

Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

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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. Leónard N. Peterson Vietnamese Apostolate: Rev. John C. Nguyen Permanent Deacons: Deacon Phuong Nguyen Deacon Peter Niche Deacon Stephen Vondercrone Mater Dei Regional Catholic School Principal: Ms. Diane McCaughan 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 R.C.I. A. Coordinator: Al Pandolfo Elder Care Assistance Program: Amy Juarez Office Manager: Cheryl Ryan Parish Secretary: Mary Faymore Business Manager: Douglas Smith Asst. Business Mgr.: Geri Salanik

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil Sunday Vietnamese Mass Weekdays & Saturday Mass at 8:30 am Holy Days

5:00 pm 7:30 am, 9:30 am, & 11:30 am 2:30 pm Vigil 7:00pm, 7:00am, 8:30am & Noon, Vietnamese Mass at 7pm

DEVOTIONS:

Adoration:

Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass -Concludes at 5pm with Benediction

Marian: Saint Maria Goretti:

Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass. Monday after the 8:30 am Mass.

BAPTISM

BAPTISM Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday at 12:45 pm (except the first Sunday). 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.

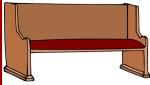
ANOINTING OF THE SICK Arrangements can be made by calling the Parish Office.

<u>Reconciliation</u> Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm or any time upon request. Call the Parish Center.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 A Special Thanks To Our 2018 **Gorettifest Sponsors** PLUMBING · HEATING & COOLING · FUEL OIL \mathbf{D} ENGINEERING. ediatrics Robert Francis, Inc. MANAGEMENT INC. We Make Live Sound Better 's Lawn Ca QUALITY: **Perry Health** - LAWN CARE · PROPERTY MAINTENANCE HARDSCAPING

CLOSING CELEBRATION OF SMG PARISH 65TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 5

PM MASS. This will be our closing Mass of our 65th year and we are inviting all priests that have served us over the years. Music will be grand, Mass will be beautiful and inspiring and there will be a party in Drexel Hall. The party will be limited because of the size. 275 tickets will be sold at a minimal price of \$25 each. There will be butlered Hors d'oeuveres, and pick up foods, beer and wine and a chance to visit with our Priests. The SMG Raffle winner will be announced that evening. Any questions, contact Lynne Hipp 215 872-4685 or Irhipp@gmail.com.



2018 HELP **RENEW OUR PEWS RAFFLE & WIN CASH** PRIZES

By now you should have received our 2018 raffle tickets. We will use the net proceeds from this year's raffle for re-upholstering our well-worn pews. Please generously support the raffle and help renew our pews. Six raffle tickets are being mailed to your homes. You can buy the tickets by simply mailing a check using the enclosed return envelope or dropping off a check at the Parish Office. You can

also purchase tickets after Mass. During the week, tickets are on sale in the Parish Office. Tickets are \$25 each. Prize drawings will take place on Saturday, October 20, 2018, during the closing reception for our 65th Anniversary Celebration. First prize is \$7,000; second prize is \$2,500; third prize is \$1,000.



FIRST THURSDAY BREAKFAST CLUB



The Breakfast Club is held on designated First Thursdays of the year at Saint Maria Goretti Parish and provides a way for people to gather together in friendship following their time spent together in worship and prayer. Coffee, tea, juice, and nutritious breakfast refreshments are served along with lots of laughter and conversation. There is no cost to participate in the Breakfast Club and no registration is required. Non-

parishioners are always welcome. Next Breakfast Club is: Thursday, October 4th in the narthex following the 8:30am Mass. The Breakfast Club is automatically cancelled when a funeral is scheduled for the same morning.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS Saturday, October 6th at 1:30pm



Bring your pet to the parking lot by the St. Francis statue for a special blessing at 1:30pm next Saturday. All pets are welcome.



