

MAY 3, 2015
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, May 2, 2015

9:00AM Pearl and Burelle James and the
Deceased of the James Family
4:00PM Elizabeth Campanella
5:30PM Dec. of the Maye and McGowan Fms.

Sunday, May 3, 2015

8:00AM Filomena Porzio and the Deceased
of the Porzio Fm.
9:15AM Karen Primont
10:30AM Martin Altini
12 Noon Lenny Paragallo
1:15PM Andres and Olga Rosado
7:00PM Emilio Ambrose

Monday

9:00AM Joseph Sullivan

Tuesday

9:00AM James M. Creamer, Jr.

Wednesday

9:00AM Thomas Hoban

Thursday

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Friday

9:00AM Joyce Regalbuto

Saturday, May 9, 2015

9:00AM Karen Leyton
4:00PM Deceased Members of the Samaritano
and Gesualdi Fms.
5:30PM Catherine Smith and Anna O'Connor

Sunday, May 10, 2015 – Mother's Day

8:00AM Margaret Bauer and Rosa Competella
9:15AM Joan and Dennis O'Neal
10:30AM Anthony Mineo
12 Noon Ida DeMarco, Stephanie DeMaio
and Margaret Iacono
1:15PM Gladys and Ricalda Voyeau and Peter DeRamos
7:00PM Mary Rafferty

St. Stanislaus – Bishop – Martyr – May 7

One of the most revered saints in Poland is St. Stanislaus, who died as a martyr in the 11th Century. He was the only bishop to stand up to the tyrannical king Boleslaus, II and to denounce his cruelty and abuse of power. Boleslaus abducted the beautiful wife of a nobleman and carried her to his castle. Stanislaus went to rebuke and threaten excommunication upon the king. The king refused. Therefore, he was excommunicated. When Boleslaus and his retinue arrived at the cathedral for mass, he was turned away at the door. Enraged, Boleslaus ordered his guards to kill the Bishop. When they refused, Boleslaus drew his sword and killed the bishop himself. Pope Gregory, VII put the country under an interdict, which endured until the death of the repentant Boleslaus. St. Stanislaus feast day was changed from May 7 to April 11. (JM)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR THE
WEEK OF MAY 3, 2015
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE
SERRANTONIO AND PUGLISI FAMILIES
FROM THEIR LOVING FAMILY

Lectors – Saturday, May 9, 2015

4:00PM C. Harris
5:30PM F. Barone

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00PM V. Caruso, J. Coscia, C. Baggot, A. Maffeo,
A. Petrocelli
5:30PM M. Lappin, C. Losi, M. Sicari, T. Scaramuzzo,
R. Marino

Lectors – Sunday, May 10, 2015

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi
9:15AM J. Zinsley, T. O'Connell
10:30AM M. Pinto, E. Newborn
12 Noon F. Monte
1:15PM R. LaMonica
7:00PM J. Limeri

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00AM P. Zoltowski, M. Molinini, M. Andreola, J. Stanzione,
C. Rosato
9:15AM J. Gatto, D. Avena, A. Spoto, R. Corbett
10:30AM C. Ordy, F. Ruggiero, C. & J. Gerace, T. Strange
12 Noon R. Gamba, D. Zaiano, E. & G. Riozzi, C. Belvedere
1:15PM B. Peters, F. Palazzo, M. Randazzo,
L. Appel, MA Russo
7:00PM S. Caiazza, M. Recanatini, M. Sprague, A. Manetti,
T. Palmieri

Please check your schedule for the Ascension Thursday (5/13 and 5/14) assignments.

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, May 9, 2015

4:00 P.M.: D. & D. Battaglia, M. Rivera, V. Pavlick
5:30 P.M.: E. & M. Losi, C. & R. Nicholaou

Sunday, May 10, 2015

8:00 A.M.: J. Bell, S. Marshaj, G. & N. Tucci
9:15 A.M.: B. Bosques, A. Discenza, M. Mattioli, B. Walsh
10:30 A.M.: A. & F. Auriti, G. Monreale, G. Pelucco
12:00 Noon: C. Carr, K. Marchisella, B. & M. Stackhouse
1:15 P.M.: C., C., F. and T. Nieves
7:00 P.M.: L. & PJ Caiazza, J. Petillo, E. Tedesco

