OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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	5:30 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11	:00 am,
12:30 & 7	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
	Thursday	
	5	2 4-30 - 5-00 nm

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

Church5411 Amboy Road
Parish Office5371 Amboy Road
Parish Website ... www.olssparish.org
Phone984-0593
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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.

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

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Our Lady Star of the Sea 2nd Sunday of Easter April 11th, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, April 10

4:00PM Gerard Stechmann 5:30PM Mary & Mario Schiera

Sunday, April 11

8:00AM Josephine Terrana – Runnels

9:30AM Joseph Belvedere

11:00AM lolanda & Gennaro D'Ambrosi

12:30PM Leonarda Parente 7:00 PM Joey Maggio

Monday, April 12

9:00AM Rocco & Ersilia Villani

Tuesday, April 13 9:00AM Carl Devivo Wednesday, April 14

9:00AM Emily & Anthony DeLuca

Thursday, April 15

9:00 AM Audrey McDermott

Friday, April 16

9:00AM MaryAnn Rizzi

Saturday, April 17

9:00AM Anna & Antonio Masella, Oscar & Mary Hayeck, Lena & Joe Moliero, & Deceased Members of the

Awed Families

4:00PM Deceased Members of the Deluca, Scuderi, Malone,

Iarobino & Petrancosta Families

5:30PM Deceased Members of the DeLeo & DeMarco

Families

Sunday, April 18

8:00AM Rose Spotorno 9:30AM Marie Iacono 11:00AM Billy Caputo 12:30PM Frank lacono

JoAnne & John Quattrocchi & Vincent Calamia Sr. 7:00PM

Pray for the Sick



Ricia Augusty, John Byrnes, Vincerva Caccano, Korinn Camacho, Edward Canfield, Maria Cangelosi, Donna Cardillo, Patricia Carey, Marcos Castano, Kenzy Coursen, Rocky D., John Dawidoicz, Mary

D'Amato, John DeLuca, Salvatore DiStefano, Virginia Duffy, Anthony Focca, Debra Friscia, Joseph Friscia, Richard Friscia, Nancy Gallo, Mario Garafola, Linda Gibbons, Herbert Gruberger, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Amy M., Lorenzo Marinelli Jr., Maryann Monachino, Steven Morvillo, Santo Nicotra, Alex Ortiz, Elaine Parks, Ann Marie Peterson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Charlie R., Linda Ranallo, Alexa Rigney, Emma Rondinelli, Caesar Russo, Tracy, Bill Smith, Elizabeth White, George Kerchhoffer Frank Vassallo

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:

Mary Buttafuoco, Frank Tragni, Richard Gagliardo, Benjamin Visceglia, Linda Torres





3rd Time: Joanne Dambrosi & Vincenzo Scardino 2nd Time: Jennifer Muselli & Michael Troise

2nd Time: Angela Aiello & Dominick Marrone

The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of April 11th, 17th

In Loving Memory of Our Dear Friend Al Petrocelli Sr.

Donated by The Emigholz Family

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors - April 10 & 11

4:00 PM—L. Bauer

5:30 PM—Lector Needed

8:00 AM— P. Zoltowski

9:30 AM— J. Zinsley

11:00 AM— E. Newborn

12:30 PM - C. Greaney

7:00 PM— J. Limeri

Lectors - April 17 & 18

4:00 PM—M. Andreola

5:30 PM—F. Monte 8:00 AM— Lector Needed

9:30 AM- A. Medeiros

11:00 AM- B. Paccione

12:30 PM— C. Messina

7:00 PM— Lector Needed

Lectors - April 24 & 25

4:00 PM—L. Bauer

5:30 PM— C. Greaney 8:00 AM- A. Medeiros

9:30 AM- J. Zinsley

11:00 AM- F. Monte

12:30 PM— C. Messina

7:00 PM— J. Limeri

Sunday collection for the week of 3/28/2021:



\$13,799.67 2nd Collection: School Scholarship \$1,925.00

God bless you for your generosity!

