

Our Lady Star of the Sea

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2017

Announced Masses

Saturday, February 4

4:00PM Ann DeFalco

5:30PM Gabe Verde

Sunday, February 5

8:00AM Joseph Arena

9:15AM Michelle Scalzo

10:30AM Giacomo & Stefano DiMaggio

12 Noon John Orfano

1:15PM Anthony DiBartolomeo

7:00PM Carlo Barrera & Salvatore & Marietta Giannone

Monday, February 6-St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

9:00AM Nicholas Alessi

Tuesday, February 7

9:00 AM Teddy Klinkosz

Wednesday, February 8

9:00AM Thomas Sindle

Thursday, February 9

9:00AM Santo Matarazzo

Friday, February 10-St. Scholastica

9:00AM Edith Ponzi

Saturday, February 11-Our Lady of Lourdes

9:00AM Elizabeth Herman

4:00PM Richard Rauch

5:30PM Mary Cordaro

Sunday, February 12

8:00AM David Nelligan & Ben Modica

9:15AM Rosa, Salvatore, & Michael Pallante

10:30AM John & Marie Garofalo & Janice Catricola

12 Noon Madalyn T. Castelucci

1:15PM Anthony DiBartolomeo

7:00PM Michael Conigliaro

St. Jerome Emiliani, Priest – February 8

Jerome was born in Venice in 1481, he joined the army and was taken prisoner. After praying to the Blessed Virgin, he was miraculously liberated from prison. He decided to begin a new life devoted to charity towards the poor and orphans. He was ordained at 37. In 1530 he founded the first known orphanages of modern times. He also founded hospitals and institutes for fallen women. In 1532 he established the congregation of Clerks Regular of Somascha to look after the education of youth in colleges, academics and seminaries. He was the first to teach children the faith by using questions and answers. St. Jerome died in 1537 while ministering to people stricken by an epidemic. He was canonized a saint in 1767.

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Banns of Marriage

First Time: Andrew Terrana & Theresa DiBartolomeo

Second Time: Mark Mileto & Gina Corio

Second Time: Thomas Caputo & Danielle Testaverde

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, February 26** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

Salt
of the
earth

Light
of the
world



The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of February 5 – February 11

Given in Memory of

Jane E. McNally

Donated by Catherine DiDomenico
& Dr. Charles DeMarco

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, February 11

4:00PM C Harris

5:30PM F Monte

Eucharistic Ministers, February 11

4:00PM L Barbato, A Petrocelli, J Uhlman

5:30PM F Ruggiero, M Lappin, N Villani, A Dazio & B Weir

Lectors – Sunday, February 12

8:00AM M Higgins

9:15AM R LaMonica

10:30AM M Pinto

12 Noon C Messina

1:15 PM G LaGrua

7:00 PM A Medeiros

Eucharistic Ministers, February 12

8:00AM M Andreola, A Sparandera, J Stanzione, P Zoltowski,
& M Molinari

9:15AM L Appel, L Capobianco, J Gatto, Sr. Rosemary
& J Zinsley

10:30AM T Strange, E&G Riozzi, C Ordy, B Paccione

12 Noon F&R Marino, G Decker, S Catalano, C Messina

1:15PM J Tolento, MA Russo, M Sprague, M Recanatini
& G LaGrua

7:00PM E Bellina, C Houle, K Melka, A Pompei, & A Zuffante

Altar Servers, Saturday, February 11

4:00PM D Cavicchio, K Marchisella

5:30PM R&C Nicholaou

Altar Servers, Sunday, February 12

8:00AM N Shirazi

9:15AM G&S Artz

10:30AM F&A Aurti

12 Noon N Salerno & P Marone

1:15PM J Oliveri

7:00PM R Faljean & E Tedesco



Sincere Condolences

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of:

Stanley Kielbasa, Gloria LaRosa

Feeding Our Neighbors with Catholic Charities

Nearly 325,000 children go hungry in the Archdiocese of New York each year. Catholic Charities is working to alleviate these numbers with the help of OLSS Parish through a campaign to "feed our neighbors" in NYC & the Hudson Valley. Bring your canned goods and any other non-perishable items to the collection bin in the Church lobby **through Sunday, February 5** to join in helping to "feed our neighbors".



Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

I recently came across the prayer intentions for a Pro-Life Rosary and I want to pass this on to you so that when you are offering up your rosaries who might be mindful of these intentions.

