

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 18, 2016
Announced Masses

Saturday, September 17

4:00PM Deceased Members of the
Antorino & Guido Families
5:30PM Michael Donoghue

Sunday, September 18

8:00AM Virginia Gallinaro
9:15AM Joseph Graziano
10:30AM Leonard Cancellari, Richard Castellano,
& Frank Fiumano
12 Noon Gus & Palma Friscia
1:15PM Russ, Florence & Russ, Sr. Nicholson
& Deceased Members of the Angel Family
7:00PM Lilly & Angelo Curto

Monday, September 19

9:00AM Marie E. Sellenthin

Tuesday, September 20

9:00 AM Carmen Soto

Wednesday, September 21

9:00AM Paul Rich

Thursday, September 22

9:00AM Frank Joseph Desiderio, Jr.

Friday, September 23

9:00AM Angelo, Mary & John Gazzola
and Joseph & Theresa Fallacaro

Saturday, September 24

9:00AM John Baldassarre
4:00PM Rosa Tomasi
5:30PM Marianna & Evangelist Peragine

Sunday, September 25

8:00AM Carmine Esposito
9:15AM Rocco & Ersilia Villani
10:30AM Domenico Grieco
12 Noon Donald O'Connor
THERE IS NO 1:15 MASS THIS WEEK
2:00PM Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea
7:00PM Joanne & John Quattrocchi



Sincere Condolences

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

Linda Sercia, Daniel Twomey, Joseph Meringolo

Upcoming Parish News:

OLSS 100th Anniversary Jubilee Mass

Celebrant: Timothy Cardinal Dolan
Sunday, September 25 at 2 p.m.

(PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS NO 1:15 MASS ON 9/25)

OLSS 100th Anniversary Jubilee Gala Dinner/Dance

Hilton Garden Inn, Sunday, October 2 from 5-10 pm
\$125 per person

Please see the bulletin for more details & RSVP.

Altar Server Training

We will begin Altar Server training for 2016/2017 has already begun for children 4th Grade and above. If you would like to be an altar server, please leave your name with Philip Oppenheim or Joseph Petillo in the Sacristy after Mass—or call the Rectory.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of September 18-24
Given in Memory of
Dr. John P. Curran

Donated by Jenny Curran

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, September 24

4:00PM C Harris
5:30PM B Weir

Eucharistic Ministers, September 24

4:00PM L Barbato, A Lazzara, J Coscia, C Biondolillo,
A Petrocelli & G Decker
5:30PM A Dazio, F Ruggiero, C Bottiglia, J Cimino,
& V Acri

Lectors –Sunday, September 25

8:00AM J Perdichizzi
9:15AM MA Higgins
10:30AM M Coppolo
12 Noon R LaMonica
NO 1:15 Mass
7:00 PM G LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, September 25

8:00AM M Andreola, R&L Bauer, C Rosato, A Sparandera
9:15AM B Higgins, L Capobianco, N Villani, J Zinsley,
& S Hitchcock
10:30AM C&J Gerace, T Strange, J Tolento, C Ordy
& B Paccione
12 Noon B Nicholson, S Catalano, J Prato, A Pompei,
& R LaMonica

NO 1:15 Mass

7:00PM J Limeri, M Recanatini, C Houle, K Melka, G LaGrua

Altar Servers, Saturday, September 24

4:00PM D Cavicchio
5:30PM M&E Losi

Altar Servers, Sunday, September 25

8:00AM J Bell
9:15AM S Marashaj
10:30AM G Gulotta, C Trang
12 Noon B&M Stackhouse
NO 1:15 Mass
7:00PM R Faljean, J Rubin



Banns of Marriage

First Time: Chris Mienalee & Jennifer Tier

Third Time: John Cody & Noreen Canavan

Third Time: Jon Florida & Lila Carlino

Third Time: Christopher Bannon & Nicole Gaske

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.

