

Our Lady Star of the Sea
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018
Announced Masses

Saturday, November 17

4:00PM John & Jane Graziano & Sophie & Joe Iorio
5:30PM Mario Schiera

Sunday, November 18

8:00AM Paul Chevront
9:30AM Benedetta & Lucia Palomba & Deceased Members
of the Civello & Petrosino Families
11:00AM Deceased Members of the Quinn
& Battcock Families
12:30PM Robert Santiago
7:00PM Donald Vinci

Monday, November 19

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

Tuesday, November 20

9:00AM Angelina Consolmagno
7:30 PM People of OLSS

Wednesday, November 21

9:00 AM Anthony Pepe

Thursday, November 22

9:00AM Marie Cancelleri

Friday, November 23

9:00AM Anna Marie Tobin

Saturday, November 24

9:00AM Dominick Zizzamia & Jamie Seaman
4:00PM Christopher Amoroso
5:30PM Domenick & Madeline Manzollilo

Sunday, November 25

8:00AM Antonio N. Aguilar
9:30AM Philip A. DiFranco
11:00AM Lillian Visceglia & Rose Nattoli
12:30PM Deceased Members of the Hoban
& Driscoll Families
7:00PM Domenick Palmieri

Banns of Marriage



2nd Time: Chris Stack & Kristie DiBenedetto
2nd Time: Paul Repetto, III & Diana Soranno

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** has been changed to **Sunday, December 16** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.



**Thanksgiving Mass
Food Collection for the Needy**

The principal Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated this **Tuesday, November 20 at 7:30 PM**. 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 & fruits, cereals, pastas, canned meats, beans, tuna & peanut butter, which will be picked up after Mass. There will be a daily Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 22 at 9 AM. **If you know of a needy family who could use some help for the holidays, please call the rectory and leave the information with us. All calls will be kept confidential.**

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
November 18-24, 2018

In Loving Memory of
Our Beloved Mom & Grandma

Marie Cancelleri

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, November 24

4:00PM A Pompei
5:30PM L Bauer

Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, November 24

4:00PM J Coscia, C Harris, A Petrocelli, M Sprague
& C Argano
5:30PM C Losi, C Barone, A Maffeo, C Messina, M Lappin

Lectors – Sunday, November 25

8:00AM P Zoltowski
9:30AM S Zisblatt
11:00AM M Pinto
12:30PM C Messina
7:00PM B Weir

Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, November 25

8:00AM J Stanzione, M Molinini, M Ennis, M Quadrino
9:30AM J Gatto, S Hitchcock, M Iacono, M Randazzo
11:00AM B Paccione, C&J Gerace, R Ruzskowski, J Tolento
12:30PM R Marino, B Peters, S Catalano, MA Russo
& C Belvedere
7:00PM C Houle, K Melka, A Zuffante, J Bellina
& M Recanatini

Altar Servers – Saturday, November 24

4:00PM D Cavicchio, N Shirazi
5:30PM D Heidel, N Shirazi

Altar Servers – Sunday, November 25

8:00AM J Habib
9:30AM S Artz
11:00AM T&M Maresca, J Oliveri
12:30PM G Vassallo, A&S Velazquez
7:00PM S, N & A Mejias



Sincere Condolences

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

**Giovanni Rossi, Emidio Larry Ponzi, Janet Hayes,
Kevin Weir, Jack Horgan, Anthony DiRosa**



All Saints Day Collection - 11/1/18:

\$3,727.00

All Souls Collection – 11/2/18:

\$2,532.00

Sunday collection for the week of 11/4/18:

\$19,048.33

God bless you for your generosity!

Happy Thanksgiving from OLSS



The Rectory office will be closed on Thursday, November 22 for the Thanksgiving holiday. It will reopen on Friday, November 23 at 9 am.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

It is with a tear and a smile that we commend, with tremendous gratitude, the soul of Monsignor Vincent J. Bartley, back to our loving God. In a sense, his finale was like a storybook ending.

This past summer Monsignor was frustrated that he wasn't able to attend his brother Gerry and Maura's 60th wedding anniversary in Dublin. It would have been divine retribution; for the rector of his Society of Missions of Africa, who responded to the Novice Vincent in Galway when asked, "Can I go home for my brother's wedding?" He was told, "No." He learned a hard lesson in obedience. You don't dispute an order from those in authority. This would be the first of many sacrifices in life. When he joined the SMA Father's novitiate, he began an amazing journey. He was missioned to Laffia, in Northern Nigeria. There was plenty of nothing. This place was filled with poor people; the food was rice and yams: imagine that every day for 18 years! Yet, when he was asked to return to England, it was hard to leave his beloved Nigeria.

