OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Huguenot ⊕ Staten Island, New York 10312

Served By

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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

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 <u>www.olssparish.org</u> and click "Donate Online."

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

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 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 7th, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, February 6

4:00PM Jeanmarie Eisenhardt

5:30PM Dominick Cosmai

Sunday, February 7

8:00AM Len Henderson

9:30AM Frances Rocca

11:00AM Raymond Beshara Jr.

12:30PM Kathleen Montalbano

7:00PM John Orfano & Lucy Ferrigno

Monday February, 8

9:00AM Terry & Dominick Zizzamia & Jamie Seaman

Tuesday, February 9 9:00AM John Leahy

Wednesday, February 10 9:00AM Edith Ponzi

Thursday, February 11

9:00 AM Richard Rauch

Friday, February 12

9:00AM Mildred Paturzo

Saturday, February 13

9:00AM Michael Stucchio

4:00PM Rosa, Salvatore & Michael Pallante

5:30PM Robert O'Connor

Sunday, February 14

8:00AM Carrie Ann & Paul Cheuvront

9:30AM Bastianina Palmieri11:00AM Joseph Gustella

12:30PM Robert DiStephano

7:00PM Dennis Makowski



Salt

of the

earth

Light

of the

world

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, Linda Gibbons, Herbert Gruberger, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Amy M., Maryann Monachino, Steven Morvillo, Santo Nicotra, Alex Ortiz, Elaine Parks, Ann Marie Peterson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Charlie R., Linda & Vincent Ranallo, Alexa Rigney, Emma Rondinelli, 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 Serra, Anthony Bonahna, William Bunbury, Carmine Giuliano, Robert C. O'Donnell, Anthony Poccio, Thomas Catanese

Banns of Marriage

1st Time: Jacqueline Poli & Joseph Mreczko

2021 Masses

If you would like to dedicate a Mass in memory of a deceased loved one, there is still availability. Please come in to the Rectory.



The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of February 7th-February 13th In Loving Memory of Terry & Dominick Zizzamia & Jamie Seaman

With Love From Terry, Eddie, Candace & John

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors – February 6 & 7

4:00 PM - M. Andreola

5:30 PM - A. Pompei

8:00AM – A. Medeiros

9:30AM - J. Zinsley

11:00AM - B. Paccione

12:30PM – C. Messina

7:00PM -

Lectors - February 13 & 14

4:00 PM -L. Bauer

5:30 PM - C. Messina

8:00AM - P. Zoltowski

9:30AM - J. Zinsley

11:00AM - B. Paccione

12:30PM – A. Deliso

7:00PM - A. Medeiros

<u>Lectors – February 20 & 21</u>

4:00 PM - M. Andreola

5:30 PM - L. Bauer

8:00AM -

9:30AM - P. Zoltowski

11:00AM - B. Weir

12:30PM – A. Pompei

7:00PM - A. Medeiros

Lectors - February 27 & 28

4:00 PM -L. Bauer

5:30 PM - C. Messina

8:00AM - P. Zoltowski

9:30AM - J. Zinsley

11:00AM – B. Paccione

12:30PM--

7:00PM - J. Limeri

Sunday collection for the week of 1/24/2021:

\$9,229.00

Debt Reduction

\$2,183.00

2020 Christmas Collection

Mail in: \$29,005.00

At Church/WeShare: \$19,690.00

Total: \$48,695.00

God bless you for your generosity!



A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

So much for global warming--- I do believe that even these cold days of winter and all this snow plays into it's game plan. I hope you are all safe and warn and healthy and although we have been through a lot, and even cabin fever gets to us all may Christ's peace lead and guide you in these days.

During the men's bible study last Sunday Morning, I heard a quote that helped me clinch my homily last weekend. "The tough times don't last forever, but tough people do". You have been so resilient and faithful and for this I want to honor you.

Whenever we have a family Sunday Night Zoom, my friends and family know that there will be question that will be asked of all of us to participate. What has been your Rose, and your Thorn this past week. To share with you my rose, it had to be last Friday when we had the 11AM session of First Reconciliation for our school's second grade. I have joined many, many people in praying for a sweet 7 year old student, Alexis Rigney, who underwent the removal of a tumor on her leg at Sloan Kettering Hospital in Manhattan.. To our surprise, not only did she rally after a long surgery and was released earlier than we had anticipated but she came to her First Reconciliation with her class. It was heartwarming to see her dad carry her into the church amid exuberant applause. Since her leg was in a cast I went to her pew and knelt before her to hear her confession. I am sure the students must have thought that she was hearing my confession. It was a strong witness to the power of prayer and we need to keep on praying because she has a difficult road ahead of her. Her smile and the children's reaction was definitely my rose for the week.

Meanwhile as we keep our prayers coming for our parishioners, my thorn was hearing that poor Cardinal Dolan is in quarantine last week and next week. He came in contact with someone who tested positive. Thank the Good Lord, he tested negative. I am happy to report and relieved too, that I will have received my second Moderna shot at RUMC hospital on Wednesday.

