

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 2, 2016
Announced Masses

Saturday, October 1

- 4:00PM** Deceased Members of the Puglisi & Serrantonio Families
5:30PM Deceased Members of the Gagliardi & Castelucci Families

Sunday, October 2

- 8:00AM** William & Beatrice Gill
9:15AM Julio Ventresco
10:30AM James Friscia
12 Noon Don Bennett
1:15PM Raymond Zimmer
7:00PM Richard Lacirasella

Monday, October 3

- 9:00AM** Ida & Franco Masella

Tuesday, October 4 – St. Francis of Assisi

- 9:00 AM** Rose Conry

Wednesday, October 5

- 9:00AM** John Tobin

Thursday, October 6

- 9:00AM** Stephanie Vierno

Friday, October 7

- 9:00AM** Patricia Purlis

Saturday, October 8

- 9:00AM** Paolina DePaulis
4:00PM Scott Benanti
5:30PM Michael Donoghue

Sunday, October 9

- 8:00AM** Sr. Anna Marie Porzio, S.M.R. & the Deceased Members of the Porzio Family
9:15AM Tillie, Stephen & Steve Healy
10:30AM John Emigholz & Janet Burman
12 Noon Frank Scimecca
1:15PM Cecelia Pastorelli
7:00PM Adrienne Sienicki & Antoinette Bartuccelli

Tuesday, Oct. 4
 St. Francis of Assisi
 Blessing of the
 Animals
 6:00 PM
 OLSS Parking Lot



Banns of Marriage

- First Time:** Rosario Gallo & Stacey Beggs
First Time: Anthony Cucurullo & Marissa Poli
Second Time: Michael Masalsky & Jessica Sarachelli
Second Time: Gary Ricco & Jessica Bastone
Second Time: Joseph Guarino & Gina Licata
Third Time: Chris Mienalee & Jennifer Tier

Wedding Music Workshop

The next wedding music workshop for brides & grooms will be at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sun, October 30**. At this time, you will be able to select your wedding music.

First 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, Oct. 7 at 9:00 p.m.** & will end with daily Mass on **Saturday, Oct. 8 at 9 a.m.**



Car Show & Family Festival

Sat., October 15 from 11 am – 3 pm in OLSS Parking Lot
 Donation: \$20 per car, \$10 per family
 Hosted by: Boy Scouts Troop 5
 & Richmond County Mustang & Ford Club



The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of October 2-8
Given in Memory of
Thomas J. Hoban

Donated by Your Loving Wife Nancy

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, October 8

- 4:00PM** C Harris
5:30PM M Andreola

Eucharistic Ministers, October 8

- 4:00PM** J Coscia, C Biondillo, A Lazzara, C Barone, B Weir, & F Monte
5:30PM C Losi, N Villani, V Aciri, F Ruggiero

Lectors – Sunday, October 9

- 8:00AM** L Bauer
9:15AM J Zinsley
10:30AM B Paccione
12 Noon C Messina
1:15 PM A Pompei
7:00 PM G LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, October 9

- 8:00AM** R Bauer, M Molinini, C Rosato, P Zoltowski
9:15AM D Avena, S Hitchcock, B&MA Higgins & J Gatto
10:30AM C Ordy, E&G Riozzi, M Recanatini, & B Barone
12 Noon C Belvedere, F&R Marino, B Nicholson, & J Prato
1:15PM A McCoy, M Russo, & C Houle
7:00PM A Zuffante, G Decker, & K Melka

Altar Servers, Saturday, October 8

- 4:00PM** D Cavicchio, K Marchisella
5:30PM R&C Nicholaou

Altar Servers, Sunday, October 9

- 8:00AM** J Mele
9:15AM G Artz, M Esposito
10:30AM P Marone, C Trang
12 Noon B&M Stackhouse
1:15PM G Gulotta
7:00PM R Faljean, E Tedesco



Sincere Condolences

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of:

- Baby Summer Marie Semerad, Stephen Pinto, Anthony Carlucci, Eleanora Pennino, Esther Speranza, Josephine Sasso, FDNY Battalion Chief Michael Fahy, Thomas Porr**



Healing Mass

There will be a Healing Mass on **Tues, October 4 @ 7:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. (The next Healing Service will be October 18 at 3:30 pm).

