Our Lady Star of the Sea Easter Sunday April 16, 2017 Announced Masses

Holy Saturday, April 15

8:00PM Easter Vigil - Parishioners of OLSS

Easter Sunday, April 16

7:30AM Joseph & Sophie Iorio & John & Jane Graziano

9:00AM Frances Maffeo **10:30AM** Guido Maurino. Sr.

12 Noon Deceased Members of the Gersbeck Family

1:30PM Sophie, Katarina & Paul Srogi NO 7:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday

Monday, April 17

9:00AM Vincent Visto

Tuesday, April 18

9:00 AM James & Theresa Friscia

Wednesday, April 19

9:00AM Mildred Romano

Thursday, April 20

9:00AM Domenico & Isabella Grieco

Friday, April 21

9:00AM Frank Fiumano

Saturday, April 22

9:00AM Warren Johnsen 4:00PM Domenick Manzolillo 5:30PM Mario & Mary Schiera

Sunday, April 23

8:00AM Joseph & Andrea DeLuca

9:15AM Ann DeFalco

10:30AM Anthony, Catherine & Concetta DeLuca

12 Noon Salvatore Iacono, Rosa Tomasi & Teresa Busacca

1:15PM Brigida Sanfillippo

7:00 PM Joanne & John Quattrocchi

Banns of Marriage

Second Time: Matthew Medaglia & Jennifer Reinhart Second Time: Leonardo Sanci & Alessandra Troiano Second Time: Ronald Shatilla & Maria Sciandra Second Time: Michael Lombardo & Jennifer White Second Time: Daniel Clark & Danielle Daprian Third Time: Antonio Fuentes & Lauren Caporicci

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, April 30** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

RCIA Newly Initiated

Congratulations to Charles Karen, Tenisha Thomas-Hohauser, Laura Rosenberg-Ball, Michael Colon and Isabella El Amrani who were fully initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil and to our Candidates, Michael and John Alfano, Lani Baran, Maria Dellaratta, Dayna DeMarco, Megan Faulkner, Melissa Hernandez, Jill

Lanigan, Brittany Sheridan, and Ryan Varon. May God continue His work in your life!

The Sanctuary Lamp for the Week of April 16-22 Given in Memory of

Salvatore Messina

From His Loving Family

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors - Saturday, April 22

4:00PM R LaMonica **5:30PM** A Deliso

Eucharistic Ministers, April 22

4:00PM A Maffeo, J Coscia, J Uhlman, G Decker,

& C Barone

5:30PM C Losi, F Ruggiero, A Dazio, M Andreola,

& A Pompei

Lectors -Sunday, April 23

Jesus is Risen

8:00AM P Zoltowski
9:15AM B Weir
10:30AM F Monte
12 Noon C Messina
1:15 PM C Ambrosino
7:00 PM K Melka

Eucharistic Ministers, April 23

8:00AM A Sparandera, R&L Bauer, M Molinini, C Rosato
9:15AM D Avena, L Capobianco, B&MA Higgins, J Gatto
10:30AM B Paccione, T Strange, M Sprague, L Appel,

& C Argano

12 Noon F&R Marino, E&G Riozzi, B Peters

1:15PM J Tolento, S Catalano, A McCoy, M Recanatini,

& B Nicholson

7:00PM E Bellina, C Houle, G LaGrua, S Caiazzo, K Melka

Altar Servers, Saturday, April 22

4:00PM K Marchisella, V Pavlick **5:30PM** E Losi, N Cammarato

Altar Servers, Sunday, April 23

8:00AM J Bell **9:15AM** G&S Artz **10:30AM** P Marone

12 Noon G Marino, M Mattioli

1:15PM J Oliveri **7:00PM** S&N Mejias



Sincere Condolences

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

Lydia Long

Gifts from Bethlehem Olivewood Handcrafted from the Holy Land

Next weekend, April 22 & 23, 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.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

A Blessed Easter to all of you! Jesus is risen! Indeed He is risen! The tomb is empty! He is alive and He is here with us! This is the most glorious Feast in the Church Year because you and I, who have been baptized into his death, now share in His Resurrection. As Saint Augustine says, "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!"

I would like to list the names our newest fully initiated Catholics of our parish. Whether they arrived seeking Baptism, or just Holy Communion or Confirmation, they have all made a long journey to this eventful weekend. At this time, we saw all three Sacraments for Initiation for: Charles Karan, Isabella El Amrani, Tenisha Thomas –Hohauser, Laura Rosenberg-Ball, Michael Colon.

For the Sacrament of Confirmation, I had the privilege to confirm John Arnold Alfano, Michael Patrick Alfano, Rebecca Marie Arato, Lani Marie Baran, Michael Colon, Vincent Carl Constantino, Maria Kathleen Dellaratta, Dayna Lyn DeMarco, Isabella El Amrani, Megan Faulkner, Melissa Hernandez, Charles Karen, Jill Lanigan, Laura Rosenberg-Ball, Brittany Sheridan, Tenisha Thomas-Hohauser, Ryan Varon.

