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OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA



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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.

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."

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 - Saturday: 9:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Eve of Holyday: 7:00 pm 7:00, 9:00 am, 12 noon & 8:00 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 cert., if applicable) is required.

Grades 1 & 2: Wednesday, 4 - 5 pm

Grades 3 & 4: Tuesday, 4 - 5 pm

Grades 5 & 6: Thursday, 4 - 5 pm

Grade 7: Monday, 4 - 5 pm

Grade 8: Tuesday, 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Special Needs: Thursday, 4 - 5 pm

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

SACRAMENTS

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 & 5:30 pm Saturday: 1:00 & 2:15 pm / Sunday: 4:00 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 12:00 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 INFO Church: 5411 Amboy Road / Parish Office: 5371 Amboy Road

Phone: 718-984-0593 / Fax: 347-838-6858 Parish Website: www.olssparish.org School: 5411 Amboy Road / Phone: 718-984-5750 Religious Education Office: 5411 Amboy Road Phone: 718-984-1885

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 Epiphany of the Lord January 2nd, 2022

Announced Masses

Saturday, January 1

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

4:00PM Anthony Gasparo **5:30PM** Fr. John Lorat

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Sunday, January 2 8:00AM Jason Boscia

9:30AM Rose Genova
11:00AM Thomas Guglielmo

12:30PM Mike & Margret Iacono

7:00PM John Maria Monday, January 3

9:00AM Mary Sprague

Tuesday, January 4

9:00AM John Tobin Wednesday, January 5

9:00AM James Edkins

Thursday, January 6

9:00AM Giovanni Iacono

Friday, January 7 9:00AM Stephan Hopkins

Saturday, January 8

9:00AM Leonard Maddalena 4:00PM Al & Mark Petrocelli

5:30PM Enrico Marini Sunday, January 9

8:00AM Paul Cheuvront 9:30AM Donald McAndrews 11:00AM John Kaczmarczyk

12:30PM Paul Barone **7:00PM** Joseph Randazzo

Sunday collection for the week of 12/19/2021: \$12,715.00

Second collection - Debt Reduction: \$3,780.00

God bless you for your generosity!

Banns of Marriage

3rd Time: Jacqueline Pucciarelli & Matthew Terrone 2nd Time: JeanMarie Camarda & Kevin Daly





The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of January 1st - 7th In Loving Memory of:

Vincent DeMarco

Donated By: Frances DeMarco

Mass Minister Schedule

Lectors - Saturday, January 8

4:00PM B. Paccione 5:30PM C. Messina

Eucharistic Ministers - Saturday, January 8

4:00PM E. Burns, A. Leibold 5:30PM G. Pugliese, **1** *EM Needed*

Lectors - Sunday, January 9

J. Limeri

8:00AM L. Minichello 9:30AM E. Newborn 11:00AM J. Zinsley 12:30PM B. Weir

7:00PM

Eucharistic Ministers – Sunday, January 9

8:00AM M. Ennis, **2 EMs Needed** 9:30AM S. Monteforte, A. Maffeo

11:00AM N. Fallacaro 12:30PM MA. Russo 7:00PM **2 EMs 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, Walter Gannon, Mario Garafola, John Gerace, Herbert Gruberger, Alex, Theresa & Thomas Guglielmo, Michael H., Susan Hanna, Michael A. Hitchock, 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, Walter Zelinski.

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:

Lois Fydell, Mary Ann Infantalino, Paulette Geoghegan

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 ilimeri@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: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Astrologers from the east came looking for the newborn king of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell him where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

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.

Mass for the Innocents

As a parish family we will have the lives of the innocents who have gone from us remembered at the 9:00am Mass, Saturday, January 15, 2022. In a special way, we remember in our prayers the families of the young babies lost through miscarriage, stillbirth and abortion. Our angles in Heaven, will be a source of comfort and healing in our life.



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".

There will be an outdoor Rosary in front of the Church on January 8th following the 9AM Mass.

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

2022 Calendars

The new calendars for 2022 are available by all of the entrances of the church, please take one.

We thank Bedell Pizzo Funeral Home for this donation.

