

Our Lady Star of the Sea
7th Sunday of Easter
May 28, 2017
Announced Masses

Saturday, May 27

4:00PM Deceased Members of the Prezelski Family
5:30PM Vincent DeMarco

Sunday, May 28

8:00AM Josephine Bocchino
9:15AM Louis Mancuso
10:30AM John Cali
12 Noon Lillian, Benedetta & Dominick Visceglia
1:15PM Nicolas & Guillermina DeJesus
7:00 PM Paul Chevront

Monday, May 29

9:00AM Marie Cancelleri

Tuesday, May 30

9:00 AM Vito Brunetti

Wednesday, May 31

9:00AM Vito Graziano

Thursday, June 1

9:00AM Ralph Moceo

Friday, June 2

9:00AM Elizabeth Ansaldo

Saturday, June 3

9:00AM Henry Tiberi
4:00PM Christopher Amoroso
5:30PM Patricia Balestrieri

Sunday, June 4

8:00AM Richard Babstock
9:15AM Winnie Ford
10:30AM Joan Sellitti
12 Noon Lucy & Joseph Stasio
1:15PM Dom & Mary Biscardi
7:00 PM Maria Domenica Persichilli

Banns of Marriage



First Time: Carmine Sciandra & Marina Fricano
First Time: Salvatore Ingravallo & Adriana Mandara

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.

Creighton Model Seminar
Our Lady of Lebanon Cathedral
113 Remsen St., Brooklyn, NY

Tuesday, May 30, 2017 from 7-9 pm

This seminar will shed light on the great work being done in building a culture of life in women's healthcare using the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaPro Technology. The seminar will provide lay people, medical professionals, clergy and religious with information and resources useful to help couples struggling with infertility (and contemplating in vitro fertilization (IVF)), couples who want effective natural birth regulation, and women struggling with various gynecologic issues such as repetitive miscarriage, PMS, PCOS, endometriosis, postpartum depression, premenopause, etc. To register and for more information, contact Marise Frangie at 917-393-8907 or email sanctityoflife@live.com.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of May 28-June 3
 Given in Memory of
Tony Fiumefreddo

Donated with love from his wife, daughter &
 granddaughter

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, June 3

4:00PM C Harris
5:30PM A Pompei

Eucharistic Ministers, June 3

4:00PM L Barbato, J Coscia, E Vitiello, J Uhlman,
 & Dcn. Quadrino
5:30PM J Cimino, F Ruggiero, G Decker, M Quadrino
 & Dcn. Quadrino

Lectors –Sunday, June 4

8:00AM L Bauer
9:15AM MA Higgins
10:30AM M Coppolo
12 Noon A Medeiros
1:15 PM C Ambrosino
7:00 PM K Melka

Eucharistic Ministers, June 4

8:00AM M Molinini, J Perdichizzi, C Rosato, A Sparandera,
 & J Stanzione
9:15AM L Capobianco, J Gatto, S Hitchcock, M Randazzo,
 & Sr. Rosemary
10:30AM C&J Gerace, T Strange, B Paccione, & C Ordy
12 Noon L Appel, MA Russo, B Peters, E&G Riozzi
1:15PM N Villani, J Tolento, A McCoy, M Sprague,
 & M Recanatini
7:00PM E Bellina, A Zuffante, C Houle, J Galletta, K Melka

Altar Servers, Saturday, June 3

4:00PM E Harris, V Pavlick
5:30PM N Cammarato, D Heidel, P Marone

Altar Servers, Sunday, June 4

8:00AM N Shirazi
9:15AM J Bell
10:30AM M Mattioli
12 Noon G Vassallo, G Marino
1:15PM J Oliveri
7:00PM N&S&A Mejias



Sincere Condolences

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our
 sincere condolences to the families of:
Anita Fine, Philip Mancuso, Marie Caridi,
Dick Corney, Viola 'Gloria' Stankiewicz,
Victims of Manchester England terror attack

Have a Safe and Happy Memorial Day!

The Rectory office will be **CLOSED** on Monday,
 May 29 for the Memorial Day holiday. It will reopen
 on Tuesday, May 30 at 9 a.m.



Healing Songs of Hope FREE Concert



with Daniel Rodriguez,
 Maria Kavanaugh & Frank Rendo
Saturday, June 17, 7 pm at OLSS Church
 Made possible through a grant by Staten Island
 University Hospital-Northwell Health.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

Happy Memorial Day Weekend. We remember the supreme sacrifice of all our men and women in the Armed Forces, who up and down through the decades have given their lives, so that we Americans can enjoy the freedoms we now share. We remember now these same brave men and women in uniform who stand ready to defend us. May God's blessing watch over and protect you from all harm

This is the official beginning of the summer season. Yet the weather has been flip-flopping from extreme heat to chilly damp rainy weather, it's a bit crazy and we welcome the warmth and the sun when it comes. Like life, it's unpredictable.

