

**NOV. 18, 2012**  
**33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**  
**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**

“HAPPY THANKSGIVING AND MAY THE LORD BLESS AND KEEP SAFE THE GOOD PEOPLE OF OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA.”

*Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012**

**9:00AM** Thomas Caramano  
**4:00PM** Sophie and Joseph Iorio and  
Jane and John Graziano  
**5:30PM** Mario Schiera

**Sunday, Nov. 18, 2012**

**8:00AM** Philip Selmieri  
**9:15AM** Robert and Catherine Smith  
**10:30AM** Angelo and Mary Gazzola and  
Theresa Fallacaro  
**12 Noon** Donald O'Connor  
**1:15PM** Lillian Visceglia and Rose Nattoli  
**7:00PM** Robert Santiago and Frank Neri

**Monday**

**9:00AM** Mary Meades

**Tuesday**

**9:00AM** Virginia Duffy, Robert & Delia Hamilton

**Wednesday, Nov. 21, Eve of Thanksgiving**

**9:00AM** Anna O'Connor  
**7:30PM** **The People of OLSS**

**Thursday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thanksgiving Day**

**9:00AM** Catherine, Paul and Sophie Sroggi

**Friday**

**9:00AM** Helen and Richard Angelina, Sr.

**November 24, 2012**

**9:00AM** Armando and Adolorato Monaco  
**4:00PM** Christopher Amoroso  
**5:30PM** Faustina Paravati

**Sunday, Nov. 25, 2012**

**8:00AM** Carl Capobianco  
**9:15AM** Regina Renman  
**10:30AM** Sal DiMaria and Philip DiFranco, Jr.  
**12 Noon** Joseph D. DeCrescenzo  
**1:15PM** Anita Piazza  
**7:00PM** Guy and Rose Florentino



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**FIRST BANNS:** Anthony Caputo and Priscilla Scarpati  
**SECOND BANNS** John Soho and Jennifer DiPerna

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP—WEEK OF NOV. 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
**IN MEMORY OF DONALD CHRISTINO**  
**FROM THE CURRERI & LO CONTE FAMILIES**

**Lectors –Nov. 24, 2012**

**4:00PM** A. Pompei  
**5:30PM** C. Losi

**Eucharistic Ministers –Nov. 24, 2012**

**4:00PM** R. Taranto, V. Caruso, J. Prato, J. Coscia,  
M. Russo, L. Barbato, R. Podvesker  
**5:30PM** A. Spoto, A. Maffeo, E. Viola, J. Uhlman,  
C. Barone, S. Roberto, A. Dazio

**Lectors – Sunday, Nov. 25, 2012**

**8:00AM** J. Perdichizzi, M. Andreola  
**9:15AM** J. Ladley  
**10:30AM** E. Newborn, M. Newell  
**12 Noon** B. Paccione, A. Saulo  
**1:15PM** R. LaMonica  
**7:00PM** J. Limeri

**Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, Nov. 25, 2012**

**8:00AM** J. Stanzione, T. Daluise, MJ Truckenbrodt,  
P. Zoltowski, L. Barbato, R. & L. Bauer  
**9:15AM** K. Ladley, T. Rizzotti, T. Strange, A. Guber,  
R. Corbett, M. Vierno, J. Gatto  
**10:30AM** C. Ordy, C. Argano, B. Peters, M. Carey,  
R. Scarpati,  
F. Ruggiero, E. Talarico  
**12 Noon** A. Manetti, B. Peters, F. Saulo, F. & R. Marino,  
B. & M. Higgins  
**1:15PM** M. Sprague, B. Nicholson, C. Houle, V. Acri,  
T. Scaramuzzo, A. McCoy, P. Basirico  
**7:00PM** K. Melka, G. Scotto, B. Weir, C. Pontecorvo,  
M. Recanatini, S. Goodman

**Altar Server Schedule**

**Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012**

**4:00 PM** J. Albanese, A. Mutkoski, A. Napolitano, M. Rivera  
**5:30 PM** M. Brophy, C. & R. Nicholaou, A. Romani

**Sunday, Nov. 25, 2012**

**8:00 AM** J. Bell, A. Discenza, C. Luisi, C. Marashaj  
**9:15 .M** M. Gambino, M. McDonough, F. & G. Scarmato  
**10:30 AM** E. Carey, J. Petillo, E. Tedesco, K. Tobin  
**12:00 Noon** D. Battaglia, C. Carr, D. Russo, V. Palazzo  
**1:15 PM** G. Citarelli, R. DeForge, D. Dunn, G. Steinmetz  
**7:00 PM** C. & S. Campitiello, J. Rubin, N. Turturro