Bl. Francis de Posadas, Priest – September 20

Francis was born at Cordova in 1644 and at age nineteen entered the Dominican novitiate. Following ordination, his reputation for preaching was widespread, and as a result was sent throughout Spain giving missions. People were drawn to him as a confessor because of his holiness, spirit of prayer, and spiritual gifts, which also included levitation. Francis also wrote several books, including a biography of St. Domenic. He died September 20, 1713 and was beatified in 1818 by Pope Pius VII. -JM

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

I would like to thank Bishop John O'Hara and especially, Denise Enright, for last Monday's "Blue Mass" to honor all the police, firefighters and first responders who live on Staten Island. It was a first annual event and the turnout was wonderful. I also am grateful for the Interfaith Clergy who came and participated in praying with and for our great civil servants. May God truly watch over and bless them.

Last Saturday I was invited back to West Point to the Catholic Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity to offer an Alumni Mass for the Class of 1986. Ironically, the pastor of the Catholic Chapel is a former member of the class as well - Chaplain Matthew Pawlikowski. He is a priest from the Newark Archdiocese who is on loan to the Archdiocese of Military Services. After the Mass was over, I was presented by Terry Finlay with an American Flag of Fallen Heroes. Where the stripes of the flag are normally red and white are listed the names of over 3000 people who have either died on 9/11 in the terrorist attacks, or those who have subsequently died as a result of cancer and related pulmonary problems who were working daily in the rescue effort at Ground Zero. I was proud to display this flag in the front of our altar both last Sunday, the fifteenth anniversary of 9/11 and for the Blue Mass last Monday evening.

I also want to thank you for your generosity to the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt, New York who were in the lobby and at the doors of our church last weekend. These amazing women of faith not only educated thousands of children in the Archdiocese of New York, myself included, but also served the church as nurses, cottage mothers for orphans, pastoral care workers at Calvary Hospital, missionaries in Kingston, Jamaica, parish workers, social workers as well as promoters of Peace and Justice. They have over 130 vowed members and most are retired and your donations help them tremendously. I know over \$2000 was raised. Their Fall Festival is held on the campus of Dominican College and their Motherhouse grounds in Blauvelt, New York, in Rockland County.

I am happy to report that our very own, Father Christopher Argano, has been appointed by Cardinal Dolan as the Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of New York. At present we have 75 seminarians studying in the major Seminary, Saint Joseph Seminary for Brooklyn, New York, Rockville Centre dioceses as well as the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. On Tuesday and Wednesday, I am inviting a Fellowship of Catholic University Students, (FOCUS) missionary stationed at West Point - Peter Walters from West Virginia to a "Come and See" overnighter in our rectory. He met me there last weekend, mentioned how he was interested in exploring priesthood and wanted to get the feel of what parish life was like. So please keep your prayers up for vocations.

Our seminarians, Anthony Gorgia and Carmine Caruso are presently studying Philosophy and introductory courses in theology to prepare for the major seminary. They have a long 5 year road ahead of them but they are joyful and committed to the journey. Reynor Santiago, will be ordained a transitional deacon on September 25th. This is the same day that Cardinal Dolan will be attending our 100th Anniversary. Reynor Santiago, was with us this past summer and is looking forward to his priestly ordination on May 27th and he will celebrate his first Mass of Thanksgiving here at Our Lady Star of the Sea on May 28th. It is a blessing to our parish that we are inspiring future generations of priests to feed us Jesus and teach us His ways.

Just a reminder that since Cardinal Dolan will be offering our Jubilee Mass on Sunday September 25th, there will be no 1:15 PM Mass instead it will be 2PM.

God Bless You all,

Father Tom Devery

Cross Road Foundation Baby Bottle Campaign

Members of the Cross Road Foundation are in the lobby and at each entrance for their annual baby bottle campaign. The funds collected from this weekend will be used to help families facing unexpected pregnancies on Staten Island. You may either take a baby bottle home and fill it with a donation, bring it back to Mass the weekend of 10/1 & 10/2, or leave a donation with them after the Mass this weekend.

Music Ministry News

Our Choir Masses are back! Please see the following information if you are interested in joining a choir. 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 7 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.



