

Saint Maria Goretti Parish 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9am to 8:00pm Friday and Saturday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.



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 Peter Niche 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 Admin. Assist. of Religious Education: JoAnn Prahler & Pat Kendig Director of Adult Faith Formation: Angela McClellan 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 Asst. Business Mgr.: Geri Salanik

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 Archbishop Charles Chaput, following the directive of Pope Francis, 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. the annulment process.

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2019

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BLESSING OF ANIMALS Saturday, October 5th at 10am



Bring your pet to the parking lot by the St. Francis statue for a special blessing at 10am next Saturday. All pets are welcome.

MONDAY ADORATION



Guardian Partners are needed for the following times: 10:30 to 11am, 2:30 to 3pm, and 3:30 to 4pm

Each Monday in the chapel, after the 8:30 a.m. morning Mass until 5 p.m., we have the opportunity to adore Our Lord's body, blood, soul and divinity in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. A Guardian helps to ensure that the Holy Eucharist is never left alone by committing to spend thirty minutes or more each Monday with the Holy Eucharist. You share this commitment with a partner so that if something unfore-

seen occurs in your schedule you can feel confident that Jesus will not be left alone.

..." adoration means saying: "Jesus, I am yours. I will follow you in my life, I never want to lose this friendship, this communion with you". I could also say that adoration is essentially an embrace with Jesus in which I say to him: "I am yours, and I ask you, please stay with me always"." (Pope Benedict XVI, Catechetical Meeting with Children 10/15/2005)



PARISH RETREAT

The staff of Saint Maria Goretti Parish in Hatfield invites you to join them on their annual retreat: "Look what God can do if we only let Him." This year, we will travel to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Conference Center on the

grounds of the gorgeous Wooten Mansion in Bryn Mawr, PA. Our retreat includes a continental breakfast, a spiritual conference, opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, hot lunch, and quiet time to pray. Come away and rest awhile in His loving embrace. Cost is \$60.00 per person and includes bus transportation and meals.

Thursday, October 24, 2019 Bus Departure: 7:30 AM from the parking lot of Saint Maria Goretti Church, Approximate Return Home: 4:00 PM Retreat Director: Father Robert Ianelli, Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Please register using the form that can be found on the Adult Faith Events page of our parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net

THAT MAN IS YOU

The Wednesday morning October 2nd session of TMIY will meet as usual from 6:00 am to 7:30 am in the parish center. This weeks session is entitled, The Battle of

Gideon. The outline for this session follows:

- Speaker: Deacon Harold God Choosing from the Least of the Tribes
- A Call from God
- Courage, Obedience and Loyalty
- Outnumbered in Battle
- Torches and Trumpets: The Weapons of God
- God is King

All men are invited. Come join us this week. For more information contact: ron.boak@gmail.com, (908) 256-5322.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR GORETTIFEST SPONSORS



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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., Sept. 29	7:30 A.M. Donna Zampirri Bowen Req. by Anna Menta 9:30 A.M. Alma Baker Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Henry J. Davis Req. by Maude Lee
MON., Sept. 30	8:30 A.M. Alfred Leotta Req. by Theresa Miller
TUES., Oct. 1	8:30 A.M. Rose Zampirri Req. by The Family
WED., Oct. 2	8:30 A.M. Charles Tyminski Req. by James & Sharon Hoffmayer
THURS., Oct. 3	8:30 A.M. Gregory Walsh Req. by Patrick & Susan Walsh
FRI., Oct. 4	8:30 A.M. Felix Chaustre Req. by The Family
SAT., Oct. 5	8:30 A.M. Theresa Steinhauser Struble Req. by The McNally, Miller & Rohrback Families 5:00 P.M. Caroline Karas Req. by Ted & Dorothy Zamorski
SUN., Oct. 6	7:30 A.M. Tom & Mary Alexander Req. by The Family 9:30 A.M. Walter Parsons Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Doris Owens Req. by Maryann & Jim MacFarland



SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in honor of **Dan & Jeanie Yadzinski** requested by Pat & Glenn Pinkston.

BAPTISMS Welcome to the newest members of our parish:



Liam Taylor son of William & Megan DiLossi, *Leonardo Joseph* son of James & Tracey Lee, *Michael Guy* son of Zachary & Ashley Calhoun, *Wesley Rhys* son of William & Lauren Benner, *Margaret Elizabeth* daughter of David & Jessica Stys, *Dennis John* son of Dennis & Lauren Sokoley, *Jaxon Michael* son of Stephen & Danielle Hopkins, *Tristan Alexander* son of Kyle & Breinn Overturf, *Noah Jay* son of Joseph & Taylor Williams.

