

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 2, 2017

Announced Masses

Saturday, July 1

4:00PM Steven Pinto
5:30PM Mary & Frank Finn

Sunday, July 2

8:00AM Elizabeth Maldari
9:30AM Josephine Testaverde & Albert Young
11:00AM Luciano Di Giallonardo
12:30PM Anne Rodriguez
7:00 PM Domenick Palmieri

Monday, July 3

9:00AM John Strange

Tuesday, July 4

9:00 AM Thomas J. DeFelice

Wednesday July 5

9:00AM Edward Barone

Thursday, July 6

9:00AM Marianna Gallina

Friday, July 7

9:00AM Catherine Jiannetto

Saturday, July 8

9:00AM Jessica Cimino
4:00PM Deceased Members of the DeLuca
& Sanfilippo Families
5:30PM Leonard Wanglund

Sunday, July 9

8:00AM Edward & MaryAnn Brennan
9:30AM Anna Bernardini
11:00AM Cynthia Crane
12:30PM Santo Matarazzo
7:00 PM Marie Cancellieri & Sam Verello



Banns of Marriage



First Time: Dominic DeFilippo & Diana Andriano
Second Time: Frank Bulone & Genine Melani
Second Time: Michael Koniarski & Jaclyn Luciano
Third Time: Raymond Masucci & Tara Daniels
Third Time: Michael Barone & Christina Sgambati

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, August 27** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

PLEASE NOTE:

OLSS New Mass Schedule
Saturdays - 4 pm & 5:30 pm
Sundays - 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am,
12:30 pm & 7 pm

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of July 2-July 8

Given in Loving Memory of

John J. Murphy, Jr.

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, July 8

4:00PM E Vitiello
5:30PM C Losi

Eucharistic Ministers, July 8

4:00PM C Harris, A Lazzara, A Maffeo, A Petrocelli
& Dcn. Quadrino
5:30PM F Barone, F Ruggiero, Dcn. & M Quadrino

Lectors –Sunday, July 9

8:00AM M Higgins
9:30AM M Coppolo
11:00AM C Ambrosino
12:30PM A Deliso
7:00 PM G LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, July 9

8:00AM A Sparandera, C Rosato, A Shirazi, K Drisco,
& L Bauer
9:30AM S Hitchcock, M Iacono, J Prato, J Zinsley
& M Randazzo
11:00AM N Fallacaro, C&J Gerace, J Tolento & B Paccione
12:30PM V Acri, MA Russo, F&R Marino & C Belvedere
7:00PM J Limeri, K Melka, J Galletta, & M Recanatini

Altar Servers, Saturday, July 8

4:00PM V Pavlick, J Oliveri, & F Surace
5:30PM C&C Nieves, D Heidel

Altar Servers, Sunday, July 9

8:00AM N Shirazi
9:30AM S&G Artz
11:00AM P Marone, J Oliveri
12:30PM B&M Stackhouse
7:00PM S, N, & A Mejias



Sincere Condolences

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

Thomas Gucciardo, Sr., Theresa Stavola, Bart DeLauro

Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!



The Rectory office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. It will reopen on Wednesday, July 5 at 9 a.m.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

This is the first Sunday in July and we reminded that the Church celebrates this month the mystery of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus. This Eucharistic doctrine of faith reminds us that there is a deep mystery of Christ's blood shed upon the cross, as the supreme sacrifice for the forgiveness of all our sins. It is our participation in the atonement of Christ. The Precious Blood of Jesus is our protection against the wiles of the devil. You might hear evangelists in their prayer say, "Plead the Precious Blood of Jesus over us all". We who partake of the Holy Eucharist; who eat His body and drink His blood share in Jesus' Divine life. This is a life which transforms us.

This Sunday we inaugurate our new schedule of Masses. The only major changes are the 9:30 AM, 11:00AM and 12:30PM Masses will be offered and there will be no more 1:15PM Mass. The Saturday 4PM and 5:30PM, remain the same as does Sunday at 8AM and 7PM. We did this last summer and it worked for safety in the parking lot.

