

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2020

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

8:30 A.M. Molly Watts
10:30A.M. Alex Marcial, Sr.
12:00P.M. Joseph J. Dungan, Jr.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH -Presidents' Day

8:00 A.M. Fr. Anthony McCarthy

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

8:00 A.M. Thomas Sullivan

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

8:00 A.M. Marie Tarantino

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

8:00 A.M. Communion Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

8:00A.M. Thomas Rush

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

9:00 A.M. Fr. Patrick Brown

5:00 P.M. Robert & William Rech

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

8:30 A.M. Joanne Pearson

10:30A.M. People of the Parish

12:00P.M. Rita Nadilo

SCRIPTURES

February 23, 2020 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: THE LORD URGES MOSES TO TELL THE ISRAELITE COMMUNITY TO LOVE THEIR NEIGHBORS AS THEMSELVES. THEY SHOULD BEAR NO GRUDGE OR HATRED AGAINST ANOTHER. (LEVITICUS 19: 1-2, 17-18)

SECOND READING: PAUL, ONCE AGAIN, REMINDS THE CORINTHIANS THAT THEY ARE THE TEMPLE OF GOD, AND AS SUCH, MUST AVOID INTERNAL DISPUTES AND WRANGLING. HE TRIES TO MAKE THEM REALIZE THAT THEY BELONG TO CHRIST AND THAT THE SPIRIT OF GOD DWELLS WITHIN THEM.

(1 CORINTHIANS 3: 16-23)

GOSPEL: IN THIS PART OF THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, JESUS EXHORTS HIS FOLLOWERS TO DO AN EXTRAORDINARY THING—TO LOVE THEIR ENEMIES AND TO PRAY FOR THEIR OPPRESSORS. HE REMINDS THEM THAT THERE IS NOTHING LAUDATORY IN LOVING THOSE WHO LOVE THEM FOR EVEN THE "PAGANS" DO THIS. HE URGES THEM TO "TURN THE OTHER CHEEK" AND TO "WALK THE EXTRA MILE." (MATTHEW 5: 38-48)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-February 16, 2020

Stewardship involves more than just the gift we bring to the altar. Today's readings say clearly that it is fidelity to God's law that makes our offering acceptable.

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 18th 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, February 23rd -8:45-10:15 AM-classes-(Pre-K-5)

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sun., February 23rd-5:45-7:15PM- Gr.6,7,8 Mardi Gras in Gym

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, February 23rd -5:45-7:15 PM-(Gr. 9-10) Soup Supper in Church Hall/ Live Stations of the Cross in Church

NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Adult Choir practices Thursdays at 7:30-8:30pm. All parishioners 18 & over welcome. Childrens' Choir practice-Sundays 10:15-10:30am.



Live STATIONS of the CROSS Sunday, February 23- 6:15pm

following the Soup Supper. We invite all Parishioners to join our 9th & 10th Graders to reflect this Lent on the Stations of the Cross. Written and performed by our First Year Confirmation Students, led by Ed Craviolo. A simple but Powerful presentation of how the STATIONS still Resonate with us today. Please join us.

Sunday, March 23rd -from 5:45- 7pm the 6th,7th & 8th Grade classes will participate in a "Mardi Gras" celebration held in the Gym-All Purpose Room.



GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY – Flyers have been distributed to students in grades 5 through 10. **Last date to order** is Sunday, 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, Betty Gardner, Lisa Ann Fisher, Anne Nichols, Ellen Cohen, Geneva Kumar, Vanessa Espinoza, Quinn Gorman, Jack & Elizabeth Flinn, Frances Ferrara, Lillian Colello, Maryanne Drozdick, Paul Tedesco, Joan Elise Butler, Matteo Montemarano, Mary Ann Miller, Dora Lavin, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. **We also pray for the recently deceased:** Fr. Tom Curran, Thomas Rush, Theresa Paruolo, Kevin Conway.



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



NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2020 Instructions are being

held Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM-

February 22, 29, and March 7, 14, 21, 28. Please

fill out applications & return to Fr. Chris immediately if interested.



NOTE: Monday, February 17th the OLSOS Religious Education and Parish offices will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day. Unless it is an emergency please call us on Tuesday. Thank you.



This Lent we have the opportunity to spend together five weeks of self-examination and reflection on the Holy Scripture. Our Parish will be holding "The Lenten Companion – A personal encounter with the Power of the Gospel," starting Monday February 24 thru March 30, 2020 at 7:30PM in the Church Hall. There will also be an afternoon session on these dates. Registration forms are located in the back of the Church for those interested. We look forward to sharing this journey with you. Deacon Alberto

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

There are many ways in which people can make a difference in the lives of others. Some professions can truly make a difference in people's lives. The medical profession, which includes doctors, surgeons, and nurses can save lives and offer people new hope. In education, teachers and professors open up the doors of knowledge to young people and enable them to take their rightful place in the world. Scientists advance our knowledge of material things and can make life more rewarding. In the world of sports, coaches can teach skills that enable youngsters to play better but also teach life skills that a young man or woman can use for a lifetime.

There are other ways in which each of us can make a difference without a huge amount of effort. The Catholic Charities Donation Boxes have been in our parking area for more than eight years, (the third one was placed there a few months ago), and people from the area bring many items of clothing each week to sustain it. We don't think a lot about how it helps Catholic Charities but a while ago I received a letter that enlightened us in this area.