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BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST BANNS: Joseph Velez and Kelly Sheppard
Matthew Ainsley and Amanda Cortese
Vincent Fea and Lindsay Thaisz
SECOND BANNS: Jonathan Lanning and Rachael Ling
Jennifer Delarue and Michael Sanseverino
John Belloni and Theresa Sarachelli

MESSAGE FROM FR. TOM

Dear Parish Family,

As we continue to celebrate our 50 Days of Easter, we listen to Jesus today in the Gospel of Saint John, tell us, "I am the vine and you are the branches". "He prunes every barren branch in us that does not bear fruit" and "apart from me you can do nothing." Thanks to the life-giving power of the Resurrection, we are cleaved to the Lord because of our baptism. Last Monday, in the Office of Readings from our breviary, there was a beautiful reading from Saint Basil the Great, from his book on the Holy Spirit. What's amazing about this reading is that this was written over 1800 years ago.

"Our Lord made a covenant with us through baptism in order to give us eternal life. There is in baptism an image both of death and of life, the water being the symbol of death, the Spirit giving the pledge of life. The association of water and the Spirit is explained by the twofold purpose for which baptism was instituted, namely to destroy the sin in us so that it could never again give birth to death, and to enable us to live by the Spirit and so win the reward of holiness. The water into which the body enters as into a tomb symbolizes death, the Spirit instills into us his life-giving power, awakening our souls from the death to sin to life that they had in the beginning. This then is what it means to be born again of water and the Spirit, we die in the water, and we come to life again through the Spirit.

To signify this death and to enlighten the baptized by transmitting to them knowledge of God, the great sacrament of baptism is administered by means of a triple immersion and the invocation of each the three divine Persons of the Blessed Trinity. Whatever grace is in the water comes not from its own nature but from the presence of the Spirit, since baptism is not a cleansing of the body, but a pledge inside to God from a clear conscience.

As a preparation for our life after the resurrection of our Lord tells us in the gospel how we should live here and now. He teaches us to be peaceable, long-suffering, undefiled by desire for pleasure, and detached from worldly wealth. In this way we can achieve, by our own free choice, the kind of life that will be natural in the world to come.

Through the Holy Spirit we are restored to paradise, we ascend to the kingdom of heaven, and we are reinstated as adopted sons and daughters. Thanks to the Spirit we obtain the right to call God our Father, we become sharers in the grace of Christ, we are called children of light, and we share in everlasting glory. In a word, every blessing is showered upon us, both in this world and in the world to come. As we contemplate them even now, like a reflection in a mirror, it is as though we already possessed the good things our faith tells us that we shall one day enjoy. If this is the pledge, what will perfection be? If these are the first fruits, what will the full harvest be?"

God has a wonderful sense of humor as I am typing this there is my office a Time Warner worker sorting out our WIFI issues upstairs in our rectory and he just asked me what does he need to do to become baptized. He's presently a fiancé of a woman in Brooklyn and they are planning to marry. He has a Muslim father and a Baptist mother. I was happy to introduce him to RCIA and the process of preparing for next Easter. He's looking forward to baptism. You can't make this stuff up!

I thoroughly enjoyed offering Mass last Saturday and this Saturday and next Saturday and giving 1st Holy Communion to our second graders in our school and Religious Education program. They are angelic and so excited to receive Jesus. May they come to know the love Jesus has for them for the rest of their lives. Parents, please keep taking them to Church every week.

With grateful affection and Easter blessings,
Father Tom Devery

Rest in Peace 

SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offers our sincere condolences to the family of: *Patrick Fitzsimmons, Philip Camia, Sr. Patrick Regina Sullivan, And all those who perished in the Nepal earthquake*



SICK LIST

Pauline Adams, Nicholas Caputo, Serafina Carlone, David and Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Saveria Criscuolo, Gen Decio, Maria Fazio, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Gabriella Hagis, Shirley and Andy Hardin, Lorraine Hamer, Annette Horgan, Thomas Lamantia, Vincent Lombardo, Paul Manos, Chuck Melka, Beatrice Nicholson, Camille Polly, Racquel Puglisi, Carmen, John and Eva Ragona, Summer Marie Semerad, Celeste Setty, and Lisa Vasquez and Nicholas Ponti Williams

HEALING MASS AND SERVICE

There will be a Healing Mass on Tuesday, May 5th, at 7:30PM. Fr. Thomas P. Devery will be the main celebrant. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional or physical healing is welcome to attend. The afternoon Healing Service will be on Tuesday, May 19th, at 3:30PM.



CONGRATULATIONS

TO OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

Our Lady Star of the Sea congratulates the second grade students of our School and Religious Education Program, who after prayer and preparation, are receiving their First Holy Communion this Saturday and next Saturday. May Jesus Bless you and your wonderful parents, who helped you prepare for this special day!

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

Sunday, June 28th at 8:15PM, we will have our Music Workshop after the 7PM Mass in the Church. At this time, you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions you may have. You can also select additional options, such as the violin or an extra singer in addition to what is provided for the wedding ceremony. **Next workshop, August 30th.**

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP: We are reading "Angels All Around Us" by Anthony DeStefano. **The next meeting is on Thurs., May 21st, at 7:30PM** at the Rectory. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: The Group will meet on **Wed., May 6th, at 7:30PM in the rectory.** The following meeting will be Wed., May 20th. The group meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

Please Note: The May 20th Meeting will be the last session until after Labor Day in September. If you wish to speak to the group facilitator, Mrs. Ronnie Peterson, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number.

50 PLUS CLUB: The next meeting will be on **Fri., May 22nd at 11:30AM.** Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

PRAYER GROUP: Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM in the Damato Rm. in the Athletic Center.

DRUG AWARENESS SUPPORT GROUP:

Let's start 2015 off right! Please join us for our first educational support meeting of the year on May 7th, beginning at 7:30pm in O'Mara Hall. Topics will include FAMILY ENABLING: How parental enabling behavior can keep the addict addicted; What to do once you have identified that a family member is an addict. Alicia Reddy, RN and Marci Kleinberg-Bandelli, LCSW are the facilitators. There is no fee and all are welcome. Let's get our families healthy. Looking forward to seeing you all there. If you have any questions, call Alicia Reddy at 646-404-0637.

SISTER PATRICK REGINA SULLIVAN

Sister Patrick Regina Sullivan, who was an 8th Grade teacher at Our Lady Star of the Sea School from 1971 to 1974, died at St. Barnabas Hospital, Bronx, NY, on April 24, 2015. Sister Patrick entered the Sisters of Charity of New York on Sept. 8, 1942. She also taught at Blessed Sacrament and St. Joseph by the Sea High School. May she rest in peace.

PARISH BUS TRIP TO SEE

JOSEPH AT THE SIGHT & SOUND THEATER

The "Joseph" show in Lancaster, Pa. will be on Sat., June 13 leaving at 9:30AM and returning at approx. 7:30PM Cost \$123.00 includes lunch at Miller's Smorgasboard show & bus. If interested call Gail Decker at (917) 916-2308. Check payable to OLSS/ \$ due by 5/18/15.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

If you have a child entering the 1st Grade in September 2015, please call our Education Office to make an appointment to register. You must be a registered parishioner in order for your child to attend Religious Education at OLSS. **For further information, call the Religious Education office at (718) 984-1885.**

PARENTS PRAYING TOGETHER

OLSS parents are invited to join together and pray the Rosary. Parents will pray together each week from 2:15 pm to 2:30 pm in the church chapel.



MOTHER'S DAY PLANT SALE

Boy Scouts from Troop 5 will be selling beautiful and reasonably priced Mother's Day plants after the 4 and 5:30PM Mass on Saturday, May 9th, and after all but the 7PM Mass on Sun., May 10th. Stop by to pick up a nice gift for Mom!

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, on Saturday, June 20th and Sunday, June 21st at 2PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 19, 2015. This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

25th AND 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT OLSS SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2015

Couples celebrating their 25th and 50th Anniversaries, during 2015 will be honored here at OLSS on Sunday, June 7th at the 1:15 Mass, celebrated by Reverend Thomas Devery in the Cardinal's name, followed by a reception in O'Mara Hall. All eligible couples who are registered parishioners and who have been registered for at least a year should **call the Rectory by May 22nd** between the hours of 9 and 4PM and leave your name, phone, envelope number and wedding date.

