

JUNE 1, 2014
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF
JUNE 1, 2014
IN MEMORY OF JOAN DI FIORE
FROM ROSEANN THOMPSON

"May the Risen Christ grant you peace and joy at Easter and always."

Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, May 31, 2014

9:00AM Juanita Miranda and Fe Hernandez
4:00PM Isabella Imbornone
5:30PM Judy Porcello

Sunday, June 1, 2014

8:00AM Arlene Edmonds
9:15AM Virginia and Harold Ennis
10:30AM Antonio and Rosa Circolone
12 Noon Tom and Lee Moane
1:15PM Anton Swanda
7:00PM Ann Fettinger

Monday

9:00AM Michael Coppola

Tuesday

9:00AM James Lynch, Jr.

Wednesday

9:00AM Joseph O'Connor

Thursday

9:00AM Caroline and Everest Cappellini

Friday

9:00AM Deceased Members of Civello Family

Saturday, June 7, 2014

9:00AM Filippo Crivallone
4:00PM Emily DeLuca
5:30PM Deceased Members of Castelucci
and Gagliardi Families

Sunday, June 8, 2014

8:00AM Enrico Petrosino
9:15AM Stephanie Vierno and Jeffrey Capretta
10:30PM Thomas Vallone
12 Noon Ralph, Mary and Ralph Zulferino, Jr.
1:15PM Lucy and Joseph Stasio
7:00PM John and Joseph Cappiello

St. Marcellinus and Peter Martyrs – June 2

In 304, the persecution of Diocleian Marcellinus (priest) and Peter were arrested, and while in prison, they converted many prisoners including their jailor Arthemius and his wife and daughter – who were all condemned to death. Marcellinus and Peter were led to a remote wooden area and beheaded, so that their burial place would remain unknown. The martyrs names which were supposed to be doomed to oblivion have been inserted in the Roman Canon Eucharistic Prayer I at Mass, where they have been perpetuated over the centuries. Subsequently, even their executioner became a Christian.

Lectors – June 7, 2014

4:00PM C. Harris
5:30PM M. Andreola, F. Barone

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00PM MJ Russo, M. Russo, C. Baggot, M. Sicari,
R. Taranto, V. Caruso, A. Lazzara
5:30PM J. Amitrano, ME Carey, C. Bottiglia, J. Cimino,
C. Barone, A. Dazio, S. Roberto

Lectors – Sunday, June 8, 2014

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi, MJ Truckenbrodt
9:15AM T. O'Connell, M. Higgins
10:30AM F. Monte, M. Pinto
12 Noon C. Messina, C. McNally
1:15PM G. LaGrua
7:00PM K. Melka

Eucharistic Minister

8:00AM T. Daluise, P. Zoltowski, L. & R. Bauer,
J. Stanzione, M. Molinini
9:15AM S. & M. Hitchcock, J. Gatto, C. Scalzo, M. Vierno,
M. Vierno, T. Strange, D. Avena
10:30AM F. Ruggiero, R. DeMaio, G. Balestrino,
C. Ordy, B. Paccione, C. & J. Gerace
12 Noon M. Sprague, S. Catalano, R. DeMaio,
B. MA Higgins, B. Peters, D. Zaiano
1:15PM A. McCoy, J. Tolento, B. Nicholson, V. Acri,
P. & L. DeCarlo, M. Sprague
7:00PM C. Belvedere, R. Scarpati, S. Caiazzo,
D. McCumisky, M. Recanatini, C. Houle,
C. DiDomenico

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday:

Saturday, June 7, 2014:

4:00 P.M.: Daniella Battaglia, Dominick Battaglia,
DomenickCavicchio, Leonardo Cavicchio
5:30 P.M.: Maria Coelho, Matthew Esposito, Salvatore Imbro,
Michael Losi

Sunday, June 8, 2014:

8:00 A.M.: Joseph Bell, Shane Marashaj, Jonathan Mele,
Noelle Mele
9:15 A.M.: Francesca Scarmato, Gabriella Scarmato,
Kirsten Lee, Keryn Lee
10:30 A.M.: Angela Auriti, Francesca Auriti, Anthony Castelle,
Gabrielle Pelucco
12:00 Noon: Gabrielle Artz, Caitlyn Carr, Brianna Stackhouse,
Gavin Monreale
1:15 P.M.: Katherine Betsais, GulianaGulotta,
Christina Sikorjak, Chloe Trang
7:00 P.M.: Luigi Caiazzo, PJ Caiazzo, Julianna LoPiccolo,
Giuseppe Tulino



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The parish family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offers our sincere condolences to the families of the deceased:

Kathleen Polanish and Robert Murawski

A Farewell Letter from Msgr. Jeff

Dear Parishioners,

I have been appointed Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Richmondtown, effective July 1, 2014. Although I expressed to the Cardinal that my first choice was to remain at OLSS, I told him that my second choice would be to be assigned to St. Patrick's, where I served as a Parochial Vicar from 1977-87. At least I won't be too far away (ten minutes) and will be able to continue my Staten Island ministry of healing and working with the victims of substance abuse.

