

FEBRUARY 2, 2014
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

"May the Lord bless you and grant you and your loved ones His lasting Peace and Joy."

Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2014

9:00AM Nicola Logozzo
4:00PM Angelo Nicolette
5:30PM Deceased Members of the Mule and Saccheri Fms.

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2014

8:00AM Joseph D'Angelis
9:15AM Joseph Vignieri
10:30AM Giacoma and Stefano DiMaggio
12 Noon Patrick Parker
1:15PM Joseph O'Connor
7:00PM Lucy Ferrigno

Monday, Feast of St. Blaise

9:00AM Teddy Klinkosh

Tuesday

9:00AM Lee & Karen Leyton,
 Charlie Kohm, Sr. and Charlie Kohm, Jr.
 and Charles Palisay

Wednesday

9:00AM Angelo and Mary Gazzola
 and Joseph and Theresa Fallacaro

Thursday

9:00AM Lena Scarpinito

Friday

9:00AM Alice Mosconi

Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014

9:00AM Irene Trimboli
4:00PM Dec. Members of Fiori and Manfredonia Fms.
 and Jack Milano
5:30PM Ginger Farry

Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014

8:00AM Ilda Fernandes
9:15AM Dec. Members of Morrissey & Sellitti Fms.
10:30AM Dec. Members of Mineo Family
12 Noon Caroline and Philip Tanella
1:15PM Anne Guiney and Mario Gugliaro
7:00PM Theresa Baptist

OPENING OF 2015 MASS BOOK

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: There are no announced Masses or Sanctuary Lamps remaining for the year 2014. However, unannounced Masses are always available. **We will open the Mass Book for 2015 on Tues., Feb. 11th, at 9AM.** Thank you.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST BANNS: Eric Einstman and Kim Macchio
 Steven Metcalfe and Jennifer Respoli
THIRD BANNS: Jimmy Cruz and Jennifer Kampel

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF
FEBRUARY 2, 2014
IN MEMORY OF ANTHONY FIUMEFREDDO
FROM HIS LOVING WIFE ELEANOR

Lectors – Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014

4:00PM C. Harris

5:30PM A. Pompei

Eucharistic Ministers, Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014

4:00PM C. Baggot, S. Roberto, M. Sicari, C. Biondolillo,
 L. Barbato, A. Petrocelli, V. Caruso

5:30PM C. Houle, R. DeMaio, J. Cimino, R. Taranto,
 J. Uhlman, A. Manetti, A. Spoto

Lectors – Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014

8:00AM L. Bauer

9:15AM J. Ladley, T. O'Connell

10:30AM B. Paccione, E. Newborn

12 Noon M. Higgins, F. Monte

1:15PM B. Weir, R. LaMonica

7:00PM K. Melka

Eucharistic Ministers – Feb. 9, 2014

8:00AM T. Daluise, MJ Truckenbrodt, M. Andreola,
 R. Bauer, J. Stanzione, J. Perdichizzi, J. Coscia

9:15AM C. Scalzo, T. Rizzotti, D. Avena, M. Vierno,
 M. & S. Hitchcock, K. Ladley

10:30AM P. & L. DeCarlo, C. Ordy, B. & MA Higgins,
 MA Russo, C. Belvedere

12 Noon C. & J. Gerace, E. & G. Riozzi, M. Sprague,
 D. Zaino, F. Palazzo

1:15PM A. McCoy, M. & F. Marino, C. Barone,
 M. Randazzo, P. & L. DeCarlo

7:00PM M. Recanatini, C. Pontecorvo, G. LaGrua,
 F. & A. Saulo, B. Volpicello, E. Bellina

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 8, 2014

4:00 P.M.: Daniella Battaglia, Dominick Battaglia,
 Emily Harris, Marisa Rivera

5:30 P.M.: Michael Brophy, Maria Coelho, Matthew Esposito,
 Alfred Romani

Sunday, February 9, 2014:

8:00 A.M.: Anthony Discenza, Christopher Luisi, Gino Tucci,
 Nicholas Tucci

9:15 A.M.: Bryan Bosques, Erin Carey, Francesca Scarmato,
 Gabriella Scarmato

10:30 A.M.: Gabrielle Artz, Eugenio Buccini, Anthony Castelle,
 Gabrielle Pelucco

12:00 Noon: Nicholas D'Angelo, Nick Rotondi, Daniella Russo,
 Genevieve Steinmetz

1:15 P.M.: Katherine Betsais, Felicia Nieves, Tyler Nieves,
 Catherine Nieves

7:00 P.M.: Luigi Caiazza, PJ Caiazza, Gianna Sicari,
 Vincent Sicari

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Monday, Feb. 3rd, is the Feast of St. Blaise. There will be a blessing of the throats at the 9AM Mass.

