

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 25, 2017
Announced Masses

Saturday, June 24

4:00PM Anthony Giorgio
5:30PM Laura & Vincent Marsicano

Sunday, June 25

8:00AM Deceased Members of the DeLuca
 & Salamone Families
9:15AM Santo Matarazzo
10:30AM Mary Dolan
12 Noon Felice Vario
1:15PM Roberta Meringolo
7:00 PM Paul & Olga Podobinski

Monday, June 26

9:00AM Genevieve Monaco

Tuesday, June 27

9:00 AM Dorothy Hall

Wednesday, June 28

9:00AM Mary McCusker

Thursday, June 29

9:00AM Josephine Basile

Friday, June 30

9:00AM Vincent Mangogna

Saturday, July 1

9:00AM Janice Larson
4:00PM Steven Pinto
5:30PM Mary & Frank Finn

Sunday, July 2

8:00AM Elizabeth Maldari
9:30AM Josephine Testaverde & Albert Young
11:00AM Luciano Di Giallonardo
12:30PM Anne Rodriguez
7:00 PM Domenick Palmieri



The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of June 25-July 1
 Given in Loving Memory of
Dominick Zizzamia

From his loving family
 Eddie, Theresa, Candace & Jamie

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, July 1

4:00PM S Gambino
5:30PM F Barone

Eucharistic Ministers, July 1

4:00PM L Barbato, J Butalid, E Burns, J Coscia,
 & G Fiumefreddo
5:30PM A Dazio, J Cimino, C Houle, M Lappin & J Uhlman

Lectors –Sunday, July 2

8:00AM L Bauer
9:30AM MA Higgins
11:00AM R LaMonica
12:30PM B Weir
7:00 PM J Limeri

Eucharistic Ministers, July 2

8:00AM M Andreola, P Zoltowski, J Stanzione, M Ennis
 & J Perdichizzi
9:30AM B Paccione, L Capobianco, J Gatto, Sr. Rosemary
 & S Monteforte
11:00AM B Peters, C Argano, L Appel, C Messina
 & Dcn. Quadrino
12:30PM J Amodio, A McCoy, S Catalano, Dcn. Quadrino
 & M Quadrino
7:00 PM J Galletta, G LaGrua, A Zuffante, C Barone
 & A Pompei

Altar Servers, Saturday, July 1

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

Altar Servers, Sunday, July 2

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

Banns of Marriage



First Time: Frank Bulone & Genine Melani
First Time: Michael Koniariski & Jaclyn Luciano
Second Time: Raymond Masucci & Tara Daniels
Second Time: Michael Barone & Christina Sgambati
Third Time: Angelo Carollo & Gina Vitacco
Third Time: Michael Ciprello & Jessica Fina
Third Time: Michael Cortese & Justine Indelicato

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, June 25** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

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:

Tuesdays 2-3 PM &
Tuesdays 3-4 PM

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



Sincere Condolences

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of:
Rose Pipitone, Anthony DiBenedetto,
Eugene Amato, Michael Romacho

PLEASE NOTE:
The OLSS Mass Schedule will be
CHANGING as of July 1, 2017.
The Mass times will be
Saturdays - 4 pm & 5:30 pm
Sundays - 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am,
12:30 pm & 7 pm

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

"Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer..." Well we made it through another academic year. I want to congratulate the Class of 2017 and all that you have accomplished, whether it be graduation from Pre-4 to K, or Kindergarten to First Grade, or 8th grade to High School, or High School to College or College to Post Graduate Degree, or seminary to First Parish Assignment. You have all worked so very hard and now you have been promoted. This past weekend I was honored to celebrate Mass and attend an Army Promotion Ceremony in Southampton for a man who is becoming a full bird Colonel. Of course, at Mass, we had to sing "On Eagles Wings". That's the symbol of his rank. I discovered that the insignia for Military Officers has an ecological and heavenly ascendancy. The first rank is "butter bars" or Gold bars. Apparently, gold is the lowest mined mineral in the earth. This is given to Second Lieutenants First Lieutenants, then "Silver Bars" are the rank of a Captain in the Army. Next is "Golden Acorn," that is offered to a Major, followed by a Silver Acorn is pinned on those ranked "Lieutenant Colonel." If you are a full Colonel the bar pinning places an "Eagle" on their shoulders. Those few who are named General receive a "Star", one star, two star, all the way to five star and there have been only a handful who have become six star generals. It's a way of recognizing the hard work, dedication, loyalty and personal commitment.

In the Church too we have ranks: seminarian: (no rank, LOL), deacon: either permanent or transitional, priest, monsignor: there are three ranks of Monsignor, Bishop: either auxiliary, ordinary or if from a large Archdiocese, then Archbishop, Cardinals are ordinarily bishops but not all: they are selected to elect the next pope and be a cabinet advisor to the Holy Father on selected committees. The Pope: is in reality the Bishop of Rome: the Pontiff: bridge builder, the Servant of the servants of Christ.

With the election of Pope Francis, we are seeing a newer form of authority that demonstrates his rank; it is humility and service to the poor. He is down deep a street priest. Long gone is the ermine, taffeta, miters of gold, even French cuffs with cuff links have disappeared. What we have seen instead is a willingness to reach out to the poor. Pope Francis has had showers installed in the public rest rooms of the Vatican; he even has barbers come once a week to cut hair for the homeless. Last summer he had the vans of the Vatican collect homeless from all over Rome, brought to the beach for a day of surf and sun, and returned to a parish hall for pizza and drinks. This recognition of the poorest of the poor is a fitting example of Jesus.

