

JULY 27, 2014
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

*"God Bless the wonderful parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea.
Thank you for making me feel so welcome!"*

Fr. Thomas Devery

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, July 26, 2014

- 9:00AM Howard Mullin
4:00PM Dec. Members of Graziano and Iorio Fms.
5:30PM Anna Stanziale

Sunday, July 27, 2014

- 8:00AM Tom Biolsi
9:15AM Genevieve Kozlowski
10:30AM Anthony Pace
12 Noon Rita Eadicicco
1:15PM Fannie Lomando
7:00PM Carol Ann Abbate

Monday

- 9:00AM Antonio Valenzano and Nicola Circolone

Tuesday

- 9:00AM Anthony Geraci

Wednesday

- 9:00AM Stephanie DeMaio

Thursday

- 9:00AM Tom Biolsi

Friday

- 9:00AM Antoinette Serpico

Saturday, August 2 , 2014

- 9:00AM Anna and Joe DeCrescenzo
4:00PM Mary Barlotto
5:30PM Rose DeFeo

Sunday, August 3, 2014

- 8:00AM Edward and Maryann Brennan
9:15AM Patrick O'Connell
10:30PM Anthony Pace
12 Noon Deceased Members of DiBuono Family
1:15PM Wilma Vetrano
7:00PM Maryann Masocol

Stanley Rather Priest and Martyr – July 28

Fr. Rather nearly failed to finish seminary because of his difficulties with Latin. He mastered the Mayan dialect of the Tzutuhel Indians in Guatemala, having passed this hurdle he won their trust and respect by his complete dedication to their community. In addition to his pastoral work of baptisms, marriages, funerals, training catechists, sick calls and distributing of food and medicine, he could be seen wielding a hoe for a farmer and organizing meetings. His church became a center with 3,500 Indians attending Sunday Mass. However, social discontent began to develop because of very low wages and bad distribution by the excessively rich, and the military government undertook extremely brutal measures against the Indians and the Church. On July 28, masked men invaded the rectory and murdered Fr. Rather. He was in the truest sense a pastor, whose life was of constant self-giving. (JM)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF
JULY 27, 2014
IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH E. RISPOLI
FROM HIS LOVING FAMILY

Lectors – August 2, 2014

- 4:00PM C. Losi, C. Harris
5:30PM F. Monte, F. Barone

Eucharistic Ministers

- 4:00PM A. Petrocelli, B. Peters, J. Uhlman, V. Caruso, E. Vitiello, L. Barbato, A. Lazzara
5:30PM JM Graziano, J. Amitrano, J. Cimino, A. Dazio, T. Scaramuzzo, C. Houle, M. Graziano

Lectors – Sunday, August 3, 2014

- 8:00AM MJ Truckenbrodt, L. Bauer
9:15AM E. Newborn, T. O'Connell

10:30AM Mike Pinto

- 12 Noon MA Higgins**
1:15PM C. Messina, B. Weir

7:00PM G. LaGrua

Eucharistic Minister

- 8:00AM J. Stanzione, J. Perdichizzi, R. Bauer, P. Zoltowski, T. Daluise, M. Andreola, M. Molinini
9:15AM C. Scalzo, ME Carey, R. Scarpati, L. Capobianco, R. Corbett, J. Gatto
10:30AM E. & G. Rizzoli, G. Balestrino, N. Fallacaro, M. Newell, E. Talarico, C. Ordy
12 Noon D. Zaiano, B. Higgins, V. Acri, M. & F. Marino, C. Barone, J. Tolento
1:15PM A. McCoy, MA Russo, M. Sprague, M. Recanatini, V. Acri, N. Villani, B. Nicholson
7:00PM A. Zuffante, T. Palmieri, J. Prato, A. Manetti, C. Houle, M. Sicari

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, August 2, 2014:

- 4:00 P.M.:** Daniella Battaglia, Dominick Battaglia, Eugenio Buccini, Emily Harris
5:30 P.M.: Matthew Esposito, Maria Coelho, Salvatore Imbro, Alfred Romani