**Nov. 22 – St. Cecelia – Virgin and Martyr**

Cecelia was born in Rome and at an early age, made a vow of virginity, but her parents forced her to marry a nobleman named Valerian. She converted her husband and his brother to the Christian faith and by the Providence of God, preserved her virginity. All three suffered martyrdom under Marcus Aurelius between 161 and 192. Tradition has it that as St. Cecilia was beheaded, after three blows, the executioner had still not completed severing her head, and by law was not permitted to strike again. St. Cecilia laid there and in her agony did not cease praising God. This is why she is patroness of musicians and singers. (JM)



### MASS CELEBRANTS

#### Saturday – Nov. 17

**4:00PM** Msgr. Peter Smith  
**5:30PM** Msgr. Peter Smith

#### Sunday – Nov. 18

**8:00AM** Fr. Kevin Malick  
**9:15AM** Fr. Kevin Malick  
**10:30AM** Msgr. Jeff Conway  
**12 Noon** Msgr. Jeff Conway  
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#### PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS

The Prayer Group usually 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, Tuesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, at 8PM. Praise and worship begin at 7:30PM. (No Healing Service in December)

The December Healing Mass is on the 18<sup>th</sup> at 8PM.

#### MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

On Sunday, Dec.30<sup>th</sup> 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.



#### SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea wishes to express our sincere condolences to those who have lost a loved one.

Condolences to the family of:

*Debra Cruz*



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Paul Alaimo, Denise Amore, Maggie Anglemeyer, Jeanne Ardine, Betty Barrasso, Christine Bessi, Barbara Boscia, Dustin Cabeza, Marion Concaduna, David, Lanette, Ethel and Nanette Colon, Connie Bonanno, Dustin Cabereza, Erminia Cancellare, Frances Carbone, Serafina Carlone, Stephanie Cerchio, Paul Ciaccio, Philip Civello, Sal Civello, Frances Codispodo, David and Ethel Cohen, Marion Condadora, Edith G. Corredor, Vincent Crispino, Jaime Cucuzza, Marie Curcio, Virginia Cutrone, Joan DiFiore, Charles Dolce, John Emigholz, Sr., Joseph Ennis, Vincent Fillacomo, Carol Federic, John Foder, Anthony Galante, Nancy and Antoinette Gallo, Carol Gawron, Dolly Gerardi, Joan Gordon, Richard Kempton, Andrew Hardin, Stanley Kielbasa, Tarek Kamal, Victor Lamberti, M. Lawler, Elaine Lewis, Alice Lombardo, William Magrino, Jr., Vincent Malchiodi, Michael Maniscalco, Judith Matzio, Laureen Mauro, Tiffany Mezzatesta, Anna Milham, Eileen Narbut, Dave O'Hanlon, Joseph Pagano, Joseph and Barbara Pasquarello, Lucy Peters, John Petrizzo, Josephine Petrosino, Joseph Pineiro, Camille Polly, Rachelle Puglisi, Carmen Rangon, Mary Rizzuti, Denise Santanella, Carlos Santiago, Mildred Santostefano, Maria Scaglione, Celeste Setty, Lorraine Skelly, Frances Slattery, Steve Speranzo, Dan Speranzo, Jr., Maryann Taranuk, Susan Tawes, Cynthia and Stephanie Tonback, Lisa Vasquez, Olga Walchok, Robert Wideman, Carol Wright, Mary Lou Yacovacci.

#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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

Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>

March 10<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>th</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>

May 5<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup> **BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH**

2:15 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>

Jan 13<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>

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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.



## “Christmas On 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue”

Save the Date

OLSS Music Ministry

Annual Christmas Show & Concert

December 14 and 15 @ 8:00 pm

General Admission Seating

\$15.00 each for pre-show purchases

Tickets are \$20.00 if paid for at the door  
Children 10 and under and Seniors (60+)

\$10 for pre-show purchase

And \$15 if paid at the door

Tickets will go on sale weekend of Nov. 25



**THANKSGIVING MASS  
FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY**

The principal Mass for Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Wed., Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:30PM. Let us give thanks as a community for all our blessings. The Boy Scouts will be collecting non-perishable foods for the pantry at Project Hospitality such as canned vegetables and fruits, cereals, pastas, canned meats, beans, tuna and peanut butter, which will be picked up after Mass. There will be a Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 9AM.