GIVING HOPE TO ALL

It's not too late to support Catholic Charities Appeal 2018. Please visit www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN., Sept. 30	7:30 A.M. Kathleen Stagliana Req. by Edward & Joan Kiss 9:30 A.M. Shirley Finkleston Req. by The Family 11:30 A.M. Residents at Grundy Manor Req. by Christine Benson
MON., October 1	8:30 A.M. John & Mary Endrick Req. by Rosemary Endrick
TUES., October 2	8:30 A.M. Harry Grear Req. by Ed & Terry McBride
WED., October 3	8:30 A.M. Thelka Davis Req. by Nice Thomas
THURS., October 4	8:30 A.M. Rudolph Schneider Req. by The McLaughlin Family
FRI., October 5	8:30 A.M. Michelina Melnyk Req. by The Gunn Family
SAT., October 6	8:30 A.M. Betty Stoerrle Req. by Carole Coughlin 5:00 P.M. Ben Carlos Req. by The Antenuci Family
SUN., October 7	7:30 A.M. Tom & Mary Alexsander Req. by The Family 9:30 A.M. Dave Smith Req. by The Antenuci Family 11:30 A.M. Sean Flynn Req. by The Antenuci Family



SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light for this week is lit in memory of Licia Butera requested by Joe McGloy.

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 October 4th at 7pm.

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

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: Warren Allison, Immaculata Antonucci, Ruth Adams, Jennifer & Kimberly Agnew, Paul Baril, Ray Baril, Joey Berical, Jerilyn Bowler, Linda Burbank, Mary Callaghan, Mary Campagna, Caridad Carlos, Aldo Carnara, Danny Catts, Kristen Chipollini, Joanna Cavacini, Michael Costello, Jerry Cronin, Helen Curren, Leo Dennis, , Ceferina Eusubio, Sally Esbensen, Peter Fallon, Marybeth Hentschel Fiorelli, Patrick Gardenier, Lianessa Gonzalez, Andrew Green, Dionne Greim, Sharon, Fernando & Ian Griffin, Frank Holloway, Lori Hanson, Gloria Harris, Michelle Heacock, Ron Hoffman, Kevin lavecchia, Gerald Kenny, Emily Keiser, Charles Kline, Bernadette Kubej, Sue Kunze, Peg Krempl, Trish Lavelle, Angelique Lee, Keenan Lee, Curt Lecrone, Dina Lukasko, Mary Magnarella, Patti Maguire, William & Kristen Morrow, John McLaughlin, Bridget Micshener, Helen Millar, Diane Moll, Frank Monroe, Munson Family, John Mye, Terry Shields Neumann, Joan Nickerson, Mele Lee-Nippins, Ernie Nippins, Zachery Olberholzer, Bill O'Brien, Catherine Pagano, Robert Pauloski, Flocerfida & Savador Penganon, Michael Prahler, Marian Quinn, Pat Raber, Michael Rafter, Scott Randall, Jim Richardson, Sheila Rothenberger, Linda Santana, Susan Schmidt, Helen Shekalis, Joseph & Michael Thomas, Peg Trexler, Mae Veneziale, Sofia Wagner, Jim Ward, Glenn Watt, Charles Wetzel, Barbara Wetzel, Paula Jayne White, John Willstaudt, Arlene Wyatt, Salem Yabut,



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Dear Fellow Parishioners.

Joe Zdun & Jack Zampirri.

As you are probably all very much aware, our beloved church is under a great, great attack. Now more than ever, we need to pray, fast and ask God to guide us during this very challenging time

Every Monday, beginning after the 8:30 a.m. Mass and ending at 5 p.m., the Holy Eucharist is in exposition for our adoration in the chapel.

This is a call to come, get down on your knees and pray to Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to help and guide us during this very challenging time.

If you are unable to come to Adoration from 9am to 5pm consider attending Adoration at another parish in our area. The following link http://www.therealpresence.org/states/perp.htm provides information by each state.

If you are already serving as an Adoration Guardian, please reach out to others and encourage them to participate in this most efficacious devotion.

For more information, feel free to contact me Nancy Boak at nancyboak@aol.com or 215-393-3763.

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WHAT'S ON THE BOOKSHELF?

