

AUGUST 9, 2015
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, August 8, 2015

9:00AM Nicholas V. Lepore
4:00PM Kaitlyn Elizabeth Stephen
5:30PM Madeline Manzolillo

Sunday, August 9, 2015

8:00AM Kimberly Reinhart
9:15AM Patrick O'Connell
10:30AM Maria Bostic
12 Noon Louise & John Iacona
1:15PM Gregorio Roseto
7:00PM Frank De Marco

Monday

9:00AM Richard Angelena

Tuesday

9:00AM Ida & Franco Masella

Wednesday

9:00AM Daniel Catalano
 Catherine Smith
 Vincent Mangogna

Thursday

9:00AM Robert Brisk

Friday

9:00AM Betty Colucci

Saturday, August 15, 2015

9:00AM Rose & Rocco Ferraro, Mary Battipaglia
 & Charlie Santiago
4:00PM Joseph & Gaetano Levantino
5:30PM Anna & Gaetano Vallone

Sunday, August 16, 2015

8:00AM Anita Barletta
9:15AM Kevin O'Connell
10:30AM Ann Delese
12 Noon Pat Damato
1:15PM Catalano & McCusker Families
7:00PM Maria Mikolaj & Brelanski Family

Four Blessed Irish Martyrs

During the reign of King Henry VIII and Queen Elizabeth I, it was a crime to speak out on Catholicism or to be reconciled to the Catholic Church, or celebrate the Mass, or to harbor Catholic priests. Practicing the faith brought death to many Catholics at that time. Bl. Matthew Lambert was a baker martyred with several companions in 1581 at Wexford. Bl. Robert Meyter was a Catholic sailor who professed his faith and died with Matthew Lambert. Bl. Edward Cheevers was another Catholic sailor who kept the faith. Bl. Patrick Cavanagh was a third Catholic sailor who remained faithful to the end and died with Matthew Lambert. These four Blesseds remained steadfast in the faith and refused to renounce the authority of the Pope. (JM)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR THE
 WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2015
 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
 ELLA MILO
 FROM EILEEN & BOB O'CONNOR

Lectors – Saturday, August 15, 2015

4:00PM C. Harris
5:30PM C. Losi

Eucharistic Ministers, August 15, 2015

4:00PM A. Lazzara, J. Coscia, E. Vitiello, J. Prato,
 F. Barone
5:30PM A. Spoto, A. Dazio, C. Bottiglia, J. Uhlman

Lectors – Sunday, August 16, 2015

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi
9:15AM MA Higgins
10:30AM Mike Pinto, B. Paccione
12 Noon J. Zinsley
1:15PM B. Weir
7:00PM G. LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, August 16, 2015

8:00AM M. Andreola, J. Stanzione, C. Rosato,
 A. Sparandera
9:15AM B. Higgins, R. Corbett, M&S Hitchcock, J. Gatto
10:30AM R. Scarpati, G. Balestrino, R. DeMaio, C. Ordy,
 A. Pompei
12 Noon A. Maffeo, C&J Gerace, L&R Bauer
1:15AM M. Sprague, V. Acri, MA Russo, A. McCoy,
 R. LaMonica
7:00PM M. Recanatini, A. Zuffante, T. Palmieri, J. Limeri

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, August 15, 2015

4:00 P.M.: K. Marchisella, K. Martino, D&L Cavicchio
5:30 P.M.: E & M Losi, C&C Nieves

Sunday, August 16, 2015

8:00 A.M.: N & J Mele, G&N Tucci
9:15 A.M.: B. Bosques, S. Marashaj, F. Scarmato,
 M. Mattioli
10:30 A.M.: A & F Auriti, M. Coelho, G. Monreale
12:00 Noon: C. Carr, J. Jacoby, N. Salerno, B. Walsh
1:15 P.M.: M. Esposito, A&R Ruszkowski, G. Vassallo
7:00 P.M.: A. Meola, R. Faljean, J. LoPiccolo, E. Tedesco



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

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

**Rev. Victor Buebendorf, Virginia Shaiola, Edward
 Sansone,**

Joseph Schierenbeck, Vincent Tancredi & Frank Fiumano

Feast of the Assumption – August 15

Next Saturday, August 15th is the Feast of the Assumption. This year, because it falls on a Saturday, it is not considered a Holy Day of obligation. The liturgy at the 9 a.m. Mass on Saturday the 15th will reflect the Feast of Assumption, and the 4 & 5:30 p.m. masses the liturgy will be for the Sunday vigil as normal.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Well we are half way through our summer of 2015. So far the weather has been pretty good to us; gorgeous days and for the most part dry. I hope you are taking advantage of being outdoors and letting God's beauty revive you.

I want to ask for patience as we await the number of tickets that will be allotted to our parish for Pope Francis visit to Madison Square Garden. When the time comes we will print in our bulletin a tear out sheet for people who interested in attending and then we will have a raffle and each name drawn will be awarded two tickets. Since there has been much work going on with the merging of parishes and the retirement of many personnel, I am sure there is a backlog of work on the Chancery due to that. Once we pastors hear I will inform you. Thanks again for your patience.