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A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Once again Happy Easter! Abundant blessings be yours today on this the Feast of the Divine Mercy. It was exactly on this Feast 21 years ago I surrendered the usher's room and the room of reconciliation at Holy Child Church to become the Divine Mercy Chapel for Perpetual Adoration. Except for snowstorms and pandemic reasons 24/7 people have access to come into God's presence face to face for silent prayer and worship. Of all the projects and ministries that I have experienced in 43 years, I can say one of the greatest joys of my priesthood is watching how people who never dedicated one hour of adoration time signed up and I watched in amazement how our Blessed Lord was able to deepen their faith and growth in Christ. People gravitate there not because I asked them to but more importantly, they have seen for themselves what wonders are in store when we turn to Him. Through the years many have gone home to God and new people have taken their place. I wait for the day to see this room open again. All the more reason since we followed the lead of perpetual adoration from the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at Saint Paul's Center on the north shore.

This Feast of Divine Mercy comes directly from our Lord's vision to Saint Faustina of Krakow, Poland. Pope Saint John Paul the Great promoted Divine Mercy and the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception have their national shrine dedicated to this Feast in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Father Joseph Roesch, M.I.C., who was ordained in our parish is now on the general counsel of his order in Rome. IF we were to tune into EWTN on Divine Mercy Sunday at 3PM, Father Joseph would lead the congregation, hundreds of people, in this worship. The Lord told Saint Faustina that enormous graces would be poured out on souls who went to confession and recited at the three o'clock hour the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. This prayer us usually prayed on the rosary beads. It begins with the Apostles Creed, the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and then three times this prayer, "O blood and water, which gushed forth from the heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in you." Then on the Our Father bead, you pray, "Eternal Father. I offer you the body and blood, soul and divinity, of your dearly beloved son, in atonement for our sins and the sins of the whole word. Then on the Hail Mary beads we pray: "For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." The chaplet is concluded with this prayer said three times: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."

Why is this grace so important? We need to atone for our sins, repent of them and worship the merciful heart of Jesus. This heart was pointed to by Jesus to Doubting Thomas on the week after the Resurrection. When Jesus heart was pierced, blood and water, the symbol for Baptism and Eucharist is depicted in Saint Faustina's image and rays of white and red light flowing from the heart of Christ. The world is reeling these days from suffering, pandemic fears, financial woes, addicted living situations and much brokenness and alienation from God. As Deacon Carmine Caruso mentioned in his Easter Monday homily this morning, "We have all contaminated the soil of our soul with pollution; that needs to be cleaned up, so we can restore the original innocence of our lives as creatures made in the image and likeness of God.

On Divine Mercy Sunday I will be joining brother priests at the three o'clock hour at Holy Child Church for the celebration of this feast where adoration, witnessing and confessions will be made available. Come and Join us.

A Blessed Easter to all of you. Thank you for all the prayers offered at this time for our parish.

May the Risen Lord Jesus give you His Peace.

Fr. Tom Devery

PARISH NEWS

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 April 24th and May 8th & 15th from 10:00am-2:30pm. To register see link:

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

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday



This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. It is the wonderful feast highlighted by Pope John Paul II's canonization of Saint Faustina. It was formerly called "Low Sunday" or the first Sunday after Easter. Divine Mercy is a reminder to us of the mystery of Christ's love for us at Calvary and how even despite Doubting Thomas' absence, Jesus not only appears to the apostles and disciples in the Upper Room on Easter Sunday Evening but shows them that He is Risen, indeed He is alive and that He has forgiven us of all our sins. Jesus conquered sin, suffering and death. He now invites us to love one another by being merciful and spreading this good news.

2022 MASS BOOK

Opening of the 2022 Mass Book

Due to COVID-19, you cannot reserve masses in person for this Mass Book opening.

The 2022 Mass book will open on **Monday, April 12th, 2021 at 10AM.** Because of our large parish, at this time, you may only request up to **THREE** Masses (including one holy day, e.g. Christmas, Easter, etc.) Please do not call the Rectory, since Masses will not be taken prior to the opening of the book, or over the phone. In preparation, we have provided the following tear off form for your Mass requests. Please include your full name and phone number. Enclose your payment (please see below for the prices of masses) in an envelope marked "2022 Masses". Your envelope can be dropped off at the rectory office only starting Monday, April 12th at 10AM. They will be marked with the date and time as they are received and opened in that order. You will be contacted by phone if we need to discuss your mass selection. Thank you for your cooperation!