RCIA - Come Experience God's Love

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.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

I want to take this opportunity to thank His Eminence Cardinal Dolan and Bishop John O'Hara, Monsignor Peter Finn, our Regional Vicar, Monsignor Jeffrey Conway and my brother priests who were formerly assigned here and our elected officials, Ron Castorino, Joseph Borelli and Michael Cusick for helping us celebrate our 100th Jubilee last Sunday at the 2pm Eucharist. It was a joyous event filled with gladness to Almighty God for all the blessings that have been and will continue to be showered upon us in the Jubilee Year. In the Old Testament, a jubilee was called for every 50 years; there was to be expected an extraordinary bumper crop, such that one could literally rest from all work for that year and also there was called forth from the people a forgiveness of all broken relationships, a forgiveness of debt, the release of prisoners as a sign of God's merciful blessing upon all the people. Jubilee was called for a special time of rejoicing. This Sunday evening at the Hilton we will do just that at our Jubilee Gala Dinner-Dance. Once again I want to thank all the people who have prepared for this special time and all the hard work in making things run seamlessly.

This is also a time to remember that we are coincidentally, in the final stages of our Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy called forth by Pope Francis. If you haven't had the opportunity to experience God's special graces in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please do so before the end of November when this extraordinary Jubilee will conclude on the Feast of Christ the King. We have been invited to walk through the Doors of Mercy that have been designated for this event. In fact, two busloads of people from our Cluster Parishes attended a special gathering at Regina Pacis Church in Brooklyn, and not only did they walk through the Door of Mercy but visited one of most beautiful minor basilicas in our country. Also, you can walk through the Door of Mercy located at Old Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Manhattan, St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, The Marian Shrine of Don Bosco in Haverstraw, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Camel in Middletown, New York. If you haven't had the chance thus far, please do so, there are special graces for all who freely choose to participate.

Amidst all this celebration and rejoicing I am keenly aware of the sorrow and grief being felt throughout our parish over the recent passing of Baby Summer Semerad, Jack Sofia, and Stephen Pinto. All these people were young and went home to God suddenly, and the prayers and pain felt by many who prayed, touches us all deeply. There are no words when we come to these moments of life. We are speechless and it's appropriate to feel anger, disappointment, sorrow and deep sadness as we join with their families in profound grief. However, as deep and as real as that is, so too is our underlying faith that God hears our lamentations and loud cries and tears. He cries with us from the Cross and reminds us that death is not the last word - there is Resurrection and Redemption that will one-day overturn our pain. Christ's shoulders are broad enough to handle our tears and fears. I am praying for that peace that passes understanding so that one day we can say, "Jesus I trust in you".

In good times and in bad, we can always turn to our Blessed Mother and ask for her help. This is October, the month of the Holy Rosary. We have 20 decades to meditate on: 5 for sorrow, 10 for joy and 5 for light. Father Patrick Peyton always said, "The Family that prays together, stays together". I strongly urge you to pray the rosary. Just in case you may have forgotten the mysteries to meditate on, here they are.

The Joyful Mysteries: The Annunciation, The Visitation, The Nativity, The Presentation in the Temple, The finding of the child Jesus in the Temple.

The Luminous Mysteries: The Baptism of the Lord, The Wedding Feast of Cana, The Call of the Kingdom with its call to conversion, The Transfiguration, The Institution of the Eucharist as the Sign of the Paschal Mystery.

The Sorrowful Mysteries: The Agony in the Garden, The Scourging at the Pillar, The Crowning with Thorns, The Carrying of the Cross, and The Crucifixion of Our Lord.

