

Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 16, 2016
Announced Masses

Saturday, October 15

4:00PM John F. Peterson
5:30PM Flavia Laterza

Sunday, October 16

8:00AM Joseph Casazza, Sr.
9:15AM Michele & Maria Mandara
10:30AM Vincent D'Agostino
12 Noon Ella Milo
1:15PM Bernie & Grace Weiss & Mary McClain
7:00PM Virginia Falletta

Monday, October 17

9:00AM Donald Cossean

Tuesday, October 18

9:00 AM Joseph Levantino

Wednesday, October 19

9:00AM Pina Maria Monaco

Thursday, October 20

9:00AM Rae Ausiello

Friday, October 21

9:00AM Joseph Aluotto

Saturday, October 22

9:00AM Alison Caminero
4:00PM Jeanie Ann Maffeo
5:30PM Mario Schiera

Sunday, October 23

8:00AM Michael Briody
9:15AM Deceased Members of FDNY Engine 224
10:30AM Deceased Members of the Dowd
 and Vulpi Families
12 Noon Antoinette & Patrick McCoy
1:15PM Frank Fiumano
7:00PM John Gallahue

St. Gerard Magella - October 16

Gerard was born in Maro, Italy in 1726. At age 23 he joined the Redemptorists order and became a lay brother in 1752. He was a model of obedience and purity, and possessed extraordinary wisdom and mystical abilities such as prophecy, healing, bilocation and reading of consciences. He spent his life helping the needy and poor. Once, an expectant mother fearing the loss of her baby asked Gerard to pray for her. He obliged and the baby was born healthy. Through St. Gerard, God worked many miracles and cures. His charity, obedience and his ceaseless mortifications made him the perfect model of lay brothers. He became afflicted with tuberculosis and died in 1755 at age 29. St. Gerard is the patron saint of expectant mothers. -JM



Banns of Marriage

First Time: John Fazio & Jacqueline Brophy
First Time: Michael Mancino & Kierstin Gregoriades
Third Time: Rosario Gallo & Stacey Beggs
Third Time: Anthony Cucurullo & Marissa Poli

Wedding Music Workshop

The next wedding music workshop for brides & grooms will be at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sun, October 30**. At this time, you will be able to select your wedding music.



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FAITHFUL

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of October 16-22
Given in Memory of
Dolly Franchini

Donated by Mr. & Mrs. Sebastian Angelico

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors - Saturday, October 22

4:00PM B Weir
5:30PM C Losi

Eucharistic Ministers, October 22

4:00PM C Harris, A Lazzara, J Coscia, M Sprague,
 C Biondolillo & F Monte
5:30PM N Villani, V Aciri, F Ruggiero, C Bottiglia
 & J Cimino

Lectors - Sunday, October 23

8:00AM M Andreola
9:15AM E Newborn
10:30AM M Pinto
12 Noon C Messina
1:15 PM MA Higgins
7:00 PM J Limeri

Eucharistic Ministers, October 23

8:00AM R&L Bauer, C Rosato, J Stanzione & M Molinini
9:15AM D Avena, S Hitchcock, Sr. Rosemary, L Appel
 & L Capobianco
10:30AM T Strange, N Fallacaro, C Ordy, B Paccione,
 E&G Riozzi
12 Noon C Bottiglia, S Catalano, F&R Marino, J Prato
1:15PM B Higgins, B Peters, MA Russo, J Tolento
7:00PM G LaGrua, A Zuffante, M Recanatini

Altar Servers, Saturday, October 22

4:00PM D Cavicchio
5:30PM R&C Nicholaou

Altar Servers, Sunday, October 23

8:00AM J Bell
9:15AM M Esposito
10:30AM N Mele, K Lee
12 Noon G Vassallo, C Carr
1:15PM G Gulotta
7:00PM R Faljean

Sincere Condolences



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

**Jack Foerst, Nicholas Manisero, Roberta Meringolo,
 Cathy Decker, Carmen Cravatto**

A Step Beyond:

A Course in Bereavement Counseling & Ministry

If you are interested in learning more about leading bereavement counseling and ministry, there will be a free course on Monday evenings through November 7 at 7:30 pm in St. Patrick's Rectory (53 St. Patrick's Place, SINY 10306). Contact the Rectory at 718-351-0044 for more information.

