

**FEBRUARY 3, 2013**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**

*"I pray for God's peace and blessings, health and happiness in the New Year for all the wonderful parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea."*

*Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013**

- 9:00AM** Gerald Anzovino  
**4:00PM** Dora and Edward DiAntonio  
**5:30PM** Deceased Members of Gargiulo and Oliva Families

**Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013**

- 8:00AM** Diane Hernan  
**9:15AM** Vincenzo Cilipo  
**10:30AM** Giustina Campo  
**12 Noon** Thomas Giaruso and Deceased Members of Melani Family  
**1:15PM** Joseph O'Connor  
**7:00PM** Lucy Ferrigno

**Monday**

- 9:00AM** Charles Kohm, Sr. and Dec. Members of Kohn and Reid Fms.

**Tuesday**

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

**Wednesday**

- 9:00AM** Joseph and Antonio Basile

**Thursday**

- 9:00AM** Jeannette Pompo

**Friday, Feb. 9, 2013**

- 9:00AM** Anna Grimaldi

**Saturday, February 9, 2013**

- 9:00AM** Florence Castaldo  
**4:00PM** Dec. Members of Heuerman and Saccente Fms.  
**5:30PM** George Strahm

**Sunday, February 10, 2013**

- 8:00AM** Andrea DeLuca  
**9:15AM** Dec. Members of Morrissey and Sellitti Fms.  
**10:30AM** Rosa, Salvatore and Michael Pallante  
**12 Noon** Marco Fusillo and Eugene Sparano  
**1:15PM** Lena, Ciro and Jerry D'Agostino and Josephine Massaro  
**7:00PM** Chris Awn



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**SECOND BANNS:** Jennifer Fraschilla and John Bertrani

**MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS**

**On Sunday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:15PM** we will have our Music Workshop, at which time you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP—WEEK OF  
 FEBRUARY 3, 2013  
 IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL PALLANTE  
 FROM HIS LOVING PARENTS

**Lectors –Feb. 9, 2013**

- 4:00PM** M. Andreola  
**5:30PM** A. Pompei

**Eucharistic Ministers – Feb. 9, 2013**

- 4:00PM** L. Barbato, R. Podvesker, R. & F. Marino, J. Coscia, R. Taranto, A. Lazzara  
**5:30PM** R. Gamba, M. Lappin, J. Prato, P. & L. DeCarlo, J. Cimino, J. Dazio

**Lectors – Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013**

- 8:00AM** J. Perdichizzi, MJ Truckenbrodt  
**9:15AM** M. Higgins, T. O'Connell  
**10:30AM** M. Newell, A. Deliso  
**12 Noon** C. Messina  
**1:15PM** B. Paccione  
**7:00PM** J. Limeri

**Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, Feb. 10, 2013**

- 8:00AM** L. & R. Bauer, J. Stanzione, T. Daluise, P. DeLuca, E. Viola  
**9:15AM** E. & G. Riozzi, B. & MA Higgins, M. & S. Hitchcock, T. Rizzotti  
**10:30AM** J. Tolento, G. Decker, E. Talarico, G. Deliso, C. & J. Gerace, G. Balestrino  
**12 Noon** S. Catalano, C. Bottiglia, M. Randazzo, M. Recanatini, P. Basirico, R. Demazio  
**1:15PM** MA Russo, V. Acri, C. Houle, M. Graziano, JM Graziano, M. Sprague, P. Basirico  
**7:00PM** D. McCumisky, C. Ordy, G. Scotto, T. Scaramuzzo, C. Pontecorvo, A. Maffeo, A. Zuffante

***Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors: Please refer to your schedule for Ash Wednesday***

**Altar Server Schedule**

**Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013**

- 4:00 P.M.** K. Betsais, A. Mutkoski, A. Napolitano, M. Rivera  
**5:30 P.M.** J. Albanese, T. Banks, S. Imbro, M. McDonough

