

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 2017

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish
10:30A.M. Barbara Henderson
12:00P.M. Walter Connolly

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

8:00 A.M. Msgr. Pat Panos

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

8:00 A.M. Margaret Endlicher

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

8:00 A.M. Peter Geraghty

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9- Dedication of Lateran Basilica

8:00 A.M. Mario Holgado

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

8:00 A.M. Benedict Holgado

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

9:00 A.M. Frank Lamorte

5:00 P.M. Joseph J. Santillo, Jr.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

8:30 A.M. Deanna Maida
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. George Amabile

SCRIPTURES

November 12th– 32ND Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: REGARDED AS PERSONIFYING GOD'S POWER, WISDOM IS READILY AND EASILY FOUND BY THOSE WHO SEEK HER. (WISDOM 6: 12-16)

SECOND READING: THE THESSALONIANS, WHO FEAR THAT THOSE WHO HAVE DIED WILL MISS CHRIST'S RETURN, ARE COMFORTED BY PAUL'S ASSURANCE THAT THOSE "WHO HAVE DIED IN CHRIST WILL RISE FIRST."

(1 THESSALONIANS 4: 13-18)

GOSPEL: IN THE PARABLE OF THE FIVE SENSIBLE BRIDESMAIDS AND THE FIVE FOOLISH BRIDESMAIDS, JESUS EMPHASIZES THE FACT THAT WE MUST ALWAYS BE READY FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST BECAUSE IN HIS WORDS, "YOU KNOW NOT THE DAY OR THE HOUR."

(Matthew 25: 1-13)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- November 5th

"The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest," Jesus says in today's Gospel. What wonderful good news for those who give of their time in service to others!

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-** the offering is \$15



"The Bible and the Sacraments" continues on Monday, November 6th, 2017 at 7:30 PM. Please call Deacon Alberto Totino at 973-663-1496 if you are still interested in attending.

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



RCIA

Next Meeting – Tuesday, November 7th at 7:30PM in the Rectory.

Next Baptism prep is on Mon. Nov. 27th for Baptisms to be performed on Sunday December 3rd.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, November 12th –8:45 AM - B Week (Pre-K)-5

Sunday, November 19th –8:45 AM - A Week

10:30 AM – Thanksgiving Liturgy- all grades thru 10th are required to attend

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sun. November 19 -1-4PM— Grade 8

Thanksgiving Baskets Assembled

6:30 – 8:00 PM – A Week classes

Class Mass Grade 8

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, November 19th -6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes

CHOIR PRACTICE:

Adults – Thursdays from 7:30-9:00 PM.

For CHRISTMAS CHOIR information contact our Music Director, Therese Butler at musicministry.olsos@gmail.com if you wish to sing on Christmas Eve at the 10:30PM Mass.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST hosted by the Sophomore confirmation class will be held **Sunday, November 5th** after 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. Please come out and enjoy the morning with our

"Award Winning" pancakes and friendly service. **\$7 adults, \$4 children.** If able to help with prep, serving, etc. please call Susan at Rel. Ed 973-663-0124. Thank you!

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Barbara Sanford, Vera Donohue, Doris O'Rourke, Matthew Adonis, Ellen Archibald, Frank Nolte, Ray Kelly, Natalia Telmosse, Melanie Didomizio, Carol Aulbach, Jack Gebhardt Jr., Ann Setaro, Sr. Elizabeth & Michael Dalessio, Christine Profaca & all who are ill at this time.



PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Registration in the Parish is a necessary prelude to a meaningful participation in the Real Life of the Parish. Please call the Rectory. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for us to issue references, testimonial letters, recommendations, etc. If you move/change your address, please notify the Rectory (973 663-0211). Thank you.



THANKSGIVING TURKEY DONATIONS

This year we will be distributing **over 60 baskets** for Thanksgiving on tue 11/21. We rely on parishioner donations for our turkeys as well as Monetary donations needed for gift cards. (ShopRite has the spend \$400 by Nov. 23 free turkey program). As always, your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Fr. Chris & Mrs. Jaye Hedrick.

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. anniversary; please call 973/663-0211. \$60-\$75.



MASS WITH BISHOP SERRATELLI- Our Lady Star of the Sea is honored to host Bishop Arthur Serratelli as the Main celebrant at Mass **Today, November 5th at 12:00PM.** Please join us for this special celebration of the Eucharist with our chief shepherd of the Diocese.

Missionary Initiative

One of the tasks of Catechesis is to promote a missionary spirit that prepares Christians to witness to Christ in society.

The catechists of elementary, middle and high school students prepare our youngsters to accept and live out this task in their adult years. One of the most effective ways of doing this is to provide our students with a variety of supervised service opportunities.

Our students here at Our Lady Star of the Sea are involved in such missionary activity. All of the students will be bringing food items to class over the next few weeks for the Thanksgiving food baskets that will be distributed on November 21st. Our 8th graders will help assemble the food baskets for many in our area who would otherwise have very little on Thanksgiving Day.

Opportunities such as this build awareness of people's everyday needs and help students recognize that they have a responsibility to reach out to others. We try to help them make the connection between their actions and Jesus' call to care for others and the Church's commitment to social justice.

Through our initiation into the Christian community, each of us is given the vocation to “put on Christ,” share the Good News, and to carry on the work of the Lord.

At the end of every Liturgy we hear, “Go, the Mass is ended.” Some of us may recall the Latin, “Ite, missa est,” which translates, “Go, He is sent.” The Mass never really ends because just as the Father sent His Son, Jesus, so we are sent to continue the mission of Jesus here and now in Lake Hopatcong, and the surrounding vicinity.

Many Blessings,

Father Chris



WANTED!

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS

We are in great need of both Lectors to read at Masses, and Eucharistic Ministers to distribute Communion.

Training classes will be scheduled for sometime this fall. If interested **please contact Fr. Chris 973-663-0211**

CYO Basketball practices on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6-9pm.

For more information contact Steve Nizioł
at **StaroftheSeaAD@gmail.com**



ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH - 7:00pm at Star of the Sea. Free will offering benefits The Lake Hopatcong Association of Churches' Emergency Fund. Please join us for this special service with all of our neighboring churches around the lake.

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's next meeting is on **Monday, November 13th, 7:00pm in the Church Hall.** All women of the parish are invited to join us in praying the rosary and welcoming new members. **Topics:** results of Tricky Tray, and our upcoming Christmas Party.



2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL -In Giving, We Receive- It is important the when you give to any

We Receive- It is important the when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds are used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports 4 causes: our Catholic Charities Agencies, seminarian education, our inner-city area elementary schools, and our priests' retirement residence. 50% of all funds received over a parish's goal is returned to the parish directly for its own needs. Please know that Appeal funds are used for no other purpose and serve only those who live in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties. Please make a pledge to the Bishop's Annual Appeal today. For your convenience you can make an on-line gift or pledge to www.2017appeal.org. Thank you!

FOOD PANTRY

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM, 1:30-3:15PM

call 973-663-0211 for appointment. Pantry Co-ordinator
is Toni Tarighi

ITEMS WE ARE TOTALLY OUT OF: Baked Beans, MAC & CHEESE, CANNED MEATS, JELLY, TUNA, CANNED PASTA, 1lb. bags of rice.

Other items in short supply: TEA, COFFEE, JUICE, pasta & pasta sauce, POTATO BUDS, stuffing, cereal bars, SOUPS, oatmeal, CHEX, Life, Raisin Bran, cranberry sauce, *crackers*, carrots, beets, corn, laundry & dish detergent, shaving cream, household cleaners, paper towels, tissues. Refrigerated items: yogurt, milk, eggs, bread, OJ, frozen foods.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS – All students in the Religious Ed Program received letters with requests to bring food items for our Thanksgiving Baskets on November 12th and 19th. Adults are asked to bring food -veggies, 1lb. bag of rice, yams, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, potatoes, juice, desserts, soups, etc. on November 11-12 & 18-19 to the Church Hall. * see turkey donation notice. **Basket assembly -Sunday, Nov. 19th from 1 to 4pm in the Church Hall by our 8th graders. Monetary donations** needed for basket gift cards.



GETTING MARRIED IN 2018/2019? Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange for your wedding at Star of the Sea.

UPDATE ON CHURCH GROUNDS RENOVATIONS

As we begin November, I am happy to report that we have just about completed the repairs and renovation process we began in early September. As you are aware the parking lot was completed by late September and then the painting of the church began. A large crane had to be rented for almost one week to provide access to the bell tower and the peaks of the Parish Center. The weather was warm and dry which helped to expedite the process. It's nearly complete and should be finished within the week. Work was done to repair leaks in the church roof, but we found some leaks near the organ area after the heavy rains of October 29th. That will be addressed in the next ten days. Final invoices will be in shortly for a tally of all the work. I am pleased to report that you were generous in responding to my call for donations to the Renovation Program. At this point \$18,210 has been donated. I thank whole-heartedly all who donated to this important program. You can continue to have pride in our facilities. I also want to thank Eric Wilsusen for all the work he has done to make this happen.

Fr. Chris



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