

This Week

Monday

7:30PM Miraculous Medal Novena

Thursday

7:00pm Legion of Mary Meeting



Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th

- 4:00PM Upper Church
- 4:00PM Lower Chapel
- 5:30PM (Cherubs & Choristers)
- 10:00 PM (Sanctuary Choir)
- 9:00PM – Our Lady of Lourdes

Beginning at 9:30PM on Christmas Eve, the Sanctuary Choir will offer Holiday Music. Come early and enjoy some of our Christmas Music.

Christmas Day, December 25th

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

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, December 22, 2019

Saturday

- 4:00PM Ellen Zanfini
- 7:00PM Yvonne Sheehan

Sunday

- 7:30AM Graceann Morawek
- 9:30AM Lori Martin
- 11:30AM Angela Brusgard
- 1:15PM Bill Mirabello
- 10:00AM OLL Anthony Morisano

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

SUNDAY, December 22, 2019

Saturday

- 4:00PM Francisca LaSpina, Nancy Kinzler
- 7:00PM Charles Platt

Sunday

- 7:30AM Ann Lautner
- 9:30AM Cathy Lavelle, Theresa Maleady
- 11:30AM Cathy McGill, Richard McGill
- 1:15PM Tina Bove
- 10:00AM OLL Tim Marshall

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CARE COMMITTEE
On-duty the week of Dec. 22 to Dec. 28 – Carol

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Isaiah tells us that when Christ comes, the weak will be made strong, the deaf will hear, the blind will see, and, above all, "sorrow and mourning will flee."

Second Reading: James 5:7-10

As the farmer waits patiently through winter and spring for the "yield of the soil" so, too, must we wait patiently for the coming of the Messiah.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

While in prison, John sends a messenger to Jesus to ask, "Are you He who is to come or do we look for another?" Jesus replies by citing the miracles he has performed for the blind, the deaf, and the crippled. He concludes by identifying John as the messenger He has sent to prepare the way.

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3rd Sunday Of Advent

December 15, 2019

"As your models in suffering hardships and in patience, friend, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord." (James 5:10) A Vocation is responding to the call of God. If you would like to be a priest or have questions about the priest-hood, please contact the Vocation Office at (914) 968-1340 or www.NYPRIEST.COM "The World Needs Heroes"



Our Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp, which is next to our Tabernacle, is a sign of the Real Presence of Jesus, the Light of the World, in our Parish Church. In accordance with tradition, this candle may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a particular person or persons, or for a special intention. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. Anyone who would like to plan for dedicating the Sanctuary Lamp should contact the Parish Office.

The Sanctuary Light for this week burns in loving memory of Vicenta Perez requested by Ana Maria Sanchez.

BREAD AND WINE

We are accepting offerings for the Bread and Wine for the week in memory of your loved ones. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. Any questions, please call the Parish office 718-351-1093.

The Bread and Wine for this week are donated in loving memory of Jeanne Ryan requested by Rosemarie Bellone

From the Pastor's Desk ...

Today's readings invite us to rejoice at the rebirth of Jesus in our lives as we are preparing for our annual Christmas celebration. Today is called Gaudete Sunday because today's Mass begins with the opening antiphon: "Gaudete in Domino semper," i.e., "Rejoice in the Lord always." So, to express our joy in the coming of Jesus as our Savior into our hearts and lives, we light the rose candle in the Advent wreath, and the priest may wear rose vestments. The common theme running through today's readings is one of joy and encouragement. The readings stress the need for patience in those awaiting the rebirth of Jesus in their hearts and lives.

Please mark your calendars to attend our reception for Fr. Steve on Sunday, December 22nd after the 1:15 pm Mass in Fr. Hopkin's Hall. Let's show him how grateful we are to him for his great service to our parish. Although he's only been with us just over a year, he has won our hearts and has been great support to me and the entire parish. He is always very pleasant and is a joyful blessing of God to us; we thank God for him and wish the best on his next ministry. He will be missed by all.

Our engaged couple's Mass this past Saturday was a wonderful experience. Many attended to receive the special blessings at the Mass. They are the pride and joy of our parish. Please continue to pray for them as they prepare to take the most important step in their lives, invoking God's grace and divine assistance. Special thanks to all who helped with the special Mass and reception.

The health screening event was a new experience for many. Thanks to all who took advantage of the screening and all who organized and helped with the program.

Please take note of the Christmas Mass schedule in the bulletin and kindly welcome all, especially those who are visiting. I am looking forward to greeting you and seeing you in Church.

As we continue our Advent journey, kindly continue to pray an Our Father and Hail Mary daily for all our parishioners and all those who visit us, that we all become Jesus blessing to each other. Mary Queen of Peace - pray for us.

Fr. Dominic

The Lord measures our perfection neither by the multitude nor the magnitude of our deeds, but by the manner in which we perform them.

- St. John of the Cross (1542-1591)

ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY

December 16th

Confessions are heard from 4:00pm to 8:00pm in every parish. Advent gives us a wonderful opportunity to preach on the importance the Sacrament of Penance, and to remind our people that this Sacrament is the best way to prepare for the joy of Christmas and celebrating the birth of Our Savior

Make the most of Advent Practice penance

Form an "Advent habit." Advent is a great time to start a holy habit. Maybe it's replacing negative comments with positive ones, or getting up ten minutes earlier to pray. To pray. See if you can keep up your "Advent habits" through the Christmas season.

Electronic Fasting. Create a space for God and the gifts he wants to give you. Consider limiting the amount of time spent on your electronic devices: no Facebook during the work day, no texting during dinner, or while someone is talking to you (unless it's an emergency), etc.

Make a nightly examination of conscience. This will help you spot any patterns of sin that are preventing you from connecting with God. Remember to thank God for the good things about the day, too. Close prayers by choosing one sinful habit that you'd like to change and resolve to change it by the end of Advent.

Experience God's mercy. Just as we would clean and decorate the house for Christmas, we need to "clean and decorate" our souls by frequenting the sacrament of Confession. Make a heartfelt Confession to greet the Messiah this Christmas with a joyful heart.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We are grateful to all who contribute so generously each week. We do recommend that you use parish envelopes or

Weshare: <https://olqpchurch.churchgiving.com>.

Any questions please call the rectory.

Sunday Collection (Dec. 8 st)	\$7,757.00
Immaculate Conception	\$2,190.00
Shrine Candles	\$137.00
Poor Box	\$106.00

Thank you for your support and generosity.

**Monthly Regional School Support to the
Archdiocese \$3,815.60**

ConEdison \$1,077.22

Parish Weekly Expense: \$11,156.00

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, December 16

7:00AM Mary Simari
8:30AM Dorothy and Chris Sharp

Tuesday, December 17

7:00AM John Reilly
8:30AM Sam Sinatra

Wednesday, December 18

7:00AM Neil Murphy
8:30AM Grace DePalò

Thursday, December 19

7:00AM Annmarie Brown
8:30AM Peter Borodich

Friday, December 20

7:00AM Annmarie Brown
8:30PM Esther DeFilippis

Saturday, December 21

8:30AM Marion Hess

4:00PM Ursula and Frank Scottò
7:00PM Maurice and Jessie Donovan and Norbert and Frances Clark

Sunday, December – 4th Sunday of Advent

7:30AM Dan & Mona Boylan and Margaret Keenan
9:30AM Maria Riggio
11:30AM Thomas & Francis DeMarzo, Michael Filomeno and William Emanuel
1:15PM People of the Parish
10:00AM OLL Carmine Sr., Rae, Carmine Jr. and Anastasio

PLEASE NOTE

If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on Saturday evening or Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the gifts at the Offertory. Please let one of the ushers know **before Mass**.



Rest In Peace

Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.
Amen

**Patricia DeVito, Jeanne A. Ryan,
Antoinette Cianflone,
Diane Denegro-Gambardella**

THE 2020 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

Mass offering is to be made when the Mass is arranged in the Rectory during office hours. Weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation Masses are still \$25 and Monday through Saturday morning Masses are \$15.



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Matilda Costanza, Jodiann Altamura, Rose Mattera, Pauline LaFonte, Angela Ricca, Sophia Madeline Sanzone, Jeanne Sterm, Lillian Bilotti, , James Remias, Marie Diloia, Suzzane Astuo, Pauline Cipriano, Katherine Nikatas, Kriss Murphy, Michael Ciani, Jr., Andre Bocchiaro, William Gonzalez, Amy Altuna, Craig Inducci, Concetta Friscia, Marlene Olivieri, Jenna Esposito, Anthony Bocchetti, Steve Sgarlato, Katherine McHugh, Thomas Keenan, Alanna Shea, Thomas Gaither, Baby Cameron Helmuth, Josephine Dedicòs, William Ciani, Rita Scalzo, Janet Logon, Victor Raimondi, Nicholas Ilijic, Yolanda Mazza, Rosina Agunzo, Kathleen Fusco, Andrew Biancomano, Muriel McKeon, Salvatore Turturici, Antonia Pistone, Robert Arnold, J.R., Robert Antonucci, Baby Juliette Tighe, Alfonso De'lia, Vicky Sgarlato, Meg, John Rizzo, Cathy Sartzetaks, Maria Guzman, Peter Petosa, Carol Iacobelli, Philip Defonte, Marie Pernice, Clifford Fusco, Susan Piscopo, Michael Bochetti, Fr. Ronald Lee Green, Michael Hansen, Marie Presto, Ralph Romano, Enrique Soto, Karen M., Geri Wahren, Catherine Davis, Walter Drake, Victoria Saraceno, Steven Daquieno, Gabriella Acosta, Marie Natoli, Daniell Cavaluzzi, Michael Riganti, Palma Milano, Ashley Gagliotto, Keran Billmann, James Martinez, Jr. Annemare Smith, Daniella Briann Woodard, Carol LaBroca, Deacon Ralph Rios, Tara LaBarca, Anthony Alfano, Nancy Wetmore, Xavier Castelli, Richard Buonato, Jane Miller, Christopher Nash, Baby Sofia Trombetta, G. Frascilla, Robert Provenzano, Roseanne Simonelli, Donnie Manzo, Denise Bianchi, Ashley Gagliotto, Michael Spatola, Thomas Dembinski, James Mathieu, Philip Achi, Jen Mageone.

Members of our Legion of Mary are willing to visit the sick at home, in the nursing home or hospital. For more information please contact Edwin Hall-Clarke at 347-538-5680.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY December 15, 2019

Saturday

4:00PM G. Montanti, M. Cinelli, A. Gumb
7:00PM T. Ivers

Sunday

7:30AM O. King,
9:30AM S. Gambino, G. LaGrua, R. Ramon
11:30AM J. Drew, N. Drew, I. Fuller
1:15PM E. Eralte, R. Sheehan
10:00AM OLL J. Tredici, A. Tephusdin

SUNDAY December 22, 2019

Saturday

4:00PM M. Lopiano, M. Lopiano
7:00PM O. King, J. Riley

Sunday

7:30AM C. Boyle, N. Boyle
9:30AM B. Raftery, J. Cerda
11:30AM J. Maldonado, L. Moskowicz, C. Smith
1:15PM J. Bello, K. Giarrusso, A. Halilovic
10:00AM OLL N. Eger, B. Edling



COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS, 2019

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

4:00PM Upper Church Yvonne Sheehan
 4:00PM Lower Chapel Bonnie Ferretti
 5:30PM Peter Orleman
 10:00PM Edwin Hall-Clarke
 9:00PM OLL

Wednesday, December 25th

7:30AM Larry Waldorf
 9:30AM Maureen Schlaeger
 11:30AM Angela Brusgard
 1:15PM Paula Mitkowski
 10:00AM OLL

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

CHRISTMAS, 2019

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

4:00PM Upper Church Charles Platt, Ann Lautner
 4:00PM Lower Chapel Peter Montanti, Maureen Rosko
 5:30PM Caroline Ferreri
 10:00PM Deacon Tom & Deacon Dennis
 9:00PM OLL Raymond Eger

Wednesday, December 25th

7:30AM Nancy Kinzler
 9:30AM Tina Bove, Francesca LaSpina
 11:30AM Kelly Illuzzi, Linda Sciortino
 1:15PM Cathy AND Richard McGill
 10:00AM OLL Dolores Widlund



We Welcomed the Newly Baptized to our parish

Sofia Sol Bustos
Kyle Joseph Leon

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 also 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.

FATHER GANNON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This Fund helps students who attend OLQP School to remain in school when their family suffers a long term set back. Please make checks payable to: OLQP/ Father Gannon Scholarship Fund.

RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Parish Religious Education Program

New Testament Sale

Please consider purchasing a copy of the St. Paul Catholic Edition of the New Testament.

This is a beautiful edition of the New Testament. The print size is easy to read and there are many photographs of Holy Land sites and ancient artifacts. The price is \$15. The money will help pay for enrichment materials used in the Parish Religious Education Program. A copy of this beautiful New Testament will be on display on the Advent Table in the back of the Church.

Contact Mrs. Barbara Orleman at 718-979-0989 if you wish to make a purchase.



One Minute Meditations

Why Advent?

Advent is a time of warning, a time of preparation, a time of urgency. It is when the Church wants us to ask, "What do I need to do to be ready to greet the Lord?" We know Jesus will come at our death and he will come at the end of time. The season of Advent encourages us to make the necessary preparations so we can joyfully greet Jesus whenever we meet him next.

Grow in prayer

Our prayer life can mature and grow when we pray for intentions that are outside ourselves. For example, we can pray for the victims of war, the sick, for the people who don't believe in God, and for those in jails and prisons, whether we know them or not. The best kind of prayer is the kind that comes from the heart.

"She will bear a Son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21)

---Growing in Faith



GIVE-A-GIFT PROGRAM

Thank you to all of our parishioners for your generosity in making our Give-a-Gift Program a big success. This year again, we were able to help families with toys, clothing, Supermarket Gift cards and other gifts. Special thanks to Edwin Hall-Clarke, Cathy McGill, Judy Hogan, Denise Hall-Clarke and Barbara Orleman for all their hard work in organizing the program.

Our Lady Queen of Peace

The Christmas Story
21st Anniversary Concert



Last week Tuesday evening, we experienced a wonderful and inspiring concert and Bible story by the talented Our Lady Queen of Peace Choirs

“He who sings,” said St. Augustine, “prays twice.” The Holy Bishop of Hippo meant that singing adds to our praise and worship of God—that our voices are gifts, with which we can make music to the Lord. Sung prayer expresses the joy of the heart, the happiness resulting from one who has encountered Jesus Christ and experienced his love. Sung prayer reminds us of the choirs of heaven, with whom we are called to praise God eternally in heaven.

Thank you Choir and team, parents, and all who participated in this great event!

Fr. Dominic.



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. James Acuna, Mr. & Mrs. Enrique Soto, Mr. & Mrs. J. Bilotti, Ms. Catherine Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Piraino, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Reardon, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Baetz, Mr. & Mrs. Jason Hillin, Mrs. Michael Quagliano, Deacon & Mrs. Dennis Hogan, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Tardio, Mr. & Mrs. Dominick Stazzone, Mr. & Mrs. Alan Anderson, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ollis, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Sikorski, Mr. & Mrs. D. Storniolo, Ms. Lauren Young, Mr. & Mrs. Victor Raimondi, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Militello Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Joseph D'Apuzzo, Marie Zajac, Marie Porzio, Ms. Amelia Dalltorre, Ms. Preciosa Rosales, Rosemarie Verrico, Mrs. Jean Cicero, Marcia DiMauro, Mr. & Mrs. Cannavo, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Petti, Ms. Noreen Brown, Mr. & Mrs. Diana Kosciol, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Diteodoro, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Veras, Constance Remias, Mr. & Mrs. Gerard Ippolito, Mr. & Mrs. Palen, Mr. & Mrs. Gabe Garcia, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Molloy, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Grasso, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Sullivan, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Scheuermann, Mrs. Patricia Grabowsky, Mr. & Mrs. John Fusco, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Berte, Mr. & Mrs. Christopher King, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Saccaro, Mr. & Mrs. Julio Martinez, Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Salzarulo, Mr. & Mrs. Ernesto Velez, The Gorga Family, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bevacqua, Mr. & Mrs. William Mangia, Rudy & Judith Olivier, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Cabrera, Ms. Elizabeth Hogan, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Hett, Ms. Amanda Fusco, Mr. & Mrs. John P. Drury, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Gucciardi, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cobb, Randy S. Fanciullo, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Hassel, Mr. & Mrs. John Ciccarelli, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Riccio, Mr. & Mrs. John Maloney, Mr. Edward DeLucia, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cioffi, Mr. & Mrs. George Boresky, Mr. & Mrs. Mario Basurto, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Montanti Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Philip Devito, Mr. Salvatore Distefano, Mr. N. Macula, Mrs. Grace Klee, Mr. & Mrs. Edward La Mura, Mrs. Catherine Lavelle, Ms. Pamela Buccellato, The Dembinski Family, Mrs. John Tasso, Mr. & Mrs. Nicola Padula, Ms. Anita Sergi, Mr. & Mrs. Rodolfo Geronimo, Patricia Strongreen, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Montanti, Mr. & Mrs. Philip Patania Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Louis Raneri, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Stumpf, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Impellezzieri, Patricia Thompson, Mrs. Victor Mavricos, Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Iannella, Mrs. Joseph Diamond, Mr. & Mrs. John McCahey, Mrs. Dolores Widlund, Ms. Carolyn McGee, Mr. & Mrs. Rachain Tephusdin. To be continued.....