

Saínt María Gorettí Parísh

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am Vietnamese Mass: 2:30 pm Weekdays & Saturday Mass: 8:30 am Holy Days: Vigil 7:00pm, 7:00am, 8:30am & noon, Vietnamese Mass at 7pm *Mass Live Streamed on SMG Facebook page or a link on the parish website Sundays at 9:30am and daily at 8:30am.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday: 9am to 4:00pm Saturday & Sunday by appointment only during the pandemic.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. John C. Nguyen Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Leonard N. Peterson Vietnamese Apostolate: Rev. John C. Nguyen Permanent Deacons: Deacon Phuong Nguyen Deacon Stephen Vondercrone Mater Dei Regional Catholic School President: Ms. Diane McCaughan Mater Dei Principal: Ms. Beth Waltrich Director of Family Faith Formation, Religious Education & Parish Services: Maria Richardson Sacristan & Assist. to Director of Family Faith Formation: Tyler Grant Admin. Assist. of Religious Education: JoAnn Prahler Director of Music: Eileen Ericsson Pastoral Assistant: Patricia Conroy Office Manager: Cheryl Ryan Parish Secretary: Mary Faymore R.C.I.A. Coordinator: Al Pandolfo Elder Care Assistance Program: Amy Juarez Business Manager: Douglas Smith

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration:

Marian: Saint Maria Goretti: Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass -Concludes at 5pm with Benediction Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass. Monday during the 8:30 am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM

BAPTISM Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday at 12:45 pm (except the first Sunday of each month). Please call the Parish Office to register for Baptism. Pre-Jordan classes required for parents and optional for godparents, are offered the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted in the bulletin. Baptisms are limited to four children per Sunday. Letters of eligibility are due at the Parish Center before a date can be given for Baptism.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with a priest at least six months in advance. You must speak to a priest before making arrangements for a reception hall. Scheduling, rescheduling or cancellation MUST be done by a priest. Pre -Cana classes are required for all couples. Please visit the archdiocesan website at http://phillycatholiclife.org/ marriage-and-family/preparing-for-marriage/

ANNULMENTS

Following the directive of Pope Francis, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is offering annulments without cost to the petitioners. There are additional changes which would make annulments easier to obtain. Contact the Parish Center to speak with Fr. Chung for more information on the annulment process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3pm - 4pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FALL EVENING OUTDOOR MOVIE

You're invited to an outdoor movie night! The movie "Bella" will be shown.

When: Friday, October 14th, 2022 at 7 PM Where: SMG Parking Lot

Bring your own lawn chairs, blankets and snacks! If weather is bad, it will be moved inside to Drexel Hall.

All ages welcome, but anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian



A beautiful waitress, struggling to make it in New York City, discovers something about herself that she's unprepared for. In one irreversible moment, their lives are turned upside down... until a simple gesture of kindness brings them both together, turning an ordinary day into an unforgettable experience.

For more information, please contact Jessica at: autumnvalley@juno.com

RESPECT LIFE WORKSHOP



St. Maria Goretti Respect Life Ministry would like to thank all for making this such a wonderful, blessed and successful event.

We especially want to thank all those that came from area churches and organizations to share their stories and leadership: Mary, the presenter from The Helpers of God's Precious Infants, Bob McCormick our coordinator, Tom in maintenance, and our Respect Life Ministry for the donation of their time and assistance of financial donations, for providing food and helping with the set up and break down of this event. God Bless!



PRAYER REQUESTS ON THE PILGRIMAGE OF CAMINO DE SANTIAGO



Cindy Shepardson, mother of Zachary Shepardson, seminarian (both are parishioners) will be walking and praying on her journey and would very much like to carry people's prayer requests on the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage. There are multiple routes, but the Camino de Santiago route Cindy feels called to walk is the Vía de la Plata, hiking from Seville in the south of Spain to

the city of Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain, where it is believed that the remains of St. James are! This entire pilgrimage is approx. 1000 km (about 600 miles). God willing, she will leave on Oct 5th or 6th so if you would like to submit prayer requests for Cindy to take and pray on her journey, please fill out a petition slip and drop it in the prayer intention box on the table in the narthex. We would need to have requests by the morning of Oct 5th. Cindy plans to be back just before Thanksgiving. Please keep Cindy in your prayers on her spiritual journey as she is praying for our intentions also. *May God bless her and keep her safe.*



A SPECIAL GORETTIFEST THANK YOU

Thank you to Tom Coughlin and his team on a wonderful job in planning such an awesome evening not only for Saint Maria Goretti Parish but for the entire community! The 4th annual Gorettifest was full of fun from delicious food trucks, beer/wine garden, cornhole tournament, raffle baskets, 50/50 raffle, children's games, build a scarecrow and terrific music by Rollin' and Tumblin. If you couldn't make it this year, mark your calendar for Gorettifest 2023, you won't want to miss it!