Rectory Office Closed for Lunch

The Rectory Office is closed for one hour, during lunchtime, from 1 PM to 2 PM, Monday to Friday. Please refrain from telephoning or visiting during these hours unless it is an emergency. We thank you for your cooperation.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

We are well into the autumn season. Trees are changing color, the warmer side of summer has left us and we feel those cooler breezes these days and jackets and sweat shirts are now being worn. We are beyond the Columbus Day Holiday and so what's happening here in Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish say between now and Thanksgiving weekend? Well in a word – plenty. We have a number of events upcoming that I would like to draw your attention to.

33 Days to Morning Glory by Father Michael Gaitley, MIC will be the text of the Consecration of our parishioners to Mary, beginning November 5th and culminating on December 8th. Father David Rider, will be leading us in this Marian Consecration. Some 97 people signed up to say they would do this. Father David will hold a meeting to explain the elements of this spiritual retreat. Stay tuned for further information.

Our Lady Star of the Sea Variety Show will take place on Friday and Saturday in O'Mara Hall the weekend of November 12-13. What a talented cast of thousands! A smorgasbord of musical talent and tickets will soon go on sale. Please join us for a few hours of fun and family entertainment.

OLSS School Trunk or Treat will be a huge bring out the family event of costumed fun that will take place just before Halloween. Our school Parents' Association made this a huge hit last year and the creativity of our families was phenomenal. Come join us that Friday evening before Halloween for a safe and fun time.

We are still accepting names for the **Memorial Christmas Tree Drive** for the Advent – Christmas Season. The cost is \$250 a tree. Please see the RSVP form in the bulletin for more details on reserving your tree.

On November 4th at 7:30 PM we will have a **special Mass of Remembrance** for all the families of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish who have lost a beloved family member. There will be the reading of names of all the parishioners who have died and had a funeral here at OLSS during the past 12 months. Candles and roses will be distributed. This is being organized by the Bereavement Ministry of our parish and all are invited. It is a moving experience of faith and comfort and remembrance.

Please, if you haven't had the opportunity before November 26th to visit one of the Shrines dedicated to the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy and walk through the **Door of Mercy**, plan to go to confession and receive these enormous graces. Designated parishes in Brooklyn are the Basilica of Regina Pacis, Saint Joseph's Cathedral, & Saint James Cathedral. In Manhattan they are the Basilica of Old Saint Patrick's Cathedral, Saint Patrick's Cathedral, the Shrine of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini in Washington Heights, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Shrine in Middletown, NY and the Marian Shrine of Don Bosco in Haverstraw, NY. **The Jubilee ends on the Feast of Christ the King, November 26th.**

On October 26th and 27th at 4PM, that is a Wednesday and Thursday, Bishop John O'Hara and then Bishop Peter Byrne will celebrate for our 8th grade students the **Sacraments of Confirmation**. As these young men and women prepare for this sacred moment in their lives, please pray for them that they will be open their whole life long to the Holy Spirit.

Next Monday afternoon at 3PM until Friday noon I will be attending a **Pastor's Conference in Spring Lake, New Jersey**. Several speakers from the Chancery Office and inspirational Speakers including Cardinal Dolan will spend time with us about the current state of affairs and renewal in the days ahead. Please keep us in your prayers.

I am very pleased and delighted with the parishioners who have availed themselves of **Sister Jean Wagner's course on the Gospel of Luke** held on Thursdays at 10AM and 7:30 PM. I have heard favorable reports. I am also well pleased with the group of men gathering every Sunday Morning in the basement of the rectory for Morning Prayer of the Church and a Scripture Study for Sunday's readings from 7AM to 8:30 AM. If you are free come and join us.