**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.

**RCIA - Rite of Acceptance / Rite of Welcome**

Just as our warm hearts and inviting spirits need some type of accompanying physical gestures, such as a handshake or hug when we welcome someone into our home, so the welcoming community called Church needs some rituals to welcome its inquirers to itself during this process of initiation. The RCIA process has two combined rituals, the Rite of Acceptance for those who are not baptized and the Rite of Welcome for those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition, for those inquirers who are ready to move to the period of the Catechumenate. This is the first time the inquirers will publicly declare their intention to the Church and the Church, in turn, accepts them as people who intend to become its members. Therefore, these Rites are celebrated within the community of believers so the community can welcome the inquirers to the second step of their journey to faith. This celebration will take place on Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup> during the 10:30 a.m Mass. We ask our parish community for your support as we welcome our new inquirers..

**Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Reading I** Daniel 12:1-3 (Daniel's conclusion to the apocalypse)

**Reading II** Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 (Christ's eternal sacrifice)

**Gospel** Mark 13:24-32 (the second coming)

**Key Passage** Jesus said, "Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come." (Mark 13:33)

**Adult:** *What would you be doing differently in your life if you truly believed you would meet Christ soon?*

**Child:** *What would you do for others today if you thought you would not have another chance to do it.*

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

**SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY:** The group meets on Mondays at 7:30PM. Sessions will begin shortly. If you are interested in attending, you must call the rectory prior to the meeting and leave your name and number.

**BOOK GROUP MEETING** The next meeting of the book club will be **Thursday, December 13 at 7:30PM** in the rectory. We will continue our discussion of Holy Spirit 101 by John L. Gresham, available online at both Amazon and Barnes and Noble. We will focus on Chapter 3. Please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081 for more information.



**SCHOOL NEWS  
OLSS Pre K and Kindergarten**

**Open House and Information Session**

We invite you to attend our open houses and information sessions in our Pre School Building so you can learn more about us. We know we can be the perfect fit for your child! Please mark these dates on your calendar:

**Pre K 4 and Kindergarten Open Houses from 9AM -10AM  
January 9 and March 1**

**Pre K 3 Open Houses from 9AM -10AM  
January 10 and March 7**

**Pre K 3, Pre K 4, and Kindergarten Information Sessions  
from 7PM to 8PM January 15**

**Coats and Food - Assisting Our Neighbors**

OLSS School and Grade 7 Religious Education students collected over 1200 coats which were distributed to victims of Hurricane Sandy. Coats were given to several schools and parishes who were in need. Among them were St. Adalbert, Our Lady Queen of Peace, St. Christopher, and Xaverian High School. The Rotary Clubs of Staten Island (thanks to OLSS dad Frank Cilento) and the Stolzenhaller Council of the Knights of Columbus (thanks to Karl Emigholz) also helped in the distribution of the coats delivered directly to families in need. Our school children also collected food. Truckloads of food were directed for distribution by the American Red Cross (thanks to OLSS dad Anthony Piazza). The food was dispersed by OLSS School and the Rotary Clubs of Staten Island (again thanks to OLSS dad Frank Cilento) and was given directly to families in need, to Our Lady Queen of Peace, St. Adalbert and St. Peter/St Paul. Our gratitude to OLSS mom Karen Policastri, OLSS dads Danny Gerrity and John Struthers, and OLSS alumni dad, Jim O'Connell, who aided in the delivery of coats and food to the various schools, parishes and families in need. The spirit of giving exemplified faith in action. Thank you to everyone who in some way touched a coat. Your touch touched many hearts and affected many lives.

**HURRICANE HELP**

If you or anyone you know is willing to assist by taking in a family who lost their home, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number. Also, if you know of any apartments available, let us know so that we can pass the information along to those who call us looking for help. Thank you.

**HOLIDAY HELP FOR THE NEEDY**

If you know of a needy family who could use some help for Thanksgiving or during the Christmas season, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number. All calls are kept confidential. Thank you for your kindness. If you would like to donate a turkey, a ham or a supermarket gift certificate, you can bring them to the Rectory at any time. Thank you.

## *Please Take Note*

### **GIVING BASKET**

As in the past, this Christmas, we will be helping those in need on Staten Island by responding to our local organizations serving their various needs. For the following two weekends (Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>), our Giving Baskets will be in the rear of the Church. Please select one or more tags, purchase the items and wrap them. If you pick a tag and find you cannot purchase that gift, please return the tag. All gifts must be new. Original tag must be taped on the package, face up, when returning it. If you have a new item that you would like to donate, just make your own tag, noting the contents of the gift. For example, "Large boy's sweat shirt" and tape it to the gift.

