

November 8, 2015
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Thirty-Second Sunday In
Ordinary Time

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, November 7

9:00AM Bolney Ramirez
4:00PM Dora & Edward DiAntonio
5:30PM Mario Schiera

Sunday, November 8

8:00AM Pietro Ricciardi
9:15AM Ruth Kahns
10:30AM Alfred Austin
12 Noon Marco Fusillo
1:15PM Frank Citera
7:00PM Henry Hermann

Monday, November 9

9:00AM Domenico Grieco

Tuesday, November 10

9:00AM John Emigholz

Wednesday, November 11

9:00AM Andre Graziano

Thursday, November 12

9:00AM Lucie Bonnard

Friday, November 13

9:00AM Karl & Pauline Bayerlein

Saturday, November 14

9:00AM Bolney Ramirez
4:00PM Deceased Members of the Bertola & Grezzo
Families, Vincent Maorano & Mario Mattera
5:30PM Deceased Members of the Scaramuzzo
& Presco Families

Sunday, November 15

8:00AM Mary Petito
9:15AM Sophie & Joe Iorio, John & Jane Graziano
10:30AM Frank & Julie Bortle & John & Cecelia Smith
12 Noon Robert Santiago
1:15PM Peggy McNamara
7:00PM Louis & Anna Scarpa

St. Leo the Great, Pope – November 10

Leo was born in Tuscany, and as a deacon was sent to Gaul as a mediator by Emperor Valentinian III. Leo Reigned as Pope between 440 and 461. He persuaded Valentinian to recognize the primacy of the Pope in an edict in 445. In a letter to the Patriarch of Constantinople, he confirmed the doctrine of the Incarnation, which was also confirmed at the Council of Chalcedon in 451 concerning the Person of Christ. During the 5th century barbarian invasions, St. Leo encountered Attila the Hun at the gates of Rome, persuading him to turn back – a memorial to his great eloquence. When the vandals occupied Rome, he persuaded the invaders to desist from pillaging the city and harming its inhabitants. (JM)

USHERS NEEDED FOR ALL MASSES

There will be an upcoming training for new ushers at all masses. If you are interested in becoming an usher, please contact John Manetta, Sacristan, or call the Rectory at 984-0593 and leave your name and number.

The Sanctuary Lamp For The
Week of November 8, 2015

In Memory Of

Anna Berardi

Donated by

The Granato Family

Lectors – Saturday, November 14

4:00PM F Monte
5:30PM C Losi

Eucharistic Ministers, November 14

4:00PM C Harris, B Nicholson, A Lazzara, J Uhlman,
L Barbato
5:30PM J Cimino, J Amitrano, T Scaramuzzo, M Andreola,
M Lappin

Lectors – Sunday, November 15

8:00AM J Perdichizzi
9:15AM J Zinsley
10:30AM B Paccione
12 Noon B Weir
1:15PM R LaMonica
7:00PM G LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, November 15

8:00AM J Stanzione, M Molinini, A Sparandera,
P Zoltowski, J Perdichizzi
9:15AM J Gatto, L Capobianco, D Avena, C Rosato,
M Sprague
10:30AM G Balestrino, N Fallacaro, C Ordy, J&C Gerace,
T. Strange
12 Noon L Appel, J Prato, C Bottiglia, C Belvedere,
J Tolento
1:15PM B Peters, C Houle, MA Russo, C Messina,
N Villani
7:00PM M Recanatini, J Limeri, S Caiazza, K Melka,
G Decker

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, November 14

4:00 PM K Martino, K Marchisella, V Pavlick
5:30 PM M&E Losi, R&C Nicholaou

Sunday, November 15

8:00 AM J Bell, M Esposito
9:15 AM S Marashaj, M Coelho, B Bosques
10:30 AM A Castelle, B Walsh, R Ruskowski
12:00 Noon N Salerno, A Romani, R Faljean
1:15 PM C, C, F & T Nieves
7:00 PM L&PJ Caiazza, E Tedesco



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of:
Louis Pioli, Christopher Foti

HEALING MASS

There will be a **Healing Service on Tuesday, November 17 at 3:30PM**. Anyone in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing is invited to attend and be prayed over.
(The next Healing Mass will be on Dec. 1 at 7:30PM.)

