

The Most Holy *Body and Blood* of Christ

Jesus said:
“I am the living bread
that came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.”

John 6:51



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God's Plan for Giving—Tithing—A Way of Life:

Collection for weekend of June 6 and 7, 2020:

Income - Plate: \$7,064.00 + AWC: \$82.00 = \$ 7,146.00

Bills Paid - Total Disbursements = (\$23,340.88)

Total = (\$16,194.88)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris. Please visit us at stellamarisphila.com and click on **Parish Giving** (under our Mass Schedule) for information and/or to enroll.

Living Stewardship:

Manna in the desert, water from a rock, bread, wine. God provides food to nourish our bodies and our souls, to bring us into union with the Divine. This is what we celebrate on this Sunday, The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The Israelites who journeyed through the desert for forty years knew physical hunger, but they were also hungry for more - they needed to know that God was with them as they made their way through the dangerous desert. We too experience hunger. We need to be assured that the Lord is with us as we navigate the circumstances of our lives, some of which feel dangerous, if not to our bodies, certainly to our spirit. Our participation in the Eucharist provides this assurance and more: fed with Christ's Body and Blood, we are drawn into communion with Christ and one another.

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted:

Jeanette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Martha Basualdo, Raymond Baxter, Elaine & Enrico Belfi, Kim Birch, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Mr./Mrs. Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappetto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, S Jeanne Crane SSJ, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Matthew D'Imperio, Lynn DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Louis Falciani, Virginia Faulkner, Russell Fiugalski, Marlene Flocco, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Ann Ippolito, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Charles LaSpada, Samantha LaSpada, Ashleigh Leone, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Danielle McDevitt, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Kathleen Nardy, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Ronald Palumbo, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Anna Philipp, Sophie Philipp, Sophia Phillips, Theresa Quiet, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Keith Ross, Joann Rua, Maria Russo, Carmen Rutolo, Lorraine Saia, Theresa Salvatore, Mina Sammarone, Domenic Santaguida, Baby Rocco Santangelo, Steven Scanlon, Lorraine Schellinger, Patricia Schiela, Anthony Sergontoni, Grover Simpson, Evelyn & Ralph Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, Matt Watson, military disabled, home-bound, and their families.

**Mass Intentions For
The Week of June 14, 2020**

Sunday - June 14

8:00 + Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

10:30 + Arthur Vincent Carrado

Monday - June 15

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday - June 16

8:00 + Sister Mary Agnes Kinee, IHM

Wednesday - June 17

8:00 + William, Anna, and Robert Green

Thursday - June 18

8:00 + Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

Friday - June 19

8:00 + Living & Deceased Members of Stella Maris

Saturday - June 20

8:00 + Deceased Members of the Vecchiolli Family

5:00 + Living & Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

Sunday - June 21

8:00 + Living & Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

10:30 + Living & Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Connie Zanolle

Requested by
Tom & Tinker



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

Requested by
Family



**We Pray for our Deceased
Parishioners,
Relatives and Friends:
FRANKLIN (FRANK) MILLER SR.
CHERYL MONZO**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

**YOU CAN WATCH STELLA MARIS
LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS!**

Please Note: You do not need Facebook to view the video of Liturgical Celebrations. Just access the Facebook page on the Parish's Website (stellamarisphila.com). Click the link and it will take you to Facebook, when asked to log in just click "not now" or "x" out of the box. Go to "Videos" and click on the Liturgical Celebration you want to watch.



From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Today we celebrate "Corpus Christi", the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The Church in her infinite wisdom gives us this solemnity to remind us of the gift of Eucharist.

Our faith teaches us that in the Eucharistic Species, after the words of consecration, the bread and wine ceases to exist. The entire substance of the bread and wine instantaneously becomes the body and blood of Jesus. This is called transubstantiation.

In our second reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, we are reminded that the words of Jesus make it clear that Jesus really gives Himself under the form of bread and wine. We are reminded of the often-used formula: In the Eucharist, Jesus is present, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity. This solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is our time to remember what the Eucharist teaches us.