**Sunday, Feb. 10, 2103**

- 8:00 A.M.** C. Luisi, C. & S. Marashaj, A. Discenza  
**9:15 A.M.** M. Gambino, G. Pelucco, R. Ruskowski, G. Tulino  
**10:30 A.M.** A. & F. Auriti, B. & T. Walsh  
**12 Noon** C. Carr, G. Monreale, V. Palazzo, D. Russo  
**1:15 P.M.** D. Dunn, C. Sikorjak, G. Steinmetz, C. Trang  
**7:00 P.M.** M. Brophy, L. Caiazza, C. & S. Campitiello



The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea wishes to express our sincere condolences to those who have lost a loved one. Condolences to the family of: **Veronica Laudati, Martin Fullam, Ronald Ferger, Donald Parrella and Shonas Jonas**

**St. Agatha Virgin and Martyr – Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>**

Agatha was an illustrious Sicilian noble who was martyred in Calamia in 251 during the Decian persecution, for refusing the solicitations of a Roman senator. St. Agatha was subjected to various cruel tortures, including cutting off her breasts and her being thrown upon red hot coals. At this point, a violent earthquake shook the town, and fearing the people would rise up in protest, Agatha was returned to prison where she died of her tortures. She is the Patron Saint of Nurses and those suffering from breast diseases. (JM)

### PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS

The Prayer Group usually 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.

There will be no Healing Service on the first Tuesday in February. We will have a healing service during our Parish Mission on Tues., Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30PM, which will be conducted by Padre Pio Mandato. The Healing Service for March will be on Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30PM.

### MASS CELEBRANTS

#### Saturday – Feb. 2

4:00PM Msgr. Peter Smith

5:30PM Msgr. Peter Smith

#### Sunday – Feb. 3

8:00AM Fr. Robert Inman

9:15AM Fr. Robert Inman

10:30AM Fr. Robert Inman

12 Noon Msgr. Jeff Conway

1:15PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

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### 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.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joseph Arena, Jaime Cucuzza, Natalie Cavicchio, Gen Decio, Joan DiFiore, John Emigholz, Sr., Joe Ennis, Patty G., Marjorie Gogarty, Edna Gorman, Lorraine Hamer, Camille Polly, Richard Kempton, William Magrino, Jr., Tiffany Mezzatesta, John Petrizzo, Josephine Petrosino, Denise Santanella, Carlos Santiago, Sr. Maureen, Dan Speranzo, Jr., Stevie Speranzo, Susan Tawes, Dominick Zizzamia

### COMMUNION MEETING

#### FOR ALL PARENTS OF 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE STUDENTS

There is a mandatory meeting for all parents of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Communion Class on **Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:30PM, in O'Mara Hall.

### THANK YOU FROM THE BLOOD CENTER

The Blood Drive on January 27 was a great success, with 34 pints of blood donated! Special thanks to all those involved for their help in promoting the blood drive and the importance of blood donations for people that are ill and injured. One blood donation can save up to three lives, with the different components of blood separated and used for different patients with different needs. For instance, platelets are used to aid in clotting and needed frequently with cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy. So, the efforts of all the parishioners resulted in the potential for 102 patients to be positively impacted by this blood drive. Congratulations to the life-saving team at Our Lady Star of the Sea!

### SPORTS NEWS

#### OLSS BASEBALL SOFTBALL - T-Ball REGISTRATION:

OLSS baseball and softball program, open to girls and boys in grades 1-8 The Instructional T-Ball program is open to boys and girls in grades pre-k 4 and Kindergarten. Registration for both programs will be held on the following dates:

**WED TUES FEB 5 & TUES FEB 12 FROM 6 PM TO 7 PM AT OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER**

For information contact Dennis DellaValle @ 718- 757- 1630 or EMAIL [olssbaseballsoftball@verizon.net](mailto:olssbaseballsoftball@verizon.net)

### BAPTISM PREPARATION POLICY

All Parish Families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the Parish Baptismal Preparation Program. The program is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>

March 10<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>

May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>

June 9<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>

July 14<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>

### BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH

2:15 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>

March 10<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>

May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>

June 9<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>

July 14<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>

### 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.

### OPENING OF THE 2014 MASS BOOK

The 2014 Mass Book will officially open on **Tuesday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>**, at **9AM, (no earlier) in the basement of the Rectory.**

In order to accommodate our large parish, we ask that no more than four masses be taken from any one person or family at this time. Thank you for your consideration. Please remember to consult a 2014 calendar when choosing your masses. (The donation for Sat./Sun. Masses and holy days is \$15; weekday mass donation: \$10.)