A LETTER FROM MSGR. JEFF CONWAY

Dear Parishioners,

Cardinal Dolan has decided to remove all pastors, who have served 12 years or more from their current assignments on July 1, 2014. Therefore, after almost 21 years, I will be leaving Our Lady Star of the Sea to take another assignment. While it would not have been my choice to leave this parish and I had hoped to retire from here, I am grateful that I was allowed to spend so many years building up this parish and serving all of you. I will have served from November 27, 1993 to July 1, 2014, making me the longest serving pastor in OLSS's 98 year history.

I thank you for all your cooperation and support. Together we have built a parish that can function and flourish long after I am gone. I am praying that the Cardinal will pick a new pastor, who will enable us to have a seamless transition and continue to be a great and growing parish.

Thanks for everything. God bless you.
Msgr. Jeff

PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS

The Prayer Group meets on Tuesdays at 8PM in the Damato Meeting Room in our Athletic Center for prayers of praise, singing, centering and intercessory prayer. New members are welcome. Everyone has the opportunity to be prayed over.

PLEASE NOTE:

THE NEXT HEALING SERVICE WILL BE ON TUES., FEB. 4TH AT 3:30PM.

THE NEXT HEALING MASS WILL BE ON TUES., FEB. 18TH AT 8PM.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Denise Armore, Betty Barton, Barbara Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo P.O. Thomas Choi, Josie Cino, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, , Jaime Cucuzza, Gemma Deliso, John Emigholz, Sr., Juliette Gerbino, Thomas Lamantia, Jim Mauro, Concetta Palmieri, Lucy Peters, Camille Polly, Carmen and John Ragona, Denise Santanella, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorriane Skelly, Donna Slavin, Dan Speranzo, Jr. and Joan Squillante

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

A Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on Friday, Feb. 7th, at 8PM for your loved ones who have died during the past year (January 2013 through the present). Please call the rectory (718) 984-0593) to confirm your attendance, leaving your name and the name of the deceased. If you have a loved one that you want included (whether or not the funeral Mass took place at OLSS) call the parish office to give us their name as well as approximately how many of your family and friends will be attending. When names are read at the beginning of Mass, a member of the family will be invited to bring a lighted candle to the sanctuary. (Candles will be provided; simply check with a member of the Bereavement Team as you arrive in Church.) It is important that the family representative who will bring up the candle arrive by 7:45PM. A social time will be provided after Mass. Please respond by Tues., Feb. 4th.

PARISH BUS TRIP TO SEE

MOSES AT THE SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER

The "Moses" show in Lancaster, Pa. will be on Sat., April 5th, leaving at 1PM and returning at approximately 11:30PM. Cost: \$115 includes show, dinner and bus. If interested, call Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081 or Gail Decker at (917) 916-2308 for more information.

Thank You...

A GIVING TREE THANK YOU NOTE FROM MEMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER

Dear Friends:

On behalf of all of us here at MSKCC, I want to thank you for your generous donations to the Pediatric Department. Your thoughtful support has truly made an impact! We cannot thank you enough for your support.

*Best Wishes,
Kristina Pavlyak*

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

On Sunday, February 23, 2013 at 8:15PM, we will have our Music Workshop in the Church after the 7PM Mass. At this time, you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions you may have.