"All we ever really need is what God provides for us. We have only to trust Jesus in the living bread, whenever we partake of the Body and Blood of our Lord, at Communion, we partake in life itself. We unite ourselves to divinity through Jesus' humanity."

In the fourth verse of the hymn "Gift of Finest Wheat", we are reminded of who it is we received in Eucharist; "The mystery of Your presence Lord, no mortal tongue can tell: Whom all the world cannot contain comes in our hearts to dwell".

Sometimes we can take this most sacred gift for granted. Let us never take the Body and Blood of Christ for granted; but let us always nurture and cherish this gift with our lives, remembering that the world cannot contain Him, yet He comes into our hearts to dwell. May the Body and Blood of our Lord continue to nourish us spiritually and physically.

As summer approaches the school bells are silenced! However, the school bells were silenced in March. I am sure it was a different experience for all students during this unprecedented time in our history. Unfortunately, the pomp and circumstance associated with graduations did not happen. This does not diminish in any way your success and achievements. Therefore, I congratulate all of our young parishioners in colleges and universities, high schools and elementary schools who have graduated and will be graduating.

For those who are able to go away for the summer months or summer weekends: Be safe and enjoy yourself. Also, thank you to those who continue their parish support even though they are away from Stella Maris on weekends or summer months. Please remember your weekly contribution for Stella Maris Church. Your support is so necessary for the parish expenses.

Be assured of my prayers. I ask you to remember me in your prayers.

God Bless!
Father Di Orio

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

The Israelites who journeyed through the desert were fleeing slavery and certain death. Along the way, they encountered serpents, scorpions, and experienced great hunger and thirst. God fed them with manna and quenched their thirst with water drawn from a rock. In these miraculous encounters, the people came to believe that God was truly with them on their journey, and with this assurance, grew to rely on, and put their trust in, God. Jesus began His ministry with a pilgrimage to the desert, where He prayed and placed His trust in His Heavenly Father. Strengthened at God's hand, Jesus stayed true to His mission even in the face of cruel death, giving Himself, His very life and substance to us in bread and wine at the Last Supper and for His disciples forever.

We are not physically wandering in a desert, although millions of people throughout the world live without adequate, clean water. All of us experience spiritual and emotional deserts, however. The food that Jesus gives in the Eucharist, His very Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, nourish us in our desert moments and strengthen us to live as Christ's people in the world. Partaking in Christ's Body and Blood, we are to live as Christ's people in the world, standing in solidarity with those who are in deserts of their own—physical, spiritual, and emotional. We are called to act as Christ's body, nourishing others through our presence, prayer, and sharing.



Ordination

ORDINATIONS JUNE 13 AND JUNE 20, 2020

On Saturday, June 13, 2020 two Philadelphia Seminarians, Mr. Kenneth Cavara and Mr. Mark Tobin, and Mr. Prodip Mrong from the Diocese of Mymensingh, Bangladesh will be ordained as Transitional Deacons by our Archbishop Nelson J. Perez at 10:00 AM.

Ordinations to the Priesthood will occur on Saturday, June 20, 2020. On this day, five men - Deacon Wilmer Chirino, Deacon Cesar Izaguirre, Deacon Louis Monica, Deacon Kevin Okafor, and Deacon August Taglianetti, will be ordained as Priests for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Deacon Martin Okwudiba has been studying in Rome at the Pontifical North American College and his ordination date will be announced at a later time.

These ordinations will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul, Philadelphia. All are invited to join in these liturgical celebrations via livestream on the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary website (www.scs.edu). To listen to the vocation stories for these men you can visit Heedthecall.org.

Please pray for all seminarians, deacons, priests, and religious.

QUO VADIS DAYS A VIRTUAL EVENT JUNE 29 TO JULY 1, 2020

The Vocation Office Staff and Philadelphia Seminarians are excited to welcome high school men to the first ever - VIRTUAL Quo Vadis Days!

