

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 23, 2017
Announced Masses

Saturday, July 22

4:00PM Josephine Testaverde
5:30PM Marie Cancelleri

Sunday, July 23

8:00AM Vito Melillo
9:30AM Anthony Mineo
11:00AM Scott Freundlich
12:30PM Ann Defalco
7:00 PM Margaret Carollo

Monday, July 24

9:00AM Anthony Dunleavy

Tuesday, July 25

9:00 AM Dominick Zizzamia

Wednesday, July 26

9:00AM Peter Levantino

Thursday, July 27

9:00AM Salvatore Gallina & Rita Gallina

Friday, July 28

9:00AM Rudolph Jermos

Saturday, July 29

9:00AM Renee Vivolo
4:00PM Angelo Ugenti
5:30PM Frances Catanese & Joseph Dazio

Sunday, July 30

8:00AM Corinna Viggiano
9:30AM Joseph Arena
11:00AM Nestor Lopez
12:30PM Stephanie DeMaio
7:00 PM Renee Vivolo



Banns of Marriage

Third Time: Michael Alfano & Patricia Cannizzaro



Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, August 27** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

PLEASE NOTE:

OLSS New Mass Schedule

Saturdays - 4 pm & 5:30 pm

Sundays - 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am, 12:30 pm, & 7 pm

Archdiocese of New York

Announcement of Child Protection

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or layperson serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of July 23-July 29
Given in Loving Memory of
Joseph E. Rispoli

Donated by his loving family & Godparents

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, July 29

4:00PM E Vitiello
5:30PM M Andreola

Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, July 29

4:00PM A Lazzara, C Argano, M Sprague, A Petrocelli & J Coscia
5:30PM A Dazio, C Houle, C Losi, F Ruggiero & N Villani

Lectors – Sunday, July 30

8:00AM M Higgins
9:30AM M Coppolo
11:00AM C Messina
12:30PM MA Higgins
7:00 PM A Pompei

Eucharistic Ministers - Sunday, July 30

8:00AM J Perdichizzi, P Zoltowski, M Ennis, M Molinini & S Monteforte
9:30AM E Burns, L Capobianco, J Gatto, S Hitchcock & T Strange
11:00AM C&J Gerace, E&G Riozzi & Dcn. Quadrino
12:30PM C Belvedere, MA Russo, B Peters, M & Dcn. Quadrino
7:00PM J Limeri, G LaGrua, K Drisco, M Recanatini & A Zuffante

Altar Servers, Saturday, July 29

4:00PM E Harris, K Marchisella
5:30PM D Heidel, R&C Nicholaou

Altar Servers, Sunday, July 30

8:00AM J Bell
9:30AM M Esposito
11:00AM F&A Aurti
12:30PM B&M Stackhouse, P Marone
7:00PM R Faljean



Sincere Condolences

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

**Anna Simone, Carmelo Denaro,
Marianne Parisi, Mary Cummings. Thomas Charles Meo**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Volunteers Needed!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held each week, Monday-Thursday in the OLSS Chapel from 12 Noon-5pm. Volunteers, or Adorers, sign up for one hour shifts to sit with our Lord during this time. We welcome you to sign up for any one hour, however, we are in urgent need of Adorers to sit for the following times:

Mondays & Wednesdays 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM & 3-4 PM

Thursdays 2-3 PM



If you can find some time in your day to participate in Adoration, please call Carol Ordy at 917-536-8576.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Summertime is a wonderful time to socialize and meet new and interesting people. Last Saturday I was introduced to Louis Masi. Louis is a seminarian serving at Saint Joseph & Saint Thomas, Saint John Neumann Parish. He is returning at the end of August to the Pontifical North American College in Vatican City and at the end of September he will be ordained a transitional deacon by Bishop James Checcio of Metuchen Diocese, the former rector of that seminary. Lou hails originally from Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Parish, in the Pelham Bay section of the Bronx. His parents were born in Mola di Bari and he went to Regis High School, Fordham University and now in Rome he studied in the Gregorian (Jesuit) and the Augustinum Colleges in Rome. His concentration will be studying Patristics-the Early Church Fathers after the Apostles. He will be ordained a priest next May with 5 other classmates studying in New York. I was inspired to listen to this young seminarian speak of his experiences. While he was speaking, I was thinking about our own Anthony Gorgia and his first days in Rome. Anthony left last Tuesday evening for Assisi, to learn Italian. Please keep his family in your prayers. Between seminarians and priests, there are 12 New Yorkers studying theology in Rome this year. Anthony won't be among strangers.

