



PENTECOST SUNDAY

*All were filled with
the Holy Spirit.*

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey

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Pentecost

May 31, 2020

FR. CHRIS' PRIVATE MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST -Pentecost

10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

MONDAY, JUNE 1ST

8:00 A.M. Jaye Ragas

TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND

8:00 A.M. Doris O'Rourke

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3RD

8:00 A.M. William E. McDonald

THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH

8:00 A.M. Noeline Fernando

FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH

8:00 A.M. Frank Giaquinto

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

9:00 A.M. Andrew Hudak

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

10:30 AM Frank Giaquinto

SCRIPTURES

June 7, 2020– Trinity Sunday

FIRST READING: THE LORD APPEARS TO MOSES ON MOUNT SINAI AND PROCLAIMS TO HIM THAT THE LORD IS A "MERCIFUL GOD... SLOW TO ANGER AND RICH IN KINDNESS AND FIDELITY."
(EXODUS 34: 4B-6, 8-9)

SECOND READING: PAUL EXHORTS THE CORINTHIANS TO LIVE IN PEACE AND HARMONY, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME, INVOKES THE BLESSED TRINITY. (2 CORINTHIANS 13: 11-13)

GOSPEL: IN THIS BEAUTIFUL PASSAGE, JESUS TELLS NICODEMUS THAT GOD LOVED HIS PEOPLE SO MUCH, THAT HE "GAVE HIS ONLY SON." JESUS REVEALS TO NICODEMUS THAT ANYONE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT DIE BUT WILL ENJOY LIFE WITH HIM FOR ALL ETERNITY. (JOHN 3: 16-18)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- May 31, 2020

In the Second Reading today, St. Paul reminds the Corinthian, "There are different gifts, but the same Spirit; there are different ministries but the same Lord." How am I using my gifts "for the common good"?

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 a special living intention or for healing. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15.

BAPTISMS may resume in June with no more than 10 people in attendance. To arrange for a Baptism later this year, please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.

SUNDAY OFFERINGS can be Received by:

1. Mailing TO: Star of the Sea Church, PO BOX 337, Lake Hopatcong, NJ, 07849
2. left in Rectory mailbox on the back porch bannister,
3. or sent through electronic giving at "We Share" which is found on our website olsoslh.org. e-Catholic.

****We ask that you please make separate checks for mass cards and donations other than your offerings. Thank you. Your support is greatly appreciated, ESPECIALLY DURING THIS CRISIS.**

We are hopeful that Masses will return with social distancing within the next few weeks.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

ALL CCD CLASSES SUSPENDED through June.

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Fr. John Boland, Fr. Leonardo Jaramillo, Fr. Joseph Lupo, Fr. Daniel Kelly, Roger Cutino, Rose Rech, Tony Lee Burns, Terry Koontz, Paul Tedesco, Joellen Jacek, James Bree, Steve Garcia, Vanessa Espinoza, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. **We pray for recently deceased:** Regina Clarke, Gloria Nolte, Leroy Morano, Anna Pomo, Joseph Doherty, Gina Farrasciano, Msgr. Charles Cassidy, Thaddeus Padlo, Ken Evangelista, Maryanne Drozdick, Deacon John Grimes, Fr. Richard Eldridge, & all who have died from COVID-19.



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- OPEN with social distancing

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 if it is a refrigerated item. There is a barrel outside the pantry door at the rectory for all non perishables.

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

At this time we **ONLY** need: **regular size boxes of pancake mix & syrup, strawberry jelly, canned peaches, pears, pineapples, dish detergent & cleaning products!**

A Special Thank you to the Boy Scout Troop 111, the Bolcars, the Kimbles, Terri DeMasi, and the many anonymous parishioners for their generous food & monetary donations.



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



THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

of \$300 will be awarded to a High School Senior in June. The committee is in the process of determining the winner, who will be announced in the next few weeks.

The Parish and Religious Education offices are open with their normal hours. Please feel free to contact either office when needed. Thank you.



The Jefferson Rescue Squad will host a Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 30th in the OLSOS Parish Center - 4-8 pm.

