

**ALL "PUBLIC" MASSES SUSPENDED BY  
BISHOP SERRATELLI  
EASTER  
April 12, 2020**

**FR. CHRIS' PRIVATE MASSES FOR the WEEK**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH - EASTER**

10:30 A.M. William Black

**MONDAY, APRIL 13TH**

8:00 A.M. Eileen Richter

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH**

8:00 A.M. Karen Rendini

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15TH**

8:00 A.M. Hanley & Murray families

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16TH**

8:00 A.M. William Darcy, Jr.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17TH**

8:00 A.M. Fr. Frank White

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH**

9:00 A.M. Lenore & Herman Rech

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH - Divine Mercy Sunday**

10:30 A.M. Barbara Zimmerman

**SCRIPTURES**

**April 19, 2020- Divine Mercy Sunday**

**First Reading:** In the early days of the Church in Jerusalem, the faithful listened intently to the teachings of the apostles. They lived a communal life, sharing all property in common and praying and taking their meals together. **(ACTS 2: 42-47)**

**SECOND READING:** IN THIS FIRST LETTER FROM PETER, HE SPEAKS TO THE CHRISTIANS WITH GREAT JOY AND CONFIDENCE, REMINDING THEM THAT THROUGH CHRIST'S RESURRECTION, THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN A NEW BIRTH AND ARE HEIRS TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. **(1 PETER 1: 3-9)**

**GOSPEL:** AFTER HIS RESURRECTION, JESUS APPEARS TO HIS DISCIPLES AND GIVES THEM THE POWER TO FORGIVE SINS. THOMAS, WHO IS ABSENT, SEES CHRIST LATER AND BELIEVES IN HIS RESURRECTION AFTER FEELING HIS WOUNDS. CHRIST ADMONISHES THOMAS BY SAYING, "YOU BECAME A BELIEVER BECAUSE YOU SAW ME. BLESSED ARE THEY WHO HAVE NOT SEEN AND BELIEVE." **(JOHN 20: 19-31)**

**STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-April 12, 2020**

Very early in the morning after the Sabbath, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body with precious oils. The reward of this good and conscientious steward was to be the first to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead! Alleluia!

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

**BAPTISMS** are SUSPENDED at this time. To arrange for a Baptism later this year, please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.

**SUNDAY and EASTER OFFERINGS CAN BE MAILED IN TO: Star of the Sea Church, PO BOX 337, Lake Hopatcong, NJ, 07849, or sent through electronic giving at "We Share" on our website at [olsoslh.org](http://olsoslh.org). Thank you. Your support is greatly appreciated, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS CRISIS.**

**Pope Francis has postponed the Holy Land Collection until the weekend of Oct. 3-4.**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

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

**ALL CCD CLASSES SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. UPDATES WILL BE POSTED**



Check your e-mail from Mrs. Therese Butler for updates **GOING FORWARD.**

**Please remember in prayer those who are sick:** Fr. John Connolly, Fr. Daniel Kelly, Rose Rech, John Borst, Patricia Schaffhauser, Betty Gardner, Lisa Ann Fisher, Joan Elise Butler, Susan Totino, Anne Nichols, Ellen Cohen, Geneva Kumar, Vanessa Espinoza, Quinn Gorman, Dan Iadarola, Frances Ferrara, Lillian Colello, Maryanne Drozdick, Dora Lavin, Mary Ann Miller, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. **We pray for recently deceased:** Pasqualina (Delores) Ulianiello, Mae Grant, Kevin Graiami, Fr. Frank White, James Brown, Michael Daly & all who have died from COVID-19.



Anyone can go online to [Ascensionpress.com](http://Ascensionpress.com) for the videos of the Lenten series, as well as other prayers and series..



**OPERATION RICE BOWL: Please drop off your completed Rice Bowls in a plastic bag at the Church vestibule**

**or leave them on the back porch of the Rectory. Thank you.**



**EASTER FLOWERS- WE HAVE DECORATED THE SANCTUARY FOR EASTER. Easter is our greatest feast- celebrating the Resurrection of**

**Jesus & fitting that our sanctuary reflects this joy.** You can help by donating an **Easter flower** in memory of a loved one. **Donation of \$25.00** is requested. Envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

**BROADWAY IS CLOSED "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD" trip HAS BEEN CANCELLED.** When Box office returns money to us we will issue reimbursements to anyone who has already made payments. You will be contacted by phone before we mail out your check. Please be patient. Thank you.

**Kerry Moore, Muriel Pazzaglia's daughter, is generously donating her time to our seniors who may need drives to doctors, grocery stores, and/or pick up of meds, groceries, etc. Please call her at 973-479-0830 and set up a time.**

**FOOD PANTRY- WILL REMAIN OPEN**

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS- call 973-663-0211 with your order and a pick up time will be given.**

**DROPPING OFF FOOD please call before doing so- There is a barrel outside the pantry at the rectory.**



Coordinator-Toni Tarighi. Call for a list of what we need for our pantry.