While Father Dave, Carmine Caruso and I dined at Portobello Café with Lou; he mentioned that he had spent one month with Maryknoll Fathers in China. This was a very remote part of China. It's where North Korea, China and Russia almost meet. The village to which he was sent was in need for people to teach English, so he went. The young people never heard about Jesus, or the Catholic Church or faith, and there were strict laws about evangelizing and spreading the faith. So Lou had to be cautious but he could answer questions. For example, Louis mentioned that in December there is a major holiday that many Americans gather to exchange gifts call Christmas. He could mention this but not go into any details. What seemed to fascinate his students was the issue of celibacy. Inquiring minds wanted to know, was he married? Did he have a wife and children? When he said no, they wanted to know more about what does it mean to give up your life and live celibacy? They got the idea that this must mean something absolutely important, "To give up your life for a specific purpose", they wanted to know more. Lou was directing them to keep asking questions and when he was gone, to speak with the Maryknoll Missioners still living in the region. It fascinated Lou to discover that in a land where the name of Jesus is never mentioned, or Church or symbols of faith are not present, there was such a hunger for God. It seems to ask the question down deep, are we not hard wired to want to know and understand more about God? Why am I here, how did I get here, what is my purpose in life? It was an interesting conversation.

At one point in our talk, Lou mentioned about a woman who came to him after class and very secretly showed him her medal that she was wearing under her clothes. It was an image of Our Blessed Mother. She invited him to come to the State Run Catholic Church and she arrived early and prayed the rosary before Mass, she attended the Mass but did not receive Holy Communion. She told Lou that she have been going every week for over a year. When Lou asked her if she had been baptized, she replied that she did not know what "Baptism" meant. She was attracted to the Mass, the people praying and the peace she felt. Lou again invited her to speak with the Maryknoll Fathers after he left.

In today's gospel, we are told that if we had the faith of a mustard seed we could move mountains, and uproot mustard seed bushes. All is possible with faith. There are so many young people in China who don't know about Jesus. While we still have the freedom to mention Jesus' name in public, let us not bypass the opportunity to give witness. The world is starving for God; His love, His mercy, His freedom when he delivers us from our fears and sins, He's glorified when we shine with his inner peace, all these are gifts to create faith and re-create our lives. It is good to speak and give a testimony to the power of God at work in us. Lou in his humble gentle way brought Christ to China and Calcutta. Between Caesar salads and the key lime pie, I learned a lot and am grateful to the next generation and their dedication to Christ.

A Blessed Summer,

Fr. Tom Devery



BLOOD DRIVE - Sunday, August 6 **Emergency Blood Shortage!**

Each blood donation helps save 3 lives!

Our Lady Star of the Sea will be hosting its biannual blood drive on **Sunday, August 6, 2017 in O'Mara Hall from 9am – 3pm**. Please bring your New York Blood Center donor card, if you have one, as well as picture ID. In order to donate you must weigh at least 110 lbs., and be between the ages of 16-75. If you are 16 years old, you will need parental consent. If you are older than 75, you will need a physician's note stating you are eligible to donate. Please make sure to have a good meal and drink plenty of fluids **PRIOR** to coming to donate. Please set aside an hour for your donation. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call (800) 933-2566. If you have questions regarding medical eligibility, please call (800) 688-0900.



Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Christopher Balk, Catherine Biondolillo, Charles Boland, Sarah Brodine, Serafina Carlone, Victor Cervone, Lou Correard, Dominick D'Argenio, John Dawidowicz, John DeLuca, Cindy Diaz, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Thomas Paul Gaither, Kim Giangregorio, Herbert Gruberger, Thomas Lamantia William Massi, Anthony Medeiros, Anne Merlino, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Betty Popick, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Caesar Russo, Alex Sepiol, Robert Stranberg Sr., Sarah Weathers
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 Tuesday, August 1 at 7:30 p.m.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **Due to August 15 being a Holy Day of Obligation, the next Healing Service will be Tuesday, August 15 following the 8 pm Holy Day Mass.**

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



The school office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9am-12pm during the month of July.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Religious Education Office is **CLOSED** for the summer.

The next date for registering your child for Religious Education will be on Tuesday, September 5 at 11:00 am.

OLSS Soccer Registration

Registration forms may be dropped off at the Rectory for the 17-18 Season. Registration fees \$200 for SIYSL players, \$150 for Pee Wee & 3 yr. olds and \$125 for siblings. Visit the website www.olsssoccer.com for registration form and details.



OLSS CYO Basketball Registration

OLSS Sports has updated their website - they are now offering Online Registration for all sports activities. Registration for the 2017-2018 Basketball Season is now open. Please visit the web site at olssbasketball.com and click the "Click Here to Register Now" button to complete your online registration. Please make sure to review the new social media policies. Registration for the Fall 2017 Intramural season will also be available online in the coming weeks.



OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER DAY CAMP

Currently running through Friday, August 18th
9:00am – 3:30pm

(Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade in Sept. 2017)

Camp Pricing:

Full Day - \$260 Weekly, \$85 Daily
Half Day - \$185 Weekly, \$50 Daily

Extended Days Available!



Early Camper Care Starting @ 7:30am
Extended Camper Care up to 5:30pm
(At an additional hourly rate)

Camp is held on the OLSS campus:
5411 Amboy Road SI, NY 10312

****Bring your own Lunch and Snack****

Indoor Activities Include

Arts and Crafts, Dance, Computers

Outdoor Activities Include

Soccer, Organized games & more!

