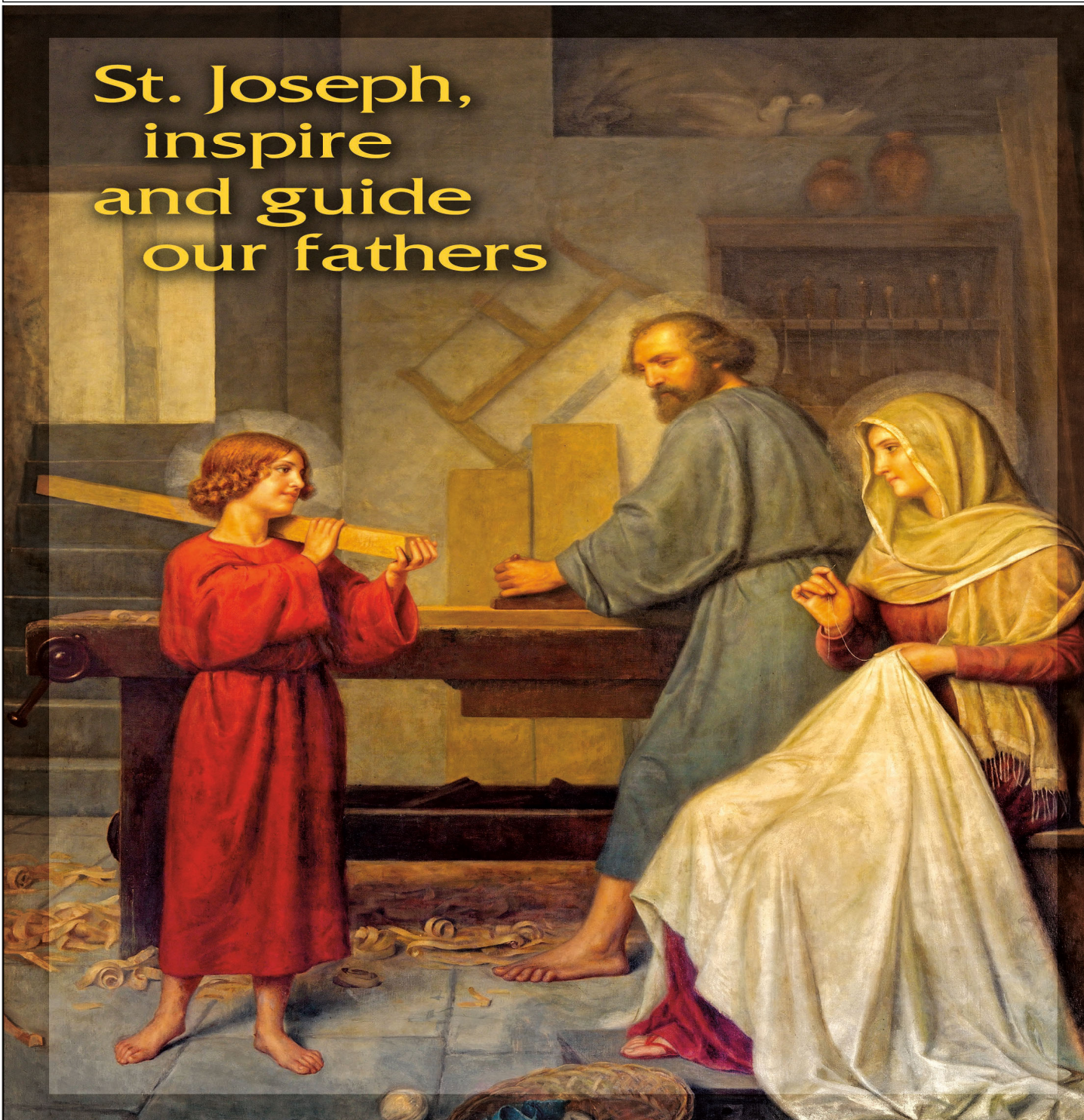


Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 20, 2021

**St. Joseph,
inspire
and guide
our fathers**



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God's Plan for Giving-Tithing-A Way of Life
Collection for weekend of 06/12/21 & 06/13/21
Income = Plate \$4,678.00 + AWC \$72.50 = \$4,750.50
Bills Paid = Total Disbursements = (\$19,275.93)
Total = (\$14,525.43)



Your Church contributions can be electronically withdrawn from your account and deposited directly to Stella Maris.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: "When we find ourselves being brought to a new place in life, we often presume that the new destination will be clear before us and without turmoil. Yet crossing to the other side of anything is always unsettling. In the end, faith does not just calm our insides for the duration of the journey. Faith is the strength and wisdom we have knowing that Christ is in our boat."