### CONGRATULATIONS SCOUTS

Congratulations to the following Pack 5 Cub Scouts on receiving their Religious Medals from the Staten Island Catholic Committee on January 20th at St. Peter's Church where Monsignor Dorney officiated.

**Light of Christ:** Matthew Caccavo, Jason Caccavo, Paul Hansen, Matthew Marino and Michael Patras

**Parvuli Dei:** Peter Capasso, Brian Marino and Nicholas Salerno

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA'S CHRISTMAS TREE GIVING BASKETS

Many thanks to the wonderful generosity of our parish community, who donated over 1,200 gifts for our Giving Tree Giving Baskets, as well as over \$750 in gift cards which were all distributed to families in need. We helped 10 organizations with gifts and 12 individual families with food and over 200 gifts. The remaining gifts were distributed to: Amethyst House, Cross-Road Foundation, Eden II, Franciscan Handmaids of Mary/St. Edward Food Pantry, Memorial Sloan Kettering, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Project Hospitality, St. Mary of the Assumption, Seaman's Society for Children and Families and Seaview Home.

The parents of the children whom we helped expressed deep gratitude for the gifts they received, as well as the food, gift certificates for their Christmas dinners, which was generously donated by the Italian Club of Staten Island and parishioners. The Cross-Road Foundation thanked us for the generosity of our parishioners and the joy that our gifts brought, not only to the children, but to their mothers as well.

Thank you to Donna Ferreri and her Committee, who reached out to the various organizations each year and to Debbie Emigholz who worked with the families and the individuals who are in need.

A mother of 4 children said, "Everyone is so generous and we will have a Merry Christmas after all thanks to all of the parishioners. We can't thank you enough."

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Facing Rejection)

**Reading I** Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 (prophet consecrated to God)

**Reading II** 1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13 (love never fails)

**Gospel** Luke 4:21-30 (beginning of preaching; rejection by the townspeople)

**Key Passage** They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way. (Luke 4:29-30)

**Adult:** What do you do when a message you are trying to deliver "falls on deaf ears"?

**Child:** Are there times when you have not listened as well as you could to what someone was telling you: Why didn't you?

**SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY:** The group meets on Mondays at 7:30PM. Sessions will begin shortly. If you are interested in attending, you must call the rectory prior to the meeting and leave your name and number.

**BOOK GROUP MEETING:** The next meeting of the book club has been changed to **Thursday February 21** at 7:30PM in the rectory. Our next book is Jesus of Nazareth - Holy Week: From the Entrance Into Jerusalem To The Resurrection by Pope Benedict XVI. This is the second book in the Jesus trilogy written by His Holiness and a good accompaniment for our Lenten journey. It is available at Barnes & Noble on Richmond Avenue and also online at both Amazon and Barnes and Noble. We will discuss Chapters 1 through 5. Please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081 for more information. New members are always welcome. Please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081 for more information.

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY:** If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to join our Group Please call the Rectory to register at (718) 984-0593.

## SCHOOL NEWS Open House and Information Session

We invite you to attend our open houses and information sessions in our Pre School Building so you can learn more about us. We know we can be the perfect fit for your child! Please mark these dates on your calendar:

**Pre K 4 and Kindergarten Open House from 9AM -10AM**

**March 1**

**Pre K 3 Open House from 9AM -10AM March 7**

**OPEN REGISTRATION**

**Pre K 3 Registration** – Tuesday, February 5 from 9-11 AM in O'Mara Hall.

**Pre K 4, Kindergarten – Grade 8 Registrations** - Thursday, February 7 from 9-11 AM in O'Mara Hall.

**Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Kindergarten students must be five years of age by Dec. 31, 2013. You must be a registered parishioner (register for the Parish at the Parish Office) to apply.