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

As we gently move into this Month of Remembrance, November, when we celebrate All Saints and All Souls, I am aware of two tiny people who were considered "Giants" in the Lord's eyes; Monsignor James Dorney and Rose Conry from Holy Child Parish. Both had deep roots in Northern Ireland and Staten Island. Both were fierce fighters for the Right to Life and the protection of unborn babies. Both were deeply loved and admired. Both suffered greatly with life issues both internal and external. Yet both loved the Church to the very core of their being. I was privileged to bring Holy Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Anointing the Sick to Rose Conry on several occasions and just when we thought it was all over, like Houdini escaping the grasp of the netherworld, Rose rallied and fooled us all. Monsignor Dorney on his day off visited the college seminarians at Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception in Douglaston, Queens to remind us that we were special and to "hang in" there because the Church would need us to be good and holy and joyful priests. Both had cheerful serene faces and in even in their suffering, paradoxically they were full of faith and joy.

As a beautiful sermon once preached declared, "They are not where they once were, but they will forever be wherever we are in our hearts." I know we often canonize saints, turn them into holy cards and plastered statues, but to get to know just one in your lifetime, what a difference that makes. Each of them offered little or no resistance to God. Monsignor Peter Finn spoke well of Monsignor Dorney in his homily, "He was a brother, a son, an uncle and cousin, a neighbor, a friend, a priest, a Vicar, an Icon and a leprechaun." The Church applauded, but it's true. The greatest remembrance anyone can have is to make them present in your prayers as you offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Cross at Mass. I know my parents, classmates, former Cardinals and hundreds if not thousands of friends I personally know have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, they are all present at every Eucharistic celebration. May their intercession for us and the eternal rest they so well deserve never go un-remembered.

At Mount Loretto's CYO gym on Saturday, November 14th at 4PM, there will be a Mass for all student athletes and coaches of our cluster parishes: Our Lady Star of the Sea, Our Lady Help of Christians, Saint John Neumann, and Saint Joseph - Saint Thomas. The Cluster teams from Making All Things New are seeking ways to come together to support one another. I have been invited to be the celebrant for this Mass and I am looking forward to this opportunity.

I was delighted to listen to Cardinal Dolan share his thoughts and reflections on the Synod on the Family that was held all during October in the Vatican. He said that Pope Francis was truly amazed with the kindness and enthusiasm of New Yorkers. He also declared that the Pope made a decision that as of December 8, 2015 there will be no charge for annulments and that the first decision of the Marriage Tribunal will stand, that cases where the petitioner files for an annulment will have the jurisdiction to pass judgement. (This is huge, since if a wedding occurred in Brooklyn and people moved to Staten Island, then the Brooklyn Diocese would have had to complete the annulment process. Now, New York Archdiocese can be given jurisdiction.) The Holy Father wants to concretely help more people achieve the mercy and reconciliation that many have long awaited. There were also several anecdotes and insights from many international cardinals that were offered.

I want to express my sincere appreciation to Gerri La Grua, Rei D'Agostino, Gail Decker, Joe Limeri, Ed Newborn, Damon Testaverde, Pat O'Neil, and Kathy Melka for being willing to speak at all Masses last weekend about the Sharing Our Gifts Campaign for increased offertory donations. Speaking in front of one's own parishioners can be a scary thing and with great grace, confidence and dedicated love, each gave witness. I am so pleased that they were willing to do this for the good of the parish.

As we pray in Remembrance for all loved ones this month of November, may each of you be deeply blessed. I remember also each of my classmates, that 38 years ago, on November 5, 1977, 11 of us were ordained by Cardinal Cooke at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. Praise God for the adventure that followed!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Tom Devery



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST TIME: Hector Hernandez & Kaitlin Sparnroft
John Kucsma & Regina DeFelice
Frank Citera & Lauren Cipoletti

SECOND TIME: Robert Iovino & Jessica Gurdemir

THIRD TIME: John Grande & Devon O'Leary
Anthony Bongiardina & Jennifer Romeo

WEDDING MUSIC WORKSHOP

The next wedding music workshop for brides and grooms will be at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sunday, December 27th**. At this time you will be able to select your wedding music. (Next workshop: Feb. 28th.)

