

August 23, 2015

*Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twenty-First Sunday In
Ordinary Time*

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, August 22, 2015

9:00AM Joseph Curreri
4:00PM Anthony Pepe
5:30PM Joseph Dominic & Doris Greenblatt

Sunday, August 23, 2015

8:00AM Nick Porzio & the deceased members of the
Porzio Family
9:15AM Patrick O'Connell
10:30AM Frances Sollazzo
12 Noon David A. Rosado
1:15PM Michael Alestra & Sophia Grace Pasquale
7:00PM Raymond Ferrara

Monday

9:00AM Vincent DiDomenico

Tuesday

9:00AM Nicholas Cappucci

Wednesday

9:00AM Gregory Lima
Frank & Tessie Lozzara

Thursday

9:00AM Frank Mollica

Friday

9:00AM Olga Rawlyk & Anthony Sechari

Saturday, August 29, 2015

9:00AM Robert Valentine
4:00PM Thomas Vallone & Rose DeFeo
5:30PM Jim Branigan

Sunday, August 30, 2015

8:00AM RuthLynn Daluise
9:15AM Kevin O'Connell
10:30AM Joseph Curreri
12 Noon Charles Milazzo
1:15PM Michael J. Molinari, Jr.
7:00PM Joseph DiMarco

St. Rose of Lima – August 23

St. Rose was named Isabel when she was born in Lima, Peru, but because of her beauty, her family called her Rose. Her beauty caused people to greatly admire her, however, very early in childhood, Rose dedicated her life to God. Wanting to give herself to God, she refused to marry. So that no one would admire her, Rose dressed in rough clothing, cut off her hair, and rubbed pepper on her face, causing blisters. Eventually, she moved to a hermitage where she fasted and prayed. She was plagued by sinful thoughts, loneliness, and sadness. She offered these sufferings to the Lord and was rewarded with ecstasies of peace and joy. Even when she was in pain, she didn't let her anguish overcome her love for God. She prayed, "Lord, increase my sufferings and with them, increase your love in my heart." (JM)

*The Sanctuary Lamp For The
Week of August 23, 2015*

*In Loving Memory Of
Richard Rider*

Lectors – Saturday, August 29, 2015

4:00PM C. Harris
5:30PM M. Andreola

Eucharistic Ministers, August 29, 2015

4:00PM L. Barbato, C. Harris, A. McCoy, C. Losi,
C. Argano
5:30PM J. Amitrano, M. Sprague, R. Gamba, J. Cimino

Lectors – Sunday, August 30, 2015

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi
9:15AM F. Monte, T. O'Connell
10:30AM A. Pompei
12 Noon L. Bauer
1:15PM R. LaMonica
7:00PM G. LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, August 30, 2015

8:00AM J. Uhlman, A. Sparandera, R. Bauer, L. Bauer
9:15AM J. Gatto, M. Langella, M. Molinini, C. Rosato,
T. Strange
10:30AM G. Balestrino, L. Appel, C. Ordy, M. Strange
12 Noon MA Russo, C&J Gerace, E&G Riozzi
1:15PM V. Acri, R. Marino, S. Caiazza, C. Houle
7:00PM R. Scarpati, C. Rosato, A. Manetti, B. Weir

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, August 29, 2015

4:00 P.M.: D. Battaglia, E. Harris, K. Martino, V. Pavlick
5:30 P.M.: C&R Nicholaou, E&M Losi

Sunday, August 30, 2015

8:00 A.M.: N & J Mele, G&N Tucci
9:15 A.M.: B. Bosques, M. Coelho, A. Discenza, B. Walsh
10:30 A.M.: A&F Auriti, G. Monreale, G. Pelucco
12:00 Noon: C. Carr, G. Gulotta, B&M Stackhouse
1:15 P.M.: M. Esposito, G. Marino, G. Vassallo
7:00 P.M.: L&PJ Caiazza, J. Petillo, E. Tedesco