The Joyful Mysteries

The Annunciation: For parents facing an unexpected pregnancy, that they lovingly accept the precious life that God has entrusted to their care.

The Visitation: That the family and friends of expectant parents might reach out and support them as they prepare to meet their child face to face.

The Nativity: That the love of the Blessed Mother and the Christ Child may be a source of strength for every expectant mother, especially mothers living in poverty, and that they will both be surrounded by joy and love.

The Presentation: That fathers of young children will model Saint Joseph in devoutly practicing their faith, so that they lead their children to God by their words and example.

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple: For all children who been lost and forgotten, that they may be led to a place where they are treasured, protected and loved.

The Luminous Mysteries

The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River: That all baptized Christians will be open to the Holy Spirit and will bear witness to the sanctity of life.

The Wedding Feast of Cana: For all husbands and wives, that they treasure the priceless gift of married love by generously accepting children through procreation and adoption.

The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God: That those who pray and work for greater respect for human life will be guided by the Beatitudes and reveal the face of Christ to others.

The Transfiguration: That our world will be transfigured by the witness of faithful Christians so that all may understand the priceless value of every human being.

The Institution of the Eucharist: That through our worthy reception of the Eucharist and frequent Eucharistic Adoration, Jesus will teach us to love sacrificially the least and the neediest among us.

The Sorrowful Mysteries

The Agony in the Garden: For all who are suffering from abandonment or neglect, that compassionate individuals will come forward to offer them comfort and aid.

The Scourging at the Pillar: That the victims of violence, torture, and slavery will be delivered from their suffering, find healing and know that God is close to them.

The Crowning with Thorns: That the persecution of Christians will end in a new era of tolerance and respect for the religious freedom and conscious rights of all.

The Carrying of the Cross: For all who labor under burdens that seem too great to bear – due to illness, age, poverty, cruelty or injustice—that our prayers and aid will lighten their crosses.

The Crucifixion: For an end to the death penalty and for the release of all prisoners of conscience and all who have been wrongfully convicted.

The Glorious Mysteries

The Resurrection: For all who have lost loved ones, and especially for parents of a child who was miscarried, aborted, or stillborn, that they will find peace in the promise of the Resurrection.

The Ascension: For all who struggle with addictions, that through Christ's triumph and ascent into glory, they may triumph over their temptations, and gain strength and peace.

The Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: That the Holy Spirit will open the minds and hearts of those who now reject the Gospel of Life and allow them to be convinced of the truth and goodness of all that the Church professes concerning human life.

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven: For mothers who have died at the hands of abortion providers, that they may experience reconciliation and, together with their children, know God's peace.

The Coronation of Mary: For all mothers that they might come to know the wonder of their vocation.

May the Lord continue to bless you and fill you with His Holy Spirit!

Fr. Tom Devery

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



• Thank you all for a wonderful Catholic Schools Week! We are all truly blessed to be a part of this wonderful school community!

• Interim assessments will be next week for students in Grades K-8.

• There will be a mandatory Communion meeting for all 2nd grade parents on **Monday, February 6th at 7:30 pm** in O'Mara Hall.

• Report cards will be viewable online on Thursday, February 9th, by the end of the school day. Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Thursday, February 16th from 6:30 – 8 pm** and **Friday, February 17th from 12:45 – 2:30 pm**.

OLSS SOCCER



Open Soccer Registration will be held at the OLSS Athletic Center on **Thursday, February 9 from 6-7 PM** for all players which include PeeWee, 3 year olds, and SIYSL players. Registration fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds & siblings. See the website www.olsssoccer.com for registration forms and more details. Registrations may also be dropped off at any time at the OLSS rectory. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you registered in the fall, you do NOT need to register again in the spring.



ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK FAMILY LIFE † RESPECT LIFE OFFICE



Losing a child under any circumstance is terrible. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously.

The Emmaus Ministry is for parents whose children of any age have died by any cause.

Please join us. All are welcome.

One-day retreats are being offered

St. Joseph's Seminary:

Saturday, February 11, 2017, and

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Church of the Magdalene, Sleepy Hollow:

Saturday, April 1, 2017

One-day retreat is from 9:30 AM – 7:30 PM

Cost: \$25 per person, \$40 per couple

Scholarships are available.

