

Our Lady Star of the Sea
6th Sunday of Easter
May 9th, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, May 8

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 and Recalda DeRamos

12:30PM Teresa Marando

7:00PM Pauline Orfano

Monday, May 10

9:00AM Deceased Members of the Kent Family

Tuesday, May 11

9:00AM Billy Higgins, Jr.

Wednesday, May 12

9:00AM Joe Belvedere

7:00PM Margaret & Samuel Faulds

Thursday, May 13

7:00AM Stephan Hopkins

9:00AM Ellen Heuser

12:00PM Mary Sprague

8:00PM Gary John Schiavi

Friday, May 14

9:00AM Thomas Fitzgerald

Saturday, May 15

9:00AM Mary Bassi

4:00PM Frances Samaritano

5:30PM William J. Donald

Sunday, May 16

8:00AM Sr. Helene Foely, SCC and Marilyn Johns

9:30AM Rita & Henry Ranieri

11:00AM Sam Maffeo

12:30PM Carmine Piccirillo

7:00PM Patrick Vulpi

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:

Barbara Cato, Francesco Macaudo, Joann Addario

Banns of Marriage



3rd Time: Jenna Pugliese & Joseph McRoberts

1st Time: Angelica Hendrix & Thomas DiSanto

The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of
May 9th-15th
In Loving Memory of Our
Mom & Grandma
Maria Cancelleri
Forever In Our Hearts

Mass Minister Schedule

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

Lectors – May 15 & 16

4:00 PM—M. Andreola

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 4/25/2021:



\$16,153.39*

Debt Reduction

\$2,977.00

***includes a one-time \$6,000 donation**

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Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, May 13

The Ascension of the Lord

Mass times will be the following:

Wednesday, May 12 (Vigil Mass) - 7 pm

Thursday, May 13 – 7 am, 9 am (LIVESTREAMED),
12 Noon & 8 pm

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Happy Mother's Day! I salute all the mothers, grandmothers, mothers in law, godmothers, spiritual mothers, single mothers and adopted mothers, who by their feminine genius reveal the face of God. Think for a moment of your mother's eyes. All those moments when she gave you the look. It could be one of loving pride, or "cut that out now" or complete exhaustion from working and caring for a member of the family. Think for a moment of a mother's heart that bears all the burdens of her families. All those times when the siblings are not getting along; all the worries of those times when someone is in trouble. The forgiving heart, the laughing heart, the consoling heart and the ever-ready loving heart, it is like no other love in the world.

My mom had a sharp wit, and a keen sense of character judgment and an irreducible call to humility that help me realize who I am and who I belong to. I seldom tell this tale of my first blessing. After ordination to priesthood, all the newly ordained men are led into Our Lady's Chapel in Saint Patrick's Cathedral and following last in the procession was Cardinal Terence Cooke. He knelt down before the altar there; and each of us newly ordained priest lay hands on his head; and pray our first priestly blessing over him. While this is going on, our parents are led into the chapel and it was an emotional moment for me to give my first priestly blessing to my parents. When I had finished praying; I leaned over to my mother and gave her a kiss and sweetly said into her ear. "Now, you can call me Father". She looked up and with a stage whisper said to me, "I call you crap, I took enough it from you". I was hysterical, "Ma, the cardinal could hear you". She said, "Don't pull that rank on me, round collar or not".

For thirty-seven years more I had the blessing of being a son, while she was still alive and no spiritual director could read me like her intuition. She could tell by my face what was going on. I knew that every day I was prayed for in her rosaries, her going to Mass and the loving kindness she displayed to her neighbors. She lived to be a great age, 95.

One of the greatest surprises in her life was when I was the director of the Parish Mission Team and in 1993 a busload of pilgrims arrived in the Holy Land for 10 days. Mom thoroughly enjoyed that experience as did I; but when we walked the Via Dolorosa, and prayed the Stations of the Cross at of the 14 stops. The last stop was "Jesus is taken down from the cross and place in his mother's arms". I had a part of the prayer to read; and Mom had a part. She told me that was one of the happiest days of her life.