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

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

**John J. Prezioso, Rosemarie Montero
& Leandrine DeAngelis**

MEMORIAL VIGIL LIGHTS AVAILABLE

Beginning September 1, one month memorial vigil lights will be available in the chapel. Each memorial costs \$25. Envelopes will be located in the book racks. Please deposit completed envelopes either in the collection basket or in the vigil light boxes, poor boxes, or bring it to the rectory. There are 28 candles available each month. If we receive more than 28 requests, those requests over 28 will be honored the following month. Requests must be made prior to the start of the month.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

The summer is racing by so fast. Next week I leave for vacation to Colorado and Phoenix. I am going to get to check off a bucket list item, white water rafting. Michelle Place who lives in Denver took lessons to be a guide along the Colorado River, so on September 1st, I'm sailing. Water moccasins are bought and sunscreen 50, so I am good to go.

Speaking of Colorado, Father David Rider just returned from his trip to Denver to attend an eight day silent directed retreat with the Jesuit Fathers. I am sure the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius will be a refreshing welcome to his soul after such an eventful year. Father David defended his thesis and received his License in Sacred Theology as well as ministering and teaching Church History to the Missionaries of Charity in Rome. This is the community founded by Mother Teresa of Calcutta. He had been hoping to attend this type of retreat and so when an opening came, he jumped at the opportunity. Welcome back, new and refreshed Father David.

I want to thank all the parishioners who prayed and sends cards and well wishes for Monsignor Vincent Bartley. On August 12 at 10:45 he began his bypass heart surgery. The good news is that it was determined he only needed a double bypass, not a triple. The sad news is that this was the invasive kind of surgery, meaning that they had to crack his ribs to get to their intended target. He came through the four hour ordeal well, although he will be a sore creature for several weeks. What is needed now is total rest and freedom from infection. He is in remarkably good spirits and wants everyone to know how grateful he is for this ordeal to be behind him. So keep praying.

When I return I would like to meet with the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and prepare to recommission them. I want to invite parishioners to call in names and addresses of your homebound family who need the Sacraments of Holy Communion weekly and would also not mind a priest's visit periodically for confession and or Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

On Saturday and Sunday, September 5 & 6, I would like to invite our children to bring their backpacks for a special blessing upon them and their school year. Last year this was enormously successful. The Saturday evening Mass at 5:30PM and Sunday Mass at 1:15 PM will be the designated times for the backpack blessing. So bring the children and we'll fill them with God's grace and holy water.

Also I was contacted the Interfaith Council on Staten Island to select 6 people to be a part of dialogue and prayer on the topic of race relations. Our Lady Star of the Sea Church will host this afternoon of prayers and discussion at our church from 3PM to 5PM on Sunday September 20th. All are invited.

Incidentally on that same day at the 1:15 Mass we will host Bishop John O'Hara who will preach and inaugurate our 100th Jubilee Year. Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish was officially begun on September 17, 1916 and all throughout this year will be having special events to honor this great grace. On October 2, 2017 there will be a Gala Dinner Planned for Nicotra's Ballroom at the Hilton Garden's Hotel. More information will be forthcoming about this, so please save the date.

Meanwhile, enjoy these remaining days of summer and let us pray to Our Lady Star of the Sea to guide us into our Jubilee Year with graces, blessings and her maternal love.

God bless,
Father Tom Devery



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME: Michael DiMeglio and Jennifer Zaccariello

WEDDING WORKSHOP

There will be a wedding workshop for brides and grooms at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sunday, August 30th**. At this time you will be able to select your wedding music. (Next workshop: Oct. 25th.)

HEALING MASS

There will be a **Healing Mass on September 1 at 7:30PM**. Anyone in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing is invited to attend and be prayed over. (The next Healing Service will be on Sept. 15, at 3:30PM.)