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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.



SICK LIST

Marguerite Bogda, Norma Bolanos, Serafina Carlone, Margaret Carollo, Stephanie Cerchio, Jay Coller, Vera Criscuolo, Gen Decio, Chief Mstr. Sgt. James F. Dwyer, Zeina Enciso, Thomas Paul Gaither, Margaret Generoso, Matthew Hall, Lorraine Hamer, Rich Hogrogian, Thomas LaMantia, Paul Maros, Grace Miranda, Ralph Pagliuca, Ann Marie Pederson, Ralph Quezada, Caesar Russo, Jamie Seaman, Summer Marie Semerad, Sandy Trapani, Dora Valiente, Jack Walsh. **If you would like to place a name on the sick list, please call and leave the name with the rectory.**

MEMORIAL VIGIL LIGHTS AVAILABLE BY THE CHAPEL CRUCIFIX

One month memorial vigil lights are available in the chapel at the cost of \$25 each. The name of the deceased is placed on the vigil light. Envelopes are located in the book racks. Please deposit completed envelopes either in the collection basket or in the vigil light boxes, poor boxes, or bring it to the rectory. There are 28 candles available each month. If we receive more than 28 requests, those requests over 28 will be honored the following month. Requests must be made prior to the start of the month.

SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Veterans Day! Star of the Sea students honor all of our veterans! Thanks you for all you did to keep our country free and safe.

Reminder to all 7th grade parents: There will be a mandatory Confirmation meeting this Monday, November 9th at 7:30pm, in O'Mara Hall.

Break a leg! OLSS Students are getting ready to show off their talents at our annual Variety Show on Friday, November 13th.

Wishing the BEST of LUCK to our 8th grade students who took the TACHS exam last Friday!

Our Lady Star of the Sea 3rd Annual Christmas Fair

Start your shopping early!

Sat. Nov. 14th – 3pm -7 pm & Sun. Nov. 15th – 9am -5pm

OLSS Athletic Center - O'Mara Hall

If you are interested in being a vendor,
please call Marilee at 718-619-3098

OLSS SPORTS NEWS

CYO HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL REGISTRATION



We will be holding registration for current high school boys & girls who would like to play CYO basketball at OLSS. Registration will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 10th from 7:30-8:30pm. ALL STUDENTS MUST BRING A COPY OF THEIR SCHOOL ID. Registration cannot be processed without it. Please visit www.olssbasketball.com for the forms & fee schedule.

GROUP MEETINGS

50 Plus Club – Meets in the Damato Meeting Room in the OLSS Athletic Center on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month from 1-3 p.m. The next meeting will be on **November 13**. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801. Please note: There will be no mtg on November 27.

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center.

Bereavement Group – Support group for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and is grieving. Join us as we journey from grief to healing on Wednesday, **November 11 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Rectory. If you would like to join and if you would like more information, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 and leave your name and number.

Book Club - The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thursday, December 3 at 7:30 PM** in the OLSS rectory. New members are always welcome. The next book is to be decided. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

Holy Name Society - Our next meeting for the new OLSS Holy Name Society Men's Club will be on **November 18th at 8 PM** in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. For more information please call Chairmen Robert Cermeli at 917-783-6494 or Peter Cappellino at 917-626-7757.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: Rehearsals are on **Mondays, at 3:45PM**, in the Church. Children who are in the 1st through 6th grade are eligible. If you would like to join, come to rehearsal. The Children's Choir sings at the 9:15AM Mass on Sundays.

