

MARCH 30, 2014
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
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, March 29, 2014

9:00AM Gerard Kelly
4:00PM Deceased Members of Puglisi and Serrantonio Fms.
5:30PM Isabella Imbornone

Sunday, March 30, 2014

8:00AM Mary Mele
9:15AM Ida Caiozzo
10:30AM Ana Santos
12 Noon Natalizia Cavicchio
1:15PM Lillian Visceglia
7:00PM Nicholas Bellino

Monday

9:00AM Anna, Louis and Terese Friscia

Tuesday

9:00AM Karen DePalma

Wednesday

9:00AM Linda Welch

Thursday

9:00AM Giuseppe Emanuele

Friday

9:00AM Alfonse Favale

Saturday, April 5, 2014

9:00AM Amy Maniscalco
4:00PM Deceased Members of DiAntonio and Gesualdi Family and Mary Hughes
5:30PM Deceased Members of Castelucci and Gagliardi Fms.

Sunday, April 6, 2014

8:00AM Peter Ruden
9:15AM Salvatore Giudice
10:30AM John Del Rosso
12 Noon Anna Stacey
1:15PM Netta Scimecca
7:00PM Josephine Pellegrini

Hero/Saint of the Week: Blessed Seraphina (Fina) Virgin
March 30th.

Seraphina was born in the 13th century in Tuscany of poor parents, but despite poverty she always saved half her food for the poor. At home, she was a recluse, sewing, spinning and spending most nights in prayer. At a young age, after her father's death, Seraphina was stricken with a painful paralysis. To be more "Christ like," she asked to be placed on a plank, where she was unable to move or turn. She often prayed, "It is not my wounds but yours, O Christ, that hurt me." Although not a nun, she followed the Benedictine way of life. After her mother's death, no one wanted to help her because of the repulsive sores on her body. She prayed to St. Gregory, the Great, who also suffered from disease. It is believed that Gregory revealed the day of her death in a vision. She died on March 12, 1253, and many miracles were reported through her intercession. (JM)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP WEEK OF
MARCH 30, 2014
IN MEMORY OF ANTHONY PEPE
FROM HIS LOVING FAMILY

Lectors – Saturday, April 5, 2014

4:00PM G. LaGrua, E. Vitiello

5:30PM M. Andreola, C. Losi

Eucharistic Ministers, Saturday, April 5, 2014

4:00PM L. Barbato, J. Coscia, M. Recantini

F. Barone, C. Biondolillo, J. Uhlman, A. McCoy

5:30PM J. Prato, M. Sicari, A. Dazio, C. Barone,

R. Taranto, A. Maffeo, J. Cimino

Lectors – Sunday, April 6, 2014

8:00AM MJ Truckenbrodt, L. Bauer

9:15AM T. O'Connell, E. Newborn

10:30AM M. Coppolo, M. Newell

12 Noon A. Pompei, M. Higgins

1:15PM MA Higgins

7:00PM J. Limeri, T. Palmieri

Eucharistic Ministers – April 6, 2014

8:00AM T. Daluise, P. Zoltowski, M. Ennis, R. Bauer, J. Perdichizzi, J. Stanzione, P. DeLuca

9:15AM T. Strange, M.E. Carey, C. Rosato, M. Vierno, M. & S. Hitchcock, R. Corbett

10:30AM C. Ordy, M. Sprague, G. & E. Riozzi, E. Talorico, B. Paccione, B. Barone

12 Noon D. Zaiano, J. Tolento, A. Mannetti, F. & R. Marino, F. Palazzo, S. Catalano

1:15PM A. McCoy, C. Houle, C. Messina, V. Acri, B. Higgins, A. Deliso, T. Scaramuzzo

7:00PM D. McCumisky, K. Melka, G. Scotto, R. Scarpati, M. Recanatini, S. Caiazza, B. Volpicello

Fifth Sunday of Lent:

Saturday, April 5, 2014:

4:00 P.M.: Domenick Cavicchio, Leonardo Cavicchio, Joseph Martino, Kristen Martino

5:30 P.M.: Michael Losi, Alfred Romani, Gianna Sicari, Vincent Sicari

Sunday, April 6, 2014:

8:00 A.M.: Jonathan Mele, Noelle Mele, Gino Tucci, Nicholas Tucci

9:15 A.M.: Maria Coelho, Francesca Scarmato, Gabriella Scarmato, Keryn Lee

10:30 A.M.: Francesca Auriti, Angela Auriti, Anthony Castelle, Guliana Gulotta

12:00 P.M.: Joseph Esposito, Josellina Nardulli, Nick Rotondi, Robert Ruszkowski

1:15 P.M.: Catherine Nieves, Felicia Nieves, Tyler Nieves, Chloe Trang

7:00 P.M.: Michael Brophy, Luigi Caiazza, PJ Caiazza, Christina Rubin, Jake Rubin