When I met with the Cardinal, I also asked him to consider sending Fr. Tom Devery to OLSS to succeed me as pastor. I guess the Cardinal agreed with me that Fr. Tom would provide the most seamless transition possible since, effective July 1st, Fr. Tom will be the new pastor. Tom is a friend of mine and will be an excellent pastor. I can rest easily knowing that you will be well taken care of by this wonderful priest.

It will be hard to leave OLSS after twenty and a half years of service to you. I have never lived twenty and a half years anywhere – and, since I am a priest 41 years, I have spent slightly more than half my priesthood with you. I have baptized you, given you the sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion, officiated at your marriages and buried your relatives. I was here with you through the trauma of 9/11. Together we built the Pre K, the Athletic Facilities and the new church. (I will really miss the church, although I know Fr. Tom will welcome me back for various occasions.) You have become my family as I served you for a full generation – and I will miss you. I am sure our paths will cross during the years – since Staten Island is such a small place.

God Bless You,
Msgr. Jeff

MSGR. JEFF'S FAREWELL MASS

On Sunday, June 29th, Msgr. Jeff will celebrate the 1:15PM Mass, which will be his last mass with us as Pastor of OLSS. It will be followed by a dinner reception in O'Mara Hall. All are invited. Please call the Rectory at 718-984-0593 and let us know if you will be attending, so that we can make the appropriate accommodations. Thank you.

PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS

The Prayer Group 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 SERVICE: TUES. JUNE, 3RD AT 3:30pm.

THE LAST HEALING MASS IS TUES., JUNE 17TH AT 8PM.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

**FIRST TIME: Paolo Firenze and Holly Sengel
Christopher Grippo and Dani Demperio**

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

On Sunday, June 29th at 8:15PM, we will have our Music Workshop in the Church after the 7PM Mass. At this time, you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions you may have. Next workshop: Aug. 31st, at 8:15PM.



MASS CELEBRANTS

Sat. - May 31, 2014

4:00PM Msgr. Peter Smith

5:30PM Msgr. Peter Smith

Sun. – June 1, 2014

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pauline Adams, Betty Barton, Barbara and Vivian Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo, Stephanie Cerchio, P.O. Thomas Choi, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Jaime Cucuzza, Joseph Curreri, Gemma Deliso, John Emigholz, Sr., Joseph Ennis, Juliette Gerbino, Lorraine Hamer, Kim Kuchler, Thomas Lamantia, Corazon Landivar, William Magrino, Jr., Jim Mauro, Tiffany Mezzacappa, Anna Milham, Ella Milo, Camille Polly, Joseph Puglisi, Carmen and John Ragona, Vanessa Recor, Denise Santanella, Anthony Saporito, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorriane Skelly, Donna Slavin, Jennifer Spinelli, Joan Squillante and Adrienne Toscano, Carmen Vera, Carol Wright and Geraldine Yorks and Mary Carol Zadic.



OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER CAMP

Monday, July 7th through August 15th, 9 to 3:30PM. Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade September 2014. To register and for additional information e-mail Camp Director Linda Fusillo #linsoap@aol.com. \$250 per full-week per camper; \$40 half-day daily; \$75 full-day daily and \$175 half day week. Extended days available: Early camper care starting @7:30AM; Extended camper care up to 5:30PM (at an additional hourly rate). Camp held at OLSS, 5411 Amboy Road. Activities include arts and crafts, dance/theater/computers and outdoor activities: Soccer/Flag Football, etc.

OLSS SPORTS GOLF OUTING

Please come and join us for a great afternoon of golf. OLSS Sports is holding their annual Golf Outing at the South Shore Golf Course with a fill sit-down dinner to follow at Grand Oaks Country Club. Cost: \$175 per golfer. For more information call Howard Price (917) 494-1079 or email him at Pricehoward2@gmail.com. Come out and support your parish.

CHEERLEADING REGISTRATION

Attention all girls entering 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade. Registration for cheerleading is being held on Tuesday, June 17th in the Damato Meeting Room from 7 to 8PM. Space is limited, and is on a first come first serve basis. Registration fee: \$150. If you have any questions call Amanda Insinga (347) 968-0056.