I would like to give a litany of deep appreciation and gratitude for all they do, for without their selfless dedication and Easter Joy, none of Holy Week's Blessings would be possible.

To my brother priests: Monsignor Vincent Bartley, Father Basil Akut, Father David Rider, Father James Mayzik, S.J., and to our deacon. Deacon James Quadrino.

To my Parish Office Manager and staff: Debbie Emigholz, Robin Anderson, Janna Gaudiuso, Gianna Fiumefreddo, Anthony Giampapa, Katie Nicosia, Samantha McCauley, and Michael Pelczar.

To our Sacristans: John Manetta and his assistants: RJ McLaughlin, Tyler O'Connell, Christopher Harris, Frank Galante, Matthew DeFalco, & Frank Fullbrook.

To our Music Ministry: Michael Ancona, Frank Galante, Matthew Hosmar, Arsenio Perez, Joseph and John Petillo, Jonna Scoppellito, Michael Sekzer, and Brittany Stetson.

To our Masters of Ceremony and Altar Servers: Philip Oppenheim, Joseph Petillo and all our Altar Servers.

To our RCIA Team: Joseph Limeri, Vinny DeSantis, Steve Goodman, Geri LaGrua, and Carol Ordy and in loving memory of Sister Jean Wagner, PBVM.

To our Maintenance Manager & Staff: Karl Emigholz, Don Cossean, Ricardo Sanchez, Sandra Sanchez, and all the people from Freedom Cleaners.

To our Laundresses, who wash and iron our linens.

To our OLSS Principal & Assistant Principal Jeannine Roland and Patti Gandelman, and all the staff and faculty of our school. To all in the Parents Association.

To our Director of Religious Education: Camille Quaglia and her assistant Angela Motto, and for all the Catechists and Mothers and Sons who gave us the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

To our Athletic Director & all involved in OLSS Sports: Mia Marinaccio, the coaches, the staff at our concession stands. To Linda Fusillo, and all involved with our parish summer camp.

To the many who volunteer in the various ministries of our parish: The Bereavement Group, Book Club, Sons and Daughters of Mary, Renew: Gospel of Saint Luke; Seniors Over 50 Club, AA, OA, Pills Anonymous.

To all who comprise our Nocturnal Adoration Group, our afternoon Adoration Group, our Charismatic Prayer Group, our Healing Services and Mass and prayer teams, Cursillo (Little Course in Christianity) Ultreya Reunion Group.

To our dedicated and faithful Lectors & our Eucharistic Ministers both at Mass and to nursing homes, hospitals and homebound.

To our Ushers at every Mass who offer the spirit of hospitality to our parish.

To our Counters who assist weekly and faithfully by counting the collection.

I want to remember our Seminarians, who are on the journey to priesthood; soon we will be celebrating the ordination and first Mass of our summer seminarian Deacon Reynor Santiago and at Cathedral House of Formation, Anthony Gorgia, Carmine Caruso, Niall Mc Donagh.

To all our volunteers who pop up whenever needed, especially: John and Ginny Buonviaggio, Kenneth Cole, Sister Maureen Colleary, FSP, Rei D'Agostino, Marie Ferro, Joseph Martino, and Sister Rosemary, FHM and all who help with the food pantry.

It is indeed with great joy we honor these wonderful people, who weekly and daily remind us of the victory of Christ over sin, suffering and death and give evidence to the fullness of Resurrected Life in the Lord. A Blessed Easter season to all of you.

If I have missed anyone, I will chalk it up to old age. Otherwise, may the Risen Christ come into your lives, your home and indeed our world and bless you abundantly all throughout the 50 days of this Easter Season.



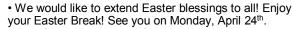
Alleluia! He is Risen!

Fr. Tom Devery

Easter Rectory Hours

The Rectory will be CLOSED on Easter Sunday, April 16. It will reopen at 9 am on Monday, April 17.

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



- The New York State Math Exams, for children in grades 3-8, will take place on May 2, 3, & 4.
- Report cards will be viewable to the parents by the end of the school day on April 26th.

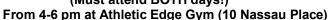
OLSS SOCCER REGISTRATION



Registration forms may still be dropped off at the Rectory for all players which include PeeWee, 3YO, and SIYSL players. Fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds and

siblings. Visit 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 J.V. Cheerleading Tryouts Tuesday, April 25th & Wednesday, April 26th (Must attend BOTH days!)



We welcome girls entering 4th, 5th, & 6th grades in September, 2017. Please wear shorts and sneakers. For more information, call Elaine 917-797-3941 or Ronnie 718-757-1846.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS Registration for September 2017

All students currently attending our program have received reregistration forms during the month of April. Please return the forms to your child's teacher or mail to the Religious Education office **before** May 18, 2017 to take advantage of our reduced rates. Anyone needing evening classes must return their re-registration

Please bring the following required documents to registration:

a) We must see your child's Baptismal Certificate.

form no later than May 4, 2017.

- b) A statement (transcript) of all prior Religious Education if the student is beyond first grade in public school.
- c) First Holy Communion & Penance Certificate, if the sacrament has already been received.

Registration fees BEFORE May 18, 2017 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 18, 2017 are:

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

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).

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 dates:

First Grade and New Registrations Only

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 - 4:30PM - 5:30PM Tuesday, May 16, 2017 - 4:30PM - 5:30PM

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Catherine Biondolillo, Janice Blanchard, Serafina Carlone, Dominick

D'Argenio, Jeanette Dovile, Michael Durante, Chelsea Dutton, Thomas Paul Gaither, Herbert Gruberger, Anthony Medeiros, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Jerry Porta, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Melissa Randazzo & Baby, Caesar Russo, Alex Sepiol, Robert Stranberg Sr. 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, April 18 at 3:30 p.m. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. (The next Healing Mass will be May 2 @ 7:30 pm.)

The Cardinal's Appeal Supports Our

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



& RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

with \$2 MILLION

ENRICHING OUR YOUTH THROUGH FAITH & TEACHING

The schools in the Department of Education serve more than 93,000 students in rural, urban and suburban settings. In addition to coursework in Catholic religious and sacramental preparation, the schools also provide young people with service opportunities.

2017 Cardinal's Appeal Update

Thank you to all of the families who have made a pledge to the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal. Our Lady Star of the Sea continues to make progress towards meeting our goal of \$179,500. To date, approximately 263 families have made pledges totaling \$105,125. We are at 59% of our goal.

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal

If you have not yet done so and would like to make a pledge to the Cardinal's Annual Appeal, please fill out this form, cut it out and put it in the collection basket, drop it off at the Rectory or mail it to:

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal 1011 First Ave., 14th Floor Donor Database Center New York, New York 10022-4112

5 Monthly Payments of:

Suggested total pledge:

	\$5,000\$1,000	
	\$2,500\$500	
	\$1,000\$200	
	\$500\$100	
	\$250\$50	
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Parish		
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Personal check	payable to: The Cardinal's Appeal	
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Signature:		

Group Meetings
50 Plus Club - The next meeting will be Friday, April 21 from 1-3 pm in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Widows Club - A new group will be available for widows to come together and share their experiences together. The next meeting will be **Thurs.**, **April 27** 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 in the fall. 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.

Book Club - The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be Thursday May 4, at 7:30 PM in the OLSS Rectory. New members are always welcome. Our next selection is Unbound: A Practical Guide to Deliverance by Neal Lozano. 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., May 3 at 8 pm in the Damato Mtg Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more info, call Robert Cermeli at 917-783-6494 or Peter Cappellino at 917-626-7757.

Prayer Group — Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Rectory.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

OLSS Trip to Sight & Sound Theater - Jonah

Join in a trip to the Sight and Sound Theater production of *Jonah* in Lancaster, PA on Saturday, April 22, 2017. Pick-up location will be OLSS Athletic Center parking lot at 9 AM. Ticket and transportation for Adults \$100, Children \$56 (does not include meal). For more information, please contact Rosanne at 347-820-3947 or Paul at 732-533-8567.

University Hospice - Volunteer Training

Are you a good listener? Caring? University Hospice is a non-profit organization that provides quality, compassionate care at the end of life. This care involves a team of professionals and volunteers who address emotional, social and spiritual needs of the patients and their families. Volunteers are needed in various areas such as, visiting patients in their homes, nursing facilities, the Addeo Hospice Residence, or in the hospital. Volunteers are also an essential part in our office and with our special projects. If interested, please call 718-226-6458. The next volunteer training will be held on Saturday. April 29 at 9 a.m. at University Hospice, 78 Meisner Avenue, SI, NY.

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

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral, on Sunday, June 11 at 2 pm. Pre-Registration is required. Please contact the rectory to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12th. The event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

Cluster Corner

Cluster Parish Mass Times

Our Lady Help of Christians - 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 St. John Neumann - 1380 Arthur Kill Rd.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 11 AM and 12:30 PM Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM in Rectory Chapel

St. Thomas the Apostle - 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

Church of St. Joseph - 16 Poplar Ave. Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 PM Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM

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 Class & Ceremony Dates April 23, May 14 & 28, June 11 & 25

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. Baptism Ceremonies take place at 2:15 PM in the Church. PLEASE NOTE: Beginning July 2, 2017, Baptism Ceremonies will take place EVERY Sunday at 2 pm. Classes will remain the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month at 12 Noon.

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 Sunday. The **PERSON REQUIRING** evening or CERTIFICATE MUST see the priest AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS to request one.

OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER DAY CAMP



Wednesday, July 5th through Friday, August 18th 9:00am - 3:30pm (Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade in September 2017)

Register before April 18 to Receive the **Early Bird Pricing Special:** (Must be paid in full by April 18 to qualify)

\$230 full day-weekly, \$75 full day-daily \$170 half day-weekly, \$45 half day-daily

Register after April 18th Regular camp rates apply:

\$260 full day-weekly, \$85 full day-daily \$185 half day-weekly, \$50 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

Soccer, Organized games & more!

Weekly Theme Days

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