

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord
April 21, 2019
Announced Masses



Holy Saturday, April 20

8:00PM *Easter Vigil*

Sunday, April 21-Easter Sunday

7:30AM Deceased Members of the Palmieri & Persichilli Families

9:00AM Marie Cancelleri

10:30AM Joanne & John Quattrocchi

12:00PM Fred Grasso

1:30PM Deceased Members of the Quattrocchi & Calamia Families

NO 7 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Monday, April 22

9:00AM Martino Pietanza

Tuesday, April 23

9:00AM Frances & Ed Sisko

Wednesday, April 24

9:00AM Olga & Pal Podobinski, Katarina & Maria Bielanski

Thursday, April 25

9:00AM Domenico & Isabella Grieco

Friday, April 26

9:00AM Julia Pizzuti

Saturday, April 27

9:00AM Annette Alesi

4:00PM Arthur & Clorinda Genovesi

5:30PM Catherine Esposito

Sunday, April 28

8:00AM Dominick & Catherine Colonna

9:30AM Salvatore & Nancy DiMaria

11:00AM Tom Russo

12:30PM Stella Torcivia

7:00PM Dominick DiMartino



Banns of Marriage

3rd Time: George Keenlil & Marissa Citera

3rd Time: Michael Scarpa, Jr. & Suzanne Koneschusky

3rd Time: Michael Merola & Jacqueline Vasquez

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.

Gifts from Bethlehem

Olivewood Handcrafted from the Holy Land

Next weekend, **April 27 & 28**, we will have visitors on hand who will be selling handcrafted olivewood from Bethlehem. The handicrafts trade evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land for centuries. This indigenous form of art has since become an industry of great importance to the local people of the Holy Land who rely on it for livelihood, and to Christian pilgrims from all around the world whose holy pilgrimage can be memorialized for a lifetime in cherished olive wood or mother of pearl souvenirs. The olive wood carving market is the major source of income in the Bethlehem area. More than 65 percent of the income of the community in Bethlehem comes from this work. Thank you for your vital support for a Christian tradition and in protecting this very important culture and industry.

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
April 21-27, 2019

In Memory of

Domenick Manzolino

Donated by The Manzolino Family

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, April 27

4:00PM A Pompei

5:30PM F Barone

Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, April 27

4:00PM J Coscia, E Vitiello, A Petrocelli, C Harris, J Butalid

5:30PM J Cimino, A Dazio, E Burns, M Andreola & M Lappin

Lectors – Sunday, April 28

8:00AM P Zoltowski

9:30AM S Zisblatt

11:00AM B Paccione

12:30PM S Gambino

7:00PM K Melka

Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, April 28

8:00AM J Stanzione, A Sparandera, M Molinini, M Quadrino

9:30AM J Zinsley, S Hitchcock, G Decker, B Barone

11:00AM N Fallacaro, C&J Gerace, J Tolento, L Capobianco

12:30PM C Belvedere, MA Russo, C Messina, S Catalano & R Ruskowski

7:00PM G LaGrúa, A Zuffante, J Bellina, C Houle, J Limeri

Altar Servers

Saturday, April 27

4:00PM E Gladstone, N Shirazi

5:30PM N Shirazi, J Habib

Sunday, April 28

8:00AM J Bell

9:30AM M Esposito, F Surace, S Artz

11:00AM P Marone, I Santatemia

12:30PM J Oliveri, A&S Velazquez

7:00PM N, S & A Mejias



Sincere Condolences

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

Thomas Aloisi, Dorothy Nicosia, Mary Palmigiano,

Jackie Nevins, Ruth Waldhelm

Sunday collection for the week of 4/7/19:

\$ 17,415.04



God bless you for your generosity!



Easter Rectory Hours

The Rectory will be **CLOSED** on Sunday, April 21.

It will reopen at 9 am on Monday, April 22

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

The Lord is risen from the dead! Hallelujah! This is the central core proclamation and teaching of our Catholic faith. Jesus Christ conquered sin, suffering and death and rose triumphantly! I hope that this week has been truly a Holy Week that culminated our Lenten offering to the Lord. The question is... "Did you change?" Have you let God touch you in your soul this Lenten season? I hope so since so much has been offered to us.

On Palm Sunday, we all listened to the Passion account from Saint Luke, and like the old spiritual hymn, "Were you there," we could find ourselves in the lives of all the people who interacted with Jesus during his final days on earth before His crucifixion.

Perhaps you identified with the apostles, at table during the Last Supper; or Judas, who left the room to betray Jesus. Maybe we identified with Jesus saying, "The greatest among you is the one who serves the rest". Could it be that we were like Peter, who three times denied the Lord? Did you hear the haunting sound of the cock crowing? For some of us, it could be the words, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me, not my will but yours be done". Was it the sleeping disciples, who could not stay awake with Jesus in the Agony of the Garden? Was I asleep when He needed me? In the Passion, we can find so many human responses to the crosses of our lives.