SPECIAL UPCOMING MASSES

Blessing of Backpacks – On **Saturday, September 5** at the **5:30 p.m. Mass** and on **Sunday, September 6** at the **1:15 Mass**, there will be a special blessing for all students returning to school. All students are invited to attend, don't forget your backpacks!

Feast of St. Michael the Archangel - There will be a Mass on **Tuesday, September 29 at 7:30 p.m.** honoring all those who serve and protect. St. Michael the Archangel is traditionally known as the patron saint of emergency medical technicians, firefighters, paramedics, police officers, security forces, soldiers, and those in need of protection. We encourage all civil servants to join us for this special Mass.



SICK LIST

Joseph Aluotto, Norma Bolanos, Nicholas Caputo, Serafina Carlone, Mary Ann Casale, Ethyl Cohen, David and Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Constance Conti, Saveria Criscuolo, Gen Decio, Zeina Enciso, Maria Fazio, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Eddie Garafalo, Margaret Generoso, Gabriella Hagis, Shirley and Andy Hardin, Lorraine Hamer, Annette Horgan, Thomas Lamantia, Elaine Lewis, Vincent Lombardo, Paul Manos, Chuck Melka, Roberta Meringolo, Beatrice Nicholson, Stephanie Nolan, Ann Marie Pederson, Nicholas Polly, Camille Polly, Racquel Puglisi, Carmen, John and Eva Ragona, Thomas Riccardelli, Summer Marie Semerad, Celeste Setty, Donna Slavin, Dora Valiente, Lisa Vasquez & Nicholas Ponti Williams. **Please Note: The sick list will be revised on September 1. If you would like to place a name on the sick list, please call after September 1 and leave the name with the rectory.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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. Is God calling you now? Are you ready to take that step in faith? The Catholic Church welcomes you. For information please contact Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com – 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

SCHOOL NEWS

2015-2016 School Year

The first day of school is just around the corner. We are looking forward to an exciting new year. Here are a few practical reminders that we hope will make the start of the school year a smooth one:

Wednesday, September 9

***Full day of school for all students in Grades 1-8.** There will be bus service for students in Grades 1-8.

* **Kindergarten classes begin at 9:00 AM with dismissal at 1:30 PM.** There is no bus service for Kindergarten on the first day of school.

*Lunch program begins for all students K-8.

There will be a meeting for lunch parents and volunteers at 9:30 AM in O'Mara Hall. If you are interested in becoming a lunch duty parent, please print out the form on the school's website, www.olss-si.org, and bring it up to the school office beginning August 24th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Anyone volunteering for lunch duty needs to complete a background check form and watch the Safer Spaces training video. We are in urgent need of lunch volunteers; please consider helping your children and school by volunteering. Lunch duty is from 10:40 AM to 12:50 PM.

Thursday, September 10

***Full day for all students in Grades K-8,** 8:20 arrival time for K-8. Kindergarten dismisses at 2:40 PM and Grades 1-8 dismiss at 2:50 PM. There will be bus service for all students K-8.

Monday, September 14

***Pre K 4 begins.** Classes will be 8:30 AM with dismissal at 1:00 PM. Students should bring their lunch.

* **Early morning & after school begins for Grades K-8**

Tuesday, September 15

* **Grades K-4 orientation:**

7:00 PM in O'Mara Hall

7:30 PM classroom orientation

* **Pre K 3 begins with a Mommy and Child session.** The morning session will meet from 8:30 am - 10 am. The afternoon session will meet from 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm.

Wednesday, September 16

* **Grades 5-8 Orientation**

7:00 PM in O'Mara Hall

7:30 in the classroom

8:30 Grade 8 Special orientation in O'Mara Hall

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 9, 2015, MORNING ARRIVAL FOR ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8 WILL BE THROUGH THE ATHLETIC CENTER DOORS. CARS ARE TO ENTER THE GROUND THROUGH THE MAIN DRIVEWAY AND PROCEED AROUND TO THE FRONT OF THE ATHLETIC CENTER. DOORS WILL OPEN AT 8:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 8:20 AM. STUDENTS ARRIVING AFTER THE DOORS HAVE CLOSED MUST ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS OF THE SCHOOL. STUDENTS ARRIVING AFTER 8:20 WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE. STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN WILL BEGIN USING THE ATHLETIC CENTER ENTRANCE FOR MORNING ARRIVAL BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10, 2015.