2022 OLSS Mass Request Form (please fill out completely)

	Name:	
	Phone:	
	Requested Mass Date/Time:	Mass Intention for (Name):
1		
2		
3.		

Saturday (4 & 5:30) & Sunday (8AM, 9:30, 11AM, 12:30PM & 7PM) Masses are \$20. Weekday Masses are \$15. Please use a 2022 calendar when selecting dates.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL

Our Lady Star of the Sea is part of a whole interconnected network of parish life, education and Catholic Charities. The 2021 Cardinal's Appeal is part of our Lenten sacrifice to help our church in it's mission to serve God's faithful people. While we are invited to pray, fast and give alms: this is one way in which we can help serve the Lord with your sacrifice. Be a part of our mission to bring about the Kingdom of God.

Fr. Tom Devery

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal

If you have not yet done so and would like to make a pledge to the Appeal, please fill out this form, cut it out and put it in the collection basket, drop it off at the Rectory or mail it to:

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal 1011 First Ave. 14th Floor Donor Database Center

(212) 371-1011 Ext. 3300

Suggested total pledge:	5 Monthly Payments of:
\$5,000	\$1,000
\$2,500	\$500
\$1,000	\$200
\$500	\$100
\$250	\$50

Card #_____ Exp. Date____ Amt \$____
Please charge:
One Time Amt of \$____ OR \$ ___each month for ___ months.
Signature:

2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal; COVID-19 Relief



Few organizations were as well-equipped to respond to the needs of the community at the peak of the pandemic as the Catholic Church, but the work is far from over. We serve not only the faithful from Staten Island to Sullivan county, but all who approach our church doors in their time of need with spiritual, physical, and medical support.

> Visit www.cardinalsappeal.org/donate to make your gift today!

WHATEVER YOU DID FOR THE LEAST OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, YOU DID FOR ME. MAITHEW 25:40





READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property of houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Let the house of Israel say,

"His mercy endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,

"His mercy endures forever."

Let those who fear the Lord say,

"His mercy endures forever."

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

I was hard pressed and was falling,

but the Lord helped me.

My strength and my courage is the Lord,

and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory

in the tents of the just.

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done.

It is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made;

let us be glad and rejoice in it.

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Second Reading

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

THE GOSPEL

On the evening of the first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and through this belief you may have life in his name.

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Refrain:

Entrance: Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers,
Virtues, arch angels, angels' choirs, Alelluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
You patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia!
Ye holy Twelve, and martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song, Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Oh friends, in gladness let us sing,
Triumphant anthems echoing, Alleluia!
To God the father, God the Son,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! 1. Ye sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King, O'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

Preparation: Ye Sons and Daughters

That Easter morn, at break of day,
 The faithful women went their way
 To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!

3. An Angel clad in white they see,Who sat, and spoke to the three,"Your Lord has gone to Galilee." Alleluia!

Communion #1: The Supper of the Lord Refrain:

And God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia!

Precious body, precious blood, seen as bread and wine; here the Lord prepares the feast divine. Bread of love is broken now, cup of life is poured: come, share the supper of the Lord.

- 1. This is the bread of God coming down from heaven, giving life to us, to all the world.
- 2. "I am the living spring of eternal life; you that drink from me shall not thirst again."
- 3. "I am the bread of heaven giving life to you; you that eat this bread shall never die."

Communion #2: We Are Many Parts Refrain:

We are many parts, we are all one body, and the gifts we have we are given to share. May the Spirit of love make us one indeed; one, the love that we share, one our hope in despair, one, the cross that we bear.

- 1. God of all, we look to you, we would be your servants true, let us be your love to all the world.
- 2. So my pain is pain for you, in your joy is my joy, too; all is brought together in the Lord.
- 3. All you seekers great and small, seek the greatest gift of all; if you love, then you will know the Lord.