

**Our Lady Star of the Sea**  
**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 9, 2016**  
**Announced Masses**

**Saturday, October 8**

**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

**Monday, October 10**

**9:00AM** Michael & Elvira Crivallone

**Tuesday, October 11**

**9:00 AM** Rita Gallina

**Wednesday, October 12**

**9:00AM** Salvatore Giuffre

**Thursday, October 13**

**9:00AM** Ronald Varriano

**Friday, October 14**

**9:00AM** Alice D. Pederson & Nancy Giammanco

**Saturday, October 15**

**9:00AM** Sal Caruso  
**4:00PM** John F. Peterson  
**5:30PM** Flavia Laterza

**Sunday, October 16**

**8:00AM** Joseph Casazza, Sr.  
**9:15AM** Michele & Maria Mandara  
**10:30AM** Vincent D'Agostino  
**12 Noon** Ella Milo  
**1:15PM** Bernie & Grace Weiss & Mary McClain  
**7:00PM** Virginia Falletta

**St. Theresa of Avila - October 15**

Theresa was born in 1515 in Avila, Spain. Her mother died when Theresa was 12 and she was placed in a convent. At age 18, she entered a Carmelite convent. During this time, she suffered terrible headaches, paralysis and even fell into a coma. Miraculously cured through St. Joseph's intercession, she began to recognize suffering in the light of the cross. The conditions at the convent inspired Theresa to reform her order, the Discalced Carmelites. She established 32 monasteries and also left a great legacy of writings. She died in 1582, and was canonized a saint in 1622. St. Theresa of Avila is patroness of those suffering with headaches or migraines. -JM



**Banns of Marriage**

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

**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.



**The Sanctuary Lamp for the**  
**Week of October 9-15**  
**Given in Memory of**  
**John Emigholz**

Donated by His Loving Family

**Mass Minister Schedule**

**Lectors - Saturday, October 15**

**4:00PM** F Monte  
**5:30PM** F Barone

**Eucharistic Ministers, October 15**

**4:00PM** A Petrocelli, J Uhlman, L Barbato, A Pompei, & C Harris  
**5:30PM** A Dazio, M Lappin, A Maffeo, J Cimino

**Lectors - Sunday, October 16**

**8:00AM** J Perdichizzi  
**9:15AM** MA Higgins  
**10:30AM** M Coppolo  
**12 Noon** B Weir  
**1:15 PM** A Deliso  
**7:00 PM** K Melka

**Eucharistic Ministers, October 16**

**8:00AM** M Ennis, M Molinini, A Sparandera, J Stanzione, & M Andreola  
**9:15AM** B Higgins, L Capobianco, J Gatto, Sr. Rosemary  
**10:30AM** B Barone, C&J Gerace, B Paccione, L Appel, C Ordy  
**12 Noon** C Belvedere, S Catalano, B Nicholson, & M Sprague  
**1:15PM** A McCoy, B Peters, C Houle, & J Tolento  
**7:00PM** S Caiazza, C Barone, G LaGrua, J Limeri, K Melka

**Altar Servers, Saturday, October 15**

**4:00PM** E Harris, V Pavlick  
**5:30PM** C&C Nieves

**Altar Servers, Sunday, October 16**

**8:00AM** J Bell  
**9:15AM** M Esposito  
**10:30AM** N Mele, C Trang  
**12 Noon** P Marone, C Carr  
**1:15PM** N Salerno  
**7:00PM** R Faljean

**Sincere Condolences**



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

**Marilyn Yorks, John Marchisotto, Anna Meglio, Baby Serafino Mongelli**

**Healing Service**

There will be a Healing Service on **Tues, October 18 @ 3:30 pm.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. (Due to November 1 being a Holy Day of Obligation-All Saints Day, there will be a healing service on Tuesday, November 1, after the conclusion of the 8 pm Mass.)

**Columbus Day Rectory Hours**

The Rectory office will be closed on Monday, October 10 in observance of Columbus Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, October 11.

**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



## Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

During this month of October, I invite you to join with me in praying the rosary, since this month is dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. I also want to sincerely honor and thank my staff and the Jubilee Preparation Committee for a most wonderful and memorable evening at the Hilton last Sunday. We certainly have an amazing legacy to live up to and I'm sure with Our Lord and Our Lady's help we will further God's Jubilee graces upon our parish.

Archbishop Chaput of Philadelphia was quoted by Christopher West, the Theology of the Body theologian, and it was an insightful view on our times.

"I cut my teeth as a teacher of the faith working for Archbishop Chaput in the Archdiocese of Denver in the 1990's. I've always been impressed with his clear thinking and how economical he is in translating the thinking in the written and spoken word. What takes me paragraphs to explain takes him a few sentences.