**PLEASE RETURN GIFTS WEEKEND OF DEC. 1 – 2 AND DEC. 8-9. ...NO LATER!! – SO THAT WE CAN DISTRIBUTE THEM IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS.**

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Adoration is held from 12 noon to 5pm, Monday to Thursday. We are in need of Adorers to sit with the Blessed Sacrament every hour but we are especially in need of an Adorer who can commit to 1pm-2pm on Wednesdays. If you can find some time in your day to participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, please call Carol Ordy at \*82-917-536-8576.

### **50 PLUS CLUB**

The next meeting is on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> (No Meeting on Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>) – Meeting in the OLSS Athletic Center in the Damato Meeting Room at 1PM. For information, call Terry at (718) 317-1801

### **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Monday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>, at 6PM** in the Rectory Basement. If you cannot attend, please call the Rectory.

### **THANK YOU**

#### **SEYMOUR JOSEPH INSTITUTE OF SIGN LANGUAGE**

For the past ten years, Seymour Joseph Institute of Sign Language, who holds instructional classes in our school, has been providing sign language for our 7PM Sunday evening Mass at no cost. We would like to thank them for the invaluable service they provide and congratulate them on ten years of faithful service to OLSS.

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## **OLSS SPORTS NEWS**

**CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION:** For information, registration forms and pricing please visit the web site at [olssbasketball.com](http://olssbasketball.com) or stop in the gym for more info. Basketball is open to boys and girls in Grades 1-8. High School division will register in October.

**CROSS COUNTRY TRACK TEAM:** Cross Country is open to boys and girls in grades K-8. The season runs in the fall (usually Saturdays in October). For more information, please contact Erin Ryan at [tmm4e@verizon.net](mailto:tmm4e@verizon.net).

**Intramural Basketball Registration:** The last intramural registration dates: November 19th, November 26th and December 10th. This is for girls and boys all grades K through 8th grade. Please note that there will be No registrations taken after December 10th. Fee is \$90/1 child, \$125 for 2 and \$135 for 3 or more. Forms are available on line at [olssbasketball.com](http://olssbasketball.com)

### **MONSIGNOR FARRELL CHRISTMAS FAIR**

Msgr. Farrell H.S. will hold its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 10AM to 4PM at 2900 Amboy Road. Over 90 vendors selling crafts, jewelry, leather goods, candy, toys and more will be on hand. Why not do some early Christmas shopping.

### **ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

The new schedules have been either e-mailed or mailed out. If you did not receive one, there are extras in the Sacristy. While the Christmas Eve masses are covered on the schedule, since the 4 o'clock Mass on Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> is so well attended, Msgr. Jeff would like an additional three ministers at Mass. If you can volunteer, please call Madalena (984-0593) and leave your name and number. Thank you.

### **LECTOR WORKBOOKS**

The new Lector workbooks for 2013 are at the Rectory. Please stop by and pick one up. If you take one, please sign the sheet provided, leaving your name and number. Thank you.

### **NEW LECTOR TRAINING**

Our Lady Star of the Sea will be conducting training for new Lectors. If you are interested in becoming a Lector, please call the parish office at 718.984.0593 or email at [olssparish@si.rr.com](mailto:olssparish@si.rr.com).



### **A PRAYER FOR THANKSGIVING**

*Our Father in Heaven,  
We give thanks for the pleasure  
Of gathering for this occasion.  
We give thanks for this food  
Prepared by loving hands.  
We give thanks for life,  
The freedom to enjoy it  
And all other blessings.  
As we partake of this food.  
We pray for health and strength  
To carry on and try to live as you would  
have us.  
This we ask in the name of Christ  
Our Heavenly Lord. Amen*

### **12 STEP MEETINGS – RECTORY BASEMENT**

<b>ACOA</b>	<b>Sun., 5:30PM</b>
<b>AA</b>	<b>Sun., 8:15PM</b>
	<b>Mon., 10AM</b>
<b>New AA Meeting</b>	<b>Tues., 4PM</b>
	<b>Thurs., 4PM</b>
	<b>Fri., 4PM</b>
	<b>Sat., 7:30PM and 9PM</b>
<b>PILLS ANON.</b>	<b>Tues., 6:30PM and</b>
	<b>Fri., 7:30PM</b>
<b>GAMBLERS ANON.</b>	<b>Tues., 8:00PM</b>
<b>AL ANON</b>	<b>Thurs., 7:15PM</b>