



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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Web Site: www.stmariagoretti.net

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

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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.

ANOIDING 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.



FORTY HOURS AT ST. MARIA GORETTI PARISH

**SEPTEMBER 25, 26 & 27
EACH EVENING AT 7:00PM**

Father Jim DeGrassa will be the guest homilist and will reflect on:

**3 QUESTIONS
THAT ARE GUARANTEED
TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE
FOR THE BETTER**

FORTY HOURS ~ FATHER JIM DEGRASSA

Father Jim DeGrassa has been a Philly priest for over 12 years and is a native of Delaware County. He is currently the pastor of Resurrection of Our Lord Parish in Northeast Philadelphia. He is a family man at heart and loves people, good conversation, traveling and food. He often combines personal life experiences, church teaching and humor to engage and inspire others. He is looking forward to joining us for our annual 40 Hours Devotion - **September 25, 26 & 27th at 7pm**. Each evening Father Jim will explore: "The 3 Questions That Are Guaranteed To Change Your Life For The Better" ~ These 3 Questions Will Bring Direction, Freedom & Fullness.



ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

The Celebration of the annual **Forty Hours Devotion** is scheduled for September 25, 26 & 27 at 7pm. Four Altar Servers are needed on the evenings of the 19th & 20th. **Tuesday Sept. 27th we will close 40 Hours with outdoor Eucharistic Procession and Benediction, all servers are strongly encouraged to attend.** Please sign-up in the Altar Servers room. Thank you!!



GORETTIFEST

**Food Trucks & Beer Garden Friday,
September 30th—5pm to 9pm**

Children's games • Live music • Cornhole tournament

LIVE MUSIC FROM THE WELL KNOWN AND FOLLOWED BAND "ROLLIN & TUMBLIN" YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT!



**FOOD TRUCK HIGHLIGHT—
WAFFLE MAMA**

SURE, WAFFLES ARE DELICIOUS WITH BUTTER AND SYRUP, OR STRAWBERRIES AND WHIPPED CREAM, WHICH IS JUST HOW MOMMA USED TO MAKE THEM. BUT WHAT IF A PHILLY CHEESESTEAK COULD BE A WAFFLE? OR BUTTERMILK BISCUITS? AND THEN WHAT IF THOSE BISCUIT-WAFFLE HYBRIDS COULD BE THE BUNS FOR YOUR FRIED CHICKEN SANDWICH? THAT'S WHERE THE WAFFLE MAMAS COME IN. WE TAKE COMFORT FOOD TO A NEW LEVEL BY TRANSFORMING IT INTO INNOVATIVE "WAFFLED" CREATIONS! wafflemamastruck.com

Would you be interested in helping to sponsor or know of someone or a business that would like to sponsor Goretifest? Please have them email Tom Coughlin at sahs01@comcast.net to discuss the various opportunities.

We need volunteers - many hands make light work. Please consider helping out on the day of the event. Have children that need service hours? This is a great opportunity for them to complete their obligation! **Please join us for a volunteer meeting on Sept. 20th at 7pm.**



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SUN., Sept. 11** 7:30 A.M. Jack Zampirri
Req. by Linda & Joseph Benischeck
9:30 A.M. Rosemary McCorry
Req. by Mary & Kevin McCorry
11:30 A.M. Dick Nolan
Req. by Rusty & Cheryl Ryan
- MON., Sept. 12** 8:30 A.M. Judy Gow
Req. by Jim Gow & Family
- TUES., Sept. 13** 8:30 A.M. Mary Gatto
Req. by Theresa Miller
- WED., Sept. 14** 8:30 A.M. Giacomina "Jack" Zampirri
Req. by Catherine Wolfgang
- THURS., Sept. 15** 8:30 A.M. The Quinn Family
Req. by Edd & Sally Murphy
- FRI., Sept. 16** 8:30 A.M. Ed McBride
Req. by Terry McBride
- SAT., Sept. 17** 8:30 A.M. Albert Fink
Req. by Matt & Cindu Shepardson
4:30 P.M. Gemma Stumpo Rosmini
Req. by The Cavacim Family
- SUN., Sept. 18** 7:30 A.M. Rose Massaro
Req. by Linda & Joseph Benischeck
9:30 A.M. Jack Zampirri
Req. by Patty & Tom Nazarek
11:30 A.M. Lucy Perilli
Req. by The 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, Joanne Fell, 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, 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 Scienora, 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.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit for **A Special Intention** requested by The Riley Family.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for **Special Intention for Birthday** requested by Marlene Hangey.

2023 MASS BOOK

The St. Maria Goretti 2023 Mass Book will open on **Monday, September 12th** from 9AM to 4PM. In order to give all our parishioners a chance to obtain Masses, there will be a limit of **5 Masses** per person. Hopefully this will allow for Masses during the year for our recently deceased parishioners and family members. Thank you.

Are you ready for SMG PARISH RELIGIOUS PROCESS (PREP) to begin on September 19th?