Chaput was in fine form in his recent address at Notre Dame connecting the political craziness of the current election and the topic "Sex, Family, and the Liberty of the Church." I urge you to read the whole thing. Here is a section that stood out most to me:

*"The word 'mercy' is worth examining. Mercy is one of the defining and beautiful qualities of God. Pope Francis rightly calls us to incarnate it in our own lives this year. Unfortunately, it is also a word we can easily misuse to avoid the hard work of moral reasoning and judgment. Mercy means nothing – it is just an exercise in sentimentality-without clarity about moral truth. We can't show mercy to someone who owes us nothing; someone who has done nothing wrong. Mercy implies a preexisting act of injustice that must be corrected. And satisfying justice requires a framework of higher truth about human being and behavior. It requires an understanding of truth that establishes some things as good and others as evil; some things as life giving and others as destructive. Here's why that's important:*

*The truth about our sexuality is that infidelity, promiscuity, sexual confusion and mass pornography create human wreckage. Multiply that wreckage by tens of millions of persons over five decades. Then compound it with the media nonsense about the innocence of casual sex and the "happy" children of friendly divorces. What you get is now what we now have: a dysfunction culture of frustrated and wounded people increasingly incapable of making permanent commitments, self-sacrifice, and sustained intimacy and unwilling to face the reality of their own problems.*

*This has political consequences. People unwilling to rule their appetites will inevitably be ruled by them, they will eventually be ruled by somebody else. People too weak to sustain faithful relationships are also too weak to be free. Sooner or later they surrender themselves to a state that compensates for their narcissism and immaturity with its own forms of social control."*

### **A Prayer to Mary at Election Time**

O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care, and beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son.

Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection. Look down with mercy upon and touch the hearts of our people.

Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead us to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life.

Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new culture of life. Trusting in your most powerful intercession we pray: *Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary; that never was it known, that anyone fled to your protection, implored your assistance, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, our Mother, behold you we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the word incarnate, despise not our petitions but in your clemency, hear and answer us, Amen (Msgr. William Blacet).*

*Father Tom Devery*

### **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, 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 Pavio, 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.**

### **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 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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.



## OLSS SCHOOL NEWS

### Save the Dates:

**Saturday, October 15** - Grade 1 Promise Mass  
@ 5:30 pm in Church

**Monday, October 17** – Reconciliation Meeting for Grade 2  
parents @ 7:30 in O'Mara Hall

**Wednesday, October 19** – Annual Coat Drive  
(Coats need to be dropped off by 9am to the school)

**Friday, October 28** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trunk or Treat for OLSS  
students @ 6pm in Athletic Center Parking Lot

### HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

**Regis High School** (55 E. 84<sup>th</sup> 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

### Group Meetings

**50 Plus Club** – The next meeting will be **Friday, October 14 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 12**. 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 book club will be **Thursday, November 3 at 7:30 PM** in the Rectory. New members are always welcome. Our next selection is *Humility of Heart* by Fr. Cajetan Mary Da Bergamo (Veritatis Splendor Publications). 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 **Tuesday, October 25 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Rectory.



### 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

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

**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.

### OLSS Holy Name Society Wrestling Night

The OLSS Holy Name Society will be hosting a wrestling night presented by *Warriors of Wrestling* on **Saturday, October 15** in **O'Mara Hall**.

Doors open 7 PM – Belltime 8 PM.

General Admission \$20 per person, Front Row \$25 per person.

Tickets available online at [www.warriorsofwrestling.com](http://www.warriorsofwrestling.com), at the door, or call 917-903-1347.

### ✓ Mark Your Calendar



### Cross Road Foundation's Fall Fashion Show

The Cross Road Foundation will be holding its 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### A Step Beyond:

#### A Course in Bereavement Counseling & Ministry

If you are interested in learning more about leading bereavement counseling and ministry, there will be a free course on Monday evenings from October 10 through November 7 at 7:30 pm in St. Patrick's Rectory (53 St. Patrick's Place, SINY 10306). Please contact St. Patrick's Rectory at 718-351-0044 for more information.

#### 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 more info, visit [www.cognitivetherapysi.com](http://www.cognitivetherapysi.com) or call Dr. Constance Salhany at (347) 273-1290.

#### Goretti Group Event

##### Friday, October 14 – Sacred Heart Church

Join us as Salomon Carina from *Corazon Puro* speaks about his post-abortion healing, the gift of chastity, and finding the right person for you. **Friday, October 14** at **Sacred Heart Church**, 981 Castleton Ave. There will be Adoration beginning at 5PM, Praise & Worship & Reconciliation available at 6:30 PM followed by Mass at 7PM and talk at 7:30. After-event fellowship at local bar/restaurant.

#### Good Counsel's Annual Communion Lunch

*For the benefit of our mothers and babies on Staten Island*

The 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Good Counsel Communion Lunch will be held at Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd, SINY) on **Saturday, October 15** beginning with 11 am Mass followed by 12 pm Lunch. The honoree this year will be Rev. Msgr. Peter G. Finn. Please RSVP by October 12. To RSVP, please call Dawn at 718-619-1978.

### 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 Alicia Reddy at 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:

## 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

## 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](mailto:jlimeri@aol.com) – 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

# 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](mailto:OLSSHNS@gmail.com) or call the Rectory at **718-984-0593**.

## Registration Form

**Please return 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

