

istered and an active parishioner for at least 6 months. Registration forms are available at the back of the church.

**IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Fr. Gismondi has stressed the need of prayer. In the past he always said everyone should be saying one rosary per day. Now he asks that everyone in the parish pray two rosaries per day.

**ROSARY INTENTION: PRIVATE AND PUBLIC**

Fr. Gismondi is asking all parishioners to include the following intentions in their personal rosaries:

- St. Mary will be able to purchase the property of St. Mary from St. Matthew.
- St. Mary will become a personal parish.
- St. Mary remain open and public Masses be able to continue.
- That Our Lady protect our quasi-parish, and the priests and religious attached to the Latin Mass,
- And that the Latin Mass be celebrated without restriction throughout the world.

Public Rosaries at St. Mary will also carry this intention.

**REMINDER ON NOISY CHILDREN**

Our Lord reminds us that "It is written, 'My house is a house of prayer.'" In order to fulfill this saying, we ask that noisy and misbehaving children be brought to the vestibule promptly. It is the duty of the ushers, and only the ushers, to remind people to follow this general rule.

**EMAIL NEWSLETTER—KEEP UPDATED ON PARISH EVENTS**

Would you like to join our list to receive event updates and announcements at St. Mary? Send an email to: [stmaryslmnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:stmaryslmnewsletter@gmail.com) to receive our newsletter.

**ONLINE DONATIONS**

St. Mary accepts online donations for both the General and Building Funds. To donate, go to [www.stmarylatinmass.com](http://www.stmarylatinmass.com) and click the DONATE button. Visa, Mastercard accepted; checking and saving accounts preferred. Donations can be one-time or monthly.

**MISSALS FOR SALE IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

The parish office has in stock the 1962 Latin Mass Missals by Baronius Press. Missals are sold for \$65.00 each, please bring exact change. Call or visit the office to purchase.

**COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

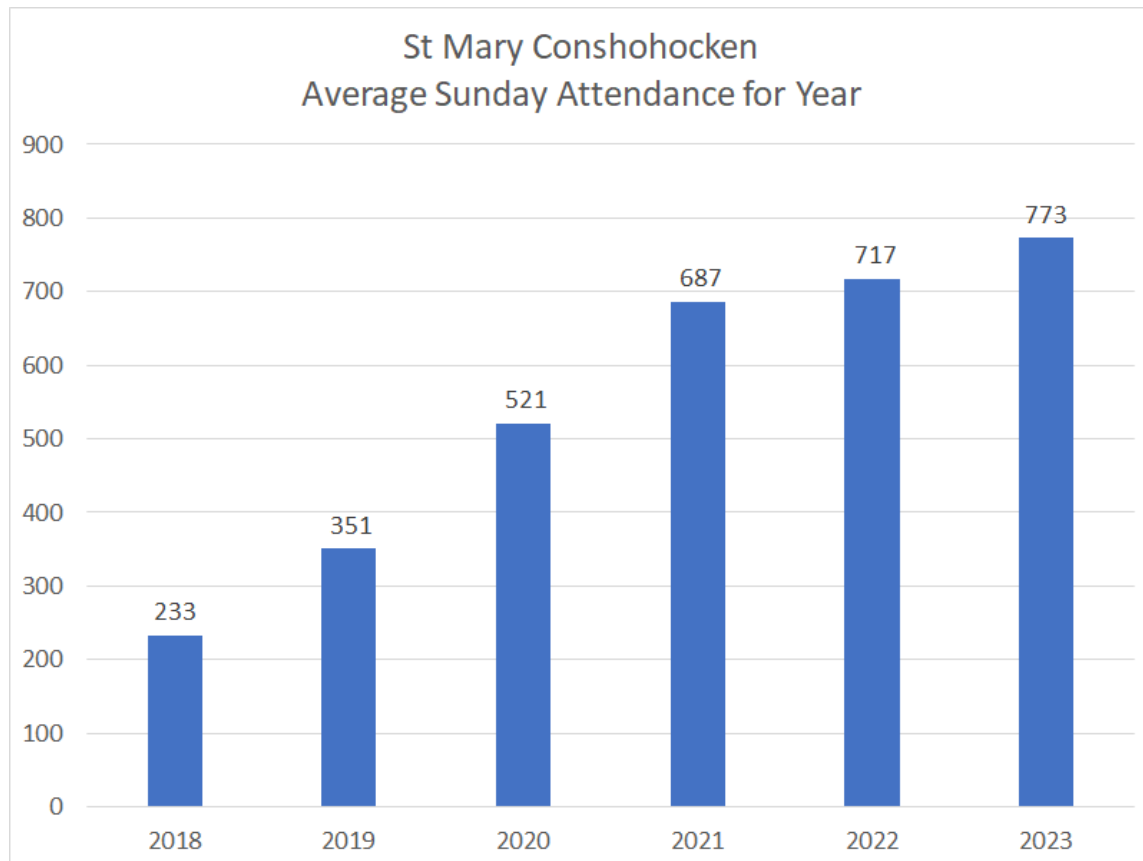
**THE SAMARITANS CHOICE—AN ACT OF LOVE— HELP STEM THE TIDE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.**

The Archdiocesan Office for Life and Family in partnership with the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, American Association will present an educational program designed to help stem the tide of human trafficking in our local community. The presentation is provided free of charge and open to all. The focus is on prevention and protection for you, your family and those who fall into your sphere of influence by raising awareness on how to identify the signs, how to report it, and how to support survivors. For more information on this program please visit the website of the Office of Life and Family at [phillycatholiclife.org](http://phillycatholiclife.org).

**MARTIN SAINTS CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL**

Admissions Open House: February 26th  
Location: 3000 Keenwood Road, East Norriton, PA 19403  
7th Grade Visitation Day: March 12th, 2024  
Location: 121 Allison Road, Oreland, PA 19075  
[www.whymsc.org](http://www.whymsc.org) Contact: Ms. Laura Lindmeier at: [llindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org](mailto:llindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org)

St Mary Conshohocken  
Average Sunday Attendance for Year



**St. Mary Catholic Church**

140 W. Hector St. Conshohocken, PA 19428



**Mass Schedule**  
*Sunday Mass*  
 8:00 am—Low  
 10:00 am—High  
 (Low Mass in summer)  
 1:00 pm—Low  
*Daily Mass:*  
 Monday 7:15 a.m.  
 Tuesday 7:15 a.m.  
 Wednesday 7:15 a.m. & 12:05 pm  
 Thursday 7:15 am  
 Friday 12:05 pm & 6:30 pm  
 Saturday 7:15 am & 9:00 am

**Sacraments**  
 A person must be a registered and practicing parishioner of St. Mary Church for six months to receive the Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage here. Please find orange parish registration forms in the vestibule.

**BAPTISM**  
 To schedule, please contact one of the priests.

**MARRIAGE**  
 A meeting with one of the priests must be made at least six months prior to the proposed wedding day. To schedule, please contact one of the priests.

**Simple Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
 Mon-Thurs 8:00-9:00 a.m.  
 Friday 5:30-6:20 p.m.  
 Saturday 8:00-9:00 a.m.

**Confessions**  
 30 min. before every Mass

**Devotions to Our Lady of Czestochowa**  
 Fridays after the 6:30pm Mass

Fr. Gismondi, FSSP, *Pastor*  
[stmarylatinmass@gmail.com](mailto:stmarylatinmass@gmail.com)

Fr. Kick, FSSP, *Parochial Vicar*  
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Fr. Masutti, FSSP, *Parochial Vicar*  
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Diann Sgrillo, *Business Mgr.*  
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 Monday- Friday: 8:30am - 5pm  
[www.stmarylatinmass.com](http://www.stmarylatinmass.com)  
 (610) 717- 3972

**St. Mary Groups**

**Confraternity of Christian Mothers**  
 Sue Zima:  
[susanzima@zoho.com](mailto:susanzima@zoho.com)

**Holy Name Society**  
 Dan McCormick:  
[stmarys.hns@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys.hns@gmail.com)

