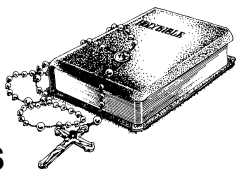


**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 28th, 2018**



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK  
AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 27th:</b>
8:00 am	Catherine Grace Coffin
5:00 pm	Carmen & Jenaro Torres
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 28th:</b>
7:30 am	Jennifer Connizzo
9:00 am	Salvador Padua
10:30 am	Frank Gaetani
NOON	Angel & Zaida Guerrero
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 29th:</b>
8:30 am	Rose Scandaglia
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 30th:</b>
8:30 am	Leonides Handras
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 31st:</b>
8:30 am	Lena Franceschini
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 1st:</b>
8:30 am	Dorothy Iovine
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 2nd:</b>
8:30 am	Luigia & Joseph Bartolomeo
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3rd:</b>
8:00 am	Edward Inconiglios
5:00 pm	Francesca Richiusa & Greco Nicolò
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 4th:</b>
7:30 am	Richard Meyers
9:00 am	Michael Stelmokas
10:30 am	Girolamo & Colomba Delre
12:00 NOON	Vittoria Cosentino



**MORNING DEVOTIONS**

Following weekday 8:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On First Fridays only, there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On Saturday following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

At St. Anthony of Padua there is Recitation of the Rosary and Devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK  
AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 27th:</b>
5:00 pm	Andrew Roddini
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 28th:</b>
8:00 am	Health of Stefania Kasza
11:00 am	Janice Blanchard
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 29th:</b>
7:30 am	Stephen & Pauline Covello
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 31st:</b>
7:30 am	Pauline Okraszewski
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 2nd:</b>
7:30 am	Healing for Manaluz Family
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3rd:</b>
5:00 pm	Anne Modzelewski
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 4th:</b>
8:00 am	Frank Ottomanelli, Jr.
11:00 am	Janice Blanchard

**MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 28th:**



**Our Lady of Pity**

The Altar Bread and Wine  
are being offered in memory of

**FATHER JOHN E. MERCER**

Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday – Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm



### BLOOD DRIVE

The New York Blood Center is running another Winter Blood Drive at Our Lady of Pity. The drive will take place on **January 28, 2018** from 8:15 am-2:15 pm in the gym. Donate blood during National Blood Donor Month and help save a life!



### JOIN THE CHOIRS

The **Adult Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays, at 8 pm in the Parish Center.

The **Youth Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays, from 7 – 8 pm in the Parish Center.

New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses, or you may call Ron at 347-770-3477 for information.

**Choir at St. Anthony of Padua** meets after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass. Please see our organist Austin Lee. New members are welcome.



### SAVE THE DATE

Our Lady of Pity is excited to announce an upcoming performance by Father Ho Lung and friends of the Missionaries of the Poor of Jamaica. Formally known as The Five Tenors, the group will be performing a concert in our church on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 3:00 pm. This is a fund raising event for the Missionaries of the Poor. Tickets will be sold at the door. Further details will be provided in upcoming bulletins and during Sunday announcements.

### FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of **St. Anthony's Church**. Thank you and God Bless.

### FORMED CATHOLIC MEDIA

Join Catholics around the country with this fantastic program. Formed is a digital program that can be used on your computer, smart phone or tablet. There is something for everyone, Catholic information Audio talks, eBooks, films, documentaries and video based study programs for both adults and children. There is no cost.

To Register go to Formed.org. The Parish Code is K36ZWZ. It will request your name and email address and the Parish Code. Once registered it will ask for a password. That's all there is to it. If you need help you can call Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

JClub book fair for students will be the week of Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> for all grades. Details to be sent home this week.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Candidates – This is just a reminder that you need to submit your sponsor certificates and proof of your sponsor confirmation. Please get that to Mr. Frank ASAP. Any questions please call the Religious Education Office.

### OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group (grades 6-8 and High School) meets every third Friday of the month in the parish center. New members are always welcome! See Mrs. Amparo Caruso or Ms. Marissa Ponterella for details or email [ourladyofpityyouthgroup@outlook.com](mailto:ourladyofpityyouthgroup@outlook.com). Any type of donations to our youth group program will be greatly appreciated.