The Church finds itself this week celebrating the Novena to the Holy Spirit, this time between Ascension Thursday, last Thursday and next Sunday, Pentecost Sunday. We pray, "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who did instruct the hearts of your faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant in us the same Spirit to be truly wise and ever rejoice in your consolation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Sunday is Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. This was when the Apostles and the Blessed Mother were gathered in that Upper Room; and where Jesus came to them on Easter Sunday night and a week later. Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind blowing where they were sitting and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Tongues of flame appeared over their heads and they were then emboldened to throw open the doors of that upper room, where they were once fearful and they headed straight to the temple porticos and announced the Good News, that Jesus is indeed alive and that He is Christ and Lord. The indwelling presence of God set their hearts on fire and gave them the zeal that they needed to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

That same Holy Spirit is alive in the Church today and we can invite him to enter into our lives and give us all the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, counsel, fortitude, understanding, knowledge, piety and fear of the Lord.

On Saturday, at Saint Patrick's Cathedral five men were ordained priests for the Archdiocese of New York. Among them was our summer seminarian from last summer, now Father Reynor Santiago. This Sunday he will offer his first Mass of Thanksgiving at the 10:30 AM Mass and afterward there will be light refreshments and Father Reynor will give his first priestly blessing to all the parishioners. I have been asked to preach at his first Mass, and to vest him with his stole and chasuble during the Ordination. This a huge honor and a tremendous responsibility.


As I was thinking about what I was going to say some various points strike me about the priesthood and I want to share them with you.

1. "Model your life after the mystery of the Cross" – These words strike me more and more with every ordination I attend. It's in bearing the sufferings of the Cross for those we are called to serve that we grow in the wonder of God's merciful love in our lives.
2. Get ready to meet the God of interruptions – Most people think we do nothing from Sunday to Saturday. Yet our lives are not our own and being present to the moment is so necessary and available. "Father, do you have a minute...."
3. Love the people you are called to serve – Love is decision, not just a feeling. The decision to love will fill you with peace and help you to respond and not react to people when they come calling. You have in inclusive love, you are "Father" to everyone, not just Catholics.
4. Develop of good sense of humor and don't take yourself too seriously --- if you can laugh at yourself and see the good nature of things you will be joyful and joy is the infallible presence of God.
5. Pray always, before, during and after the sacraments and be sure to praise the Lord in thanksgiving for all the good He bestows on us.
6. Live simply, so that others can simply live.
7. Ask for help, don't be a brain surgeon, where you are not a brain surgeon. People are far more qualified, smarter, holier and healthier and seek their wisdom.
8. Get out of your own way: Jesus saved the world, not you. It's messy out there, and if you are willing to take on the "Smell of the sheep", says Pope Francis, you'll realize that God brings you to moments you would never predict you'll experience:
9. Be not afraid. Jesus said, "You haven't chosen me, no I chose you and you just might wind up being sent where you would not want to go, and you'll learn that Jesus has been there all along waiting for you to come.
10. Where you are sent is most where Christ, needs you and will reveal his love to you. So stay close to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and our Blessed Mother and get ready for the adventure of your life. All shall be well and see if on each anniversary, He doesn't surpass answering your heart's desire. Now tread gently onward, my newest priest brother.

God bless and Come Holy Spirit,

Fr. Tom Devery

OLSS 1st Friday Overnight Adoration Vigil

 There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during an overnight vigil on the first Friday of each month. This month's overnight vigil will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily Mass Chapel on **Friday, June 2 at 9:00 p.m.** & will end with daily Mass on **Saturday, June 3 at 9 a.m.** **Eucharistic Adoration is also available in the OLSS daily chapel every Mon-Thurs from 12pm-5 pm.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Please call the Religious Education office at 718-984-1885 for more information about registering for 2017-2018.

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 SCHOOL NEWS

• Congratulations to Vincent Orsino of class 4-2, who was recognized as an exceptional reader at the Borough President's *Readers are Leaders* Award Ceremony! He also won first place in *The Magic Shop* Series Contest. We are so proud of you!

On May 15, OLSS held our Social Studies Fair for students in grades 5 through 8. All the projects were very impressive! Special congratulations to the following children who represented OLSS at the island-wide Social Studies Fair at St. Adalbert's: 5th Grade – Joseph Sorrentino & Amanda Sofia, 6th grade – Kristen Rugg & Alyssa Testaverde, 7th grade – Jessica Sam & Marc Amato, and 8th grade – Michael Carr & Nicolette Onesto.

• In honor of Memorial Day, there will be a Red, White & Blue Dress Down Day on Wednesday, May 31. Thank you to all who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom!

