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OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

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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: Congratulations and God's blessings as you plan your wedding with us. Kindly call the rectory office to schedule an appointment to meet with our priest or deacon regarding your wedding. The usual time slots for weddings are:

Friday: 2:30 pm (when no school), 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm
 Saturday: 1:00 pm & 2:15 pm
 Sunday: 4:00 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Welcome to our Religious Education Program. 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 - 5:00 pm
 Grades 3 & 4 Tuesday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
 Grades 5 & 6 Thursday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
 Grade 7 Monday 4:00 - 5:00 pm
 Grade 8 Tuesday 5:30 - 6:30 pm
 Special Needs Thursday 4:00 - 5:00 pm

*Evening Classes for Grades 2 - 7 meet Wednesdays
 6:30 to 7:30 pm*

BAPTISM: Sunday 2:00 pm

With a joyful heart we welcome you as you plan the baptism of your child. Kindly call the rectory office to schedule an appointment to meet with our priest or deacon with a copy of the birth certificate of the baby. Please attend the Baptism Preparation session, in person or online.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday through Thursday from 12 Noon to 5:00 pm in our Chapel.

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 complete the form in the bulletin and drop it off to 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 718-984-0593
Fax 347-838-6858

School: 5411 Amboy Road
Phone: 718-984-5750
Religious Education Office:
 5411 Amboy Road
Phone: 718-984-1885

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
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 26th, 2021

Announced Masses

Saturday, December 25

7:30AM Cecelia Pastorelli & Anna & Alphonse Esposito
9:00AM Gladys Voyeau & Kevin Voyeau
10:30PM Anne & Paul Sheerman
12:00PM Marie Cancelleri & John Emigholz
1:30PM Luciano DiGiallonardo

Sunday, December 26

8:00AM Deceased Members of the Palmieri & Persichilli Families
9:30AM Anthony Pelle, Sr
11:00AM Kenneth Cantirino
12:30PM JoAnne & John Quattrocchi & Vincent Calamia Sr.
7:00PM Reginald Heuser

Monday, December 27

9:00AM Frank P. Lumini

Tuesday, December 28

9:00AM Jennie Laino

Wednesday, December 29

9:00AM Albert Petrocelli

Thursday, December 30

9:00AM Francis Antico

Friday, December 31

9:00AM Jared Dane Scotto

4:00PM Anthony Pepe

5:00PM Fr. Bob Poveromo

Saturday, January 1

9:00AM Leonard Maddalena

12:00PM For the People of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

4:00PM Anthony Gasparo

5:30PM Fr. John Lorat

Sunday, January 2

8:00AM Jason Boscia

9:30AM Rose Genova

11:00AM Thomas Guglielmo

12:30PM Mike & Margret Iacono

7:00PM John Maria

Sunday collection for the week of 12/12/2021:

\$18,886.00*

Includes a one time \$7,500.00 donation

God bless you for your generosity!

Banns of Marriage

3rd Time: Amanda Kearns & Gary Patton

2nd Time: Jacqueline Pucciarelli & Matthew Terrone

1st Time: JeanMarie Camarda & Kevin Daly

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The Sanctuary Lamp
for the week of December 25th – December 31st
In Loving Memory of:
**John Emigholz, Marie Cancelleri &
John Leahy**
Forever in our Hearts

Pray for the Sick

Ricia Augusty, Ileana Brewer, John Bymes, Vincerva Caccano, Korinn Camacho, Edward Canfield, Maria Cangelosi, Patricia Carey, Marcos Castano, Kenzy Coursen, Rocky D., John Dawidoicz, Mary D'Amato, John DeLuca, Salvatore DiStefano, Virginia Duffy, Brian Firing,, Debra Friscia, Joseph Friscia, Richard Friscia, Walter Gannon, Mario Garafola, John Gerace, Linda Gibbons, Herbert Gruberger, Alex, Theresa & Thomas Guglielmo, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Michael A. Hitchcock, Amy M., Lorenzo Marinelli Jr., Steven Morvillo, Barbara Murphy-Fogarty, Santo Nicotra, Virginia Novaro, Alex Ortiz, Elaine Parks, Anthony Pelle Jr., Ann Marie Peterson, Johnny Petillo, Salvatore Piro, Charlie & Lisa R., Linda Ranallo, Alexa Rigney, Scott Rofofsky, Emma Rondinelli, Caesar Russo, Jerry Scotti, Gina Sears, Lynn Sherman, 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:

Yolanda Isgro, Frank DiMartino, Vincent Barbarino,
Vincent C. LoGiudici, Bridget Martin, Josephine Quinn



**A Holy Day of Obligation
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Saturday, January 1, 2022**

Mass Schedule

**Friday, December 31, 2021 – 4 pm & 5:30PM
Saturday, January 1, 2022 – 9 am, 12 Noon, 4 & 5:30PM**

***The 9AM Mass will be livestreamed on
olssparish.org under "Live Video"**

UPCOMING HOLIDAY RECTORY

OFFICE HOURS

Friday, 12/31/22 – New Year's Eve – 9 am – 4 pm
Saturday, 1/1/22 – New Year's Day – CLOSED

PARISH NEWS

Sponsor Certificates

It is an honor and privilege to be chosen as a sponsor for the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. You may be required to obtain sponsor certificates from your home parish prior to the ceremony. Parishioners may contact the rectory office for more information, Monday-Friday from 9AM to 4PM.

