

September 13, 2015
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Twenty-Fourth Sunday In
Ordinary Time

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, September 12, 2015

9:00AM Veronica Kasak
4:00PM Christopher Amoroso
5:30PM Deceased Members of the Guido Family

Sunday, September 13, 2015

8:00AM Tony Tirado
9:15AM Deceased members of the Merola, Zingaro & Pallante Families
10:30AM Domenico Grieco
12 Noon Deceased Members of the Walsh Family
1:15PM Russ Nicholson
7:00PM Douglas LaLima

Monday, September 14

9:00AM Pina Monaco

Tuesday, September 15

9:00AM Deceased Members of the Newborn Family

Wednesday, September 16

9:00AM Richard Rauch

Thursday, September 17

9:00AM Lee & Karen Leyton

Friday, September 18

9:00AM Rosemarie Fennimore & Joseph Terzella

Saturday, September 19, 2015

9:00AM Deceased Members of the Quinn Family
4:00PM Andre Graziano
5:30PM Marianna & Evangelist Peragine

Sunday, September 20, 2015

8:00AM Carrie Ann Cheuvront
9:15AM Madalyn T. Castelucci
10:30AM Thomas, Agnes & Thomas Dowd, Jr.
12 Noon Donald O'Connor
1:15PM Philip DiFranco
7:00PM Crocifisso Bacarella

St. Catherine of Genoa – September 15

Catherine's contemplative life was not spent in a convent, but as a laywoman. It was her combination of action and contemplation that made her a compelling figure. She was born into an aristocratic family and at 15, had a matched wedding to Julian Adormo. They were unsuited; she aspired to religious life and he was entirely opposite, living a quite separate and notorious life. Catherine sank to chronic depression for 5 years and the next 5 years engaged in frivolous diversions of society. In 1473 while kneeling for confession, she was infused with Divine Love and impressed with the immensity of her sins and God's goodness. She threw herself into hospital work, taking on the most filthy and repulsive cases. The greater her love – the greater her happiness. Julian became bankrupt, reformed his life, and became a Franciscan tertiary. Catherine experienced mystical ecstasies and conversed with angels. She wrote a mystical treatise on "Purgation and Pergatory," and the "Spiritual Dialogue." (JM)

The Sanctuary Lamp For The
Week of September 13, 2015
In Loving Memory Of
Carmen Vera
From Her Loving Family

Lectors – Saturday, September 19, 2015

4:00PM C. Harris
5:30PM M. Andreola

Eucharistic Ministers, September 19, 2015

4:00PM MJ Russo, A. Petrocelli, V. Caruso, M. Sprague, R. Marino
5:30PM JM Graziano, M. Lappin, F. Barone, A. Spoto, J. Cimino

Lectors – Sunday, September 20, 2015

8:00AM J. Perdichizzi
9:15AM A. Pompei
10:30AM E. Newborn, B. Paccione
12 Noon L. Bauer, C. McNally
1:15PM B. Weir
7:00PM G. LaGrua

Eucharistic Ministers, September 20, 2015

8:00AM M. Molinini, C. Rosato, P. Zoltowski, A. Sparandera
9:15AM A. Brady, R. Scarpati, S. Hitchcock, MA Langella
10:30AM G. Balestrino, D. Zaiano, C. Ordy, E&G Riozzi
12 Noon R. Gamba, C. Houle, R. Bauer, C. Messina, C. Belvedere
1:15PM C. Barone, B&MA Higgins, B. Peters, MA Russo
7:00PM D. McCumisky, A. Zuffante, E. Bellina, T. Palmieri

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, September 19, 2015

4:00 PM D. Cavicchio, E. Harris, K. Martino, V. Pavlick
5:30 PM E&M Losi, C&R Nicholaou

Sunday, September 20, 2015

8:00 AM J. Bell, S. Marashaj, J&N Mele
9:15 AM M. Coelho, F. Scarmato, K. Lee, J. Jacoby
10:30 AM A. Auriti, A&V Castelle, M. Esposito
12:00 Noon G. Gulotta, M. Mattioli, R. Ruskowski, D. Russo
1:15 PM C,C,F, & T Nieves
7:00 PM L&PJ Caiazzo, E. Tedesco, J. LoPiccolo