Thank you to all of the individuals and ministries that donated a raffle item. What a great variety of prizes! And thank you to all that took a chance at winning some of these great items.

Thank you to the many sponsors for their generous donations!

Thank you to everyone who came out in support of our parish. The weather was great and the event was a tremendous success!

If you are interested on being part of the Gorettifest Committee for next year, please e-mail smggorettifest@gmail.com



To The Big People Church School Ministry for running the Donut Social in September!

This ministry is for adults that would like to grown in their faith. They meet each Thursday from 7 to 8:30pm in the IHM room. More information on page 3 of this bulletin or by contacting Bill Wynne at bigpeoplechurchschool @gmail.com.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., Oct. 2	7:30 A.M. Marta Carrares Req. by Angel Carrares 9:30 A.M. Shirley Finkelston Req. by The Finkelston Family 11:30 A.M. Helen A. Schneider Req. by Marianne & Al Peters	
MON., Oct. 3	8:30 A.M. William Randall Req. by Pat Thompson	
TUES., Oct. 4	3:30 A.M. Manuel Malgapo, Jr. Req. by Corazo Malgapo	
WED., Oct. 5	8:30 A.M. Agnes McGrann Req. by Monica Myirski	
THURS., Oct. 6	8:30 A.M. Dianne Vetter Req. by Pat Pinkston, Pat & Tom	
FRI., Oct. 7	8:30 A.M. The Souls in Purgatory Req. by Michelle Beck	
SAT., Oct. 8	8:30 A.M. Irene Schoppet Req. by The Children 4:30 P.M. David Dourley Req. by The Littlefield Family	
SUN., Oct. 9	7:30 A.M. Gemma Stumpo Rosmini Req. by The Cavacini Family 9:30 A.M. Frank McCorry Req. by Mary & Kevin McCorry 11:30 A.M. Samuel & Pauline Stumpo	

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for *Martha Lois Jones*



requested by Cedric & Johanna Chin.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

Req. by Frank & Marcia Stumpo

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for *Melissa Miller* requested by Pat Pinkston.



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, October 6th 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, Rob Daum, Ted DeMarino, Frank DeVito, Joseph DeVito, Joe Direnzi, Carol Eells, Joanne Fell, Ted Fernes, Tom Fetter, Kelly Gargan, Rosario Gombola, Ilianessa Gonsalez, Tanner Gower, Pamela Guld, John Gunder, Sr., Ali Herron, Theresa Hoffman, Tim Huelsman, Mary Isban, Luba Jackson, Maria Kardash, Barb Ladley, John McLaughlin, 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, Ron Szewczak, John Tulley, Frank Vallone, 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**, **October 9th.** 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.

Flu

SMG IS OFFERING FLU SHOTS

Shot As a DiLise

As a courtesy, parishioner and pharmacist Nicholas DiLissio will be offering flu shots conveniently located and handicap accessible in Church on *Tuesday,*

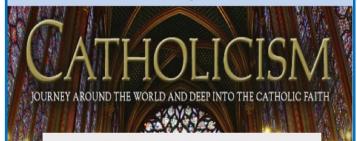
October 11th in the ushers room from 9am to 12noon. Please bring your insurance information along with you. For more info please call Nick DiLissio at 215-527-2802 or the Parish Center at 215-721-0199.

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Adult Faith Formation

BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL For Adults who want to grow in their faith !



Featuring Robert Barron

Starting Sept. 22- Thur. Evenings 7-8:30 Parish Center, IHM Room

Contact Bill Wynne

bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com

Please Come Join The Discussion Come Every Thursday or Come When You Can



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 Chap-

let 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.

October 26. November 30

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

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Catholic Relief Services's Dana Brink recently spoke in front of Congress on the 2023 Faction. Farm Bill: "For nearly 70 years, the "USAID of Food for Peace" program has helped to alleviate hunger and extreme poverty around the

world. For 65 of those years, CRS has been a proud implementer of Food for Peace Title II programming.'

"For us at CRS, decisions that protect the dignity of every person is firmly rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, which implores us to help those who are the most at risk in our world, to uphold human dignity, and to do so holistically, to address the full scope of human needs. These principles are foundational not only to our identity and mission, but also our partnerships." ~ Dana Brink, Catholic Relief Services, speaking in front of Congress on the 2023 Farm Bill. Visit www.crs.org for more information!



