

Our Lady Star of the Sea
5th Sunday of Lent
April 7, 2019
Announced Masses

Saturday, April 6

4:00PM Berta & John Matzele
5:30PM Clorinda Blancato

Sunday, April 7

8:00AM Joe & Andrea DeLuca
9:30AM Concetto Cataudella
11:00AM Elida Ghiano
12:30PM Helen Frontera
7:00PM Francesco & Tessie Lazzara
 & Rosemarie Fenamore

Monday, April 8

9:00AM Gary E. Carter & Amelia Newborn

Tuesday, April 9

9:00AM Marc Fusillo & Judith Fusillo

Wednesday, April 10

9:00AM John Nolan & John Henderson

Thursday, April 11

9:00AM Marianna Battaglia & Marianna Gallina

Friday, April 12

9:00AM Rocco & Ersilia Villani

Saturday, April 13

9:00AM Concetto Cataudella
4:00PM Sophie & Joseph Iorio & John & Jane Graziano
6:00PM Mary & Mario Schiera

Sunday, April 14

7:30AM Paul Liu & Josephine Capitella
9:00AM John Luzzi
10:30AM Ann & Jerry DeFalco
12:00PM Elida Ghiano
1:30PM Dominic DiPilli
7:00PM Giovanni Cataldo, Natale & Maria Concetta
 & Calogero Gambino



Banns of Marriage

1st Time: George Keenail & Marissa Citera
1st Time: Michael Scarpa, Jr. & Suzanne Koneschusky
1st Time: Michael Merola & Jacqueline Vasquez
3rd Time: Robert Venito & Alexandra Gardiner
3rd Time: Eric Amato & Cassandra Donato

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be **Sunday, April 28** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

RCIA Scrutiny



This Sunday, our RCIA Elect (Alexa Maria Bravin, Sally Chen, Melody Chen, Marco Cheung, Ethan Esposito) will celebrate the 3rd & final RCIA Scrutinies during the 11am mass. The Gospel reading used this Sunday is from John 11:1-45 – The Raising of Lazarus. These Scrutinies are intended to help deliver the Elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. These Rites of Scrutiny are meant to uncover, and then to heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the Elects hearts and to bring out through repentance all that is upright, strong and good. These Scrutinies also remind the whole parish community of the need to reflect on their own sins and the need for God's help. We ask you to always keep our Elect and our Candidates in your prayers.



The Sanctuary Lamp
 for the week of
April 7-13, 2019
 In Loving Memory of
Dominic Puleo

Donated by Vincent & Barbara Puleo

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, April 13-PALM SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00PM F Monte/C Harris
6:00PM B Weir/L Bauer

Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, April 13

4:00PM B Palomba, E Vitiello, J Uhlman, J Coscia
6:00PM L Barbato, M Iacona

Lectors – Sunday, April 14-PALM SUNDAY

7:30AM M Andreola
9:00AM **Lector Needed**
10:30AM B Paccione/M Pinto
12:00PM C Messina/E Newborn
1:30PM MA Higgins/
7:00PM K Melka/P Zoltowski

Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, April 14

7:30AM M Quadrino, A Shirazi, C Rosato
9:00AM J Gatto, M Quadrino, S Monteforte, E Burns
10:30AM C Ordy, A Maffeo, M Pinto, J Cimino
12:00PM S Catalano, MA Russo, B Peters, M Sprague,
 C Belvedere, N Villani
1:30PM B Higgins, C Barone
7:00PM K Melka, P Zoltowski

Altar Servers – Saturday, April 13 & Sunday, April 14
 Please See Separate Schedule.



Sincere Condolences

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

**Jacqueline Jamaledine, John Rooney, John Lucid,
 Vincent Amato, Jr. Ann Marie Moakler, Robert Bauer, Jr.,
 Edwin Gladstone, Louis A. Weeks, Richard Auletta,
 Christopher Messiha, Scott J. Kain**



Sunday collection for the week of 3/24/19:

\$ 17,272.76

God bless you for your generosity!

**Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act
 Postcard Campaign**

We are all called on to be faithful citizens, recognizing our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and citizens in a democratic society. In that regard, the parish is conducting a postcard campaign to educate our Congressman, Max Rose, on the heartbreaking cases of babies who life through an attempted abortion. Current federal law does not require the doctors present to provide care to these newborn babies, and so they die. The Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (HR 962) now in the US Congress will require doctors present at the birth to immediately provide the medical care these newborn babies need to live. If you are over 18 and would like to sign the postcard, they are located at the end of each pew, please fill in your address and place them in the collection baskets. For more information see: <https://www.humanlifeaction.org/take-action/>.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Welcome to the 5th Sunday of Lent. On this most extraordinary day, our parish has been given the enormous privilege of hosting the relic of the heart of Saint John Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests. Here is the thumbnail sketch about the life of this holy and wonderful saint of France.

“Saint Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney, who is also called the “Cure of Ars” (Cure means parish pastor) was born on May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, France. He died on August 4, 1859. He was canonized on May 31, 1925. The Catholic Church celebrates his Feast day on August 4th each year. He was renowned for his life as a confessor and for his supernatural powers. He has been designated the patron saint of parish priests.

Due to the French Revolution, Saint John Vianney received little education. He had trouble getting through the seminary with his studies. Also given the anticlerical sentiment of the Hebertists during the Reign of Terror, he was forced to make his first confession and first Holy Communion secretly and was deeply impressed by the heroism of the nuns and priests who risked their lives for the faith. He felt called to the priesthood but struggled with Latin and needed private tutoring to supplement his lack of formal education. His studies were interrupted when he was drafted into Napoleon’s army in 1809. Whether deliberately or by serendipity, he was separated from his draft group and ended up in a rural village with a number of army deserters, where he was forced to hide until the decree of amnesty for all deserters was issued in 1810. He was ordained a priest in 1815 and was made an associate pastor at Ecully, France.

In 1818, he became the parish priest of a small village of Ars, which he would make a model parish and from which, reports of his holiness and his supernatural powers soon spread. He was known for his devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and to Saint Philomena. He was dedicated to the sacrament of Reconciliation. He had 5 confessionals in his church, one for men, one for women, one for priests, one for sisters and one for those outside the church who wouldn’t come in. He drilled a hole through the wall to hear their confessions.

From 1824, he suffered attacks that he believed were caused by the Devil, who allegedly on one occasion set fire to Saint John Vianney’s bed. By 1827, Ars had become a pilgrimage site and from 1845 until Vianney’s death, about 20,000 persons visited the Cure of Ars and especially made their way to confession. In the last year of his life, 90,000 came during that one year. He heard over 300 confessions a day. The holy cure spent as many as 12-16 hours daily in his confessional. He was canonized by Pope Pius XI.” – from the editors of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

The heart of Saint John Vianney that loved Jesus and Mary so much and did spiritual warfare most of his priestly life, like the rest of his body remains incorruptible. The intention of the Church of New York at this time is to pray for the reparation of all victims of clerical sexual abuse and to pray for the holiness of the priests today who are serving during these difficult times. It has been through the generosity of the Knights of Columbus that the heart of Saint John Vianney’s relic has been able to travel from France all throughout the USA for our prayerful reflection and veneration.

Unfortunately, Bishop John O’Hara’s health will not permit him to offer the 7PM Mass on Sunday when we will welcome the relic to our Mass congregation. I will offer the sacrifice of the Mass and the faithful will have a chance to pray and venerate the relic. Please keep Bishop O’Hara in your prayers. He has had ankle surgery and the doctors want him to recuperate until April 30th. He is presently recuperating at the Cardinal Egan Pavilion of the Cardinal John O’ Connor Residence for retired priests in Riverdale in the Bronx.

May the intercession of Saint John Vianney bless each of you in a special way during this sacred time,

Fr. Tom Devery

LENT 2019

Fast & Abstinence: The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 19-59. The Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat from 14 years onward.