OLSS SOCCER NEWS

Final Open Soccer Registration will be held in the D'Amato Room of the OLSS Athletic Center **from 6 to 7PM on Tuesday Aug 25th** for all players which include Pee Wee, 3 year olds, and SIYLS players. Registration fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds and siblings. See our website www.olsssoccer.com for registration forms and more details. Registrations may also be dropped off at any time at the OLSS rectory.

Also on **Tuesday, August 25th** we will be having uniform sizing and ordering at the OLSS Athletic Center D'Amato room for SIYSL players. New uniforms are required for ALL SIYSL players. Pee Wee players do **NOT** need to attend and their uniform will be given out opening day. Teams are asked to come together for sizing purposes and ordered individually. Players with existing numbers will be granted those numbers and new players will chose from numbers available.

PLEASE NOTE SCHEDULE:

U6 & U7 – 6pm

U8 & U9 – 7pm

U10 – U14 – 8pm

All Uniforms must be paid for at time of order. Cost for Full Uniform - \$65 (Teams who are only required to purchase white shirt - \$25) Checks or cash only. Checks to be made out to "**Just for Kicks**" for \$65. Anyone unable to attend may order directly from Just for Kicks **after Tues 8/25.**

CUB SCOUT PACK 5 & BOY SCOUT TROOP 5

Recruitment/Open House for

New & Returning Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts

Friday, September 11 & 18 in O'Mara Hall, 7 to 9 PM

Cub Scouts Grades 1 to 5: Registration Fee (including dues): \$100 if paid by 10/23 or \$120 if paid after 10/23 (\$150 for two siblings). For more information please contact Mike Barzal, Cubmaster at 917-642-5498, email cubmasterpk5si@gmail.com or visit our website at www.pack5si.com. Please make checks payable to Troop 5. **Boys Scouts Grade 6-11:** Registration Fee (including dues): \$135 if paid by 10/28 or \$150 if paid after 10/28. For information please contact Robert Ciraola, Scoutmaster, cell 917-805-7621 or e-mail scoutmaster@troop5si.com or visit our website at www.troop5si.com. Please make checks payable to Troop 5.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Religious Education Office will reopen on **Tuesday, September 1.** Registration for 2015-2016 will take place on Sept. 1st at 1pm and Sept. 8th at 1pm. You must be a registered parishioner in order to register your child for Religious Education. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate and your envelope number when registering for Religious Education. If you are not a parishioner, and would like to register to become one, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593.

2015-2016 OLSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STARTING DATES

Tuesday, Sept. 15	Grades 5 & 6	3:45 - 5:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 16	Grade 2	4:00 - 5:30 pm
Monday, Sept. 21	Grade 7	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Sept. 22	Grade 8	3:30 - 4:30 pm
Thursday, Sept. 24	Grades 3 & 4	3:45 - 5:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Grade 1	4:00 - 5:30 pm
Wed. Evening, Sept. 30	Grades 1-7	6:30 - 8:00 pm

Thursday, October 8	Special Needs	(A) 3:45 - 4:15 pm (B) 4:30 - 5:00 pm
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✓ Mark Your Calendar