CONGRATULATIONS & GOD BLESS!

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: Josephine Albert, Warren Allison, Immaculata Antonucci, Ruth

Adams, Jennifer & Kimberly Agnew, Mark Altroggi, Christina Augustine, Paul Baril, Ray Baril, Joey Berical, Jerilyn Bowler, Linda Burbank, Mary Callaghan, Caridad Carlos, Aldo Carnara, Danny Catts, Joanna Cavacini, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Joanne Daum, Loretta Deller, Leo Dennis, Ernest Doherty, Sally Esbensen, Peter Fallon, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Sebastian Fillion, Terry Foley, Carol Galinski, Patrick Gardenier, Erin Gilbert, Lianessa Gonzalez, Abby Graham, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Bonnie Handrahan, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Ron Hoffman, Jeanette Hoy, Kevin lavecchia, Lindsay Jaso, Richard Jedlicka, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempl, Jama Lecore, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Patti Maguire, Joe Martin, Barbara Masser, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Regina Nimmo, Mele Lee-Nippins, Ernie Nippins, Zachery Olberholzer, Bill O'Brien, Anthony Paone, Catherine Pagano, Al Palatucci, Robert Pauloski, Flocerfida & Salvador Penganon, Michael Prahler, Marian Quinn, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Barbara Scally, Helen Shekalis, Melissa Shelly, Rukiatu Smith, Lawrence Stempel, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, Paula Jayne White, John Willstaudt, Salem Yabut, Jack Zampirri, Joe Zdun & Joan Ziegler.



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. *The next Holy Hour will be held on Thursday, October 3rd.*

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



From the Heart of Our Director of Adult Faith Formation—I Came In Second

When I was a 7th grader, two class elections were held. One was for class president and the other was for president of the Sodality of Mary. Those of us of a certain age will remember that many parishes fostered the tradition of vesting girls with a miraculous medal on a wide blue ribbon following their First Holy Communion. Since my class was small, it was also comprised of students in Grade 8, as well. When the elections were held, an 8th grader took the prize for both positions. Shortly after, the winner asked to speak to our teacher, a Religious Sister, outside the classroom. When they reentered the classroom, Sister had informed us that our classmate didn't want to be president of the Sodality so the title was given to me, as I had come in second.

It then became my responsibility to schedule all the girls in the school who were members of the Sodality of Mary to one hour increments of Eucharistic Adoration on Good Friday. Beginning on Good Friday morning, I diligently met each group of girls donning their white veils, led them up the stairs to the church, positioned them in their designated pews, and led them back downstairs when their hour was completed. This continued throughout the day until the 3:00 PM Good Friday service was to begin. When I was about to dismiss the last group of girls, our teacher arrived. She asked if I had been present all day and explained that I just needed to set up the schedule and that it wasn't necessary for me to have remained the entire day. I told her I didn't mind and how quickly the time had gone.

I arrived fully prepared to spend the day in Jesus' company with my little religious prayer cards, spiritual pamphlets, and rosary beads. (Tattered devotionals that I still treasure after all these years.)

When I entered high school, I became the sacristan and was afforded many more hours of Eucharistic Adoration and time spent alone in the chapel of Saint Maria Goretti High School in South Philadelphia. As my life journey continued, opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and quiet hidden time before Jesus in the tabernacle always seemed to find me. Those moments of mystery molded me, inspired me, directed me, consoled me, filled me, and left me wanting for more and for nothing at the same time.

All because I came in second. Angela McClellan

This is my story...what's yours?

Do you visit our chapel on Mondays to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord? Share your experience with us. How has spending time in Eucharistic Adoration had an impact on your spiritual life? What has it meant to you? What's your story? Send your comments to our Director of Adult Faith Formation at Angela.McClellan@stmariagoretti.net. If you would like, share a photo of yourself, as well. Your comment may be posted in our parish bulletin or on our parish Facebook page. Please type "What's Your Story?" in the e-mail subject line. We'd love to hear from you!



ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Embark on a spiritual journey with other parishes from across the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as we make our way as pilgrims to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. Our pilgrimage includes the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass. Time will be allotted for personal prayer and visits to the upper and lower churches, the book store, and gift shop. A cafeteria is also available on site. Following our time at the basilica, we will visit the Saint John Paul II National Shrine where his first-class relic can be venerated and the self-guided tour of the nine gallery exhibit on his life and legacy can be viewed. Bus cost is \$50.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child (pack your own snacks and lunch; cost of dinner on your own).

