

Our Lady Star of the Sea  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 17, 2017  
Announced Masses

**Saturday, September 16**

4:00PM Scott Freundlich & Richard Rauch  
5:30PM Leonard Wanglund

**Sunday, September 17**

8:00AM Susan Francesc  
9:30AM Deceased Members of the Castellucci  
& Gagliardi Families  
11:00AM Deceased Members of the Newborn Family  
12:30PM Raymond Donnelly  
7:00 PM Jack Sofia

**Monday, September 18**

9:00AM Deceased Members of the Fennimore  
& Terzella Families

**Tuesday, September 19**

9:00 AM Vincent Fennimore

**Wednesday, September 20**

9:00AM Joseph Arena

**Thursday, September 21**

9:00AM Dr. John P. Curran

**Friday, September 22**

9:00AM Angelo Ugenti

**Saturday, September 23**

9:00AM Angelo, Mary & John Gazzola  
& Joseph & Theresa Fallacaro  
4:00PM Deceased Members of the Puglisi  
& Serrantonio Families  
5:30PM Andre Graziano

**Sunday, September 24**

8:00AM Baby Summer Marie Semerad  
9:30AM Linda Sercia  
11:00AM Rosa & Biagio Iannuzzi  
12:30PM Joanne & John Quattrocchi  
7:00 PM Beatrice DiDomenico

**Banns of Marriage**

1<sup>st</sup> Time: David Katz & Melissa Limeri



2<sup>nd</sup> Time: Calogero Carollo & Dana Gualtieri

2<sup>nd</sup> Time: John Blohm & Rosanna Rago

3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Michael Ferrante & Jennifer Martins

3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Michael Guarnaccia & Ashley Tolino

3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Steven Favorito & Cheryl Fink

**Wedding Music Workshop**

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, October 29** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

**ADNY - Announcement of Child Protection**

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or layperson serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Dcn. George Coppola at 917-861-1762 or via email at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the  
Week of September 17-23  
Given in Memory of  
**Marie Cancelleri**

From the Haran Family

**Mass Minister Schedule**

**Lectors – Saturday, September 23**

4:00PM C Harris  
5:30PM M Andreola

**Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, September 23**

4:00PM L Barbato, J Coscia, A Lazzara, E Vitiello  
& G Decker  
5:30PM A Dazio, G Fiumefreddo, F Ruggiero, J Uhlman  
& M Lapin

**Lectors – Sunday, September 24**

8:00AM M Higgins  
9:30AM B Paccione  
11:00AM M Pinto  
12:30PM B Weir  
7:00 PM K Melka

**Eucharistic Ministers - Sunday, September 24**

8:00AM M Molinini, M Ennis, P Zoltowski,  
M & Dcn. Quadrino  
9:30AM A Shirazi, L Capobianco, J Gatto, M Iacono  
& Dcn. Quadrino  
11:00AM L Appel, E&G Riozzi, J Tolento & N Fallacaro  
12:30PM J Amodio, C Belvedere, S Catalano, A McCoy  
& MA Russo  
7:00PM E Bellina, G LaGrua, C Barone, M Randazzo  
& A Zuffante

**Altar Servers, Saturday, September 23**

4:00PM D Cavicchio, J Oliveri  
5:30PM E Losi, D Heidel

**Altar Servers, Sunday, September 24**

8:00AM N Shirazi  
9:30AM S Artz  
11:00AM G Gulotta, P Marone  
12:30PM B&M Stackhouse  
7:00PM R Faljean



**Sincere Condolences**

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of: **Richard Mazzaferro, Russell Harvey, Lori Ann Hemmy, Gloria Fracavilla, George Vaiana, Anita Duttaro, Robert Karl, Louis Leccese**

**Healing Service**

There will be a Healing Service on **Tuesday, September 19 at 3:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **The next Healing Mass will be Tuesday, October 3 at 7:30 pm.**

**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. The Catholic Church welcomes you. For information please contact Joe Limeri – [jlimeri@aol.com](mailto:jlimeri@aol.com) – 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

## A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Thanks be to God for all the prayers and sacrifices that were offered this past week for all our family and friends living in Florida. Many have lost power but word has gotten back to me from several of my friends, that although the sound of the wind was intensely horrible and the many trees were down and maybe some slight shingle damage, all of them seemed to survive Hurricane Irma and most grateful to God to be alive.