Due to current COVID-19 pandemic, we are unable to gather at Black Rock Retreat Center for this camp. So, rather than miss the opportunity for men (incoming freshmen to graduated seniors) to reconnect with old friends and make new friends - we are going ONLINE! There will continue to be great talks, small group discussions, interactive games, daily Mass and prayer. There will also be an opportunity to gather for confession and an in-person Eucharistic Procession. To avoid "Zoom Fatigue" there will be multiple breaks throughout the day! Check out our new promotional video and more details on our website, Heedthecall.org/quovadis.

Registration fee is \$25-\$75 (sliding scale, pay what you are able) which helps cover costs of technology, t-shirt, and fees. Please register as soon as possible, but before the REGISTRATION DEADLINE OF JUNE 12, using the registration packet on our website (Heedthecall.org/quovadis). Questions regarding this year's camp may be directed to Sue Matour, Associate Director (smatour@archphila.org) or to Jillian Minnich, Program Coordinator (jminnich@archphila.org).



STAR OF THE SEA SENIORS TRIP TO LANCASTER

Important Notice: Star of the Sea Seniors trip to the Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA, to see the brand new show, "Queen Esther", which was scheduled for **Thursday, 03/19/20 has been postponed until Thursday, September 17, 2020**, due to health concerns regarding public gatherings and the safety of those attending this trip. More information to follow as the trip date gets closer. If you have questions, please call Marge Varley at **215-463-3386**.



POSTPONED - PARISH BREAKFAST

Our Parish Breakfast, originally scheduled for **Sunday, 05/17/20**, has been **postponed** for the safety of all during this Covid-19 pandemic. We will provide all important information for this event as soon as it is re-scheduled. If anyone has purchased a ticket for the Parish Breakfast, please be assured that all tickets will be honored for the new date.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA TELEVISION MASS

 Every Sunday, at 5:30AM on Channel 6-WPVI TV, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia celebrates Sunday Mass, which is broadcast through the courtesy of Channel 6-WPVI.

LIVE ROSARY TO END CORONAVIRUS WITH THE FAITHFUL OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

Join us online, by phone, or in spirit as we pray the Rosary every night at 8 PM. We will ask the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the Coronavirus. **When: Every Night: 8:00-8:30 PM (Eastern).** Click the link 5-10 minutes early to allow your device to download necessary software. On your computer, go to www.archphila.org; click on "Offices," a list of offices will appear, click on "New Evangelization." Click "Events" tab and find "Nightly at 8PM ET, The Rosary...Coronavirus" and click on "full details." The next screen will show a choice for "Rosary in English" and you can click on the words "Click here to join the Rosary by video." You may want to dial in by phone at 646-558-8656 and enter the Webinar ID: 494 480 541. Hosted by: Meghan Cokeley, Office of New Evangelization, Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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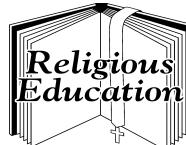
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Please check with organizations, schools, parishes, etc. who have postings in our bulletin to see if their events and/or functions have been cancelled or postponed. Thank you. Be safe. God bless!

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STELLA MARIS PARISH CALENDAR

Due to the present situation with Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the safety of all involved, all Stella Maris events are suspended until further notice. God bless!



CCD REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2020!

Registration for our Religious Education Program for 2020-2021 is open.

Requirements:

- Students need to be 6 years or older by September 1, 2020
- Registration Form and Fee
- Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- Signed Letter of Permission from your Pastor, if not a member of Stella Maris Parish

Please send email stellamarisdre@comcast.net or call the Rectory at 215-465-2336 for more information and/or a Registration Packet.

ASSISTED LIVING AND / OR LONG TERM CARE FOR SENIORS

Information on the cost of Senior Living and Care in Philadelphia, along with Finance Assistance Programs, can be found at www.payingforseniorcare.com. This website  will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.

STELLA MARIS RECTORY SCHEDULE



Stella Maris Rectory is now open. Our regular business hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday thru Friday. Thank you for your cooperation.

