

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 14th, 2018**



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

SATURDAY **JANUARY 13th:**
8:00 am Norma DeGuzman
5:00 pm Connie & Salvatore Garafalo

SUNDAY **JANUARY 14th:**
7:30 am Stanley Butterworth
9:00 am Phillip Yoo
10:30 am Jen & Samuel Abbate
NOON Janice Ward

MONDAY **JANUARY 15th:**
8:30 am Frank Filippino

TUESDAY **JANUARY 16th:**
8:30 am Shelia & Joseph Murphy

WEDNESDAY **JANUARY 17th:**
8:30 am Frank Filippino

THURSDAY **JANUARY 18th:**
8:30 am Frank Filippino

FRIDAY **JANUARY 19th:**
8:30 am Rose Rocca

SATURDAY **JANUARY 20th:**
8:00 am Catherine Coffin
5:00 pm Catherine O'Brien

SUNDAY **JANUARY 21st:**
7:30 am In Thanksgiving to Padre Pio,
St. Jude & St. Joseph
9:00 am Elvira Torres
10:30 am Thomas Ranieri
12:00 NOON Rose Giallombardo



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 **JANUARY 13th:**
5:00 pm Andrew Roddini

SUNDAY **JANUARY 14th:**
8:00 am Vincent Infuso
11:00 am Joseph J. Rentkowski

MONDAY **JANUARY 15th:**
7:30 am Danuta Dylska

WEDNESDAY **JANUARY 17th:**
7:30 am John J. Wicenski

FRIDAY **JANUARY 19th:**
7:30 am Rev. Msgr. Alfred A Varriale

SATURDAY **JANUARY 20th:**
5:00 pm Paul & Pauline Wicinski

SUNDAY **JANUARY 21st:**
8:00 am Theresa Conte
11:00 am Janice Blanchard

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 14th:



Our Lady of Pity

The Sanctuary Lamp
is being offered in memory of

CARMINE & GAETANO DIBENEDETTO

requested lovingly by The DiBenedetto Family

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 plans to run 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. Help save a life and donate blood during National Blood Donor Month! Thank you for your support.



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 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.

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

Attention **Confirmation Students**: Assignment #2 is due January 17, 2018.

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. Any type of donations to our youth group program will be greatly appreciated.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

A reminder from our Youth Group members...save the picture part of your Christmas Cards to use for next year's Giving Tree Tags. You may leave them in the box provided in the vestibule of the Church before or after Mass.



VALENTINE DINNER

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 on January 13th at 5:00 pm and January 14th 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:

SATURDAY	JANUARY 20th:
5:00 pm	Mike Pastena-Mar. Pastena
SUNDAY	JANUARY 21st:
7:30 am	B. Madaio-M. Madaio
9:00 am	T. Hanley-K. Carpenito
10:30 am	S. LaRosa-I. LaRosa
NOON	D. Marro-F. Marro

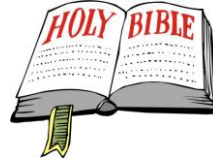
LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:	JANUARY 20th:
5:00 pm	R. Rose
SUNDAY	JANUARY 21st:
7:30 am	M. Pontarella
9:00 am	L. Buttacavoli
10:30 am	S. Bilardi
NOON	N. Tricorico

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY	JANUARY 20th:
5:00 pm	J. Venditto-M. Tubay-K. Romero
SUNDAY	JANUARY 21st:
7:30 am	D. Boniface-A. Boniface
9:00 am	M. Maguire-I. Maguire-M. Maningas
10:30 am	N. Lopez-D. Pangilinan-J. Bosco-H. Bailey
NOON	J. Flood-C. Baria-E. Baria

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



JOHN 1:35-42

John told two of his disciples that Jesus is the Lamb of God. They turned and followed him, immediately curious and attracted to him. Andrew told his brother Simon about Jesus. Simon also came to meet Jesus, who renamed him Cephas, or Peter.

HIS WORD TODAY

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“John was standing with two of his disciples and as he watched Jesus walk by he said ‘Behold the Lamb of God.’ The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following Him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’ They said to Him, ‘Rabbi...where are you staying?’ He said to them ‘Come, and you will see.’”

The scene from John’s gospel is simple and clear. John, the arrow, points out Jesus, with words we hear as we celebrate the Eucharist. It aroused the curiosity of Andrew. The conversation continues, as He asks, ‘what are you looking for?’ The same question is posed for the followers of Jesus today but we can change the what to who. ‘Come and you will see.’

This encounter with Jesus led Andrew to bring Peter to Jesus, and the rest is history. Pope Francis in his beautiful book ‘Walking with Jesus’ points out for us today the way of Jesus. May we look and find Him.

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 \$25.00 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.



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 or call 1-800-950-9952 ext. 2002

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 10:30 am; that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Congratulations to Mike Esposito, the winner of the 50/50 at the Christmas Brunch!!

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

10th EDITION OF NEW YORK ENCOUNTER WITH CARDINAL DOLAN AND MANY OTHERS

The 2018 New York Encounter, themed An "Impossible" Unity, will take place January 12-14 at the Metropolitan Pavilion, 125 West 158th Street in Manhattan. The Encounter is a three-day, **FREE**, cultural event organized by members of Communion and Liberation, consisting of panel discussions, artistic performances and unique exhibits. These events and many others can be found at <http://www.newyorkencounter.org>. All are invited!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2018 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. This event will be held on Saturday, January 20th, 2018 at 10:00 am at **Our Lady of Pity Gymnasium**.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local district and state competitions. Last year thousands of sharpshooters participated in local competitions throughout the state. All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to bring proof of age and be accompanied by a parent. For additional information contact Joe Scalici (718) 885-7687 or Lou Rotundo (718) 757-8502. Registration is simple and will take place at the time of the event.

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

Savannah, Jekyll Island & Charleston, SC

\$679 pp double occ., April 29-May 5 2018

Motorcoach transportation, 6 nights lodging including 4 nights in Savannah area, 10 meals: 6 breakfasts, 4 dinners, guided trolley tour, harbor cruise and more.

For reservation and information please call Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475.

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.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

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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"

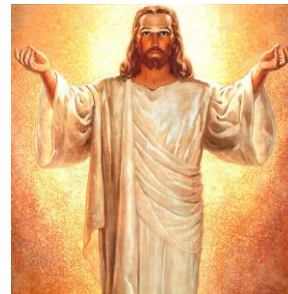
If anyone would like to donate new items to be raffled, please call the rectory. **PAYMENT IS NOW DUE.**

Kindly place your payment in the collection basket.



THE MEADOWLANDS

On January 20th, The Holy Name Society is running a trip to the Meadowlands (PINK). The cost of the trip is \$100.00 which includes tax and tip, a prime buffet, coffee and dessert. (CASH BAR) If anyone is interested please contact Steve LaRosa at 646-250-4544. The deadline is January 15th. The start of the first race is 7:00 pm.



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.