Join us for conversation and discussion on the personal reflections of Cardinal Timothy Dolan on Saint John Paul, Pope Benedict, and Pope Francis in his e-book entitled, Soul, Mind, and Heart. Download it for free at https://www.osv.com/Shop/ Ebooks/dolanebook.aspx or pick up a free copy at Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center once you register for the book club. Please register at angela.mcclellan@stmariagoretti.net or by calling 215-721-0199 (ext. 202) if you plan on attending.

Monday, October 22, 2018, 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Saint Maria Goretti Parish Center: Lower Level

NEW BEGINNINGS

Membership in New Beginnings is for widowed persons who would like the opportunity to socialize with people from similar circumstances in a supportive environment through activities, events and travel. NB meets the third Thursday of every month at 7pm from September to May at St. Stanislaus Parish Center. Please consider joining us!

"In life what sometimes appears to be the end is really a New Beginning".



CRS SPOTLIGHT

With wind speeds of 160 miles per hour and gusts up to 200 miles per hour, Typhoon Mangkhut made landfall on

the coast of the northern Philippines, displacing over 100,000 people. Reports indicate that many have lost their homes and crops, and debris has prevented access to several communities in Luzon.

Catholic Relief Services is assessing needs, ready to provide lifesaving assistance for families and will be distributing food and shelter, water and hygiene kits. If you are able to make a donation to CRS, your gift will help provide shelter, water and critical supplies, including tarps, tents, and hygiene and kitchen kits to families affected by this disaster. Visit www.crs.org to help our brothers and sisters in need. Thanks for your support!

THERE IS HOPE

St. Jude Parish invites you to a community-wide FREE event to address the **OPIOID CRISIS; Tuesday, October 23**, 2018 from 7:00 - 9:00pm at St. Jude Church, 321 West Butler Pike, Chalfont, PA. For more information call: (215-738-8893) Learn about:

- The scope of the problem
- The visible signs of addiction
- What you can do
- Local available resources

EXPERIENCE HEALING

A Kathleen McCarthy Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat Malvern Retreat House: Nov 12-16, 2018

An extraordinary mid-week retreat offering preaching, teaching, and healing prayer. World-renown preacher, author, and minister of healing, Kathleen McCarthy will direct this retreat. Special quest on this retreat will be Fr. Dermot A. Roache, SMA, internationally known for preaching and healing.

Cost: \$280, single occupancy in Our Lady's Hall, Main (includes accommodations, meals, and amenities)

Register Early: Visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400

LOOKING FOR THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION TABLE?

Do you need a registration form for an upcoming Adult Faith Formation event? Look for the AFF resource table in the narthex located under the images of some of the Church's lay saints. (Saints Zelie and Louis Martin (Saint Therese's parents), Saint Maria Goretti, and Saint Gianna)

CATHOLIC WOMENS CONFERENCE

Join us for a day of friendship, prayer and growth in your faith at the 2018 Catholic Women's Conference. This year's theme is "Daughters of the King" and the day will be devoted to helping women discover their foundational identity as daughters of the King of Heaven and Earth. Saturday, October 27, 2018, 9am-4pm, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA. Talks will be offered in English, Spanish and American Sign Language.

Register today at: catholicwomensconference.org.



THAT MAN IS YOU

The Wednesday morning October 3rd session of TMIY will meet as usual from 6:00 am to 7:30 am in the parish center library. This week, the question up for

discussion will be: We were made for freedom! Thanks be to God! Now what do we do with our freedom? The speaker will be Fr. Dave Pivonka, the author of, *Spiritual Freedom: God's Life-Changing Gift.* He will lead us into the fullness of freedom and show us the power of freedom! "Be men and women of freedom! But remember: Human freedom is a freedom wounded by sin. It is a freedom which itself needs to be set free. Christ is its liberator." — Saint John Paul II. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, God wants you to be more free! All men are invited. Come join us this week. Contact us at TMIYSMG@gmail.com or 215-721-0199, ext. 254.



Parish Ministry Update!

CLUB + 50 GAMES DAY The first Wednesday of the month 1PM – 4PM in the Parish Library

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POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: \$305.62

BENEFITS GOD'S TREASURE HOUSE

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** 2018, all offerings from the poor box will be designated to **God's Treasure House, Souderton.** God's Treasure House is a Christ-centered transitional living center for women and their children built on a firm foundation of God's love. The ministry provides a comprehensive aftercare program targeted to a carefully selected number of women returning from prison to the community. Their goal is to minister to the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of the women, and their children, that God sends to them. **If donating by check, please make payable to St. Maria Goretti. Thank you!**

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Sunday, October 7th is Respect Life Sunday. Our parish's Respect Life Committee will be distributing Baby Bottles for donations to support the 2018 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 26th thru November 5th**, you are invited to join other Christians

for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer, vigil and fasting for an end to abortion. You are invited to stand and peacefully pray with us during a 4– day vigil in front of an abortion clinic (planned parenthood) 610 Louis Dr., Warminster. Hours are Mon. and Tues. from 10am to 5pm, Wed. 12nnon to 7pm and Thurs. from 11am to 4pm. Alone or with a group, join others in praying the rosary for life. For more info or ideas call Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or e-mail at bobmcc52@verizon.net.

PRO-LIFE MARCH ~ WASHINGTON D.C. Friday, January 18, 2019

Bus departs from SMG parking lot at 5:45am.

Join Pro-Life members from all over the country in the fight to end abortion. We will leave 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 there will be time to visit all of the beauty of the Shrine.

The March will begin between 12—1pm and all participants will be supplied with Metro passes to the March. The bus will leave the Shrine parking lot at 4pm and we will stop at Old Country Buffet in Newark, DE for dinner. The bus, metro pass and dinner are included in the cost of \$15. Family discounts are available.

Anyone who cannot make the March but would like to donate to help with expenses can drop your check in the collection basket payable to St. Maria Goretti marked Pro-Life March or mail to 1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield. For more information, please call Bob McCormick at 215-362-1247 or bobmcc52@verizon.net.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Send your name, address, phone number, number of tickets along with your check to SMG attention Pro-Life March.

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th

E.M. of Holy Communion

5:00pm – Sacristan, J. Yandoli, M. & M. D'Elia
7:30am – Sacristan, D. Trotter, 2 Volunteers Needed
9:30am – Sacristan, A. Russo, C. LeBrocq, M. Rosenberger
11:30am – Sacristan, D. Misczak, T. McBride

E.M. Home Visits

A1– D. Fuse, A2-J. Forbes, A3-J. McNally, A4-M. Collis, A5–T. McGann , B1-D. Niche, B2– G. Salanik, B3-K. Hay, B4-P. O'Hara, B5-B. McCormick

Lectors

5:00pm – B. Bataille, T. Hipp 7:30am – C. Heim, D. Smith 9:30am – A. LeBrocq, T. Mazzeo 11:30am – M. McCormick, M.J. Vondercrone

Cantors

5:00pm – Lynne 7:30am – Joe 9:30am – Chelsea 11:30am – Teresa

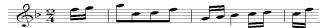
Altar Servers

5:00pm – B. Mazeroski, N. Cugini, J. DeFazio
7:30am – T. Beveridge, I. Sirianni, G. Zobel
9:30am – M. Brodsky, T. Orndorff, O. Watters
11:30am – C. Murphy, C. & B. O'Reilly

<u>Children's Liturgy</u> 9:30am – P. Fiore, K. Shaughnessy



MUSIC NOTES



Rehearsals for Tuesday, October 2nd Youth Bell Choir—5:50 to 6:30pm <u>Guitar Ensemble</u>—6:30 to 7:30pm <u>Adult Choir</u>—7:30 to 8:45pm

Music Ministry for Next Weekend: <u>Sunday, October 7th</u> 9:30am – Guitar Ensemble 11:30am— Children's Chime Choir



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 10th* 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.

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SUNDAY OFFERING

Stewardship Offering	September 23, 2018
Total # of contributors (env, checks & E	EFT) 641
Total to Sunday Offering:	\$14,655.33
Total Parish Giving Offering:	
Total Poor Box Offering:	



Mater Dei's Imagination Playhouse

Our newest program, Imagination Playhouse, will be offered at our Lansdale campus, where imaginative play and multisensory learning will be emphasized. Your child must be 2 1/2 to start this two day a week program (the program will accept 2 1/2 and 3-year-old children and your child does not have to be potty trained to begin). Space is still available for 2018-19. Please contact Grace Samanns at 215-368-9787 to RSVP.