Saturday, October 19, 2019

Bus Departs Saint Maria Goretti Parking Lot: 7:00 AM Approximate Arrival Home: 7:30 PM

Download the registration form at www.stmariagoretti.net or pick up a registration form on the AFF table in the narthex. For more information, please contact Angela McClellan at 215-721-0199, ext.202



The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 1 o'clock in the basement of the parish center . New members

welcome. Experience not necessary . Many helping hands to get you started. Yarn and needles provided. Contact Barbara Krummert at 440-655-0650 if you know anyone in need of a prayer shawl.

SMG PRO-LIFE NEWS RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 6th is Respect Life Sunday. Our parish's Respect Life Committee will be distributing Baby Bottles for donations to support the 2019 Pro-Life March in Washington, DC. The bottles should be returned to the narthex by the end of October. Thank you for your support towards these activities.



From September 25th through November 3rd, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40 day vigil in the public right-ofway outside the Warminster Planned Parenthood, and also spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like more information—and especially if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Bob McCormick at bobmcc52@verizon.net or visit 40daysforlife.com/warminster.



FREE MOVIE NIGHT

Unplanned movie night, *Friday, October 4th* in parish lower room. True story of Abby Johnson, former planned parenthood director. What she saw changed everything. Join others and see the evil behind planned parenthood. Please contact bobmcc52@verizon.net for a count. Thank you, Respect Life Committee.

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MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm - Sacristan, J. Yandoli, S. Lynam, B. Santulli 7:30am - Sacristan, R. Pacheco, C. Opdyke, A. Russo 9:30am - Sacristan, B. Smith, M. & M. D'Elia 11:30am - Sacristan, P. O'Hara, S. & K. Clapper

E.M. Home Visits

A1-M. Collis, A2-D. Grant, A3-D. Johnson, A4-D. Fuse, A5-SUB NEEDED, B1-K. Hay, B2-T. McGann, B3-J. Burke, B4-E. McBride, B5-S. Steklenski

Lectors 5:00pm – B. Healy, C. Heim 7:30am - B. Hudak, B. Malley 9:30am - N. & R. Boak 11:30am - M. Mays, D. Smith

Cantors

5:00pm - Joe V. 9:30am - Chelsea 7:30am - George 11:30am - Teresa

Altar Servers

5:00pm - N. Barrales, A. Craig, J. DeFazio 7:30am – S., T. & N. Burr 9:30am - V. & R. McLaughlin, G. Sabia 11:30am - N. Boell, F. & I. Sirianni

Children's Liturgy

9:30am - P. Fiore, K. Shaughnessy

MUSIC NOTES

Rehearsals for Tuesday, October 1st

<u>Children's Chime Choir</u>—5:50 to 6:30pm <u>Youth Bell Choir</u>—6:30 to 7:30pm <u>Guitar Ensemble</u>—7:30 to 8:45pm Children's Choir—4pm to 4:30pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend:

Sunday, September 29th

9:30am - Guitar Ensemble

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

In this critical moment, the President is deciding the number of refu-gees that can be admitted into the United States. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops urge you to let the President and Congress know of your strong support for refugees and resettlement. As September 30, 2019 (the end of the fiscal year) approaches, the Trump Admin-istration is required to announce the Presidential Determination (PD) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, which determines the number of refugees allowed to be admitted to the United States. The FY2019 PD was set at 30,000 refugees, the all-time-lowest number in the history of resettlement. Meanwhile, there are nearly 26 million refugees worldwide with 1.4 million needing resettlement.

Despite the continued global need, some in the Trump Administration are reportedly calling to "zero out" the program for FY 2020. The U.S. Catholic Bishops said that zeroing out the refugee program "would be contrary to America values." The U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom registered their "alarm." As Catholics, we affirm the inherent dignity of every person and the ability of refugees to seek security and safety for themselves and family members. For this reason, the U.S. Catholic Bishops urge you to express solidarity with refugees now in this moment of great need. Visit www.crs.org for more information!

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP The total collected last week was: \$296.07

BENEFITS "ALONG THE WAY"

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 September and October 2019, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to "Along The Way" located in Souderton, PA. Along The Way is a non-profit faith-based organization that provides affordable, reliable, high-quality childcare services to the children of single mothers working or attending school/ training during non-traditional business hours. Mothers qualify for these services based on financial need. They also offer and/or partner with other organizations to provide: parenting skills training, after school care for children, counseling, mentoring and/or training to help If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!