Pray for the Sick

Barbara Allen, Joseph Arena, 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, Zenia Enciso, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaiter, Anthony Galante, Antoinette Gallo, Herbert Gruberger, Baby Hale, Matthew Hall, Scott Herman, Thomas Lamantia, Thomas Lanza, Lelle Lazanek, Cecelia Leo, Saydi Leon, Roberta Meringolo, 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, Summer Marie Semerad, 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.**

Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service on **Tues, September 20 @ 3:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. *(The next Healing Mass will be October 4 at 7:30 pm).*

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



***Monday, September 19 at 7pm** is our Back to School Night. Please refer to the note sent home with your child for specific times for your child's grade.

***Monday, September 26** is the first Parents' Association Meeting of the school year. Please join us at **7:30pm in O'Mara Hall.**

***Congratulations to our teachers and students** on the great scores OLSS received on the New York State Math and ELA tests. We are so proud of all of you!

***OLSS Track Team, cross-country,** is starting Saturday, September 24 for children in grades K-8. If interested, contact Erin Ryan at tmm4e@aol.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration for 2016-2017 is available by calling the Religious Ed Office. You must be a registered parishioner in order to register your child for Religious Education. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate and your parish envelope number when registering for Religious Education. If you are not a parishioner and would like to register, please visit the Rectory from 9 am – 4 pm Monday – Friday or call 718-984-0593. For questions, please call the Religious Ed office at 718-984-1885.

2016-17 OLSS Religious Education Starting Dates

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| Tuesday, Sept. 20 | Grades 3 & 4 | 3:45 – 5:15 pm |
| Wednesday, Sept. 21 | Grade 1 | 4:00 – 5:30 pm |
| Wed. Evening, Sept. 21 | Grades 1-7 | 6:30 – 8:00 pm |
| Tuesday, Sept. 27 | Grade 8 | 3:30 – 4:30 pm |
| Thursday, Oct. 13 | Special Needs | (A) 3:45 – 4:15 pm (B) 4:30 – 5:00 pm |

RECRUITMENT/OPEN HOUSE

CUB SCOUT PACK 5

Recruitment/Open House for New & Returning Cub Scouts will be held on **Fridays, September 23rd, from 7 to 9 PM** in OLSS O'Mara Hall. Cub Scouts Grades 1 to 5: Registration Fee (including dues): \$100 if paid by 10/28 or \$120 if paid after 10/28 (\$150 for two siblings). For more information, please contact Mike Barzal, Cubmaster at 917-642-5498, email cubmasterpk5si@gmail.com or visit our website at www.pack5si.com. Please make checks payable to Pack 5.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 5

Recruitment/Open House for New & Returning Boy Scouts will be held on **Tuesdays, September 20th, from 7 to 9 PM** in OLSS O'Mara Hall. Boys Scouts Grade 6-11: Registration Fee (including dues): \$135 if paid by 10/25 or \$150 if paid after 10/25. For information please contact Robert Ciraola, Scoutmaster, cell 917-805-7621 or e-mail scoutmaster@troop5si.com or visit our website at www.troop5si.com. Please make checks payable to Troop 5.

SPORTS NEWS

OLSS Soccer Registration

Registration forms may still be dropped off at the Rectory for the 2016-17 Season. Registration fees \$200 for SIYSL players, \$150 for Pee Wee & 3 yr. olds and \$125 for siblings. Visit the website www.olsssoccer.com for reg. form and more details.



OLSS JV Cheerleading Tryouts

JV Cheerleading Tryouts will be held on **Wed., September 21st at 4 pm** at **Athletic Edge Sports Center**. All girls 3rd, 4th, & 5th grades welcome! Please wear sneakers and shorts. For more info, please call Elaine at 917-797-3941 or Ronnie at 718-757-1846.

Luke: My Spirit Rejoices - Scripture Study

The Thursday evening scripture study of Luke will begin on Thursday October 6 from **7:30 pm – 9:00 pm** in the Rectory Basement. Sign up forms are available in the Rectory. Please fill it out and return it with either \$30 for the text only or \$35 for the text and bible, in an envelope marked "Sr. Jean". All checks should be made payable to OLSS. Space is limited. Please do not delay if you are interested.

OLSS STAR PLAYERS AUDITIONS

The Star Players (formerly CYO Players) will be holding auditions for its winter production of "Reason for the Season."