To register online, www.emfgp.org/archny, or contact Sue DiSisto, Coordinator for Parenting and Family Life Education: susan.disisto@archny.org or (646) 794-3191

Thank You from the Seton Foundation

Dear Rev. Devery:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Parent Guild and most especially the children of the Seton Foundation, I would like to express our gratitude for allowing us to conduct our annual Christmas Raffle at your parish.

This raffle is the major fund raising activity each year, and it enables us to raise approximately 10% of our annual operating budget for Mother Franciska Elementary School & Bishop Patrick V. Ahern High School. This year the raffle raised \$86,701 of which your parishioners contributed **\$10,533**. The prayers and support we receive from you and your parishioners are a great blessing for us. We are very grateful for the generosity of our loyal friends.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of our programs for God's special children. Best wishes from all of us at Seton Foundation for a very blessed and happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Mary D. Hughes, Esq.

Executive Director

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Baby Noah, Norma Bolanos, Vincenza Caccano, Serafina Carlone, Patsy Cassano, Angela Chinchilla, Ethyl Cohen, David Colon, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Morgan Coop, Rafaela Cosenstino, Vincenzo Dama, Liseth Dixon, Jeanette Dovie, Michael Durante, Dawn Dutton, Zenia Enciso, Cristina Fico, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Antoinette Gallo, Isabel Gondrey, Herbert Gruberger, Baby Joseph Hale, Matthew Hall, Scott Herman, Thomas Lamantia, Thomas Lanza, Lelle Lazanek, James Ledger, Cecelia Leo, Saydi Leon, Anne Merlino, Iok Kuan Lei Ng, Ralph Pagliuca, Joseph Pavio, Ann Marie Pederson, Sue Perinuzzi, Camille Polly, Rochelle & Joe Puglisi, Eva Ragona, John & Carmine Ragona, Ivan Rodriguez, Caesar Russo, Lucrecia Santos, Jamie Seaman, Celeste Setty, Donna Slavin, Margaret Smith, Trevor Spataro, Sharon Thomas, Dora Valiente, Lisa & Dustin Vasquez, Louis Vitale, **Please Note: Parish priests and Eucharistic ministers regularly visit those who are ill or homebound. Please call the Rectory to have a name added to the sick list or to arrange for home visits.**

Healing Mass

There will be a Healing Mass on **Tues, February 7 at 7:30 p.m.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. (*The next Healing Service will be Feb. 21 @ 3:30 pm.*)

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next meeting will be **Friday, February 10 from 1-3 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Bereavement Group – The next session of "It's a New Day – A Journey from Grief to Healing" will begin on **Wed., February 8 at 7 pm** in the OLSS Rectory. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, we encourage you to join us.

Book Club – The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thursday March 2, at 7:30 PM** in the Rectory. New members are always welcome. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

Holy Name Society – The next meeting for the Holy Name Society will be on **Wednesday, March 8 at 8 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more info, call Robert Cermeli at 917-783-6494 or Peter Cappellino at 917-626-7757.

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Rectory.



OLSS Baptism Preparation Policy

Please reference the front bulletin cover for details on the Baptism Preparation Policy. All parish families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the OLSS Baptismal Class. Please contact the Rectory Mon-Fri 9-4:30 to obtain a Baptism Registration Packet.

Baptismal Class & Ceremony Dates

February 12 & 26, March 12 & 26, April 23,
May 14 & 28, June 11 & 25

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. Baptism Ceremonies take place at 2:15 PM in the Church.

Sponsor Certificates

Certificates attesting to the fact that an OLSS parishioner is a practicing Catholic are often required when they are asked to sponsor someone at the time of Baptism or Confirmation. These certificates may be obtained only **AFTER** the Masses on Saturday evening or Sunday. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** to request one.

RCIA - Come Experience God's Love

Would you like to explore the Catholic Church and the faith of Catholic Christianity? Are you interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church? Were you baptized Catholic as a child, but have not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? If so, then RCIA is for you. RCIA is a journey of exploration and initiation into the Catholic Church. RCIA is a fun, safe, faith-building discovery of Jesus Christ and the Church he loves. RCIA will change your life. It will bring you closer to Jesus. The Catholic Church welcomes you. For information please contact Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com – 347-541-9757 or call the Rectory.

Jane B. Thompson Pro-Life Essay Contest

Open to students 7th grade through 12th grade, with first prize of \$100 in 3 age groups: 7th-8th grades, 9th-10th grades, and 11th-12th grades. Write an essay on abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, or stem cell research. Mail original essay (& keep a copy) on or before **April 1** to: Staten Island Right to Life League, Inc., P.O. Box 60520, SINY, 10306. For more info, call 646-662-3914.

Cluster Corner

Cluster Parish Mass Times

Our Lady Help of Christians – 7396 Amboy Rd.

Sat. 4:30 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM (Family Mass), 12 PM,
4 PM (Spanish Mass) & 6:30 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM

St. John Neumann - 1380 Arthur Kill Rd.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM in Rectory Chapel

St. Thomas the Apostle - 6123 Amboy Rd.

Sat. 6 PM, Sun. 9 AM, 10 AM (Italian), 11 AM, 1 PM, & 6 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Fri. 7 & 8 AM, Sat. 8 AM

Church of St. Joseph - 16 Poplar Ave.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM

Cluster Events

SJN Kidz Klub Chocolate Party - Come join the fun if you enjoy hot chocolate, chocolate treats, and chocolate games. The party is at St. John Neumann Church, 1380 Arthur Kill Road, **Tuesday, February 21, from 6-8pm** in the Rectory Basement. Cost is \$8 pre-registered, \$10 at the door. Please rsvp by 2/14 to email: sjnkidzklub@gmail.com.

Cluster Parish Mission-Monday, April 3 - Wednesday, April 5 from 7:30 pm - 9 pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church.



✓ Mark Your Calendar

Staten Island Centering Prayer Group
*Come pray, be still and rest in God's presence
as you begin 2017!*

Wednesday February 8th from 7:30-9:00 pm

St Joseph's Retreat House (850 Hylan Blvd SINY 10305)
The prayer group will continue to meet on the second Wednesday of each month. For more information, please contact Anne-Louise DePalo at (718) 351-3748. A \$20 good will offering will be collected.

Dominican College Open House

Dominican College is hosting an Open House for High School & Transfer students and their families on **Saturday, February 11 from 10 am – 12:30 pm**. The event will be held in the Hennessy Center. During Open House students can tour the campus and meet faculty and current students. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss financial aid, learn about the Honors Program as well as scholarship & grant programs available. The campus is located at 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY, within Rockland County. For more info, visit www.dc.edu.

Pro-Life Elderly & Homebound Club Annual Dinner

Saturday, February 18th at St. Christopher's Church
(136 Midland Ave, SINY)

4:30 p.m. Mass with dinner to follow. Admission \$20 per person, children free. RSVP by **2/15/17** to Pro-Life Elderly and Homebound Club, Inc. P.O. Box 060520, SINY 10306 or call 646-662-3914.

St. Peter's Boys High School Chinese Auction

St. Peter's Boys High School Parents' Club will sponsor its annual Chinese Auction on **Friday, March 3** in the school gym, 200 Clinton Ave. Doors open at 6:00 PM. There will be numerous raffles, refreshments and prizes. Admission: \$5 – anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. No children under 12 admitted.

St. Louis Academy Alumni Reunion

There will be an "all years" reunion of SLA alumni at the Staaten on **Saturday, March 11, 2017**. We are looking for ALL alumni. Please pass the word along. For more information, please contact Patti Lampo Sobkowski (patticake323@gmail.com), Colleen Finnegan Whelan (colleenfwhelan@msn.com) or if you prefer, call Janet Kelly at 646-209-3412 for more information. Please help spread the word!!

12 Step & Community Meetings

ACOA _____ Sundays 5:30PM
AA _____ Sundays 8:15PM
_____ Mondays 10AM
_____ Tuesdays 4PM
_____ Thursdays 4PM
_____ Fridays 4PM
_____ Saturdays 7:30PM & 9PM
PILLS ANONYMOUS _____ Tuesdays 6:30PM
_____ Fridays 6:30PM
GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS _____ Tuesdays 8:00PM
AL-ANON _____ Thursdays 5:30PM

Addiction Angels – There will be a Parent and sibling support group meeting for families battling addiction on **Thursday, February 16 at 7 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room. For more info, call Alicia Reddy at 646-404-0637.

12 Step Night of Reflection: Every first Thursday, there will be a dinner at 6PM, a meeting at 7:15PM and a Healing Mass at 8:30PM in O'Mara Hall/Chapel for members of 12 Step Programs. Cost: \$20. The next meeting is on **March 2**.