

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

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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
5th Sunday of Easter
May 2nd, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, May 1

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

Monday, May 3

9:00AM Stephen Hopkins

Tuesday, May 4

9:00AM Rita & Salvatore Cama

Wednesday, May 5

9:00AM Salvatore Pennacchio

Thursday, May 6

9:00 AM Thomas Hoban & Jennifer Hoban

Friday, May 7

9:00AM Deborah Ann Rafano

Saturday, May 8

9:00AM Eleonora & Accursio Pennino
4:00PM Deceased Members of the Puglisi & Serrantonio Families
5:30PM Sophie & Joe Iorio and Jane & John Graziano

Sunday, May 9

8:00AM Anthony Mineo
9:30AM Mary & John Bonfiglio
11:00AM Gladys Voyeau & Recalda DeRamos
12:30PM Teresa Marando
7:00PM Pauline Orfano



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:

Mary Rose Lappin, Michael Ryan,
Beatrice D'Angelo, Gerard Cummings



Banns of Marriage

1st Time: Jenna Pugliese & Joseph McRoberts

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
May 2nd-8th

In Loving Memory of
The Deceased Members of the Puglisi &
Serrantonio Families
Donated by Your Loving Family

Mass Minister Schedule

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

Lectors – May 3 & 4

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

Lectors – May 15 & 16

12:30 PM— A. Deliso
7:00 PM— J. Limeri
4:00 PM—M. Andreaola
5:30 PM— L. Bauer
8:00 AM— A. Medeiros
9:30 AM— P. Zoltowski
11:00 AM— E. Newborn
12:30 PM— C. Messina
7:00 PM— K. Melka

Sunday collection for the week of 4/18/2021:



\$11,643.00
Holy Land – Good Friday
\$1,890.00

God bless you for your generosity!

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A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Today is the 5th Sunday of Easter and the Gospel of John proclaims that at the Last Supper, Jesus declared: "I am the vine, and you are the branches, whoever remains in Me and I in him will bear much fruit, because apart from Me you can do nothing." These words are riveting, especially when we see the life of the early disciples of Jesus following the Resurrection. Even today Jesus is giving us a share in His divine life each and every time we receive Him in Holy Communion. Jesus presence in us transforms us, heals us, directs us and empowers to love and forgive.

Today and next Sunday we welcome all the 2nd grade boys and girls who have received Jesus in their First Holy Communion. Unlike last year, when this great day was postponed until the fall, we can relish in the enthusiasm and innocence of these children of God. I want to thank the teachers, catechists, parents and grandparents who have prepared them. Please, take all the children to Mass so that they can grow in Christ. Next to their baptism, this is the most important day of their lives. As Jesus said earlier in His ministry, "Let the children come to Me and do not hinder them, it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs."

Sara Young, in her book "Jesus Calling" her reflection for April 25th reads:

Make Me your focal point as you move through this day. Just as a spinning ballerina must keep returning her eyes to a given point to maintain her balance, so you must keep returning your focus to Me. Circumstances are in flux, and the world seems to be whirling around you. The only way to keep your balance is to fix your eyes on Me, the One who never changes. If you gaze too long at your circumstances, you will become dizzy and confused. Look to Me, refreshing yourself in My Presence, and your steps will be steady and sure. Hebrew 12:2; Psalm 102:27

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen writes:

There is a spiritual thirst, as we read in on the psalms: "I thirst for the living God when will I appear before Him?" As He says, "I thirst", our Lord is thirsting for return to His Father. The night before, at he Last Supper, he prayed to His Father and asked for the glory that was His before the foundations of the world were laid. He told His disciples that He was going to prepare a place for them. Now He has this thirst, to return again to His Father. Applying that spiritual thirst of our Lord to ourselves, what is it that we have if we love the Lord? We have a thirst for holiness. We want to be saints. We want to be happy, to be at peace on the inside, to be one with the Father. What is sanctity? Sanctity is Christ living in me so that His mind possess my mind and I am governed by his truth. That's sanctity. He's in my will, and all things that are pleasing to Him I do. He is in my body, so that my body becomes a tabernacle. Sanctity is not only Christ in me, it's making Christ known to others. It's being loveable. It's making Christ loveable. When others see us, they see Christ.

Many of you have prepared from March 30 to May 1st for the Consecration to Saint Joseph in this the Year of Saint Joseph. Father David Calloway, MC wrote a magnificent book 'Consecration to Saint Joseph, The Wonders of our spiritual father'.

An Act of Consecration to Saint Joseph

O Glorious Patriarch and Patron of the Church! O Virgin Spouse of the Virgin Mother of God! O Guardian and Virginal Father of the Word Incarnate! In the presence of Jesus and Mary, I choose you this day to be my father, my guardian, and my protector.

O great Saint Joseph, whom God has made the Head of the Holy Family, accept me, I beseech you, though utterly unworthy, to be a member of your "Holy House".