It is with great sadness and yet much relief that we announced the passing of Father Victor Buebendorf on July 31st. He was presently the pastor of Saint Mary's Church in Rosebank for many years and had served for nearly his entire 51 years of priesthood on Staten Island. He's a native of Tottenville and there are Presentation Sisters still alive who taught him at Our Lady Help of Christians Church in Tottenville.

Father Vic was fondly remembered at Saint Charles Church, in Oakwood, and Holy Child Church in Eltingville and recently took on the merging of three parishes and mentoring Father Freddy Patino, of Immaculate Conception Church in Concord. Saint Joseph's, Saint Mary's, Rosebank and Immaculate Conception are now merged into one. Isn't it ironic that on the last day that daily Mass would have been held at Saint Mary's Parish he went home to God, July 31st the Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola.

Father Vic had tremendous love and knowledge of the Liturgy of the Church and a deep rooted love for Church music. When he was at Holy Child parish, he would take the monies collected from Mother's Day cards, and Father's Day cards and All Souls and take the music ministers to the NPM conventions around the country. NPM stands for the National Pastoral Musician workshop. Although he was rather a shy gentleman, he has had a profound impact on many current religious leaders on Staten Island.

Affectionately known at Holy Child Church as "Quick Vic", he could succinctly preach an amazing homily in a few minutes that captured people's imagination and attention and drove home powerful Gospel points. In his later years Father Vic suffered terribly with spinal stenosis. He was a tall man when I first met him, well over six foot, but he shrunk to about five foot two and with use of a walker it would move anyone to see just how determined and courageous he was to lead his parish family.

Father Vic was very welcoming and kind to me during the time of my ordination to the priesthood, along with Monsignor Robert Kelly and Father John Mancuso, I was given a great blessing in letting them help me prepare for my first Mass of Thanksgiving on November 5, 1977. Now that he is a priest forever may he have a wonderful time for all eternity enjoying the heavenly choirs of angels.

Both Bishop John O'Hara last Tuesday evening and Cardinal Dolan on last Wednesday morning offered the two funeral Masses at Saint Mary's Church. His good friends Monsignor Jim Dorney and Monsignor Peter Finn preached at the homily time. May he rest in peace.

Just to give a little heads up for coming attractions. When the summer ends and school begins, I will be looking to meet and prepare to recommission all our lectors and Eucharistic Minister. The Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt will be selling chances at the door stations in a few weeks. Please stay tuned. Also the Blood bank reported a generous response from Our Lady Star of the Sea Church for their blood bank. Thank you for giving the gift of life to those most in need.

May the Good Lord fill you with the Bread of Life as we unpack all of Chapter 6 of John's Gospel throughout this month in our homilies. God's choicest blessings be upon you.

Father Tom Devery



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

SECOND TIME: Ricardo Baez and Teresa Conenna

THIRD TIME: Dominick Modafferi and Marissa Maurino
Daniella Lacara and Karol Kwiatkowski

HEALING MASS

There will be a **Healing Service on Aug. 18th at 3:30PM.** Anyone in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing is invited to attend and be prayed over. *(The next Healing Mass will be on Sept. 1, at 7:30PM.)*

WEDDING WORKSHOP

There will be a wedding workshop for brides and grooms at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sunday, August 30th.** At this time you will be able to select your wedding music. *(Next workshop: Oct. 25th.)*

"A DAY OF PRAYER IN ITALIAN"

Radio Maria, New York will sponsor a broadcast "A Day of Prayer in Italian" on Saturday, 8/15/15, from 10AM to 4PM, at Our Lady of Pity, 1615 Richmond Ave., SL, NY. The program begins with the rosary followed by Mass, Consecration and Adoration. Please bring a bag lunch. For more information, call (718) 417-0550.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Religious Education Office is closed for the summer and will reopen at the end of August. Registration for 2015-2016 will take place on Sept. 1st at 1PM and Sept. 8th at 1PM. You must be a registered parishioner in order to register your child for Religious Education. If you would like to register to become a parishioner, please call the Rectory (718) 984-0593. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate and your envelope number when registering.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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. It will bring you closer to Jesus. Is God calling you now? Are you ready to take that step in faith? The Catholic Church welcomes you. For information please contact Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com – 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

50 Plus Club – The 50 Plus Club will not meet during the Summer. The first meeting will be September 11th at 1PM in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center.

***OKTOBERFEST: 50 Plus Club Trip to Renault Winery on 10/12/15 - \$86 per person includes: Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, Family Style Luncheon and Wine Tasting, Oktoberfest Raffle and Door Prizes, 4 Hours at Resorts Casino (\$20 slot play). For information and reservations contact Terry at (718) 317-1801. Seats are limited – call ASAP!**

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center. Starting on the first week in August, the group will meet in the Rectory for the month of August

Bereavement Group – New support group forming for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30PM at the Rectory. If you would like to join and if you would like more information, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 and leave your name and number.

