the highest quality and we pray that each item will be a blessing to all who buy, give, and receive.

Let us be your connection to the Holy Land. We are honored to bless your home and the homes of your loved ones with unique, handmade gifts lovingly carved by our talented craftsmen. Each one-of-a-kind piece will serve as a devout and stunning visual reminder of the presence of God, your relationship to the Lord, and your connection to the Holy Land.

Bring Your Christmas Gift List—We will display the carvings after the scheduled Masses on November 19th & 20th. Please visit www.shepherds-bethlehem.com.



Mater Dei Wishes All of Our Parishioners a Blessed Thanksgiving... We Are Very Grateful for Each One of YOU!

Registration for 2023-24 at Mater Dei Catholic School
 Believe it or not, Registration for the 2023-24 school year at Mater Dei Catholic will begin on November 17, 2022. For a tour or more information, please contact the Advancement Office at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com. When you are ready to register your child, please visit the Admissions page of our website materdeicatholic.com to access the link for a New Registration Packet.

Mater Dei Catholic School Gymnasium
 Mater Dei Catholic School has raised \$114,000 thus far for their newly renovated gymnasium. It is absolutely beautiful and will be able to be used very soon by our school children and the parish community. Many of the improvements accomplished are a new gym floor, new retractable basketball nets, renovated ceiling, new sound and lighting equipment, new storage space, and much more! Help us continue to fund these improvements by donating at materdeicatholic.com. We have thousands more to go, but we are counting on alumni of our legacy schools, parishioners, and friends of Mater Dei to help. Please contribute today! Tours of the gym are available upon request by calling Mater Dei's school office at 215-368-0995. Thanks for your support of our school children!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES
 The United Nations Climate Change Convention COP27 has begun, and Catholic Relief Services is advocating for: 1) Robust funding for adaptation to help low-income communities cope with climate change; 2) Transitioning to a climate-resilient food system to support small-scale producers; 3) Lower carbon emissions to stay below the 1.5°C target. Be sure to visit www.crs.org for more information and to find out how you can help!
 "Preservation of the environment, promotion of sustainable development and particular attention to climate change are matters of grave concern for the entire human family. No nation or business sector can ignore the ethical implications present in all economic and social development. With increasing clarity scientific research demonstrates that the impact of human actions in any one place or region can have worldwide effects." ~ Pope Benedict XVI