BAPTISM PREPARATION POLICY

All parish families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the Parish Baptismal Preparation Program. The program is held mostly on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month at 12 Noon in the Athletic Center (Damato Meeting Room). We invite you to bring along your baby's Godparents to hear this special presentation. Please call the rectory for a Registration Packet before attending the Sunday Meeting. A copy of the child's birth certificate is needed. The sponsor must have proof of Confirmation, a sponsor certificate (see sponsor certificate information below) and must be at least 14 years of age. The Baptismal donation of \$100 and the yellow registration form must be brought to the Parish Office (Mon. - Fri. 9 to 4PM), prior to the Baptism Meeting. You may then bring the completed registration form to the meeting of your choice.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES 12 Noon – 2nd and 4th Sundays OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

August 23rd
Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th



BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH 2:15 PM – 2nd and 4th Sundays August 23rd

Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Certificates attesting to the fact that a 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 **AFTER** any of the other Sunday Masses. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** and request one.

BUS TRIP TO SAND'S CASINO

The Stolzenhaller Council of K of C is sponsoring a trip to Sand's Casino in Bethlehem, PA on **Tuesday, August 25**. The cost is \$30 per person, with \$20 back in slot play and \$5 back in food. The bus will leave Stolzenhaller Council at 10:00 a.m. Call Ed Newborn @ **917-697-5603** for information & reservations.

12 STEP MEETINGS IN RECTORY BASEMENT

ACOA	Sun. 5:30PM
AA	Sun. 8:15PM
	Mon. 10AM
	Tues. 4PM
	Thurs. 4PM
	Fri. 4PM
	Sat. 7:30PM & 9PM
PILLS ANON.	Tues. 6:30PM
	Fri. 6:30PM
GAMBLERS ANON.	Tues. 8:00PM
AL ANON	Thurs. 7:15PM

PLEASE NOTE:

Over Eaters Anonymous. Every Friday at 8PM

STOP COLD INTERVENTIONS 1-800-996-4104

***PLEASE NOTE: Every first Thursday, at 6PM, 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 September 3.**

GROUP MEETINGS

50 Plus Club – The 50 Plus Club will not meet during the Summer. The first meeting will be September 11th at 1PM in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center.

***OKTOBERFEST: 50 Plus Club Trip to Renault Winery on 10/12/15 - \$86 per person includes: Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, Family Style Luncheon and Wine Tasting, Oktoberfest Raffle and Door Prizes, 4 Hours at Resorts Casino (\$20 slot play). For information and reservations contact Terry at (718) 317-1801. Seats are limited – call ASAP!**

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center. Starting on the first week in August, the group will meet in the Rectory for the month of August

Bereavement Group – New support group forming for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30PM at the Rectory. If you would like to join and if you would like more information, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 and leave your name and number.

SAVE THE DATE!

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Clare will be holding a Fall Basket Auction fundraiser on Sunday, October 11 at 2:30 pm in the St. Clare Cardinal Cook Center. Fun, food, fabulous prizes! Admission is \$10 per person. Please contact the parish office at St. Clare for more information, 718-984-7873.

GORETTI GROUP EVENT AND CONCERT

Dawn Eden, former rock journalist, author of "Thrill of the Chaste" and "My Peace I Give You" and Catholic convert from Judaism, will be sharing about "How the Sacred Heart of Jesus Healed My Memories" on **Friday, September 4th from 7 to 9:30 PM at Holy Family Church, 366 Watchogue Rd.** The evening will begin with an organ concert by Chris Houlihan, followed by Mass with Bishop Byrne at 7:30 PM and talk at 8 PM.

2015 OLSS Christmas Tree Drive

Families of Our Lady Star of the Sea parish are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2015 Advent Season.

Each tree will be lit, have a laminated dedication card, and displayed on the parish grounds.

A Lighting and Dedication Ceremony will be coordinated with more details to follow at a later date.

The cost to dedicate a Christmas Tree is \$250 each. All proceeds will benefit our Parish.

Trees must be ordered well in advance, and should be reserved no later than October 1st.

Please note that there is a limited number of Trees that can be displayed on the grounds, so reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis.

No tree can be guaranteed without payment

If you have any questions, please email olsshns@gmail.com or call the rectory at 718-984-0593.