

Our Lady Star of the Sea
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 8, 2017
Announced Masses

Saturday, October 7

4:00PM Vera DiCapua
5:30PM Carmine Esposito

Sunday, October 8

8:00AM Eleanor Lucid
9:30AM Gustane Martine & Vincent Ottaviano
11:00AM Angelina Behrens & Kim Batalitzky
12:30PM Joan White
7:00 PM John Calabrese

Monday, October 9

9:00AM Rev. Owen K. Gartland

Tuesday, October 10

9:00 AM Nancy Catapano

Wednesday, October 11

9:00AM Cathy Decker

Thursday, October 12

9:00AM Vincent D'Agostino

Friday, October 13

9:00AM Thomas Wakeham

Saturday, October 14

9:00AM Maria Eladia, Pepita & Maria Joaquina Gomez
4:00PM Christopher Amoroso & Andre Graziano
5:30PM Anthony Carlucci

Sunday, October 15

8:00AM Joseph DeLuca
9:30AM Thomas DeLuca
11:00AM Franca Friscia
12:30PM Nicholas & Carol Barbaro
7:00 PM Thomas Cullen

Banns of Marriage



2nd Time: Michael Rosario & Brittany Mejia
3rd Time: Brian Thomasen & Lauren Vlassenko
3rd Time: Andrew Lалlos & Gianna Sindone
3rd Time: Michael Fernandez & Leah Arato
3rd Time: Christopher Cooper & LouAnn Haran

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, October 29** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.

UPCOMING OLSS EVENTS

OLSS Movie Night – October 13 at 7:30 pm

On Friday, October 13th, we will be showing "Our Lady of Fatima" in **O'Mara Hall at 7:30 pm**. We invite those who have seen it and especially those who have not. Bring your children so they too can learn about Our Lady.

Rosary Crusade



In this historic year of the 100th anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary's apparitions at Fatima, we ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on **Saturday, October 14 at 9:45 am** in front of OLSS. Please contact Sabrina at 347-871-3737 for more information.

The Sanctuary Lamp for the
Week of October 8-14

Given in Memory of

Dominick Zizzamia

Donated by Fran & Joe Zaza

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – Saturday, October 14

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

Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, October 14

4:00PM J Butalid, E Burns, C Harris, A Petrocelli,
& C Messina
5:30PM M Lappin, C Houle, N Villani, A Maffeo & A Dazio

Lectors – Sunday, October 15

8:00AM J Perdichizzi
9:30AM M Coppolo
11:00AM M Pinto
12:30PM A Medeiros
7:00 PM J Limeri

Eucharistic Ministers - Sunday, October 15

8:00AM M Ennis, C Rosato, M Andreola, L Bauer
& J Perdichizzi
9:30AM S Monteforte, L Capobianco, B Barone, MA Higgins
& S Hitchcock
11:00AM J Tolento, B Paccione, C Ordy, B Weir
& Dcn. Quadrino
12:30PM V Acri, S Catalano, R Marino, M & Dcn. Quadrino
7:00PM A Zuffante, K Melka, M Recanatini, J Limeri

Altar Servers, Saturday, October 14

4:00PM K Marchisella, V Pavlick
5:30PM E Losi

Altar Servers, Sunday, October 15

8:00AM J&T Albergo
9:30AM M Esposito
11:00AM P Marone, N Salerno
12:30PM M Mattioli, J Oliveri
7:00PM E Tedesco



Sincere Condolences

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

**James Ledger, Victor Cervone,
Joseph Thomas Geoghegan, Tommaso Marasa**

Healing Service

There will be a Healing Service on **Tuesday, October 17 at 3:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **The next Healing Mass will be Tuesday, November 7 at 7:30 pm.**

Columbus Day Rectory Hours

The Rectory office will be closed on Monday, October 9 in observance of Columbus Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, October 10.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

What a privilege I have been given to labor in the Lord's Vineyard for nearly 40 years. I am writing to invite you if plans permit, to join with me on November 5th at 12:30 PM for my 40th Anniversary Mass.

It's wonderful that in this year, this date actually falls on a Sunday. When I think of all the people who I would have wanted to surround me on this Jubilee, I am reminded how people who loved me deeply and now home with the Lord.