We will keep monitoring this situation and thank you in advance for your generosity to financially help these victims of the storm's fury.

The Relics of Saint Padre Pio are on display Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17 at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. The cathedral will be open from early morning until 9PM each of these days. All are invited to come and venerate this most powerful saint of mercy and forgiveness.

I am writing this letter on Tuesday the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary. This morning Father David Rider reminded us of the power of the rosary especially when odds are stacked against us, it is our weapon of peace. Unfortunately the Rosary hangs from bed posts, rear view mirrors or in silk lined purses in many pocket books. To not pray the rosary and to have these sacred articles lie around is no better than good luck charms. Praying the rosary is the greatest weapon we have against disunity, war, violence, hatred and natural disasters. Praying the rosary is weakening the power of the Evil One and invites us to see the life of Jesus through the eyes of Mary, our Blessed Mother, who intimately cares for each of one us.

The Legion of Mary will sponsor a Rosary Rally on the front steps of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church on October 14th at 9:45AM, please plan to give a public demonstration of our faith in Our Lady's plan for peace in our world. As Catholics this prayer releases the graces for ongoing personal conversion, communal conversion, and equipping us to be missionaries to carry the Gospel message to the whole world.

In this letter I am going to mention a few concerns and opportunities for your participation and help.

During the month of August, Father Basil was a spiritual director on a bus pilgrimage to the Catholic Shrines in Montreal, Quebec and Canada. It was a deeply moving experience. It seemed that the bus driver mentioned to Father Basil that his company had to make room for new school buses and that they would be willing to donate three buses for Father Basil's home town of Kafanchan, Nigeria. Well today these buses, all in excellent condition are parked in the Athletic Center parking lot. Father Basil needs \$9000 to ship these vehicles to Nigeria. So far by word of mouth about half of the money has been raised. Would you like to help his cause? Please contact Father Basil with your financial help in this regard. And as he always says, "God is good all the time and all the time God is good". Thank you in advance for your support. Also coming down the pike I would like to inform you that the Archdiocese of New York will be contacting us to participate in the "Renew and Rebuild" capital campaign. I haven't heard what the final amount assessed to us is, but that the split is 75/25, the Archdiocese will keep the twenty five percent and the rest will go to the parish. Looking ahead, I know that we have need of a new roof for the school and athletic center so that Con Ed can give us the solar panels that will greatly reduce our electric bill. We are also seeking to pay back part of the portion of our debt for the Church which is currently about \$8.2 Million and that for every dollar of \$1.35 million we raise, the Archdiocese will match that, so that \$2.7 million not covered through our loan payment will help up finish off this debt.

The Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt were most grateful for your generous support for their order as they offered their annual fund raiser to help support the 110 sisters of their community. Last week we donated \$ in their chance book drive.

Representatives from the Office of Safe Environment will be touring our school on September 20th to see how we are in compliance with the Church's policy of protecting our children. They will tour the school and give us their opinion on our compliance.

I want to honor our Music Ministry in our parish and re-echo the call for singers, musicians and men, women and even children to give your voice talent back to the Lord. Saint Augustine would say, "When you sing you pray twice". Indeed we are most blessed in this parish with our music ministry and we need new voices and musicians to come and join with us and become "glorifiers" in leading us in worship and praise at Mass and the other sacraments.

Finally thank you for all you are and all you do for our parish. I am deeply grateful for the gifts that God is doing here in our day.

*Fr. Tom Devery*

### Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Christopher Balk, Robert Bauer, Catherine Biondolillo, Charles Boland, Sarah Brodine, Christine C., Serafina Carlone, Victor Cervone, Ethel Cohen, David Colon, Joanne Colon, Nanette Colon, Marion Concodora, Lou Correard, Brielle Cunningham, Lisa Cunningham, Russell Cunningham, Juanita Curran, Dominick D'Argenio, John Dawidowicz, John DeLuca, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Herbert Gruberger, Thomas Lamantia Thomas Lanza, James Ledger, Dolores Lucardi William Massi, Anne Merlino, Baby Dean Michael, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Betty Popick, Joe Puglisi, Rochelle Puglisi, Stephen Puglisi, Deanna R., John Ragona, Carmen Ragona, Eva Ragona, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Caesar Russo, Baby Vincent Salatino, Alex Sepiol, Celeste Setty, Robert Stranberg Sr., Dustan Vasquez, Lisa Vasquez, Sarah Weathers  
**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.**

### OLSS SOCCER

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](http://www.olsssoccer.com) for reg. form and more details.



### MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS



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 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Children who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 3:45 PM.

**TRADITIONAL CHOIR:** The Traditional Choir sings at the 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays, and is open to members 18 years or older. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 6 PM.

**CONTEMPORARY CHOIR:** The Contemporary Choir sings at the 7 p.m. Sunday Mass. Rehearsals are on Sunday nights at 5:30 p.m. If you are going into the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade or older, you may join. This is a good opportunity for Confirmation Service Hours.

## CLUSTER PILGRIMAGE

to the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy  
(in Stockbridge, Massachusetts)  
Tuesday, October 3, 2017



\$40 per person (includes the price of the bus, please bring your own lunch and refreshments). Bus will leave OLSS Athletic Center Parking lot at 6 am, and will depart the Shrine at 3:30 p.m. for the return trip home. Register and pay for the pilgrimage at the OLSS Rectory. Please make checks payable to OLSS. For further information, please call Maria & Dcn. Quadrino at 917-417-5728 or email [maria.quadrino@gmail.com](mailto:maria.quadrino@gmail.com).

## OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



• Our first Parents' Association Meeting will be on Thursday, September 21 at 7 pm in O'Mara Hall. Come meet our new board and hear all their plans for the school year! There will also be an opportunity for you to volunteer for upcoming events.

• There will be a Fashion Show meeting for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade parents only, on Monday, September 25 at 9 am in the Damato Meeting Room.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration for 2017-2018 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.

### 2017-18 OLSS Religious Education Starting Dates

Tuesday, Sept. 19	Grades 3 & 4	3:45 – 5:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 20	Grade 1	4:00 – 5:30 pm
Wed. Evening, Sept. 20	Grades 1-7	6:30 – 8:00 pm
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Grade 8	3:30 – 4:30 pm
Thursday, Oct. 5	Special Needs	(A) 3:45 – 4:15 pm (B) 4:30 – 5:00 pm

## CUB/BOY SCOUT NEWS

**CUB SCOUT PACK 5** - Recruitment/Open House for New & Returning Cub Scouts (Grades 1-5) **Fridays, September 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**, in O'Mara Hall, from 7 to 9 PM. Registration Fee (including dues): \$110 if paid by 10/20 or \$140 if paid after 10/20 (\$190 for two siblings). For more info, contact Anthony Limone, Cubmaster at 347-739-3747, or e-mail [cubmasterpk5olss@gmail.com](mailto:cubmasterpk5olss@gmail.com). Please make checks payable to Pack 5.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 5** - Recruitment/Open House for New & Returning Boy Scouts (Grades 6-11) **Tuesdays, September 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>**, in O'Mara Hall, 7 to 9 PM. Registration Fee (including dues): \$135 if paid by 10/24 or \$150 if paid after 10/24. For info contact Robert Ciraola, Scoutmaster, cell 917-805-7621, e-mail [rciraola@si.rr.com](mailto:rciraola@si.rr.com) or visit [www.troop5si.com](http://www.troop5si.com). Please make checks payable to Troop 5.

## Cluster Corner

### Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians

**Mass Times** – 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

### 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



## OLSS CHEER

OLSS proudly announces a new Kindergarten Cheer Team! Anyone currently in kindergarten can join by contacting one of the coaches: Danielle Rigney (917-273-1345), Ashley Mauriello –Lecesse (347-432-8768) or Tracey Tabacco-cheer moderator (917-903-7515).

