

**FEBRUARY 16, 2014**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA**

*"May the Lord bless you and grant you and your loved ones His lasting Peace and Joy."*

*Msgr. Jeffrey P. Conway*

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

**Saturday, Feb. 15, 2014**

**9:00AM** Anthony Galante  
**4:00PM** Anthony Pepe  
**5:30PM** George Strahm

**Sunday, Feb. 16, 2014**

**8:00AM** Christopher Amoroso  
**9:15AM** John Matzele  
**10:30AM** Gary E. Carter  
**12 Noon** Marco Fusillo and Eugene Sparano  
**1:15PM** Felicia and Sal Grippo  
**7:00PM** Paul Testaverde

**Monday**

**9:00AM** Jimmy Lynch, Jr.

**Tuesday**

**9:00AM** Ann Twomey  
**8:00PM** *Healing Mass*  
 Vito Colella

**Wednesday**

**9:00AM** Ann Gillespie

**Thursday**

**9:00AM** Paul Testaverde and  
 Anna Marie Tobin

**Friday**

**9:00AM** Frank Barone

**Feb. 22, 2014**

**9:00AM** Frank Russo  
**4:00PM** Emily DeLuca  
**5:30PM** Tony Fiumefreddo

**Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** Angela Ricciardi  
**9:15AM** Hercules Natale  
**10:30AM** Nicholas Chieco  
**12 Noon** John Cali  
**1:15PM** Palma Ferrara  
**7:00PM** Pat Scuotto



**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

**FIRST BANNS** Michael Principato and Josephine Cognato  
 Jennifer Rispoli and Steven Metcalfe  
 Keith Namarato and Jeanine Vandaley  
 Gabe Aiello and Antonella Munoz

**THIRD BANNS:** Eric Einstman and Kim Macchio  
 Steven Metcalfe and Jennifer Respoli

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2014**  
**IN MEMORY OF GRACE AND BERNARD WEISS**  
**WITH LOVE FROM MARGARET RUSSO**

**Lectors – Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014**

**4:00PM** C. Harris  
**5:30PM** A. Saulo

**Eucharistic Ministers, Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014**

**4:00PM** E. Vitiello, S. Roberto, M. Sicari, G. Decio, J. Prato,  
 J. Coscia, V. Caruso  
**5:30PM** R. Taranto, F. Saulo, J. Cimino, J. Amitrano,  
 M. Graziano, ME Carey

**Lectors – Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** MJ Truckenbrodt, L. Bauer  
**9:15AM** M. Higgins  
**10:30AM** E. Newborn, M. Pinto  
**12 Noon** M. Newell  
**1:15PM** MA Higgins  
**7:00PM** G. LaGrua, K. Melka

**Eucharistic Ministers – Feb. 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** E. Viola, J. Perdichizzi, M. Molinini, J. Stanzione,  
 M. Ennis, R. Bauer, P. Zoltowski  
**9:15AM** M. Vierno, D. Avena, J. Gatto, L. Capobianco,  
 M. Andreola, C. Rosato, C. Scalzo  
**10:30AM** F. Ruggiero, R. DeMaio, C. Messina, J. Tolento,  
 G. Balestrino, T. Rizzotti, C. Ordy  
**12 Noon** N. Fallacaro, E. Talarico, B. Peters, C. & J. Gerace,  
 S. Catalano, C. Messina  
**1:15PM** A. McCoy, C. Houle, B. Higgins, V. Acri,  
 P. & L. DeCarlo, C. Barone  
**7:00PM** D. McCumisky, A. Zuffante, S. Caiazzo, G. Scotto,  
 MA Russo

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, February 22, 2014**

**4:00 P.M.:** Joseph Martino, Kristen Martino,  
 DomenickCavicchio, Leonardo Cavicchio  
**5:30 P.M.:** Michael Brophy, Salvatore Imbro, Caitlin Nicholaou,  
 Ryan Nicholaou

**Sunday, February 23, 2014:**

**8:00 A.M.:** Christopher Luisi, Noelle Mele, Jonathan Mele,  
 Shane Marashaj  
**9:15 A.M.:** Erin Carey, Francesca Scarmato,  
 Gabriella Scarmato, Keryn Lee  
**10:30 A.M.:** JosellinaNardulli, Robert Ruskowski,  
 Christina Rubin, Jake Rubin  
**12:00 P.M.:** Caitlyn Carr, Nicholas D'Angelo, Daniella Russo,  
 Christina Sikorjak  
**1:15 P.M.:** Prisilla Arellano, Katherine Betsais,  
 Catherine Nieves, Felicia Nieves, Tyler Nieves  
**7:00 P.M.:** Hailey Caruso, Luigi Caiazzo, PJ Caiazzo,  
 Joseph Petillo, Evan Tedesco



**SINCERE CONDOLENCES**

The parish family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offers our sincere  
 condolences to the families of the deceased: *Salvatore Baio,*  
*Christopher Imperato and Giovanna Pasanisi*

### Hero Saint of the Week – St. Julian the Hospitaller

Julian committed by accident the worst crime anyone could perpetrate. Upon returning to his castle, he went to his room and, unbeknown to him, his parents arrived unexpectedly and, being tired, got into Julian's own bed. Julian thought they were intruders under the bed covers and stabbed them both to death. When his wife returned from church, Julian explained that he would leave her, no longer fit to live with decent people. She refused to abandon him; together they tried to make amends for his crime. They forsook their castle, journeyed far and built a hospital for the poor. They also did penance by aiding travelers crossing a nearby river. After many years, one freezing night, Julian was awakened by a man crying for help across the river. Julian rescued the man and warmed him back to life in his own bed. The man had leprosy, but it did not deter Julian. Later, the man revealed that he was an angel sent to test Julian's kindness, and that God accepted his penance. St. Julian is Patron of Travelers and Ferryman. (JM)

### **MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS**

**On Sunday, February 23, 2013 at 8:15PM**, we will have our Music Workshop in the Church after the 7PM Mass. At this time, you will be able to select the liturgical music for your wedding and ask any questions you may have.

### **MASS CELEBRANTS**

#### **Sat. – Feb. 15, 2014**

**4:00PM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**5:30PM** Fr. Adalbert

#### **Sunday – Feb. 16, 2014**

**8:00AM** Fr. Adalbert

**9:15AM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**10:30AM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**12 Noon** Msgr. Peter Smith

**1:15PM** Msgr. Peter Smith

**7:00PM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

#### **Sat. – Feb. 22, 2014**

**4:00PM** Msgr. Peter Smith

**5:30PM** Msgr. Peter Smith

#### **Sun. – Feb. 23, 2014**

**8:00AM** Msgr. V. Bartley

**9:15AM** Msgr. V. Bartley

**10:30AM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**12 Noon** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**1:15 PM** Fr. Adalbert

**7:00 PM** Msgr. Jeff Conway

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** "Let the peace of Christ control your hearts..." Find peace for your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information or upcoming dates go to: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME: Ext. 3.

### **PRAYER GROUP – HEALING MASS**

The Prayer Group meets on Tuesdays at 8PM in the Damato Meeting Room in our Athletic Center for prayers of praise, singing, centering and intercessory prayer. New members are welcome. Everyone has the opportunity to be prayed over.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**THE NEXT HEALING MASS BE ON TUES., FEB. 18<sup>TH</sup>, AT 8pm**

**THE NEXT HEALING SERVICE WILL BE ON TUES., March 4<sup>th</sup> AT 3:30PM.**



### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Denise Armore, Betty Barton, Barbara Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo P.O. Thomas Choi, Josie Cino, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Jaime Cucuzza, Gemma Deliso, John Emigholz, Sr., Juliette Gerbino, Lorraine Hamer, Thomas Hoban, Kim Kuchler, Thomas Lamantia, Jim Mauro, Ed Miller, Concetta Palmieri, Lucy Peters, Camille Polly, Carmen and John Ragona, Denise Santanella, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorriane Skelly, Donna Slavin, Dan Speranzo, Jr., Joan Squillante and Adriane Toscano.

### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays** **OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER**



Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>

March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup>

April 27<sup>th</sup>

May 11<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>

June 15<sup>th</sup> and June 29<sup>th</sup>

#### **(Note different dates in June)**

July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 27<sup>th</sup>

Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>

### **BAPTISMAL CEREMONIES IN THE CHURCH** **2:15 PM – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays**

Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>

March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup>

April 27<sup>th</sup>

May 11<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>

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### **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.

### **VESTMENTS FOR MEMORIALIZATION**

We have 4 new vestments which can be memorialized in memory of a loved one. If you are interested, please call the Rectory and leave your name and number or see John Manetta, the Sacristan, after Mass.



### **OPENING OF 2015 MASS BOOK**

**The 2015 Mass Book is now open.** In order to accommodate our large parish, we ask that no more than four masses be taken from any one person or family at this time. Thank you for your cooperation. Please remember to consult a 2015 calendar when choosing your masses. (The donation for Sat./Sun. Masses and holy days is \$15; weekday mass donation: \$10.)

## A LETTER FROM MSGR. JEFF CONWAY

Dear Parishioners,

Cardinal Dolan has decided to remove all pastors, who have served 12 years or more from their current assignments on July 1, 2014. Therefore, after almost 21 years, I will be leaving Our Lady Star of the Sea to take another assignment. While it would not have been my choice to leave this parish and I had hoped to retire from here, I am grateful that I was allowed to spend so many years building up this parish and serving all of you. I will have served from November 27, 1993 to July 1, 2014, making me the longest serving pastor in OLSS's 98 year history.

I thank you for all your cooperation and support. Together we have built a parish that can function and flourish long after I am gone. I am praying that the Cardinal will pick a new pastor, who will enable us to have a seamless transition and continue to be a great and growing parish.

Thanks for everything. God bless you.

Msgr. Jeff

### RECEPTION OF COMMUNION AT MASS

The method for receiving Holy Communion in the hand is to extend the hand in a cupped position and immediately place the sacred host in the mouth. This is the most reverent way to receive Holy Communion. PLEASE, do not walk away with the host still in the hand. Thank you.

### PARISH BUS TRIP TO SEE

#### MOSES AT THE SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER

The "Moses" show in Lancaster, Pa. will be on Sat., April 5<sup>th</sup>, leaving at 1PM and returning at approximately 11:30PM. Cost: \$115 includes show, dinner and bus. If interested, call Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081 or Gail Decker at (917) 916-2308 for more information.

## SPORTS NEWS

**CYO Baseball and Softball and T-Ball Registration:** The final registrations for CYO Baseball and Softball will take place on **Thurs., Feb 13 7-8 pm** and Thurs., Feb 27 7-8 pm and **Thurs., March 6 7-8 pm**. T-Ball is open to boys and girls in Pre-k 4 and Kindergarten. CYO is open to boys and girls in grades 1-8.

For more information, please contact **Dennis DellaValle at (718) 757-1630**.

**Spring Soccer Registration:** will be held at the OLSS Athletic Center from 6 to 7PM on Wed, Feb 19, for all players which include Pee Wee, 3 year olds, and SIYLS players. Registration fees are \$200 for SIYSL players and \$150 for Pee Wee, 3 yr. olds and siblings. See our website [www.olsssoccer.com](http://www.olsssoccer.com)

for registration forms and more details. (If you played this prior fall you do NOT need to register again).



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS

The Adult Faith Formation and RCIA sites within our parish website have undergone a complete transformation, making it easier to navigate and providing a new virtual experience. While most content has been migrated, new content has been added in order to better serve our community of faith. We are still not done and we welcome any suggestions you might have to make our sites even better. Please take a moment and visit us at our **NEW WEBSITE:** <http://aff.olssparish.org>.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION – CALLING NEW MEMBERS

Are you interested in making a difference? Our Core Team is currently looking for individuals who can work collaboratively with our group to help set direction for upcoming Adult Faith Formation initiatives and events within our parish. If you are interested. Kindly email Joe Limeri – [jlimeri@aol.com](mailto:jlimeri@aol.com)

### RCIA LECTURE

A lecture on Prayer is scheduled for Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House. This is the first of 3 presentations that will be provided to the RCIA Catechumen and Candidates before their initiation. Sponsor attendance is optional. Please contact Joe Limeri if you are not able to attend.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION

**INQUIRY:** Did you ever think of becoming a Catholic? Have you been coming to church with a family member or a friend for a number of years and maybe considered Baptism and full Initiation into the Catholic Church? Are you baptized in another faith, but now desire to become Catholic? If interested or would like more information call the rectory: (718) 984-0593.

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Models of Christ)

**Reading I** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 (on leprosy)

**Reading II** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11-1 (imitation of Christ)

**Gospel** Mark 1:40-45 (healing of a leper)

**Key Passage:** Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.  
(1 Corinthians 11:1)

**Adult:** Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be a Christian?  
Why or why not?

**Child:** What can you do this week to be an example to others?

### POOR BOXES

We would like to thank our parishioners for their "Poor Box" donations, proceeds of which help families in need and many local Staten Island Charities such as the St. Edward's Food Pantry. The Poor Boxes are located by the inner doors of the Church. Your contributions are most appreciated and are certainly put to good use. God Bless you for your generosity.

### 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.

# SCHOOL NEWS

## OPEN REGISTRATION- FEB. 25<sup>TH</sup>

Pre K 3 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Registration – Tues., Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 AM in O'Mara Hall.

**Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Kindergarten students must be five years of age by Dec. 31, 2014. You must be a registered parishioner (register at the Parish Office) to apply.

**PRE-K THREE YEAR OLDS** – The three year-old sessions will be offered two days (Tues. – Thurs) AM(8:30 - 11:00) and PM(12:00 - 2:30) Sessions available. Students must be three years of age by Dec. 31, 2014 and potty trained.

**PRE-K FOUR YEAR OLDS** – The four year-old sessions will be offered three full days 8:30 - 2:30 (Mon., Wed., and Fri.) Students must be four years of age by Dec. 31, 2014 and potty trained.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT OUR PROGRAM, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (718) 984-5750**

The following items should be presented all registrations:

1. Child must be present.
2. Birth certificate. (Copy or original)
3. Baptismal certificate (required for Kdgt. to 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. only). (Not mandatory for non-Christians.) Sunday collection envelope number (not required for PreK or for non-Christians).
4. Sunday collection envelope number (not required for PreK).
5. Non-refundable \$175 application fee, per child, and \$200 fair share fee per family (Gr. K-8 only).
6. Report cards and standardized tests scores from the last 2 years (where applicable).
7. IESP or IEP where applicable.

### Pre K 3, 4 and K Open House and Information Sessions

Interested in becoming part of the Our Lady Star of the Sea School family? We will be holding Open Houses and Information sessions for prospective Pre School and Kindergarten aged students for parents interested in enrolling their child at OLSS for the 2014 – 2015 school year.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Pre K 4 and Kindergarten Open Houses from 9AM -10AM on March 14**

**Pre K 3 Open Houses from 9AM -10AM on March 6<sup>th</sup>.**

Please consult the church bulletin or contact the school office. The school's telephone number is 718-984-5750. We look forward to meeting you at one of the scheduled Open Houses or Information Sessions. **\*OF COURSE, THE SCHOOL IS OPEN ANY TIME FOR WALK-IN REGISTRATIONS.**

### LIVE LOVE LAUGH – ANNUAL OLSS FASHION SHOW

Our Annual Fashion Show will be on March 27, 2014 @ The Hilton Garden Inn. If you would like to donate or ask any questions, please contact: Fashion Show Chairladies: Lisa Adragna 347-281-0976/Laura Giudice 917-582-5044/Lisa Kindya 917-453-4491.



### OLSS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

**Annual Golf Outing - Thurs., June 19, Grand Oaks Country Club.** Get your foursome together and come out to support your parish sports teams! For more info or to put your foursome in, contact Mia Marinaccio (718) -966-8860 or email to [miam133@aol.com](mailto:miam133@aol.com) (Information available on the [olssbasketball.com](http://olssbasketball.com) website) There will be prizes awarded and includes taking a swing for a hole in one to win a new car!

## ✓ Mark Your Calendar

### GROUP MEETINGS

**BOOK GROUP:** Our selection is The Lamb's Supper - The Mass as Heaven on Earth by Scott Hahn. The next meeting is on **March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM.** For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

**SEPARATED AND DIVORCED MINISTRY** – The group will resume in the Fall.

**NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** If you have experienced the loss of a loved one and would like to join our group, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 to register. **They meet on Wednesdays at 7:30PM; next meeting, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**BIBLE FAITH SHARING GROUPS:** The OLSS Faith Sharing/Bible Study series will continue with The Acts of the Apostles. New groups are now being formed. If you are interested in joining an existing group, or starting one of your own, please call the rectory at **718-984-0593.**

**50 PLUS CLUB:** The group meets in the Damato Meeting Room at 1PM. **The next meeting on Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> at 1PM.** Call Terry at (718) 317-1801 for more information.

**The 50 Plus Club will be going to see "Moses" at the Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, Pa. on Fri., April 25<sup>th</sup>. Price of \$129 includes admission, lunch at Miller's Smorgasbord, Transportation, tax and tips. For departure time and reservations, call Terry at the above number.**

**DRUG AWARENESS SUPPORT GROUP:** The group will meet in O'Mara Hall on **Thurs., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30PM.** At this meeting, you will be able to discuss any drug issues you may wish to bring up and people will be on hand to answer your questions. For more information, you can call Alicia Reddy at (646) 404-0637.

**MULTIPLE MYELOMA SUPPORT GROUP:** Interested patients, caregivers, family members and friends are encouraged to join this group, which meets on the second Wednesday Time: 7 to 9PM. at the Jewish Communion Center, 1466 Manor Road, SI, NY. For information: call Laura Mooney: (718) 524-6970 or [Slmyeloma@gmail.com](mailto:Slmyeloma@gmail.com). Group website: [www.statenisland.myeloma.org](http://www.statenisland.myeloma.org).

### 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

**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 Feb. 6 th.