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 917-750-0462 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. To register, click the link:

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

Wedding Music Workshop

The next **Wedding Music Workshop** will be **January 23** immediately following the 7pm Mass. OLSS Brides & Grooms may select wedding music at this time.

Communion for the Homebound

Please call the rectory office and we will make arrangements for a Eucharistic Minister to visit homebound parishioners.

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Sirach emphasizes the importance of honoring one's parents. He explains that spiritual riches will come to those who are kind to their mother and father.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Paul advises us to treat each other with kindness and mercy and to forgive as God forgives us. His words remind families to always love and respect one another and let Christ's peace reign in their hearts and in their homes.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

When Jesus was twelve years old, the Holy Family traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast. Jesus did not return with the company. Instead, he stayed in Jerusalem, sitting among the teachers while amazing them with his understanding and questions. When found by his concerned parents, Jesus reminded them that he must be in the house of his Father. Returning together, Mary kept these things in her heart.

NEW PARISHIONERS, WELCOME

If you are new to our parish and would like to register, please fill out the information below and drop it in the collection basket or return to the rectory. Envelopes will be mailed to you in 4 to 6 weeks.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip _____

Phone Number: _____

Names of household members: _____

COVID-19 UPDATE

All parishioners are asked to wear masks while in church regardless of vaccination status.

OLSS School News

*Our Annual Toy Drive, to benefit *Where to Turn*, was a huge success! Thanks to the generosity of our OLSS families, we donated hundreds of toys which will be distributed to local families in need.

*Congratulations to our Value of the Month Winners for December. The value for December was "Peace" and was awarded to: Nicholas Reinhart, Julianna Catello, Avery Ferdico, Anthony Saulle, Damien Montiel, Isabella Smith, Anthony Battista, Gianna Matos, Lia DiCiollo, Rocco Sciandra, Domenick Lazzara, Christian McVeigh, Madison Trakhtenberg, Michela DiPaola, Frank Noto, Victoria Buttaro, Conor Monahan, Milania Cimmino, Elliana Catello, Dominick Graziano, Emma Knight, Victoria Traina, Joseph Logozzo, Kaylyn Caruso, Matthew Montagna, Liam Lemos, Alessandra Abruzese, Jordan Amodio, Steven Ruggiero, Mia DelGiorno, Erin Taravella, Christopher DeMarco, Isabella Sorrentino, James Anzalone and Violet Mrakovic.

A Special Thank You!

As a parish family, we would like to thank **Connie** from **Umberto Landscaping Inc.** for donating the 2 boxwoods in front of the Church. Moreover, we would like to thank **Diane & George Hopkins, Bunni Paccione & Roberta Scandalio** for planting the boxwoods. Seeing these plants makes us more cheerful as we enter the church. May God Bless you for your good heart.

PARISH NEWS

Parish Happenings

Stella Maris Rosary Makers Group

Will meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 10:30am in the OLSS Rectory Basement. For more information, please contact Maria Quadrino at 917-417-5728.

Ave Maria Crochet & Knitting Group

The Ave Maria Crochet & Knitting Group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. For more information, please contact Maria Quadrino at 917-417-5728.

Legion of Mary

All are welcome to attend a meeting of the Legion of Mary, which meets on Tuesday at 3:30pm in the Chapel. Please join them to say the Rosary, with the meeting to follow. For more info, message them on their Facebook page, "Legion of Mary olsspraesidium".

Bereavement Ministry Update

If you are in pain and just the sound of your loved one's name moves you to tears there is hope "blessed are they who mourn they shall be comforted." The bereavement group meetings have started at an outside location due to COVID. Please call Veronica Peterson 347-620-8484 to register and obtain information.



WESHARE DONOR MATCH PROGRAM

The holiday season is one of the largest giving seasons for our church. Our online giving provider WeShare is generously providing a donor match program to help us increase recurring giving. Online gifts help reduce costs and our time spent handling other forms of payment.

For every first gift from a new recurring donor that is added between **November 1 and December 31, 2021**, WeShare will match that first gift, up to \$50, with a maximum match of \$1,000 for our church. To be eligible for the matching gift, more than one installment must be set-up and the first recurring gift must be transacted by December 31, 2021.

We appreciate your generosity and your support of our church. We prayerfully ask that you consider helping us meet this goal by creating your recurring online gift today.