GET TO KNOW OUR SAINTS

During this "stay at home" time, why not take some time to research our Saints? You will find that we have lots of things in common with some of the Saints. This is a great activity for children and their parents, guardians, and/or grandparents to do together. You can start with your favorite Saint, the Saint for whom you are named, the Saint of the day, or the Saint of the month.



ST. VITUS
PRAY FOR US!

The Saints we celebrate this week are as follows:

- June 15 - St. Germaine
June 15 - Ss. Vitus, Modestus, and Crescentia (Martyrs)
June 16 - St. John Francis Regis
June 17 - St. Ranier
June 17 - St. Gregory Barbarigo
June 18 - St. Ephrem
June 18 - Ss. Mark and Marcellianus (Martyrs)
June 19 - St. Juliana Falconieri
June 20 - Pope St. Silverius (Martyr)
June 21 - St. Terence
June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

Which Saint is celebrated on your birthday? ENJOY your Saints Adventure!

SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ADDICTION: HOPE IN CHRIST



You are not alone! The Church desires to be close to her children who are struggling with addiction and to bring them the healing power of Jesus Christ's love. Many parishes around the Archdiocese are extending God's merciful and loving hand to those struggling with an addiction as well as their families and loved ones. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage provides a central location for Catholic resources, ongoing support, testimonies and events that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to spiritually support you in your journey towards recovery. You may visit archphila.org/hope for details and postings.

IN-HOME SUPPORT SYSTEM

Are you homebound? Would you benefit from on-going services such as meals, transportation or a senior companion, and short-term services (housekeeping and personal care)? The In-Home Support Program may be able to help you. If you are at least 60 years of age, need assistance or supervision when leaving the home and are basically homebound, please call 215-732-1140 to learn more about this program.

This information has been provided by Catholic Health Care Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

LILY'S GIFT MINISTRY

Lily's Gift Ministry is a beautiful Philadelphia Archdiocesan resource for women and couples who have received a poor prenatal diagnosis and would like support carrying their precious baby to term.

Learn more about this very important ministry at www.lilysgift.org.

This information has been provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Office for Life and Family.

PARISH FROZEN FOOD PROGRAM

Our Parish Frozen Food Program is in need of dinners: pasta, chicken, beef, ham, pork and fish. We kindly ask that meals prepared contain meat or fish, a starch (pasta/potatoes/rice) and a vegetable. Those who receive these meals are elderly and it is healthy for them to get a balanced, nutritious meal. We are grateful to those who take home trays and return them with their leftovers/prepared meals, and/or those who bring pantry items on a regular basis.



MAY GOD REWARD YOU FOR FEEDING THOSE IN NEED!

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES, AND OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE

Although the Mass Book for 2020 is full, there are Adoration Chapel Candles and Offerings of Bread and Wine still available in 2020. Each of these are lit or offered for an entire week, seven days. Just like a Mass, you may offer these for a living or deceased person, or special intention. The donations are: \$20 for each Adoration Chapel Candle and \$25 for the offering of Bread and Wine. You may call or come to the Rectory during regular business hours to see which weeks are available, or you may complete one of the forms below, being sure to include your phone number, in case we need to contact you. Attach your donation to the form, and place it in an envelope. You may drop it in the collection basket when you attend Mass, or mail it to our Stella Maris Rectory: 2901 S 10th St., Philadelphia, PA 19148.



ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

Altar Bread and Wine may be offered for an entire week, for the living or deceased. If you are interested, please complete the information below and return the form to Stella Maris Rectory with a \$25 donation. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

REQUESTED BY:

Phone# _____

ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES

Two Adoration Chapel candles are available to be offered (\$20 each) for the living or deceased, and will remain lit for seven days. If you would like to reserve a candle, complete the information below and return the form to Stella Maris Rectory with a \$20 donation. Please include your phone number on the form. All names and donors will be posted in our Church Bulletin accordingly.



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