

MARCH 18, 2012
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

“MAY THE JOY AND PEACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FILL YOUR HEARTS ALWAYS.”

Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, March 17, 2012

9:00AM Thomas Walsh and Marlene and Tom Murphy
4:00PM Salvatore Imperiale
5:30PM Dec. Members of the FDNY

Sunday, March 18, 2012

8:00AM Nicholas Clohessy
9:15AM Joseph Vairo
10:30AM Philip DiFranco, Jr. and Nicholas Chieco
12 Noon Jennie and Dom Scotto
1:15PM Robert McSorley and Maureen Gavin Doyle
7:00PM Salvatore DeMarco

Monday

9:00AM Helen and Joseph DiSanto

Tuesday

9:00AM Salvatore Martino

Wednesday

9:00AM Clemente and Marianna Stabile

Thursday

9:00AM Billy Higgins

Friday

9:00AM Richard Rauch

Saturday, March 24, 2012

9:00AM John Scaramuzzo
4:00PM Michael Claps
5:30PM Pat Damato

Sunday, March 25, 2012

8:00AM Joseph Casazza, Jr.
9:15AM Nunzio Giustino
10:30AM James Voulo
12 Noon Lincum Yip Hoy, James Ling and Shirley Gasteen
1:15PM Lillian Visceglia
7:00PM Joan Tramontana

MARCH 20 - ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE, PRIEST AND MARTYR

In early childhood, John was cured of a disease. In thanksgiving, his parents consecrated him to the service of God. As a priest, he was invited to the court of King Wenceslaus, IV. He settled disputes, did kind deeds, and became the Queen's confessor. When the King was cruel to the Queen, Father John taught her to bear her cross patiently. In 1393, the King asked him what the Queen said in confession. He refused to tell and was thrown into prison. A second time, the King asked, he refused, was tortured and thrown into the river. When he drowned, a strange brightness appeared upon the water. St. John became known as the "Martyr of the Confessional" and was canonized a saint in 1729 by Pope Benedict XIII. (JM)



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The parish family of Our Lady Star of the Sea wishes to offer our sincere condolences to the family of the recently deceased:

Marie Neglia

THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR THE WEEK OF
MARCH 18, 2012

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

JOHN AND THERESA SCARAMUZZO

THEIR LOVING DAUGHTER TONI SCARAMUZZO

Lectors – March 24, 2012

4:00PM G. LaGrua
5:30PM F. Barone

Eucharistic Ministers – March 24, 2012

4:00PM L. Barbato, J. & D. Coscia, P. Basirico, C. Biondolillo, A. Petrocelli, J. Uhlman
5:30PM J. Prato, M. Sicari, A. Dazio, R. Taranto, A. Spoto, A. Maffeo, S. Roberto

Lectors – March 25, 2012

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi, L. Bauer
9:15AM J. Ladley, M.A. Higgins
10:30AM B. Paccione
12 Noon A. Pompei
1:15PM B. Weir, A. Deliso
7:00PM J. Limeri

Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, March 25, 2012

8:00AM M. Ennis, M. Molinini, P. DeLuca, R. Bauer, K. Bradley, J. Stanzione, MJ Truckenbrodt
9:15AM B. Higgins, K. Ladley, A. Guber, M. Vierno, J. Gatto, J. Zinsley, R. Corbett
10:30AM C. Ordy, E. Talarico, B. Barone, G. & E. Riozzi, G. Balestrino, T. Strange
12 Noon M.E. Carey, N. Fallacaro, A. Maffeo, P. & L. DeCarlo, R. Gamba, S. Catalano
1:15PM H. Angelina, N. Citera, A. McCoy, C. Barone, G. Deliso, G. Serio, E. Viola
7:00PM G. LaGrua, C. DiDomenico, D. McCumisky, R. Scarpati, M. Recanatini, C. Pontecorvo, G. Donohue

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, March 24, 2012

4:00PM C., D. & J. Struthers, L. Torre
5:30PM J. Albanese, C. Nicholaou, A. & H. Romani

Sunday, March 25, 2012

8:00AM N. D'Angelo, A. Discenza, C. Luisi, L. Mele
9:15AM E. & R. Carey, B. & T. Walsh
10:30AM C. & J. Nardulli, E. Tedesco, K. Tobin
12 Noon C. Carr., C. Gallo, B. Wren, T. Wren
1:15PM D. Dunn, F. & T. Nieves, C. Trang
7:00PM L. Caiazzo, P. Scarpa, V. Sicari, N. Turturro



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME: Anthony Palamara, Jennifer Kielbaso
THIRD TIME: Vincent Ciccarella and Patricia Schierenbech
 Angel Alonsa and Stephanie D'Onofrio

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

On Sunday, April 29th at 8:15PM we will have our Music Workshop, at which time you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions. (Next workshop June 24th.)

