

This Week

Today

9:30AM Legion of Mary Mass
11:30AM Family Mass

Monday

7:30PM Miraculous Medal Novena
8:00PM Family Association Meeting – School Gym
8:00PM Sports Committee Meeting – School Cafeteria

Thursday

7:00PM Legion of Mary Meeting – Rectory

**COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, April 22, 2018**

Saturday

4:00PM Dan Clifford
7:00PM Mike Milillo

Sunday

7:30AM Maureen Morisano
9:30AM Edward LaMura/Aileen Fox
11:30AM Theresa Gargano
1:15PM Paula Mitkowski
10:00AM OLL – Vivian Azzarelli

**SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
SUNDAY, April 22, 2018**

Saturday

4:00PM Peter Montanti
7:00PM Cathy McGill

Sunday

7:30AM Denise Hall-Clarke
9:30AM Nancy Kinzler
11:30AM Tina Bove
1:15PM Mike O'Brien
10:00AM OLL – Dolores Widlund

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CARE COMMITTEE
On-duty the week of April 15 to April 21 – Joe

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

THE 2019 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.

2018 Cardinal's Appeal

The 2018 Annual Cardinal's Appeal is up and running. All
our Parishioners are sent Cardinal's Appeal request
envelopes from the Archdiocese. Please prayerfully
consider your gift. Make checks payable to The Cardinal's
Appeal and remember to include the Parish #3

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter reminds the people that they allowed Jesus to be
killed, and preferred to allow a murderer to be released.
But God raised him from the dead as had been
prophesied. Therefore, all people should believe and turn
to God, that their sins might be forgiven.

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5a

Jesus was offered up for the sins of the world. The only
way to prove true faith in him, is to honor his
commandments. Anyone who claims to believe, yet does
not keep his word, does not truly believe.

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Jesus appeared to two disciples, though at first they feared
he was a ghost. Jesus ate with them to prove he was not a
ghost. He explained that he had fulfilled the prophets words
about him. He also explained that in his name they must
preach doing penance for the forgiveness of sins.

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3rd Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

What could convince someone to turn to God? The story
that God became human? The story that the Human- God
cured the sick? The story that the Human-God forgives
sin? The story of the witness of your own life? How could
you convince someone to turn to 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"



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 Eugene and Jennie Sarlo requested by Nick
Theresa Padula.

The Sanctuary Light for this week burns in loving memory
of Carmine and Rose Padula requested by Nick and
Theresa Padula.

Living Rosary

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Cedar Grove Avenue on Thursday May 3rd, 7:00pm.
All are welcome.

Meditation: Human Bodies

Universal Dignity

Monday, April 9, 2018

By Richard Rohr

If you can't honor the Divine Indwelling—the presence of the Holy Spirit—within yourself, how could you see it in anybody else? You can't. Like knows like. All awareness, enlightenment, aliveness, and transformation begins with recognizing that your own eternal DNA is both divine and unearned; only then are you ready to see it everywhere else too. Soul recognizes soul.

Paul offers a theological and ontological foundation for human dignity and flourishing that is inherent, universal, and indestructible by any evaluation of race, religion, gender, sexuality, nationality, class, education, physical ability, or IQ. Luke's story of Pentecost emphasizes that people from all over the world heard the preaching in their own languages (Acts 2). The Spirit of God is clearly democratic, unmerited, and inclusive.

Paul restored human dignity at a time when perhaps four out of five people were slaves, women were considered the property of men, prostitution was a form of temple worship, and oppression and injustice toward the poor and the outsider were the norm. Against all of this, Paul proclaims, "One and the same Spirit was given to us all to drink!" (1 Corinthians 12:13). "You, all of you, are sons and daughters of God, now clothed in Christ, where there is no distinction between male or female, Greek or Jew, slave or free, but all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26-28).

No longer was the human body a cheap thing, degraded by slavery and abuse. Paul says in many formulations, "You are the very temple of God." Paul's teaching on sexuality (1 Corinthians 6:12-20) wasn't a moralistic purity code, as most of us hear it now. Paul was saying that the human body has dignity, so you have a right to demand and give respect to it. Because of this understanding, a woman could claim her own dignity and refuse to give her body away to every man who wanted it. (This probably explains the early admiration of virginity in Christian circles.)

A man was told to respect and take responsibility for his own body-temple, which is surely a good thing. But many read Paul's words as a guilt-laden prohibition on which our very salvation rests. It was surely meant to be a positive and dignifying message, not a finger-shaking, moralistic one. Some boundaries are almost always needed to create an ego structure with healthy self-esteem.

In Paul's estimation, the old world was forever gone and a new world of universal human dignity was *grounded in our objective and universal Christ identity*. This was surely threatening to those with various forms of power (whose feeling of importance lies in being "higher" than others). Yet this Gospel was utterly attractive and hopeful to the 95% who were "lower" in status.

It assured universal and equal dignity, made present through the Eucharist in the early church where all were equals. Sociologists think this was why Christianity spread so quickly.

Perhaps the present #MeToo movement is encouraging a similar revolution. Today we are witnessing a fear-based reaction in the United States from people who need their white (often male) privilege and superiority, who do not want to be told that people who are poor, any who cannot afford health insurance, refugees and immigrants, people of color, and individuals with bodily or developmental limitations have equal dignity. Power systems like to preserve a hierarchy in which some people are higher and some are lower. The Gospel has no use for it.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to our 78 parish youngsters who were confirmed on Saturday, April 14th by Most Rev. John J. O'Hara.

May the Holy Spirit guide them throughout their lives.

50th Wedding Anniversaries

June 3rd at 2:15pm

St. Patrick's Cathedral

A special Mass for couples who are married fifty years during 2018 is publicly recognized and has an opportunity to renew their wedding vows. His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan will be the Main Celebrant. Tickets will be sent to the parishes on or about June 1st which the Jubilee couples are **required** to bring to the Mass they are attending. Each ticket is good for 3 attendees (Jubilee couple plus 1 family/friend) in the reserved section. Additional non-ticketed seating is available for families and guests, who are invited to sit/stand outside of the reserved section. ***Registration for this event is handled through the parish.** If you are parishioners of Queen of Peace, please call Denise at the Rectory during office hours at 718-351-1093 to register before April 23rd since tickets are very limited.

Milestone Wedding Anniversaries

Couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, etc. years of marriage in 2018 will be honored here at Our Lady Queen of Peace on **Sunday, June 24th at the 1:15pm Mass**. Couples of our parish must submit their names to the rectory, 718-351-1093 before May 4th.

Vocations Summit

Interested in learning more or have questions about the priesthood and religious life?

Join in vocations Summit intended for students 8th grade through high school. (Parents and guardians of those attending are welcome.)

Monday, April 16th – 7:00-8:30PM

Complimentary refreshments and memorabilia

OUR Lady Star of the Sea

5371 Huguenot Avenue, Staten Island 10312 – in the Damato Room at the Athletic Center

For more information call 646-244-4333 or email:

josephclarocca@icloud.com

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, April 16

- 7:00AM In Thanksgiving and special intentions.
8:30AM Marie Mulligan and the deceased members of
The Eadicicco family

Tuesday, April 17

- 7:00AM Christine Harkin
8:30AM The Heins, Fleming and Peterkin Families

Wednesday, April 18

- 7:00AM Fannie and John Cooney
8:30AM Nicholas Chiarulli, Jr.

Thursday, April 19

- 7:00AM Cathy McGill – special Healing
8:30AM Steve Daniggelis

Friday, April 20

- 7:00AM
8:30AM William Counihan

Saturday, April 21 – Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 7:00AM
8:30AM Alba and Gaetano Migliorini

4:00PM Lorraine Emma
7:00PM Rocco D'Agostino

Sunday, April 22 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 7:30AM Daniel & Mona Boylan and Margaret Keenan
9:30AM Ann Hansen – 1st Anniversary
11:30AM People of the Parish
1:15PM Anastacia Carabello
10:00AM OLL Gerry Murillo

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 Robert M. Schlaeger, Rose Leonhardt

St. Christopher's Annual Basket Auction

Friday, April 20th at 6pm
15 Lisbon Place

\$5 admission at the door - 100+ Raffles

Grand Prize Raffle: \$1,000 Money Tree!

Under 14 not admitted.

Ages 14-17 must be accompanied by an adult.

St. Joseph Retreat Center April & May

Saturday, April 21st - **A time for Every Purpose Under the Heavens** - 1:00pm - 3:00pm (\$25 per person)

Saturday, May 3rd - **Mother/Daughter Dinner**

Reflection - 6:00-8:30pm (\$30 per person)

Thursday, May 11th - **Introduction to Life in the Spirit** - 7:00pm-9:00pm (\$25 per person)

Saturday, May 19th - **The Trinity: Community of Love** 1:00pm-3:00pm (\$25 per person)

RSVP Today!

Book online, call, or email our main office to reserve your seat. Space is limited.

St. Joseph Retreat Center – 850 Hylan Blvd. Staten Island, NY 10305. (718)720-1097, SJRetreatCenter.org

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Judith Stapleton, Joseph Cali, Patricia De Laurentis, Anthony Magno, William Fannon Jr., Michael Camera, James Adrian, Salvatrice Galatro, 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, John Mandato, Matilda Costanza, Anthony DeAngelis, Jeremy Castillo, Leila Idelfanso, Lorraine Costa, Michael Volpe, Rosaria Sepulveda, Esteban Gonzalez, Paul Rydell, Peter Discenza, Ursula Torre, Frank Aiello, Rose Sgarlato, Danny DeMeo, Patricia DeMeo, Jodiann Altamura, Rose Mattera, 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, Michael Cianci, Jr., Andre Bocchiaro, James Anthony Parker, Carmen Oliveras, Anna Indio, William Gonzalez, Amy Altuna, Carol Wetmore, John Pape, Cameron King, Valerie Schiavone, Frank DiGregorio, Grace Turner, Elsa Griswold, Joseph Esposito, Baby Juliette Florio-Perez, Rose Stingo, Palma Milano, Christie Schaff, Rose Sullivan, Joel Rivera, Anthony Gerard Donato, Grace Bruno, Craig Inducci, Concetta Friscia, Corrine Alaimo, Marlene Olivieri, Thomas DeAngelis, Christina Blumstein, John Schiera, Michael Goldstein, Katie, Frank Ambrosio, Jenna Esposito, Anthony Bocchetti, Steve Sgarlato, Carol DeCastro, Katherine McHugh, Thomas Keenan, Carol Gilroy, Ann Gray, Alanna Shea, 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, Yolanda Mazza, Rosina Agunzo, Kathleen Fusco, Andrew Biancomano, Muriel McKeon, Salvatore Turturici, Antonia Pistone, Nicky Focchillo, Roseanna Whalen, 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, Marty Petosa, Peter Petosa, Joseph Sgarlato, Carol Iacobelli, Lisa Bolton, Josephine Nalbone, Philip Defonte, Marie Pernice, Paul Cobb, Clifford Fusco, Baby Charlie, Donald Giovanello, Susan Piscopo, Michael Bochetti, Fr. Ronald Lee Green, Michael Hansen, Marie Presto, Ralph Romano, Celeste Presto, Enrique Soto, Lynn Crisafulli, Christine Kennette, Karen M., Geri Wahren, Annemarie Rizzo, Catherine Davis, Walter Drake, Victoria Saraceno, Steven Daquieno, Gabriella Acosta, Baby Sofia Trombetta. Marie Natoli, Kenneth Greico.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, April 15, 2018

Saturday

4:00pm G. Montanti, S. Jaworsky

7:00PM R. Riley, L. Moskowit

Sunday

7:30AM E. Rodriguez, B. Ramon

9:30AM H. Raffone, A. Giambrone

11:30AM C. Smith, C. Morella

1:15PM F. Iurlaro, T. Ivers

10:00AM OLL N. Eger, A. Tephusdin, R. Eger

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, April 22, 2018

Saturday

4:00pm I. Fuller, O. King

7:00PM V. Venditti, M. Cinelli

Sunday

7:30AM N. Plotkin, E. Plotkin

9:30AM A. Scafuri, M. Intartaglia

11:30AM C. Milisci, T. Procida

1:15PM C. Brewer, J. Milillo

10:00AM OLL N. Eger, A. Tephusdin, R. Eger

OLQP SCHOOL NEWS

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE DISCIPLES FOR THE MONTH OF April 2018

Jesus said, "Follow Me."

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

Frankie Faraci, Nicholas Erlate, Sophia Martin, Ashley DiLeo, Emily Schmitter, Sara Hoxha, Valentina Stellato, James Marinaro, Mark Lopiano, Brenna Raftery, Carlie Leahy, Claire Morella, Nicolina Siracusa, Vanessa Griffin, Caroline Milisci, Madison Hansen, Genevieve Gervais.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO DONATE A MEDAL TO A GRADUATE?

The Medal Awards cost \$45 each. This would be a lasting remembrance of grammar school life. Please bring your donation to the school office, 22 Steele Avenue, any weekday morning from 9am to 11am, **before May 18th**. If you wish to donate in memory of a loved one, this can be arranged. Donors will be listed in the Graduation Program. Thank you for your generosity.

OLQP SPORTS NEWS

The sports committee meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of the month. All executive board positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) will be open for election in May 2018. Anyone interested in a position should attend meetings in order to be eligible for it.

OLQP ROSARY AND ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

The OLQP Rosary and Altar Society Fundraiser will be held on **May 5th and May 6th** in Fr. Hopkins Hall after the Masses. It will include Cakes, Chances, Gift Baskets, Gift Cards and much more. **Chance books will be sold after all the Masses on April 28th and 29th.**



Easter Flower Offering

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

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lipirp, Mrs. Angelo Bencivenga, Mr. & Mrs. Mike Nucciarone, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Rizzi, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Riccardella, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bevacqua, Mrs. Maureen Brown, Ms. Preciosa Rosales, Ms. Joanne Accardi, Mrs. Angela Ricca, Constance Lamantia, Mr. Edward A. Kelly, Elferis Family, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Militello Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Palen, Mrs. Victoria D'Amato, Mr. Edward J. Wagner.

RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Parish Religious Education Program Registration

Registration for September 2018 First Grade and transfer students will take place on the following days:

**Monday, April 23rd,
Monday, April 30th & Monday, May 14th**

Registration will be held in the Rectory Religious Education Office from 11am to 2pm. Evening registration is by appointment. Please call 718-979-0989 and speak with or leave a message for Mrs. Barbara Orleman, coordinator.

Religious Education Classes are currently held on the following days:

**Wednesday- Grades 1 through 4: 4:00pm to 5:30pm
Thursday- Grades 5 through 7: 4:00pm to 5:30pm**

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Please bring the following when you come to register your child:

- Original Baptismal Certificate
- Current Church Envelope

PLEASE NOTE:

You must be a registered parishioner of OLQP using your Church envelopes regularly in 2017 & 2018.

You must be attending Mass (Saturday evening or Sunday) and using your Church envelopes regularly.

The catechetical fees are:

- \$200 for one child
- \$250 for two children
- \$275 for three or more children

There is a \$20 Bible fee in 6th grade and there are Sacrament activity fees in the 2nd and 7th grades.

(If you cannot pay in full, a deposit is required at registration.)

**Attention: Parents of
Catholic Academy Students**

(St. Dorothy, St. Joseph Hill, Notre Dame, the Genesis Program)

Communion 2019 and Confirmation 2019

Please call the Parish Religious Education Office to make an appointment for registration of your 2nd grader (Sept. 2017) or 7th grader (Sept. 2017) at 718-979-0989.

Registration must be done no later than June 30th.

PLEASE NOTE:

**You must be an active registered parishioner of OLQP
You must be attending Mass (Saturday evening or Sunday) and using your Church envelopes regularly.**

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 at the back of the Church. The cost is \$5.00. You can drop the envelopes in the collection basket. To be eligible to win, please be sure to get your entry in soon! Good Luck to all.