Another amazing surprise came in 2012 on a steamy humid Sunday afternoon In August. It sadly happened that there was a number of Hispanic parishioners from Saint Mary of the Assumption Parish on the north shore were injured and killed. Cardinal Dolan went to be with them and afterward came to Monsignor Farrell High School residence to freshen up and have a bite to eat. I was in residence there at the time when I was working in the Office of Priest Personnel. Cardinal Dolan called me on my cell phone and asked if he could come and have a visit with mom who was living about a mile down the road in the Tysen's Apartments. "I said, come on over". Mom said, "Who's coming over?" I told her the Cardinal. She was completely taken by surprise. I was ordered to take out the vacuum, put on the kettle, straighten out the living room. In the midst of barking her orders at me, in he walked. He gave her a big hug and she was enthralled with the fact that he would visit her. They laughed and told many stories about Ireland and coming to America. and just as quickly as he came, he left. But at 93 years of age, it was a distinct honor. These cherished memories, and thousands more come to mind as I offer Mass this Sunday. May each of you be blessed in honoring your moms living and gone to God.

May is the month of Mary, let us honor her for giving us Jesus and may our lives be a Magnificat, "My soul magnifies the Lord; and my spirit rejoices in God my savior.

Happy Mother's Day

Father Tom

PARISH NEWS

Second Collection for Aid to the People of India per Cardinal Dolan

To help alleviate the suffering in India funds raised will be sent to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, a papal humanitarian relief agency, which is already working in India to assist the poor & suffering, regardless of their faith.

God Bless you for your generosity.

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 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 15th, June 5th & 19th, July 17th and August 14th from 10:00am-2:30pm. To register see link:

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

OLSS School News

Happy Mother’s Day to all our OLSS moms! We hope you have a peaceful and relaxing day!

Mrs. Roland and Mrs. Gandelman would like to extend a big thank you to the teachers, students, staff, parents and Parents’ Association for a wonderful Principal Appreciation Day! We definitely felt appreciated!

Good news...Our 7th & 8th grade in-person students are all back in the building beginning May 10th! We are excited to have these classes together again!

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.

Bereavement Ministry

If you have experienced the loss/death of someone you love recently and need a support group to deal with your grief, you are invited to join the Bereavement Group. Meetings will be every Tuesday in an outside location at 7:00pm beginning **May 11th** through **June 22nd**. If you have any questions or concerns and for location address, please contact Roni Petersen at 347-620-8484 or johnnpetersen@yahoo.com. If you are uncomfortable with in-person meetings, we would suggest going on the Archdiocese of New York website archny.org/faith-formation-from-home. It will provide comfort and healing.

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, olssparrish.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 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

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



**The CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL**
*Sharing God's Gifts Throughout
the Archdiocese of New York*

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READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
His right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The Lord has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his
justice.

He has remembered his kindness and his
faithfulness
toward the house of Israel.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.

Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands;
break into song; sing praise.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loves us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

THE GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: “As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another.”

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

1. Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Has redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how:
Though the cloud from sight received him, When the
forty days were over, Shall our hearts forget his
promise?
"I am with you evermore!"

Preparation: Litany of Peace

1. God of love, your gift of peace is planted deep within
our hearts:
Refrain:
Make me an instrument of your peace.
Make me an instrument of your peace.

2. God of peace, where ever there is hatred, may we
bring your love:

3. May we bring your hope and gladness where despair
and sadness are:

4. May we seek to understand another with a patient
heart:

5. Faithful God, where ever there is darkness, may we
bring your light:

Communion #1: 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
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.

Communion #2: O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

1. O breathe on me, O breath of God,
Fill me with life I knew,
That I may love the things you love,
And do what you would do.

2. O breathe on me, O breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until my will is one with yours,
To do and to endure.

3. O breathe on me, O breath of God,
My will to yours incline,
Until this selfish part of me
Glow with your fire divine.