Monsignor's family was reared in Phibsboro in Dublin. At that time, his dad worked for the railroad, like all the father's in that neighborhood. Vincent was the 8th out of 9 children. His brother Gerry, his sister Angela are still alive. His parents were people not only devoted to the rosary, but they formed an association supporting the missions. This is how he was introduced to the SMA Fathers.

Msgr. Vincent came to visit the USA during the World's Fair of 1965. He was amazed at what he saw and experienced. He ministered in a parish in Dunblane in Scotland and was much beloved by the people. If you recall, there was a tragedy of schoolchildren, in their playground who were gunned down by a crazed shooter. Monsignor knew many of those families touched by that pain. He came to serve at Saint Mary's Church on Broadway in Yonkers. He recalls that there were 4 priests in the house and he enjoyed the fraternity of our priests and sought a transfer from the English Province of the SMA Fathers to the Archdiocese of New York.

In the early 1990's he arrived at Holy Child Parish on Staten Island. He was much loved at Holy Child, especially by the young adults. In time, he became pastor of Saint Paul's Parish on Cassidy Avenue in the North Shore. He moved from his rectory to the convent building and gave the Christian Brothers of Ireland space to live. He prayed in an ecumenical prayer group with North Shore ministers. He welcomed the Parish Mission Team to his parish at least three times when I was on the team. He loved and fought hard to keep the school and parish open. He opened his Church to the Hispanic Community and developed a deep friendship with Rev. Terry Troia. She gathered the people and Father Mark Escobar, from the Saint Charles Scalabrini Fathers, offered Mass in Spanish. Food amazingly showed up after those Masses and the newest parishioners were welcomed and celebrated their community. It was a heart-breaking moment to retire, close the school and merge the parish with Saint Peter's and Assumption. Then Monsignor decided to explore retirement in Bradenton, Florida. That lasted only a short while, since Monsignor Jeff Conway invited him to return to Staten Island and minister to us at Our Lady Star of the Sea. What began with a commitment of a few months; turned into 6 years of dedicated service.

Monsignor encouraged vocations, Anthony Gorgia, Carmine Caruso, Danny Cocozuello, Niall McDonagh received calls, visits and much wisdom from him. He affirmed Sister Maureen's work with Renew International in Nigeria and Ireland.

If there is a phrase that summarizes Monsignor's time with us, he loved "The Chat". You could talk to him about everything and anything. He was so observant and spot on in his witty comments. Eventually his ministry spread, not only to us but also to the Coast Guard community of Father Capodanno Chapel of Fort Wadsworth, after Monsignor Jim Dorney died. He offered Mass at the Presentation Convent on Woodrow Road, Monsignor Farrell HS and their alumni association. He would take Masses on the weekend at Saint Charles, and Saint Sylvester's, as well as turning up for funerals all along the north shore. He supported Project Hospitality. He even attend gatherings at Huguenot Reformed Church with his friend, pastor, Rev. Terry Troia.

One could never forget his various loves: for his three parrots, or driving his Kia Soul, the many visits to A Taste of India in New Dorp, as well as being a regular at breakfast at Mike's Place. He always read cover to cover the newspapers. His chats with me reminded me not to take myself too seriously. He never turned me down for a request to assist me. All things Irish were relished: Kerry Gold butter, fried bacon, Irish soda bread, marmalade, and if you ever wondered what the secret success to his Shepherd's Pie, I'll let you know: Worcestershire Sauce.

Monsignor was delighted to be honored on October 17, 2018, his 85th birthday, for his outstanding dedication to the poor by Project Hospitality. His priest-nephew Father Kevin Bartley (a Sean Connery look-alike) flew over to be with him. It was a glorious night, as was his presence at Masie Bartley's (his sister-in-law) wake at home in Dublin. Exhausted and nearly out of breath, he revived to take in all that love from his Irish family. God was so gracious to give him the full circle of his life. It is no irony that the home he died in, Gerry and Maura's, has etched over the front door "Saint Joseph". He is the patron saint of a happy death. Indeed, that came after supper, on November 6, 2018. Gently, quietly peaceful he went into the arms of our God.