Visit our WeShare site or reach out to the WeShare Customer Support team at 877-316-0260
olssparish.churchgiving.com

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.

Meals on Wheels Needs Your Help!

This mission of Meals on Wheels of Staten Island, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide two nutritious meals each day to the homebound elderly, delivered through the use of volunteers, who are unable to shop for or prepare their own meals. We are currently feeding over 1300 seniors every day, BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP! As the demand for meals continues to increase, so does our need for volunteers. If you are available two hours, one morning a week, you can volunteer to deliver meals to your neighbors. Please call the Meals on Wheels of S.I. at 718-727- 4435 for further information.



< KID'S KORNER >

Gospel Today

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph | Luke 2:41-52

THE BOY JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

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1] *Jesus went to the temple with his parents in this town.*

- a) Jericho b) Jerusalem c) Bethlehem

2] *They were there for _____ .*

- a) Christmas b) Easter c) Passover

3] *How old was Jesus?*

- a) Two b) Twelve c) Twenty

4] *When the caravan left, where was Jesus?*

- a) With the caravan b) He rode ahead
c) Left behind

5] *Mary and Joseph found Jesus after _____ .*

- a) 3 hours b) 3 days c) 3 weeks

6] *What did the temple teachers think about Jesus?*

- a) Angry b) Annoyed c) Amazed/astounded

7] *When Mary and Joseph saw Jesus they were _____ .*

- a) Anxious b) Angry c) Astonished

8] *When Jesus said to his parents "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" Who is Jesus calling his Father?*

- a) God b) Joseph c) David

Each year his parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced [in] wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

- Luke 2: 41-52



< BONUS >

The finding of Jesus in the Temple is the Fifth Mystery of which Rosary?

- a) Joyful
b) Sorrowful
c) Glorious
d) Mystery of Light/
Luminous



READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

In those days Hannah conceived, and at the end of her term bore a son whom she called Samuel, since she had asked the Lord for him. The next time Elkanah was going up with the rest of his household to offer the customary sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfill his vows, Hannah did not go, explaining to her husband, "Once the child is weaned, I will take him to appear before the Lord and to remain there forever; I will offer him as a perpetual nazirite." Once Samuel was weaned, Hannah brought him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and presented him at the temple of the Lord in Shiloh. After the boy's father had sacrificed the young bull, Hannah, his mother, approached Eli and said: "Pardon, my Lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who stood near you here, praying to the Lord. I prayed for this child, and the Lord granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the Lord." Hannah left Samuel there.

Responsorial Psalm

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,
Who walks in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
Blessed shall you be, and favored.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
In the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants
Around your table.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Behold, this is the man blessed
Who fears the Lord.

The Lord bless you from Zion:
May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
All the days of your life.

R: Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

Second Reading

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And 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. 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

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THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing:

"Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join in triumph of the skies;
With angelic hosts proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."

2. Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the ever lasting Lord;
Late in time, behold him come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with us to dwell;
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."

Communion: What Child Is This

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,
On Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,
While shepherds watch are keeping?
Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
Haste, haste to bring him laud,
The babe, the son of Mary.

2. Why lies he in such mean estate
Where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here
The silent Word is pleading.

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh,
Come peasant, king, to own him;
The King of kings salvation brings,
Let loving hearts enthrone him.

2nd Communion: Join in the Dance

Refrain:

Join in the dance of the earth's jubilation!
This is the feast of the love of God.

Shout from the heights to the end of creation:
Jesus the Savior is risen from the grave!

1. Wake, O people; sleep no longer: greet the breaking day!
Christ, Redeemer, Lamb and Lion, turns the night away!

2. All creation, like a mother, labors to give birth.
Soon the pain will be forgotten, joy for all the earth!

3. Now our shame becomes our glory on this holy tree. Now
the reign of death is ended; now we are set free!

4. None on earth, no prince or power, neither death nor life,
nothing now can ever part us from the love of Christ!

5. Love's triumphant day of victory heaven opens wide. On
the tree of hope and glory death itself has died!

6. Christ forever, Lord of ages, Love beyond our dreams:
Christ, our hope of heaven's glory, all that yet will be!

Preparation: O Come, Little Children

1. O come, little children; come one and come all, O
come to the manger in Bethlehem's stall, And see what
our Father in heaven above Has sent to us all on this
earth with his love.

2. O see in the manger so meek and so mild, O see in
the soft light the heavenly Child, In swaddling clothes
folded, his beauty more sweet Than angels, whose
voices his lowly birth greet.

3. His bed, little children, a manger with hay; His
Mother and Joseph in ecstasy pray, The shepherds in
wonder their worship bring, While chorus of angels
sweet Glorias sing.

Recessional: Angels We Have Heard on High

1. Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echo back their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?

Say what may the tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song.

3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

4. See him in a manger laid
Whom the angels praise above;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While we raise our hearts in love.

