

Our Lady Star of the Sea  
30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 28, 2018  
**Announced Masses**

**Saturday, October 27**

**4:00PM** Deceased Members of the Samaritano,  
DiAntonio & Gesualdi Families  
**5:30PM** Mario Schiera

**Sunday, October 28**

**8:00AM** Jennie DeLissio  
**9:30AM** William Scire  
**11:00AM** Lorenzo, Domenica & Angelo Taglienti  
**12:30PM** Patrick & Antoinette Vulpi  
**7:00PM** Jean & Joseph LaRocca

**Monday, October 29**

**9:00AM** Frank Proietti

**Tuesday, October 30**

**9:00AM** Iriani Vavaroutsos

**Wednesday, October 31**

**9:00 AM** William Salierno  
**7:00 PM** **All Saints Day Vigil Mass** – Claire Smolka

**Thursday, November 1-SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**

**7:00AM** Geoffrey Hawthorne  
**9:00AM** Daniel Leahy  
**12Noon** Larry D'Albero  
**8:00PM** Vincent DiDomenico

**Friday, November 2**

**9:00AM** Debbie Stallone

**Saturday, November 3**

**9:00AM** Pietro & Angela Ricciardi & the Deceased Members  
of the Ricciardi Family  
**4:00PM** Deceased Members of the Puglisi  
& Serrantonio Families  
**5:30PM** Pasquale Russino

**Sunday, November 4**

**8:00AM** John Tripoli  
**9:30AM** Deceased Members of the Palmieri  
& Persichilli Families  
**11:00AM** Alfred Austin  
**12:30PM** Marco Fusillo & Marc Fusillo  
**7:00PM** Vasil Hlinka

**Banns of Marriage**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Time:** Michael Cipollone & Jessica Smith

**2<sup>nd</sup> Time:** Marc Strange & Jennifer Pagano

**2<sup>nd</sup> Time:** Francis Consolmagno & Briana Rubilotta

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time:** Frank Fiore, Jr. & Dominique Graci

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time:** Vincent Ricci & Corryn McFarland

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time:** Louis Durak & Christine Porzio

**Wedding Music Workshop**

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be on **Sunday, October 28** immediately following the 7 pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select their wedding music at this time.



**Sunday collection for the week of 10/14/18:**

**\$17,902.25**

**God bless you for your generosity!**

The Sanctuary Lamp

for the week of  
October 28-November 3, 2018

In Memory of

**Gladys & Kelvin Voyeau**

Donated by Carol Ordy

**Mass Minister Schedule**

**Lectors – Saturday, November 3**

**4:00PM** F Monte  
**5:30PM** C Losi

**Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, November 3**

**4:00PM** G Decker, A Lazzara, E Burns, L Bauer, E Vitiello  
**5:30PM** M&JM Graziano, N Villani, J Uhlman, F Barone

**Lectors – Sunday, November 4**

**8:00AM** C Ambrosino  
**9:30AM** J Zinsley  
**11:00AM** M Newell  
**12:30PM** S Gambino  
**7:00PM** K Melka

**Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, November 4**

**8:00AM** M Ennis, M Molinini, C Rosato, M Quadrino  
**9:30AM** B Barone, S Monteforte, B&MA Higgins  
**11:00AM** J Amodio, J&C Gerace, M Randazzo, C Ordy  
**12:30PM** MA Russo, S Catalano, A McCoy, L Appel, A Maffeo  
**7:00PM** J Bellina, A Zuffante, C Barone, J Limeri  
& G LaGrua

**Altar Servers – Saturday, November 3**

**4:00PM** D Cavicchio, K Marchisella  
**5:30PM** D Heidel

**Altar Servers – Sunday, November 4**

**8:00AM** S&N Mejias  
**9:30AM** S Artz  
**11:00AM** P Marone, M&T Maresca  
**12:30PM** B Stackhouse, S&A Velazquez  
**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:

**Nora Reynolds, Henry Murray,  
Julie Rinaldo, James Green**



**Solemnity of All Saints**

**Thursday, November 1**

**Holy Day of Obligation Mass Times**

Wednesday, October 31 (Vigil Mass) 7 pm

Thursday, November 1 – 7 am, 9 am, 12 NOON, 8 pm

**All Souls Remembrance Forms**

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 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.