His presence will be deeply missed in our rectory, but after all, we need to thank God; for giving us this wonderful world class missionary. Thank You, Monsignor Bartley for your smile, your stories, your jokes and celebrating our sacraments.

It was simply grand, to know you! Now Rest in Peace, dear friend.

Fr. Tom Devery

Cross Road Foundation's 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 go to helping 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 12/1 & 12/2, or leave a donation with them after the Mass this weekend.



2019 Sanctuary Lamps

If you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Lamp for a week in 2019 in memory of a deceased loved one, the book is open and the donation is \$35. There are also announced masses still available for 2019. Please come in to the Rectory to reserve a mass or Sanctuary Lamp.

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



- Report cards will be viewable to the parents on **Monday, November 19**. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held that day as well. Dismissal will be at noon.
- OLSS is holding a Thanksgiving Food Drive on **Tuesday, November 20** to benefit needy families on Staten Island. Please send in canned or boxed foods with your child on November 20. Pre-K4 classes can send in their donations on Monday, November 19.
- There will be a mandatory Confirmation Meeting for all 7th grade parents on **Monday, November 26** at 7:30 in the church.
- Wishing our OLSS family a Happy Thanksgiving! We are grateful for all you do for our school!

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next meeting will be **Friday, Nov. 30** from 1-3 pm in the Damato Mtg Rm. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

WINGS - (Widows & Widowers In a New Life Getting together Socially) The next meeting will be **Thursday, December 13** from 12:30-2:30 pm in the Living Room of the **OLSS Rectory**. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Bereavement Group– There will be a new session beginning at a future date TBD. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, and you would like to speak with someone in the bereavement ministry in the meantime, please contact the rectory.

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm in the Chapel.

Faith-Sharing Group – The Sons & Daughters of Mary meet on Fridays from 10-11 am in the Rectory Basement.

Legion of Mary – The next meeting of the OLSS Legion of Mary will be **Monday, November 19** at **7:30 pm** in the **Chapel**. The LOM is responsible for Friday adoration and prays an outdoor rosary the first Saturday of every month in front of the Church at 9:45 am. They also offer the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima for home visitation. For more information or to arrange Pilgrim Virgin Visitation to your home please message them on their Facebook page, "Legion of Mary olsspraesidium" or contact Carol at 917-621-7814.

Stella Maris Rosary Makers – The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10 am in the OLSS Rectory Basement. The next meeting will be on **November 21**. For more info, call Maria at 917-417-5728.

Msgr. Farrell High School Christmas Fair

Sunday, December 2 from 10 am – 5 pm

Admission \$3 per person or \$5 per family, free parking. 2900 Amboy Rd. For more info, contact

farrellchristmasfair@gmail.com.



4th Annual OLSS Christmas Tree Drive



Families of OLSS are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2018 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. 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 form & payment to the Rectory:

Our Lady Star of the Sea - 2018 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

Pray for the Sick



Malk Ahmed, Barbara Allen, Robert Bauer, Catherine Biondolillo, Marilyn Bartolo, Andy Bruno, Billy C., Vincenza Caccano, Gabe Carbone, Mario Clemente, John Dawidoicz, Philip Defonte, John DeLuca, Marie Defonte, Anthony DeRe, Ileana DeJesus, Florence Fitzgerald, Cole Gottlieb, Herbert Gruberger, Corinne Hayes, Donato Herman, Sarabhjit Kaur, Caylee Kashubo, Ginie Ledwon, Ann Mannino, William Masel, Lena Moliero, Justo Gil Mori, Dee Napolitano, Bea Nicholson, John Orsini, Walter Osborne, Valerie Pace, Dominick Palomba, Fran Peccia, Ann Marie Pederson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Camille Polly, Vincent & Linda Ranallo, John Robertson, Sr., Anthony Ruggario, Caesar Russo, Msgr. Peter Smith, Ann Strandberg, George Weir, Mona Williams, Teresa Zizzamia **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 **Tuesday, November 20** at **3:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **The next Healing Mass will be Tuesday, December 4 at 7:30 pm.**

OLSS Sports

High School CYO Basketball Registration

Registration for high school Boys and Girls grades 9-12 is now open. Please register on line at olssbasketball.com. CYO HS Division is open to any player who does not play for their high school team.

OLSS/SIA Swim Team

Registration for girls and boys in grades k-8 for the OLSS/SIA Swim Team is now open. Please go to olssbasketball.com for more information. Practices start soon so please check website for information and registration forms.



