

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 11th, 2018**



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

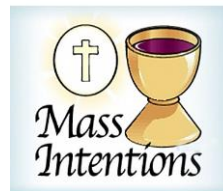
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 10th:
8:00 am	John Marmo
5:00 pm	Dana Marie & Anthony Mattera
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 11th:
7:30 am	Charles & Anna Campione
9:00 am	Jozef Kozlowski
10:30 am	John Caputo
NOON	Frank Riso, Lucy D'Orlando & Joseph DeMeglio
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 12th:
8:30 am	Anthony Bonaguro Sr & Sam J. Langone, Sr.
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 13th:
8:30 am	Thelma Contreras
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 14th: ASH WEDNESDAY
8:30 am	Luigi DeBenedictis & Jasmine Marie Parks
THURSDAY	FEBRUARY 15th:
8:30 am	Lawrence Braccolino
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 16th:
8:30 am	Gloria Stelmokas
7:30 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 17th:
8:00 am	Angelo Arculeo
5:00 pm	Helen Maguire
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 18th:
7:30 am	Adriana D'Alessio
9:00 am	Gloria Creazzo
10:30 am	Billy & Molly Horgan
12:00 NOON	Mary & George Smith



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:**

SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 10th:
5:00 pm	Dorothy Blanchard
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 11th:
8:00 am	Peter Ottomanelli
11:00 am	Violet A Rentkowski
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 12th:
7:30 am	Marie Vecchio
WEDNESDAY	FEBRUARY 14th: ASH WEDNESDAY
7:30 am	Lillian Grappone
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 16th:
7:30 am	Josephine Aiello
7:00 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 17th:
5:00 pm	Paul & Pauline Wicinski
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 18th:
8:00 am	Florence A. Hagan-Anniv.in Heaven
11:00 am	Bernadine Snyder

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11th:



Our Lady of Pity

The Main Altar Candles
are being offered in memory of

ANTHONY & DANA MARIE MATTERA

Requested lovingly by grandparents
Teresa & Fred

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



SEASON OF LENT

Wednesday, February 14th, is **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of the Lenten Season. Ash Wednesday is a day of both Fast and Abstinence. Ashes will be distributed as follows:

Our Lady of Pity: After the 8:30 am Mass, 12:00 noon., 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm

St. Anthony of Padua: After the 7:30 am Mass and 3:00 pm.



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.

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.



CAKE AND CANDY SALE

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



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

8th 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.

We are in need of Religious Education teachers. If anyone is interested in becoming a catechist, please call Mr. Frank Marchese @ 718-494-0308.

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 Mrs. Melinda Colon for details or email youthgroup@olpsare.com. Any type of donations to our youth group program will be greatly appreciated.



VALENTINE DANCE

Our Youth Group will be hosting a family Valentine Dinner Dance on Saturday, February 17th, 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. 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:

SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 17th:
5:00 pm	T. Hanley-A. Davis
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 18th:
7:30 am	B. Madaio-M. Madaio
9:00 am	K. Carpenito-P. Knecht
10:30 am	D. Marro-F. Marro
NOON	M. Terracino-N. Terracino

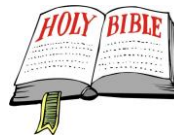
LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:	FEBRUARY 17th:
5:00 pm	C. Daniels
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 18th:
7:30 am	J. Magliocco
9:00 am	M. Donadic
10:30 am	R. Rose
NOON	L. Buttacavoli

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 17th:
5:00 pm	J. Inigo-J. Bosco-M. Zerega
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 18th:
7:30 am	C. Baria-E. Baria
9:00 am	J. Tangco-F. Aum-M. Maningas
10:30 am	N. Lopez-J. Venditto-D. Boniface-A. Boniface
NOON	J. Flood-M. Maguire-I. Maguire

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MARK 1:40-45

Jesus takes pity on a leper and cures him of his disease with a warning not to say but to show himself to the priest and make an offering. Instead of remaining silent, the leper greatly publicized the healing, making it impossible for Jesus to enter the town openly.

HIS WORD TODAY

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, ‘If you wish you can make me clean.’ Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him and said to him, ‘I do will it. Be made clean.’”

This week, we begin the season of Lent, a time of renewal and repentance. We have a tendency to approach this time from a traditional posture. Ashes, meatless Fridays and Stations of the Cross. All are part of our practice and tradition.

Wait a minute. Picture the lonely leper, ill and isolated, but with firm faith and determination, violating the rules imposed through Moses, approaching Jesus, seeking much needed help. I am he!

Consider for a moment what it took for him to act. He was desperate, knowing the reality of His condition. He spoke ‘if you wish,...’ He heard the will of Jesus, felt His compassion, was touched by the healer. I am he!

May I seriously consider how to begin Lent this year and live renewal and repentance with the leper to be healed, cleansed and enlivened. Lent is God’s gift to me this year.



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 Gods 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 5th, 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 1st 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.

***Please note: Adoration for the month of March will be from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.**



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, and Phillip Yoo**

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 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:

Golden Age	Tues. 12-3 pm	Parish Center
Legion of Mary	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.



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 4th, 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.

OUTER BANKS OF NORTH CAROLINA

The Outer Banks is a place of discovery and adventure and peaceful beauty all in one destination! 3 Nights at Oceanfront Hotels! Sunday to Thursday, April 15 – 19, 2018. Cost is \$935 per person twin/\$1,235 pp single/\$915 pp triple

Trip Includes

4 Nights Hotel Accommodations including...
1 Night Oceanfront in Virginia Beach, VA
2 Nights Oceanfront in Outer Banks, NC
1 Night at The Dover Downs Hotel & Casino, DE
4 Breakfasts and 4 Dinners
Chesapeake Bay Bridge & Tunnel
Wright Brothers National Memorial
Safari Beach Tour
Nascar "Behind The Scenes Tour" at Dover Downs
\$50 Slot Play at Dover Downs Casino
Baggage handling
Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
All Tips & Taxes (including bus driver)
For information and reservation please call
Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **FEBRUARY** "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.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

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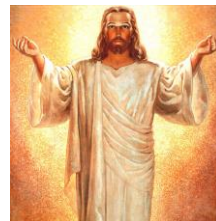
VOLUNTEERS

Clove Lakes Health Care and Rehabilitation Center, located at 25 Fanning Street, is looking for volunteers to assist in the Coffee Shop. Hours and days of volunteering are flexible. To hear more about this and other volunteer opportunities please contact Eileen Bardel, Volunteer Coordinator at 718-289-7114.



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.



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 17th and 18th, 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



ST. PETER'S BOYS H.S. CHINESE AUCTION

Annual Chinese Auction – Friday, March 2, 2018, in the school gym. 200 Clinton Ave. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Admission is \$5.00. Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. No children under 12 admitted. Raffles, refreshments and prizes.