### VALENTINE DINNER

Our Youth Group will be hosting a family valentine dinner dance on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the parish gym at 7:00 pm. The cost is \$30.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child (children under 6 are free). Cost includes dinner, dessert, soda, wine & coffee. Tickets will be sold after Mass in the back of the church on January 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm and January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am and 12:00 noon Masses. Please be supportive.

## RCIA PROGRAM

If you or a friend are interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you need to be confirmed, the RCIA Program invites you to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary.

## SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

## BEREAVEMENT

***“Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.”***

**-Matthew 5:4.**

Our Bereavement Minister, Deacon Michael Venditto, is available to assist anyone who has experienced a loss. Call the rectory (718-761-5421) weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm to set up an appointment with Deacon Michael.

## OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3rd:</b>
5:00 pm	Mar. Pastena-Mike Pastena
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 4th:</b>
7:30 am	J. Porto-J. Salcedo
9:00 am	M. Langone-K. Carpenito
10:30 am	J. Almero-J. Coraci
NOON	T. Hanley-M. Mendez

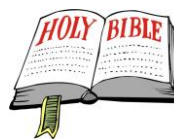
#### LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3rd:</b>
5:00 pm	R. Rose
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 4th:</b>
7:30 am	M. Salcedo
9:00 am	L. Buttacavoli
10:30 am	M. Donadic
NOON	S. Bilardi

#### ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 3rd:</b>
5:00 pm	J. Flood-J. Bosco-M. Maningas
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 4th:</b>
7:30 am	D. Pangilinan-J. Inigo
9:00 am	M. Santa-C. Santa-M. Maguire-I. Maguire
10:30 am	N. Lopez-C. Baria-M. Tubay-E. Baria
NOON	J. Venditto-F. Aum-J. Tangco-K. Romero

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### MARK 1:21-28

As Jesus was teaching, a man with an unclean spirit came to the synagogue and asked if Jesus had come to destroy them. Jesus ordered the spirit out of the man, who shrieked violently as the spirit departed. The people were amazed at the authority he had over the spirit.

## HIS WORD TODAY

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**“And the Lord said to me: This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among your kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. ...All were amazed and asked one another, ‘What is this? A new teaching with authority.’”**

Maybe we are not accustomed to read the book of Deuteronomy, but we find Moses, the prophet the spokesperson for God, who requested others to speak and the assembly to listen. As we read the Old Testament, we meet many others who responded to God’s call, sometimes reluctantly, to speak in His behalf. Can you name some?

Prophetic voices continue to be heard today, as God calls leaders to teach and guide us. There are the well known teachers as the Holy Father, and our local bishops, assuming the role of teacher. There are others who through baptism assume the role of catechists and teachers of the faith. But there are countless others too who speak through their actions, bringing the mercy and message of the Lord to others.

As we begin this New Year may we open our ears to hear the message, our hearts to carry it out, and discover ways the Lord wishes to use us to do His ministry.



## BIBLE STUDY

The Bible is the heart of the Catholic Faith and our relationship with God. It is the living word of God. It is a place where we truly meet God and He speaks with us. The Book of Acts is the story of how a few Christians were empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring Christ and the Good News of God’s Kingdom to the world and shows how the Holy Spirit is still with us in our lives today.

Come join us Monday evenings starting February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 pm at Our Lady of Pity Parish Center for a 20 session Bible Study on the Book of Acts of the Apostles. The study is designed by Ascension Press based on a study by Jeff Cavins and Sarah Christmeyer. Cost is \$30.00 to cover the cost of the workbook.

If you wish to attend please contact Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920, or the Rectory 718-761-5421.



## PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Do you desire a more loving relationship with Jesus? Every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, you will have the opportunity to spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at Our Lady of Pity Church from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Eucharistic Guardians will be needed. For further information call Joseph Magliocco at 718-698-8054.



## The Sick Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshipping community is called to pray for the sick or elderly in their parish. It is a privilege to ask Our Lord to heal and strengthen the sick. ***The Prayer List for the Sick*** is our way of reaching out to our parishioners, young and elderly, who have received a critical diagnosis and are unable to go about the routines of life: **Michael Ragonese, Neil Amodio, Rusty Amodio, MaryAnn Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Barbara Bilardi, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Fannie Marro, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Lenora Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Angie Mendez, Charles Messina, Lucille Messina, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi, Gloria Scaglione**

The listed names above for those asking for prayers has been updated according to months on the list.

Those remaining have been reinstated by parishioners calling after the six month period. If anyone wishes to put a name back or to add a new name of a parishioner who is sick please contact the rectory Mon.-Fri. from 9 am to 5 pm.

## ELECTRONIC GIVING (WE SHARE PROGRAM)

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log on to [churchofourladyofpity.churchgiving.com](http://churchofourladyofpity.churchgiving.com) or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1

## ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. The following are the group titles and days they meet:

<b>Golden Age</b>	Tues. 12-3 pm	Parish Center
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Thurs. 7:00 pm	St Jude Chapel



## LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary has a pilgrimage statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Anyone wishing to have the statue in their home, please call Ruth at 718-761-7717.

## WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

**Our Lady of Pity Rosary Altar Society:** Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

**St. Anthony of Padua Ladies Auxiliary:** Meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

**Our Lady of Pity:** Second Sunday of the month Mass at 12:00 pm; that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

**St. Anthony of Padua:** Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass.



## FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

On Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, we celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise. Throats will be blessed after Masses on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.



### CARNIVALE

Fat Tuesday, February 13, 2018  
 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm  
 DaNoi Restaurant, 4358 Victory Blvd.  
 4 course meal – salad, pasta, entrée, soda, coffee and dessert. (cash bar)  
 Reservations limited to 100 people, \$45.00 per person  
 Anyone interested, please call St. Anthony's rectory at 718-761-6660 or OLOP rectory at 718-761-5421  
 If you are interested in going please put your check made payable to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua in the collection basket labeled "Carnivale"  
**PAYMENT IS NOW DUE.**

### ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **JANUARY** "50/50" drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish. **Cash only**, no checks please.

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### ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK

Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
 4 course luncheon at Verdi – Westbury  
 Cost: \$110.00 per person  
 For information and reservation please call Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567



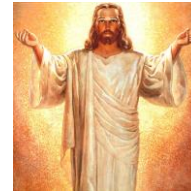
### BUS TRIP

Atlantic City – Golden Nugget, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
 \$38.00 per person, \$25.00 cash back and \$5.00 food voucher. Must have 35 people for bus to go. For reservation and information please call Agnes Davis at 718-494-5475



### UPCOMING CAKE AND CANDY SALE

The Rosary Altar Society will be holding a cake and candy sale on February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in the vestibule of Our Lady of Pity Church. Please be supportive.



### SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER "JESUS"

Wednesday, May 16, 2018, Lancaster, PA  
 A miraculous journey alongside God's Son and the everyday people, whose lives He changed forever. Price includes transportation, lunch smorgasbord at Shady Maple and show. All gratuities are included. Cost is \$125. Per person. Call Lena at 718-761-8216 for reservations and prices for teens and children. Bus departs from Our Lady of Pity at 7:45 am.



### MARINE CORPS LEAGUE ROSE PROGRAM

In 1778, during the War of Independence, the Marine Corps Rose was dedicated to those Marines who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. This tradition was continued by the French during World War One when the Marines attacked the Germans in the Trenches at Belleau Wood. Roses were planted by the grateful French people at the graves of the fallen Marines. When and where ever you see Marine Corps League members distributing these remembrances take and wear one proudly.

**February 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, Our Lady of Pity welcomes members of the marine Corps League-Staten Island Detachment #246. They will be on hand after Masses offering their lapel roses. For further information:**

Marine Corps League Detachment #246  
 46 Ontario Avenue  
 Staten Island, NY 10301  
 (718)447-2306/email: [246mcl@gmail.com](mailto:246mcl@gmail.com)