Present me to your Immaculate Spouse; ask her also to adopt me as her child. With her, pray that I may constantly think of Jesus, as serve him faithfully to the end of my life.

O Terror Demons, increase in me virtue, protect me from the evil one, and help me not offend God in any way.

O My Spiritual Father, I hereby consecrate myself to you. In faithful imitation of Jesus and Mary, I place myself and all my concerns under your care and protection. To you, after Jesus and Mary, I consecrate my body and soul, with all their faculties, my spiritual growth, my home, and all my affairs and undertakings. Forsake me not; but adopt me as a servant and a child of the Holy Family. Watch over me at all times, but especially at the hour of my death. Console and strengthen me with the presence of Jesus and Mary so that, with you, I may praise and adore the Holy Trinity for all eternity. Amen

God bless you this Eastertide,

Father Tom Devery

PARISH NEWS

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.

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

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

OLSS School News

- +God bless our 2nd graders who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. We pray that they always stay as close to Jesus as they are today.
- +Congratulations to Sophia Torres, class 6-1, on her award winning artwork for the NYWEA "Protect the Watershed" Calendar/Poster contest and for DEP's "Water Resource" Art Contest! We are so proud of your accomplishments!
- +Congratulations to the Value of the Month recipients for April. The value for April was patience and was awarded to:

Cohort A: Angelo Casazza, Robbie Rose Breen, Angelina Gugliucci, Dominick Lazzara, Cassandra Montiel, Alessia DeGuzman, Roma Malerba, Alexa Gugliucci, Michael Duta, Salvatore Bonura, Marianna Faiello, Alessandra Costabile, Gianna Capuano, William Karpeles, Cassandra Ampo, Julianna Bottalico, Michael Naccara and Julia D'Orio.

Cohort B: Emma Talavera, Thomas Yousef, Logan Perdomo, Ava Zoccali, James Moramarco, Ava Marcolini, Serena Montagna, Anthony Taormina, Aiden Noto, Charlotte Lopardo, Kaiden Noia, Alexa Marcolini, Joseph Spungin, Gianna Rocchio, Isabella Sorrentino, Jake Stadler, Gianna Riggio and William Seidito.

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.

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 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

Name _____
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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

When Saul arrived in Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he was a disciple. Then Barnabas took charge of him and brought him to the apostles, and he reported to them how he had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus. He moved about freely with them in Jerusalem, and spoke out boldly in the name of the Lord. He also spoke and debated with the Hellenists, but they tried to kill him. And when the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him on his way to Tarsus. The church throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace. It was being built up and walked in the fear of the Lord, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit it grew in numbers.

Responsorial Psalm

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the Lord.
The lowly shall eat their fill;
they who seek the Lord shall praise him:
"May your hearts live forever!"

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the Lord;
all the families of the nations
shall bow down before him.

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

To him alone shall bow down
all who sleep in the earth;
before him shall bend
all who go down into the dust.

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

And to him my soul shall live;
my descendants shall serve him.
Let the coming generation be told of the Lord
that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born
the justice he has shown.

R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

Second Reading

Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. Now this is how we shall know that we belong to the truth and reassure our hearts before him in whatever our hearts condemn, for God is greater than our hearts and knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the spirit he gave us.

THE GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: "I am the true vine and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit. You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: Jesus Is Risen

1. Jesus is risen! Let us sing!
Praise to the ever living king! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him in song, ye Seraphim!
Praise him with joy, ye Cherubim!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
2. On this most holy day of days,
Let us together sing his praise! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Raise joyful voices to the sky!
Sing out, ye heavens, in reply:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. To God the Father let us sing,
Let us together sing his praise! Alleluia! Alleluia!
And equally let us adore
The Holy Spirit evermore!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Preparation: At the Lamb's High Feast

1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
He has washed us in the tide
Flowing from his open side;
Praise we him, whose love divine
Gives his sacred Blood for wine,
Gives his Body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
2. Where the Paschal blood is poured,
Death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.

Communion #1: We Have Been Told

Refrain:

We have been told, we've seen his face and heard his voice alive in our hearts; "Live in my love with all your heart, as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you."

1. "I am the vine, you are the branches, and all who live in me will bear great fruit."
2. "You are my friends, if you keep my commands, no longer slaves, I call you friends."
3. "No greater love is there than this: to lay down one's life for a friend."

Communion #2: In Every Age

1. Long before the mountains came to be and the land and sea and stars of the night, through the endless seasons of all time, you have always been, you will always be.

Refrain:

In every age, O God, you have been our refuge.
In every age, O God, you have been our hope.

2. Destiny is cast, and at your silent word we return to dust and scatter to the wind.
A thousand years are like a single moment gone, as the light fades at the end of day.
3. Teach us to make use of the time we have.
Teach us to be patient even as we wait.
Teach us to embrace our every joy and pain.
To sleep peacefully, and to rise up strong.