Anyone who is healthy and is allowed to do so, please consider giving blood to help all those, (besides COVID-19 patients), who are in need of transfusions. **We will have more information on procedures in upcoming bulletins.**

Seventh Annual "Corpus Christi Diocesan Food Drive" is to be held on June 13-14 for the benefit of our Catholic Charities food pantries and parish food pantries in need of food for the summer. We are requesting donations of "Parmalat" milk, juice, canned fruits, tuna. Bins will be marked for donations inside front door of the church, and by the Rectory back door. Thank you, Fr. Chris



CHOIR Check your e-mail from Mrs. Therese Butler for future updates.

PENTECOST THE BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH

Today we celebrate one of our most important feasts--that of Pentecost. It celebrates **the descent of the Holy Spirit** upon the Apostles and the **birth of the Church**. The second chapter of Acts tells of this event and uses great imagery to describe it--a powerful wind, tongues of fire, people speaking in many languages, and the joy of the Apostles. It is truly moving. This group of twelve men is transformed into a Community of Faith on fire with zeal to spread the Word of God. Now they understand the true nature of the Death, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus and the Gift of the Spirit. It is from this small group of disciples that the Church has grown into a worldwide Community of Faith.

The primary meaning of the word Church is not a building where people worship, but a community of people which accepts the Risen Christ in their lives and who gather to share their faith and celebrate His Presence. When we gather we do certain things:

- A. We recall our past experience of Jesus in Scripture.
- B. We celebrate His risen and living presence among us through signs and symbols in the Eucharist.
- C. We then go out to share the Good News of Jesus with others in Ministry.

Jesus promised that He would send His Spirit and that He would remain with us to the end of time. It is this same Spirit who guides the Church today. It is up to us as members of the Community of Faith here at Our Lady Star of the Sea to foster a sense of unity and commitment to living out the Gospel in our lives. **WE ARE THE CHURCH TODAY.**

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Chris

Let us pray together everyday at 11 a.m., reciting this prayer 9 times asking our Blessed Mother for her intercession in keeping us well and ending 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 & sorrowful.

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

AMEN.

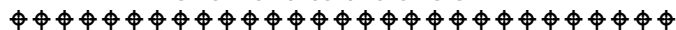


Fr. Chris continues celebrating Sunday Mass at 10:30AM. It will be recorded this week for later viewing on our website olsoslh.org.

Funeral Masses suspended.

Confirmation and 1st Communion deferred.

**Everyone should pray the Rosary
for an end to the crisis.**



Daily Prayer to be Said During the Coronavirus Pandemic

Loving God, Your Son, Jesus Christ traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness."

At His command, the sick were made well.

Come to our aid now, God of all life, and in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, may we experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus.

May they regain their strength and health.

Gentle God, healer of all, stay by our side

In this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus.

May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died.

As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers, first responders,

Essential workers and all who seek to heal, serve and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process.

May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations.

Give them the foresight to act with charity

And true concern for the well-being

Of the people they are meant to serve.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare.

In place of our anxiety, give us your peace, comfort and love.

Gentle and Loving God, heal us and come to our aid.

Amen.

The Franciscan Friars Of Holy Name Province



AN UPDATE FROM OUR PASTOR

Reopening the Church for Mass: I had planned to have three public masses this weekend, May 30, 31st, but these plans had to be changed as the governor did not give the green light to open our churches for worship. I do hope permission will come within the next week. The 10:30 Mass today, May 31st will be recorded and should be available for viewing later in the day. Just access our website and get the link to be able to view it.

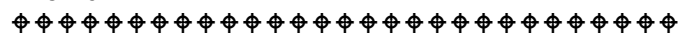
I am working with Mrs. Hedrick to come up with dates for First Communion and Confirmation to be celebrated sometime in June. There will be two celebrations for each sacrament, and we will observe social distancing and proper protocols for each celebration. That means just 25% of capacity attendance of the church, about 75-80 people at the liturgy.

As soon as we get word that we can schedule these sacraments we will post the dates for our people. It is important that our sophomores receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and that our second graders receive First Communion.

I have permission from Bishop Serratelli to confer the sacrament of Confirmation.

Let us pray that we can accomplish this in the month of June.

Fr. Chris



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