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# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

Huguenot ✦ Staten Island, New York 10312 718-984-0593

## 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:** 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](http://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](http://www.olssparish.org) to view the Mass.

**INTERESTED IN ONLINE GIVING?** Visit our website at [www.olssparish.org](http://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](http://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  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent  
December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Announced Masses**

**Saturday, December 11**

4:00PM Joseph DeCandia  
5:30PM Ida & Salvatore DiMarco

**Sunday, December 12**

8:00AM Rita & Salvatore Cama  
9:30AM Thomas Leddy  
11:00AM John & Cecila Smith, Frank & Julia Bortle,  
Benedict, Viola and John Saldana  
12:30PM Deceased Members of the Delia, Molinari &  
Marcellino Families  
7:00PM John & Pauline Orfano

**Monday, December 13**

9:00AM Edward Munks

**Tuesday, December 14**

9:00AM Amelia Newborn

**Wednesday, December 15**

9:00AM Anna Ferrera & Joseph Pellegrini

**Thursday, December 16**

9:00AM Teresa Marando

**Friday, December 17**

9:00AM Bernice Mayronne

**Saturday, December 18**

9:00AM Ralph & Mildred Paragallo  
4:00PM Deceased Members of the Merola, Zingaro &  
Pallante Families  
5:30PM Msgr. Leo Bierster

**Sunday, December 19**

8:00AM Nicola Rutigliano  
9:30AM Alma DiSimone  
11:00AM Angela & Vincenzo DeLeonibus  
12:30PM Ellen Reina Alberts  
7:00PM Carol Primavera

**Sunday collection for the week of 11/28/2021:**

**\$12,222.00**

**God bless you for your generosity!**

**Reconciliation Monday:**

**Monday, December 20, 4-8 PM**

All parishes in the Archdiocese will be open for the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 4 pm to 8 pm. You may go to any parish during this time. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to receive the Sacrament during this Advent Season! Confessions are also heard here at OLSS every Saturday from 3:30 to 5:30 pm

**Banns of Marriage**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Claire Furio & Christopher Doukas**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Melanie Cama & Joseph Spagnola**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Time: Victoria Strange & Cory Hutson**

**1<sup>st</sup> Time: Amanda Kearns & Gary Patton**

The Sanctuary Lamp  
for the week of December 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>  
In Loving Memory of:  
**Gladys Voyeau**  
**Donated By Your Daughter**  
**Carol Ordy**

**Mass Minister Schedule**

**Lectors – Saturday, December 18**

4:00PM B. Paccione  
5:30PM L. Bauer

**Eucharistic Ministers – Saturday, December 18**

4:00PM A. Leibold, M. Ugenti, B. Paccione  
5:30PM E. Burns, C.Houle, L. Bauer

**Lectors – Sunday, December 19**

8:00AM A. Medeiros  
9:30AM L. Minichello  
11:00AM F. Monte  
12:30PM P. Zoltowski  
7:00PM K. Melka

**Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, December 19**

8:00AM C. Rosato, S. Monteforte, A. Medeiros  
9:30AM M. Randazzo, A. Maffeo  
11:00AM N. Fallacaro  
12:30PM P. Zoltowski, **1 Lector Needed**  
7:00PM K. Melka, **2 Lectors Needed**

**Pray for the Sick**

Ricia Augusty, Ileana Brewer, John Byrnes, 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, 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, Gaspare Randazzo, 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:

Jerry Staffieri, Salvatore DiSanto, Dominick R. Arabia,  
Charles Piccirello, Frances LaBate, Michael Hitchcock

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# PARISH NEWS

## Giving Baskets

Gifts are due THIS weekend so that we can distribute them in time for Christmas!

**God bless you for your generosity during this Advent Season!**

## 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](mailto: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.

## Stolzenhaler Council Knights of Columbus

The Stolzenhaler Council Knights of Columbus is running a trip to the Wind Creek Casino on December 16. The bus departs from council hall located at 100 Kreisler St. at 10 AM. Price is \$35 per person and you get back \$35 in slot play. Call Ed Newborn at 917-697-5603 for more information.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## OLSS School News

\*Our Annual Toy Drive, to benefit *Where to Turn* will take place on Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. New, unwrapped toys will be accepted until 10am on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Due to a scheduled pick up time toys cannot be accepted after that time or date.

\*Thank you to everyone who generously donated food to our annual Food Drive. The St. Edwards Pantry was very grateful for the donation!

## Warm Wishes to John Manetta

Thank you, John Manetta, as a parish family we would like to thank you for 26 years of serving our parish as a sacristan. May God bless you with a long, happy, and healthy retirement. We are so grateful to your family for making your years of service possible at our church.

## This Week's Readings

### **First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a**

Zephaniah urges the people of Jerusalem to rejoice because the Lord is in their midst. He conveys the message that God will love and protect those who have remained faithful to him.

### **Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7**

Paul encourages the Philippians to be ready for Christ. He tells them not to worry about their concerns, but to instead ask God's help and allow his peace to fill their hearts and minds.