I hope each and every one of you achieve the rank in life that is befitting your talents, but never become so big so as to step aside or over those who are less fortunate. If you have cultivated the gift of generosity and loving service to the homebound, the frail, the aged, the addicted, the mentally ill and the poor, then you will be great in the eyes of the Lord.

Jesus said it best, "The Greatest among us is the one who serves the best". Have a happy, safe and refreshing summer and try to relax. A friend of mine who would always quote the cartoon character Elmer Fud, puts it this way: "West and Weewax and Don't Wowwiee!"

Please remember that there is no vacation from Mass or our obligation to pray. Please attend Saturday evening or Sunday Mass. That's the best refueling stop along the way to our ultimate rank "Saint"= heaven.

God Bless You,

Father Tom Devery

PS: Just a reminder no more 1:15PM Sunday Mass. The New Schedule of Masses is:

Saturday Evening: 4PM and 5:30PM

Sunday: 8AM, 9:30 AM, 11AM, 12:30PM and 7PM

OLSS Soccer

Final Open Registration for Early Discount will be on Thursday, June 29 from 6-7 pm in the OLSS Athletic Center. Registration forms may be dropped off at any time at the Rectory for the 2017-2018 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 more details.



OLSS SCHOOL NEWS

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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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

VOLUNTEERS: CATECHISTS NEEDED

The Religious Education Program is always looking for dedicated volunteers who are willing to share their faith and talents with the next generation. The program has classes Monday through Thursday and Wednesday evening. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Quaglia at 718-984-1885. Together we can take our children forward in Faith.

OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER DAY CAMP

Wednesday, July 5th through Friday, August 18th

9:00am – 3:30pm

(Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade
in September 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 will be 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

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Christopher Balk, Catherine Biondolillo, Sarah Brodine, Serafina Carlone, Dominick D'Argenio, John Dawidowicz, John DeLuca, Cindy Diaz, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Thomas Paul Gaither, Kim Giangregorio, Herbert Gruberger, Thomas Lamattina, William Massi, Anthony Medeiros, Anne Merlino, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Jerry Porta, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Fred Reyes, Caesar Russo, Alex Sepiol, Robert Stranberg, Sr. **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 Service

There will be a **Healing Service on Tuesday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **Please note: Due to the Independence Day holiday, there will not be a Healing Mass on July 4. The next Healing Mass will be August 1 at 7:30 pm.**

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary would like to visit anyone who is homebound to bring communion or just to sit and keep company. Please contact the rectory to have someone from the Legion of Mary call you.

**All will be
Revealed**



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, June 26 at 7:30 pm** in the Rectory Basement.

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.

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 Ceremony Dates

June 25 at 2:30 pm,
Beginning July 2, EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm

Baptismal Class Dates

June 25, July 9 & 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. **Beginning July 2, 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.



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 **438 families** have made pledges totaling **\$155,260**. We are at **88%** 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: _____

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many.”... “For to you I have entrusted my cause. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord for he has rescued the life of the poor.”

We receive many gifts, and in our own day use the word 'regift' to pass on to someone else a gift we have received because we do not need it or like it. Some of our greatest gifts we take for granted. Consider for a moment the gift of life, of health, of family, of friends. All are important and treasured and are not for giving away.

St. Paul told the Romans of the gift of Jesus, rescuing us with the gift of grace which overflows, the gift of life in abundance. Remember the floods which hit the rivers in California and Texas last winter. Remember the devastation of hurricane Matthew in Haiti last fall. The overflow was devastating. The grace of God, offering us the abundant life, has been poured out into our hearts. He sends and we receive, but like any gift we have to reach out, open our hands and hearts to receive it. Yes, Lord, to you I have entrusted my cause.

Cluster Corner – Mass Times

Our Lady Help of Christians – 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

St. John Neumann - 1380 Arthur Kill Rd.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM in Rectory Chapel

St. Thomas the Apostle - 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

Church of 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

Staten Island Centering Prayer Group

Invites you to join them to come pray, be still, and rest in God's presence. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 7:30 -9 pm at St. Joseph's Retreat House, 850 Hylan Blvd, SI, NY 10305. For more information, call Anne-Louise DePalo at (718) 351-3748. The next meeting will be on June 28th. A \$10 good will offering will be taken at the meeting.

Goretti Group Event

Feast of St. Maria Goretti

Join us **Thursday, July 6th** for the Feast of St. Maria Goretti. The event will begin at 6:30 PM with music and 7 PM Mass with Bishop Peter J. Byrne. A potluck dinner will follow. Bring your favorite dish! Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd., Staten Island, NY 10314)

University Hospice Training

Are you a good listener? Caring? University Hospice is a non-profit organization that provides quality, compassionate care at the end of life. This care involves a team of professionals and volunteers who address emotional, social and spiritual needs of the patients and their families. University Hospice is recruiting those interested in becoming a hospice volunteer. Volunteers are needed in various areas such as, visiting patients in their homes, nursing facilities, the Addeo Hospice Residence, or in the hospital. Volunteers are also an essential part in our office and with our special projects. If interested, please call Angela DeMarco at 718-226-6458. The next volunteer training will be held on **Saturday, July 22 at 9:00 am** at University Hospice, 78 Meisner Avenue, SI, NY.

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 **Thursday, September 21 at 7 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room. 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 **July 6**.