Saint of the Week - Alfred Delp Priest and Martyr - Feb. 2

Alfred was born in Germany and became a Jesuit priest. During WWII he joined a secret anti-nazi group that was planning to build a new Christian social order after the war. In 1944, he was arrested and convicted of demonstrating his "defeatist" attitude, evidenced by his being a Jesuit. Confined to a dark cell, and held in chains, he wrote a series of meditations. During the Christmas season, while awaiting his own execution, he wrote, "surrender yourself to God and you shall find yourself again, the inner law of freedom sings that no death can kill us; life is eternal" in his final message, he said he was "sacrificed not conquered." He showed that living in the presence of God, we may achieve a quality of self-possession and inner freedom that circumstances are powerless to overcome. Father Delp was hanged in the Plötzensee prison on Feb. 2, 1945. (JM)



MASS CELEBRANTS

Sat. – Feb. 1, 2014

4:00PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

5:30PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

Sunday – Feb. 2, 2014

8:00AM Msgr. Jeff Conway

9:15AM Msgr. Peter Smith

10:30AM Msgr. Peter Smith

12 Noon Msgr. V. Bartley

1:15PM Msgr. V. Bartley

7:00PM Fr.. Adalbert

Sat. – Feb. 8, 2014

4:00PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

5:30PM Fr. Adalbert

Sun. – Feb. 9, 2014

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MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "Let the peace of Christ control your hearts..." Find peace for your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information or upcoming dates go to: www.wwme.org or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME: Ext. 3.

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



Feb. 9th and Feb. 23rd
March 9th and March 23rd
April 27th
May 11th and May 25th
June 15th and June 29th
(Note different dates in June)

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

Feb. 9th and Feb. 23rd
March 9th and March 23rd
April 27th
May 11th and May 25th
June 15th and June 29th
(Note different dates in June)

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.

RECEPTION OF COMMUNION AT MASS

The method for receiving Holy Communion in the hand is to extend the hand in a cupped position and immediately place the sacred host in the mouth. This is the most reverent way to receive Holy Communion. **PLEASE**, do not walk away with the host still in the hand. Thank you.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

The annual collection for Peter's Pence will be next weekend, Feb. 9/10. The purpose of the Peter's Pence Collection is to provide the Holy Father with the financial means to respond to those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, natural disaster, and disease. Thank you for your generosity.

THANK YOU GIFTS

If you were unable to attend the Thank You Party, and would like to pick up your gift, please call the Rectory and leave your name so that one can be left for you either at the Rectory or at the Church Sacristy.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Adult Faith Formation and RCIA sites within our parish website have undergone a complete transformation, making it easier to navigate and providing a new virtual experience. While most content has been migrated, new content has been added in order to better serve our community of faith. We are still not done and we welcome any suggestions you might have to make our sites even better. Please take a moment and visit us at our **NEW WEBSITE**: <http://aff.olssparish.org>.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION – CALLING NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in making a difference? Our Core Team is currently looking for individuals who can work collaboratively with our group to help set direction for upcoming Adult Faith Formation initiatives and events within our parish. If you are interested. Kindly email Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

INQUIRY: Did you ever think of becoming a Catholic? Have you been coming to church with a family member or a friend for a number of years and maybe considered Baptism and full Initiation into the Catholic Church? Are you baptized in another faith, but now desire to become Catholic? If interested or would like more information call the rectory: (718) 984-0593.

The Presentation of the Lord (Sharing good news)

Reading I	Deuteronomy 18:15-29 (a prophet like Moses)
Reading II	1 Corinthians 7:32-35 (the state of virginity)
Gospel	Mark 1:21-28 (cure of a demoniac)
Key Passage:	They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. (Mark 1:22)
Adult:	What can you tell others about Jesus with the most assurance?
Child:	What is the most important thing you would like others to know about Jesus? How will you show or tell them?

POOR BOXES

We would like to thank our parishioners for their "Poor Box" donations, proceeds of which help families in need and many local Staten Island Charities such as the St. Edward's Food Pantry. The Poor Boxes are located by the inner doors of the Church. Your contributions are most appreciated and are certainly put to good use. God Bless you for your generosity.



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The parish family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offers our sincere condolences to the families of the deceased:

*Barbara Piscitelli, Carmela Percoco, Sr. Almerinda Costa
Joan DeLuca, Rose Antonucci, Pamela Addington Davenport,
Thomas Lavin and Luisa Rinaudo*

COMMUNION MEETING

There will be a mandatory meeting for all Religious Education and OLSS parents of the 2nd Grade Communion Class on Monday, Feb. 10th, at 7:30PM in O'Mara Hall.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration is held from 12 noon to 5pm, Monday to Thursday. We are in need of Adorers to sit with the Blessed Sacrament every hour. If you can find some time in your day to participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, please call Carol Ordy at *82-917-536-8576.