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

SMG VIRTUAL CHARTISMATIC 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



Pumpkin Painting Party! For Teens and Parents

Parish Library Tuesday, October 18, 2022 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Free - Please bring your own pumpkin!

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

A NEW MINISTRY AT SMG Marriage & Family Ministry

St. Maria Goretti Parish is pleased to begin our Marriage & Family Ministry, open to all families and couples in the church! Each month will offer opportunities for family building and community as we learn to navigate our domestic churches together as one SMG family, bring support through peer mentoring and fellowship, and bridge the loneliness that permeates modern families through connection and friendship.

Join us for a family rosary on the first Saturday of each month before morning Mass. Weather permitting, we can pray the rosary at our outside rosary garden! Connect with fellow parents through our new Coffee with Christ initiative, which pairs light fare with an early fellowship preceding 8:30am Mass. Each month will offer one morning for dads (10/5/22 @ 7:30am) and one morning for moms (10/12/22 @ 7:30am). Under His Wings, a group for the married under the patronage of St. Raphael, will meet monthly in the parish library for a potluck dinner, fellowship, and small group discussion (10/19/22 @ 7pm: RSVP by 10/17). There will be special monthly activities as well. Please watch the bulletin for dates and information or visit our online calendar at: https:// smgmfm.blogspot.com

For more information or to RSVP, contact: Peter & Michele Haytko, smgmarriageandfamily@gmail.com, call or text: 215-527-2054 (Michele) or 215-527-2840 (Peter)

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

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th

E.M. of Holy Communion

4:30pm - Sacristan, D. Blanche, J. Gressang 7:30am - Sacristan, M. & K. Staudt 9:30am - Sacristan, D. Misczak, P. Walsh 11:30am - Sacristan, S. Nagele, S. Sabia

E.M. Home Visits

A1-M. D'Elia, A2-T. McGann, A3-J. Naab, A4-D. Johnson, A5–J. McNally

Lectors

4:30pm – M. Hilsey, C. Friel 7:30am – D. Smith, M. McCormick 9:30am - B. Smith, Volunteer Needed 11:30am - P. Shelly, J. MacFarland

Altar Servers 4:30pm – E. Sharp, I. & F. Sirianni 7:30am – A. & L. Wertz, A. DeSiro 9:30am - O. Watters, M. & N. Cugini 11:30am – G. Sabia, A. Boyle, J. Kuduk

Cantors

4:30pm - Joe V. 7:30am – Donna 9:30am - Katie 11:30am - Andrew

MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, October 4th Youth Bell Choir—6:45 to 7:30pm Guitar Ensemble-7:30pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, October 9th 9:30am – Young Adult Choir/Guitar Ensemble 11:30am - Guitar Ensemble

CHILDREN & YOUTH NEEDED

Parish kids in grades 2-7, you are needed to play in our Children's Chime Choir! Please see the schedule in toĥ ň Ĵ day's bulletin! Youth in grades 6-12, please consider joining the Youth Bell Choir! Serving the Lord in our church will 7 be an excellent experience for you. Thanks!

ELDERCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

You may qualify for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits with your income. If you have a gross monthly income (some retirement and pension plans are not counted as income!) of \$1396.00 or less in a one-person household, you may qualify. The minimum SNAP benefits are



\$15 per month, but here is what \$15 can buy you! Contact Amy Juarez with the Eldercare Assistance Program to complete an application and find out if you may qualify for SNAP and other Amy can be reached at 215-853-7676 or ajuabenefits. rez@chs-adphila.org. (Aldi's on 8-3-22)

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP The total collected last week was: \$430.35

BENEFITS ST. MARY'S FRANCISCAN SHELTER

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 September and October, 2022, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter. This non-profit organization, located in Phoenixville, PA, is an emergency shelter assisting homeless families to get back on their feet. Since its formation in 1987, they have housed hundreds of families and provided countless nights of shelter and meals. St. Mary's recently opened transitional housing apartments to further support our homeless families. Families who have completed the emergency shelter program at St. Mary's have the opportunity to live in brand new apartments for up to 24 months. Case management and support continue so families can successfully navigate the path to future permanent housing. They also provide additional services to the residents, which consist of helping them develop marketable skills, a presentable resume, facilitate job interviews and help to arrange transportation once a job is found. The organization's ultimate goal is to move a motivated family from crisis to independence, eventually maintaining their own homes outside the residence. Please consider helping those that are less fortunate. If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!

THANK YOU!!! THANK YOU!!!! THANK YOU!!