As I think back to my 25th Anniversary, a dear friend designed the cover for my worship aid booklet in the form of a Celtic cross. There was printed inside the cross all my assignments and communities of faith that I have belonged to. The list grew immeasurable more since then. I want to remember and recall my family, my teachers, my seminary staff, and then my classmates who were ordained with me at Saint Joseph Seminary. Father Ken Marks and Father Steve Kelly have both died far too young and are now celebrating their Eternal Priesthood in the Lord. I know each of us has left our mark on the Church of New York. The following are my present classmates.

Monsignor Fred Berardi, is the director of the Casa Santa Maria in Rome. This is the theological residence for American priests studying in Rome. Father Frank Borkowski, now retired from the US Army as a chaplain, is the pastor of Saint Joseph Church in Florida, New York. Father Jack Duff is the pastor of Saint Mary of the Assumption in Katonah, New York. Monsignor Kevin Nelan is the pastor of Immaculate Conception Church on East 14th Street in Manhattan and Dean of South Manhattan Deanery. Monsignor Emmet Nevin, former principal of Monsignor Farrell High School is the pastor of Saint Aedan's Church in Pearl River, New York and the Dean of Rockland County. Father James Garisto, incardinated into our class and is presently teaching at Saint Joseph by-the Sea High School.

When I think of the outstanding people who shaped my priesthood, I wish to recall Father Sal La Sala, who died far too young. Monsignor John Mescall and Father James Tubridy, my diaconate pastor at Saint Catharine's Church in Blauvelt and my first pastor at West Point. Father Bob Drummond, OSA, Sister Tecie Lardner, OP and Sister Antonia Maguire, Father Billy Leydon, General Willard and Dusty Scott, all had profound influence on my ministry to cadets and prisoners, especially in the TEC and REC community. I recall cadets, then Col. Michael Mc Mahon, Col Michael Endres, and several other West Pointers who died in service to our country. I remember Monsignor Edmund Fogarty and Deacon John Anderson, from Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Shrub Oak. Sister Edmund SA, and Sister Gabriel Miriam, SC, who still gave over 50 years of service to that parish. I recall John Cardinal O'Connor, who assigned me to the Vocation Office and permitted me to spend 10 years with the Parish Mission Team of the Archdiocese from 1990 – 2000, when I had the privilege of visiting over 250 parishes. Monsignor James Conlan, the founder of the Team, and Monsignor Frank Brennan, the founder of Holy Child Church both lived with the team in our home in Suffern, New York. What wisdom these men shared. Then with the 38 different members of the PMT, several have now went home to the Lord. Tom and Pat Monette, Pamela Hall, Antonia Suarez, Howard and Shirley Buraus, - all left a deep indelible mark on my soul. Monsignor John Burke, and Deacon Tom Quinn and Sister Jean Wagner, PBVM from the year 2000 on have imparted a special place in my soul. Detective Steve McDonald, Sal Testa, Phil Sarnella, Pat Lavanco, Don Ryan, Pat Shiel, - all these fellow Cursillistas and REC'ers, I have worked retreats and attended weekly prayer meetings with. Sister Eucharis White, OP, Sister Rose Alma McCarthy, OP, Sister Anthony Doolin, OP, Sister Thecla Mawn, OP, Sister Timothy Cunningham, OP, Sister Norberta Casey, OP (85 years a nun), Sister Peter Brigid Smith, OP, Sister Diane Chaise, OP: all Blauvelt Dominican Sisters who prayed for me daily. There is a cloistered Dominican Nun still praying for me daily since September 5, 1973, Sister Imelda Dwyer, OP – what a gift of intercessory prayer she has been.

I am grateful to Cardinal Egan and Cardinal Dolan for the privilege of serving my brother priests in the Office of Priest Personnel and for Monsignor Ed Weber who now has this responsibility. The funerals of so many priests I witnessed touched me deeply. I learned to listen to that phrase at every ordination Mass since: "Model your life after the mystery of the Cross". That in a word sums up our entire priestly commitment.

So all in all I bring these and countless more to my altar everyday but especially that day of my "Ruby Jubilee". As the Beatles sang, "I get by with a little help from my friends." The Psalmist prays, "You give marvelous comrades to me, the faithful who dwell in your land, those who choose alien gods have chosen and alien band." So thank you Lord.

Thank you for permitting to walk down memory lane as I prepare for this upcoming event. You are the present chapter of the joy of encounter as I continue for hopefully many more years in the Lord's vineyard. Thanks be to God.

God Bless You all.

