

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish
10:30A.M. Janis Tobin
12:00P.M. Joanne Stamer

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH

8:00 A.M. Lorian Calogero

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

8:00 A.M. George F. Orth

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

8:00 A.M. Fred Walter

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

8:00 A.M. Communion Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

8:00 A.M. Carmel DeGrazia

8:00A.M SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

9:00 A.M. Fred Kent

5:00 P.M. People of the Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

8:30 A.M. Alice Lopez
10:30A.M. Dorothy Loughlan
12:00P.M. Giuseppe Totino

SCRIPTURES:

February 17, 2019– 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: JEREMIAH COMPARES A MAN WHO SEEKS STRENGTH IN FLESH BUT ABANDONS GOD TO A BUSH IN THE DESERT, BEREFT OF NOURISHMENT AND UNABLE TO GROW. YET A MAN WHO TRUSTS IN GOD IS LIKE A TREE BESIDE A RIVER, FED AND STRENGTHENED BY IT EVEN DURING TIMES OF DROUGHT. (JEREMIAH 17:5-8)

SECOND READING: PAUL ADDRESSES THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN CHRIST'S TEACHINGS, BUT ARE NOT CONVINCED THAT HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD. HE CALLS THEIR FAITH WORTHLESS BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT BEEN FREED FROM THEIR SINS. PAUL THEN EMPHATICALLY DECLARES THAT JESUS DID RISE UP AGAIN, AS WILL ALL THOSE WHO TRULY BELIEVE IN HIM. (1 CORINTHIANS 15: 12, 16-20)

GOSPEL: JESUS TELLS HIS FOLLOWERS THAT THOSE WHO ARE INSULTED IN THIS LIFE BECAUSE OF HIM WILL BE REWARDED RICHLY IN HEAVEN. YET THOSE WHO ARE WELL RECEIVED BY ALL WILL DESPAIR IN HEAVEN, SINCE PEOPLE HAD OFTEN RESPECTED FALSE PROPHETS AND MISTREATED TRUE PROPHETS. THOSE WHO HUNGER, PERHAPS FOR SPIRITUAL KNOWLEDGE, SHALL BE FILLED. YET THOSE WHO ARE FULL IN THIS LIFE WILL BE HUNGRY. (LUKE 6:17, 20-26)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- February 10, 2013

The words of the Psalmist echo the theme of all of today's readings. "happy are they who hope in the Lord." As good stewards, firmly grounded in that hope, may we bear fruit in due season—assisting the poor, feeding the hungry, and consoling the sorrowful whenever we have the chance.

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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.

RCIA next meeting Tuesday, Feb. 12th, 7:30pm in the Rectory.

BAPTISMS

are usually performed on the First Sunday of each month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.

Upcoming baptisms- Sun. February 17th & 24th.



NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome! Please call (973) 663-0211 & register to become a member of our active parish.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, February 10th, 2019– 8:45 AM classes

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, February 10th- 6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes

FEBRUARY 17th NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, February 24th – 6:30-8:00pm classes

GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER ENDS FEB. 24th



CHOIR PRACTICE:

Adults – practice is on Thursdays at 7:30PM in the Church. All parishioners 18 & over welcome.

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Tina Mele, Pacita Cabaluna, Tommy Gorman, Sister Gerardine Agnew, Julian Bonifacio, Robert White, Fr. Thomas Mangeri, Msgr. Eugene Boland, Jack Gebhardt, Jr., Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time.

We also pray for the recently deceased: Tracey (Anne) Belcastro, Theresa Kiley, Linda Ross, Rita Murray, Artie Lindberg, Fred Kent, Rosemary Podesta, Martin Klein.



GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY SALE – Flyers have been distributed to students in grades 5 through 10.

Please support this annual fundraiser for our Religious Education program. **Last date to order** is February 24th. Candy will be here in time for Easter.

Antioch Kitchen Volunteers Needed: Preparing for their Confirmation, our sophomores will be attending the **Antioch Retreat held in our Parish Center from Fri. evening, February 15th through Sunday, February 17th.**

Volunteers are needed to provide food, & also for food & meal prep, & kitchen clean-up after meals. Call Stephanie Kaulfers 973-713-7548. We are also accepting ShopRite gift cards.

Sign-up sheets are at both Church entrances.

We also need adult overnight chaperones, especially men, to sleep overnight at the retreat from 11pm-8am. You may chaperone for either one or two nights.

Please contact Sasha Roszkowski at 973-919-8136 if you can help with these needs.

Please keep the sophomores and the Antioch Team in your prayers during this very special weekend.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2019: Our parish is now in need of a new class of altar servers for 2019. It is open to boys & girls in 4th grade and up.

Altar servers assist the priest and deacon at the altar at Mass, help to serve at Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, and special celebrations such as Confirmation. **Instructions are being held**

Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM continuing February 16, 23, and March 2, 9, 16, 23. Please fill out applications (in vestibule) & return to Fr. Chris immediately. Details on form.

SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who is- unable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory 663-0211 to set up a time for a Communion call.



UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Wed., Feb. 13th- Ministry Fair mtg. at 7pm in Room 111.

Friday, February 15th thru Sun. Feb 17th – Antioch Retreat
NO CCD classes Sunday, February 17th

Art class with Claudia 2-5pm Rm 111- Feb. 10, 24, March 3, 10.

TURNING TO GOD

It has become so easy to get distracted and pulled from our course, our focus. With the troubled times we are all faced with, coupled with our own trials and tribulations, we tend to forget to turn to God for help.

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest...for my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Matthew 11:28-30 reaffirms to us that God's help is here for the taking when we are tired and overburdened, helpless and hopeless. As nations, communities and individuals struggling not only to keep true to religious, public and humanitarian obligations, the burden the Bible speaks of does not end here, but also includes the struggle of personal success, as we try to compete with the demands of the world today.

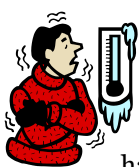
God is here for us. He always was and always will be. The Bible tells us that back in the days of Moses when he felt over-whelmed with the enormous task of leading his people from captivity in Egypt to the promised land, that he too turned to God many times for help. God was there for Moses, providing him with wisdom, guidance and the direction that he should select others to assist him in accomplishing his mission. Like Moses, as we become overburdened with all that we see, feel and hear, and we find that we are becoming affected-spiritually, mentally, emotionally, and physically-we should remember to ask God for help. We cannot let our faith in God and His help be shaken.

In stressful situations, the best thing we can do is to turn to God for His wisdom. Ask the Holy Spirit for decisiveness. Assure ourselves in times of weakness that we have strength, just as Jesus did while carrying out the will of the Father. God knows what we're dealing with.

Remember the old cliché -*do the right thing and the right thing happens?* Well, sometimes we may not see results right away, and sometimes we may not ever see them at all, but God does not forget. Through our faith, we can be assured that the good thoughts, deeds and decisions we make on a daily basis will bring us through our times of crisis, and in the end, will lead us ever closer to our destination-everlasting happiness for eternity in heaven.

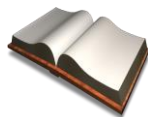
-by Cathy Beck

*Sincerely in Christ,
Father Chris*



NOTE: FOR YOUR SAFETY, DURING BAD WEATHER WHEN WALKWAYS ARE SLIPPERY, PLEASE USE THE RECTORY BACK DOOR and the Church front ramp. These walkways have no steps and are safer.

Note: The 2020 Mass Book is now open. Please call Patricia at the Rectory - 973-663-0211- to set up your Masses for the year. Thank you.



We have news that Fr. Patrick Walsh is now using a wheelchair, but doing okay for 92.

We know he would appreciate hearing from us.

Send cards to: Fr. Patrick Walsh, CSSR, Mt. St. Alphonsus, Limerick City, Ireland.

Fr. Patrick spent many years here in July, while Fr. Chris was vacationing, getting to know us and looking forward to seeing us. He last considered Star of the Sea a second home. He last visited in July, 2009. International postage is \$1.15.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30th



Annual Star of the Sea INDOOR FLEA MARKET & CRAFT FAIR - 9AM-3PM.

Sponsored by the OLSOS Rosary Altar Society. Proceeds benefit the parish.

Vendors wanted!

Come sell your new/gently used goods, wares and services. Reserve a table by March 15th Call Sue Sacino at 973-601-3028.

\$35 Gym table, \$30 Church Hall table.

Vendor set up 7AM

FOOD PANTRY

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM 1:15-3:15PM call 973-663-0211 for appointment.

Coordinator is Toni Tarighi- Items needed:

CEREAL, canned meats, canned fruits, canned diced tomatoes.

Toiletries: shampoo, Dish detergent, tissues, deodorant, tooth paste, paper towels, TP.

Refrigerator: milk, yogurt; frozen foods- all types.

NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations also accepted.

Thank you to The Jefferson Rotary Club and to everyone supporting our food pantry.



MINISTRY FAIR MARCH 16-17

Please come share your gifts at OLSOS Ministry Fair.

Planning committee meeting Wednesday, February 13th at 7 pm in Rm. 111. Please RSVP to Kristine Wilsusen at 973-445-5476 or kristinewilsusen@gmail.com.



NOTE: Monday, February 18th the OLSOS Religious Education and Parish offices will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day. Unless it is an emergency please call us on

Tuesday. Thank you.

GETTING MARRIED IN 2019/2020? Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange for your wedding at Star of the Sea Church.



ON-Line Giving is Available for your offerings!

If you would like to make your offerings **online by check or credit card**, please go to the **e-Catholic parish website**, click the **"We Share"** icon and follow the instructions.



ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to donate flowers for the church in memory of a loved one, or in honor of an occasion e.g. wedding anniversary; please call Rectory -by Wednesday- at 973/663-0211. Cost \$55-\$75.

Christmas Collection 2018. You have once again been very generous to your Parish. The Christmas Collection came to \$37,138.00. Thank you so much. In the past few weeks we have paid the Diocese nearly \$20,000.00, covering Project Faith (our Assessment), Property Insurance, Employee Benefits, and Pension Contributions. We also paid out \$962 for repairs to the boiler and plumbing issues. Your offering has enabled us to catch up on some overdue bills. Thank you very much for your generosity this Christmas. Fr. Chris



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