TRADITIONAL CHOIR: The Traditional Choir is open to members 18 years or older. If you would like to join, come to rehearsal. **Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 6PM, in the Church.** The Traditional Choir sings at the 10:30AM Mass on Sundays.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR: Please note that we have lowered the age for the contemporary choir to 7th Grade and up. This is a good opportunity for Confirmation Service Hours. **Rehearsals are on Sunday nights at 5:30 PM.** The Contemporary Choir sings at the 7PM Mass on Sundays.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

FILL THESE HEARTS

An evening with Christopher West

Join best-selling author Christopher West as he explores the ancient but forgotten truth that our deepest desires of body and soul are meant to lead us to the infinite, to God. Experience an unforgettable introduction to Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body by one of today's most dynamic Catholic speakers.

Friday, November 13 from 7-9 pm @ Holy Child Church

Cost: Tickets are \$10 per person and are available by emailing

holychildmarriage@gmail.com or online

at www.corproject.com/events

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

Saint Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will meet at Holy Family Church, 366 Watchogue Rd, on **Thursday, Nov. 19 @ 7:15 pm**. The topic of discussion will be, "Understanding the Mass: How It Unites Us with Christ's Sacrifice. The Church teaches that the Mass is the source and summit of Christian life. Join us as Father Brendan Gormley, new pastor of Holy Family Church, discusses (the Church's understanding of) why the Eucharist is so vital to Christian living. A canned food collection will be taken this night to benefit the Holy Family Food Pantry.

Join them for their 15th annual Christmas party at Crown Palace, 201 New Dorp Lane on **December 11** from 7:30-11 pm. Price is \$35 per person if received by Fri., Dec 4: \$45 afterwards and includes three course meal, dessert, and drinks. Payment must be received by Monday, Dec. 7. Bring CHECK made out to CASH (with SFCS Christmas Party in memo box) to any monthly Thurs night meeting or mail with your name, phone number and email to: Holy Family Parish; Attn Singles Christmas Party; 366 Watchogue Road; SI, NY 10314. For more info, please visit www.sgspci.org, find us on Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, or email sfcssi@gmail.com.

COMEDY NIGHT

The Staten Island Chapter of Columbiettes presents a Comedy Night on **Friday, November 20** at the Looney Bin Comedy Club (141 E Service Rd., by Showplace Bowling). Doors open at 7:30 pm, with a 9 pm showtime. \$20 per person before Nov. 10, \$30 per person after Nov. 10. Please make checks payable to SI Chapter. For more info, contact Pattie at battlinbat2@aol.com or 646-247-6469. (Two drink minimum per person, food available for purchase).

PROJECT HOSPITALITY POOR PEOPLE'S DINNER

Monday, November 23, 6 pm

Hilton Garden Inn

Tickets \$75 / Seniors \$50 / Students \$35

2015 Keynote Speaker: Archbishop of New York,

Timothy Cardinal Dolan

For tickets or sponsorship opportunities, contact Anita Yuen at (718) 448-1544, ext. 163 or anyuen@projecthospitality.org.

COMING SOON TO OLSS

Mark your calendars for January 23, 2016

as OLSS presents a theatrical event called:

The Class of Life

The Class of Life is a theatrical experience that takes the audience on a journey which highlights events in one man's life. Utilizing a blend of humor, drama, and life experience, the actor takes his audience through stories relating to many of his life's experiences as a police officer, his proud Italian heritage, his upbringing and married life. This poignant presentation will surely touch the lives of those who value family, tradition, and comedy. For information, please contact Anthony Langella at 917-817-1110.



CLUSTER CORNER

The New York Archdiocese began its pastoral planning initiative "Making All Things New" which seeks to address how the archdiocese can best meet the religious, spiritual, and pastoral needs of the people of God now and in the future. A Parish Core team was formed consisting of the pastor and a few members of the parish from the newly formed Cluster Parishes (OLSS, St. Joseph/St. Thomas, St. John Neumann & Our Lady Help of Christians). This particular section of the bulletin will be devoted each week to informing OLSS parishioners of various events that are being held at other Cluster Parishes.

Cluster Parish Mass Times

Our Lady Help of Christians – 7396 Amboy Rd.