## *A Letter from the Pastor*

Dear Parish Family,

Father Richard Rohr, OFM, wrote a challenging article on spirituality called *Unknowing: Dying by Brightness*. I hope you will find this insightful:

*"I die by brightness and the Holy Spirit" – Thomas Merton (1915-1968). For most of us, growth is a long process of being drawn by "brightness and the Holy Spirit," as Merton says. I interpret this brightness as being overwhelmed and undone by Immense Mystery and Goodness. Yet the Holy Spirit leads and must direct this undoing. We cannot take control, this is our "dying" as we have to let go of our need for control, our small self-serving worldviews, and our comforting certitudes about which we are really not certain at all. It is a dying that we must both allow from our side and also allow to be done to us --- in other words, both and active and receptive surrender.*

*For example, Jesus said, "When you pray, do not babble on like the pagans do" (Matthew 6:7). Contemplation instead waits for the moments, accepts the moments, and trusts the moments that come like "a creation out of nothing" instead of filling our silence with our own words and ideas. Contemplation is essentially a nondual consciousness that overcomes the gap between being and doing. It allows us to live trustfully in our naked being –in – God without dressing it up with performance of any kind.*

*The reason why the true contemplative – in- action is still somewhat rare is that most of us, even often in religion, are largely educated in dualistic thinking (quick, certain and smug judgments). Judgmentalism and dismissiveness does not overcome distinction but actually magnifies them. When we try to use this tool of differentiation and critique in prayer and relationships, we quickly see its limitations. The fatal mistake of ego "consciousness" is that it excludes and eliminates the unconscious (where both deep goodness and deep badness lie hidden) –which ironically means our common consciousness is actually not consciousness at all! But the human ego prefers knowing and being certain over being honest. "Don't bother me with the truth, I want to be in control," in invariable ways. Most people who think that they are fully conscious or "smart" are in control, have a big iron manhole cover over their unconscious. It does give them the sense of being right and in charge, but it seldom yields compassion, community, or wisdom.*

*We are led forward by brightness, a larger force field, that is willing to include the negative, the problematic, the difficult, the unknown – all of which I do not fully understand. "Take the log out of your own eye first and then you will see clearly Jesus says (Luke 6:42). By the log I think he is referring to the big thing we do not want to see, which many of us call "the shadow self". God's brightness does not exclude or deny anything. Divine perfection is precisely the ability to include imperfection: whereas we think we must exclude, deny, and even punish it! The flow of grace is an increasing ability to forgive reality for being what it is – instead of what we want it to be!*

*The beauty of the unconscious, whether personal or collective, is that it knows a great deal, but it also knows that it does not know, cannot say, dare not to try to prove or assert too strongly. What it does know is that there is always more – and all words will fall short and all concepts will be incomplete. The contemplative is precisely the person who agrees to live in that kind of blinding brightness. The paradox, of course, is that it does not feel like brightness at all, but what John of the Cross (1542-1591) called a "luminous darkness" and others identify as "learned ignorance".*

*We cannot grow in the integrative dance of action and contemplation without a strong tolerance for ambiguity, an ability to allow, forgive, and contain a certain degree of anxiety, and a willingness not to know – and not even the need to know. What else would give us peace and contentment?"*

-Father Richard Rohr, OFM, Center for Action and Contemplation.

This is not an easy read. Hopefully this will inspire you.

Blessings,

*Father Tom Devery*



## OLSS SCHOOL NEWS

- Thank you to our Parents' Association for another awesome Trunk or Treat! We appreciate all you do for our school!
- Our "Walk to End Huntington's Disease" was a huge success! Thank you to all who donated to this worthy cause. A special thank you to the National Junior Honor Society members for organizing this event.
- Congratulations to our Shining Star, Salvatore Sciandra! Sal, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader, was honored by the Catholic Youth Organization for having a positive impact on our school community. We are very proud of you!
- Winter uniforms begin on November 1.
- Please keep our 8<sup>th</sup> graders in your prayers as they prepare to take the TACHS exam on November 2 and receive the sacrament of Confirmation on November 7.
- There will be a mandatory Reconciliation Meeting for all parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders on Monday, November 5 at 7:30 pm in the church.
- Our annual Bake Sale will take place next weekend, after all masses, in O'Mara Hall. Stop by for some delicious treats!
- Wednesday, November 7 and Thursday, November 8 will be a 1 pm dismissal for our school children due to Confirmation. There will be lunch and bus service.

## Group Meetings

**50 Plus Club** – The next meeting will be **Friday, Nov. 16** from 1-3 pm in the Damato Mtg Rm. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

**WINGS** - (Widows & Widowers In a New Life Getting together Socially) The next meeting will be **Thursday, November 15** from 12:30-2:30 pm in the Living Room of the **OLSS Rectory**. For more info, call Terry at 718-317-1801.

**Bereavement Group**– The next meeting will be on **Wed., October 31 at 7 pm in the Rectory**. If you have experienced a loss or are in mourning of a family member, we invite you to join us.

**Holy Name Society** – The next meeting for the Holy Name Society will be on **Wednesday, November 7 at 8 pm** in the Damato Mtg Rm. For more info, call Robert Cermeli at 917-783-6494 or Peter Cappellino at 917-626-7757.

**Prayer Group** – Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 7 pm in the Chapel.

**Faith-Sharing Group** – The Sons & Daughters of Mary meet 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 29 at 7:30 pm** in the **Chapel**. The LOM is responsible for Friday adoration and prays an outdoor rosary the first Saturday of every month in front of the Church at 9:45 am. They also offer the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima for home visitation. For more information or to arrange Pilgrim Virgin Visitation to your home please message them on their Facebook page, "Legion of Mary olsspraesidium" or contact Carol at 917-621-7814.

**Stella Maris Rosary Makers** – The 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 10 am in the OLSS Rectory Basement. The next meeting will be on **November 21**. For more info, call Maria at 917-417-5728.

### LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE!

### OLSS Pilgrimage to Shrines in Washington, D.C.

Join us as we travel to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and St. Pope John Paul II National Shrine in Washington DC. On **Friday, November 9**, the bus will depart at 6AM from the OLSS Athletic Center parking lot and will return home around 9PM. The cost is \$70 per person & includes the bus, box lunch at the Basilica, and snacks. Reservations can be made at the Rectory. Payment in cash or check made payable to OLSS Church. **NO REFUNDS!** Fr. Tom Devery will be celebrating Mass at the Basilica. For more information, contact Maria & Deacon James Quadrino @ 917-417-5728.

## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

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

Sunday, October 28 from 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

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

Sunday, October 28 from 1 pm – 4 pm

## OLSS 1st Friday Overnight Adoration Vigil



There is adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during an overnight vigil on the first Friday of each month. This month's overnight vigil will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the daily Mass Chapel on **Friday, November 2 at 9 p.m.** & will end with daily Mass on **Saturday, November 3 at 9 a.m.** **Eucharistic Adoration is also available in the daily chapel every Monday-Thursday from 12-5 pm and Fridays 12-3 pm.**



## OLSS Public Outdoor Rosary

Saturday, November 3 at 9:45 a.m. in front of the church  
Sponsored by the Legion of Mary & America Needs Fatima

## Mass of Remembrance for OLSS Beloved Deceased of 2018

Friday, November 2 – 7:30 pm in the Church



## Pray for the Sick



Malk Ahmed, Barbara Allen, Robert Bauer, Catherine Biondolillo, Marilyn Bartolo, Andy Bruno, Billy C., Vincenza Caccano, Gabe Carbone, Mario Clemente, John Dawidoicz, Philip Defonte, John DeLuca, Marie Defonte, Anthony DelRe, Ileana DeJesus, Florence Fitzgerald, Cole Gottlieb, Herbert Gruberger, Corinne Hayes, Donato Herman, Sarabhjit Kaur, Caylee Kashubo, Ginnie Ledwon, Ann Mannino, Lena Moliero, Justo Gil Mori, Dee Napolitano, Bea Nicholson, John Orsini, Walter Osborne, Valerie Pace, Fran Peccia, Ann Marie Pederson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Camille Polly, Vincent & Linda Ranallo, John Robertson, Sr., Anthony Ruggario, Caesar Russo, Msgr. Peter Smith, Ann Strandberg, George Weir, Mona Williams, Teresa Zizzamia **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 Mass

There will be a Healing Mass on **Tuesday, November 6 at 7:30 pm**. Anyone in need of spiritual, emotional, or physical healing is welcome. **The next Healing Service will be Tuesday, November 20 at 3:30 pm.**

## 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**

### Baptismal Class Dates for Parents

October 28, November 11 & 25, December 9 & 23

**PLEASE NOTE: Registration forms MUST be turned in to the Rectory prior to attending the Baptismal Class.** Baptism Classes take place at 12 Noon in the Damato Meeting Room of the Athletic Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual OLSS Christmas Tree Drive



Families of OLSS are invited to dedicate a Christmas Tree during the 2018 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 15. 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](mailto:olsshns@gmail.com) or call 984-0593.

**Please return this form & payment to the Rectory:**

*Our Lady Star of the Sea*

*2018 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



## 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 more information, please contact Joe Limeri at [jlimeri@aol.com](mailto:jlimeri@aol.com) or 347-541-9757 or call the Parish Office.

## Cluster Corner

**Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians** -7396 Amboy Rd.

Sat. 4:30 PM; Sun. 8 AM, 10 AM (Family Mass), 12 PM, 1 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



## ✓ Mark Your Calendar

### Overnight Prayer Vigil & Mass

#### For Mid-Term Elections

**Monday, November 5 beginning at 7 pm**

**St. Charles Church (Hylan Blvd. & Penn Ave)**

There will be an overnight prayer vigil **Monday, November 5** at the Church of St. Charles with the intention being that all Christians exercise and employ their God-given voting right in the mid-term elections to vote for officials that hold Christian values. The vigil will begin at 7 pm with a mass to the Sacred Heart with Auxiliary Bishop John O'Hara being the main celebrant. The vigil will continue throughout the night ending with a 5 am mass to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are welcome to attend this vital liturgy.

### Archcare TimeBank Events at OLSS

The ArchCare TimeBank is a FREE program and open to people of all ages. Members share their time helping each other. The TimeBank is a great community program that offers services and workshops that interest our members. To RSVP to any of these events, please contact Laura Alfano at 917-716-2905 or [lalfano@archcare.org](mailto:lalfano@archcare.org).

#### Diabetes Management/Health Workshop

Every third Wednesday of the month we will discuss a different health topic relating to Diabetes Management & prevention. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, November 14 at 6:30 pm** in the **Damato Mtg. Room** of the Athletic Center. The topic will be "Diabetes Foot Care."

#### Writing Memoir with George Hopkins

Learn how to create a story of moments & events that have taken place in your life. **Mondays November 5 & 26 at 6 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room.

#### Walking Group with Maria Quadrino

Meet friends and gain support on staying active. Meets last Tuesday of every month at 8:30 am in the East Pacific Mall entrance (walking mall pass is needed for access). **Tuesdays October 30, November 27 & December 18.**

#### Jewelry Making

Come and be creative while making jewelry together. Supplies are limited-please bring necessary tools and wire. **Tuesday, December 4 at 6 pm** in the Damato Mtg Room.

#### Knitting & Crocheting Group

The next session of ArchCare's TimeBank Knitting & Crocheting group will be on **Thursday, November 1 at 11:30 am** in the Rectory Basement.

#### Blanket Campaign

If you know how to crochet or knit, you are invited to help make blankets for homeless shelters. From now through December, the OLSS Knitting and Crocheting group along with ArchCare TimeBank is making 7" x 9" rectangles, any color, any stitch, knit or crochet. Please leave the rectangles in the designated basket in the church vestibule. They will be collected to make twin-size blankets. Any questions please call Maria Quadrino at 917-417-5728.

### 12 Step & Community Meetings

ACOA _____	Sundays 5:30PM
AA _____	Sundays 8PM
_____	Mondays 10AM
_____	Tuesdays 4PM
_____	Thursdays 4PM
_____	Fridays 4PM
_____	Saturdays 7:30PM
<b>PILLS ANONYMOUS</b> _____	Tuesdays 6:30PM
<b>GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS</b> _____	Tuesdays 8:00PM
<b>AL-ANON</b> _____	Thursdays 5:30PM