

**MARCH 16, 2014**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**

*"May the Lord bless you and grant you and your loved ones His lasting Peace and Joy."*

*Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Saturday, March 15, 2014**

**9:00AM** Theresa Panzetta  
**4:00PM** Emily DeLuca  
**5:30PM** Dec. of Antorino Family

**Sunday, March 16, 2014**

**8:00AM** Martin Fullam and Joseph Turkovic  
**9:15AM** Deceased of Morrissey and Sellitti Fms.  
**10:30AM** Santo Coppeto  
**12 Noon** Frank Hamilton  
**1:15PM** Maryann Lembo and Angelo Ferrara  
**7:00PM** Ann Fettinger

**Monday**

**9:00AM** Richard Antol

**Tuesday**

**9:00AM** Salvatore J. DeMarco and Joseph Levantino

**Wednesday**

**9:00AM** Helen and Joe DiSanto and Barbara Monaco

**Thursday**

**9:00AM** Wanda Imperato

**Friday**

**9:00AM** John Scaramuzzo

**Saturday, March 22, 2014**

**9:00AM** Concetta Sparandera  
**4:00PM** Pat Damato  
**5:30PM** Madalyn Castelucci

**Sunday, March 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** Renee Oefelein  
**9:15AM** Filippo Crivallone  
**10:30AM** Ida and William D'Angelo  
**12 Noon** Jennie and Dominick Scotto  
**1:15PM** Richard Oliver  
**7:00PM** Vincent Perrone



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**FIRST BANNS:** Janine Liotta Costa and Joseph Porretto  
**SECOND BANNS:** Michael Francavilla and Iolanda D'Ambrosi  
**THIRD BANNS:** William Palumbo and Michelle Hinz  
 Andrew Pagano and Erin O'Shea

**MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS**

On Sunday, April 27 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: June 29<sup>th</sup>, at 8:15PM.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF**  
**MARCH 16, 2014**  
**IN MEMORY OF REV. PATRICK JOHN DUFFY**  
**FROM THE MORGAN FAMILY**

**Lectors – Saturday, March 22, 2014**

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

**Eucharistic Ministers, Saturday, March 22, 2014**

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

**Lectors – Sunday, March 23, 2014**

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

**Eucharistic Ministers – March 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** A. Sparandera, T. Daluise, MJ Truckenbrodt, J. Stanzone, M. Molinari, R. Bauer, P. Zoltowski  
**9:15AM** R. Corbett, M. Vierno, 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, E. Talarico, C. & J. Gerace, C. Belvedere, A. McCoy  
**1:15PM** B. Nicholson, F. Palazzo, B. Peters, V. Acri, B. Higgins, M. & F. Marino  
**7:00PM** D. McCumisky, K. Melka, J. Limeri, M. Sjprague, B. Weir, C. Pontecorvo, S. Caiazza,

**Third Sunday of Lent:**

**Saturday, March 22, 2014:**

**4:00 P.M.:** Daniella Battaglia, Dominick Battaglia, Joseph Martino, Kristen Martino  
**5:30 P.M.:** Hailey Caruso, Caitlin Nicholaou, Ryan Nicholaou, Alfred Romani

**Sunday, March 23, 2014:**

**8:00 A.M.:** Anthony Discenza, Shane Marashaj, Gino Tucci, Nicholas Tucci  
**9:15 A.M.:** Joseph Bell, Eugenio Buccini, Maria Coelho, Keryn Lee  
**10:30 A.M.:** Erin Carey, Robert Ruzskowski, Gabrielle Pelucco, Brendan Walsh  
**12:00 Noon:** Nicholas D'Angelo, Gavin Monreale, Daniella Russo, Christina Sikorjak  
**1:15 P.M.:** Prisilla Arellano, Daniel Dunn, Kenneth Tobin, Chloe Trang  
**7:00 P.M.:** Luigi Caiazza, PJ Caiazza, Joseph Petillo, Evan Tedesco



**SINCERE CONDOLENCES**

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

*Pasquale Capuano, Ellen Dolce, Rose Fennimore  
 Rita Giufrida and Gina Idone*

**HERO/SAINT OF THE WEEK: Saint Alexander Bishop and Martyr, March 18**

Alexander lived in the late second century and was the Bishop of Cappodocia. During the persecution of Severus, he was imprisoned for several years. After his release, he went to Jerusalem, where he developed a great theological library. He was again arrested during the persecution of Decius and after making a public, confession of faith, he was thrown to the wild beasts, but they refused to attack him. Alexander was then taken to Caesarea where he died in chains. Despite his wealth of knowledge and ecclesiastical positions, St. Alexander was known for his great mildness in preaching. During two persecutions, he remained steadfast and was willing to suffer death for the faith. (JM)

**MASS CELEBRANTS**

**Sat. – March 15, 2014**

**4:00PM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**5:30PM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

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**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** "Let the peace of Christ control your hearts..." Find peace for your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information or upcoming dates go to: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME: Ext. 3.

**PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS**

The Prayer Group 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.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**THE NEXT HEALING MASS WILL BE ON TUES., MARCH 18<sup>th</sup> AT 8:00PM.**

**THE NEXT HEALING SERVICE WILL BE ON TUES., APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>, AT 3:30PM.**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Denise Armore, Betty Barton, Barbara Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo, Stephanie Cerchio, P.O. Thomas Choi, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Jaime Cucuzza, Joseph Curreri, Gemma Deliso, Liz Doyle, John Emigholz, Sr., Joseph Ennis, Juliette Gerbino, Lorraine Hamer, Thomas Hoban, Kim Kuchler, Thomas Lamantia, Jim Mauro, Anna Milham, Ed Miller, Mary O'Loughlin, Lucy Peters, Camille Polly, Carmen and John Ragona, Denise Santanella, Anthony Saporito, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorriane Skelly, Donna Slavin, Dan Speranzo, Jr., Jennifer Spinelli, Joan Squillante, Adriane Toscano and Carol Wright.

**MEN'S RETREAT**

You are invited to attend a two-day retreat, Fri., 3/28, to Sun., 3/30, at the Bishop Molloy Passionist retreat House in Queens, NY. The 2014 retreat theme is "Following Jesus Today," I have room to transport three men. For more information, contact Edward Sita at (718 356-5425; or [ESITA@SI.RR.COM](mailto:ESITA@SI.RR.COM).

**LENT 2014**

**Reconciliation Monday:** The Archdiocese of New York has designated **Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup> as Reconciliation Monday** to give everyone an opportunity to receive the sacrament. All parishes within the Archdiocese will hear confession on that day. We will hear confessions from 3-9 p.m. "God has given to us a wonderful gift, a gift that shows His tremendous love for each of us-- this gift of Sacrament of Reconciliation. Do not miss this opportunity to experience God's loving mercy."

**Confessions:** Confessions are heard every Saturday from 3:30 to 4PM and from 5 to 5:30PM in the Church. The last confessions before Easter will be on Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, from 12 Noon to 2:30PM.

**Fast and Abstinence:** Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, is a day of fast and abstinence. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 19-59.

**Stations of the Cross:** are held every Friday at 8PM during Lent. On Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, we will hold Meditation on the Passion of Jesus Christ in word and song through the Eyes of His Mother Mary at 8PM in the Church.

**Mission at Our Lady Star of the Sea:** Fr. Anthony Ciorra will be conducting our Parish Lenten Mission from Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 8PM. A RETREAT WITH POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis has captured the minds and the hearts of the world by his message, vision, and personal example. He gives us a compelling and convincing way to live the gospel in the twenty-first century. This retreat will focus on his message, stories, and wisdom. Just as he excludes no one, everyone is welcome to come to these three enlightening, entertaining, and enjoyable evenings.

**Healing Masses and Services:** Healing Mass, March 18<sup>th</sup>, at 8PM; Healing Service, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:30PM, Healing Mass, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 8PM.

**Lenten Love offering:** Jesus challenges us each Lent to show our love for one another by reaching out to help those in need. In Chapter 25 of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks about those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, and those in prison. Each one of us can make a difference. Your contributions will help various service organizations who assist the multiple needs of individuals and families. Thank you for your help in bringing hope to our sisters and brothers in need. Please return your love offering boxes to the Church on the weekend of April 5/6 (week before Palm Sunday).

**50<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL**

Couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2014 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> or Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 13th, 2014.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life † Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

**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.

## 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



March 23<sup>rd</sup>  
April 27<sup>th</sup>  
May 11<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>  
June 15<sup>th</sup>  
**(Note different date in June)**  
July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup>  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>

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

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### 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.

## SPORTS NEWS

**OLSS Women's Basketball League:** OLSS will once again hold their Basketball League for Women. There are 2 divisions, Classic and Elite. If you are interested in playing, please contact Mia Marinaccio at [miam133@aol.com](mailto:miam133@aol.com). Team and individual registrations accepted. Fee is \$90 per person.

**CYO Track and Field:** The Spring Team for OLSS Track and Field is now forming. Track is open to boys and girls in grades K-8. If you are interested in running or helping out as a coach, please contact Erin Ryan at [tmm4e@verizon.net](mailto:tmm4e@verizon.net). Fee is \$85 for the season.

**FINAL SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION:** will be held at the OLSS Athletic Center from 6 to 7PM on Wed, March 19<sup>th</sup>, for all players which include Pee Wee, 3 year olds, and SIYLS players. Registration fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds and siblings. See our website [www.olsssoccer.com](http://www.olsssoccer.com) for registration forms and more details. (If you played this prior fall you do NOT need to register again).

## SCHOOL NEWS

**OLSS Students Move to the Next Round**  
**What Does Veterans Day Mean to Me? Essay Contest** sponsored by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America offered our students an excellent opportunity to explore this idea. We are proud of the many students in grades 5 through 8 who participated in this contest. The essays of Thomas D'Alessandro (Grade 8), John Perrotta (Grade 8) and Joseph Morelli (Grade 7) were advanced to the next level on a quest for a National winning. We are proud of these students and their wonderful accomplishments!