On behalf of our neighbors-in-need and the members of the Goretti Conference of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul, we want to say THANK YOU! to all those who made the 2022 Friends of the Poor Walk such a success. Donations & Pledges are still coming in (It's never too late to give!) AND we have a bit of paperwork to do to gather the final numbers but after a 2 year break for COVID we are delighted and grateful for all the members of the Hatfield-North Penn-Indian Valley Community who came out to walk, who prayed us great weather and reached deep into their wallets and pockets to support this event.

We especially want to thank:

- Our local business sponsors Vinnie's Pizzarama on Broad St and Forty Foot Road, WAWA, PTW Physical Therapy and Wellness Institute, Harleysville Bank, Lazboy, Ralph's Corner Diner, Bella Fiona, and Giant Foods. Please support our sponsors who are Friends of the Poor!
- The New Dance Workshop in Harleysville who provided us with a display of talent and youthful energy to get us rev-ed up for the Walk
- Hatfield Township for the use of School Road Park
- St. Maria Goretti Parish Community, Fr. Chung, and the multiple ministries who provided the printing, games and treats
- The Crafty Folks, lead by Francesca Filler, who made all the Smiling Sun ۲ souvenirs which are sure to be decorating more than keys!
- AND our wonderful committee, lead by Cecelia Pawling

We know the best way to thank everyone is to continue doing the work we are known for. We will, we promise. In the words over the desk of our Patron, St. Vincent DePaul, and with your continued support, we will strive to "Do More."

IRELAND PILGRIMAGE INFO NIGHT

Come and experience the "Saints and Spirits of Ireland" with Father Zachary Navit from June 25-July 5, 2023. Along the way we'll visit Knock. Dublin. Cork. Belfast. sample Guinness and Jamison, and kiss the blarney stone! Find out more about this fun and faith-filled trip at an Information Night on Tuesday, November 8 at 7 PM in the St. Stanislaus Parish Center (side entrance on parking lot side of church). For more information, including brochure and registration, contact Rebecca at Select International (800-842-4842; rebecca@select-intl.com), or visit www.selectinternationaltours.com.

OCTOBER 2, 2022

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COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS



Thank you to the parishioners of SMG who 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

Helping Our Parish Grow our very generous Saint Vincent DePaul WEEKLY OFFERTORY ministry. May God continue to bless all of you for your continued support!

	Sunday, September 25th	1	
2021	2022	D	ifference
\$23,912.50	\$24,910.45	\$	997.95

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

MATER DEI WINTER SPORTS CYO **REGISTRATION K-12**



Registration for CYO winter sports is now open. See flyer here. Practices are able to start as early as November 2, so register early to get the registration discount and to be included on all team announce-

ments from your coaches. For more information and the registration links: https://www.ststanislaus.com/cyo/. Any parent wishing to help coach will need to sign up on TeamSnap as Questions: please send well email an to materdeicyopa@gmail.com

Mater Dei CYO Dance

Mater Dei CYO is hosting a dance 6th, 7th, and 8th graders on October 29, 2022 from 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm in the St. Rose of Lima Parish Gym.



PLEASE HELP!

We need Volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy of the Word

Once a month at 9:30 AM Mass from October to May Please contact Maria Richardson **Director of Religious Education** 215-721-6553 or Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net

SAVE THE DATE—KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—GOLF OUTING



On Friday, October 7th, the Knights of Columbus, Fr. Joseph C. Tomko Assembly 934 will be holding a Golf Outing scramble at Skippack Golf Club starting at 9 am. Participants can play golf with a cart, get a registration gift, buffet din-

ner, awards and more all for the price of registration. For more information, contact Herb Kaemmer at 267-421-8005 or tomkoassembly934@gmail.com.



Save the Date: Mater Dei's Fall **Open Houses**

Mater Dei's Fall Open Houses for the 2023-24 school year will take place on the following dates:

Mater Dei's Hatfield Campus for children entering Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 Wednesday, November 2 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM

Mater Dei's Lansdale Campus for children entering Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, Kindergarten, and Grades 1 -8 Monday, November 7 from 5:30-7:00 PM

All are welcome! Please RSVP to Grace Samanns at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com



Designate Your PA Taxes

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

Please consider submitting your Mater Dei gift to your company for matching. You can make a "Double Difference" for Mater Dei students! https://www.materdeicatholic.com/giving

Childcare Space is Available... Mater Dei Childcare Center has room for your infant to 36 month old...CALL TODAY! Mater Dei Childcare Center is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM to accommodate the working parent. Please contact Mary Whittam at 215-799-2211.

Employment Opportunities

The Mater Dei Childcare Center 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 Mary Whittam at childcare@materdeicatholic.com or 215-799-2211.

Mater Dei Childcare Center is an equal opportunity employer.