

**JULY 6, 2014**  
**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**

*"God God Bless the wonderful parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea."*

*Father Thomas Devery*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Saturday, July 5, 2014**

**9:00AM** Thomas Lombardi  
**4:00PM** Patricia Balestrieri  
**5:30PM** Deceased Members of Rudden Family

**Sunday, July 6, 2014**

**8:00AM** Veronica and Fred Filitor  
**9:15AM** Michael Contardo  
**10:30PM** Winnie Visconti  
**12 Noon** Leonard Wanglund  
**1:15PM** Salvatore DiMarco  
**7:00PM** Dominick Palmieri and Maria DiPersichilli

**Monday**

**9:00AM** Michael and Elvira Crivallone

**Tuesday**

**9:00AM** Matthew Nieremburg

**Wednesday**

**9:00AM** Florence Meishon

**Thursday**

**9:00AM** Joseph Porcello

**Friday**

**9:00AM** Henry Mercil

**Saturday, July 12, 2014**

**9:00AM** Howard Mullin  
**4:00PM** Judy Porcello  
**5:30PM** Frank Imperato

**Sunday, July 13, 2014**

**8:00AM** Edward and Maryann Brennan  
**9:15AM** Joseph Pellegrini  
**10:30AM** Loreta Ambrogio Grieco  
**12 Noon** Jeffrey Capretta and Frank Garone  
**1:15PM** Rose DeFeo  
**7:00PM** Joseph Domenick DeCrescenzo, Jr.

**Blessed Ralph Wilner and Roger Dickenson, July 7 Martyrs**

Ralph was an elderly and illiterate farmer brought up as a Protestant in England. He was greatly influenced by his pious Catholic neighbors and took instructions and joined the Catholic faith. On the day of his First Communion, he was seized and imprisoned. During prison years, he was often granted parole and at such times, he would obtain alms and support for fellow prisoners. He also aided a priest named Roger Dickenson. Roger previously was arrested but escaped. Now, both he and Ralph were arrested and put on trial for the Faith. Because of his age, and the fact that he had eight children, he was given the opportunity to reconcile with the Protestant Church of England. He refused, preferring to share the fate of his friend Father Roger. Both were executed at Winchester on July 7, 1591. (JM)

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF**  
**JULY 6, 2014**  
**IN MEMORY OF ERMILINDA TROISE**  
**FROM HER LOVING HUSBAND EMANUEL**

**Lectors - July 12, 2014**

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

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**4:00PM** S. Roberto, M. Sicari, V. Caruso, A. Lazzara, A. McCoy, C. Argano, A. Petrocelli  
**5:30PM** A. Maffeo, C. Bottiglia, J. Cimino, J. Amitrano, JM Graziano, M. Graziano, ME Carey

**Lectors - Sunday, July 13, 2014**

**8:00AM** MJ Truckenbrodt, J. Perdichizzi  
**9:15AM** E. Newborn, M. Higgins  
**10:30AM** M. Coppolo  
**12 Noon** M. Pinto  
**1:15PM** MA Higgins  
**7:00PM** G. LaGrua

**Eucharistic Minister**

**8:00AM** A. Sparandera, T. Daluise, R. Corbett, J. Stanzione, M. Molinini, P. Zoltowski, C. Rosato  
**9:15AM** R. Corbett, M. Andreola, L. Capobianco, J. Gatto, AP Walsh, A. Brady, C. Scalzo  
**10:30AM** F. Ruggiero, R. DeMaio, C. Messina, J. Tolento, G. Balestrino, C. & G. Riozzi  
**12 Noon** N. Fallacaro, D. Zaiano, J. Tolento, C. & J. Gerace, C. Belvedere, A. McCoy  
**1:15PM** B. Nicholson, B. Peters, V. Acri, B. Higgins, M. & F. Marino  
**7:00PM** K. Melka, Limeri, C. Barone, B. Weir, C. Caiazzo, T. Palmieri, C. Houle

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, July 12, 2014**

**4:00 P.M.:** Daniella Battaglia, Dominick Battaglia, Emily Harris, Marisa Rivera  
**5:30 P.M.:** Matthew Esposito, Michael Losi, Gianna Sicari, Vincent Sicari

**Sunday, July 13, 2014:**

**8:00 A.M.:** Joseph Bell, Anthony Discenza, Gino Tucci, Nicholas Tucci  
**9:15 A.M.:** Bryan Bosques, Maria Coelho, Robert Ruskowski, Samantha Scalzo  
**10:30 A.M.:** Angela Auriti, Francesca Auriti, Eugenio Buccini, GulianaGulotta  
**12:00 Noon:** Caitlyn Carr, Gavin Monreale, Nick Rotondi, Brianna Stackhouse  
**1:15 P.M.:** Prissila Arellano, Gabrielle Artz, Hailey Caruso, Chloe Trang  
**7:00 P.M.:** Luigi Caiazzo, PJ Caiazzo, Charles Campitiello, Stephanie Campitiello