**PRE-K THREE YEAR OLDS** – The three year-old sessions will be offered two days (Tues. – Thurs) AM(8:30 - 11:00) and PM(12:00 - 2:30) Sessions available. Students must be three years of age by Dec. 31, 2013 and potty trained.

**PRE-K FOUR YEAR OLDS** – The four year-old sessions will be offered three full days 8:30 - 2:30 (Mon., Wed., and Fri.) or three half day AM(8:30 - 11:00) sessions (Mon., Wed., Fri.) Students must be four years of age by Dec. 31, 2013 and potty trained.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR PROGRAM, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (718) 984-5750**

*The following items should be presented all registrations:*

1. *Child must be present.*
2. *Birth certificate.*
3. *Baptismal certificate (required for Kdgt to 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. only). (Not mandatory for non-Christians.)*
4. *Sunday collection envelope number (not required for PreK or for non-Christians).*
5. *Proof of immunization.*
6. *Non-refundable \$175 application fee, per child, and \$200 fair share fee per family (Gr. K-8 only).*
7. *Report cards and standardized tests scores from the last 2 years (where applicable).*

### AMAZING OLSS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Our eight grade students, Class of 2013, 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 2013

- 100% of students accepted into a Catholic HS
- 75 out of 77 made their first choice
- 70% of students awarded honors/scholarships
- 98 honors programs or scholarships awarded
- 24 Full Scholarships
- 4 Partial Scholarships
- \$731,120 total amount of scholarships to date
- 82% of OLSS Scholarships were awarded to students enrolled in our OLSS Tachs Program.

**TOURING TUESDAY**

Considering a Catholic Elementary School? If you are a prospective parent/guardian and are interested in learning more about Our Lady Star of the Sea School, visit us on TOURING TUESDAY, on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9AM to 11AM. Learn about the great programs offered at Our Lady Star of the Sea School by visiting the school's website at [olss-si.org](http://olss-si.org). Pre-registration for TOURING TUESDAY IS REQUIRED. To register call our bilingual recruitment hotline, (646) 794-2885, or visit our website- [www.BuildBoldFutures.org](http://www.BuildBoldFutures.org).

Our Catholic Schools provide superior academics and Catholic values in a safe, nurturing and structured environment. Catholic Schools offer:

- A curriculum firmly rooted in Catholic teachings and tradition, that fosters faith formation and encourages service to others;
- A wide variety of after-school enrichment programs available at many schools;
- Affordable tuition;
- Extended hours available at many schools to accommodate working parents;
- Ongoing enrollment.

We look forward to meeting with you on February 12<sup>th</sup>.

 **Mark Your Calendar**

**MSGR. JEFF'S EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING CLASS**

If you are a Catholic, 18 years or older, and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and would like to join this important ministry, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number. Sessions will be on Mondays in the Rectory as follows:

The first class on Feb. 25 will be at 8PM, March 4, March 11 and March 18 at 7:30PM. The March 18<sup>th</sup> class will be held in the Church so that we can go over procedures. You are welcome to attend even if you do not wish to become a Minister. If interested, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number (718) 984-0593.

**ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS**

The preference sheets covering the schedule for the months of March, April, May and June have been sent out. If you did not receive one, please contact Madalena at the Rectory and one will be emailed or mailed to you. Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter are included in this schedule so it is important to return it so that everything runs smoothly. Thank you.

**NEW LECTOR TRAINING**

We will be conducting training for new Lectors. If you are interested in becoming a Lector, please call the parish office at 718.984.0593 or email at [olssparish@si.rr.com](mailto:olssparish@si.rr.com).

