

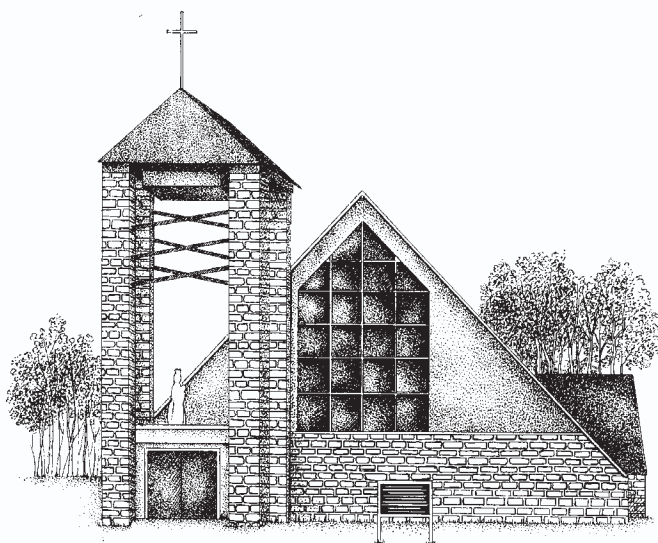
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

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September 12, 2021

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

8:00 AM

SATURDAY MASS

9:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

8:00 and 10:00 AM and 7:30 PM

FIRST FRIDAY:

8:00 AM

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NEW TO THE PARISH

Call the rectory and arrange to register in our active parish.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 12 PM
and 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS:

Tue., Wed., Thu. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
and 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

CONFESSION:

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45 PM

BAPTISMS:

Parents must register with the parish. Both parents must also participate in the Baptismal Training Program. Baptisms arranged by appointment.

MARRIAGE:

Please arrange 1 year in advance.

RCIA:

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. For adults who wish to become Catholic or Catholics who wish to be Confirmed.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 12, 2021

MASSSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

8:30 A.M. Vito Buccafurni
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. Joann "Betty" Carlson

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

8:00 A.M. William Rech

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

8:00 A.M. Martin Sior

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

8:00 A.M. Kerry Kowalski

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

8:00 A.M. Communion Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

8:00 A.M. Gerald Costello

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

9:00A.M. Joan Karl

5:00 P.M. Joann Carlson

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

8:30 A.M. Cynthia Cassibba

10:30A.M. People of the Parish

12:00P.M. James Nicholl

SCRIPTURES:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 19, 2021

First Reading: Wicked people discuss their anger at the just one, because they do not like being reproached for their evil ways. They want to see if he is the Son of God, so they decide to torture him and see if God will come to defend him. They decide to condemn him to a shameful death and see if the claims are true that God will take care of him.

(Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20)

Second Reading: James discusses the importance of avoiding jealousy and strife. People should strive for peace and justice instead of concentrating on material pleasures which can tempt people to sin to obtain whatever they desire. (James 3:16--4:3)

GOSPEL: Jesus again attempts to prepare His disciples for His death and resurrection, although they do not yet fully understand. They had been arguing over who was the most important one, but Jesus tells them whoever wants to rank first must be willing to remain a servant to all. He also tells them that anyone who welcomes a child in His name welcomes both Him and God. (Mark 9: 30-37)

Stewardship by the Book September 12, 20205

In today's second reading, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into action. May we be such good stewards of God's gifts to us that we can never be accused of having "faith that does nothing in practice."



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. We also have Intentions for the Living & Healing Mass Cards available for celebration of Mass during the week.



RCIA OPEN HOUSE WILL BE HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th at 6pm in the RECTORY. We welcome adults who wish to be baptized, Catholics who need to be confirmed, and members of other churches who wish to join the Catholic Church. Please call Fr. Chris at 973-663-0211 by September 17th if you plan to attend.

