

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

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Huguenot ✦ Staten Island, New York 10312

Served By

- Fr. Thomas P. Devery *Pastor*
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- Fr. Antony Alfred *Parochial Vicar*
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- Michael Ancona..... *Minister of Music*
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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

- Church5411 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
4th Sunday of Easter
April 25th, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, April 24

4:00PM Sophie & Joe Iorio and Jane & John Graziano

5:30PM Vera Caruso

Sunday, April 25

8:00AM John C. Gerken Jr. & Edris Kohm

9:30AM Mark Pompa

11:00AM Deceased Members of the Olivetti & DeFalco Families

12:30PM Joseph Warnock

7:00PM Louis Ferrante

Monday, April 26

9:00AM Michael Scotti

Tuesday, April 27

9:00AM Vito Roca

Wednesday, April 28

9:00AM Frank Russo

Thursday, April 29

9:00AM Joseph Belvedere

Friday, April 30

9:00AM John Ingargiola

Saturday, May 1

9:00AM James E. Carroll

4:00PM Dominick Manzolillo

5:30PM Deceased Members of the Maye & McGowan Families

Sunday, May 2

8:00AM Daniel Podvesker

9:30AM Paolina DePaulis

11:00AM Mary Beth McCue

12:30PM Olga & Andres Rosado and John Cali

7:00PM Myra C. Somma

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, Alex, Theresa & Thomas Guglielmo, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Amy M., Lorenzo Marinelli Jr., Maryann Monachino, Steven Morvillo, Santo Nicotra, Virginia Novaro, 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:

**James Winters, Stephen Hopkins, Sarah Farinelly,
Thomas Fernino, James Haughie, John Castania**

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
April 25th- May 1st
In Loving Memory of
Herman and Caroline Emigholz
Forever in Our Hearts

Mass Minister Schedule

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

Lectors – May 1 & 2

4:00 PM—L. Bauer

5:30 PM— Lector Needed

8:00 AM— A. Medeiros

9:30 AM— J. Zinsley

11:00 AM— E. Newborn

12:30 PM— C. Messina

7:00 PM— K. Melka

Lectors – May 8 & 9

4:00 PM—F. Monte

5:30 PM— L. Bauer

8:00 AM— P. Zoltowski

9:30 AM— C. Greaney

11:00 AM— B. Paccione

12:30 PM— A. Deliso

7:00 PM— J. Limeri

Sunday collection for the week of 4/11/2021:



\$9,865.00

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A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, this has been called Good Shepherd Sunday. Jesus speaks God's Word to us and says, "I am the Good Shepherd, I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father." Jesus also tells us that a good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. During the Easter season we celebrate that gift of the Resurrection where we are joined with Christ, to be restored, renewed and recreated.

I want to thank the parish for the results of my pastoral service evaluation. Bishop John O'Hara and Father Louis Jerome, the pastor of Saint Charles Church in Oakwood were the selected team to give the feedback team from my evaluation process. Thank you for all wrote letters and your kind remarks and encouragement. I told them that I would be honored to continue for the next six- year term. They were very supportive.

This weekend has been traditionally called, "Vocation" Sunday. Is the Good Shepherd calling you to a life of service to our church as a priest, deacon, Religious Sister, Brother, missionary, or lay- ministry. All of us are called from our baptism to know, love and serve the Lord. If he is calling you, be not afraid. Let Jesus guide and direct you.

Venerable Fulton J Sheen writes poetically and powerful this insight into the Easter mystery,

"imagine a judge having before him his own son who committed murder. He killed a boy. Now there is no doubt whatever of the son's guilt. The father-judge, bound to exercise justice, sentences his son to death. That is justice. Then he says to the son, "Now I will take your place, I will die for you." That would be mercy. But that is not the complete picture.

Suppose that at the moment; the son was sentenced to death, the boy that the sone had murdered walked in alive. The son would say, "How can you condemn me for murder? You said I killed this boy? You see, he's alive. I'm innocent, I should be free. That's precisely the condition that we are in. We are guilty of sin, but our Lord rose from the dead, took our guilt upon himself, and washed it away. Now we can say, he's alive, he's not dead. I'm free. So that's why he came."

Cardinal Timothy Dolan, writes a reflection on James 1: 2-4, "Consider it a joy my brothers, when you encounter various trials for you know the testing of your faith produces perseverance."

Why would a person of faith be cheerful even in the face of tragedy? Our reason for joy is the cross. When Jesus suffered and died on the cross, the sun hid in shame. The earth literally sobbed with convulsions of sorrow as an earthquake occurred.

Jesus, pure goodness seemed to have been bullied to death by undiluted evil. But then came Easter Sunday!

Guess who had the last word? God! Hope, faith and love triumphed, and we believers have not stopped smiling since. Therefore, as the bible teaches us, if God loves us so much that He did not spare His only Son, "nothing can separate us from the love of God".

Good Friday dies not have the last word. Easter does! That's why we must laugh in the face of darkness. We must believe that everything is in God's providential hands and that "all will work out for those who believe."

Lord knows there are plenty of Good Friday's in our lives, but they will not prevail. As the Irish claim, "Life is all about loving, living, and laughing, not about hating, dying and moaning."

That's why a crabby, griping, whining believer is an oxymoron. That's why we say, "Joy is the infallible sign of God's presence." Faith in the cross of Christ and hope in His Resurrection gives us that joy.

May the Risen Christ give you during this Easter season His Peace and His Joy.

Father Tom Devery

PARISH NEWS

OLSS School News

* Please keep our second graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion.

* A big thank you to Ms. Betty, Mrs. Conklin and Mrs. Marinelli for all they do to keep OLSS running smoothly. We have the best office staff and appreciate all your hard work.

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

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

OLSS Religious Education

CCD registration for first grade ONLY

May 12th at 3:15 to 5:00 in OLSS School.

We need to see your child's Baptismal certificate.

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!

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.

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 its 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

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Parish _____
E-Mail _____
Total Gift _____

Choose your payment method:

Personal check payable to: The Cardinal's Appeal

Credit Card (complete below): American Exp – Visa – MasterCard
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.**

MATTHEW 25:40



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*Sharing God's Gifts Throughout
the Archdiocese of New York*

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READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said:
“Leaders of the people and elders: If we are being examined today about a good deed done to a cripple, namely by what means he was saved, then all of you and all the people of Israel should know that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed. He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever. It is better to take
refuge in the Lord
than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord;
we bless you from the house of the Lord.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me
and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Second Reading

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

THE GOSPEL

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. A hired man, who is not a shepherd and whose sheep are not his own, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf catches and scatters them. This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father."

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: I Am the Bread of Life

1. I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst. No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

Refrain:

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up, and I will raise you up on the last day.

2. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever.

3. Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you.

Preparation: 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.

Communion #1: Shepherd Me, O God

Refrain:

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life

1. God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.

2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your Name.

3. Though I wander through the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.

4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.

5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of God forever more.

Communion #2: We Will Rise Again

1. Like a shepherd I will feed you; I will gather you with care. I will lead you and hold you close to my heart.

Refrain:

We will run and not grow weary, for our God will be our strength, and we we will fly like the eagle, we will rise again.

2. I am strength to the weary; to the weak I am new life. Though the young may grow weary, I will be their hope.

3. Lift up your eyes, and see who made the stars. I lead you, and I know you, I call you each by name.

4. Fear not, I am with you; I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; uphold you with my hand.