This weekend at the 11:00 AM Mass we are pleased to welcome back home Father Joseph Roesch, MIC from his Provincialate of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception Fathers in Rome. His parents and family join with us to celebrate his 25th Anniversary of Priesthood. In 1992, Father Joseph Roesch was ordained a priest in our church. What a tremendous gift to the priesthood, Father Joe is. His legacy with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, the Mercy Conferences at Cardinal Spellman High School in the Bronx, and the telecast on EWTN every Divine Mercy Sunday from Stockbridge, Massachusetts, has made his name known and loved all across our land. At present, he does a lot of traveling to the Marians around the world and it must be a wonder to him to see all the young American seminarians that have in recent years joined his community. After Mass, we invite you to O'Mara Hall for refreshments as well as to bid a fond farewell to his parents Bill and Kay Roesch. They will be moving to their new home in Palm Bay, Florida this month. Having been daily communicants at Mass with us, they are model couple of faithfulness and prayer. God bless the Roesch Family at this time. We will miss you but we thank you for your model of faithfulness.

I want to express my condolences and compassion to the parishioners of Saint John Neumann since their parish has been incorporated into Saint Joseph and Saint Thomas in Pleasant Plains. Change is very hard and when, for almost 40 years, a spiritual home no longer exists, there must be a definite grief process. I am asking all of you to pray for the people of Saint John Neumann during this transitional time. Please welcome wholeheartedly our brothers and sisters in the faith and know we are in solidarity with them.

Recently I went to Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio with Deacon James Quadrino and our seminarian, Carmine Caruso for the Priest, Deacon and Seminarians Conference. It was a powerful experience, "Fan into the Flame the gift of the Holy Spirit". The talks were all inspiring and challenging. While I was there, I had the chance to meet with several clergy from all over the USA. I discovered that there is a reorganizational process that is also painful in the Pittsburgh Diocese. It seems over the next several years 188 parishes will be reduced to 49. I can't imagine how difficult this is for all the faithful there, so we are in prayer for these tough times we live in. We do know that God will never abandon us and that through this we have hope for an enduring future. Have a safe summer and may you all be refreshed.

May God bless you!

Fr. Tom Devery

OLSS Soccer Registration

Registration forms may still be dropped off at the Rectory for the 17-18 Season. Registration fees \$200 for SIYSL players, \$150 for Pee Wee & 3 yr. olds and \$125 for siblings. Visit the website www.olsssoccer.com for registration form and more details.



Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Christopher Balk, Catherine Biondillo, Sarah Brodine, Serafina Carlone, Victor Cervone, Michael Colini, Lou Corread, Dominick D'Argenio, John DeLuca, Cindy Diaz, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Thomas Paul Gaither, Kim Giangregorio, Herbert Gruberger, William Massi, Anthony Medeiros, Anne Merlino, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Betty Popick, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Fred Reyes, Caesar Russo, Alex Sepiol, Robert Stranberg Sr. 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.**

Healing Service

There will be a **Healing Service on Tuesday, July 18 at 3:30 p.m.** Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **Please note: Due to the Independence Day holiday, there will not be a Healing Mass on July 4. The next Healing Mass will be August 1 at 7:30 pm.**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Volunteers Needed!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held each week, Monday-Thursday in the OLSS Chapel from 12 Noon-5pm. Volunteers, or Adorers, sign up for one hour shifts to sit with our Lord during this time. We welcome you to sign up for any one hour, however, we are in urgent need of Adorers to sit for the following time:

Tuesdays 2-3 PM & 3-4 PM

If you can find some time in your day to participate in Adoration, please call Carol Ordy at 917-536-8576.



OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



The school office will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9am-12pm during the month of July.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Religious Education Office is CLOSED for the summer.

The next date for registering your child for Religious Education will be on Tuesday, September 5 at 11:00 am.

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.

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)



Camp Pricing:

Full Day - \$260 Weekly, \$85 Daily
Half Day - \$185 Weekly, \$50 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

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. 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.