In The Wings would like to invite members of OLSS to enjoy quality theater in their own backyard! From August 7th-16th, we are performing in "Legally Blonde the Musical." Two members of the parish, Michael Sekzer and Melissa Kane, are a part of our wonderfully talented cast, too! For show times and tickets, please visit www.sishows.com or call 718-916-9011

SCHOOL NEWS

OLSS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

If you are interested in registering *your child for the 2015-2016 school year at Our Lady Star of the Sea School, please call (718) 984-5750 to make an appointment to come in.*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration is held from 12 noon to 5pm, Monday to Thursday. We are in need of Adorers to sit with the Blessed Sacrament every hour. If you can find some time in your day to participate in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, please call Carol Ordy at *82-917-536-8576

BUS TRIP TO SAND'S CASINO

The Stolzenhaller Council of K of C is sponsoring a trip to Sand's Casino in Bethlehem, PA on **Tuesday, August 25**. The cost is \$30 per person, with \$20 back in slot play and \$5 back in food. The bus will leave Stolzenhaller Council at 10:00 a.m. Call Ed Newborn @ **917-697-5603** for information and reservations.



SICK LIST

Joseph Aluotto, Norma Bolanos, Nicholas Caputo, Serafina Carlone, Mary Ann Casale, David and Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Constance Conti, Saveria Criscuolo, Gen Decio, Zeina Enciso, Maria Fazio, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Eddie Garafalo, Margaret Generoso, Gabriella Hagis, Shirley and Andy Hardin, Lorraine Hamer, Annette Horgan, Thomas Lamantia, Elaine Lewis, Vincent Lombardo, Paul Manos, Chuck Melka, Roberta Meringolo, Beatrice Nicholson, Stephanie Nolan, Ann Marie Pederson, Nicholas Polly, Camille Polly, Racquel Puglisi, Carmen, John and Eva Ragona, Thomas Riccardelli, Summer Marie Semerad, Celeste Setty, Dora Valiente, Lisa Vasquez & Nicholas Ponti Williams.

BAPTISM PREPARATION POLICY

All parish families preparing for the Baptism of their child must attend the Parish Baptismal Preparation Program. The program is held mostly on the 2nd and 4th Sunday's of the month at 12 Noon in the Athletic Center (Damato Meeting Room). We invite you to bring along your baby's Godparents to hear this special presentation. Please call the rectory for a Registration Packet before attending the Sunday Meeting. A copy of the child's birth certificate is needed. The sponsor must have proof of Confirmation, a sponsor certificate (see sponsor certificate information below) and must be at least 14 years of age. The Baptismal donation of \$100 and the yellow registration form must be brought to the Parish Office (Mon.- Fri. 9 to 4PM), prior to the Baptism Meeting. You may then bring the completed registration form to the meeting of your choice.

BAPTISMAL CLASS

**12 Noon – 2nd and 4th Sundays
OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER**

August 23rd
Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th



**BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH
2:15 PM – 2nd and 4th Sundays**

August 23rd
Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Certificates attesting to the fact that a 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 **AFTER** any of the other Sunday Masses. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** and request one.

12 STEP MEETINGS IN RECTORY BASEMENT

ACOA	Sun., 5:30PM
AA	Sun., 8:15PM
	Mon., 10AM
	Tues., 4PM
	Thurs., 4PM
	Fri., 4PM
	Sat., 7:30PM & 9PM
PILLS ANON.	Tues., 6:30PM
	Fri., 6:30PM
GAMBLERS ANON.	Tues., 8:00PM
AL ANON	Thurs., 7:15PM

PLEASE NOTE:

Over Eaters Anonymous. Every Friday at 8PM

STOP COLD INTERVENTIONS 1-800-996-4104

***PLEASE NOTE: Every first Thursday, at 6PM, 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 September 3.**

Our Lady Star of the Sea

Presents The First Annual

Christmas Tree Drive



- ◇ Families of the Our Lady Star of the Sea parish are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2015 Advent Season.
- ◇ Each Tree will be lighted, have a laminated dedication card, and displayed on the Parish grounds.
- ◇ A Lighting and Dedication Ceremony will be coordinated. The details will be provided.
- ◇ The cost to dedicate a Christmas Tree is \$250 each. All proceeds will benefit our Parish.
- ◇ Trees must be ordered well in advance, and should be reserved no later than October 1st.
- ◇ Please note that there is a limited number of Trees that can be displayed on the grounds.
- ◇ Reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis.
- ◇ No Tree can be guaranteed without payment.
- ◇ If you have any questions, please email OLSSHNS@gmail.com or call the Rectory at **718-984-0593**.

Registration Form

**Please return this form to the Rectory
as soon as possible:**

Our Lady Star of the Sea
2015 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 and Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

_____ Check Enclosed for \$250, payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea