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**FIRST TIME:** Matthew Genovese and Michelle Matteo  
**SECOND TIME:** Ian Dahlberg and Michelle Parente  
**THIRD TIME:** Henry Rivera and Gina D'Amico

## SCHOOL NEWS

### SAYING GOODBYE

It is with bitter sweetness that we say goodbye to several of our teachers. Mrs. Marie Colonna (24 years), Mrs. Debby Melvin (24+ years), and Mrs. Susan Semerad (21 years) will be retiring. Mrs. Mary Lou Colucci (29 years) has been appointed Vice President of the Federation of Catholic School Teachers. These fine women have dedicated their lives to educating our children for an extraordinary amount of years. Their contributions have helped our school flourish and their impact will continue to have a positive impact for many years to come. They will always be part of the OLSS family. We wish them a lifetime of many special blessings and thank them for being such an integral part of our school for many years.

### MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

This Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> 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: Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, at 8:15PM.



### MASS CELEBRANTS

#### Sat. - July 5, 2014

4:00PM Msgr. Peter Smith

5:30PM Msgr. Peter Smith

#### Sun. - July 6, 2014

8:00AM Msgr. V. Bartley

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10:30AM Fr. Tom Devery

12 Noon Fr. Tom Devery

1:15PM Fr. Gabe Mendy

7:00PM Fr. Tom Devery

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5:30PM Fr. Gabe Mendy

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10:30AM Msgr. Peter Smith

12 Noon Msgr. Peter Smith

1:15 PM Fr. Gabe Mendy

7:00 PM Msgr. V. Bartley



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pauline Adams, Betty Barton, 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 Saporito, 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.

### 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.

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup>  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>  
Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> and Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>  
Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>  
Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>

### BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH 2:15 PM - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup>  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>  
Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> and Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>  
Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> and Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>  
Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 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.

### CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE

To date we have received 607 gifts totaling \$168,000 which is 89% of our goal of \$189,000. Thank you to all our generous parishioners. Please consider making a pledge! It is not too late to help us reach our goal.

### 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 9, 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.

### 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.

### 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](mailto:jlimeri@aol.com)

### 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. We are especially in need of an Adorer to cover Monday from 2 to 3PM and 4 to 5PM and Tuesday, 2 to 3PM. 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.

### CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR ADULTS

If you are 21 years or older, a baptized Catholic, who has received Holy Communion and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, St. Francis Friary at 500 Todt Hill Road offer eight week evening classes from 7:30PM to 9:30PM during the year. For information and registration, call Ms. Ronnie DiGiacomo after 7PM or on weekends at (718) 556-7690.

### 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](http://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](http://www.tachsinfo.com).

### ORGANIZATIONAL CALENDARS

By this time, all parish organizations should have submitted their a schedule of events for the year 2014-2015 of their dates, times and places for all activities in the School, Athletic Center, O'Mara Hall and the Rectory. If any organizations fails to submit a calendar, they cannot be scheduled for the next year. Everything that the organization intends to sponsor for the coming year must be included (including set-up time). If you have not already done so, please submit your proposed calendar to the Rectory (Attention: Eileen) as soon as possible. Thank you.

### OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

The Religious Education Office is closed for the summer and will reopen August 26<sup>th</sup>. 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.

### 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](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website: [www.archny.org](http://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.

### FINANCIAL WRONGDOING HOTLINE

The Archdiocese of NY takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline, at (877) 820-0541, or on the internet at <http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY>. Both are available 24 hours per day.

### BE REVERENT

The hot days of summer are here and we would like to remind you that proper attire is still appropriate when attending Mass. Revealing clothes are a distraction when all our attention, worship and praise should be Jesus. Short shorts, shirts that don't cover the waist, tank tops, etc. are inappropriate. So please, cover up and worship and praise with us. Thank you.

### 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](http://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 **Wednesday from 7 to 9PM in July in the OLSS Athletic Center.** Please see the Sports Web site at [www.olssbasketball.com](http://www.olssbasketball.com) for more dates and to download the registration form.

### 12 STEP MEETINGS IN RECTORY BASEMENT

<b>ACOA</b>	Sun., 5:30PM
<b>AA</b>	Sun., 8:15PM
	Mon., 10AM
	Tues., 4PM
	Thurs., 4PM
	Fri., 4PM
	Sat., 7:30PM & 9PM
<b>PILLS ANON.</b>	Tues., 6:30PM
	Fri., 6:30PM
<b>GAMBLERS ANON.</b>	Tues., 8:00PM
<b>AL ANON</b>	Thurs., 7:15PM
<b>STOP COLD INTERVENTIONS</b>	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.**

## Our New Pastor's Biography

Thomas Peter Devery was born to Thomas and Margaret Devery on July 12, 1951 in the Bronx and baptized and educated at Saint Luke's Parish, in the Bronx. Tom's parents were born in Banagher and Tullamore, County Offaly, Ireland and immigrated to the USA in 1930 and 1948. They met in "The Star of Munster Ballroom, in the Bronx and were wed on September 9, 1950. Tom's siblings are Noreen and Bill. Noreen lives with her husband Neil Alper in Flushing, Queens and Bill is married to Aquilynne and lives in East Brunswick, New Jersey. He is the uncle of Justin, Christopher and Marlina Devery.