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – Meetings will resume in September. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Widowed Club – A group is available for widows and widowers to come together and share their experiences. The meetings will resume in September. For more information, 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 - OLSS Book club meetings will resume in September. Consult the bulletin for further details or contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

Holy Name Society – The next meeting for the Holy Name Society will be on **Wed., September 6 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.

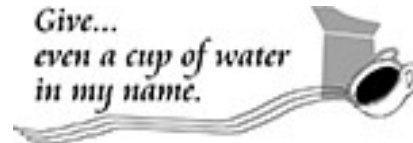
Faith-Sharing Group – The Sons & Daughters of Mary meets on Fridays from 10-11 am in the Rectory Basement.

Legion of Mary – The next meeting of the OLSS Legion of Mary will be **Monday, July 10 at 7:30 pm** in the Rectory Basement. There will be Guardian Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily chapel from **12 Noon – 3 pm on Friday, July 7.**

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary would like to visit anyone who is homebound to bring communion or just to sit and keep company. Please contact the rectory to have someone from the Legion of Mary call you.

Give...
even a cup of water
in my name.



Cluster Corner – 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. 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

Cluster Parish Events

Remembering Father Benedict Groeschel

Saturday, July 22 at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Exposition, benediction & Prayer service following the 4:30 pm Mass. Reception and fellowship to follow. All are welcome

Join us for a special service remembering this holy priest where special intentions will be made for those afflicted by mental health issues and those in poverty. For more info, contact Dr. Constance J. Salhany at 347-273-1290 or info@cognitivetherapysi.com.





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 444 families have made pledges totaling \$159,615. We are at 89% 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

Suggested total pledge: 5 Monthly Payments of:

\$5,000.....	\$1,000
\$2,500.....	\$500
\$1,000.....	\$200
\$500.....	\$100
\$250.....	\$50

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Parish _____

E-Mail _____

Total Gift _____ Amt Enclosed _____

Balance _____

Choose your payment method:

Personal check payable to: **The Cardinal's Appeal**

Credit Card (complete below): American Exp – Visa – MasterCard

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ Amt \$ _____

Please charge:

One Time Amt of \$ _____ OR \$ _____ each month for _____ months.

Signature: _____

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Goretti Group Event

Feast of St. Maria Goretti



Join us Thursday, July 6th for the Feast of St. Maria Goretti. The event will begin at 6:30 PM with music and 7 PM Mass with Bishop Peter J. Byrne. A potluck dinner will follow. Bring your favorite dish! Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd., Staten Island, NY 10314)

University Hospice 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. University Hospice is recruiting those interested in becoming a hospice volunteer. 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 Angela DeMarco at 718-226-6458. The next volunteer training will be held on **Saturday, July 22 at 9:00 am** at University Hospice, 78 Meisner Avenue, SI, NY.

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 **July 6**.

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 Ceremony Dates

EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm

Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

July 9 & 23, August 13 & 27, September 10 & 24

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center. Baptism Ceremonies take place in the Church. **Beginning July 2, 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 evening or Sunday. The **PERSON REQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE MUST** see the priest **AFTER ATTENDING THE MASS** to request one.

FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

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"Whoever receives you receives me and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me... And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because this little one is a disciple, amen, I say to you he will surely not lose his reward."

One of the gifts Pope Francis extols, is the gift of hospitality. In our families, in our church, we have the ability to open the door and make others feel welcome. A familiar Irish expression reads "A Hundred Thousand Welcome."

Elisha the prophet in the Book of Kings, was offered hospitality by a wealthy woman, and she was rewarded for her gift. The person ready and willing to give **ONLY** a cup of cold water in the name of Jesus to a little one will not go without a reward.

In the past, it was not common to see people carrying a water bottle in public. Sometimes we looked for a fountain for a drink. Maybe the gift of water and hospitality for us can be welcoming a stranger, assisting someone in need, listening to a person who has suffered a loss or suffering a sickness. Whatever gesture I offer can be the Elisha gesture and the water offering, which might seem small, but does not go unrewarded.