Fr. Tom Devery

Food Pantry Volunteers



St. Edward's Food Pantry at Mt. Loretto is in need of volunteers. Our Lady Star of the Sea parishioners volunteer one time per month, on the 3rd Wednesday & Saturday of the month from 9:30 am to 1 pm.

Please call Toni or Kim at 718-984-1625 for more information.

Thank you from the CDA

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas would like to thank the parishioners and staff of Our Lady Star of the Sea for their generous participation in making our recent Fall fundraiser a success (congratulations to the winners, especially one of our ministers! But everyone wins because we are now better able to help others). For information about SI's CDA court, please contact Julie (917)974-9592 or StClareCDA@aol.com.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Regis High School (55 E. 84th St. NY, NY)

Monday, October 9 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Msgr. Farrell High School (2900 Amboy Rd., SINY)

Sunday, October 15 from 11:30 am - 3:00 pm

St. Joseph by-the-Sea High School (5150 Hylan Blvd, SINY)

Girls-Sunday, October 15 from 1 pm - 4 pm

Boys-Sunday, October 22 from 1 pm - 4 pm

St. John Villa Academy High School (25 Landis Ave, SINY)

Saturday, October 21 from 11 am - 3 pm

Fontbonne Hall Academy (9901 Shore Rd, Brooklyn, NY)

Saturday, October 21 from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

St. John Villa Academy High School (25 Landis Ave, SINY)

Saturday, October 21 from 11 am - 3 pm

Notre Dame Academy High School (134 Howard Ave, SINY)

Sunday, October 22 Time: 1 pm - 4 pm

St. Joseph Hill Academy High School (25 Landis Ave, SINY)

Sunday, October 29 from 11:30 am - 2:30 pm

St. Peter's Boys High School (200 Clinton Ave, SINY)

Sunday, October 29 from 1 pm - 4 pm

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS

SAVE THE DATES:



Wednesday, October 18 – Annual Coat Drive

Annual Coat Drive (Drop off NO later than 9 am.)

Saturday, October 21 – Grade 1 Promise Mass

at 5:30 pm in OLSS church

Monday, October 23 – Grade 2 Reconciliation Meeting

at 7:30 pm in the church.

Wednesday, October 25 – Confirmation @ 4 pm

Dismissal at 1 pm (There will be lunch and bus service.)

Thursday, October 26 1 pm Dismissal due to Religious Ed

Confirmation (There will be lunch and bus service.)

Friday, October 27 – Trunk or Treat for OLSS students at 6 pm

Saturday, October 28 – Grade 6 Mass of Commitment

at 5:30 pm in OLSS Church

Pray for the Sick



Barbara Allen, Jean Allen, Robert Augustino, Christopher Balk, Robert Bauer, Catherine Biondillo, Sarah Brodine, Christine C., Serafina Carlone, Ethel Cohen, David Colon, Joanne Colon, Nanette Colon, Marion Concodora, Lou Correard, Brielle Cunningham, Lisa Cunningham, Russell Cunningham, Juanita Curran, Dominick D'Argenio, John Dawidowicz, John DeLuca, Jeanette Dovile, Chelsea Dutton, Barbara Foresti, Thomas Paul Gaither, Herbert Gruberger, Thomas Lamantia Thomas Lanza, Dolores Lucardi William Massi, Anne Merlino, Baby Dean Michael, Lily Moncado, Bea Nicholson, Ann Marie Pederson, Camille Polly, Betty Popick, Joe Puglisi, Rochelle Puglisi, Stephen Puglisi, Deanna R., John Ragona, Carmen Ragona, Eva Ragona, Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Caesar Russo, Baby Vincent Salatino, Alex Sepiol, Celeste Setty, Robert Stranberg Sr., Michelle Surreys, Dustan Vasquez, Lisa Vasquez, 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.**

RCIA - Come Experience God's Love

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. The Catholic Church welcomes you. For information please contact Joe Limeri – jlimeri@aol.com – 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

5 Great Spiritual Books that Anyone Can Read

Resisting Happiness, by Matthew Kelly

Miracles Do Happen, by Sr. Briege McKenna

He Leadeth Me, by Fr. Walter Ciszek

Our Lady of Kibeho, by Immaculee Ilibagiza

Interior Freedom, by Fr. Jacques Philippe

(Books available on Amazon.com or through the Alba House)