Sick Relatives & Friend—Please pray for the sick that they may be comforted: Jeanette Albanese, Blaise Ambrosini, Nicholas Andreola, Dottie Arcuri, Neil Baldwin, Raymond Baxter, Elaine Belfi, Kim Birch, Kelly Anne Bodine, Shyla Boetter, Emmanuel Borgesi, Mr & Mrs Bracy, Donna Bria, Dominick Bucciarelli, Rose Cappelto, William Carbo, Kelly Carr, Arthur Carrado, Doris Castagno, Louis Chila, Elaine Cipparone, Mina Collazzo, Robert Costello, Donna Cunningham, Jill Daly, Antonio D'Angelo, Bea DeCaro, Ron DeJulius, Anna DelVecchio and Family, Matthew D'Imperio, Dom Dinella, Kathy Dinella, Lynn DiOrio, Veronica Dolan, Marie Donato, Lucy Dougherty, Dolores Edmondson, Trish Ezzie, Virginia Faulkner, Marie Feehan, Russell Fiugalski, George Fragnito, Samantha Fry, Joan Gain, Evelyn Gardella, Keith Green, Margie Gurbuz, Carol Holman, Kimberly Honeschuck, Dakota Hussein, Lucy Intelisano, Nora James, Frank Kane, Vito LaFranci, Ashleigh Leone, Jamie Long, Bob Lutz, Kathleen Magnotta, Domenick Maiorano, Mario Marchetti, Pat Marsico, Carmela Martini, Lilian Mattioli, Karen McConnell, Danielle McDevitt, Mildred Megali, Rita Mendicino, Louise Mento, Lucy Michielli, Kayla Minore, Florence Mooney, Cecelia Moore, Philomena Nardello, Thomas Nardone, Renate Nardy, Patrick Oldfield, Matthew Padgeon, Louis Pagano, Rose Pagano, Jaycee Park, Jason Perri, Madeline Perri, Sophia Philipp, Theresa Quieti, Angela Raffa, Amanda Razzano, Jason Rindone, Michael Rines, Rich Rosati, 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, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Grover Simpson, Evelyn Spina, Regina Stanley, Thomas Sweeney Jr., Savannah Taylor, James Trainor Jr., Lori Trischler, Terry Troiano, Cindy Tuohey, Allyson Turner, Alicia Viray, Sarah Wallace, Matt Watson, military disabled, home-bound, and their families.

Rest in Peace **We Pray for our Deceased Parishioners, Relatives and Friends:**

DOMENICK ITALIANO JOHN POMARICI

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.

Mass Intentions For
The Week June 20, 2021

Sunday-June 20

8:00 + Living and Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris
10:30 + Living and Deceased Fathers of Stella Maris

Monday-June 21

7:30 + Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday-June 22

8:00 + Martyr D'Ambrosio

Wednesday-June 23

8:00 + Vincent C. Milione

Thursday-June 24

8:00 + Annemarie McDonald

Friday-June 25

8:00 + Carol Rucci and Joseph DiMarco

Saturday-June 26

8:00 + Living and Deceased Members of Stella Maris
5:00 + Rosemarie Rago

Sunday-June 27

8:00 + Eleanor Giordano
10:30 + Frank, Anna, Antoinette and Sam Palesano

Church Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of
Sam Palesano

Requested by
Stella Maris Helping Hands



Bread & Wine

In Memory of
Theresa (Teri) Di Orio

Requested by
Her Daughter, Lynn



IS THE RITE OF
CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
(R.C.I.A.) FOR YOU?



Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Are you curious about the Catholic faith, but not sure you want to make a commitment? Are you married to a Catholic spouse, raising the children Catholic, and interested in knowing more to be able to share with them? Are you a Catholic who desires to complete the initiation process by receiving Eucharist and/or Confirmation? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the R.C.I.A. may be for you.

The R.C.I.A. is designed to assist youth and adults who:

- *Have never been baptized and wish to be baptized in the Catholic Church
- *Have been baptized in another Christian Tradition (Lutheran, Episcopalian, etc.) and wish to become Catholic
- *Were baptized Catholic but have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation

There's no time like the present to begin your inquiry in the faith. If you are interested in learning more about R.C.I.A., please contact Mrs. Marie Milano at 215-465-2336, ext. 5.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

To all our Dads, Grandfathers, Great-grandfathers, Godfathers and all who fulfill the role of Dad, I extend a Happy Father's Day. May our heavenly Father bless all our Dads who are with us here with good health and happiness. May all who have passed away be at peace and rest with God our Father in Heaven.

