

# Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2020

## MASSES FOR the WEEK

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

8:30 A.M. Molly Watts  
10:30A.M. People of the Parish  
12:00P.M. James Nicholl

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

8:00 A.M. Annette Maratta

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH

8:00 A.M. Mario Vinalon

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH

8:00 A.M. Hannah Winkler

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH

8:00 A.M. Communion Service

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

8:00A.M. Francis Maughan

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

9:00 A.M. Patrick Leonard

5:00 P.M. Leo Garczynski

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

8:30 A.M. Vito Buccafurni

10:30A.M. Patricia Ann Smith

12:00P.M. People of the Parish

## SCRIPTURES

### February 9th, 2020– Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** THIS READING IS A VIGOROUS EXHORTATION FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH TO LEAD LIVES OF ACTIVE CHARITY AND GENEROSITY. HE PROMISES THAT THE LORD WILL BE OUR "DAWN," OUR "REAR GUARD," OUR "LIGHT" IF WE SHARE OUR BREAD, SHELTER THE HOMELESS, AND CLOTHE THE NAKED. (ISAIAH 58, 7-10)

**SECOND READING:** PAUL TELLS THE CORINTHIANS THAT HE AND THEY MUST NOT RELY ON THE SO-CALLED "WISDOM" OF SECULAR TEACHING AND PHILOSOPHY BUT ON THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT.

(1 CORINTHIANS 2: 1-5)

**GOSPEL:** JESUS REMINDS THE DISCIPLES AND ALL CHRISTIANS THAT THEY CARRY SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES TO BE "THE SALT OF THE EARTH." THEY MUST NOT HIDE THEIR LIGHT BUT SHOW THEIR GOODNESS TO ALL. (MATTHEW 5: 13-16)

### STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-February 2nd

Blessed are they who are what they are and do what they do for the sake of the kingdom! The gospel today assures good stewards that their sufferings and their service on behalf of the Kingdom will be rewarded!

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**MASS CARDS** We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15.



**NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome! Please call (973) 663-0211 & register to become a member of our active parish.**

**RCIA next meeting** Tues., February 4th 7:15pm in the Rectory.

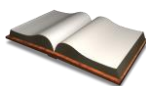
## BAPTISMS

are usually performed on the First Sunday of each month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.



**GETTING MARRIED IN 2020/2021?** Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange for your wedding at Star of the Sea.

2021 DAILY MASS BOOK RECORD is now available. Call Patricia at the rectory (973) 663-0211 to set up your memorial Masses for next year.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ☩

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, February 2nd -8:45 AM-classes(K-5)

Sunday, February 9th -8:45 AM-classes(K-5)

10:30Am- CLOW

### MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Super Bowl Sunday, February 2nd – 12PM-1:30pm classes

Sunday, February 9th- 6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes

### HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Super Bowl Sunday, February 2nd – 12PM-1:30pm classes

Sunday, February 23rd –5:45-7:00 PM– Soup Supper (Gr. 9-10)

## ♫ CHOIR PRACTICE: ♫

Adult Choir practices Thursdays at 7:30-8:30pm.

All parishioners 18 & over welcome.

Childrens' Choir practices Sundays 10:15-10:30am.



### GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY SALE – Flyers have

been distributed to students in grades 5 through 10.

Please support this annual fundraiser for our

Religious Education program. **Last date to order** is February 23rd. Candy will be here in

time for Easter in April.

### Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Fr. John Connolly, Fr. Daniel Kelly, Lisa Ann Fisher, Marilyn DiGennaro, Anne Nichols, Geneva Kumar, Vanessa Espinoza, Quinn Gorman, Jack & Elizabeth Flinn, Lillian Colello, Matteo Montemarano, Linda Mulryan, Joan Elise Butler, Salvatore Maucelli, Gloria Nolte, Mary Ann Miller, Dora Lavin, Carol Linstedt, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. **We also pray for the recently deceased:** Rev. Anthony McCarthy, Patrick Leonard, Annette Maratta, William Black, Dominick Amabile, Bertha Qualantone, Ada Felter, Antoinette Soriano, Esther O'Dea, Eugene Murphy.



### Antioch Kitchen Volunteers Needed: Preparing for their Confirmation, our sophomores will be attending the **Antioch Retreat held in our Parish Center from Fri. evening, February 14th through Sunday, February 16th.**

Volunteers are needed to provide food, & also for food & meal prep, & kitchen clean-up after meals. Call Stephanie Kaulfers 973-713-7548. We are also accepting ShopRite gift cards.

Sign-up sheets will also be at both Church entrances.

**We also need adult overnight chaperones, especially men, to sleep overnight at the retreat from 11pm-8am.**

**You may chaperone for either one or two nights.**

**Please contact Caitlin Wood Fahey at 973-998-1462**

**if you can help with these needs.** Please keep the sophomores and the Antioch Team in your prayers during this very special weekend.

### BLESSING OF THROATS--- THE FEAST OF

ST. BLAISE -who was a physician and Bishop of Armenia in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century honors the Ministry to the Sick

with the Blessing of Throats, in which the priest asks

God, at the intercession of St. Blaise, to preserve us "from throat

problems and every other evil." **The Blessing of Throats will be given**

**Feb. 2nd after all Masses.**



### NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2020: Our parish is now in

need of a new class of altar servers for 2020. It is

open to boys & girls in 4th grade and up. Altar

servers assist the priest and deacon at the altar

at Mass, help to serve at Christmas, Holy Week

and Easter, and special celebrations such as

Confirmation. **Instructions are being held**

**Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM beginning**

**February 8th, and continuing February 15, 22, 29, and**

**March 7, 14, 21, 28.** Please fill out applications (in vestibule) & return to Fr. Chris by February 8th. Details are on the form.