Confession: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is held EVERY Saturday from 3:30 to 4 pm and from 5 to 5:30 pm.

Stations of the Cross: Stations are held every Friday at 8 PM during Lent.

Lenten Love Offering: This weekend we ask that you return your love offering boxes to the Church. Your contributions will help various service organizations, who assist the multiple needs of individuals and families. Thank you for your help in bringing hope to our sisters and brothers in need.

Relic of St. John Vianney visits OLSS

The incorrupt heart of St. John Vianney, the Cure of Ars, will be on display at OLSS after the Mass on **Sunday, April 7 at 7 pm** through **Monday, April 8 at 8 am**. We encourage all to come visit the relic of this holy saint!

Palm Sunday

Masses on **Saturday, April 13**
4 PM & 6 PM

Masses on **Sunday, April 14**
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12 NOON,
1:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Palms will be distributed at ALL MASSES
(Additional Parking available in the
municipal lot on Huguenot Avenue)

Reconciliation Monday, April 15

Confessions will be heard continuously from **3 to 9 PM** at every parish in the Archdiocese of New York. You may go to any parish during this time. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to receive this Sacrament during this Lenten Season!

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



• Don't forget to take part in our Lenten Project! Please send in donations for pediatric patients at Richmond University Medical Center on Monday, April 8. See the flyer sent home or check out our website for a list of requested items.

• Our annual book fair will take place on Tuesday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 10.

• Come see all the wonderful things happening at OLSS at our final Touring Tuesday of the school year. Join us on Tuesday, April 9 from 9-11 am. Call the school office at 718-984-5750 for more information.

• Congratulations to ALL the participants of the OLSS Science Fair on a job well done! A bit shout out to our Science teachers, Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. Grimaldi, for preparing our students and organizing the fair. Special congratulations to the high point scorers as determined through the point system rubric recommended by The National Science Teachers Association. The three highest scoring individuals or teams per grade level are:

5th Grade: Sean Gilbert & Justin Stassi; Kayla Rugg & Isabella Sorrentino; and Stella Conte

6th Grade: Gianna Riggio, Nicolette Romano, Annalisa Theurer & Andrea Willis; Jacob Mele; Nicholas DeAngelis, Nico Giudice & James Sorrentino

7th Grade: Joseph Sorrentino; Adriana Giannini, Isabella Mandara & Amanda Sofia; Christian Maniscalco & Christian Perrotta

8th Grade: Elizabeth Gass & Cheyenne Walker; Kristen Rugg; Kaitlyn Scarcella & Victoria Sikorjak



OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER DAY CAMP

Camp will run from
Monday, July 1st
thru Friday, August 9th
from 9 am – 3:30pm

(Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade
in September 2019)

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/y3of2wu7>

(a processing fee will be added for online registration)

Register BEFORE April 19
to Receive the Early Bird Pricing Special:

(Must be paid in full by April 19 to qualify)

July 4th Week - \$210

\$240 full day-weekly & \$85 full day-daily

\$175 half day-weekly & \$50 half day-daily

After April 18

Regular camp rates apply:

July 4th Week - \$235

\$270 full day-weekly & \$95 full day-daily

\$190 half day-weekly & \$55 half day-daily

Extended Days Available!

Early Camper Care Starting @ 7:30am

Extended Camper Care up to 5:30pm

(At an additional hourly rate)

Camp will be held on the OLSS campus:

5411 Amboy Road SI, NY 10312

****Bring your own Lunch and Snack****

Indoor Activities Include

Arts and Crafts, Dance, Computers

Outdoor Activities Include

Gaga game, Organized games & more!