The program began in May 2011 with just a few parishes participating. Now there are donation bins in 65 parishes. The clothes donated to Catholic Charities are sold to a group of thrift stores in Ohio. This revenue then helps to cover underfunded or unfunded needs of the poor in local areas across Sussex, Passaic, and Morris County. These donation bins bring in on average \$15,000.00 monthly. Since it began, the program has generated over \$1,200,000 for Catholic Charities as of last year.

The money raised is used in two ways. With a predictable revenue amount each month, quarterly grants are awarded to each of the Catholic Charities agencies to help them balance their budgets, covering unfunded or underfunded programs serving the poor. The money from these grants pays for a host of things, such as utility payments to avoid shutoffs, rental assistance to prevent eviction of tenants, deposits on new apartments, household items needed in replacing damaged items in fires and floods. Occasionally these grants can help pay for funeral costs, food cards, wheelchairs for the disabled and other needs.

The second way in which the money is used is for unexpected and unfunded needs, both capital and operations. One example is that at the Father English Center in Paterson-it was necessary to replace the wood chips in the child care center's playground with safer rubberized flooring. Most of the cost was covered by the State but a grant of \$2000.00 was needed to complete the project. That sum was provided by the grant from the revenue from the Donation Bins. The Department of Disabilities on Weldon Road needed to replace its large septic system at a cost of \$75,000 a few years ago. No state funding was available for this but the Donation Bins provided \$5,000.00 towards the cost. A grant of \$9,000.00 was also used to purchase a used 12 seater van by Straight and Narrow in 2015, a drug and alcohol treatment center in Paterson. Thousands of dollars each year are awarded to local food pantries in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties. Our parish food pantry has received funds from Catholic Charities and it was most helpful.

You can rest assured that your clothing donations to the Catholic Charities Donation Bins are an excellent way to help the poor. The money raised from these bins literally saves lives, keeps people housed, fed, warm and clothed and is respectful of their dignity.

I thank all who continue to donate clothing to these boxes. You are helping people to make it through this winter.

*Sincerely in Christ,
Father Chris*



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



Coordinator is Toni Tarigh. **As a result of the many food drives & donations our pantry is full. We only need items listed.**

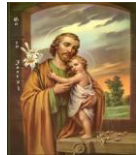
Items needed: **canned meats, Pancake mix & syrup, mayo, ketchup, mustard, salad dressings.**

Household: 2-in-1 shampoo, TP.

Refrigerator: milk, yogurt; frozen foods.

NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations are also accepted.

Thank you to the Bolcars & Dinardos for their donations.



SATURDAY, March 28, 2020 6-9pm. OLSOS Rosary Altar Society presents **"Saint Joseph Festa Dinner"** Fundraiser. Includes choice of spaghetti w/

meatballs or Chicken parmigiana, or meat or meatless ziti + dessert table, tea, coffee, soda, water. **BYOB!** Adults \$15, Seniors \$13, children under 12- \$10. 50/50 & Door Prize. Ticket sales March 7-8,14-15,21-22, after all masses. No at-door sales.

WANTED! a singer, and or musician for the **St. Joseph's Festa.** If interested or know someone who might be, please contact Sue Sacino at 973-601-3028 from Feb. 25-March 7 for details.

SAVE THE DATE! MONDAY, MARCH 9th, 2020--"DINE & DONATE" hosted by the Jefferson Twp. Community Chorus. Dine at Gatwyns II, (900 Rte 15 No, Lk Hopatcong), 4 -10pm. 15% of your bill goes to the JTCC. Your support is appreciated.

BUS TRIP to see **"TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD"** with Ed Harris - **WEDNESDAY, MAY 6,** 2020, 7pm show. Cost \$122 each, First Mezzanine level. Bus leaves from OLSOS parking lot at 4 pm sharp. Call to reserve seats. -1 ticket left! (one bus only)

The Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Paterson is seeking applicants for the 2020-2021 school year for a principal for St. Mary School, Pompton Lakes, NJ. St. Mary School is a PK-8 elementary school. Closing date for applications is March 9, 2020. Job description & application material can be found at: www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings.

"THE ROARING TWENTIES " Tea and Fashion Show Presented by ST. Jude Rosary Society - **Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 2:00PM** (Doors open 1:30) at St. Jude Parish Center, 40 Maxim Drive, Hopatcong. Fashions by "CHICO" of Denville,"Touchstoe Crystal" jewelry by Swarovski, door prizes, 50/50, basket raffle. **Tickets \$25.** For tickets call Jo 973-398-6047 or MaryAnn 973-398-5027.

St. Jude Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner-Saturday, March 7th- 6pm -cost \$25, or \$30 at the door. Dinner, dessert, beer, soda, coffee, tea, Irish Step Dancers, music by "The Rose of Omagh." For tickets call 973-398-6377/Jimmy 973-945-7522.

SOUP KITCHEN: Our parish is responsible for the noon meal on the 4th Friday every month at Trinity Lutheran Church, E. Blackwell St., Dover. We serve on **Friday, February 28th** and will be serving 100 to 120 meals that day. If you can help serve, cook a meal or donate food please contact Ed Young at 973-270-3512. Good for teen community service as well. Thank you.



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