Weekly Theme Days

To register, email Ms. Linda Fusillo, Camp Director:
linsoap@aol.com

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. 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.

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – Meetings will resume in September. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Widowed Club – A group is available for widows and widowers to come together and share their experiences. The meetings will resume in September. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Bereavement Group – There will be a new session beginning in the fall. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, and you would like to speak with someone in the bereavement ministry in the meantime, please contact the rectory.

Book Club - OLSS Book club meetings will resume in September. Consult the bulletin for further details or contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

Holy Name Society – The next meeting for the Holy Name Society will be on **Wed., September 6 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.

Faith-Sharing Group – The Sons & Daughters of Mary meets on Fridays from 10-11 am in the Rectory Basement.

Legion of Mary – The next meeting of the OLSS Legion of Mary will be **Monday, July 24 at 7:15 pm** in the **OLSS Chapel**. There will be Guardian Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily chapel from **12 Noon – 5 pm on Friday, July 28**. The Legion of Mary would like to visit anyone who is homebound to bring communion or just to sit and keep company.

Pro-Life Meditations on the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary



The Annunciation – Mary is troubled by the angel's greeting, yet rejoices to do God's will. Let us pray that those who are troubled by their pregnancy may have the grace to trust in God's will.

The Visitation – John the Baptist leapt for joy in his mother's womb. We pray that people may realize that abortion is not about children who "might" come into the world, but is about children who are already in the world, living and growing in the womb, and are scheduled to be killed.

The Nativity – God Himself was born as a child. The greatness of a person does not depend on size, for the newborn King is very small. Let us pray for an end to prejudice against the tiny babies threatened by abortion.

The Presentation – The Child is presented in the Temple because the Child belongs to God. Children are not the property of their parents, nor of the government. They - and we - belong to God Himself.

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple – The boy Jesus was filled with wisdom, because He is God. Let us pray that all people may see the wisdom of His teachings about the dignity of life, and may understand that this teaching is not an opinion, but the truth.



2017 Cardinal's Appeal Update

Thank you to all of the families who have made a pledge to the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal. Our Lady Star of the Sea continues to make progress towards meeting our goal of **\$179,500**. To date, approximately **454 families** have made pledges totaling **\$163,040**. We are at **91%** of our goal.

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal

If you have not yet done so and would like to make a pledge to the Cardinal's Annual Appeal, please fill out this form, cut it out and put it in the collection basket, drop it off at the Rectory or mail it to:

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal
1011 First Ave., 14th Floor Donor Database Center
New York, New York 10022-4112

Suggested total pledge:	5 Monthly Payments of:
\$5,000.....	\$1,000
\$2,500.....	\$500
\$1,000.....	\$200
\$500.....	\$100
\$250.....	\$50

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Parish _____

E-Mail _____

Total Gift _____ Amt Enclosed _____

Balance _____

Choose your payment method:

Personal check payable to: **The Cardinal's Appeal**

Credit Card (complete below): American Exp – Visa – MasterCard

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Please charge:

One Time Amt of \$ _____ OR \$ _____ each month for _____ months.

Signature: _____

Cluster Corner

Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians

Mass Times – 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



Parish of St. Joseph-St. Thomas-St. John Neumann

Mass times at St. Thomas - 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

Mass times at St. Joseph - 16 Poplar Ave.

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

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Ignatian Prayer Group at St. Clare Church

Saturday, August 5th in the Presentation Center

Gathering for coffee after the 9:00 am Mass

Prayer begins at 10:00 am



Respond to the stirring in your heart to move closer to God through music, prayer with scripture, spiritual conversation and discussion of topics in Ignatian spirituality.



Five Flags Flea Market – Vendors Needed!

Saturday, August 19 – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Holy Child Gym - \$25 a table

For more information, call Marjorie Pugliese at 347-600-6237

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 Ceremonies

EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm

Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

July 23, August 13 & 27, September 10 & 24

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. Baptism Ceremonies take place in the Church. **Baptism Ceremonies will take place EVERY Sunday at 2 pm. Classes will remain the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month at 12 Noon.**

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.

Stolzenhaller Knights of Columbus

Conheaney Golf Classic

Monday, September 25, 2017

at the South Shore Golf Course
(200 Hugenot Ave, Sl, NY 10312)

7 am Breakfast

7:15 am Registration

8 am Shotgun Start

12 Noon – 5:00 PM Dinner, Prizes and Raffles

Lunch on the turn included/Dinner served at 1 pm
Cost: \$140 per golfer (includes dinner & open bar).

Sponsorship Opportunities available!

For more information and for reservations, call Karl Emigholz, PGK, Chairman at (646) 662-2034



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 & Sibling support group meeting for families battling addiction on **September 25 at 7 pm** in the Damato Mtg Rm. 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 **August 3**.