In today's Gospel from Mark, we learned that the disciples were terrified because they feared they were going to perish in the storm. Well, let me tell you something both true and difficult to hear. All people struggle with fear. That includes you and me. Fears may not always be obvious, but they nonetheless have extraordinary power over our actions and perception of reality. Fears buried under or with other emotions are more difficult to detect. For instance, guilt is a combination of two feelings: joy and fear. Likewise, despair = sadness + fear; shame = disgust + fear; and anxiety = anticipation + fear. Worry, terror, dread, panic, guilt, despair, shame and anxiety – struggling with these things, we are struggling with fear. In fact, the Christian story is the dynamic back-and-forth between human fear and divine embrace. This is evident in Genesis 3:9-10, when, filled with shame, Adam and Eve hide from God. "Where are you?", God calls out. Adam responds, "I am hiding because I am afraid". So, their story is also our story. We all struggle with fear; fear is the heart's cry for God's love. This deeply human experience can then become the fundamental context for meeting God.

In the midst of our fear, God pulls us close, He calls us into new life, and He calms the storm. Jesus asked the disciples, "Do you not yet have faith?" We all have our fears in our lives. Even though there are many legitimately caused fears, yet Jesus says, "Be not afraid." Yes, in a storm, waves do wash into the boat, but God is there with us. Even if we think God is asleep and not paying attention, He is still there. Waking or sleeping, God is in control. We need to hear the words, "Quiet! Be Still." Then, we need to cross to the other side, the side of trust in God's love. Again, the question remains, "Do you not yet have faith?"

We welcome to the neighborhood, Father Kenneth L. Cavara, a newly ordained priest, who will begin his ministry tomorrow, Monday, June 21, 2021, at St. Monica Parish. We wish Father well and pray for him as he begins his new assignment.

At this time of the year, many are blessed to be able to go away for the summer months or summer weekends. Be safe and enjoy yourself. Remember, God does not take a vacation from us, so we should remember to **keep holy** the Lord's Day by attending Mass when we are on vacation.

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 please remember me in your prayers.

Happy Summer!
God Bless!
Father Di Orio



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CCD REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2021



Registration for our Religious Education Program for the 2021-2022 school year is now open.

The following is required for Registration:

- 1) Students need to be 6 years or older by 09/01/21
- 2) Completed Registration Form and Fee
 - *Registration fee of **\$175** per child for **Stella Maris Parishioners-\$75 deposit due by July 15, 2021**
 - *Registration fee of **\$200** per child for **Non-Parishioners-\$100 deposit due by July 15, 2021**
- 3) Signed letter of permission from your pastor (only if you are not a member of Stella Maris Parish)
- 4) Baptismal certificate for all **new** registrations (only if your child was **not baptized** at Stella Maris)

Please email stellamarisdre@comcast.net or call **215-465-2336** for more information and a Registration Packet.

Please note: CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings.



MASS IN HONOR OF VENERABLE FATHER AUGUSTUS TOLTON

There will be a Mass in honor of Venerable Father Augustus Tolton on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 10:00AM at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103. The celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Nelson Perez, Archbishop of Philadelphia. This event is co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office of Black Catholics. All are welcome.

COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS LIFTED

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has released updated directives for the celebration of Mass and other parish ministries in light of most pandemic restrictions being lifted. To read these new directives and to stay informed about other important matters, visit our Archdiocesan Arise website at:

archphila.org/arise



PROPERTY TAX REBATE

To help with the rising cost of living, you are reminded that **Pennsylvania Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program** applications are now available. There are new guidelines which will permit individuals that **qualify to receive a rebate between \$250 and \$650 from property taxes or rent paid last year.** Funding for this rebate program is made possible by the Pennsylvania State Lottery Fund and is a rebate that does not have to be repaid. **This application must be filed by Wednesday, June 30, 2021.** To qualify, you must be 65 years of age or older, a widow or widower 50 years of age or older, or a disabled person 18 years or older. Homeowners that have annual incomes of \$35,000 or less and renters with annual incomes of \$15,000 or less could qualify. **Only half of your annual Social Security or SSI income is counted toward the income guideline.** For more information or an application, call **United Social Services, Monday through Friday, between 10AM and 4PM at 215-923-1900** and a staff member will assist you.



ONLINE ROSARY TO END CORONAVIRUS AND RENEWAL IN CHURCH

“...there is no problem, as difficult as it may be, that we cannot resolve at this time by praying the Holy Rosary.” -Sr. Lucia of Fatima

Join us as we storm Heaven with Mother Mary, St. Joseph and all the saints. Join us online, by phone, or in spirit as we pray the Rosary, asking the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to put an end to the Coronavirus and to bring restoration to those most severely impacted by the pandemic. **We are also asking Our Lady to obtain a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit, bringing about our deeper conversion to the heart of Jesus Christ and institutional renewal at every level. The schedule is as follows: Monday through Thursday Nights, 8:00-8:30 PM until December 8, 2021.** 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

VOCATION PRAYER PARTNERS

Each day, numerous men and women in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia pray a rosary for the specific intention of an increase in vocations to the diocesan priesthood for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Prayer is the foundation of all that we do, and these faith-filled and supportive individuals are spiritual prayer-warriors, praying specifically for the men to whom God is calling to follow Him as His priests, and that they listen and heed His voice. On the **first Saturday of each month**, this group gathers online to pray as a community and in support of each other. If you wish to join this dynamic and growing community of Prayer Partners, please contact: Sue Matour at **610-667-5778** or smatour@archphila.org.

CHARISMATIC RETREAT

A Charismatic Retreat is being held at the Malvern Retreat House on 06/25/21 to 06/26/21. The retreat leader is Fr. Bill Halbing, who has been in the Charismatic Renewal since 1975. Retreat includes prayer, Mass, and sessions discussing spiritual warfare. The cost is \$175pp-Onsite; \$75pp-Virtual. Retreat begins at 5pm on 06/25/21. To register, call 610-644-0400.



“YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH”

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 12/08/20, the Holy Father proclaimed the “Year of St. Joseph”, which extends to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on 12/08/2021. Pope Francis shares his beautiful reflections on St. Joseph in the new Apostolic Letter named, *With a Father’s Heart*. He shares his intent with the proclamation: **“The aim of this Apostolic letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession, and to imitate his virtues and his zeal.”**

Ways to Gain a Plenary Indulgence in the Year of St. Joseph

*Meditate at least 30 minutes on the Lord’s Prayer, or take part in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. *Follow St. Joseph’s example by performing a spiritual or corporal work of mercy. *Recite the Rosary with your family members and also among engaged couples. *Entrust your daily activities to the protection of St. Joseph and invoke his intercession for those seeking work so they can find dignifying work to support themselves and their families. *Recite the Litany to St. Joseph or any prayer to St. Joseph proper to liturgical traditions, for the persecuted Church and for the relief of all Christians suffering persecution. *Recite any legitimately approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph. *This indulgence is also extended to the sick, the elderly, the dying and all those who for legitimate reasons are unable to leave their homes.

HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOP ON “CATHOLOICISM AND THE COMMON GOOD”

Join the Collegium Institute at the University of Pennsylvania Newman Center on Monday, 06/28/21 through Wednesday, 06/30/21 for a seminar of the Young Catholic Leaders Initiative for advanced high school students, made possible by a generous grant from the Connelly Foundation. Over the course of three days, the focus will be on the family, the state, and the Church stipulated by Catholic Social Teaching. Through keynote lectures and seminars with Penn faculty, panel discussions and city tours with experts in local history, they will explore the principles undergirding Catholic thought on the common good by engaging with thinkers from Augustine and Aquinas to Weil and Wojtyla, as well as seeking to apply those principles to our contemporary American context. For details and to RSVP visit:

<https://www.collegiuminstitute.org/calendar/>



ARCHDIOCESAN LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS ON-LINE!

If you have been fully vaccinated and are healthy, we encourage you to return to Church to celebrate Mass with your Stella Maris Parish Family.

For those still unable to attend Mass in person, we invite you to watch the live-streamed Archdiocesan Masses celebrated at the Cathedral, by accessing the Archdiocesan website at: (<https://vimeo.com/channels/catholicphillymass>). On the right-hand side, under “Browse this Channel”, click on “Videos”, then click on the Liturgical Celebration you want to watch.



**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.



CHURCH SANCTUARY CANDLE

Our Church Sanctuary Candle is available to be offered for the living or deceased, and will remain lit for seven days. If you would like to reserve a candle, please 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.

IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

REQUESTED BY:

Phone# _____



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.

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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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**INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES AND
AUTISM HELP-LINE**

This convenient help-line assists families with connecting to disabilities services provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

To reach the Help-Line, please call 484-472-5041 or email IDDhelp@chs-adphila.org.



**ASSISTED LIVING AND/OR LONG TERM
CARE FOR SENIORS**

For information on the cost of, or questions about, Senior Living and Care in Philadelphia, along with Financial Assistance Programs, please visit the following website: www.payingforseniorcare.com. This website will help you find eligibility and benefit information for over 300 programs regarding care for elderly loved ones.



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 network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced, or worked closely with, issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. To expectant parents, we offer unique insight and sensitivity regarding such difficult issues as:

- +Maintaining hope when a prognosis is poor
- +Sorting through medical decision making
- +Grieving the loss of the anticipated baby
- +Stillbirth and neonatal critical care

For more information, visit www.Lily'sGift.org or call Sister Kathleen Schipani (215-587-3530). This information has been provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the Office for Life and Family.