# A Military Saint

The Catholic Church has its own Hall of Fame. The people who are enshrined there are those who have been canonized as saints over the years. These people were known for their love of God and for their holiness while they lived. Among the saints you will find Elizabeth Ann Seton, Foundress of the Sisters of Charity, and St. Francis of Assisi, who loved nature and the animal kingdom.

One figure scarcely known today is Joan of Arc. She was born in 1412 near the city of Orleans in France. She had little schooling as few women were educated at that time in France. As a young girl she lived in a time when France and England were engaged in the Hundred Year's War. In that era England occupied much of Northern and Western France and enmity between the two countries was deeply entrenched. As a young girl Joan prayed constantly and heard the voices of St. Michael, St. Catherine and St. Margaret speaking to her.

They instructed her to go and save France.

In April 1429, Joan petitioned for military assistance and was given command of a strong army to go and free the people of Orleans. The city had been under siege by the English for seven months and the people were close to surrender. Joan went before the Dauphin-the heir to the French throne- and requested enough troops to break the siege. He supplied the troops and Joan was put in command of the forces which would liberate the city. She wore a suit of armor and carried a banner with an image of the Trinity and the names, "Jesus, Maria" on it. In the battle that followed Joan was shot in the shoulder by an arrow but she survived and eventually her army freed the city of Orleans on May 8, 1429. The English troops left the city and the surrounding countryside.

Later that year the Dauphin was crowned King Charles VII in Reims Cathedral. Joan continued to have influence at court but aroused the jealousy of the courtiers. They succeeded in having her expelled from court. In 1430 Joan was captured by the forces of Burgundy and sold to the English who put her in prison. She was later tried by a Church Court on charges of witchcraft and heresy. She was threatened with torture and to avoid this fate she retracted some of her beliefs. Then later she returned to her earlier beliefs and testified that it was God who had sent her to free France. She was condemned as a heretic and burned at the stake on May 30, 1431. Her last words were "Jesus, Jesus".

There is a beautiful painting of Joan of Arc by Jules Bastien-Lepage in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. If you visit there, please be sure to search it out. It shows St. Michael, St. Catherine and St. Margaret speaking to her and Joan herself in meditation.

Why is Joan of Arc a saint? She was devoted to Jesus Christ, she spent long hours in prayer, she heard voices from beyond the grave, and she remained devoted to the Church even when it turned against her and persecuted her. She continued to believe in God even when her life was in jeopardy. She did achieve the impossible in liberating her country. She died for her beliefs a martyr's death with the name of Jesus on her lips. She remained true to the Church right to the very end. Her courage and faith can inspire us in our times of trouble.

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Chris*



BUS TRIP to see "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD" with Ed Harris - **WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2020.** Cost \$122 each, 1st Mezzanine level. Bus leaves from OLSOS parking lot at 4 pm sharp. Call to reserve your seats. - Only a few tickets left! (one bus only)



**NOTE: FOR YOUR SAFETY, DURING BAD WEATHER WHEN WALKWAYS ARE SLIPPERY, PLEASE USE THE RECTORY BACK DOOR.**

The back walkway has no steps and is safer.

## FOOD PANTRY

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM  
1:30-3:30PM call 973-663-0211 for appointment.**

Coordinator is Toni Tarighi- Items needed: **SOUP, HOT COCOA, canned meats, chili, Dish & Laundry detergents, deodorant, toothpaste, TP, paper towels, tissues.**  
**Refrigerator: milk, yogurt; frozen foods- all types.**  
NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations also accepted.  
Thank you to the Bolcar's for their recent donations.



**SATURDAY, March 28, 2020- 6-9pm.**

Rosary Altar Society presents **"Saint Joseph Festa Dinner"** Fundraiser.

Extensive Italian menu & dessert table. Adults \$15, Seniors \$13, children under 12-\$10. **BYOB!** 50/50 & Door Prize. Ticket sales begin in March.



## ON-Line Giving is Available for your offerings!

If you would like to make your offerings **online by check or credit card**, please go to the **e-Catholic parish website**, click the **"We Share"** icon and follow the instructions.

## SAVE THE DATE! MONDAY, MARCH 9th, 2020 - "DINE & DONATE" Fundraiser hosted by the Jefferson

Township Community Chorus. Dine at Gatwyn's II, (900 Route 15 North, Lake Hopatcong), between 4 and 10pm. 15% of your bill will be given to the JTCC. Your support is greatly appreciated.



## CYO BASKETBALL

Sunday 2/9/2020 - HOME Games

TEAM	OPPONENT	Home Team	Time
Varsity Boys B	St. Vincent Mad A	vs. OLSOS	12:00pm
Varsity Girls A	St. Therese A	vs. OLSOS	1:15pm
Varsity Girls B	St. Peter B	vs. OLSOS	2:30pm

**SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who is-** unable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory 663-0211 to set up a time for a Communion call.



**SOUP KITCHEN:** Our parish is responsible for the noon meal on the 4th Friday every month at Trinity Lutheran Church, E. Blackwell St., Dover (973-366-2821). We serve on **Friday, February 28th** and will be serving 100 to 130 meals that day. If you can help serve, cook a meal or donate some food please contact Ed Young at 973-270-3512. Good for teen community service as well. Thank you. Thank you.

Give us the courage, O Lord,  
to turn away from the temptation of gossip  
or disparaging others,  
so that we may all live in Peace.



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