Grocery shopping available for Seniors during this crisis: Stop & Shop Sparta 60 & up from 6-7:30AM, Shoprite Wharton 1-2pm Seniors 62 & up, and at BJ's 8-9AM, and Costco 8-9am Seniors 60 & up.

**LIVE STREAMING Sunday 10:30AM Mass is available. Look for the link on our website: [olsoslh.org](http://olsoslh.org)**

**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH STAR OF THE SEA**

**ON FACEBOOK:** at OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA Church, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Rosary Altar Society and **On our website: [olsoslh.org](http://olsoslh.org).**



**THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S ANNUAL**

**SCHOLARSHIP** of \$300 will be awarded to a High School Senior in June. Call the office and then E-mail [olsos@optonline.net](mailto:olsos@optonline.net) for your application, and Patricia will forward it to you. Please submit your application with requirements to Sue Sacino by Tuesday, May 19th. Thank you and good luck.

# THE JOY OF EASTER

“Whoever is a devout lover of God, let him enjoy this beautiful, bright festival! Whoever is a grateful servant let him rejoice and enter into the joy of His Lord!

Rich and poor, dance with one another, sober and slothful, celebrate the day. Those who have kept the fast and those who have not, rejoice today, for the table is richly spread. Fare royally upon it, the calf is a fatted one. Let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith! All enjoy the richness of His goodness.

Let no one fear death, for the death of our Savior has set us free. He has destroyed it by enduring it. Christ is risen and the demons are cast down. Christ is risen and life is set free. Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead. For Christ having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who sleep. To him be glory and power forever and ever! Amen.” (From the Easter Sermon of St. John Chrysostem)

These words of the fourth century preacher capture the power and majesty of Easter. The pain and darkness of Good Friday give way to unlimited possibility and hope on Easter morn. The bonds of death cannot hold Jesus captive and so we rejoice and alleluia becomes our song.

We are now live streaming our Sunday Masses at 10:30 AM. Please join us on line at [olsoslh.org](http://olsoslh.org) as we celebrate the Easter liturgy, which will also be available for viewing all day.

We are a Community of Faith and we can still express that faith by joining one another on line and praying the Sunday Masses together. When this pandemic ends, I hope it will mean that we have become closer as members of our parish family.

We ask the Lord for healing for all those infected with COVID-19 at this time, that our hospitals will be able to bear the increase in admissions in the coming weeks, and for good health for all of our families.

Today let us be happy and forget all our troubles. Jesus is risen! Alleluia! May the Risen Lord bless you with peace and joy this Easter!

*May the Lord and His Blessed Mother protect you!*

*Fr. Chris*



### UPDATED DIOCESAN MANDATES

1. **The Bishop has suspended all public masses.**  
FR. Chris is live streaming Sunday Mass at 10:30AM, which can be viewed later in the day as well.  
EWTN Weekday Masses at 8AM & 12pm,  
CFN Ch.137 Weekdays 8:30Am, and 6:30PM)
3. Fr. Chris is celebrating A Private Mass Mon-Fri 8AM, & 9AM Saturdays to fulfill his priestly obligations.
3. **ALL CHURCHES ARE NOW CLOSED.**
4. **Confirmation- suspended; 1st Communion deferred.**
5. **Funerals -Masses suspended.**
7. **Everyone should pray the Rosary for an end to this crisis.**

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**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER**- continues **on-line** until July 1st at [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com), enter Group Number 999979759. Thank you for your generosity.



During this pandemic our Secretary, Patricia Connolly, is in the office on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** only, from 9:30-3 to assist with your needs, such as Mass cards, adding loved ones to the prayer list, etc. Unless it is an emergency or you need to speak with Fr. Chris on other matters, please call the office at 973-663-0211 on either of these two days.

Thank you.

Saint (Mother) Theresa of Calcutta would say a “Flying Novena” by praying the Memorare 9 times in a row for special intentions. It is said that at a 1984 Papal Mass it was raining very hard and Mother Theresa and the Sisters said the Flying Novena—by the ninth prayer the rain had stopped. **Let us pray together everyday at 11 a.m.** in asking our Blessed Mother for intercession in stopping the spread of the COVID-19 virus in our world.

## Memorare

Remember,  
O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to thy protection,  
implored thy help,  
or sought thine intercession  
was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence,  
I fly unto thee,  
O Virgin of virgins, my mother;  
to thee do I come,  
before thee I stand,  
sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in thy mercy hear and answer me.  
Amen.



## EASTER PRAYER

Lord, God, You loved this world so much,  
that You gave Your one and only Son,  
that we might be called Your children too.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace  
of Easter Sunday, everyday.

Let us have hearts of thankfulness  
for Your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon  
Your grace and rejoice in our salvation.

Help us to walk in that mighty grace  
and tell Your Good News to the world.

All for Your glory, do we pray, Lord. Amen.



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**and thank you for going digital during this pandemic.**

Thanks for all your help, and stay safe and well.