The Glorious Mysteries: The Resurrection, The Ascension, Pentecost, The Assumption of Mary into Heaven, The Crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Our Lady Star of the Sea, pray for us all throughout this Jubilee Year,

Father Tom Devery

LAST CHANCE! Adult Faith Formation Study

"Luke: My Spirit Rejoices"

THURSDAY EVENING CLASS BEGINNING OCT. 6

The Thursday evening scripture study of Luke will begin on **Thursday, October 6** from **7:30 pm – 9 pm** in the Rectory Basement. Please fill out the form below and return it with either \$30 for the text only or \$35 for the text and bible, in an envelope marked "Sr. Jean".

Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Amount enclosed: \$30 _____ for the text,
\$5 _____ for a New American Bible

Total: \$ _____

Space is limited. Please do not delay if you are interested. All checks should be made payable to OLSS.

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Baby Noah, Norma Bolanos, Vincenza Caccano, Serafina Carlone, Patsy Cassano, Angela Chinchilla, Ethyl Cohen, David Colon, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Morgan Coop, Rafaella Cosenstino, Liseth Dixon, Jeanette Dovile, Michael Durante, Zenia Enciso, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Anthony Galante, Antoinette Gallo, Herbert Gruberger, Baby Hale, Matthew Hall, Scott Herman, Thomas Lamantia, Thomas Lanza, Lelle Lazanek, Cecelia Leo, Saydi Leon, Roberta Meringolo, Anne Merlino, Ralph Pagliuca, Joseph Pavo, Ann Marie Pederson, Sue Perinuzzi, Camille Polly, Rochelle & Joe Puglisi, Eva Ragona, John & Carmine Ragona, Ivan Rodriguez, Caesar Russo, Lucrecia Santos, Jamie Seaman, Celeste Setty, Donna Slavin, Margaret Smith, Trevor Spataro, Sharon Thomas, Dora Valiente, Lisa & Dustin Vasquez, Thomas Vecchi **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.**



OLSS SCHOOL NEWS

Special thanks to the **National Junior Honor Society** for sponsoring the Pediatric Cancer Awareness Walk. With your help we raised over \$4,000 for **Alex's Lemonade Stand** and **Sloane Kettering's Whip Pediatric Cancer Heart of Gold Program!** Thanks to all who donated to this worthy cause.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Moore Catholic High School (100 Merrill Ave, SINY)
Sunday, October 2 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Regis High School (55 E. 84th St. NY, NY)
Monday, October 10 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Msgr. Farrell High School (2900 Amboy Rd., SINY)
Sunday, October 16 from 11:30 am - 3:00 pm

St. Joseph by-the-Sea High School (5150 Hylan Blvd, SINY)
Girls-Sunday, October 16 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Boys-Sunday, October 23 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Notre Dame Academy High School (134 Howard Ave, SINY)
Sunday, October 23 Time: 1 pm - 4 pm

St. John Villa Academy High School (25 Landis Ave, SINY)
Saturday, October 29 from 11 am - 3 pm

St. Joseph Hill Academy High School (25 Landis Ave, SINY)
Sunday, October 30 from 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS



Please see the following information on the choirs at OLSS. All rehearsals are held in the church. If you would like to join a choir, please come to the rehearsal.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: The Children's Choir sings at the 9:15 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Children who are in the 1st through 6th grade are eligible. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 3:45 PM.

TRADITIONAL CHOIR: The Traditional Choir sings at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays, and is open to members 18 years or older. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 6 PM.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR: Please note that we have lowered the age for the contemporary choir. If you are going into the 7th Grade or older, you may join. This is a good opportunity for Confirmation Service Hours. The Contemporary Choir sings at the 7 p.m. Sunday Mass. Rehearsals are on Sunday nights at 5:30 p.m.

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club - The next meeting will be **Friday, October 7 from 1-3 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Bereavement Group - The Bereavement Group meetings are held in the rectory on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. The next meeting will be **October 5**. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, we encourage you to join us.

Book Club - The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thursday, October 6 at 7:30 PM** in the Rectory and new members are always welcome. We are reading *Mother Teresa of Calcutta - A Personal Portrait* by Fr. Leo Massburg. 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 **Wednesday, October 5 at 8 pm** in the Damato Meeting 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.