**50 PLUS CLUB**

Trip to Resorts Casino Hotel – Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, \$51 per person – Christopher Macchio, starring in a Valentine's Day Event at Atlantic City. Trip includes \$25 slot play at Resorts Casino, Valentine Show, transportation (including tips and taxes). For reservations, call Terry at (718) 317-1801. **The next meeting is Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> in the Damato Meeting Room at 1PM.**

**DOO WOP DINNER DANCE AT HOLY CHILD**

The Holy Child School of Religion is sponsoring its third annual Doo Wop Dinner Dance Fundraiser on Saturday, March 2 from 7 to 11:30PM. Returning for their third year are the RB Express. Dinner with dancing is \$45 per person. There will be a 50-50 Raffle. There is a limit of 300 tickets being sold. Tickets not sold at the door. Checks should be made to Holy Child School of Religion. Call Marie Ferro (718) 356-5277 for tickets.



**OLSS ANNUAL FASHION SHOW**

**"A BROADWAY SPECTACULAR"**

Please save the date: OLSS Fashion Show 2013 presents A "Broadway Spectacular" April 11, 2013, 7:00 pm @ The Excelsior Grand. If you would like to purchase tickets, chance books or make a donation please call the chairladies: Elvira Tarulli (917)843-8093 or Natalie Carannante (917)763-9647. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your support to be successful!

**FEBRUARY 18<sup>th</sup> TO 20<sup>th</sup>**

**OLSS PARISH MISSION**

**CONDUCTED BY PADRE PIO MANDATO**

**"THE GIFT OF FAITH: JESUS IS THE DOOR OF FAITH, IN ENTERING WE ARE KEPT SAFE. JN 10:9"**

**Monday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 9AM Mass** with a homily on the Gift of Faith. Anointing of the sick will be provided after Mass.

**7:30PM** – Evening service with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Conference on "Fear is useless what is needed is trust " Luke 8:50" Confession will be available, closing with Benediction.

**Tuesday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 9AM Mass** with homily on the "Gift of Hope." After Mass, the Sacrament of penance will be available and a talk by Sr. Theresa on "The dignity of women" the teaching of John Paul II.

**7:30PM** – Meditative music half hour before the service by the Sisters. Healing Service with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Conference on "Faith is the door into mystery and vision of God's Kingdom," Individual healing and lovely meditative music of praise and adoration closing with Benediction.

**Wednesday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 9AM Mass** with homily on the "Gift of Love". After Mass, the Sacrament of Penance will be available.

**7:30PM** – Meditative Music half hour before the Mass. Homily on "Faith in the Son of Man" – Marian procession around the Church and dedication of the Parish to Our Lady in this year of faith.

Light refreshments will be served after the Mission in O'Mara Hall.



**INSPIRATIONAL CONCERT ON FEB. 15<sup>TH</sup>**

A free concert will be held in our Church on **Friday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 8PM**. Come join our cantors and choir to help kick off our mission as you join them in songs of inspiration and praise.

**12 STEP MEETINGS – RECTORY BASEMENT**

<b>ACOA</b>	<b>Sun., 5:30PM</b>
<b>AA</b>	<b>Sun., 8:15PM</b>
	<b>Mon., 10AM</b>
<b>New AA Meeting</b>	<b>Tues., 4PM</b>
	<b>Thurs., 4PM</b>
	<b>Fri., 4PM</b>
	<b>Sat., 7:30PM and 9PM</b>
<b>PILLS ANON.</b>	<b>Tues., 6:30PM and</b>
	<b>Fri., 7:30PM</b>
<b>GAMBLERS ANON.</b>	<b>Tues., 8:00PM</b>
<b>AL ANON</b>	<b>Thurs., 7:15PM</b>
<b>For INTERVENTIONS call Joe Bratt (718) 290-7012</b>	

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Every first Thursday, at 6PM, there will be a dinner at 6PM, a meeting at 7PM and a Healing Mass at 8PM in O'Mara Hall/Chapel for members of 12 Step Programs. Cost: \$20. The next meeting is on 2/28/13.