We are so greatful to the Scalia Funeral Home who mailed the 2022 calendars directly to our home address.



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.

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.

Stolzenthaler Columbiettes

A Vibrant Catholic Women's Service Organiation
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 Stolzenthaler
Columbiettes! Please contact Debbie, Past President at 718967-2315 for more information

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

The Epiphany of the Lord January 2, 2022

"It was not made known to people of other generations as it has been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit, that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel."

We recall with fondness the visit of the Magi, astrologers and kings. We admire the gifts and honor they brought. Imagine the warmth and gratitude of Mary and Joseph, following the songs of the angels and greetings of the humble shepherds.

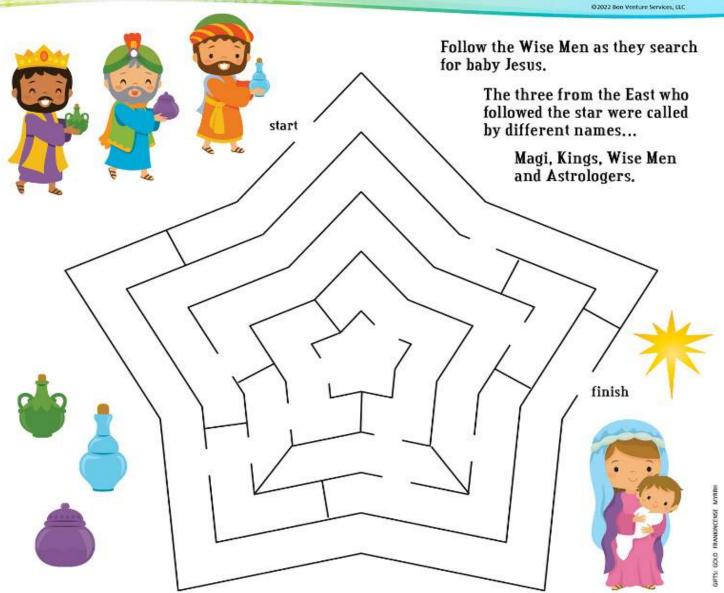
Today we fast forward and learn through St. Paul the fruit of the visits. We are the beneficiaries – coheirs, recipients of the same grace, participants in the body of Christ, and copartners, with responsibilities to bring and reveal Jesus to others.

KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today The Epiphany of the Lord | Matthew 2: 1-12

The Magi followed the star to where Jesus was and offered Him fine, expensive gifts. "And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way." Matthew 2: 12

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VISIT OF THE MAGI

Do you know what the gifts were? Unscramble the words to find out...

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READINGS AND RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

First Reading

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your yes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses. Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of the nations brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, with your judgement endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; he shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgement.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Justice shall flower in his days,

And profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea,

And from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer

gifts;

The kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. All kings shall pay him homage, All nations shall serve him.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, And the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; The lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

THE GOSPEL

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did them homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

Entrance: We Three Kings 1.We three Kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts we traverse afar Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

Refrain:

O, star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright;
Westward leading, still proceeding,
Guide us to thy perfect light.
2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain,
Gold I bring to crown him again,
King forever, Ceasing never
Over us all to reign.

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.

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:

Preparation: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Infant holy, infant lowly,
 For his bed a cattle stall;
 Oxon lowing, little knowing

Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Swift are winging, angels singing,

Noels ringing, tidings bringing:

Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Christ the babe is Lord of all.

2. Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping

Vigil till the morning new.

Saw the glory, heard the story,

Tidings of a gospel true.

Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow,

Praises voicing greet the morrow:

Christ the babe was born for you.

Christ the babe was born for you.

3.As we journey to the stable

Like the wisemen long ago,

We are hoping to discover

What these pilgrims came to know.

All are welcome at this manger,

King and shepherd, friend and stranger.

Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Recessional: Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain,

Over the fields and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain

That Jesus Christ is born.

1. While shepherds kept their watching

O'er silent flocks by night,

Behold, throughout the heavens

There shone a holy light.

2. The shepherds feared and trembled

When high above the earth

Rang out the angel chorus

That hailed our Savior's birth.