I forgot to mention that we have **ELECTION DAY** Tuesday, November 8th and **ALL SAINTS DAY**, a holy day of Obligation on November 1st. We are praying for our nation's leaders and the healing of our country after a most contentious campaign. Please be sure to make your vote count.

By the grace of God and with deep gratitude for His abundant goodness of November 5th, I will celebrate **my 39th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood**. I am so privileged and thrilled to be called your pastor. Please keep me in your prayers.

So I think, I've mentioned all 12 special events here between now and when we sit down to our turkey on Thanksgiving. Have a blessed week.

May our Lord's Jubilee graces bless our parish.

Father Tom Devery

Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service on **Tues, October 18 @ 3:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. *(Due to November 1 being a Holy Day-All Saints Day, there will be a healing service on Tuesday, November 1, after the conclusion of the 8 pm Mass.)*

All Souls Remembrance

Please return the "All Souls Remembrance" forms to the church as soon as possible and write the names of your deceased loved ones on the form. Please use these forms, not the Nov. 1 collection envelope to record the names. These memorial forms will be placed in our sanctuary in the Basket of Remembrance during the month of November.

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



Reminders:

- There will be a mandatory **Reconciliation Meeting** for all Grade 2 parents on **Monday, October 17 at 7:30pm** in **O'Mara Hall**.
- Our annual coat drive is this **Wednesday, October 19**. All coats collected will go to needy families right here on Staten Island. Please send in coats with your child on Wednesday.
- Please keep our 8th graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on **October 26** and take the TACHS exam on **November 4**.
- Our annual Bake Sale will take place next weekend, **Oct. 22 & 23**. Stop by O'Mara Hall for a delicious treat after Mass.
- Trunk or Treat for OLSS students is on **Friday, October 28 @ 6pm!** Get your trunks ready for this frightfully fun event!

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

- Msgr. Farrell High School** (2900 Amboy Rd., SINY)
Sunday, October 16 from 11:30 am - 3:00 pm
- St. Joseph by-the-Sea High School** (5150 Hylan Blvd, SINY)
Girls-Sunday, October 16 from 1 pm – 4 pm
Boys-Sunday, October 23 from 1 pm – 4 pm
- Notre Dame Academy High School** (134 Howard Ave, SINY)
Sunday, October 23 from 1 pm – 4 pm
- St. John Villa Academy High School** (25 Landis Ave, SINY)
Saturday, October 29 from 11 am – 3 pm
- St. Joseph Hill Academy High School** (25 Landis Ave, SINY)
Sunday, October 30 from 11:30 am – 2:30 pm

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

Please see the following information on the choirs at OLSS. All rehearsals are held in the church. If you would like to join a choir, please come to the rehearsal.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR: The Children's Choir sings at the 9:15 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Children who are in the 1st through 6th grade are eligible. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 3:45 PM.

TRADITIONAL CHOIR: The Traditional Choir sings at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays, and is open to members 18 years or older. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 6 PM.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR: Please note that we have lowered the age for the contemporary choir. If you are going into the 7th Grade or older, you may join. This is a good opportunity for Confirmation Service Hours. The Contemporary Choir sings at the 7 p.m. Sunday Mass. Rehearsals are on Sunday nights at 5:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Lady Star of the Sea Theater Group
presents

As Time Goes By - 2016

A look back at the past 60 years through music and comedy in retrospect. Performances Friday, November 11 & Saturday, November 12 at 8 pm. Tickets - \$25 per person, Seniors & Children 12 and under \$20.

For information & reservations, call 718-984-0593.

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

October 23, November 13 & 27, December 11

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.