Sat. 4:30 PM Family Mass; Sun. 8 AM, 9:30 AM Family Mass, 11 AM, 12:30 PM, 4 PM (Spanish) & 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

Cluster Parish Events

- Our cluster will hold a special **"Take me out to the Ball Game"** Mass to recognize sports teams, coaches and cheerleaders. It will be held **Saturday November 14**, at **4:00 PM** in the Mount Loretto Church. A reception will follow in the Old Gym, Building # 7 including hot dogs, chips and drinks. A special Prayer card will be given to each child. This mass counts for Sunday obligation. Envelopes collected during the mass will be given to the respective parishes.
- **Christmas Fair** – The St. Joseph – St. Thomas Christmas Fair will be held on Friday Nov. 20 from 3-9 pm, Saturday Nov. 21 from 9 am-9 pm, and Sunday Nov. 22 from 10 am-5 pm. FREE Admission, 50 Maguire Ave. Call (718) 356-0452 for more info.
- St. John Neumann Kidz Club is holding a special Craft and Pre-Christmas Fun Morning. It will take place on **November 28**, at **10:00 AM** at St. John Neumann, 1380 Arthur Kill Rd. The Fee is \$6.00 per child. Drop off envelope with name to the Rectory by November 14th so supplies can be ordered in advance. For more info email sinkidz@gmail.com.
- **Breakfast with Santa** - Come enjoy Breakfast with Santa at St. John Neumann Church, Saturday, **December 5th** from 10am - 12:30 pm. Tickets are on sale now -\$12 per child, \$6 per adult. Enjoy breakfast, face painting, tattoos, 50/50, and raffle baskets. Come meet Santa & Mrs. Claus and take a picture with them. For more info call 718-984-8535.

Bus Trip to see "Miracle of Christmas" At Sight & Sound Theatre-Lancaster, PA

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2015

Leaving: OLSS Parking Lot at 9:30AM

Lunch at Good'n Plenty Restaurant 12:30PM

Sight & Sound Show 2:45PM

Return approx. 7:45PM

Cost: \$115 per person (Show, lunch, bus & tips)

RSVP: by November 11, 2015

Make check payable to: OLSS

Put "bus trip" on the memo line and submit with tear off sheet to:

OLSS Rectory Attn: Gail Decker

Name: _____

Address/email address: _____

Telephone: _____

No. of Persons Attending: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

UPCOMING 100TH ANNIVERSARY

SAVE THE DATES!

Anniversary Mass

with Cardinal Timothy Dolan
Sunday, September 25, 2016

Anniversary Gala

Sunday, October 2, 2016
Hilton Garden Inn
Ticket information to follow

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

Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th
Jan. 10th and 24th
Feb. 14th and 28th

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 Sunday. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** to request one.



A Parish Campaign

YOUR WEEKLY GIFT

What will an increase in your weekly offertory cost you?

\$5:



\$10:



\$15:



\$20:



The *Sharing Our Gifts* campaign is an investment in the future of our parish. Please support this parish effort.

12 STEP MEETINGS IN RECTORY BASEMENT

ACOA	Sun. 5:30PM
AA	Sun. 8:15PM
	Mon. 10AM
	Tues. 4PM
	Thurs. 4PM
	Fri. 4PM
	Sat. 7:30PM & 9PM
PILLS ANON.	Tues. 6:30PM
	Fri. 6:30PM
GAMBLERS ANON.	Tues. 8:00PM
AL ANON	Thurs. 7:15PM

PLEASE NOTE: Staten Island Overeaters Anonymous (OA) offers a program of recovery from compulsive eating, binge eating and other eating disorders using the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of OA*. (*Adaption granted by AA World Services) Friday Night Meeting "Many Symptoms, One Solution" Group 8 - 9 PM Face-to-Face Meeting in our Basement Rectory Phone Meeting (Simultaneous) Dial: 1-712-432-1212

Access Code: 950-897# (Press *6 to mute & unmute phone)
For Additional Meetings and More Information Visit www.sioa.org or call 718-605-1393

STOP COLD INTERVENTIONS 1-800-996-4104

*PLEASE NOTE: Every first Thursday, at 6PM, 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 December 3.

INSTRUCTIONS

I think the space is ok, even with the Archdiocese insert, but if anything, call me. Thanks!

This is the end of the bulletin - Sunday, November 8, 2015