

**Monday**

7:30PM Miraculous Medal Novena

**Thursday**

7:00PM Legion of Mary Meeting – Rectory

**COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE  
SUNDAY, January 1, 2017**

**Saturday**

4:00PM Bonnie Ferretti  
7:00PM Anthony Fontana

**Sunday**

7:30AM Larry Waldorf  
9:30AM Edwin Hall-Clarke  
11:30AM Theresa Gargano  
1:15PM Paula Mitkowski  
10:00AM OLL Vivian Azzarelli

**SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST  
SUNDAY, January 1, 2017**

**Saturday**

4:00PM Susan DiScala  
7:00PM Lisa Fontana

**Sunday**

7:30AM Maureen Rosko  
9:30AM Denise Hall-Clarke  
11:30AM Caroline Ferreri  
1:15PM Dolores Higgins  
10:00AM OLL Dolores Widlund

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CARE COMMITTEE**  
On duty the week of Dec. 25 to Dec. 31 – Rosalie

**The Cenacle of Life Prayer Group meets every Friday  
at 4:00PM in the Chapel to recite the Rosary.**

***We Welcomed the Newly Baptized  
to our parish***

Giovanni Musso



**BREAD AND WINE & SANCTUARY LIGHT**

We are accepting offerings for the Sanctuary Light and Bread and Wine for the week in memory of your loved ones. Any questions, please call the rectory 718-351-1093.

**The Bread and Wine** for this week are donated in loving memory of Dolores Veneziano requested by Barbara O'Donnell.

**The Sanctuary Light** for this week burns in loving memory of Marian Primiano requested by Lizette Colon & Linda LoCascio.



**Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

4:00PM Upper Church  
4:00PM Lower Chapel  
5:30PM (Cherubs & Choristers)  
12:00 Midnight (Sanctuary Choir)  
9:00PM – Our Lady of Lourdes

Beginning at 11:30PM on Christmas Eve, the Sanctuary Choir will offer Holiday Music. Come early and enjoy some of our Christmas Music.

**Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:30AM, 9:30AM, 10:00AM (OLL), 11:30AM & 1:15PM

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD  
(Christmas)**

**First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10**

Isaiah rejoices that God is bringing his exiled people home to Jerusalem. He calls out to the people to be glad because God will restore Jerusalem.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6**

Paul explains to the Hebrews that although God had spoken through the prophets, people could not always completely understand the message. Now God has spoken to us by sending Jesus, the son, a reflection of God's glory and forgiver of our sins.

**Gospel: John 1:1-18**

John describes how the Word came into the world in the form of Jesus. All those who accept Jesus become children of God by sharing in Jesus' love. No one has seen God, but through Jesus, God was revealed to us.

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**Christmas**

**December 25, 2016**

**VOCATION VIEW**

Vocations are born in the family. The priests and sisters are being born in our local hospitals and playing in our snow forts. If you would like to be a priest or have questions about the priesthood, please contact the Vocation Office at (914) 968-1340 or [www.NYPRIEST.COM](http://www.NYPRIEST.COM) "The World Needs Heroes".

## *From the Pastor's Desk...*

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Christmas is here. Baby Jesus is born. Let us extend a warm welcome to Christmas, God becoming man to be with us. What could be more Good News than this! Let us rejoice and welcome Jesus into our hearts, homes and into our lives. Don't forget that this is the same Jesus who comes to us in the Eucharist and in all the Sacraments. It is the same Jesus who is present in the poor and the downtrodden and in the gathering of two or three as he promised. Let us welcome Him always in every way he comes to us.

Advent season is over. This year is one of those when we have the full four weeks of Advent since Christmas falls on a Sunday. During these four weeks, we saw the lives of people like St. John the Baptist, Zechariah and Elizabeth St. Joseph and Blessed Mother Mary in our Gospel readings and prayed for grace to imitate them in faith and courage to cooperate with God to fulfill His plan in our lives for our salvation and the salvation of all. I was truly impressed with the number of people who came to Confession on Reconciliation Monday from 3 pm to 9 pm. Fr. Charles and myself were happy that we couldn't take a break. There is no better preparation for Christ than the forgiveness of all our sins and failures in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. May Jesus be born in your clean hearts and pure souls!

Christmas is also a time of celebration and gifts. I am sure all of you have done your exchange of cards and gifts. I am not a great fan of gifts, not because I do not like giving and receiving gifts or I do not appreciate the people who go out of their way to get the desired gifts for their loved ones. It is simply because as a priest I have received the greatest of all gifts in life, Jesus on the Altar. Every morning when I stand in front of the Altar and celebrate Holy Mass, in spite of my unworthiness Jesus is born on the Altar. Even the greatest gift from any human being fades in significance compared to this gift a priest receives when he celebrates Holy Mass. Now you know why I am not thrilled with the lovely gifts given to me. But I deeply appreciate and feel eternally grateful for the love and kindness you shower on me and the gifts you offer me now and then. May God richly reward you!

Fr. Charles, Fr. Joselin, Deacon Tom and Deacon Dennis join me in wishing you all a Blessed Christmas. May the baby born in Bethlehem to save us bless us with every spiritual and material blessing we need in this life and in the life to come! Merry Christmas!!!

Fr. Pancrose

### **PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Collection (12 - 18 -16)	\$9,274.00
Shrine Candles	\$137.00
Poor Box	\$162.00

## **Blessed Christmas Happy & Healthy 2017**

**From the Staff, the Deacons,  
Fr. Charles Achi & Fr. Pancrose**

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW ALTAR SERVERS!**

Julianna Bruno, Alessandro Capobianco, Ava D'Egidio, James Drew, Isabella Fuller, Kailee Giarrusso, Joseph Guli, Francesca Iularo, Tess Ivers, Shannon Jaworsky, Olivia King, Gia Koppie, Louis Kuhn, Jonathan Moises, Nicole Mormile, Kursten Petrik, Elle Plotkin, Brenna Raftery, Adrianna Rentas, Eric Rodriguez, Abigail Russell

### **REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN**

Include Our Lady Queen of Peace and Our Lady of Lourdes as a beneficiary of your retirement plan. This is a terrific way for you to support OLQP and OLL. If you would like to speak to a gift planning specialist, please email the Office of Gift Planning at [gift.planning@archny.org](mailto:gift.planning@archny.org) or call 646-794-3317.

### **ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK ArchCare Program**

Help from a "Care Navigator" is free of charge, and extends to questions about such things as:

- Housing for Seniors and Disabled Persons
- Health-Related Legal and Financial Issues
- Caregiver Support Groups
- Access to Healthcare
- Food and Nutrition
- Dementia Care
- Transportation Options
- Volunteer Opportunities

**ArchCare Care Navigation Center**  
**(855) 951-CARE (TTY/TDD: 711)**  
**8am to 8pm, seven days a week**

Go to [www.archcare.org/community-resources](http://www.archcare.org/community-resources) to learn more.

### **FATHER GANNON SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

This Fund is alive and well! It helps students to remain in OLQO school when their family suffers a long term set back, such as death, illness, or unemployment. Please make checks payable to: OLQP/ Father Gannon Scholarship Fund.

## ANNOUNCED MASSES

### Monday, Dec. 26 – St. Stephen, The First Martyr

7:00AM For Deacons & Their Families

8:30AM Nina Laura

### Tuesday, Dec. 27 – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

7:00AM Julian D. Ayres

8:30AM Thomas Fitzgerald

### Wednesday, Dec. 28 – The Holy Innocents

7:00AM Thomas Bluemke – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

8:30AM Dolores Hess

### Thursday, Dec. 29 – St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr

7:00AM For OLQP Teachers & Their Families

8:30AM Peter Petosa

### Friday, Dec. 30 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:00AM For the Sick & Dying

8:30AM George W. McAuliffe

### Saturday, Dec. 31 – St. Sylvester I, Pope

7:00AM For the Lonely & Homebound

8:30AM Agnes, Helen & Katherine Tierney

4:00PM Josephine Bottiglieri

7:00PM Brown & McDonnell Families

### Sunday, January 1 – The Solemnity of Mary

7:30AM People of the Parish

9:30AM Deceased members of the  
Rosary & Altar Society

11:30AM Edith Balzano

1:15PM Michele Farinaccio

10:00AM OLL Linda Carrique

## PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

*Let us pray for the repose of the souls of our deceased parishioners and God's comfort for their families especially Francis Accardi, William Glennerster, Christine Schuval*



2. Alexandra Nevi & Jerry Gregory  
1. Michael Sheehan & Marialaina Lavrigata

## 50/50 Monthly Drawing

The 50/50 drawing will be held on the last week of every month. Yellow 50/50 envelopes are provided in your envelope package and in the back of the Church. The cost is \$5.00. To be eligible to win, please be sure to get your entry in soon! Good Luck to all.

## ALTAR SERVERS

After Mass today, please pick up the new schedule in the Sacristy.

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Judith Stapleton, Frank Comparato, Joseph Cali, Patricia De Laurentis, Lena Magno, Anthony Magno, William Fannon Jr., Michael Camera, James Adrian, Salvatrice Galatro, Shannon Craig, Joseph Bilotti, Jr., Al Tabbanella, Ernest Velez, Clara Guglielmi, Jayce Monty, Emily Driscall, Daniela Vanico, Toniann Vigneri, Michael Bifalco, Joseph Bifalco, Susan Moore, Ann Margaret Zaino, Kelsey Heaney, Joe Scirone, John Mandato, Matilda Costanza, Anthony DeAngelis, Jeremy Castillo, Leila Idelfanso, Lorraine Costa, Michael Volpe, Rosaria Sepulveda, Janet Viso, Esteban Gonzalez, Paul Rydell, Peter Discenza, Ursula Torre, Frank Aiello, Rose Sgarlato, Danny DeMeo, Patricia DeMeo, Jodiann Altamura, Rose Mattera, Helena Mahon, Pauline LaFonte, Anthony Schiavone, William Fallon, Angela Ricca, Sophia Madeline Sanzone, Jeanne Stern, Lillian Bilotti, Violet Buzzanca, Paul Gregis, Christina Corrieri Paradino, Thomas Ciotola, James Remias, Melodi Roy, Marie Diloia, Gerald Frederick, Suzzane Astuo, Derrill Roy, Xavier Castelli, Nicole Viola, Pauline Cipriano, Daniel Woods, Carmen Ramos, Katherine Nikatas, Kriss Murphy, Theresa Raimondi, Michael Cianci, Jr., Andre Bocchiaro, James Anthony Parker, Carmen Oliveras, Anna Indio, William Gonzalez, Amy Altuna, Carol Wetmore, Christina Viso, John Pape, Cameron King, Valerie Schiavone, Frank DiGregorio, Grace Turner, Elsa Griswold, Joseph Esposito, Baby Juliette Florio-Perez, Rose Stingo, Palma Milano, Peter Kyvellos, Christie Schaff, Rose Sullivan, Joel Rivera, Anthony Gerard Donato, Grace Bruno, Craig Inducci, Tom LaMantia, Concetta Friscia, Antoinette Olmeda, Tina Bove, Corrine Alaimo, Marlene Olivieri, Thomas DeAngelis, Christina Blumstein, John Schiera, Michael Goldstein, Katie, Frank Ambrosio, Jenna Esposito, Anthony Bocchetti, Steve Sgarlato, Carol DeCastro, Phillip Leone, Katherine McHugh, Thomas Keenan, Carol Gilroy, Ann Gray, Alanna Shea, Kathleen Burke, Thomas Gaither, Michael Esposito, Baby Cameron Helmuth, Kejsi Mesutllari, Josephine Dedicos, William Cianci, Anna Vetter, Mary Pollina, Gabriela Surowiec, Rita Scalzo, Janet Logon, Victor Raimondi, Nicholas Ilijic, Michael Spatola, Frances Dicembre, Yolanda Mazza, Rosina Agunzo, Kathleen Fusco, Andrew Biancomano, Muriel McKeon, Salvatore Turturici, Caroline DiBella, Antonia Pistone, Nicky Focillo, Roseanna Whalen, Deborah Arnold, Robert Arnold, J.R., G. Fraschilla, Rita Orlando, Robert Antonucci, Baby Juliette Tighe, Alfonso De'lia Vicky Sgarlato, Meg, John Rizzo, Cathy Sartzetaks, Maria Guzman, Maria Riggio, Marty Petosa, Peter Petosa, Joseph Sgarlato, Carol Iacobelli, Lisa Bolton, Josephine Nalbhone, Philip Defonte, Marie Pernice, Beatrice Menghi, Paul Cobb, Clifford Fusco, Baby Charlie

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve, December 24, 2016

4:00PM Upper Church: C. Boyle, N. Boyle

4:00PM Lower Chapel: D. Kennedy, A. Gumb

5:30PM C. Lombardi, R. Sheehan

12 Midnight J. Riley

9PM OLL J. Ardi

### Christmas Day, December 25, 2016

7:30AM N. Plotkin, E. Plotkin

9:30AM K. Petrik, A. Giambrone

11:30AM N. Drew, A. Terrana

1:15PM G. Capobianco, A. Capobianco

10:00AM OLL V. Cioffi

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, January 1, 2017

#### Saturday

4:00PM N. Drew, J. Drew

7:00PM J. Olsen, M. Sheehan, R. Sheehan

#### Sunday

7:30AM N. Plotkin, E. Plotkin

9:30AM C. Boyle, N. Boyle

11:30AM K. Petrik, K. Petrik

1:15PM V. Terrana, O. LaGrua, A. Gumb

10:00AM OLL J. Ardi

# OLQP SCHOOL NEWS

## SHOE BOXES OF JOY

We are happy to say our school collected over 150 "Shoe Boxes of Joy" that we distributed to residents at Carmel Richmond Nursing Home on December 13<sup>th</sup>. The residents appreciated the gifts and loved spending time with our students. It is hard to believe that this service project with just one second grade class four years ago and has grown to what it is today!

**We are all God's children.** Our Lady Queen of Peace students in 8G welcomed back their buddies from the Eden School for a joint recess. I am so humbled by their compassion. We look forward to our continued friendship with them.

Our Lady Queen of Peace School is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year for grades Pre-K 3 and kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> grade. You can apply at [www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org](http://www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org). Feel free to call the school office at 718-351-0370 to schedule a tour.

Like us on Facebook: Our Lady Queen of Peace School, Staten Island.

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## OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE DISCIPLES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

**Jesus said, "Follow Me."**

*The following students have portrayed kindness, empathy and unselfishness towards others. They are truly disciples of Jesus.*

Dominic Faraci, Gianna Fiduccia, Sophia Tropaitis,, David Tax-Alvarez, Thomas Giammarino, Valentina Stellato, Gianna Fiocco, Luke Kokakis, Jaydah Mercedes, Emily Giammarino, Joseph DeStefano, Nicolina Siracusa, Nicholas Fontana, Alana Silvestre, Claire DeFranco, Antonino Sciortino, Nicholas Drew, Gianna Brigante

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## OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE SCHOOL REGISTRATION (EXCLUDING UPK)

As of today, if you would like to apply for a seat in any grade at Our Lady Queen of Peace, the application process must be done online for any new students entering the school. The application can be accessed at [www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org](http://www.ApplyCatholicSchoolsNY.org). Please note: at the time of filling out your application, you will also have the opportunity to fill out an application for scholarships and financial assistance. It is best to apply early to increase your chances of securing not only a scholarship or financial assistance, but your child's seat. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the application process, please do not hesitate to call the school at 718-351-0370.



## SAINT EDWARD FOOD PANTRY

We will be collecting all non-perishable food items and household items –e.g. soap, bleach, detergent, etc. on the first Sunday of each month after all the Masses. These items can be left at the entrance to Fr. Hopkins Hall on that Sunday only.

# RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

## FOR ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS:

We **DO NOT** have classes on Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> or Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Classes resume on Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> and Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>.

### REMINDER:

Remember to attend Mass and complete your Church/Stained Glass Homework Assignment before January 4<sup>th</sup>.

## HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS!



## *Christmas Flower Offering*

You will find a Christmas Flower envelope in your envelope packet and in the back of the Church. Donations can be given in memory and/or in honor of your loved ones and your intentions will be remembered during each Mass throughout the Christmas Season. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

### Christmas flower donations have been made in memory of their loved ones by the following:

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Orleman, Mr. Joseph Brophy, Rudy & Judith Olivier, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Sikorski, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence DiSalvo, Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Salzarulo, Ms. Joan Filosa, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Koeth, Mrs. Carmelina D'Amato, Mr. & Mrs. Vito Cannavo, Mrs. Robert Harrison, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Bournos, Mr. & Mrs. J. Bilotti, Mr. & Mrs. Gerard Callahan, Ms. Nancy DiMauro, Mr. & Mrs. Michael DeFilippis, Thomas & Michelle Reilly, The Lisi Family, Ms. Linda Young, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Jabaily, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Edward Pyryt, Mr. & Mrs. Jack DiTeodoro, Mr. & Mrs. Dominic DeFiippis, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Imbesi, Mr. & Mrs. Pisani, Mr. & Mrs. Livio Belulovich, Mr. Edward A. Kelly, Ms. Amanda Fusco, Mr. John Schiavone, Mrs. Catherine Lavelle, Mrs. Mary Lautner, Mrs. Laura Pagano, Mrs. Maureen Brown, Ms. Lauren Young, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Reardon, Mr. & Mrs. Juan Cerda, Mrs. Patricia Cummiskey, Mr. Ronald Giordano, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Molloy, Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Rosko, Mr. & Mrs. George Clark, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Rowland, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Terranova, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Delfino, Josephine Spadaro, Mrs. Peter Romano, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Gambino, Constance Remias, Mrs. Natalie Kennedy, Mrs. Michael Quagliano, Mrs. Concetta Carlesi, Mr. & Mrs. Carmine Esposito, Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Giarletta, Mrs. Dominic Micucci, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Petti, Mrs. Angela Ricca, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Sciacca, Mr. & Mrs. John Giarrusso, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Drew, Marie Zajac, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Esposito, Catherine Smith, Mrs. Patrice Hoelscher, Ms. Marilyn R. Hess, Mr. & Mrs. Ryan Konkoski, Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Mikalauskas, Mrs. Adrian J. Maleady, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Scheuermann, Ms. Dorothy DiTeodoro, Ms. Preciosa Rosales, The Smith/McGovern Family, Ms. Victoria Freeo, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Barri, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lucciola, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Nucciarone, Mr. Joseph Naughton, Mr. & Mrs. Dionisio Freeo, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cobb, Mrs. Thomas Higgins, Elferis Family, Mr. Nick Macula, Greg Baxter  
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