Weekly Theme Days

To register, email Ms. Linda Fusillo, Camp Director:
linsoap@aol.com



Pray for the Sick

Barbara Allen, Abdalla Beshay Catherine Biondillo, Marilyn Bartolo, Billy C., Vincenza Caccano, William Carney, Joyce Castaldo, Mario Clemente, Zioe Grace Comito, John Dawidowicz, John DeLuca, Marie Defonte, Anthony DelRe, Ileana DeJesus, Lisa Dunne, Zeina Encico, Nancy Gallo, Cole Gottlieb, Herbert Gruberger, Corinne Hayes, Donato Herman, Sarabhjit Kaur, Caylee Kashubo, Ginnie Ledwon, Gladys Lombardi, Cecilia Malerba, Ann Mannino, William Masel, John McNamara, Mary Montalti, Justo Gil Mori, Dee Napolitano, Bea Nicholson, John Orsini, Walter Osborne, Valerie Pace, Dominick Palomba, Fran Peccia, Ann Marie Pederson, Johnny Petillo, Melissa Piro, Salvatore Piro, Camille Polly, Vincent & Linda Ranallo, Melissa Randazzo, John Robertson, Sr., Anthony Ruggario, Caesar Russo, Msgr. Peter Smith, Dawn Stahlecker, Ann Strandberg, Benjamin Thomasen, George Weir, Mona Williams, Michael Wright, 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 Mass

There will NOT be a Healing Service in April. **The next Healing Mass will be Tuesday, May 7 at 7:30 pm.**

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next mtg will be **Fri, April 12** 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, April 11** from 12:30-2:30 pm in the Living Room of the Rectory. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

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, April 8 at 7:30 pm** in the **Church**. 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 info, 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 10am in the OLSS Rectory Basement. The next meeting will be on **April 17**. For more info, call Maria at 917-417-5728.

Bible Study Group – Thursdays from 10-11:30 am in the Rectory Basement. For info, call Lenore at 917-642-3377.

OLSS Bereavement Group

Does the thought of your departed loved one bring tears to your eyes? There is hope - a new session of the *New Day Journal: A Journey from Grief to Healing* has formed! The group meets **Wednesday at 7:30 pm through May 8** in the OLSS Rectory. Come find the support and strength you need to continue on your journey within a loving and supportive Christian community. For more info and to speak to someone about this important ministry, contact Veronica Petersen at 347-620-8585 or johnnpetersen@yahoo.com.

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 jilimeri@aol.com or 646-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

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 to obtain a Baptism Registration Packet.

Baptismal Ceremonies

Baptisms are conducted EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm with the following exceptions: There will be no baptisms on April 14 & 21 (Palm Sunday & Easter), May 12 (Mothers' Day) and June 16 (Fathers' Day).

Upcoming Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

April 28 (NO CLASS on April 14), May 12 & 26, June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25, September 8 & 22

PLEASE NOTE: Registration forms MUST be turned in to the Rectory prior to attending the Baptismal Class. Dates for Baptisms are not guaranteed until the required documents are turned into the Rectory and the date is confirmed by rectory staff.

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.

OLSS SOCCER



Registrations may be dropped off at any time at the OLSS rectory for all players including: PeeWee, 3 year olds, and SIYSL players. Registration fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds & siblings. See the website www.olsssoccer.com for registration forms and more details. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you registered in the fall, you do NOT need to register again in the spring.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Archcare TimeBank at OLSS

Jewelry Making

Come and be creative while making jewelry together. Materials provided for this class, all creations will be donated to Carmel Richmond Nursing Home. **Monday, April 15 at 7 pm** in the Rectory Basement.

Knitting & Crocheting Group

The next sessions of ArchCare's TimeBank Knitting & Crocheting group will be on **Wednesdays April 24, May 1 & 29 at 10 am** and **Monday, May 13 at 7pm** in the Rectory Basement.

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.

Stolzenhaller Columbiettes Dine Out Fundraiser

Tuesday, April 16

Canlon's Restaurant

1825 N. Railroad Ave, 10306

Invite your family and friends to join you for dinner.

A portion of our proceeds will benefit various Columbiette charities. Come join us for delicious Italian food, great friendly service and help give back to the community!

You must bring this flyer for the Columbiettes to receive credit.

Thank you for your support!

