



Saint Maria Goretti Parish

1601 Derstine Road, Hatfield

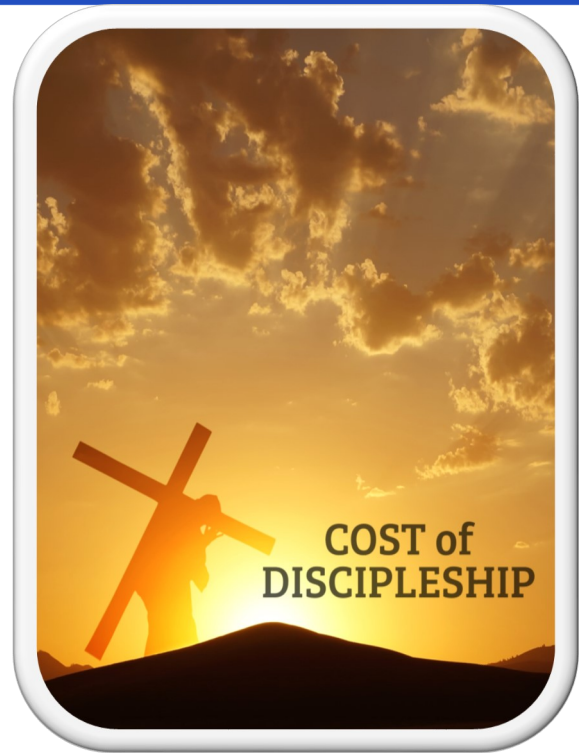
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Web Site: www.stmariagoretti.net

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 Face-
book 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.



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 & Assistance Program: 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
Marian: 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!



**DOG BITES
HOT DOGS**

Serves all beef Hebrew National Hot Dogs, grilled not boiled, with a variety of toppings for everyone, sweet and spicy sausage, and fresh squeezed regular or strawberry lemonade, made with strawberries.



www.facebook.com/DogBitesHotDogs/

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. 4** 7:30 A.M. Antonio Dattillo
Req. by Judy & John Mills
9:30 A.M. Walter & Mary Parsons
Req. by Anna Marie Parsons
11:30 A.M. Gemma Stumpo
Req. by The Cavacim Family
- MON., Sept. 5** 8:30 A.M. Antonino Davi
Req. by The Family
- TUES., Sept. 6** 8:30 A.M. Intentions of Sophia Filler
Req. by Her Parents
- WED., Sept. 7** 8:30 A.M. Maryellen Allard
Req. by Roseanna O'Sullivan & Family
- THURS., Sept. 8** 8:30 A.M. First Responders
Req. by Michelle Beck
- FRI., Sept. 9** 8:30 A.M. Paul M. & Paul H. Pease
Req. by The VanArsdale Family
- SAT., Sept. 10** 8:30 A.M. Anne McIlhenney
Req. by Pat Conroy
4:30 P.M. James Watts
Req. by The Yadzinski Family
- 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

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 Scienaro, Debbie Zuech-Smyrl, Judy Stangl, Gary Stark, Lawrence Stempel, Mel Stubbs, 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 **Joe & Sandy Kruczuk 50th Wedding Anniversary** requested by Pat Patterson.



BLESSED MOTHER VIGIL

The Blessed Mother vigil light for this week is lit for **Marie Kuehn**

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.

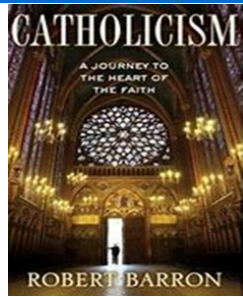
CALLING ALL SMG CATECHISTS, ASSISTANTS & HALL MONITORS!

Please join us for a Catechist In-Service Dinner Meeting Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the church Narthex. Please RSVP by Labor Day, September 5th to Jo Ann at joann.prahl@stmariagoretti.net or by calling 215-721-6559 **We hope to see all of you!!!!**



Please join us for a **Wine & Cheese Meeting with Dinner** to follow Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the church Narthex. Dinner will be followed by a PREP Catechist Meeting.
Feel free to stay and join us for that or not! Please RSVP by Labor Day, September 5th to Jo Ann at joann.prahl@stmariagoretti.net or by calling 215-721-6559 **We hope to see all of you!!!!**

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

SVDP MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul at St. Maria Goretti Parish will collect groceries for local charities next weekend, **September 10-11**. Please take a bag from the Church vestibule and return it next weekend with groceries for one of the charities listed below.

Manna on Main Street operates a soup kitchen and food pantry that last year served nearly forty thousand meals. It needs cooking oil, honey, granulated white sugar; ketchup, mayonnaise, shelf-stable milk; breakfast/granola bars, rice; dried fruit, bottled water, canned tomato products; soups, whole grain pasta, special dietary products that are gluten-free, nut-free, low-sodium, heart healthy; laundry detergent, trash bags, foil wrap; plastic wrap, household cleaning supplies, paper napkins; tissues, body wash, body lotion; and liquid hand soap.

DeSales University students may suffer from food insecurity, living in dorm rooms while unable to afford meal plans. They need microwavable containers of soup, macaroni and cheese, and cereals; applesauce, pudding, pouches of tuna; personal hygiene products.

Laurel House serves victims of domestic violence by providing crisis intervention, safe haven, supportive programs, and other resources. It needs water, canned goods and non-perishables, diapers and pull-ups (all sizes).

May God bless you for your generosity!

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

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 infor-

mación Contactar a Carlos Zuluaga Presidente Par-

roquial Juan XXIII Hatfield . Al 954-309-177 Acércate

al Grupo para que tengas un Encuentro Personal con Jesús

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.

MINISTRIES SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

E.M. of Holy Communion

4:30pm – Sacristan, S. Lynam, J. Gressang
 7:30am – Sacristan, C. Opdyke, M.K. Ramsey
 9:30am – Sacristan, K. & D. Ericsson
 11:30am – Sacristan, P. Perez, M. D’Elia

E.M. Home Visits

A1–M. Collis, A2–R. Mazur, A3–J. Naab, A4–S. Nagele,
 A5–D. Fuse

Lectors

4:30pm – F. Filler, A. Caffarini
 7:30am – D. Smith, C. Friel
 9:30am – F. Stumpo, R. Jones
 11:30am – J. MacFarland, B. Smith

Altar Servers

4:30pm – S. Filler, B. Mazerowski
 7:30am – L. & A. Wertz
 9:30am – M. & N. Cugini
 11:30am – O. Watters, E. Sharp

Cantors

4:30pm – Chelsea
 9:30am – Isabella
 7:30am – J. Vacca
 11:30am – Bruce

POOR BOX STEWARDSHIP

The total collected last week was: **\$347.88**

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!***

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Meet Flothérèse, who lives in Eastern Madagascar and used to depend on a muddy river as her only source of water. Now, she is one of 48 families who buy a daily average of 5 buckets of water at the new water supply system built by CRS’s Zara-Rano project. Please visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

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, August 28th

2021	2022	Difference
\$23,703.58	\$24,291.11	\$ 587.53

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


MARCH FOR LIFE

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: _____