SPORTS NEWS



OLSS DOLPHINS SUMMER CAMP

Monday July 6th through August 14th, 9 to 3:30PM. Camp is held on the OLSS campus, 5411 Amboy Road, Staten Island, NY. Activities include arts and crafts, dance, theater, computers, soccer, organized games and more. **QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION: EMAIL: Linda Fusillo at: linsoap@aol.com**

DEBS CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS

All girls entering 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade in September are eligible for Debs Tryouts. Tryouts will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Athletic Edge Gym, 10 Nassau Place, SI, NY 10307. We will be flexible with other sports schedules. If you have any questions please contact Elaine Grieco at 917-797-3941.



Please Note: We are looking for a coach for our Bidy Cheerleading Team. If you are interested, please call Lisa Narduzzi at (917) 902-4050.

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 2nd and 4th 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 – 2nd and 4th Sundays
OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

May 10th and May 24th
 June 14 and June 28
 July 12th and July 26th
 August 9th and August 23rd

BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH
2:15 PM – 2nd and 4th Sundays

May 10th and May 24th
 June 14 and June 28
 July 12th and July 26th
 August 9th and August 23rd

SCHOOL NEWS

OLSS SCHOOL ROLLING REGISTRATION

Open Registration for PreK 3, PreK 4, Kindergarten – 8th grade

PREK THREE YEAR OLDS – The three year-old sessions will be offered two days (Tues. – Thurs.) AM (8:30 – 11:00) and PM (12:00 – 2:30) Sessions available. Students must be three years of age by Dec. 31, 2015 and potty trained.

PREK FOUR YEAR OLDS – The four year-old sessions will be offered three full days 8:30 – 2:30 (Mon., Wed., and Fri.) Students must be four years of age by Dec. 31, 2015 and potty trained.

KINDERGARTEN – 8TH GRADE – Kindergarten students must be five year of age by Dec. 31, 2015. You must be a registered parishioner (register at the Parish Office) to apply

.IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR PROGRAM, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (718) 984-5750.

The following items should be present at all registrations

- Birth certificate (Copy and Original)
- Baptismal certificate (if not Catholic Ok, if Baptized at OLSS just need date)
- Nonrefundable \$200 application fee made out to OLSS per child
- \$200 Fair Share fee per family (Gr. K – 8 only)
- Sunday collection envelope number (Gr. K – 8 must be a registered at parish)
- Academic records including standardized test results and report cards for 2 years (Gr. 1 – 8)
- If child has an IEP or IESP a copy must be brought in.

Please call the School Office for an appointment if you would like to register (718) 984-5750.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

If you are interested in becoming a member of one of the largest Catholic men's organizations, whose efforts follow the Pope's call to help the poor and needy, call Stolzenhaller Grand Knight Karl Emigholz at (718) 967-2315.

**LUNCHEON HONORING
 REV. TERRY TROIA**

There will be a Luncheon on Tues., May 12, 2015, at the Hilton Garden Inn, SI, NY. Reservations: \$65 per person. RSVP, become a sponsor or place a journal ad: Contact Anita Yuen at (718) 448-1544, Ext. 163 or email anyuen@projecthospitality.org.

MARIAN CONFERENCE

Join in a tribute to Our Lady's Motherhood. All benefits to aid Good Counsel Homes and, in part, Pro-Life Elderly and Homebound Club. The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be present. Date: Sat., May 9th, Place: St. Joachim, St. Ann's Church (on the grounds of Mt. Loretto). Cost: \$45 per person, children free. For information and reservations call Marietta Canning at (646) 662-3914.



**THE CARDINAL'S ANNUAL
 STEWARDSHIP APPEAL**

If you have not yet done so and would like to make a pledge to the 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
 (212) 371-1011 Ext. 3300

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 _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Balance _____

Choose your payment method: Personal check payable to:

The Cardinal's Appeal. Credit Card (complete below)

Charge: American Express – Visa – Master Card

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ Amt.\$ _____

Please charge:

One Time \$ _____ each month for _____ months.

Signature: _____