Sunday, August 3, 2014:

- 8:00 A.M.:** Christopher Luisi, Shane Marashaj, Jonathan Mele, Noelle Mele
9:15 A.M.: Bryan Bosques, Erin Carey, Keryn Lee, Kirsten Lee
10:30 A.M.: Angela Auriti, Francesca Auriti, Gavin Monreale, Gabrielle Pelucco
12:00 Noon: Alissa Ruszkowski, Robert Ruszkowski, Josellina Nardulli, Christina Sikorjak
1:15 P.M.: Prisilla Arellano, Hailey Caruso, Guliana Gulotta, Chloe Trang
7:00 P.M.: Joseph Petillo, Daniella Russo, Gianna Sicari, Vincent Sicari



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME: Mark Kocianic and Keri Kilcommons

Gaetano Grillo and Caitlin Macey

Joseph Marsh and Stephanie Genova

Jason Tesoriero and Christina Locantore

John R. Doherty and Maria Torres

Vincenzo Scalici and Jamie Donovan

Michael Scotti and Alyssa Cuomo

Anthony DeSantis and Nicole Semey

A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

How I wish I could honor Msgr. Jeff Conway with all he has done for us and thank him and give you all my impressions, hopes and dreams for Our Lady Star of the Sea, but this seems to be the best venue to write down some thoughts and keep you informed. Little by little, I am nearly totally settled in and I am delighted to share living space with Monsignor John Mc McCarthy, who just retired from Saint Patrick's Church after serving an amazing 60 years in the priesthood. On July 13th I welcomed newly ordained Father David Rider, who hails from Hyde Park, New York and has been ordained about 2 months. Father Dave is with us for the summer and needs to return to Rome to finish his studies. What a gift he is to us. I am so blessed with Father Gabe Mendy from Gambia, and Monsignor Vincent Bartley, also retired and living within our parish. These fine priests along with Monsignor Peter Smith from Scotland and Father Adalbert Kosoma from Poland and occasionally Father Chris Argano, assigned to Saint Columba in Hopewell Junction, are serving us well this summer. I'm amazed at the enormous blessings each of them bring to our parish. Although we are abundantly blessed for the summer months and I don't know what the future holds, I rejoice in the fraternity and good will of these beginning days in the rectory.

I am so aware of the blessings we have with our Music Ministry, our Lector and Eucharistic Ministry, our Ushers, our Adoration group, our maintenance staff, and our beloved deaf community joining with us on Sunday evenings. I am thrilled with our rectory staff, and happy to see our youngest parish members enjoy summer camps and am confident that our school and religious education programs will serve them well this upcoming year. I'm aware of the outpouring of dedication to our sports teams, our sacristans, our bereavement groups, our 12 step groups and even our ministry to our Pre Cana Couples. There's hardly a dull moment and this is just the summer. Wow!

Having a pastor's eye I'd like to share with you some of the items on my "Dream List", not that they have to all come true but I would appreciate your input. First off, there's a tiny but noticeable sink hole in the parking lot driveway near the door of the rear sacristy that is being patched. I would also like to transfer the tabernacle to the center of the sanctuary where the large presider's chair is and have Christ enthroned there and let there be a smaller chair for the priest offering Mass. In the space where the tabernacle presently is; I dream of a beautiful statue of the Blessed Mother, since there is a natural niche there.

In our rectory I want to remove the bathroom next to the parlor and create a chapel in the rectory for us priests to be able to pray before the Blessed Sacrament since we are not connected to the Church. A smaller bathroom could be constructed from the shower room and a door created to the corridor providing access for the staff. I would like to enclose the car port and turn it into a garage. If anyone has a second hand car that's in good condition, Father Adalbert and Father Dave would need access to it for their ministry here.