Group Meetings

50 Plus Club – The next meeting will be **Friday, October 13 from 1-3 pm** in the Damato Meeting Room of the OLSS Athletic Center. For more information, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

Widowed Club – A group is available for widows to come together and share their experiences. The next meeting will be **Thurs., October 19** at 1 pm in the Damato Meeting Room. For more info, 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 **Oct. 11**. 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 OLSS book club will be **Thurs., November 2, at 7:30 PM** in the OLSS Rectory. 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 **Wednesday, November 8 at 8 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room. 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, October 9 at 7:30 pm** in the **OLSS Chapel**. If you are interested in joining the Legion or the auxiliary, please attend one of the meetings. There will be Guardian Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily chapel from **12 Noon – 3 pm on Friday, Oct. 13**. The Legion of Mary also offers to bring communion to or just to sit and keep company with anyone who is homebound. Please contact Carol at 917-621-7814 for more information.

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS



Interested in joining a choir? Please see below and come to the rehearsal to join. All rehearsals are held in the church.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: The Children's Choir sings at the 9:30 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 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays, and is open to members 18 years or older. Rehearsals are on Mondays, at 6 PM.

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

OLSS Sports

OLSS Sports is pleased to announce that they will now offer, in conjunction with the CYO, spots on the newly created **OLSS Bowling Team!** Boys and girls in grades 3-8 who would like to participate or get more info, should email Mia Marinaccio at olsssportsad@gmail.com. Also, NEW to OLSS Sports is the newly created **CYO Chess League**. Boys and girls in grades 1-8 who would like to participate on this newly created team, should email Mia Marinaccio at olsssportsad@gmail.com. Please Note: The sports program is looking for people who would like to moderate these 2 newly created programs. If you have time and knowledge of bowling and/or chess and would like to be involved, please email Mia. We are thrilled to be able to bring these new and exciting teams to the many sports already offered to our parish. OLSS Sports is a parish based program and not limited to only school children. All are welcome.

OLSS Baptism Preparation Policy

Please reference the front bulletin cover for details on our 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 Ceremonies

EVERY SUNDAY at 2 pm (excluding Nov. 5)

Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

October 8 & 22, November 12 & 26, December 10

PLEASE NOTE: Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. Baptism Ceremonies take place in the Church EVERY Sunday at 2 pm.

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.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

Meditation Monday at St. Joseph Retreat Center Monday, October 9th from 7:00-9:00 PM

An invitation for you to be refreshed, renewed and restored. The evening consists of faith sharing, reflection and prayer followed by refreshments. Facilitated by Grace Daquila, Fee: \$20. RSVP at www.sjretreatcenter.org or 718-720-1097.

Cross Road Foundation's Fall Fashion Show

The Cross Road Foundation will be holding its 24th Annual Fall Fashion Show on **Thursday, October 12 at 7 p.m.** at the Hilton Garden Inn. The theme for the evening will be "Some Enchanted Evening." Tickets for the event are \$65 per person & includes dinner, musical entertainment, a fashion show, and a raffle of beautifully prepared gift baskets. Call 718-556-3474 or visit www.crossroadfoundation.org to reserve a seat at this joy-filled event.

St. Clare's Employment Group

Thursday, October 19th, at 7:30 PM

"My Perspective on a Successful Job Search" - John Donnelly, Vice President Operations, JP Morgan Chase. All jobseekers and their family members are invited. One on one advisement is also available on an appointment basis. Please call the St. Clare Rectory at 718-984-7873 for further information.

Respect Life Vicariate Life Chain

The Staten Island Respect Life Vicariate invites everyone to join them in the annual Respect Life Month Life Chain on **Sunday, October 29 from 2:30 to 3:30 PM** at the corner of Hylan Blvd. and New Dorp Lane. Bring a rosary to peacefully pray for the respect for life of the unborn.

Cluster Corner

Our Lady Help of Christians-Mass Times – 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

Parish of St. Joseph-St. Thomas-St. John Neumann

Mass times at St. Thomas - 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

Mass times at St. Joseph - 16 Poplar Ave.

Sat. 5 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM, & 12 PM
Weekday Masses Mon. thru Sat. 9 AM



3rd Annual OLSS Christmas Tree Drive



Families of OLSS are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2017 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. **Trees must be reserved no later than October 15th.** 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 form and payment to the Rectory as soon as possible:

Our Lady Star of the Sea

2017 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 Our Lady Star of the Sea

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 **October 19 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 **October 12.**