MASS CELEBRANTS

March 17/March 18

4:00PM Msgr. Jeff Conway
5:30PM Fr. Panimayakumar
8:00AM Fr. Jim Hauver
9:15AM Fr. Jim Hauver
10:30AM Fr. Robert Poveromo
12 Noon Fr. Robert Poveromo
1:15PM Msgr. Jeff Conway
7:00PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

March 24/March 25

Fr. Robert Poveromo
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Fr. Jim Hauver
Fr. Panimayakumar
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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.

The next Healing Mass will be on Tues., March 20th at 8:00PM in the Church. (Praise and worship begin at 7:30PM.) The next Healing Service will be on Tues., April 3rd at 3:30PM in the Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Denise Amore, Maggie Anglemeyer, Jeanne Ardine, Betty Barrasso, Barbara Boscia, Dustin Cabeza, Ethel Cohen, David and Nanette Colon, Connie Bonanno, Carole Borelli, Dustin Cabereza, Frances Carbone, Philip Civello, Sal Civello, Kelly Clark, Frances Codispodo, David and Ethel Cohen, Marion Condadora, Jaime Cucuzza, Virginia Cutrone, Tony Daluise, Genevieve Decio, Vincent DeMarco, Debra DiDomenico, Joan DiFiore, Carol Federic, John Foder, Anthony Galante, Nancy and Antoinette Gallo, Carol Gawron, Joan Gordon, Andrew Hardin, Marcella Lawless, Alice Lombardo, William Magrino, Jr., Rosalie Maisano, Michael Maniscalco, Tiffany Mezzatesta, Eileen Narbut, Dave O'Hanlon, Joseph Pagano, Lucy Peters, Joseph Pineiro, Camille Polly, Rachelle Puglisi, Denise Santanella, Carlos Santiago, Celeste Setty, Lorraine Skelly, Barbara Sodora, Steve Speranzo, Larry Sullivan, Maryann Taranuk, Cynthia and Stephanie Tonback, Olga Walchok, Betty Walsh, Robert Wideman, Carol Wright, Mary Yacovacci.

ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

On Saturday, March 24th, from 10 to 1PM, in O'Mara Hall, there will be a mandatory retreat for all Altar Servers. Since lunch will be provided, we need an exact count for attendance. Please confirm your attendance by faxing your form to Anthony Gorgia at (718) 966-2678 or deliver it to Anthony after any of the Saturday or Sunday Masses no later than Sunday March 18th.

LENT – 2012

- **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 6th, from 12 Noon to 2:30PM.
- **Reconciliation Monday** – April 2nd, confessions will be heard continuously from 3 to 9PM.
- **Stations of the Cross** are held every Friday at 8PM during Lent. On Good Friday, April 6th, 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.
- **Lenten Love Offering** – 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 March 24/25.**



BAPTISM PREPARATION POLICY

All Parish Families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the Parish Baptismal Preparation Program. The program is held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday 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, proof of Confirmation for sponsors (the sponsor 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

March 25th

April 22nd

May 13th and May 27th

June 3rd and June 24th

(June change – June 3 not June 10)

July 8th and July 22nd

BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH

2:15 PM – 2nd and 4th Sundays

March 25th

April 22nd

* May 13th and May 27th

*Baptisms during 1:15PM Mass in May

June 3rd and June 24th

(June change – June 3 not June 10)

July 8th and July 22nd

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.

FIFTY PLUS CLUB

Next meeting – March 23rd 1PM, in OLSS Athletic Center. **Wed., April 18th**, Bus trip to Renault Winery, with lunch, wine tasting and a stop at Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Reservations Call Terry (718) 317-1801.

ATTENTION LECTORS

If you did not get your 2012 Lector Workbook, you can pick them up at the rectory at any time. Just check your name off on the sheet provided. Thank you.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Please try to find time in your day to partake in our weekday Adoration. If interested Please call **Carol at *82 (917) 536-8576**.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A LECTOR?

If you are a high school senior or an adult, who would like to serve your parish in this important ministry, we invite you to come to a meeting this Wednesday evening, March 21st at 8PM, in the Church. Training will be provided for those who wish to serve. Please call Sr. Linda at (718) 984-0593 to register.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Fourth Sunday of Lent Through the eyes of faith

Reading I 2 Chronicles 36:14-17, 19-23 (dissolution of Judah)

Reading II Ephesians 2:4-10 (generosity of God's plan)

Gospel John 3:14-21 (Jesus' teaching to Nicodemus)

Key Passage: Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:17)

Adult: *Do you see the world as basically evil, or as good? What difference does this make in the way you live?*

Child: *Where do you see goodness in God's world?*

Questions taken from *Heritage of Faith*, (Jo McClure Rotunno, and CTL)

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: Our support group for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one meets on **Thursdays, 7:30 to 9PM in the Rectory. The next meeting is Thurs., March 29th.** If you or someone you know has questions regarding this group, please call Sr. Linda at (718) 984-0593.