## Group Meetings

**50 Plus Club** – The next meeting will be **Friday, September 29 from 1-3 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

**Widowed Club** – A group is available for widows to come together and share their experiences together. The next meeting will be **Thurs., September 28** at 1 pm in the Damato Meeting Room. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

**Bereavement Group**– There will be a new session beginning on **Wed., Sept. 27 at 7 pm in the Rectory**. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, we invite you to join us.

**Book Club** The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thurs., Oct. 5, at 7:30 PM** in the OLSS Rectory. We will continue with *Fatima for Today: The Urgent Message of Hope* by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, C.E.R. 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 **Wed., Oct. 4 at 8 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room. For more info, call Robert Cermeli at 917-783-6494 or Peter Cappellino at 917-626-7757.

**Prayer Group** – Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Rectory.

**Faith-Sharing Group** – The Sons & Daughters of Mary meets 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, September 18 at 7:15 pm** in the **OLSS Chapel**. There will be Guardian Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily chapel from **12 Noon – 5 pm on Friday, September 22**. The Legion of Mary would like to visit anyone who is homebound to bring communion or just to sit and keep company.

## 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 Ceremonies

EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm

### Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

September 24, October 8 & 22,

November 12 & 26, December 10

**PLEASE NOTE:** Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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**

**Stolzenhaller Knights of Columbus**



**Conheeny Golf Classic**

**Monday, September 25, 2017**

at the South Shore Golf Course

(200 Huguenot Ave, SI, NY 10312)

7 am Breakfast, 7:15 am Registration, 8 am Shotgun Start

12 Noon – 5:00 PM Dinner, Prizes and Raffles

Lunch on the turn included/Dinner served at 1 pm

Cost: \$140 per golfer (includes dinner & open bar).

For more information and for reservations,

call Karl Emigholz, PGK, Chairman at (646) 662-2034



**Yard Sale Fundraiser for Batten Disease**

1044 Edgegrove Avenue

September 16 & 17 & September 22, 23, 24

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

**CDA – Fall Basket Auction FUNdraiser**

**Sunday, October 1 – 2:30 pm**

The Staten Island court of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will host a Fall Basket Auction FUNdraiser on Sunday, Oct. 1. Doors open at 2:30 pm in the St. Clare Cardinal Cooke Center (downstairs) 110 Nelson Ave. \$10 pp admission provides opportunities for Fun, Food, & Fabulous Prizes! Court St. Clare meets monthly & welcomes new members to serve our community. Please contact the parish office for more information (718) 984-7873 or email [StClareCDA@aol.com](mailto:StClareCDA@aol.com).

**Blue Mass– Under Mary’s Blue Mantle**

All active and retired police officers, law enforcement agencies & all First Responders are invited to attend and dress in uniform.

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

Thursday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Celebrant: Most Rev. John J. O’Hara

**Rosary Crusade**

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. In this historic year of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary’s apparitions at Fatima, we ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 14, 2017 at 9:45 am** in front of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. Please contact Sabrina at 347-871-3737 for more information.

**12 Step & Community Meetings**

ACOA \_\_\_\_\_ Sundays 5:30PM

AA \_\_\_\_\_ Sundays 8:15PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Mondays 10AM

\_\_\_\_\_ Tuesdays 4PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursdays 4PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Fridays 4PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturdays 7:30PM & 9PM

PILLS ANONYMOUS \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesdays 6:30PM

\_\_\_\_\_ Fridays 6:30PM

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesdays 8:00PM

AL-ANON \_\_\_\_\_ Thursdays 5:30PM

**Addiction Angels** – There will be a Parent & Sibling support group meeting for families battling addiction on **September 25 at 7 pm** in the Damato Mtg Rm. For more info, call Alicia Reddy at 646-404-0637.

**12 Step Night of Reflection:** Every first Thursday, 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 **October 12.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual**

**OLSS Christmas Tree Drive**



Families of OLSS are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2017 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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](mailto: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*

*2017 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 Our Lady Star of the Sea*