I would like to offer Mass for the Presentation Sisters at 12 Noon on Wednesdays at their Motherhouse on Woodrow Road. When I arrived at Our Lady of Pity Church last August 15th I made it my priority to visit and anoint the homebound members of our parish. I was able to discover about 35 more people who were homebound and frail and can't get to church. If there are any more in Our Lady Star of the Sea please let me know. All these homebound are powerhouses of prayer and saints for our parish, and even though they can have weekly Masses streamed into their homes; they regularly need priestly visits for confession and anointing of the Sick.

Finally many have asked me if I will be continuing Healing Masses and healing services, such as has been here on Tuesday's. The answer is yes, however I am looking to have a prayer group that can co-minister with me and so I'll be seeking to form a prayer group when I return from my vacation which is from July 29th to August 17th.

This is a wonderful parish and preparations have already begun for our 100th Anniversary. May Jubilee graces abound. What a privilege it is for me to journey with you during these precious days. Pray for me as I do for you and know that I am happy that I can serve you. I'm discerning that Thursday's will be my day off. I need to return to you refreshed each week.

May Jesus Christ be praised in all we are and all we do for His honor and glory. And so I'll conclude with grateful affection for your loving kindness to me and your warm welcome. God bless you all,

Father Tom Devery



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

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

*Lucille G. Gore, Mary Gredder, Carmine Gelormino
and Alfred J. Limeri*

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

Sunday, Aug. 24th 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. Next workshop: Oct. 26, at 8:15PM.



MASS CELEBRANTS

Sat. - July 26, 2014	Sat. - August 2, 2014
4:00PM Fr. Tom Devery	4:00PM Fr. A. Kimosa
5:30PM Fr. Tom Devery	5:30PM Fr. Gabe Mendy
Sun. - July 27, 2014	Sun. - August 3, 2014
8:00AM Fr. Tom Devery	8:00AM Msgr. V. Bartley
9:15AM Fr. Dave Rider	9:15AM Msgr. V. Bartley
10:30AM Fr. Gabe Mendy	10:30AM Fr. Dave Rider
12 Noon Msgr. Peter Smith	12 Noon Fr. Dave Rider
1:15PM Msgr. Peter Smith	1:15 PM Msgr. John McCarthy
7:00PM Msgr. V. Bartley	7:00 PM Fr. Dave Rider

Blood Drive

Our Lady Star of the Sea's Semi-Annual Blood Drive will take place on Sunday, August 3rd, in O'Mara Hall from 9 to 3PM. With the hot summer days upon us, the need for blood is even greater. Please come out and support our local community and save lives by donating blood. In order to donate, you will need identification, weigh more than 110 lbs and be between the ages of 16 and 75. If you are 16 years old, you will need parental consent and if you are older than 75, you will need a doctor's note. Each one of you has the opportunity to help others during this critical time in our lives. Give the gift of life.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pauline Adams, Betty Barton, Mary Bay, Barbara and Vivian Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo, Stephanie Cerchio, P.O. Thomas Choi, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Joseph Curreri, Genevieve Decio, Gemma Deliso, John Emigholz, Sr., Joseph Ennis, Thomas Paul Gaither, Juliette Gerbino, Lorraine Hamer, John Hitchcock, Kim Kuchler, Thomas Lamantia, Corazon Landivar, William Magrino, Jr., Jim Mauro, Tiffany Mezzacappa, Anna Milham, Ella Milo, Camille Polly, Joseph Puglisi, Carmen and John Ragona, Vanessa Recor, Denise Santanella, Anthony Saparito, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorriane Skelly, Donna Slavin, Jennifer Spinelli, Joan Squillante and Adriane Toscano, Cele VanWinkle, Carmen Vera, Carol Wright, Geraldine Yorks and Mary Carol Zadic.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP: The book club will resume in September. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Next Meeting is Wednesday, July 30, 2014, at 7:30PM in the Rectory.

50 PLUS CLUB: The meetings will resume in September. Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

The Religious Education Office is closed for the summer and will reopen August 26th. Registrations dates are 8/27, 8/28 and 9/2 at 11AM. You must be a registered parishioner in order to register your child for Religious Education.

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.



ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Our Lady Queen of Peace
Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
September 30th to November 18th
**For further information contact Sr. Mary Crucifix
@ (718) 273-3833**



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 Sundays 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**

Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th
Sept. 14th and Sept. 28th
Oct. 12th and Oct. 26th
Nov. 9th and Nov. 23rd
Dec. 14th and Dec. 28th

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

Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th
Sept. 14th and Sept. 28th
Oct. 12th and Sept. 28th
Nov. 9th and Nov. 23rd
Dec. 14th and Dec. 28th

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.

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.

TEST FOR ADMISSION INTO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS

Students in the eighth grade during the 2014-2015 school year wishing to apply for fall 2015 admission into Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of New York are eligible. Beginning August 25, you may register via the Internet at www.tachsinfo.com or by telephone from 8:00AM to 7:00PM ET Monday – Friday and 10:00AM – 2:00PM ET Saturday-Sunday at 1-866-61TACHS (1-866-618-2247). You may also obtain a Registration Form and Student Handbook from a high school. Student handbooks are available at www.tachsinfo.com.

save the date

St. Clare Block Party

Celebrating our Parish Feast Day

Saturday, August 9, 2014 , 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.*
Outside in St. Clare's Parking Lot, 110 Nelson Avenue
(Inclement Weather will move indoors to the Cardinal Cooke Center. Food, Ice Cream Truck, Dunk Tank, Video Game Truck, Activities, Carnival Games, Vendors, Raffles *All activities & games will end at 4:30 to prepare for the Statue Procession and 5:00 p.m. Mass in our Church - Admission: \$2.00 per person; \$5.00 Family of 4.

CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving I the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford at (212) 371-1000 X2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at (917) 861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website: www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

SPORTS NEWS

CYO Basketball Registration: Registration for the 2014-2015 CYO Basketball Season will take place on **Wednesday July 23 & 30th and August 6th and 13th from 7-9pm in the Athletic Center.** Fees, forms and information can be downloaded by visiting the sports web site at www.olssbasketball.com CYO is open to boys and girls in grades 1-8 as of September 2014. You must register by these dates or there will be a \$50 late fee assessed.

Intramural Basketball Registration: The Sports Program is now taking registration for the Fall and Winter Intramural seasons. Fee is \$95/one child, \$135/two and \$150/3 or more. Intramural's is open to boys and girls entering kindergarten through 8th grade. Registration will be held each **Wednesdays from 7 to 9PM in July in the OLSS Athletic Center.** Please see the Sports Web site at www.olssbasketball.com for more dates and to download the registration form.



SUMMER FUN AT STOLZENTHALER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

It's Summer Fun time at Stolzenthaler Knights of Columbus! 100 Kreischer Street August 9th Summer Fun Party At the council - 100 Kreischer Street - in our air conditioned hall. Comedian and Jerry Scotti's Free Pass Live Band. \$40 per person includes open bar from 8-12pm and summer barbecue menu catered by Portobello Café, including Bbq. chicken, skirt steak, pulled pork, mac n cheese, Texas corn and more! For reservations contact Karl Emigholz, GK 646-662-2034

S.I. CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS 90TH ANNIVERSARY

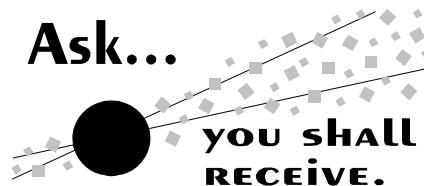
Catholic Daughters of America St. Clare's 90th Anniversary Gala will be held on Sunday, October 26th at 1 P.M. at St. Clare's Church with a Dinner Party at the Old Bermuda Inn on Veterans Rd West from 5-9 P.M. If you would like to make reservations please go on line to Bernadette@Olks.org or call 718-483-1428. The cost is \$50 per person and seats are limited, please try to respond by September 30 if you are interested.

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.

ST. EDWARD FOOD PANTRY

The Pantry, located at 6581 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY, is open on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday between the hours of 10AM and 1PM. If you are in need, please go to the pantry. You can contact them at (718) 984-1625.



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 July 31st.