MEET & GREET **If you are not registered please do so ASAP!**

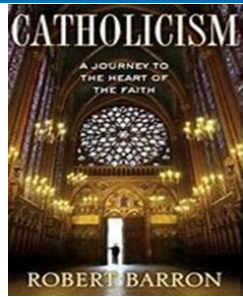


All PREP Family Members—Please join us for the first night of Monday PREP
All Sunday families are welcome!
Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:30 PM in Church for an Opening Prayer Service, Parent Meeting, and Catechist Meet and Greet.

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.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



BIG PEOPLE CHURCH SCHOOL

For Adults who want to grow in their faith ! !

September 15th – INFORMATION NIGHT

SMG Parish Center, IHM Room 7PM

Sept 17th & 18th – Stop by our table after Mass

Starting Sept 22nd Catholicism by Robert Barron

Ask The Team: Bill Wynne, Jim & Barbara Braun,

Rich Mazur, Ben Braun or Andrew Wynne

Email: Bigpeoplechurchschool@gmail.com

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 Chapel 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. September 21, October 26, November 30

Questions: Contact Maria Richardson

Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or 215-721-6559

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



Communities across the world are experiencing life-threatening levels of hunger and malnutrition on an unprecedented scale. Families are struggling to meet their food needs as they face conflict, displacement, climate change, COVID-19 and rising costs. Inflation has put people under tremendous strain, while supply chain interruptions have slowed humanitarian operations and disrupted local and regional markets. The war in Ukraine is pushing to the limit an already-fragile global food system, creating a global hunger crisis. Emerging markets and developing economies that depend on Russia and Ukraine for fuel, fertilizer and staples such as wheat, corn and cooking oils are being hit especially hard.

In response, CRS is providing drought-resistant seeds to farmers, cash assistance to families and food and water for vulnerable communities. We are working to scale up our services whenever possible. Your gift helps women, men and children around the world and will be used where most needed. Please consider giving an urgent gift today and provide vital aid to your sisters and brothers by visiting www.crs.org. Thanks for your support!

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

YOUTH MINISTRY

ALTARATION FOR TEENS!



Not to fill your heads with information but to pierce your hearts!
Wednesday Nights 7PM to 8PM
September 21st to October 19th, 2022
Parish Office IHM Room
For Middle School
High School Teen Leaders Needed
Don't miss the fun!
Flyer and registration available at:
<https://stmariagoretti.net/maria-2/>

Contact Maria Richardson,

Maria.richardson@stmariagoretti.net or Tyler Grant,

tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net

215-721-6559

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

National Shrine Pilgrimage to Washington DC

Saturday, October 15, 2022

8:00 am TO 10:00 pm

\$45.00 per person for transportation only

Scholarships available!

Register before September 1, 2022



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 Tyler Grant,

tyler.grant@stmariagoretti.net

215-721-6559

PHILLY ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS:

Thursdays, 9 am to 5 pm – St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
Held each Thursday between 9 am and 5 pm in Sacred Heart Chapel at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Catholics are invited to spend time before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament praying for vocations and asking Him to bless His Church with many holy vocations. We encourage everyone to pray that those whom the Lord is calling will have the courage to respond to His invitation.

To sign up for a day/time to pray, visit Heedthecall.org/Phillyadores. For more information,

Email Phillyadoration@gmail.com. Specific details will be emailed to all adorers on the Wednesday before the scheduled prayer time.

Location: Sacred Heart Chapel, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary (100 E. Wynnwood Road, Wynnwood)

More info: <https://heedthecall.org/phillyadores/>

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th

E.M. of Holy Communion

4:30pm – Sacristan, M. Haluska, B. Pollock
7:30am – Sacristan, D. Fuse, B. McCormick
9:30am – Sacristan, P. Pinkston, S. Steklenski
11:30am – Sacristan, T. McGann, M.J. Vondercrone

E.M. Home Visits

B1-M. D’Elia, B2-M. D’Elia, B3-D. Grant,
B4-D. Johnson, B5-P. Walsh

Lectors

4:30pm – B. Malley, P. Villucci
7:30am – K. Luther, M. McCormick
9:30am – B. Hudak, C. McNally
11:30am – M. O’Pe;;a, M. Faymore

Altar Servers

4:30pm – K. & E. Walsh
7:30am – A. DeSiro, D. Engle
9:30am – N. & J. Boell
11:30am – T. McGann, C. Murphy

Cantors

4:30pm – Joe D. 7:30am – Michele
9:30am – Michael 11:30am – Connor

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: **\$485.13**

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!***



REGISTRATION SUNDAY

Registration Sunday will take place **TODAY, Sept, 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.

SMG MUSIC MINISTRY

Parishioners, here is a personal invitation to feel great about yourself in as little as 45 minutes per week! The new season of SMG Music is starting in September, and your voice, your ability to read music, your love for God are needed to enhance our ministry. Please consider joining the team and just see what serving God and His church will do for you!

CHILDREN

Children’s Chime Choir - SESSION 1) rehearsals are Tuesday 6:00 to 6:45 PM (October 11 to December 13) **grades 2 to 7** / play at Mass December 4 and January 7. SESSION 2) February 14 to March 21 - play at Mass March 26. No previous ringing experience is required.