SINCERE CONDOLENCES

The Parish Family of Our Lady Star of the Sea offer our sincere condolences to the families of:
Mariam Ayyad, Richard H. Quintana, Carmine Esposito, Morton Perlman, Frank Scalavino

**MEMORIAL VIGIL LIGHTS AVAILABLE
 BY THE CHAPEL CRUCIFIX**

One month memorial vigil lights are available in the chapel at the cost of \$25 each. The name of the deceased is placed on the vigil light. Envelopes are located in the book racks. Please deposit completed envelopes either in the collection basket or in the vigil light boxes, poor boxes, or bring it to the rectory. There are 28 candles available each month. If we receive more than 28 requests, those requests over 28 will be honored the following month. Requests must be made prior to the start of the month.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Cardinal Dolan wrote to us pastors about Archcare Care Navigation Center. Simply put, this is a reference guide to assist you with health, social service and medical needs. His Eminence writes, "Getting the care we need to keep ourselves and those we love healthy, safe and enjoying life can be a huge challenge. Finding a trusted guide who will take the time to explain the options and help people access the programs and services they are eligible for can be even harder. Thankfully, our excellent archdiocesan healthcare ministry, Archcare, can help."

The dedicated team of health and social service professionals who staff Archcare's Care Navigation Center can provide information about which organizations and agencies offer the services that best meet your needs, answer questions about Medicare and Medicaid coverage, and suggest options you may not even know about. If Archcare's own wide range can't assist, a "Care Navigator" will be happy to provide information about other resources located in your area, including those offered by Catholic Charities and other groups. Help from a "Care Navigator" is free of charge, and extends to questions about such things as:

- Housing for Seniors and Disabled Persons
- Health - Related Legal and Financial Issues
- Caregiver Support Groups
- Access to Healthcare
- Food and Nutrition
- Dementia Care
- Transportation Options
- Volunteer Opportunities

Whether you are seeking help for yourself or a loved one, are concerned about a neighbor or friend, or just want to find out about programs that may be available to you, Archcare's Care Navigators stand ready with patience, compassion and kindness.

Archcare Care Navigation Center (855) 951-CARE from 8:00AM to 8:00 PM. Seven days a week.

Archcare also offers some wonderful community resources designed to ease the stress of caring for another person. To learn more, go to www.archcare.or/community-resources.

The Blessing of Sneakers and all student athletes will occur on Sunday September 26 & 27 at the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday and Sunday at the 1:15PM.

On September 27th, early Sunday I would like to start up a Men's Scripture Prayer Group on Sunday Morning in the rectory basement at 6:30-8:00 AM. Yes, it's very early, so as not to interfere with Mass times and quality family time. I have had a wonderful experience at Holy Child Church and Our Lady of Pity Church, with the men's groups there. In fact, they are still in existence, long after I am gone, so I know this is a work of the Lord. If you men want to grow stronger in your faith please join us.

Today at 2PM Monsignor Peter Finn will celebrate at Blessed Sacrament Church his Golden Jubilee of Priesthood. Ordained a priest in 1965, Our Co-Dean of Staten Island has enjoyed a fruitful ministry on Staten Island, as pastor of Blessed Sacrament, Saint Joseph and Saint Thomas, principal of Monsignor Farrell High School, Rector of Saint Joseph's Seminary, Director of the Office of Communications for the Archdiocese of New York as well as Vicar of Staten Island along with Monsignor James Dorney. Ad Multos Annos and God Bless You, Monsignor Finn. Thank you for your dedication and fine example for us priests.