### **Gospel: Luke 3:10-18**

John the Baptist answers people who ask him what they should do, leading some to believe he was the Messiah. John clearly states that he will be followed by one so powerful that "I am not fit to loosen his sandal strap."

# PARISH NEWS

## **Altar Area Advent Decorations Donated by:**

Dr. Joseph Martino & Family, M/M Joseph Limeri & Orfano Family, M/M Michael Maresca & Family, Rei D'Agostino & Family

## **Outside Church Wreaths**

### **Right Side of Front Door - In Memory of:**

Giovanni Buono, Franca Buono, Salvatore Buono  
Donated By: The Buono & Camiolo Families

### **Left Side of Front Door – In Memory of:**

Jenny Ann Giannottosia  
Donated by: The Guarnieri's, Sarno's & Dolcemaschio's

### **Left Side 2<sup>nd</sup> Front Door – In Memory of:**

Michael Lalli "Da"  
Donated by: Daniela Giuffre

## **Parish Happenings**

### **Stella Maris Rosary Makers Group**

Will meet on the last Tuesday 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 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 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".

### **Seton Sunday Raffle Drawing**

The Seton Sunday Raffle Drawing will be Tuesday, December 14, 2021 with \$5,000 Grand Prize. If anyone would like to purchase raffle tickets, please contact Seton Foundation for Learning at 718-982-5084 or you can email Stephanie at Stephanie6766@aol.com

### **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.



## **Our Lady Star of the Sea Christmas Mass Schedule – 2021**

### **Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord**

Friday, December 24

4 pm, 6pm, & Midnight

Saturday, December 25 \*

7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am,  
12Noon, & 1:30 pm

**\*There is no 4 & 5:30 Mass on 12/25**

Masses are in the Church only.

Please note that the 4 pm and 10:30 am Masses are usually very crowded, and parking may be difficult.

If necessary, you may use the municipal lot across from the public library on Huguenot Ave.

Please do not use the TD Bank parking lot.

**Thank you!**



## **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](http://olssparish.churchgiving.com)



# READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

## First Reading

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has removed the judgement against you, he has turned away your enemies; the king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst, you have no further misfortune to fear. On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem: Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love, he will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.**

God indeed is my savior;

I am confident and unafraid.

My strength and my courage is the Lord,

And he has been my savior.

With joy you will draw water

At the fountain of salvation.

**R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.**

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name;

Among the nations make known his deeds,

Proclaim how exalted is his name.

**R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.**

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious achievement;

Let this be known throughout all the earth.

Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,

For great in your midst

Is the Holy One of Israel.

**R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.**

## Second Reading

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do so likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages."

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# THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

**Entrance:** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, Thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heavenly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!
2. O come, Thou Dayspring from on high  
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadow put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

**Communion:** Communion: Patience People

Refrain: Patience, people, till the Lord is come.

1. See the farmer await the yield of the soil. He watches it in  
the winter and in spring rain.  
Patience, people, for the Lord is coming.
2. You have seen the purpose of the Lord. You know his  
compassion and his mercy.  
Patience, people, for the Lord is coming.
3. Steady your hearts, for the Lord is close at hand. And do not  
grumble, one against the other.  
Patience, people, for the Lord is coming.

**2nd Communion:** Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;  
Behold the King of glory waits!  
The King of kings is drawing near;  
The Savior of the world is here.
2. O blest the land, the city blest,  
Where Christ the ruler is confessed!  
O happy hearts and happy homes  
To whom this King of triumph comes!
3. Fling wide the portals of your heart;  
Make it a temple, set apart  
From earthly use for heaven's employ,  
Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. So come, my Sovereign; enter in!  
Let new and nobler life begin;  
Thy Holy Spirit guide us on,  
Until the glorious crown be won.

**Preparation:** People, Look East

1. People, look East. The time is near  
Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able.  
Trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Guest, is on the way.
2. Furrows, be glad, though earth is bare.  
One more seed is planted there;  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish, That in course the  
flower may flourish.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.
3. Stars, keep the watch when night is dim.  
One more light the bowl shall brim.  
Shining beyond the frosty weather,  
Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Star, is on the way.
4. Angels, announce on this great feast:  
Him who cometh from the East.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look East, and sing today:  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

**Recessional:** Let the King of Glory Come

- Refrain: Lift up, you Gates, lift up your arches: let the King of  
glory come!  
Lift up your hearts and sing, you people: let the King of glory  
come!
1. Who is the King of glory? Our God, holy and strong! Who is  
the Lord of majesty? Our God, mighty and strong! Let the  
King of glory come!
  2. Come, O come, Emmanuel: come dwell with us! Come, O  
come, you Lord of might: banish death and fear! Let the King  
of glory come!
  3. Come, O come, bright Wisdom: come and make us wise!  
Come, O come, you Dayspring: love, unclose our eyes! Let  
the King of glory come!
  4. Come, you Key of David, come: open our heavenly home!  
Come, Desire of nations, come: bring us into your peace!