Alum of St. Maria Goretti, St. Rose, and St. Stan's Save the Date for your "ALUM BREAKFAST"

Join us for Breakfast on Saturday, November 10, 2018, at 9:30 AM in the Mater Dei Catholic School Gym. Reconnect with classmates and catch up with each other! All are welcome! More details to follow about reservations for the breakfast. Table reservations by graduating year will also be accepted. Any questions, please contact Grace Samanns (gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com or 215-368-9787).

Save the Date: Mater Dei Catholic School Info Session/Registration

Please join us for the 2019-20 Info Session on *Tuesday, October* 16, from 6 to 7:30 PM. The general info session will begin promptly at 6:10 PM followed by mini-classes for the preschool and kindergarten children and tours for others. Registrations for 2019-20 in certain grade levels can be accepted this evening. For more information or to RSVP, contact the Advancement Office at 215-368-9787 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com.

Please Join Us ... All Legacy (St. Maria Goretti, St. Rose, and St. Stanislaus) and Mater Dei Alumni Meeting: October 4, 2018, at 7:00 PM

If you are an alum from any of our legacy schools or Mater Dei, please contact Grace Samanns in Advancement to be part of a great opportunity! A Legacy School/Mater Dei Alumni Committee is being formed and your help is needed with social media, planning events, graphic design, etc. If you are only able to work remotely, we can work that out. Friends are welcome so ask one to join with you! The meeting will take place on Thursday, **October 4 at 7:00 PM** in the Faculty Room at Mater Dei. Call or email Grace Samanns for more information or to sign up! 267-218-3496 or gsamanns@materdeicatholic.com.



Still a few spots available! Immediate acceptance of infants to 36 month old children ...Still a few spots available! Immediate acceptance of infants to 36 month old children. Call Katherine at 215-799-2211



SMG TRIVIA NIGHT Fri., October 5, 2018 7:00 P.M. Sharp in Drexel Hall BYOL! Bring your own Liquor BYOS! Bring your own SNACKS BYOT! Bring your own TEAM of 8 Or we can add you to a team! Cost ~\$20.00 PP Must be over age 21! Beer and soda will be provided Proceeds for Parish Youth Ministry Registration due before September 25 by going to the parish website at www.stmariagoretti.net or pick up a registration form in the narthex or parish center.

DO YOU VALUE CATHOLIC GRADE SCHOOL EDUCATION?

Our state tax code permits individuals to redirect some of your PA state taxes for tuition assistance as "needs base scholarships" for Catholic School Students including our Mater Dei Regional Grade School. This law is known as "Educational Improvement Tax Credit" or E.I.T.C. Your annual PA tax liability must be at least \$5,000. E.I.T.C. philanthropy will cost you only pennies on the dollar. Would you like to find out more details? Please call Cheryl at the parish office at 215-721-0199 or e-mail Joe Wilkens at joe15PBC@gmail.com.



COUNTDOWN TO TRUCK DAY!

On **Saturday, October 6th** the Green Drop Truck will be in the Goretti Parking Lot (along Cowpath

Road) from 9am to 1pm to collect your gently used, small household appliances, decorations, linens, clothing, dishes, etc. Green Drop pays the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Philadelphia Central Council which uses the funds to support conferences with great need and few resources. Green Drop sells the items through the 2nd Avenue stores; they also supply the Society with gift cards we can use for our neighbors in need. A complete list of acceptable items is available in the Narthex, at the Parish Center and on their website https:// www.gogreendrop.com/what-we-accept.

Bupport your parish by purchasing SCRIP WHAT'S NEW IN THE SMG SCRIP PROGRAM?

We now have \$25.00 **Amazon** gift certificates available which are great gifts or very easy to use for your on line purchases. Also for your gift giving we have **Visa** \$50 gift cards (no activation fee with these cards), or **Dairy Queen** (if interested in using before summer is over). If you have any questions please see the Scrip Volunteers at the back of Church.

Please consider purchasing Scrip today!