He attended Cardinal Hayes High School and graduated in 1969. He entered the seminary and attended Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston, Queens and obtained a bachelors in Psychology in 1973. On August 15, 1971 he was prayed over for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and has been involved with the Catholic Charismatic Renewal since that time. He attended Saint Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoodie, Yonkers, New York and was ordained a transient deacon on December 18, 1976 and was assigned to Saint Catharine of Alexandria Church in Blauvelt, New York.

Cardinal Cooke ordained Fr. Tom on November 5, 1977 and celebrated his first Mass of Thanksgiving at Saint Charles Borromeo Church on Staten Island. His first priesthood assignment was The Catholic Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity at the United States Military Academy at West Point. During the next seven years, he became active with TEC, Troops Encounter Christ, REC, Residents Encounter Christ, Cursillo and Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Over 400 couples had their nuptial vows witnessed by Father Tom at West Point.

In April 1984 Father Tom transferred to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Shrub Oak, where he was a parochial vicar until September 1988. He was given the assignment at that time as the Special Assistant to Cardinal O' Connor for Vocations. During this time he offered weekend Masses at the Church of Our Lady of Loretto in Cold Spring, New York and became an Associate Member of the Dominicans Sisters of Blauvelt, who were his primary teachers and co-ministered with him in several assignments. He resided from 1988-1989 at Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains and then 1989-1990 at Saint Mary's Parish in Mount Vernon while he maintained his Vocation Office at Saint Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York.

In September 1990 Father Tom was invited to become a member the Archdiocesan Parish Mission Team which resided in Suffern, New York and then moved in 1999 to Saint Paul's Convent in Yonkers. During this time he lived with 38 members of the team, conducted 250 parish missions and traveled with the PMT to Scotland, Hawaii, Huntsville, Ann Arbor, San Antonio, Jamestown, Va, Clearwater, Tampa, Dunedin, Temple Terrace and Tallahassee, FL and Webster Groves, Mo. He lead pilgrimages with the team to Bermuda, The Holy Land, Greece and Turkey, Our Lady of Fatima, Santiago de Compostella, Our Lady of Lourdes, and Ireland.

On March 5, 2000 he was appointed by Cardinal O' Connor pastor of Holy Child Church on Staten Island. During this time his confessional and ushers room were transformed in the Divine Mercy Perpetual Adoration Chapel and was dedicated on Divine Mercy Sunday 2001. A Saturday morning men's prayer group and Monday Scripture group still meet

On July 1, 2007, he was appointed by Cardinal Egan as Director of Priest Personnel for the Archdiocese of New York. He welcomed Cardinal Dolan on April 15, 2008. During this time he was in residence at Monsignor Farrell High School and offered Sunday Mass at Saint Sylvester's Church on Staten Island.

In January 2013 Cardinal Dolan honored him with an 8 month Sabbatical in which he attended the Institute for Continuing Theological Education at the North American College in Vatican City. During that time Pope Benedict XVI retired and he was present in Saint Peter's Square to welcome our present Holy Father, Pope Francis. As a seminarian David Rider become a friend and now I am thrilled to welcome him as a brother priest and our newly ordained parochial vicar will come to Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, for the summer and return to finish his last year of studies.

Upon returning, Father's mom, Margaret Devery, was a resident at Carmel Richmond Nursing Home. She arrived two weeks before Hurricane Sandy struck. On June 25, 2013 she entered eternal life. The day after her funeral Father Tom made the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius Loyola, the 30 day silent retreat.

He was appointed first parochial vicar and then Administrator of Our Lady of Pity Church and became their "Jubilee Pastor" as we celebrated our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. During this time he joined seven men on a missionary journey to the island of Jamaica and ministered to the poor alongside the Missionaries of the Poor for a week in April.

Other highlights of the past year was "All Day Confessions on Ash Wednesday" yield a surprise of over 500 attending non-stop for 13 hours. A Parish Mission in Lent produced tremendous results. A new sound system, new roof on rectory, new sidewalks and new confessionals are among the renovations that occurred during this Jubilee year. Every Saturday morning at least 12 men attend Scripture Faith Sharing from 6:30-8AM.

Timothy Cardinal Dolan assigned Father Tom to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church to begin as Administrator on July 1, 2014. Monsignor John Mc Carthy is now retired from 60 years of priestly service and I was delighted to welcome him to come and live with us in our rectory at Our Lady, Star of the Sea Parish. Father Tom Devery is delighted to be offered such an outstanding parish. The best advice given to him came years ago,

"Get out of your own way and let the Spirit of Christ come through".