SCHOOL NEWS

AMAZING OLSS STUDENT RESULTS- \$909,400 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Our eight grade students, Class of 2014, have achieved much throughout the years. Most of them have been with us since Pre K 3 and some have joined our family along the way. Each child is very special to us and contributes greatly to the success of our school. The Catholic High Schools' results are in. Again, our students have excelled. We would like to share the good news with you.

Catholic High Schools' Results for OLSS Class of 2014

- 100% of students accepted into a Catholic HS
- 65% of students awarded honors/scholarships
- 46% of students won scholarships
- 103 honors programs or scholarships awarded
- 27 Full Scholarships
- 25 Partial Scholarships
- \$909,400 total amount of scholarships to date
- 83% of OLSS Scholarships were awarded to students enrolled in our OLSS Tachs Program.

Congratulations to all 81 students, their parents, and their teachers!

LIVE LOVE LAUGH – ANNUAL OLSS FASHION SHOW

Our Annual Fashion Show will be on March 27, 2014 @ The Hilton Garden Inn. If you would like to donate or ask any questions, please contact: Fashion Show Chairladies: Lisa Adragna 347-281-0976/Laura Giudice 917-582-5044/Lisa Kindya 917-453-4491.

GOODFELLA'S WOULD LIKE TO GIVE BACK!!

We, at Goodfella's, are giving back 15% of all orders made by anyone who mentions **Our Lady Star of the Sea** at the time of purchase. Our goal is to raise as much money as possible to be used on funding student's necessities and activities. Please help spread the word and stop by our Great Kills location at: 4018 Hylan Boulevard. **Don't forget to mention Our Lady Star of the Sea so your school receives the 15% benefit.**

SPORTS NEWS

OLSS Sports Golf Outing: Annual Golf Outing - Thurs., June 19, Grand Oaks Country Club. Get your foursome together and come out to support your parish sports teams! For more info or to put your foursome in, contact Mia Marinaccio (718) -966-8860 or email to miam133@aol.com (Information available on the olssbasketball.com website) There will be prizes awarded and includes taking a swing for a hole in one to win a new car!

SOCCER REGISTRATION

Spring Soccer Registration will be held at the OLSS Athletic Center from 6 to 7PM on Wed, Feb 5th, 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. (If you played this prior fall you do NOT need to register again).

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP: Our selection is The Lamb's Supper - The Mass as Heaven on Earth by Scott Hahn. The next meeting is on Feb. 13th at 7:30PM. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY – The group will resume in the Fall.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to join our group, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 to register. **They meet on Wednesdays at 7:30PM; next meeting, Feb. 5th .**

BIBLE FAITH SHARING GROUPS: The OLSS Faith Sharing/Bible Study series will continue with The Acts of the Apostles. New groups are now being formed. If you are interested in joining an existing group, or starting one of your own, please call the rectory at **718-984-0593**.

50 PLUS CLUB: The group meets in the Damato Meeting Room at 1PM. **The next meeting on Feb. 14th at 1PM.** Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

The 50 Plus Club will be going to see "Moses" at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pa. on Fri., April 25th. Price of \$129 includes admission, lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord, Transportation, tax and tips. For departure time and reservations, call Terry at the above number.

MULTIPLE MYELOMA SUPPORT GROUP: Interested patients, caregivers, family members and friends are encouraged to join this group, which meets on the second Wednesday Time: 7 to 9PM. at the Jewish Communion Center, 1466 Manor Road, SI, NY. For information: call Laura Mooney: (718) 524-6970 or Slmyeloma@gmail.com. Group website: www.statenisland.myeloma.org.

ANTI BULLY SUPPORT GROUP: "Play it Forward NY" – will meet on **Wed., 2/5/14 from 4-6PM** at Rossville AME Zion Church Basement, 584 Bloomingdale Road. For kids/teens who have been bullied or teased. Also for kids who have been teased about their food allergies. Free refreshments. For more information: Call Debra at (646) 765-6531,

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
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 Feb. 6 th.