OLSS Baptism Preparation Policy

Please reference the front bulletin cover for details on our 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 Ceremonies - EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm

Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

November 25, December 9 & 23, January 13 & 27

PLEASE NOTE: Registration forms MUST be turned in to the Rectory prior to attending the Baptismal Class. Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Baptism Ceremonies take place in the Church EVERY Sunday at 2 pm.

Sponsor Certificates

Certificates attesting to the fact that an OLSS 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 Sunday. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** to request one.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Project Hospitality

Annual Poor People's Dinner

The Poor People's Dinner to benefit Project Hospitality will take place on **Monday, November 19 at 6 pm** at the Staten Island Hilton Garden Inn. Join in a simple meal of soup, bread and water to show your support for poor and hungry neighbors in our community. Keynote Speaker will be Deacon Kevin McCormack, co-host of WABC radio's show, Religion on the Line with Rabbi Joseph Potasnik. Tickets are \$75 per person, \$50 for senior citizens and \$35 for students. For tickets and reservations, call Chris Hellstrom at 718-448-1544 ext. 116 or email Christopher_hellstrom@projecthospitality.org.

Saint Francis Catholic Singles Event

Wednesday, November 28 @ 7:15 pm

**Esposito Community Center
(136 Midland Ave, SI, NY 10306)**

Saint Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will host a talk by Fr. Thomas DeSimone on "*Death and Dying in Union with Christ*". Light refreshments will be served, \$5 - \$10 appreciated at the door. For more information, visit www.sfcssi.wixsite.com/website, or email sfcssi@gmail.com. St. Francis Catholic Singles is a contemporary circle of men and women, in their 30s, 40s and 50s who are single or single again and wish to lead more fulfilled, empowered lives by deepening their Catholic spirituality and building community with like-minded peers. New and returning members always welcome.

RCIA - Come Experience God's Love

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. The Catholic Church welcomes you. For more information, please contact Joe Limeri at jimeri@aol.com or 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

Giving Baskets



Advent Giving Baskets with tags will be in the Church Lobby the weekends of 11/24 & 11/25 and 12/1 & 12/2. As in the past, this Christmas, we will be helping those in need on Staten Island, by responding to our parishioners & local organizations serving their various needs. This weekend 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, "Boys Large sweatshirt" and tape it to the gift. If you have volunteered to help with this project in the past or if you would like to join our volunteers this year, please call Donna Ferreri, the organization's coordinator, at 646-932-3030, and leave your name and number. Tags for gift cards for families in need in our parish are needed as well. Please indicate the amount of the gift card on the tag so that we know the value when distributing them. **Return dates will be 12/1-12/2 & 12/8-12/9.**

Archcare TimeBank Events at OLSS

The ArchCare TimeBank is a FREE program and open to people of all ages. Members share their time helping each other. To RSVP to any of these events, please contact Laura Alfano at 917-716-2905 or lalfano@archcare.org.

Diabetes Management/Health Workshop

One Wednesday a month there will be a discussion on different health topics relating to Diabetes Management & prevention. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 pm** in the **Damato Mtg. Room** of the Athletic Center. The topic will be "Keeping up with your Diabetes Care."

Writing Memoir with George Hopkins

Learn how to create a story of moments & events that have taken place in your life. **Mon. Nov. 26 at 6 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room.

Jewelry Making

Come and be creative while making jewelry together. Supplies are limited-please bring necessary tools and wire. **Tuesday, December 4 at 6 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room.

Knitting & Crocheting Group

The next session of ArchCare's TimeBank Knitting & Crocheting group will be on **Thursday, December 6 at 11:30 am** in the Rectory Basement.

Blanket Campaign

If you know how to crochet or knit, you are invited to help make blankets for homeless shelters. The OLSS Knitting and Crocheting group along with ArchCare TimeBank is making 7" x 9" rectangles, any color, any stitch, knit or crochet. Please leave the rectangles in the designated basket in the church vestibule by **December 2**. They will be collected to make twin-size blankets. Any questions please call Maria Quadrino at 917-417-5728.

Cluster Corner

Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians -7396 Amboy Rd.

Sat. 4:30 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM (Family Mass), 12 PM, 1 PM (Spanish Mass) & 6:30 PM. Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM

Parish of St. Joseph-St. Thomas-St. John Neumann

Mass times at St. Thomas - 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

Mass times at St. Joseph - 16 Poplar Ave.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM