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY: The next meeting for those who are going through a separation or divorce is on **Monday, March 19th, 7:30 to 9PM in the Rectory.** If you or someone you know has questions regarding this group, please call Sr. Linda at (718) 984-0593.

BOOK GROUP MEETING: Thurs., April 19th, 7:30PM in the Rectory. We will continue our discussion of the book Crossing the Threshold of Hope through page 117.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY: REALITY: Join us as we search what it takes to be a 'True Disciple' in our generation. Meetings are Thursdays at 7pm at O'Mara Hall, welcoming all teens, 8th grade through high school that are looking to have some fun while deepening their faith. All teens are also welcome to join our Bible Breakdown - Sundays at 3pm in the Rectory Living Room. Follow our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/OLSSYMReality

YOUTH MIN. CORE TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED - If you are 18 years or older and would like to help bring our youth to a relationship with Christ, please contact our Youth Minister Danny D'Onofrio at (718) 974-9900 or email - dannydono@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS FAITH SHARING GROUP: This group is for Young Adults in their 20's and 30's looking to Share their faith with other individuals of similar interests. If you are interested please contact Young Adults Faith Sharing: olssyoungadults@yahoo.com or friend us on Facebook@OLSS Young Adults Faith Sharing Group for the latest information on meeting times, places and events. **If you are interested in assisting the coordinator with planning, etc., please contact Danny D'Onofrio at olssyoungadults@yahoo.com*

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA ANNUAL FASHION SHOW "A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS"

Come join us for an exciting evening filled with prizes, fabulous food and fashions. Fashions presented by "Diane & Company". The Show will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1100 South Avenue, Staten Island, New York at 7PM on Wed., March 28th Tickets: \$65 per person - Contact: Theresa at (917) 538-4376 or Virginia at (917) 796-4877. Table Sponsor: \$50, contact Lauri Ann Santigate at (917) 674-4537. If you would like to donate to our raffle table or take an ad out in our journal on behalf of your family or company, call our chairladies: Ann Scopellito at (917) 667-3480 or Elizabeth Bruno at (917) 620-1026. We hope you will support the Fashion Show and join us on March 28th for fashion, fun and raffles!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration for September 2012

All students currently attending our program have received re-registration forms. Please return the forms to your child's teacher or mail to the Religious Education office before June 1, 2012 to take advantage of our reduced rates. Anyone needing evening classes must return their re-registration form by March 29, 2012.

All families coming for Religious Education for the first time need:

To be registered in the Parish prior to registering in the Religious Education Program. Proof of Parish registration is required (envelope number).

- We must see your child's Baptismal Certificate.
- A statement (transcript) of all prior Religious Education if the student is beyond first grade in public school.
- First Holy Communion & Penance Certificate, if the sacrament has already been received.
- Registration fees before June 1st are:
Day Session \$175.00 for one child and \$250.00 for two or more children.
Evening Session \$250.00 for one child and \$350.00 for two or more children.
Registration fees after June 1, 2012 are:
Day Session \$225.00 for one child and \$300.00 for two or more children.

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

New registration: Tuesday, March 27, 2012 5:30 PM- 6:30PM

VOLUNTEERS: CATECHISTS NEEDED: The Religious Education Program is looking for 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.

SCHOOL NEWS OLSS STUDENT SCIENTISTS

Recently, ninety students from grades 5 through 8 participated in the Our Lady Star of the Sea School Science Fair. This annual event featured top notch projects and showcased the knowledge, skills, and innovative spirit of OLSS students. Parents, staff, and visitors got a real treat while viewing all the entries with categories ranging from traditional scientific method experiments to inventions to alternative energy plans. Congratulations to every student of the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade of OLSS on a job well done! We are proud of all your hard work and accomplishments.

The top scorers for each grade level/category will receive medals at this year's award ceremony:

Grade 5: Scientific Method

Annalise LoScalzo

Caitlin Carr & Isabella Del Giorno

Jillian Lazzara & Nicolette Terzulli

Grade 6: Alternative Energy Plans

John Perotta

Kayla Coleman & Alyssa Esposito

Mark Giudice & Michael DiSanto

Grade 7: Scientific Method

Kristen Fontana

Michael Raucci

Gianna Marchisella & Theresa Mazzella

Kelly Andersen & Arianna Mutkoski

Grade 8: Inventions

Andrew Coleman & Robert Jones

Victoria O'Connell & Tyler O'Connell

Dante Volpe

Grade 8: Scientific Method

Christopher Harris

David Esposito & Philip Russo

Alexa Donofrio & Alyssa Jordan

Matthew Dambakly

Congratulations



the STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2012

THIS SUNDAY IS COMMITMENT WEEKEND!

Please prayerfully consider your 2012 Stewardship Appeal donation this week. We ask that all parishioners who have not yet made a gift do so next weekend. Pledge cards that were disseminated today can be returned next week to the collection and can be made over a five-month period.



In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Acts 20:35

You can also make your gift online at
www.stewardshipappeal.org

May God bless you for your generosity.