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

SECOND BANNS: Frank Maglio and Jennifer Bennett

THIRD BANNS: Janine Liotta Costa and Joseph Porretto

MASS CELEBRANTS

Sat. – March 29, 2014

4:00PM Msgr. V. Bartley

5:30PM Msgr. V. Bartley

Sunday – March 30, 2014

8:00AM Msgr. Peter Smith

9:15AM Msgr. Peter Smith

10:30AM Msgr. Jeff Conway

12 Noon Msgr. Jeff Conway

1:15PM Msgr. A. Komosa

7:00PM Msgr. Jeff Conway

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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 or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME: Ext. 3.

MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR BRIDES AND GROOMS

On Sunday, April 27 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. Next workshop: June 29th, at 8:15PM.

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.

THE NEXT HEALING SERVICE: TUES., APRIL 1ST, AT 3:30PM.

THE NEXT HEALING MASS: TUES., APRIL 15TH AT 8:00PM.



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The parish family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offers our sincere condolences to the families of the deceased:

Arthur R. Kelly, David S. Perez, Matt Conroy
and Eileen Reybert



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Pauline Adams, Denise Armore, Betty Barton, Barbara Boscia, Jillian Cannon, Nicoletta Caputo, Stephanie Cerchio, P.O. Thomas Choi, Ethel Cohen, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Jaime Cucuzza, Joseph Curreri, Gemma Deliso, John Emigholz, Sr., Joseph Ennis, Juliette Gerbino, Lorraine Hamer, Thomas Hoban, Kim Kuchler, Thomas Lamantia, Corazon Landivar, William Magrini, Jr., Jim Mauro, Tiffany Mezzacappa, Thomas Oddo, Lucy Peters, Camille Polly, Joseph Puglisi, Carmen and John Ragona, Denise Santanella, Anthony Saporito, Celeste Setty, Adrienne Sienicki, Lorraine Skelly, Donna Slavin, Dan Speranzo, Jr., Jennifer Spinelli, Joan Squillante and Adriane Toscano.

LENT 2014

Reconciliation Monday: The Archdiocese of New York has designated **Monday, April 14th as Reconciliation Monday** to give everyone an opportunity to receive the sacrament. All parishes within the Archdiocese will hear confession on that day. We will hear confessions from 3-9 p.m.

Confessions: Confessions: Saturday from 3:30 to 4PM and from 5 to 5:30PM in the Church. Last confessions before Easter: Good Friday, April 18th, from 12 Noon to 2:30PM.

Fast and Abstinence: Good Friday, April 18th, is a day of fast and abstinence. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 19-59.

Stations of the Cross: are held every Friday at 8PM during Lent. On Good Friday, April 18th, we will hold Meditation on the Passion of Jesus Christ in word and song through the Eyes of His Mother Mary at 8PM in the Church.

Mission at Our Lady Star of the Sea: Fr. Anthony Ciorra will be conducting our Parish Lenten Mission from Monday, April 7th to Wednesday, April 9th, at 8PM. A RETREAT WITH POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis has captured the minds and the hearts of the world by his message, vision, and personal example. He gives us a compelling and convincing way to live the gospel in the twenty-first century. This retreat will focus on his message, stories, and wisdom. Just as he excludes no one, everyone is welcome to come to these three enlightening, entertaining, and enjoyable evenings.

Healing Masses and Services: Healing Service on April 1st at 3:30PM, Healing Mass, April 15th at 8PM.

Lenten Love offering: Jesus challenges us each Lent to show our love for one another by reaching out to help those in need. In Chapter 25 of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks about those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, and those in prison. Each one of us can make a difference. Your contributions will help various service organizations who assist the multiple needs of individuals and families. Thank you for your help in bringing hope to our sisters and brothers in need. Please return your love offering boxes to the Church on the weekend of April 5/6 (week before Palm Sunday).



OLSS DOLPHIN SUMMER CAMP

Monday July 7th Through August 15th, 9 to 3:30PM. Campers must be entering Pre-K4 to 8th Grade September 2014. To register and for additional information E-Mail Camp Director Linda Fusillo linsoap@aol.com. Early bird special: \$225 per week (10% savings if paid by April 20th). \$40 - half day daily \$75 - full day daily and \$175 half day per week. Extended days available for additional cost. Camp held at OLSS, 5411 Amboy Rd. Activities include arts and crafts and outdoor activities.



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

April 27th
May 11th and May 25th
June 15th
(Note different date in June)
July 13th and July 27th
Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th

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

April 27th
May 11th and May 25th
June 15th
(Note different date in June)
July 13th and July 27th
Aug. 10th and Aug. 24th

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.

OLSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2014

Students currently attending our program will receive re-registration forms during the month of March. Please return the forms to your child's teacher or mail to the Religious Education office before **May 22, 2014** to take advantage of our reduced rates. Anyone needing evening classes must return their form no later than April 10, 2014. **Registration will be held in OLSS School Office of Religious Education on Wednesday, April 2, 2014 – 1:00PM – 2:30PM.** When registering, please have your Parish Envelope number and proof of Sacraments your child received.

There are no changes in the fees. They are:

\$200 for 1 child; \$275 for 2 or more; Evening \$250 for 1 child; \$350 for 2 or more ; After May 22nd \$250 for 1 child; \$325 for 2 or more children.

For more information call: Rel. Education at (718) 984-1885.

SCHOOL NEWS



OLSS EIGHTH GRADER WINS GRAND PRIZE

Congratulations to OLSS eighth grade student James Strong on his *Grand Prize* win in Scholastic Science World Magazine's *Pick A Science Partner* Contest! This was a national competition open to students between the ages of 10 and 18 from all 50 states. James had to demonstrate skills in science and language arts as well as creativity and innovation. Contestants had to design an experiment or an invention and then choose a scientist or inventor from the past or present on the basis of how well they could work together on the project. James chose Elisha Otis, inventor of the braking system used in many elevators, to work with him on his invention called "Crane Cable Safety Brakes". James explained his invention was created with the safety of crane operators, construction workers, and citizens of cities, where high rise construction projects and repairs take place, in mind. He said, "The most important thing I can say about my invention is that it can save people's lives, and it can prevent costly damage to buildings and construction sites." James Strong's project will be on display along with many other projects designed by OLSS students in grades 5 through 8 on March 20, 2014, at our annual awesome showing of "science power-OLSS style"! Our school science fair provides a wonderful venue for the budding scientists and inventors to present their projects. Kudos to James on a fantastic win and a job well done!

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Reading I	1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a (Samuel anoints David)
Reading II	Ephesians 5:8-14 (duty to live in the light)
Gospel	John 9:1-41 (the man born blind)
Key Passage:	For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light-for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. (Ephesians 5:8-9)
Adult:	<i>What are you doing in your right now to move toward light rather than darkness?</i>
Child:	<i>How can you let the light of your faith in Jesus shine for others to see?</i>

GROUP MEETINGS

BOOK GROUP: Next meeting is on **April 10th at 7:30PM.** For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Next Meeting is **Wednesdays, April 2, 2014, at 7:30PM** in the Rectory.

PARISH COUNCIL: **Monday, April 14th at 6PM,** in the Rectory Basement. If you cannot attend, please send a report.

50 PLUS CLUB: The next meeting is on **Thurs., April 24th at 1PM.** In the Damato Meeting Room. 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 25th. 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., April 10th, 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.



50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2014 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Saturday, June 14th or Sunday, June 15th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tuesday, May 13th, 2014.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life † Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

25th AND 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AT OLSS

Couples celebrating their 25th and 50th Anniversaries during 2014 will be honored here at OLSS on Sunday, June 8th, at the 1:15PM Mass, celebrated by Msgr. Jeff in the Cardinal's name, followed by a reception in O'Mara Hall. All eligible couples who are registered parishioners and who have been registered for at least a year should call the Rectory by May 26th between 9 and 4PM and leave your name, phone, envelope number and wedding date.

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 April 3rd.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE

479 Gifts \$131,686

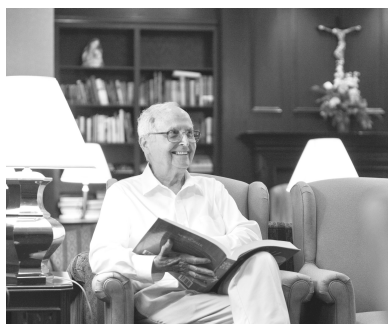
This represents 70% of our goal of \$189,000.

In Pew Weekend Update

A special thank you to our generous parishioners for making our in-pew weekend one of the most successful in the Archdiocese. We received \$41,858 in pledges from 174 donors. It's not too late – you can still make a donation to the Cardinal's Appeal to help us meet our goal of \$189,000. God Bless you for your generosity!



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CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL
Sharing God's Gifts 2014



Our priests dedicated their lives to providing us with spiritual strength and guidance. Let us show our gratitude by making sure they are taken care of when they retire.

LET US SHOW APPRECIATION TO OUR PRIESTS

Through support from the *Appeal*, the John Cardinal O'Connor Our Lady of Consolation residences care for our retired priests.

The *Appeal* also ensures that the fund for retired religious exceeds \$1 million each year.

You can also make your gift online at **www.cardinalsappeal.org**

May God bless you for your generosity.