**Volunteer Church Cleaning**  
 Sally Trier:  
[sgtrier211@outlook.com](mailto:sgtrier211@outlook.com)

**Juventutem Young Adults**  
[juventutemphl@gmail.com](mailto:juventutemphl@gmail.com)

**Adult & Childrens Choir Program**  
 Lisa Knutson:  
[ldknutson@gmail.com](mailto:ldknutson@gmail.com)

**St. Mary Homeschool Group**  
 Caroline Jennings:  
[Caroline\\_Farnoly@yahoo.com](mailto:Caroline_Farnoly@yahoo.com)

**Toddler Group**  
 Andrea Amato:  
[andrea.amato2819@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.amato2819@gmail.com)

**Teen Group**  
 Contact Rectory

**St. Stephen Altar Boy Guild**  
 Fr. Kick:  
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**Stella Maris Maidens**  
 Missy Borreson:  
[stellamarismaidens@gmail.com](mailto:stellamarismaidens@gmail.com)

**Troops of St. George**  
 Jonathan Borreson:  
[troopsfstgeorge1788@gmail.com](mailto:troopsfstgeorge1788@gmail.com)

St Mary Catholic Church is non-territorial quasi-parish established by Archbishop Chaput in 2018 for the pastoral care of the faithful of the Archdiocese who are attached to the Extraordinary Form of the liturgy.

St. Mary Catholic Church is staffed by the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP), a Society of Apostolic Life approved by Pope John Paul II in 1988 to offer Extraordinary Form of the Latin Rite of the Mass and the Sacraments according to the liturgical books of 1962.

Sun. Feb. 18 8:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	<b>First Sunday of Lent, I Class</b> Maria and Imelda Amato <i>Pro Populo</i> + James and + Margaret Bebout
Mon. Feb. 19 7:15 A.M.	<b>Feria of Lent, III Class</b> Mary Anne Romanchuk Family
Tues. Feb. 20 7:15 A.M.	<b>Feria of Lent, III Class</b> + John Patota
Wed. Feb. 21 7:15 A.M. 12:05 P.M.	<b>Ember Wednesday in Lent, II Class</b> + John Kutherbach Alex & Britt Reinke & Family
Thur. Feb. 22 7:15 A.M.	<b>Chair of Saint Peter, I Class</b> + Jane Guhl
Fri. Feb. 23 12:05 P.M. 6:30 P.M.	<b>Ember Friday in Lent, II Class</b> Deceased Members of the Castaneda Family Living & Deceased Members of the Bykowski Family
Sat. Feb. 24 7:15 A.M. 9:00 A.M.	<b>Ember Saturday in Lent, II Class</b> + Margaret Patota David Tidd and Family
Sun. Feb. 25 8:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M.	<b>Second Sunday of Lent, I Class</b> John Patota Family <i>Pro Populo</i> Frank B. Yanchek

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

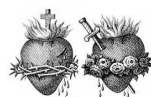
Opening Hymn: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

1. Lord, who throughout these forty days  
For us didst fast and pray,  
Teach us with thee to mourn our sins,  
And close by thee to stay.
2. As thou with Satan didst contend,  
And didst the vict'ry win,  
O give us strength in thee to fight,  
In thee to conquer sin.
3. As thou didst hunger bear and thirst,  
So teach us, gracious Lord,  
To die to self, and ever live  
By thy most holy word.
4. And through these days of penitence,  
And through thy Passiontide,  
Forevermore, in life and death,  
O Lord, with us abide.

Closing Hymn: The Glory of These Forty Days

1. The glory of these forty days  
We celebrate with songs of praise;  
For Christ, by whom all things were made,  
Himself hath fasted and hath prayed.
2. Alone and fasting Moses saw  
The living God who gave the law;  
And to Elijah, fasting, came  
The steeds and chariots of flame.
3. So Daniel trained his mystic sight,  
Deliver'd from the lion's might;  
And John, the Bridegroom's friend, became  
The herald of Messiah's name.
4. Then grant us, Lord, like them to be  
Full oft in fast and prayer with thee;  
Our spirits strengthen with thy grace,  
And give us joy to see thy face.

Mass XVII, Credo 1  
Offertory: *Parce Domine* by Obrecht  
Communion: *Audi Benigne Conditor* by Lassus



### THIS WEEK

- Mon, Feb 19 Confraternity of Christian Mothers
- Wed, Feb 20 ACE Class

### PARISH COFFEE SOCIAL—TODAY

Today after the 8:00am and 10:00am masses, we will be having the parish coffee social in the Parish Hall.

### BUILDING FUND COLLECTION—TODAY

On the third Sunday of the month the parish takes a Building Fund collection at all Masses. Donations to the Building Fund should be a gift in addition to the regular collection. Special envelopes are available at the entrance of the church that can be used in the general collection at anytime.

### FATHER MASUTTI AWAY

Father Masutti will be away through Friday, February 23rd.

### 2023 TAX DONATION LETTERS

Tax letters were mailed. Please review them immediately for errors and contact the office with any questions or concerns.

### CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS—MON FEB 19

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will be meeting on Monday, February 19. Members can be married or single, and need not have children. The night will begin at 7:00 pm with Holy Hour in the main church, and will follow with a social and a talk by Fr. Gismondi in the church hall. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Zima at [suzanzima@zoho.com](mailto:suzanzima@zoho.com)

### ADULT CONTINUING EDUCATION (ACE) CLASS— FEB 20, 7PM

Fr. Gismondi will be going over the Gospel of Mark. It will meet weekly at 7pm on Tuesdays, in the office classroom. It is open to parishioners 16 years old and above.

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- Fri, Mar 1-2 All Night Adoration

### HAND OUT ON FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Septuagesima Season is the time before Lent the Church has traditionally set aside for the Faithful to prepare for Lent. In the vestibule of the church there is a green hand out with the current and also the traditional laws on fasting and abstinence. Please take one and prayerfully reflect on what penances to do during Lent.

### FRIDAYS IN LENT

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent immediately before Mass. The Holy Hour will begin at 5:00pm. The Schedule will be:

- Holy Hour 5:00PM– 5:50PM
- Confessions 5:30PM– 5:50PM
- Stations of the Cross 6:00PM
- Mass 6:35PM

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN— MAR 16

The 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign begins Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14th. St. Mary's will participate in the prayer vigil on Saturday, March 16th. We need at least 2 people per time slot from 7 AM to 7 PM. Families and groups are welcome! There will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for the next few weeks. Please leave a contact number to receive info and a reminder. Contact Julie Easter with any questions at [Easter8181@gmail.com](mailto:Easter8181@gmail.com).

**ST. MARY POLISH AMERICAN SOCIETY EASTER FOOD SALE**  
We are happy to announce the return of our annual St. Mary Polish American Society Easter Food Sale. Food items will include:

- Babkas (cheese, cinnamon crumb, or raspberry cheese) for \$16 each from L&M Bakery in Delran, NJ;
- Pierogi (potato, potato cheese, or sauerkraut) for \$10 per dozen from Polka Deli in Port Richmond, Philadelphia;
- Kielbasa for \$9 per pound from Czerw's in Port Richmond.

The deadline to place a food order will be Wednesday, March 13th. Order pick-up will be on Friday, March 22nd and Saturday March 23rd from 1 to 4 pm in the Church Hall. Proceeds from the Easter Food Sale support our mission of promoting Polish heritage in Montgomery County and assistance with the restoration of St. Mary. To place a food order please email: [foodsale@stmarypolish.org](mailto:foodsale@stmarypolish.org) or call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861.

### CELEBRATE LIFE BANQUET— SUN FEB 25, 4PM

A table of 10 has been donated to St. Mary for the Celebrate Life Banquet on Sunday, February 25th at the Springfield Country Club in Springfield PA. The guest speaker will be Teresa Tomeo. Reception begins at 4:00pm with dinner following at 5pm. If you are interested in attending please contact Julie Easter at [Easter8181@gmail.com](mailto:Easter8181@gmail.com).

### ALL NIGHT ADORATION—MARCH 1-2

St. Mary's Holy Name Society is organizing an All Night Adoration for the parish from March 1 to March 2. It will start after the 6:30PM mass. Benediction will be at 7AM on March 2 before the Saturday morning mass.

### YOUNG ADULT ULTIMATE FRISBEE TEAM FOR CASSOCK CLASSIC TOURNAMENT— SAT APR 27

St. Mary's will be participating in the 2024 Cassock Classic Ultimate Frisbee tournament this year. All young adults 18 and up are invited to join our team! The tournament takes place on Saturday, April 27th at the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Teams will face off against other Young Adult groups in the diocese. If you are interested in joining the St. Mary's team please contact Darlene Sacco at: [Darleneasacco@gmail.com](mailto:Darleneasacco@gmail.com) by March 8th. Practices will begin in March.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SIX PARISH VOCATIONS

Please continue to keep our six vocations from our parish in your prayers:

1. Elise Levito at the Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, Hanceville, Alabama.
2. Jack Brosius at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary, Nebraska.
3. Jacob Talley at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary, Nebraska.
4. Brian Hill at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary, Nebraska.
5. Sr. Mary Jacinta of the Immaculate Heart
6. Br. Philip of the Blessed Trinity, Er. Carm. D (Tom O'Mara) The Discalced Hermits of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the Diocese of Harrisburg.

### ST. MARY POLISH AMERICAN SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

St. Mary Polish American Society is accepting applications for the second annual Felicia Jemionek Rzeznik Memori-

al Scholarship, a \$1,500 scholarship to a qualified student of Polish ancestry residing within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia pursuing full-time undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university in the United States. Full information about the scholarship is included in the QR code. For any questions, please call Dorothy Swedkowski at 610-630-0861. Deadline is March 1st.



### FR ALLEN FSSP

Please continue to keep Fr. Allen in your prayers for a speedy recovery.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1603

St. Mary's Church is no longer associated with Knights of Columbus Council 1603.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### GETTING ITEMS BLESSED

If you have items to be blessed, please put them in a bag with your name and phone number on it—a Ziplock bag is perfect. Please take them to the priest's sacristy immediately after Mass. Father will bless them during the week, and the items will be available for pick up the next Sunday in the priest's sacristy.

#### RECEIVING COMMUNION

In the Extraordinary Form communion is received on the tongue at the altar rail. To properly receive, please:

1. Kneel at the rail—if you can. If you have difficulty kneeling then remain standing.
2. When the priest is giving communion to the person before you, rotate your head upwards a little—sometimes it helps to look at the ceiling.
3. **Close your eyes** before the priest comes to you.
4. Amen is **not** said by the person receiving.

It is important to be ready before the priest approaches you. Also, if the eyes are kept open, one reacts as the host is moving towards him. In other words the person is moving their head towards the host which makes it harder for the priest. Please close your eyes. Thank you.

#### REMINDER ON MODEST ATTIRE

At St. Peter's Basilica in Rome the modesty guidelines for both men and women are:

- Pants and skirts should be long enough that the knees are covered when sitting.
- The shoulders are covered.
- No plunging necklines.
- Clothing should not be tight. Clothing is to conceal, not reveal.

Please follow these guidelines when at St. Mary. Remember that when we dress for church, it is not for our own comfort, but to present ourselves to Our Lord.

Please do not correct anyone on their attire. If you do not approve of someone's attire, please speak to Fr. Gismondi about it and he will approach the person privately.

#### IF YOU ARE ATTENDING ST. MARY BUT NOT REGISTERED

The registered member of the parish receives many spiritual benefits, such as graces from the *Pro Populo* Masses, and graces from the pastor's and assistant priest's daily prayers. In addition, anyone seeking certificates of eligibility or seeking the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and Marriage at St. Mary Church must be reg-