May the Lord continue to bless us and give us the gift of Pope Francis' vision for a new Evangelization,

Fr. Tom



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

- FIRST TIME:** Leonard Pace and Vanessa Staffa
Martin Hellman and Rosa Osorio
Anthony Azzato and Lauren Morandi
Walter Grande and Kimberly Murphy
- SECOND TIME:** Anthony Talorico and Kerry McCormack
Michael Russo and Ashley Archer
Robert Grimm and Laura Garofalo
John Liotine and Kristen Barton
- THIRD TIME:** Eric Campione and Jillian Parlante

WEDDING WORKSHOP

There will be a wedding workshop for brides and grooms at **8:15PM (after the 7PM Mass) on Sunday, October 25th**. At this time you will be able to select your wedding music. (Next workshop: Dec. 27th.)

SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC BLAUVELT CHANCE SALE

The Sisters of St. Dominic Blauvelt will on hand at all Masses this weekend, September 12 & 13, selling chance books for their annual fundraising drive. Please stop by and support their work!


HEALING MASS

There will be a **Healing Service on Tuesday, September 15 at 3:30PM**. Anyone in need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing is invited to attend and be prayed over. (The next Healing Mass will be on Oct. 6, at 7:30PM.)

SPECIAL UPCOMING MASSES

- ❖ **OLSS 100 Year Anniversary Mass** – Bishop John J. O'Hara will be present to celebrate the 1:15 pm Mass on **Sunday, September 20** to kick off the 100th Anniversary Year of OLSS.
- ❖ **Blessing of Sneakers** – On **Saturday, September 26** at the **5:30 pm Mass** and on **Sunday, September 27** at the **1:15 pm Mass**, there will be a special blessing to kick off the 2015-2016 sports year. All athletes are invited to attend, and don't forget to bring your sneakers and cleats for the blessing!
- ❖ **Feast of St. Michael the Archangel** - There will be a Mass on **Tuesday, September 29 at 7:30 p.m.** honoring all those who serve and protect. St. Michael the Archangel is traditionally known as the patron saint of emergency medical technicians, firefighters, paramedics, police officers, security forces, soldiers, and those in need of protection. We encourage all civil servants to join us for this special Mass.

SICK LIST

 Norma Bolanos, Stephanie Cerchio, Vera Criscuolo, Gen Decio, Zeina Enciso, Margaret Generoso, Lorraine Hamer, Ann Marie Pederson, Dora Valiente **Please Note: The sick has been revised as of September 1. If you would like to place a name on the sick list, please call and leave the name with the rectory.**

SCHOOL NEWS

2015-2016 School Year

The school year has officially begun! We are looking forward to an exciting new year. Here are a few practical reminders for the upcoming week:

Monday, September 14

* **Pre K 4 begins.** Classes will be 8:30 AM with dismissal at 1:00 PM. Students should bring their lunch.

* **Early morning & after school begins for Grades K-8**

Tuesday, September 15

* **Grades K-4 orientation:**

7:00 PM in O'Mara Hall

7:30 PM classroom orientation

* **Pre K 3 begins with a Mommy and Child session.** The morning session will meet from 8:30 am - 10 am. The afternoon session will meet from 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm.

Wednesday, September 16

* **Grades 5-8 Orientation**

7:00 PM in O'Mara Hall

7:30 in the classroom

8:30 Grade 8 Special orientation in O'Mara Hall

PLEASE NOTE, MORNING ARRIVAL FOR ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8 WILL BE THROUGH THE ATHLETIC CENTER DOORS. CARS ARE TO ENTER THE GROUND THROUGH THE MAIN DRIVEWAY AND PROCEED AROUND TO THE FRONT OF THE ATHLETIC CENTER. DOORS WILL OPEN AT 8:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 8:20 AM. STUDENTS ARRIVING AFTER THE DOORS HAVE CLOSED MUST ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS OF THE SCHOOL. STUDENTS ARRIVING AFTER 8:20 WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE. STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN WILL BEGIN USING THE ATHLETIC CENTER ENTRANCE FOR MORNING ARRIVAL.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Religious Education Office is now open for the school year. If you have not registered yet, please call the Religious Ed office at 718-984-1885. You must be a registered parishioner in order to register your child for Religious Education. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate and your envelope number when registering for Religious Education. If you are not a parishioner, and would like to register to become one, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593.

2015-2016 OLSS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STARTING DATES

Tuesday, Sept. 15	Grades 5 & 6	3:45 - 5:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 16	Grade 2	4:00 - 5:30 pm
Monday, Sept. 21	Grade 7	3:30 - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Sept. 22	Grade 8	3:30 - 4:30 pm
Thursday, Sept. 24	Grades 3 & 4	3:45 - 5:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Grade 1	4:00 - 5:30 pm
Wed. Evening, Sept. 30	Grades 1-7	6:30 - 8:00 pm
Thursday, October 8	Special Needs	(A) 3:45 - 4:15 pm (B) 4:30 - 5:00 pm

CUB SCOUT PACK 5 & BOY SCOUT TROOP 5

Recruitment/Open House for

New & Returning Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts

Friday, September 18 in O'Mara Hall, 7 to 9 PM

Cub Scouts Grades 1 to 5: Registration Fee (including dues): \$100 if paid by 10/23 or \$120 if paid after 10/23 (\$150 for two siblings). For more information please contact Mike Barzal, Cubmaster at 917-642-5498, email cubmasterpk5si@gmail.com or visit our website at www.pack5si.com. Please make checks payable to Troop 5. **Boys Scouts Grade 6-11:** Registration Fee (including dues): \$135 if paid by 10/28 or \$150 if paid after 10/28. For information please contact Robert Cirola, Scoutmaster, cell 917-805-7621 or e-mail scoutmaster@troop5si.com or visit our website at www.troop5si.com. Please make checks payable to Troop 5.



OLSS SOCCER NEWS

OLSS Fall Soccer starts on Saturday, September 12 (3 year olds start on September 19). Each player will receive a call from their team coach with more details on the day. There is still time to register! See our website www.olsssoccer.com for registration forms and more details. Registrations may also be dropped off at any time at the OLSS rectory.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Seymour Joseph Institute of American Sign Language is offering American Sign Language classes for the Fall 2015 semester. Classes are 5 college credits each. Call 718-984-8200 for tuition and other information.

✓ Mark Your Calendar

GROUP MEETINGS

50 Plus Club – Meets in the D'Amato Meeting Room in the OLSS Athletic Center on the 2nd Friday of each month from 1-3 p.m. The next meeting will be on October 9.

Prayer Group – Group meets on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30p.m. in the Damato Room in the Athletic Center.

Bereavement Group – New support group forming for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and is grieving. Join us as we journey from grief to healing on Wednesday, **September 16 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Rectory. If you would like to join and if you would like more information, please call the Rectory at (718) 984-0593 and leave your name and number.

Book Club - The next meeting of the OLSS book club will be **Thursday October 1 at 7:30 PM** in the rectory and new members are always welcome. Our first selection will be *The Long Loneliness-The Autobiography of the Legendary Catholic Social Activist Dorothy Day*. We will cover up to page 132. For more information, please contact Kathy Melka at 917-696-7081.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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.

YARD SALE FOR BATTEN DISEASE

The annual yard sale fundraiser for Batten Disease will be held September 18-20 & 25-27 at 1044 Edgegrove Avenue. All proceeds go towards research towards this debilitating disease.

SJV ACADEMY FUNDRAISER

St. John Villa Academy Alumnae Association Bingo Fundraiser, **Friday, September 18** in the High School Cafeteria located at 25 Landis Avenue. Doors open at 7pm. Total cost is \$20 (\$10 admission fee and \$10 gift certificate in a gift bag) which includes bingo boards, coffee and cake; water and soda will be sold or you can bring your own food. Raffles, lucky bingo balls and 50/50 will also be sold. Reservations are strongly advised. For more information, please contact Toni Ann Tobin at sjvabasketauction@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY INTERFAITH SERVICE

The Staten Island Leadership Commission, led by the Rev. Karen Jackson, Minister for Social Justice at Project Hospitality, will host a community Interfaith Service focusing on race relations on **Sunday, September 20** from 3-5 pm at OLSS in the Church. All are invited to attend.