The characters of Herod, Pontius Pilate, Barabbas, the Roman cohort and shouting crowds crying, "Crucify Him, Crucify Him" present to us the dilemma of Jesus becoming our scapegoat. We encountered the innocent ones who were pressed into service, like Simon the Cyrenian, Veronica wiping his face, and the weeping women of Jerusalem. We can see ourselves in the fellow criminals who were also crucified with Jesus. Dismas, the good thief on the cross, heard the most beautiful words ever spoken by Jesus, "This day you will be with me in Paradise." Then there's the centurion, Joseph of Arimathea and few faithful disciples who heard Jesus cry out, "Father into your hands, I commend my spirit." How can we not be moved when we open our souls up to listening to these words!

Yes, the Passion of Saint Luke on Palm Sunday and the Passion of Saint John read on Good Friday lead us into a deep spiritual journey of freedom in our souls, if we let God's word change us, new vistas open up.

I find very moving the singing of the Lamentations of Tenebrae, (Holy Week's Morning Prayer). As each of the candles are snuffed out, we learn how dark our world can be when we snuff out the life of grace; through our sinfulness or worse, ignorance of Christ's presence in our daily lives.

Holy Thursday and Good Friday explicitly spell out how we need to have a foot washing attitude of humble service. The twelve people from our parish who participated in the Foot Washing ceremony on Holy Thursday will never forget what Jesus commanded us to do on the night before He died. I am equally moved by the procession of the Blessed Sacrament from our tabernacle to the Altar of Repose in the O'Mara Hall. As we processed out of the church into the night, we sang and then in silence demonstrated our love for Jesus, who left us His Body and Blood in an everlasting sign of His covenant to remain forever with us. Jesus words are so poignant on that night, "I will be with you always until the end of the world". Jesus is present in every tabernacle silently waiting for our adoration and prayer time. Let us never take His presence for granted.

From Holy Thursday to Good Friday, to the Easter Vigil, it is a seamless garment of liturgical worship. Notice how we leave the Church on Thursday in silence, and on Good Friday we enter the Church in silence and how on Holy Saturday we enter again a darkened Church to listen to readings of our salvation history before all the lights are lit and the bells ring for the Gloria and the Great Alleluia. On Easter, we culminate this Lenten Season by renewing our Baptismal Promises. The time for fasting has ended, now we feast on the 50 days of Easter Joy.

On behalf of our choirs, our musicians, lectors, sacristans, altar servers, Masters of Ceremonies, Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, behind the scenes maintenance staff, the launderers of linens, our cantors, the team representing RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults our candidates and catechumens, our parish deacon, my brother priests, our catechists, our teachers, our students attending reconciliation, our many parish volunteers and our school and parish staff – I want to thank you for another year well done and all the choicest blessings of our Risen Lord Jesus.

A Blessed Easter Season,

Father Tom Devery

50th Wedding Anniversary Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral



Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral, on **Sunday, June 2 at 2 pm**. Pre-Registration is required. Please contact the rectory to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is **Monday, May 13 at 4 pm**.

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Abdalla Beshay Catherine Biondolillo, Marilyn Bartolo, Billy C., Vincenza Caccano, William Carney, Joyce Castaldo, Mario Clemente, Zioe Grace Comito, John Dawidoicz, 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, Lorenzo Marinelli, 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 be a Healing Mass on **Tuesday, May 7 at 7:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **The next Healing Service will be Tuesday, May 21 at 3:30 pm.**

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 **Wednesdays 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.

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next mtg will be **Fri, May 10** 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, May 9** 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 29 at 7:30 pm** in the Chapel. The LOM is responsible for praying 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 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 10am in the OLSS Rectory Basement. The next meeting will be on **May 7**. 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 Religious Education Registration for September 2019

All students currently attending our program will receive re-registration forms during the month of April. Please return the forms to your child's teacher or mail to the Religious Education office **before May 16, 2019** to take advantage of our reduced rates. Anyone needing evening classes must have already returned their re-registration form by **April 10, 2019**.

FIRST GRADE & NEW REGISTRATIONS

All families coming for Religious Education for the first time need to be registered in the Parish prior to registering in the Religious Education Program. **Proof of Parish registration is required (envelope number).**

- We must see your child's Baptismal Certificate.
- A statement (transcript) of all prior Religious Education if the student is beyond first grade in public school.
- First Holy Communion & Penance Certificate, if the sacrament has already been received.