This Sunday at Mass we will hear the refrain, "Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted." I am especially mindful of people dealing with grief and deep sorrow over family members who have recently died or are struggling to regain their health after testing positive. These are hard times, but God is with us. Simon Peter in the Gospel says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you". We indeed are, and in need of that healing touch which can cleanse our souls and give peace. May healing touch of Jesus come to all who are most in need these days.

I am especially grateful to not only our first responders and front line workers but also the Sanitation Department doing their best to dig us out of this snow.

With all the heavy, dreary dark news of these days, I thought you might enjoy this little bit of humor.

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday in Minneapolis of a yeast infection and traumatic complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The graveside was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded.

Born and bread in Minnesota, Doughboy rose quickly in show business, but his late life was filled with turnovers. He was not regarded as a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and served as a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife, Play Dough, three children, John Dough, Jane Dough, and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If you smiled while reading this, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone having a crumby day and kneading a lift.

May the Lord give you His peace!

Fr. Tom Devery

PARISH NEWS

OLSS School News

*Catholic School week events scheduled for February 1 and 2, which were cancelled due to the snow, will be rescheduled for Monday, February 8 and Tuesday, February 9.

*Report cards will be viewable to parents on Wednesday, February 10.

*God bless our 2nd graders who received the sacrament of Reconciliation on January 29th.

*Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is underway. 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 12 NOON 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 limeri@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 February 20th, March 6th & 20th from 10:00am-2:30pm. To register see link:

https://marriageprep.nyfamilylife.org/home.aspx?pagename=PreCanaPurchase

Announcement Concerning Parish Evaluation

This year Father Thomas P. Devery will be completing his first six-year term as Pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. Keeping with Archdiocesan policy, an evaluation of the parish

has begun.

Parishioners and staff who wish to participate may write letters with their own comments about our parish and the pastoral leadership of the parish.

Please address your letters to:
The Office of Priest Personnel
Archdiocese of New York
1011 First Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Letters should be received no later than February 28, 2021.

<u>Any letters received after the deadline will NOT be included</u> in the evaluation process.

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.

Unite your daily rosary to the prayers of the Legion of Mary

The auxiliary membership of the Legion of Mary is the praying arm of the Legion. All that is required is to say a small leaflet of prayers and a daily rosary and your prayers will be united to the whole Legion, which is international. Call Carol 917-621-7814 or contact the Legion on facebook- legion of Maryolsspraesidium to add your name or to get 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!

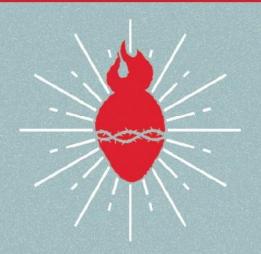
Donate Online

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.

2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal Charitable and Pastoral Outreach



WHATEVER YOU DID FOR THE LEAST OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, YOU DID FOR ME.

MATTHEW 25:40

\$6M of the Cardinal's Appeal funds ministries and apostolates across the Archdiocese of New York, including the Family Life, Respect Life, Catholic Charities, and the Young Adult Outreach offices.

Throughout the pandemic, these ministries were hard at work serving our brothers and sisters across the archdiocese.

Visit www.cardinalsappeal.org to make your gift today!







CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Sharing God's Gifts Throughout

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

Job spoke, saying: Is not man's life on earth a drudgery? Are not his days those of hirelings? He is a slave who longs for the shade, a hireling who waits for his wages. So I have been assigned months of misery, and troubles nights have been allotted to me. If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again.

Responsorial Psalm R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Praise the Lord, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him.

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; the dispersed of Israel he gathers.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds. He tells the number of the stars; He calls each by name.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit.
The Lord sustains the lowly; the wicked he casts to the ground.

R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

Second Reading

Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense? That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel. Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

The Gospel

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them.

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: Here I Am

Refrain:

Here I am, standing right beside you. Here I am; do not be afraid. Here I am, waiting like a lover. I am here; here I am.

- 1. Do not fear when the tempter calls you. Do not fear even though you fall. Do not fear, I have conquered evil. Do not fear, never be afraid.
- 2. I am here in the face of every child. I am here in every warm in brace. I am here with tenderness and mercy. Here I am, I am here.

Communion #1: There is a Longing

Refrain:

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us. There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

- 1. For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief: be near, hear our prayer, O God.
- 2. For wisdom, for courage, for comfort: hear our prayer. In weakness, in fear: be near, hear our prayer, O God.
- 3. For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death: be near, hear our prayer, O God.

Preparation: The Cry of the Poor

Refrain:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord.

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 2. Let the lonely hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken, God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 3. Every spirit crushed, God will save; will be ransom for their lives; will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.

Communion #2: For the Sake of Christ

Refrain:

For the sake of Christ, I willingly accept my weakness and my trials, for when I am powerless, then I am strong.

- 1. Although in God's love my life was blest, my faith was given to the test. For mercy did I pray, and then I heard God say, "My Grace is enough for you. My grace is enough for you."
- 2. And so when I am weak, then I am free. The power of Christ will rest in me. Through all that I endure, the love of God is sure. His grace is enough for me. His grace is enough for me.
- 3. He died for all, that those who live might live no longer for themselves. Oh, live for Christ who gave his life, and now is raised on high.