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



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**We shopped on Black Friday & Cyber Monday,
let's Give Catholic on Giving Tuesday!**



Support Our Ministry!

Participate in #iGiveCatholic by donating on #GivingTuesday, November 29.

It's as easy as...



VISIT

iGiveCatholic.org



SEARCH

for our Ministry



DONATE

\$20 or more



Give early! Advanced giving runs November 14-28.

**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!

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

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.

RCIA SPONSORSHIP

St. Maria Goretti is pleased to have a terrific group currently participating in our RCIA program. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) provides teaching and small group discussion for those who want to grow in their relationship with Jesus as they consider coming into full communion with the Catholic Church.

These good people need your sponsorship! Your faith will be strengthened as you share your experience and encourage them on their journey. Your joy will increase as you celebrate sacraments and rites with them. You will be a witness to the Holy Spirit's work! Sponsors must be at least 16 years old and meet the requirements for Catechists regarding marriage, sacraments received, attendance at Mass, and commitment to pay special attention to the catechumen or candidate assigned to them.

Those interested should contact Father Chung or Deacon Steve to discuss the expectations for this important role. Please prayerfully consider this invitation. We are blessed in our own walk with God as we bless someone else in theirs!

**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!



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- 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
- MON., Nov. 28** 8:30 A.M. Vincent DeVito
Req. by Rosemary & Roger Downey & Family
- TUES., Nov. 29** 8:30 A.M. Bernard Campbell
Req. by Carollyn & John Heary
- WED., Nov. 30** 8:30 A.M. Simon & Diane Mazur
Req. by Helen Czepulkowski
- THURS., Dec. 1** 8:30 A.M. Robert K. Yoder, Jr.
Req. by Pat & Tom Gallo
- FRI., Dec. 2** 8:30 A.M. Special Intention
Req. by Pat Conroy
- SAT., Dec. 3** 8:30 A.M. Hank Migliaccio
Req. by Carollyn & John Heary
4:30 P.M. Andrea Leberknight, Nancy Trout and Marian Bauman
Req. by The Seifert Family
- SUN., Dec. 4** 7:30 A.M. Patricia Burkett
Req. by The McKelvey Family
9:30 A.M. Helen & Peter DeMarino
Req. by Ted & Denise DeMarino
11:30 A.M. John Casinelli
Req. by Maria Richardson

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **SMG Parishioners** requested by Father Chung.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

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

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 4pm. **The next Holy Hour will be held on Thursday, December 1st 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, 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.

WINE & CHEESE PARISH TRIP INFORMATION NIGHT



Mark your calendar to join Father Chung and your fellow parishioners for **Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 6pm** to learn more about the exciting trip planned to Greece: In the Footsteps of Saint Paul the Apostle.

It's time to put the past couple years behind us and make our travel plans! The dates for the trip are October 17 to 27, 2023 with an optional 3-Night Journey to Rome Post Tour Extension. The tour includes 11 days and 19 meals.



Some of the highlights of the trip are: Athens, Taverna Dinner Show, Corinth, The Acropolis, Mars Hill, 3-Night Cruise, Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Santorini, Thessaloniki, Kavala, Philippi, Meteora and more!

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.

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, DECEMBER 4th

E.M. of Holy Communion

4:30pm – Sacristan, S. & K. Clapper
 7:30am – Sacristan, P. Walsh, D. Fuse
 9:30am – Sacristan, M. Rosenberger, C. Opdyke
 11:30am – Sacristan, S. Sabia, C. Zuluaga

E.M. Home Visits

A1–C. Kirkwood, A2–M. D’Elia, A3–J. Naab, A4–M. D’Elia,
 A5–D. Johnson

Lectors

4:30pm – ***Volunteer Needed***, F. Filler
 7:30am – M. Hilsey, D. Grant
 9:30am – M. McCormick, R. Thawley
 11:30am – S. Nagele, B. Hudak

Altar Servers

4:30pm – D. Engle, S. Filler, B. Mazerowski
 7:30am – L. & A. Wertz, C. Breen
 9:30am – M. & J. Berical, B. Brennan
 11:30am – G. Sabia, T. McGann, O. Watters

Cantors

4:30pm – Donna
 7:30am – Joe V.
 9:30am – Janna
 11:30am – Ugochi

MUSIC NOTES



No Rehearsals for Tuesday, November 29th

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, December 4th
 9:30am – Children’s Chime 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.

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
 2nd Collection—Next Weekend**

Lighten the load. An abbot writes, “Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living out our mission of seeking God and serving the Church.” Donations to next week’s Retirement Fund for Religious collection help hundreds of US religious communities to provide for their aging members. Please give generously.

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was not available in time for publication.

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!***

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

Stop in the Servers room and sign-up for the Christmas Mass you will be attending. 4 servers are needed for each Mass. The Mass schedule is Christmas Eve at 4pm, 7pm & 9pm; Christmas morning 7:30am, 9:30am & 11:30am. Thank you!

**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 bohmcc52@gmail.com.

Name(s): _____

of tickets: _____ Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Parish: _____



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. 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!

**Sunday, November 20th—
Not available in time for publication**

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

~ SAVE THE DATE ~

Wreaths Across America Ceremony



Please come and join us during this very special time of year to embrace the precious memories of our loved ones and to honor our veterans. Please come and join us for our all-inclusive, remembrance community event on 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

Thank You

ST. CHARLES SEMINARY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone that has participated in this year's Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary Appeal. Your gift supports a shared spiritual mission that impacts each of us. If you have not yet donated, please consider making your gift today using an envelope found in the narthex.



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<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-1433916>.



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!

METANOIA CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS



METANOIA

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. Our upcoming events are listed below and begin at 7:30pm on most Tuesdays

unless otherwise noted.

As gathering circumstances are always changing, please be sure you are subscribed to our newsletter to receive access to our latest information by heading to <http://www.metanoiayoungadults.org>.

Questions? Contact metanoiayoungadults@gmail.com for more information, or visit our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/users/metanoiayoungadults).

December 2022

Tuesday, December 6: Christmas Karaoke Social @ Local Tap, Lansdale—Free food and an Ugly Sweater Contest!

Tuesday, December 13: Bible Study @ St David Parish, Willow Grove

Please join us when you can. No Events December 20 or 27