**COME JOIN US AT  
LIVE LOVE LAUGH – ANNUAL OLSS FASHION SHOW**  
Don't miss out on OLSS Fashion Show **Live Laugh Love!**  
If you would like to donate a basket, sponsor a table, put in an business or personal ad in the journal, or attend our show on March 27<sup>th</sup> please contact any of the show chairladies below:  
**Lisa Adragna 347-281-0976    Laura Giudice 917-582-5044**  
**Lisa Kindya 917-453-4491**

### FIESTA PARTY

The Stolzenhaller Columbiettes will host a Fiesta Party on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 8PM at 100 Kreisler Street, NY. Cost: \$40 per person includes buffet (catered by Portobello Café), open bar, DJ and raffles. For reservations, call Janet at (917) 923-9586.

### PACK 5/TROOP 5 BREAKFAST

The Scouts will host a buffet breakfast in O'Mara Hall next Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 9 to 11AM. The cost is \$5 per person. You may purchase tickets at the door.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS 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.

The Adult Faith Formation and RCIA sites within our parish website have undergone a complete transformation, making it easier to navigate and providing a new virtual experience. While most content has been migrated, new content has been added in order to better serve our community of faith. We are still not done and we welcome any suggestions you might have to make our sites even better. Please take a moment and visit us at our **NEW WEBSITE:** <http://aff.olssparish.org>.

### 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)

**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**Reading I** Genesis 12:1-4 (call of Abraham)  
**Reading II** 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 (exhortation to faithfulness)  
**Gospel** Matthew 17:1-9 (Jesus transfigured)  
**Key Passage:** Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. (Matthew 17:1-2)  
**Adult:** *What difference does your faith in Jesus Christ make in your life?*  
**Child:** What does it mean to you to be a holy person?



## OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER CAMP

Monday July 7th Thru August 15<sup>th</sup>, 9 to 3:30PM. Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade September 2014. E-Mail Camp Director Linda Fusillo [#linsoap@aol.com](mailto:#linsoap@aol.com). Early bird special: \$225 per week (10% savings if paid by April 20<sup>th</sup>). \$40 - half day daily \$75 - full day daily and \$175 half day per week. Extended days available. Camp held at OLSS, 5411 Amboy Rd., (extended camper care available for additional cost). Activities include arts and crafts and outdoor activities. **Registration: March 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 11 to 2PM in OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER LOBBY.**

### OLSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2014

All students currently attending our program will receive re-registration forms during the month of March. Please return the forms to your child's teacher or mail to the Religious Education office before **May 22, 2014** to take advantage of our reduced rates. Anyone needing evening classes must return their re-registration form no later than April 10, 2014.

Registration will be held in OLSS School Office of Religious Education on the following dates;

First Grade ONLY Monday, March 17, 2014 - 5:30PM – 7:00PM

New Registration Monday, March 24, 2014 – 5:30PM -- 7:00PM

Wednesday, April 2, 2014 – 1:00PM – 2:30PM

When registering, please have your Parish Envelope number and proof of Sacraments your child received.

\$200 for 1 child; \$275 for 2 or more; Evening \$250 for 1 child; \$350 for 2 or more ; After May 22<sup>nd</sup> \$250 for 1 child; \$325 for 2 or more children. For more information call Rel. Education at (718) 984-1885.

### 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, an eight-week class will be held in the spring. Evening classes are held at St. Francis Friary, 500 Todt Hill Road, beginning on Wed., March 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 to 9:30PM. For information and registration, call Ms. Ronni DiGiacomo after 7PM or on weekends at (718) 556-7690.

### GROUP MEETINGS

**BOOK GROUP:** Our selection is The Lamb's Supper - The Mass as Heaven on Earth by Scott Hahn. The next meeting is on **April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM**. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

**SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY –** The group will resume in the Fall.

**NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to join our group, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 to register. **They meet on Wednesdays at 7:30PM; next meeting, March 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**BIBLE FAITH SHARING GROUPS:** The OLSS Faith Sharing/Bible Study series will continue with The Acts of the Apostles. New groups are now being formed. If you are interested in joining an existing group, or starting one of your own, please call the rectory at **718-984-0593**.

**PARISH COUNCIL:** The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 6PM**, in the Rectory Basement. If you cannot attend, please send a report.

**50 PLUS CLUB:** The group meets in the Damato Meeting Room at 1PM. **The next meeting IS on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1PM.** Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

**The 50 Plus Club will be going to see "Moses" at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pa. on Fri., April 25<sup>th</sup>. Price of \$129 includes admission, lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord, Transportation, tax and tips. For departure time and reservations, call Terry at the above number.**



**the CARDINAL'S**  
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
*Sharing God's Gifts* 2014

Did you know, in the Archdiocese of NY, ...

- ❖ Over 1,700 masses are held each Sunday
- ❖ There were 24,921 baptisms last year
- ❖ 94,949 children are currently enrolled in religious education programs
- ❖ There are 1,556 active and retired priests, 290 permanent deacons and 370 parishes

Your gift to the 2014 Appeal ensures we are in a position to continue providing support to those most in need throughout the archdiocese.

### SHARING GOD'S GIFTS



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May God bless you for your generosity.