ST. EDWARD FOOD PANTRY

The Pantry, located at 6581 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY, is open on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday between the hours of 10AM and 1PM. If you are in need, please go to the pantry. You can contact them at (718) 984-1625.

ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS

The preference sheets covering the first week in July through the end of October have been sent out. Please return them to Madalena at the Rectory as soon as possible. If you did not receive one, please call and one will be sent to you. Thank you.

SCHOOL NEWS CYO Art Contest Winner



Congratulations, Alana Di Stefano (Grade 5), First Place Learner's Division winner of the 2014 CYO Spring Contest. Alana is a very talented artist and has won several Art contests in the past. We are very proud of her accomplishments.

2014-2015 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

If you would like to register, please call the Religious Education Office at (718) 984-1885 for an appointment and further information.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE

To date we have received 590 gifts totaling \$164,633 which is 88% of our goal of \$189,000. Thank you to all our generous parishioners. Please consider making a pledge! It is not too late to help us reach our goal.

BISHOP AHERN MEMORIAL LIFE MARCH AND MOTORCADE

On Saturday, June 7th, following the 9AM Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, there will be a peaceful march to Staten Island University Hospital where abortions are held. For more information, call the Staten Island Right to Life League at (718) 979-7291 by joining on June 7th.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP: Next meeting is on June 12th at 7:30PM with a new book "Killing Jesus" by Bill O'Reilly. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Next Meeting is Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at 7:30PM in the Rectory.

50 PLUS CLUB: The next last meeting is on Fri., June 27th in the Damato Meeting Room. Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The next and last meeting for this season will be on Monday, June 16th, at 6PM, in the Rectory Basement. If you cannot attend, please call the rectory and send your report. Thank you.



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.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION – CALLING NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in making a difference? Our Core Team is currently looking for individuals who can work collaboratively with our group to help set direction for upcoming Adult Faith Formation initiatives and events within our parish. If you are interested. Kindly email Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Sharing Christ's suffering)

Reading I Acts 1:12-14 (return to Jerusalem after the Ascension.)

Reading II 1 Peter 4:13-16 (blessings of persecution)

Gospel John 1-11 (completion of Jesus' work)

Key Passage: **If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. (1Peter 4:14)**

Adult: *If you were to be criticized or insulted because of your Catholic faith, how would you respond?*

Child: *Why are you proud to be a Catholic Christian?*



BAPTISM PREPARATION POLICY

All Parish Families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the Parish Baptismal Preparation Program. The program is held mostly on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's 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 – 2nd and 4th Sundays OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

June 15th
(Note different date in June)
July 13th and July 27th
Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th
Sept. 14th and Sept. 28th
Oct. 12th and Oct. 26th
Nov. 9th and Nov. 23rd
Dec. 14th and Dec. 28th

BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH 2:15 PM – 2nd and 4th Sundays

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July 13th and July 27th
Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th
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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.

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. We are especially in need of an Adorer to cover Monday from 2 to 3PM and 4 to 5PM and Tuesday, 2 to 3PM. 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.

ORGANIZATIONAL CALENDARS

At this time, we ask that all parish organizations submit a schedule for the year 2014-2015 of their dates, times and places for all activities in the School, Athletic Center, O'Mara Hall and the Rectory. If any organizations fails to submit a calendar, they cannot be scheduled for the next year. Everything that the organization intends to sponsor for the coming year must be included (including set-up time). Please submit your proposed calendar to the Rectory (Attention: Eileen) as soon as possible. Thank you.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 2014

“After Jesus had been taken up to heaven the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day’s journey away. When they entered the city they went to the upper room where they were staying... All thee devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers... ‘I pray for them...’”

The named apostles had quite an experience. They were warned of the passion, some fled the scene, the paschal mystery with the crucifixion occurred, and then they met the Risen Lord. Now what?

Obedient to the command they returned to the cenacle and were united in prayer. Once again, a time to wait. How long? In a few days, the Pentecost event and new life for all.

How beautiful we find St. Luke telling us that Mary was gathered in prayer with them. Given into John's care at Calvary, we find our blessed Mother, who conceived by the Holy Spirit, waiting with the apostles for this promised gift. How did she feel? The loving mother. What did she know? Perhaps she reassured the apostles. The woman of silence who gave birth to the Savior, as mother of the church is waiting to give it new life.

When Jesus prayed for them in His priestly prayer, He included we who would believe. May we join too with the apostles, Mary and the entire church, asking that His Spirit may animate and motivate us as we prepare for Pentecost



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
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 June 5th.