BAPTISMS are performed the first Sunday of each month. To arrange for a Baptism, please call the rectory Mon-Fri -973-663-0211.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/olsosrh

Classes begin TODAY. Must be registered to attend class. FEES- Pre-K & Kindergarten \$50; Grades 1-8 - 1 child=\$220, 2=\$240, 3 or more= \$250. Grades 9 & 10 \$125 per child. 2nd & 10th Graders additional sacramental fee of \$40.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Pre-K - Grade 5

Sunday, September 12th Pre-K - 5 - 8:45-10:15 classes

September 12th Parent Meeting - 9:15AM

Sunday, September 19th Pre-K - 5 - 8:45-10:15 classes

10:30am Opening Liturgy Catechetical Sunday Mass

Theme:

"Say the Word, and My Soul Shall Be Healed"

MIDDLE SCHOOL - GRADES 6-8

September 12th - 6:30-8PM classes

Parent Meeting - 6:30pm

September 19th - 6:30-8PM classes

HIGH SCHOOL - GRADES 9-10

September 12th - 6:30-8PM classes

September 19th - 6:30-7:30PM

9th Grade Parents & students Meet in the Church

September 19th -7:30-8:30PM

10th Grade Parents & students Meet in the Church

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Marilyn Beyel, Anne Nichols, William Hymen, Severo Castro, John Cituk, Gerry Lopato, Henry Milkewicz, Ty Gonabe, Bruce Moore, Brenda Hensz, Stacy Dunn, Lena Emm, Agnes Paulovitz, David Frocalosey, Jo Ellen Jacek, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. We pray for the deceased: Msgr. Joseph Ferrito, Mary Ellen Rimli, Stanley Zadrozny, Nelson Claypoole, Jr., Giovanna Buccafurni, Sr. Theresa Chiappa, Emil Ciliento, Finnbar Corr, Thomas Reck, Marie Calandriello, Gloria Marturana, Rev. Eugene Romano, Donald Rimli, & all who have died from COVID-19.



ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one, or in honor of an occasion e.g. wedding anniversary; please call Patricia at the Rectory 973/663-0211. \$65-\$85.

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's first meeting of the 2021-22 year is Monday, Sept. 13th, 6:30PM in the Church Hall. All women of the parish are invited to join us in praying the rosary and discussing this month's topics- amendments, officers, and fundraisers.



Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive Monday, October 11th, 3-8pm in our gym. More info to follow.



"The Eucharist in Scripture" presented by

Dr. Scott Hahn. Join us for a six-lesson DVD study, based on his best sellers "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word." Discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the liturgy.

This study will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation. Our Parish will be holding this Program starting Wednesday October 13, thru November 17, 2021, at 7:30PM in the Church Hall. Registration forms will be in the back of the Church for those interested.

2021 Diocesan Ministries Appeal will be kicking off on September 25-26. You will be receiving a letter from Bishop Sweeney regarding this years' appeal soon. The Appeal supports the work of our Catholic Charities, priests' extraordinary healthcare needs as well as their retirement home at Nazareth Village, urban elementary schools, and seminarian education. More information next week.

A FRESH LOOK AT TWO PEOPLE OF FAITH

For many Catholics the Bible is not very familiar and that is a shame. We are not quite sure how to approach it. Should we begin at Genesis and work our way through Exodus and the rest of the books of the Hebrew Scriptures? Probably not. Even though Genesis tells us about the origins of our world and of human life it appeared in written form many years after Exodus.

These books came out of a believing community, a people of faith, struggling to keep the divine as part of their lives. Faith for them was faith in a person, a person named Yahweh. Faith is personal. Faith is not an intellectual assent to a series of statements or accepting a number of ideas. It is not just saying, "I believe this, I believe that." It is a dynamic reality informing decisions and choices.

Belief in Yahweh led to the development of two other virtues- Hope and Trust. Yahweh invited the leaders to put their hope and trust in him. If they did so they would not be disappointed. People of Faith like Abraham and Moses heard this call of the Lord and responded to it, and in so doing changed human history.

Abraham left his own people in the land of Ur, journeyed to a foreign land on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea and began life over again. In old age he and his wife Sarah had a son Isaac; this boy would succeed his father and be the heir to the promises of Yahweh. Yet the Lord asked Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac to prove his faith in Yahweh. Abraham was ready to carry out this terrible deed but Yahweh stopped him at the last second. Abraham was obedient to Yahweh and showed his willingness to sacrifice his only son; then a ram was spotted in the wood and he was sacrificed instead.

The story of Moses is quite different. Moses grew up in the royal household of the Pharaoh. As an infant he had been placed in a basket and left on the shores of the Nile and there was found by Pharaoh's daughter. She adopted him and he was raised as a prince of Egypt. He was asked by Yahweh to leave his life of privilege behind and take on the role of a Hebrew slave and lead his people, the Hebrews, out of slavery in Egypt to the Promised Land. Moses became a slave in order to free his people. That was the sacrifice Yahweh asked of him.

Abraham and Moses were able to accept a life of sacrifice in order to serve Yahweh. They had trust and hope in him.

In these trying times, when life is so uncertain and painful for so many, these two virtues, Trust and Hope, are necessary components to help us on our journey of faith. Let us ask the Lord for these two great virtues of trust and hope and then we shall be able to see more clearly His presence in our lives.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Chris



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S FALL

PLANT & GARDEN FUNDRAISER-

proceeds to benefit the Parish. This fall's Program is being held **NOW through October 2nd.** With C

& C Growers on Hampton House Rd. in Newton we can purchase plants and garden supplies. C & C has over 2 acres of greenhouses, annuals, perennials, hanging baskets, and much more. Flyers in the vestibule with 10% off coupons. Discount applies to the entire order. **You will need a coupon each time you go to C & C until Oct. 2nd.** Star of the Sea receives 10% of total sales. C & C is across from Tractor Supply on Rte. 206 South. Directions- on the flyer. Please help us continue to support our Parish. Thank you, OLSOS Rosary Altar Society.

FOOD PANTRY

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM, 1:30-3:30PM.

Please call 973-663-0211 for an appointment time.

Coordinator is Toni Tarighi.

We are in need of: Pasta SAUCE (only), COFFEE, peanut butter, PLAIN Cheerios, Corn Flakes, Rice Krispies, Special K, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Apple Jacks, Frosted Flakes, crackers, cookies, canned fruits, jell-o & pudding, SPAM, pancake mix & syrup, oatmeal packets & steel cut, mayo, milk, butter, frozen waffles, orange juice, Ziploc gallon/quart freezer bags, & Hair conditioner. **NO expired items accepted.**



NOTE: Monetary donations for Shoprite cards are still being accepted.

Thank you to those who have been supporting our food pantry, especially the Bolcars & DeMasis.

USHERS for Sunday 10:30 and Noon masses. Call Fr. Chris 973-663-0211.

WANTED



MORRIS COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE RAFFLE

Chances for 2022 Volvo XC40 AWD SUV valued at over \$41,340. 2nd, 3rd and 4th place prizes are ShopRite gift cards for \$1,000, \$750 and \$500.

Tickets are being sold after all masses October 2nd & 3rd. \$10 each. Drawing at Maggiano's Little Italy,

Bridgewater, 10pm Friday, November 19, 2021. **Winner need not be present.** Proceeds benefit NJ Right to Life, NJ's oldest and largest pro-life organization.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DONATION BINS:

Please help support Catholic Charities local programs by donating clothes, shoes, to the donation bins at the back of our parking lot.



IRISH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NW NEW JERSEY'S ANNUAL FEIS - SUNDAY, SEPT. 12th - 8AM - 6PM

Sussex County Fairgrounds, Rte. 206, **Augusta.** Due to the pandemic this year's activities have been

shortened to Competitions in: Irish Step Dancing, & Traditional Celtic Music. There will be only 1 food vendor, and vendors for the dancers attire. Admission this year will be free. Parking - free. More info at iaanj.com and www.iaanjfeis.com



A Prayer of Remembrance

Almighty and Ever-Loving God, we remember **September 11th, 2001**, and pray for all those who were affected by the terrible events of that day.

We remember with love and respect all of those who went tragically to their deaths.

We remember those who still suffer from their injuries of that day 20 years ago and pray for their recovery.

We remember the still grieving families and friends and all who lost loved ones.

Gracious Lord continue to console them in the hope that all who trust in You will find peace and rest in Your Kingdom.

Bless them with Your presence and surround us all with Your Love.

God of peace bless all those defending and protecting our country and its ideals of freedom and liberty.

Heavenly Father answer our prayer and bring us hope through Christ Your Son.

May your kingdom of justice and of peace reign and may the earth be filled with Your glory. **AMEN.**



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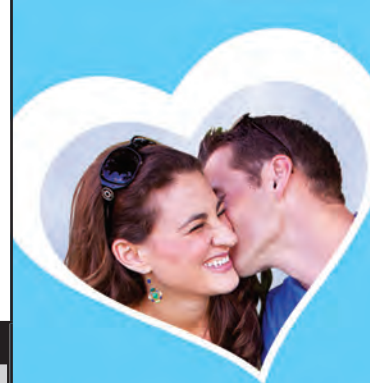


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