Singing Auditions:

Monday, Sept 19 & Tuesday, Sept. 20 from 6-9 pm
(Come prepared with a Christmas song)

Dance Auditions: Friday, Sept 23 6-9 pm
(A routine will be provided for you)

Show Dates: December 9, 10 & 11, 2016
(Must be available for all show dates)

All Auditions will be held in the Damato Meeting Room in the OLSS Athletic Center and are first come, first serve. Auditions are open to children ages 4 through college.

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next meeting will be **Friday, September 30 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 – A new session of "It's a New Day – A Journey from Grief to Healing" will begin on **Wed., September 21 at 7 pm** in the OLSS Rectory. 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, September 21 at 8 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more info, please 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.

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.

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

Cluster Events

- Enjoy a trip to the **Hunterdon Hills Playhouse**. Includes round trip transportation, full course meal, dessert, show, tax & gratuity all at one price. The next trip will be for Rock & Roll USA 9/24 @ 6:30pm & 9/25 @ 2:30pm. For pricing and further info, call Donna 718-967-4224 or Jane 718-605-3128. Please RSVP as soon as possible.



LAST CHANCE! Don't Miss Out!

OLSS 100th Anniversary Gala Dinner-Dance RSVP



Sunday, October 2 from 5-10 pm

Nicotra's Ballroom, Hilton Garden Inn

Tickets - \$125 per person

Ticket Price Includes:

Valet Parking

5-hour Open Bar

Cocktail Reception - 5-6 pm

Dinner & Dancing - 6-10 pm

Individual tickets are WELCOME and encouraged.

Tables will be arranged in groups of 10.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

I would like to reserve _____ seats for the
100th Anniversary Gala Dinner Dance.

Check enclosed for _____ (\$125 per person).

Please return form and payment to the Rectory by **Friday,
September 23**. Make checks payable to OLSS.

✓ Mark Your Calendar



Yard Sale Fundraiser for Batten Disease

1044 Edgegrove Avenue

September 18 & September 23, 24, 25

9 am to 5 pm each day. All proceeds go to research.

Regis High School of Manhattan

Staten Island Admissions Information Night

Tuesday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Hill Academy, 850 Hylan Blvd. SINY 10305

For More info contact: Eric DiMichele, Dir. of Admissions at
212-288-1100, ext. 2057 or edimichele@regis.org

CDA - Comedy Night FUNdraiser

Thursday, September 29 - 6:30 pm

To support its various charities, Staten Island's Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Clare is hosting an evening of laughter, food, baskets, and fun with a nationally known comedian, Rob Magnotti. The Comedy Night Dinner is \$55 per person and will be held in the St. Clare School Auditorium in Great Kills. Tickets on sale now! For more information, contact Joann Lamberti, 718-966-1425 or JoannLamberti@yahoo.com.



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

September 18 (No Class on 9/18)

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

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Ceremonies will take place at 2:15 PM. Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. **Please note, there will be no Baptism Class on 9/18.**

OLSS 100th Anniversary Jubilee Journal



A commemorative keepsake journal will be published for the parish's 100th Anniversary Gala on October 2, and we invite your family or business to be a part of this momentous occasion.

JOURNAL AD SIZES AND PRICE LIST

(Please select ad size)

___ Gold Page \$250 ___ Silver Page \$150

___ Full Page (5½ x 8) \$100 ___ Half Page \$60

___ Quarter Page \$30

(Please fill out below section)

NAME/COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____ APT/SUITE: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Attach your business card or ad copy along with a check made payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, and mail or drop it off at the Rectory, 5371 Amboy Road, Staten Island, NY 10312. The Ad deadline is **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH**. Camera ready ads should be sent on a white background to olssparish@si.rr.com. **(Please send as a .jpg or .png file)**

2nd Annual OLSS Christmas Tree Drive



Families of OLSS 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. The details will be provided at a future date. The cost to dedicate a tree is \$250 & all proceeds will benefit our Parish. Trees must be reserved no later than October 1st. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis. No tree can be guaranteed without payment. Please fill out the registration form below & return with payment to the Rectory. Any questions, please email olsshns@gmail.com or call 984-0593.

**Please return this this form and payment 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, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

___ *Check Enclosed for \$250, payable to OLSS*