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Baby Noah, Norma Bolanos, Vincenza Caccano, Serafina Carlone, Patsy Cassano, Angela Chinchilla, Ethyl Cohen, David Colon, Nanette Colon, Marion Concadora, Morgan Coop, Rafaella Cosenstino, Liseth Dixon, Jeanette Dovile, Michael Durante, Zenia Enciso, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Antoinette Gallo, Herbert Gruberger, Baby Joseph Hale, Matthew Hall, Scott Herman, Thomas Lamantia, Thomas Lanza, Lelle Lazanek, Cecelia Leo, Saydi Leon, Anne Merlino, Ralph Pagliuca, Joseph Pavio, Ann Marie Pederson, Sue Perinuzzi, Camille Polly, Rochelle & Joe Puglisi, Eva Ragona, John & Carmine Ragona, Ivan Rodriguez, Caesar Russo, Lucrecia Santos, Jamie Seaman, Celeste Setty, Donna Slavin, Margaret Smith, Trevor Spataro, Sharon Thomas, Dora Valiente, Lisa & Dustin Vasquez, Thomas Vecchi
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.

Group Meetings

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

Bereavement Group – The Bereavement Group meetings are held in the rectory on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm. The next meeting will be **October 19**. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, we encourage you to join us.

Book Club - The next meeting of the book club will be **Thursday, November 3 at 7:30 PM** in the Rectory. New members are always welcome. Our next selection is **Humility of Heart** by Fr. Cajetan Mary Da Bergamo (Veritatis Splendor Publications). 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 **Tuesday, October 25 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.

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.

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 – Sibling Support Group meeting on **Tues., Nov. 15 at 7 pm** in the **Damato Mtg. Room**. Parent Support Group meeting will be **Thurs., Oct. 20 at 7 pm in O'Mara Hall**. 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 **November 3**.

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

Cluster Activities

St. John Neumann Kidz Klub events

Email SJNKidz@gmail.com for more information on all events.

Halloween Cultural Celebration: Saturday, October 29th from 10am - 12pm in the Rectory Basement. \$5 pre-registered; \$8 at door. Costumes, crafts, customs, treats & more.

Pizza night: 6th - 8th graders are invited for pizza and game night on Saturday, November 5th from 6 - 8pm in the Rectory Basement. \$6 pre-registered; \$8 at door.

Christmas Crafts: Saturday, November 26th from 10am - 12pm in the parish hall. Spirit-filled stories, music, and beautiful projects. \$8 pre-registered; \$10 at door.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Youth Leadership Meeting

All public & private high school students are invited to attend a meeting at St. Charles School Auditorium on **Wednesday, October 26th at 6:15 pm**. All students will gain service hours and leadership experience in planning St. Catholic Youth Fest which will be held on March 11, 2017 at Moore Catholic High School. Contact Dcn. Steve at cyminsi@gmail.com for more info.

Addiction Angels

present:

“Scared Straight”

A forum to help make children aware of the horrific effects of drug abuse!

**Tottenville High School
October 25th at 7:00 PM**

For more information, or if anyone is in need of help, please contact Alicia Palermo Reddy – Addiction Angel at 646-404-0637.

St. Francis Catholic Singles

Afternoon Retreat

St. Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will meet at Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd) on **Saturday, October 29 starting at 1:15 pm** – ‘The Law of the Gift’: An Afternoon Retreat with Fr. David Rider. Afternoon will include talk, faith sharing, confessions and 5 pm Mass. (There will be an optional dinner get together following the mass) Cost of the retreat is \$15. Please make payment in advance with a check made out to CASH mailed to Holy Family Parish, 366 Watchogue Rd. SI, NY 10314 postmarked by Monday, 10/24. Sponsored by SFCS & the Goretti Group. All are welcome. For more information, find us on Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, email sfcssi@gmail.com or check our website: www.sgspsi.org.

Announcement on Child Protection

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

DON'T MISS OUT!

2nd Annual OLSS Christmas Tree Drive



Families of OLSS are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2016 Advent Season. Each tree will be lighted, have a laminated dedication card, and displayed on the Parish grounds. The details will be provided at a future date. The cost to dedicate a tree is \$250 & all proceeds will benefit our Parish. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis. No tree can be guaranteed without payment. Please fill out the registration form below & return with payment to the Rectory. Any questions, please email olsshns@gmail.com or call 984-0593.

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

*Our Lady Star of the Sea - 2016 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, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

_____ *Check Enclosed for \$250, payable to OLSS*