Children’s Singing Choir - grades 1 to 7 /January 3-31 /sing at Mass February 5

YOUTH

Youth Bell Choir - rehearsals are Tuesday 6:45 to 7:30 PM (October 4 to December 20)/ grades 6 to 12/ music reading skills preferred / play at Mass October 30, November 27, Christmas Eve and January 8.

Cantors - students in grades 8-12. If you sing in your school choir, your parish would love having you cantor a few Masses this year!

ADULTS

Adult Choir - high school students and adults are invited to join! Rehearsals are Tuesday 7:30 to 8:45 (but not first Tuesday) beginning September 13. We sing at one or two Masses per month.

Guitar Ensemble - singers are needed to join our instrumentalists on the first Tuesdays at 7:30. The GE plays one Mass per month.

Men’s Ensemble - low commitment, high reward group sings twice per year.

Adult Bell Choir - rehearsals Tuesday 6:45 to 7:30 PM (January 3 to April 4) /music reading skills preferred/ group plays at four Masses.

Acoustic Wind Ensemble - very good instrumentalists are called upon occasionally to provide special music for liturgy.

YOUNG ADULT CHOIR - ages 14 to 25/ called on once or twice per year

MUSIC MINISTRY TO THE SICK - small group of singers who go to the homes of our ill parishioners to share the light of Christ/ few times per year

Any questions, contact Eileen Ericsson, parish music director, at eileen.ericsson@stmariagoretti.net! Don’t be shy-give it a try!

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship. ©JPPC

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

Sunday, September 4th

2021	2022	Difference
\$26,974.69	\$27,182.92	\$ 208.23

May God bless you for your generosity to our parish!

**“IN THEIR SHOES”
2022 WALK FOR THE POOR**



Vinny's Pizza is Sponsoring the Friends Walk for the Poor by donating 10% of their proceeds from EVERY Tuesday during the month of September!! Save the dates and take the family out to Vinny's or order take out! This is another way for YOU to support the Saint Vincent DePaul Society and enjoy really good food!



Saint Vincent DePaul Society,
Saturday, September 24, 2022 @School Road Park, 1610 School Road, Hatfield
Sign-in/Registration @ 9am;
Walk Starts @10am



Registration is: \$10/individual or \$20/family
Prizes for those with the most pledges!

Sign-up and/or donate @ <https://www.fopwalk.org/>

The Saint Vincent De Paul Society is a volunteer organization with a mission to help the poor in our area. In fiscal year 2020-2021, volunteers visited 251 households and provided \$61,000 in assistance for housing/rent, utilities, food, clothing, and other basic needs.

All proceeds from the walk go to support this mission!

ELDERCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

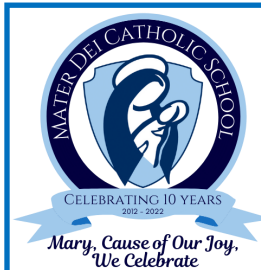
You may qualify for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits with your income. If you have a gross monthly income (some retirement and pension plans are not counted as income!) of \$1396.00 or less in a one-person household, you may qualify. The minimum SNAP benefits are \$15 per month, 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 benefits. Amy can be reached at 215-853-7676 or ajuarez@chs-adphila.org. (Aldi's on 8-3-22)



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



Enrollment 2022-23 at Mater Dei Catholic School

Two Pre-K 3 spots at our Hatfield campus just became available for this September. And three Kindergarten spots at our Lansdale campus are still available too! Please contact Grace Samanns immediately at gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787 about registering your child for the 2022-23 school year.

And you can use the QR code to register your Pre-K 3 through Grade 8 student now by completing a 2022-23 New Student Registration Form! (scroll down the page to locate)



CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD REGISTRATION



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program is a Montessori based parish religious formation/education program for children age 3 to 6 in LEVEL 1 and age 6 to 9 in LEVEL 2. This experience is foundational for a life-long relationship with God which is then lived out in the Church community.

Both Levels are offered September through May.

Level 1 (age 3-6) sessions are held Sunday mornings and Monday late afternoons.

Level 2 (ages 6 to 9) sessions are held Wednesday mornings and late afternoon. CGS Level 1 attendance is required before Level 2.

Specific times and registration form may be found at smariagoretti.net/prep/forms

Contact: Linda Hudak 215-593-5903 or Ishudak@yahoo.com



The annual Pennsylvania March for Life will be held on Monday, September 19th in Harrisburg. Bus will leave SMG at 8:30am. At 11:00 AM, marchers will rally at the steps of the state capitol to call on legislators to protect unborn children, followed by the March at noon. Cost is \$20.

JOIN PARISHIONERS FROM SMG & LOCAL PARISHES IN HARRISBURG

Key Speakers include: Michael Geer, President of PA Family Institute, Abby Johnson, Pro-Life Ministries, Jeanne Mancini, President of the March for Life, Speaker of the House, Rep. Bryan Cutler, District 1

Please drop off payment at parish center in file cabinet inside door. Place in pro life folder. Or drop the form below in the collection basket. The bus will leave Harrisburg at 2pm. There will be no stops so all are welcome to bring food and drink to the event. For more info please contact Bob McCormick 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@gmail.com

Name(s): _____ Total: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Parish: _____