Registration fees BEFORE May 16, 2019 are:

Day Sessions: \$225 for one child; \$300 for two or more children
Wednesday Evenings: \$275 for one child; \$375 for 2 or more children

Registration fees AFTER May 16, 2019 are:

Day Sessions: \$275 for one child and \$350 for two or more
Wednesday Evenings: \$325 for one child; \$425 for two or more

VOLUNTEERS: CATECHISTS NEEDED

The Religious Education Program is always looking for dedicated volunteers who are willing to share their faith and talents with the next generation. The program has classes Monday through Thursday and Wednesday evening. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Quaglia at 718-984-1885. Together we can take our children forward in Faith.

Registration for **First Grade** and **New Registrations** will be held in OLSS School Office of Religious Education on the following date:
First Grade and New Registrations Only
Monday, April 29, 2019 - 4PM - 5:30PM

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



- Wishing a blessed Easter to all! Enjoy the break!
- The NYS Math Exam for grades 3-8 will take place on Wednesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 2.
- Our Bread of Life Drive was a huge success! Thanks to your generosity we were able to donate food to many needy families across Staten Island.
- Congratulations to Addison Amodio, Class 7-2, who has once again won the American Legion Post's "What the Constitution Means to Me" essay contest! Way to go, Addison!
- Children may begin wearing summer uniforms on April 29.

OLSS J.V. Cheerleading Tryouts Tuesday, May 7th & Wednesday, May 8th 6:30-8:30 pm (Must attend BOTH days!) at Athletic Edge Gym (10 Nassau Place)



We welcome girls entering 3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th grades in September, 2019. There is a \$20 tryout fee to be paid in cash upon arrival. Girls must attend both days of tryouts. Please wear sneakers and shorts. We look forward to seeing you. For more information, call Elaine at 917-797-3941 or Ronnie at 718-757-1846.

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.



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 Sept. 2019)

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/y3of2wu7>
(a processing fee will be added for online registration)

Camp Rates:

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:
linoap@aol.com

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 21 (Easter Sunday), May 12 (Mothers' Day) and June 16 (Fathers' Day).

Upcoming Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

April 28, 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.

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 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

NYPD Community Event at OLSS

Saturday, May 4 & Sunday, May 5 after all Masses

NYPD Guardian Association's community event "Prom King" clothing drive provides dress suits for Middle and High school males to wear during graduation & prom. They will be at OLSS the weekend of May 4 & 5 to collect donations of new and/or gently used: Blazers/sports coats, dress suits/shirts, dress pants/slacks, dress socks/shoes, tuxedos, ties/bow ties, belts/suspenders. Dropoff location is in O'Mara Hall.

ALIVE FROM NEW YORK EVENT

A Celebration of the Sacredness of Human Life

Sponsored by the Archdiocese of New York & Focus on the Family
Saturday, May 4, 2:30 pm - Times Square, NY
Join thousands, live 4D Ultrasound on the Big Screens, Speakers, & Musical Guests. Register for free tickets at www.focusonthefamily.com/pro-life.

The Stolzenhaller Columbiettes and OLSS Sports present:

RADIO BINGO

Hosted by DJs @ Work

Friday, May 10 in O'Mara Hall, Doors open at 7 pm

Admission is \$45 pp (includes radio bingo games, hot buffet, light snacks on table soda, water, coffee, cake) Guests are welcome to bring their own refreshments as well. For tickets, please contact Mia at (718) 710-7161 or Debbie at (718) 967-2315. Portion of proceeds to benefit local charities & sports program.

Archcare TimeBank at OLSS

The ArchCare TimeBank is a FREE program and open to people of all ages. The TimeBank is a great community program that offers services and workshops that interest our members. Volunteers are needed to make friendly calls and visits to those who are lonely. To RSVP to any of these events, please contact Laura Alfano at 917-716-2905 or lalfano@archcare.org.

Crocheting and Knitting with Maria

Morning class at 10 am in the Rectory Basement on Wednesdays April 24, May 1 & 29, June 5 & 26. **Evening class** at 7 pm in the Rectory Basement on Mondays May 13 & June 10.

Writing workshops with George

Mondays, June 3 & 17 at 6:30 pm in the Damato Meeting Room.

Ice Cream Social

Thursday, June 20 at 7 pm in the Damato Meeting Room. All are welcome to attend this social gathering and learn more about ArchCare's TimeBank, please RSVP to Laura.

Marian Conference

Join in a Marian Conference on **Saturday, May 18 from 9 am – 5 pm** at St. Joseph Hill Academy Convent (850 Hylan Blvd, SI, NY). Rosary & May crowning, Saturday Mass followed by speakers, lunch (included in admission fee), vendors, confession, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Stations of the Cross & Vigil Mass. Adults \$35 per person, children Free. All proceeds will aid Good Counsel Home and in part Pro-Life Elderly & Homebound Club, Inc. For information or to register, call 718-979-7291.