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 CLASSES 12 Noon – 2nd and 4th Sundays OLSS ATHLETIC CENTER

Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th



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

Sept. 13th and Sept. 27th
Oct. 11th and Oct. 25th
Nov. 8th and Nov. 22nd
Dec. 13th and Dec. 27th

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.

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

St. Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will meet at Holy Family Church, 366 Watchogue Road, SI 10314 on **Thursday, September 24**, 7:15 pm for a Welcome Back Mass and Wine & Cheese Social. Join us as we anoint a new SFCS season with the celebration of Mass at Holy Family. Confessions will be heard from 6:45 - 7:15. Mass will begin at 7:30. A wine and cheese social will follow in the lower level of the church where we'll mingle and enjoy one another's company. Cost: \$10 appreciated. For more information, check our website: www.sgpsi.org, find us on FB/StFrancisCatholicSingles, or email sfcssi@gmail.com

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

Join the Alzheimer's Association NYC Chapter on **Sunday, September 27**, for the 1st EVER Staten Island Walk to End Alzheimer's. The walk will take place at South Beach (between Seaview Ave. & Father Capodanno Blvd). Registration begins at 9am with the ceremony & walk at 10am. For more information please visit alzny.org/walk to register as an individual or team. Interested in volunteering? Email Volunteer Chairperson, Alexandra Gardiner, at statenisdalwalkchair@gmail.com. 24-hour helpline is available at [\(800\) 272-3900](tel:800-272-3900)

K of C GOLF OUTING

The Stolzenhaller Council of the Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual charity golf outing on **Monday, September 28** at the **South Shore Golf Course**. The day will begin with breakfast and registration at 7 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Come join us for great giveaways and delicious dinner at the Council after golfing! To register or for more information please contact Karl Emigholz, Grand Knight at (646) 662-2034. Proceeds from the outing support Stolzenhaller Council's service parishes including OLSS.

2015 OLSS Christmas Tree Drive

Families of Our Lady Star of the Sea parish are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2015 Advent Season.

Each tree will be lit, have a laminated dedication card, and displayed on the parish grounds.

A Lighting and Dedication Ceremony will be coordinated with more details to follow at a later date.

The cost to dedicate a Christmas Tree is \$250 each. All proceeds will benefit our Parish.

Trees must be ordered well in advance, and should be reserved no later than October 1st.

Please note that there is a limited number of Trees that can be displayed on the grounds, so reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis.

No tree can be guaranteed without payment.

If you have any questions, please email olsshns@gmail.com or call the rectory at 718-984-0593.

ST. MARIA GORETTI – PILGRIMAGE OF MERCY TOUR

The "Pilgrimage of Mercy Tour" comes to Staten Island on **Wednesday, September 30th**. St. Rita's Parish at 281 Bradley Avenue will host the major relics of St. Maria Goretti, a 20th century martyr. She died defending her purity at the age of 12; but her greatest virtue was that of her unyielding forgiveness of her attacker, the virtue of mercy. St. Rita's Church will be open all day inviting the faithful to spend some time with this beloved Saint. Masses will be celebrated in honor of St. Maria Goretti at 7am, 9am and at 7:30pm a Solemn Mass will be celebrated by Bishop John O'Hara. Public viewing will conclude at 11:00pm. The relics of St. Maria Goretti will be coming from her shrine at Nettuno, Italy under the direction of Fr. Carlos Martins, C.C. and his ministry, "Treasures of the Church". For additional information please visit www.MariaGoretti.com.

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

PLEASE NOTE:

Staten Island Overeaters Anonymous (OA) offers a program of recovery from compulsive eating, binge eating and other eating disorders using the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions of OA*. (*Adaption granted by AA World Services) Friday Night Meeting "Many Symptoms, One Solution" Group 8 - 9 PM Face-to-Face Meeting in our Basement Rectory Phone Meeting (Simultaneous) Dial: 1-712-432-1212 Access Code: 950-807# (Press *6 to mute & unmute phone) For Additional Meetings and More Information Visit www.sioa.org or call 718-605-1393

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 October 1.