• Just a reminder....Final exams begin this week for students in Grades 3-8.

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

Registration will be held Sunday June 4th from 9am to 2pm in the school entrance.



Pray for the Sick

Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Catherine Biondolillo, Sarah Brodine, Serafina Carlone, Dominick D'Argenio, John DeLuca, Cindy Diaz, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Thomas Paul Gaither, Kim Giangregorio, Herbert Gruberger, Anthony Medeiros, Anne Merlino, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Jerry Porta, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Melissa Randazzo & Baby, 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 Mass

There will be a **Healing Mass on Tuesday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. *(The next Healing Service will be June 20 @ 3:30 pm.)*

Our Lady Star of the Sea Star Players

present

Upon the Stars: A Disney Tribute

in

OLSS O'Mara Hall

Show Dates & Times

Friday, June 9 – 7:30pm

Saturday, June 10 – 2:00pm

Saturday, June 10 – 8:00pm

Sunday, June 11 – 2:00pm

Tickets

\$15 per person at the door or call Maryann at 718-966-0671 to reserve in advance.

Directed by: Melissa Kane & Nicole Colonna
Assistant Directors: Stephanie Langella & Dana Cavello
Musical Director: Rob Butler
Choreographers: Marie Causi & Therese Causi



Follow us on Instagram!
[@the_star_players](https://www.instagram.com/the_star_players)

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next meeting will be **Friday, June 9 from 1-3 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Widows Club – A new group will be available for widows to come together and share their experiences together. The next meeting will be **Thurs., June 1** at 1 pm in the Damato Meeting Room. For more info, 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 – The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thursday June 1**, at 7:30 PM in the OLSS Rectory. New members are always welcome. Our next selection is *Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance* by Neal Lozano. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

Holy Name Society – The next meeting for the Holy Name Society will be on **Wed., June 7 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 5 at 7:30 pm** in the OLSS Rectory.

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 **362 families** have made pledges totaling **\$141,540**. We are at **79%** of our goal.



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

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: _____

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Goretti Group Event

Join us Friday, June 2nd from 6:30 to 9:30 pm for the Feast of the Sacred Heart when Maria Giura will present on St. Pope John Paul II's letter, "On the Dignity and Vocation of Women," how it pertains to all women, and how men can find a deeper reverence for of their own vocation by understanding women's. The event will begin at 6:30 PM with music and confession, followed by Mass at 7 PM. Dinner and talk will follow. Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd, SI, NY).

The 2017 Minty Awards

Come see Staten Island's finest high school theatre performers at The 2017 Minty Awards. This year's ceremony will be on Sunday, June 4 at 7pm at The St. George Theatre. All seven Catholic High Schools will be performing and 13 awards will be handed out during the evening. The Minty Organization, which has donated over \$50,000 back to our Catholic high schools, will once again be awarding monetary prizes to all the nominees of the St. Genesius Award for Outstanding Musical. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased by calling the St. George Box Office at [718-442-2900](tel:718-442-2900).

Cross Road Foundation Brunch & Fundraiser



The Cross Road Foundation will be holding their annual **Garden of Life Brunch & Fundraiser**, on **Sunday, June 11th at the Excelsior Grand (2380 Hylan Blvd.) from 11 AM to 1 PM**. Bishop Peter J. Byrne will be honored with the John Cardinal O'Connor Guardian of Life award. Individual tickets are \$30 per person. Please RSVP by calling 718-556-3474 or visiting www.crossroadfoundation.org.

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 Class & Ceremony Dates

May 28, June 11 & 25 (please see below for further dates)

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. Baptism Ceremonies take place at 2:15 PM in the Church. **PLEASE NOTE: Beginning July 2, 2017, 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.

Calling Ladies and Gents in their "Golden Years"

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas-Court St. Clare cordially invites you to attend a **Golden Age Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, June 20, 2017**, at 1:00pm, in the St. Clare School Auditorium. For information and to Reserve your seat, please contact Juliette by June 1st at StClareCDA@aol.com or Event Coordinator, Joan (718) 984-9832.

St. Francis Catholic Singles

Saint Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will host their **16th Annual Spring-into-Summer Party on Saturday, June 24, 7:30 – 11:30 pm** with dinner, deejay, door prizes and wine at the Mansion Grand, located at 141 Mansion Ave. SI, NY. All new, returning and alumni members alumni warmly invited! Cost is \$60 if postmarked by Mon., June 5; \$70 afterwards. Please make Checks out to Cash and mail to Holy Family, Attn: June Singles Party, 366 Watchogue Road, S.I. NY 10314. Payments must be postmarked by Mon., June 19. For more info, visit Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, check www.sgspsi.org, or email sfcssi@gmail.com.