Cross Road Foundation's Fall Fashion Show



The Cross Road Foundation will be holding its 23rd Annual Fall Fashion Show on Thursday, October 13 at 7 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. The theme for the evening will be "Get On Your Feet." Tickets for the event are \$65 per person. This includes dinner, musical entertainment, a fashion show, and a raffle of beautifully prepared gift baskets. Please call 718-556-3474 to reserve a seat at this joy-filled event.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

7th Annual Bravest BBQ

Saturday, October 8 at 12 NOON Rain or Shine

Hillside Swim Club, 151 Signs Rd

Entertainment for the whole family. Honoring 9/11 heroes, Capt. John R. Graziano & Lt. Keith Loughlin. All proceeds will benefit *Building for America's Bravest*, a proud program of the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation. \$20 per person online/\$30 at the door/Children 14 & under FREE. Order tickets online at bravestbbq.eventbrite.com. For questions, please call 718-986-4587.

Heath Care Professionals White Mass

All health care professionals and students are invited to a Holy White Mass for healthcare professionals to celebrate the contribution of health care workers from all faiths. Mass will include "blessing of the healing hands" and a reception will follow in the parish school hall.

Wednesday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Parish, 30 Manor Road, SINY

Presider: Msgr. Peter Finn with Dcn. Richard Salhany

Sponsored by: Catholic Mental Health Professionals of Staten Island. For further information, contact Dr. Constance Salhany at cognitivetherapysi.com or call (347) 273-1290.



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 Ceremony & Class Dates

October 9 & 23, November 13 & 27, December 11

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Ceremonies take place at 2:15 PM. Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center.

12 Step & Community Meetings

ACOA _____ Sundays 5:30PM

AA _____ Sundays 8:15PM

_____ Mondays 10AM

_____ Tuesdays 4PM

_____ Thursdays 4PM

_____ Fridays 4PM

_____ Saturdays 7:30PM & 9PM

PILLS ANONYMOUS _____ Tuesdays 6:30PM

_____ Fridays 6:30PM

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS _____ Tuesdays 8:00PM

AL-ANON _____ Thursdays 5:30PM

Addiction Angels - Sibling Support Group meeting on **Tues., Oct. 11 at 7 pm** in the **Damato Mtg. Room**. Parent Support Group meeting will be **Thurs., Oct. 20 at 7 pm in O'Mara Hall**. For more info, call 646-404-0637.

12 Step Night of Reflection: Every first Thursday, 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 **Oct. 6**.

Cluster Corner

Cluster Parish 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



TIME IS RUNNING OUT!
You won't want to miss out on this Advent Season Tradition!

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Presents The Second Annual
Christmas Tree Drive



There are still trees available!

- ◆ Families of the Our Lady Star of the Sea parish are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2016 Advent Season.
- ◆ Each Tree will be lighted, have a laminated dedication card, and displayed on the Parish grounds.
- ◆ A Lighting and Dedication Ceremony will be coordinated. The details will be provided.
- ◆ The cost to dedicate a Christmas Tree is \$250 each. All proceeds will benefit our Parish.
- ◆ The number of available trees left are limited, and should be reserved as soon as possible.
- ◆ Please note that there is a limited number of Trees that can be displayed on the grounds.
- ◆ Reservations are taken on a first come, first paid basis and cannot be guaranteed without payment.
- ◆ If you have any questions, please email OLSSHNS@gmail.com or call the Rectory at **718-984-0593**.

Registration Form

Please return this this form to the Rectory as soon as possible:

Our Lady Star of the Sea
2016 Christmas Tree Drive
5371 Amboy Road
Staten Island NY, 10312



- Yes, I would like a tree dedicated or memorialized.
- Memorialized for deceased
- Dedicated to loved ones living
- Personal Family Christmas Greeting

Please have my laminated dedication card read as follows:

Contact Information:

Name _____

Address _____

City and Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Check Enclosed for \$250, payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea