

The People of God called to form the Christian Community of...

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Huguenot • Staten Island, New York 10312

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Our Parish Family invites all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! We care for each other and want to worship and serve our Lord and one another.

† The Eucharist †

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening 4:00 & 5:30 pm
 Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am,
 12:30 & 7:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday through Saturday 9:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Eve of Holyday 7:00 pm
 7:00, 9:00 am, 12 Noon & 8:00 pm

THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: To arrange for a Wedding at Our Lady Star of the Sea, registered parishioners must call the Rectory for an appointment with one of our Priests. A deposit is required to set a date. Marriages are celebrated on Fridays at 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm and continue with Saturdays at 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 2:15 pm, and Sundays at 4:00 pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: To register a child, please contact the Religious Education Office as soon as possible. The child's Baptismal certificate (and Communion certificate if applicable) is required.

Grades 1 & 2 Wednesday 4:00 - 5:30 pm
 Grades 3 & 4 Tuesday 3:45 - 5:15 pm
 Grades 5 & 6 Thursday 3:00 - 5:00 pm
 Grade 7 Monday 3:30 - 5:00 pm
 Grade 8 Tuesday 3:30 - 5:00 pm
 Special Needs Thursday 3:30 - 4:00 pm
 & 4:30 - 5:00 pm

*Evening Classes for Grades 1 - 7 meet Wednesdays
 6:30 to 8:00 pm*

CHRISTIAN BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated for Registered Parishioners every Sunday at 2:00 pm. To prepare for this Sacrament, parents should plan to attend a **SUNDAY PREPARATION MEETING** on the 2nd or 4th Sunday of the Month at 12:00 Noon in the Pat Damato Meeting Room in the new OLSS Athletic Center. Call the Parish Office for a Baptismal Registration Packet before attending the meeting. New Parishioners must be registered in Parish beforehand. Register in Rectory, Weekdays 10:00 - 4:00 pm. Consult bulletin for Baptism Ceremony dates and Parents' Class dates.

PRIVATE PRAYER: The Church is open Monday through Friday from 9-5pm for private prayer. There is no adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at this time.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Saturday after the 9:00 am Mass.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call the rectory to make arrangements. Sacrament is designed for those who are seriously ill, the elderly and the sick who request it.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

PARISH REGISTRATION: We welcome new parishioners and ask that they register at the Rectory Monday through Friday, from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

PARISH INFORMATION

Church 5411 Amboy Road
 Parish Office 5371 Amboy Road
 Parish Website... www.olssparish.org
 Phone 984-0593
 Fax 347-838-6858

School: 5411 Amboy Road
 Phone 984-5750
 Religious Ed. Office:
 5411 Amboy Road
 Phone 984-1885

OLSS WEBCAM: Available for 11:00 am Mass on Sunday and 9:00 am Masses on weekdays, Monday through Saturday. Go to www.olssparish.org to view the Mass.

INTERESTED IN ONLINE GIVING? Visit our website at www.olssparish.org and click "Donate Online."

FLOCKNOTE: OLSS is now able to communicate with parishioners by using Flocknote, a text and email based messaging program. You may sign up by either texting "OLSS" to the number "84576", or by going to www.flocknote.com/OLSS and providing your email address. Please sign up in order to receive our Parish Updates!

Our Lady Star of the Sea
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17th, 2021



The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
January 17th – 23rd, 2021
In Loving Memory of
John A. O'Connor
Donated by the Emigholz Family

Announced Masses

Saturday, January 16

4:00PM Joseph Genova
5:30PM Julie LaFiura

Sunday, January 17

8:00AM Victoria Taranto
9:30AM Rosemarie Alfieri
11:00AM Aldo Perrone
12:30PM Ruth Guzzi
7:00PM Deborah Rafano

Monday, January 18

9:00AM Michael Stucchio

Tuesday, January 19

9:00AM B. William Puleo & Sylvia Puleo

Wednesday, January 20

9:00AM Vincenza Genova

Thursday, January 21

9:00 AM Vincent Visto

Friday, January 22

9:00AM Petrozza

Saturday, January 23

9:00AM Amelia Newborn
4:00PM Michael J. Molinari, Jr
5:30PM Ralph & Mildred Paragallo

Sunday, January 24

8:00AM Virginia "Dolly" Gallagher
9:30AM Peter Zummo
11:00AM Jack Pires
12:30PM Dr. John Curran, Gary Mahan & Andres Rosado
7:00PM Antoinette Vulpi
7:00PM Jack Aldimo



Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – January 16 & 17

4:00 PM – F. Monte
5:30 PM – A. Pompei
8:00AM – P. Zoltowski
9:30AM
11:00AM – B. Paccione
12:30PM – C. Messina
7:00PM – A. Medieros

Lectors – January 23 & 24

4:00 PM – M. Andreola
5:30 PM – A. Pompei
8:00AM – P. Zoltowski
9:30AM – B. Weir
11:00AM – E. Newborn
12:30PM – L. Bauer
7:00PM – J. Limeri

Lectors – January 30 & 31

4:00 PM – F. Monte
5:30 PM – A. Pompei
8:00AM – P. Zoltowski
9:30AM
11:00AM – B. Paccione
12:30PM – C. Messina
7:00PM – A. Medieros

Pray for the Sick



John Byrnes, Vincerva Caccano, Korinn Camacho, Edward Canfield, Maria Cangelosi, Donna Cardillo, Kenzy Coursen, Rocky D., John Dawidoicz, Mary D'Amato, John DeLuca, Virginia Duffy, Anthony Focca, Debra Friscia, Nancy Gallo, Mario Garafola, Herbert Gruberger, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Amy M., Maryann Monachino, Steven Morvillo, Santo Nicotra, Alex Ortiz, Stephen Paccione, Elaine Parks, Ann Marie Peterson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Charlie R., Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Alexa Rigney, Emma Rondinelli, Anita Russo, Caesar Russo, Tracy, Bill Smith, Elizabeth White, George Kerchhoffer

Please call the Rectory to have a name added to the sick list or to arrange for a home visit.



Sincere Condolences

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

**Robert Thompson, Nicholas J. Voglio, Myra Somma,
Daniel Brown, Joseph Belvedere, Carol Nolan**

Sunday collection for the week of 12/27/2020:



\$8,656.00

Christmas Flowers

\$1,359.00

God bless you for your generosity!

Subscribe to our YouTube Channel!

Watch Masses, Shared Homilies and Updates from our Parish by subscribing to Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish's YouTube Channel! Visit our website, olssparish.org and click "Live Video" at the bottom. This will re-direct you to our YouTube page. As a reminder, Daily Mass at 9AM as well as 11AM mass on Sundays are livestreamed. Shared Homilies are published on Saturday Evenings.

2021 Sanctuary Lamps

If you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Lamp for a week in 2021 in memory of a deceased loved one, the book is open and the donation is \$35. Please come in to the Rectory to reserve a Sanctuary Lamp.

Rectory Closed - Monday, January 18

The Rectory office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, January 18 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. It will reopen on Tuesday, January 19 at 10 a.m.

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

You may notice this week the Christmas decorations have been taken down, the vestments we wear are green signaling Ordinary Time of our liturgical year. This year has so far been anything but ordinary. We are besieged with events such as the pandemic, vaccinations, the events on Capitol Hill this past several days, the political fallout and implications, an upcoming inauguration and people striving to stay safe and free from all colds and virus. Our faith is being tested to trust in God, even when we are under attack it seems from all sides. How to interpret these times and how to we tell the story of our surviving these days? Thomas Kuhn shares some interesting insights about this and I would like to share them now with you.

A New Framing Story

Thomas Kuhn's book *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions* popularized the term "paradigm shift." [1] A paradigm is a set of beliefs, images, concepts, and structures that govern the way we think about something. Kuhn (1922–1996) said that paradigm change becomes necessary when the previous paradigm becomes so full of holes and patchwork "fixes" that a complete overhaul is necessary. The shift in thinking which might have felt threatening at one time now appears as the only way forward and as a real lifeline. I hope we are at one of these critical junctures again. Might we be willing to adopt a new set of beliefs, values, and systems that could change (and maybe even save) humanity and our world?

My colleague Brian McLaren is a former English teacher and has much to teach us about the power of stories. He uses the language of a "framing story" to describe the same phenomenon Kuhn observed. Brian says a framing story "gives people direction, values, vision, and inspiration by providing a framework for their lives. It tells them who they are, where they come from, where they are, what's going on, where things are going, and what they should do." [2] While we all have stories that answer those questions on a personal level, a "framing story" dictates the general beliefs of a culture, nation, religion, and even humanity as a whole.

Brian writes convincingly that "our growing list of global crises together with our inability to address them effectively, gives us strong evidence that our world's dominant framing story is failing." [3] He reflects:

If it [our framing story] tells us that the purpose of life is for individuals or nations to accumulate an abundance of possessions and to experience the maximum amount of pleasure during the maximum number of minutes of our short lives, then we will have little reason to manage our consumption. If our framing story tells us that we are in life-and-death competition with each other . . . then we will have little reason to seek reconciliation and collaboration and nonviolent resolutions to our conflicts. . . .

But if our framing story tells us that we are free and responsible creatures in a creation made by a good, wise, and loving God, and that our Creator wants us to pursue virtue, collaboration, peace, and mutual care for one another and all living creatures, and that our lives can have profound meaning if we align ourselves with God's wisdom, character, and dreams for us . . . then our society will take a radically different direction, and our world will become a very different place. [4]

As Christians, we have the opportunity to live the story that was given to us at the very beginning (Genesis 1), that creation is "good," even "very good," and that it is our vocation to nurture and grow such goodness wherever we can."

I join with you in praying for the days ahead. May we listen to Jesus and ponder how to live and grow as better faithful disciples.

God Bless You,

Fr. Tom Devery

PARISH NEWS

OLSS SCHOOL NEWS



Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is underway! Please adhere to the deadlines listed for registering your child at Our Lady Star of the Sea School:

- Students currently enrolled in Our Pre-K programs - due by Jan. 22
- Siblings of students currently enrolled in OLSS - due by Jan. 22
- Re-Registration for students in Gr. 1-8 - due by Jan. 25
- Open Registration for Pre-K-8 will begin on February 1

Please call the school office at 718-984-5750 for more information.



OLSS 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 10-4 to obtain a Baptism Registration Packet. **Baptismal Ceremonies occur every Sunday at 2 PM** **Baptismal Class Dates for Parents will occur every other Sunday at 1 PM via Zoom.** Please contact the rectory for class information. *PLEASE NOTE: Registration forms MUST be turned in to the Rectory prior to attending the Baptismal Class. Dates for Baptisms are not guaranteed until the required documents are turned into the Rectory and the date is confirmed by rectory staff.*

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 only be obtained at the rectory. **Registered parishioners can receive a sponsor certificate from the Rectory, Mon-Fri from 10AM-4PM. Please have your parish envelope number available.**

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 or 646-541-9757 or call the Parish Office, 718-984-0593.

PRE-CANA CLASSES

The Archdiocese of New York Family Life Office is offering Virtual Pre Cana Classes on January 23rd, February 6th & 20th, March 6th & 20th from 10:00am-2:30pm. To register see link: <https://marriageprep.nyfamilylife.org/home.aspx?pagename=PreCanaPurchase>

40 Days for Life SI Witness for Life

Join us at St. Christopher’s pray to end abortion!

Want to be part of saving lives? All it takes is your prayers and presence. Saturday, January 30th will be our next group rally after 9 AM Mass at St. Christopher's, followed by - 10:30 - 11:30 AM prayer witness at SIUH North (475 Seaview Ave, 10305). Our Spring campaign begins February 17th. For more info contact 40DaysSI@gmail.com or visit our website www.40daysforlife.com/stateniland

St. Paul’s USA Bookstore

We at St. Paul's USA Bookstore are happy to re-open our doors to warmly welcome parishioners and friends. Visit and check out the entire collection of Bibles, prayer books, prayers for healing and religious articles for gift giving during Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, Matrimony, Ordination, and special occasions. Be one of the first to see our new titles for 2021 annuals, for praying for the Sick and the Homebound and more. Take advantage of discounts. Come visit us at ST PAULS at 2187 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, New York 10314. We are open Tuesday to Saturday 9:30-11:45AM and 1:30-4:00. Visit our website: www.stpaulsusa.com.

Stolzenhaller Columbiettes

A Vibrant Catholic Women’s Service Organization

Looking for a way to get involved in parish and Columbiette events? Enjoy social activities? Want to enrich your Catholic faith by helping those in need? Join the Stolzenhaller Columbiettes! Please contact Debbie, Past President at 718-967-2315 for more information

Support Local Small Businesses & Restaurants

Please remember all the local small businesses & restaurants that have given donations for our sports, school, parish and other organizations over the years. They need our support now! Please answer the call and patronize them if you can. God Bless!

Donate Online

Donating online is simple, secure and easy! To do so, please go to olssparish.org and click “Donate Online”.

Join Flocknote!

Stay up-to-date with OLSS parish by joining Flocknote, an email and text message based program. To join, text “OLSS” to 84576 and / or go to www.flocknote.com/OLSS and provide your email address.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

1st Reading:

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the Lord where the ark of God was. The Lord called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am."

Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me."

"I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep."

So he went back to sleep. Again the Lord called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am," he said. "You called me."

But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the Lord, because the Lord had not revealed anything to him as yet. The Lord called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the Lord was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'"

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the Lord came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!"

Samuel answered, "Speak for your servant is listening."

Samuel grew up, and the Lord was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.
I have waited, waited for the Lord,
and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.
And he put a new song into my mouth,
a hymn to our God.

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.
Sacrifice or offering you wished not,
but ears open to obedience you gave me.
Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not;
then said I, "Behold I come."

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.
"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me,
to do your will, O my God, is my delight,
and your law is within my heart!"

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.
I announced your justice in the vast assembly;
I did not restrain my lips, as you, O Lord, know.
R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

2nd Reading:

Brothers and sisters: The body is not for immortality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immortality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

The Gospel

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?"

They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher--, "where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come, and you will see."

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah"—which is translated Christ--. Then he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas"—which is translated Peter.

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1. The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness fails me never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever.
2. Where streams of living water flow
With gentle care he leads me,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With heavenly food he feeds me.
3. Perverse and foolish I have strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing brought me.

Preparation: Shepherd of Souls

1. Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
Your chosen pilgrim flock
With manna in the wilderness,
With water from the rock.
2. We would not live by bread alone,
But by your word of grace,
In strength of which we travel on
To our abiding place.
3. Be known to us in breaking bread,
But do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread
Your table in our heart.

Communion #1: Here I Am, Lord

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them.

They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Communion #2: Behold the Lamb

1. Those who were in the dark are thankful for the sunlight; we who live, we who die are grateful for his gift, thankful for his love.

Refrain:

Behold, behold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall live; and all, all who dwell in God shall come to know his glory.

2. Peaceful now, those whose hearts are blessed with understanding of the wheat, of the wine united with his word and the love we share.

3. Gentle one, Child of God, join with us at this table. Bless our lives; nourish all who hunger for this feast; shelter them with peace.