Parish Ministry Help Needed St. Vincent DePaul Society

is looking for new volunteers. They go out in teams of two to visit neighbors in need and find ways to offer hope help and prayer. More information can be

found at https://stmariagoretti.net/outreach/ Please contact:

Contact: Edie Hardnock 215-721-0199 ext. 224



PILGRIM'S PRAYER (Codex Calixtinus - 12th Century)

God, you called your servant Abraham from Ur in Chaldea, watching over him in all his wanderings, and guided the Hebrew people as they crossed the desert. Guard these your children who, for love of your Name, make a pilgrimage to Compostela. Be their companion on the way, their guide at the crossroads, their strength in weariness, their defense in dangers, their shelter on the path, their shade in the heat, their light in darkness, their comfort in discouragement, and the firmness of their intentions: that through your guidance, they may arrive safely at the end of their journey and, enriched with grace and virtue, may they return to their homes and to us filled with salutary and lasting joy. May the blessings of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit remain with them. Amen.

Please continue to pray for Matt and Cindy Shepherdson and Deacon Peter Niche as they walk the 500 miles of the Northern Camino. If the Spirit moves you, please consider a donation to Fr. Chucks Challenge or the parish in their honor.

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SUNDAY OFFERING



COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

50	pt. 23, 2018	Sept. 22, 2019
	\$14,655.33	\$16,464.91
Online Parish Giving	\$ 9,632.00	\$ 4,252.00
TOTALS:	\$24,287.33	\$20,716.91
Total # of contributors		485
	Misc. Offerings	
Capital Improvement Offering:		\$764.00
Poor Box Offering:		

It's Simple:

• Log on to the parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net and click on the Parish Giving Logo and follow the easy registration instructions.

It's Secure:

• Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.

It's Convenient:

• No more searching for the check book on Sunday morning stops at the ATM machine.

• You can pick the day of the month for the recurring contributions to be processed.

Tax Benefits:

• You will be able to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year.

Parishioner Benefits:

• Weekly or monthly contribution choices



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SMG IS OFFERING FLU SHOTS

As a courtesy, parishioner and pharmacist Nicholas DiLissio will be offering flu shots conveniently located and handicap accessible in Church on *Wednesday, October 23rd* in the ushers room

from 9am to 12noon. Plan ahead and be prepared for the winter months and flu season by getting your shots early. Please bring your insurance information along with you. It's convenient and easy. For more info please call Nick DiLissio at 215-527-2802 or the Parish Center at 215-721-0199.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO JOIN FATHER CHUNG AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS ON A PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND



November 8 to 16, 2020 with optional 3-night post tour extensions to Jordan. *Please join us for a special travel presentation to be held on Thursday, October 24th 13, 2019 at 7pm in the parish center to get more*

trip details. For more information please call Fr. Chung at 215-721-0199 or e-mail at fr.chung@stmariagoretti.net.

BOOK NOW AND SAVE \$200 PER PERSON!



MATER DEI CHILDCARE

Mater Dei Childcare is currently searching for ECE substitute teachers to join our team. Our substitute teachers will need to meet all DHS standards and be able to meet the social, emotional, and physical needs

of the children within their care. Candidates should have experience and/or an education in the field, be energetic, patient, friendly, nurturing and enjoy working with young children and their families. We're looking for the best of the best for our childcare program. Please contact the center director Katherine Stansbury at 217-799-2211 or

kstansbury@materdeicatholic.com if you are interested.



Save the Date...Mater Dei's First Annual "Color Run"...SUNDAY, October 13th

Mater Dei Catholic School will host its first annual "Color Run" at St. Maria Goretti Parish during Tech Week to support our innovative Technology Program. Please register on our website at www.materdeicatholic.com for a fun day at our Color Run!

Sponsors Needed for Mater Dei's First Annual Color Run

Please take advantage of several different sponsorship opportunities if you are a local business or a community member who would like to support the children of Mater Dei and their technology program. Recognition for your generosity will be acknowledged on the t-shirts given to all of the registered participants. You choose the level with which you are comfortable and in return, you have cost effective promotional marketing for your company while giving great community support. Please sign up to be a sponsor on our website at www.materdeicatholic.com

Save the Date: Monday, October 14, 2019... Open House and Info Session for 2020-21

Looking for an awesome educational experience for your Preschooler, Kindergartner, or Grade 1 through 8 child? We invite you to see what Mater Dei Catholic School, a 2018 National Blue Ribbon Award recipient, has to offer your son or daughter. Our Open House will take place on Mon., Oct. 14 from 6 to 7:30PM. Mini-classes and/or tours will begin promptly at 6:15 PM for your child and you. Please RSVP to the Advancement Office at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com

ANNUAL H3C COAT DRIVE



Collecting new children's coats: AGES INFANT – 12 YEARS SIZES INFANT- 16/18 YOUTH

September 8th - October 27th— Distribution will be on Tuesday, October 29th from 3 to 7pm at Grace Lutheran Church, Hatfield.

SHARE THE WARMTH!



