Celebrate Columbus Day

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Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2020

MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11TH
8:30 A.M. FR. Hugh Murphy
10:30 AM Joan Partington
12:00 PM People of the Parish
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH -Columbus Day
8:00 A.M. Shawn Hicks
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
8:00 A.M. Frank Giaquinto
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH
8:00 A.M. Elizabeth Prymowicz
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH
8:00 A.M. Communion Service
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH
8:00 A.M. Fr. Hugh Murphy
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH
9:00 A.M. Fr. Thomas Colletta
5:00 P.M. People of the Parish
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
8:30 A.M. Roberta McGuirk
10:30 AM Mary Fitzgerald
12:00 PM Michael Mihok

SCRIPTURES
October 18TH–29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: CYRUS, KING OF PERSIA AND FRIEND TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE, BECOMES THE LORD'S ANOINTED ONE, AND THROUGH GOD'S INTERVENTION, RETURNS THE JEWS TO THEIR OWN COUNTRY.
(ISAIAH 45:1, 4-6)

SECOND READING: PAUL REJOICES THAT THE THESSALONIANS, NEWLY CONVERTED TO CHRISTIANITY, ARE DISPLAYING REMARKABLE CONSTANCY IN THEIR NEW-FOUND FAITH.
(1THESSALONIANS 1: 1-5B)

GOSPEL: SEEKING TO ENTRAP JESUS IN HIS SPEECH, THE HOSTILE AND HYPOCRITICAL PHARISEES ASK HIM THIS DANGEROUS QUESTION, "IS IT LAWFUL TO PAY TAX TO THE EMPEROR OR NOT?" REALIZING THEIR TREACHEROUS MOTIVES, JESUS ASKS FOR A ROMAN COIN, AND POINTING TO THE INSCRIPTION OF CAESAR'S, HE ANSWERS, "GIVE TO CAESAR WHAT IS CAESAR'S, BUT GIVE TO GOD WHAT IS GOD'S."
(MATTHEW 22: 15-21)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-October 11, 2020
In today's Second reading, St. Paul thanks the Philippians for being willing to share his hardships and promises that God, in turn, will fully supply their needs. Our God truly cannot be outdone in generosity!

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MASS CARDS We are asked to pray for the dead & sick. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one, or for a special living intention or for healing. Call the rectory 973-663-021l. ***Please note-*** offering is ***$15.***
We also have Cards for Living Intentions for a loved one who is sick or undergoing surgery that can be celebrated at the 8am weekday masses.

NEW TO THE PARISH *Welcome!* **Please call (973) 663-0211** & register to become a member of our active parish. **If you are not registered it is difficult to issue references, letters, recommendations, etc. Also, please notify us if you move.**

BAPTISMS **are performed the first Sunday of each month. To arrange for a Baptism, please call the rectory M-F -973-663-0211.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CCD Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5
Sunday, October 11th –8:45 10:15AM - ***(K-5)***
Sunday, October 18th –8:45 10:15AM - ***(K-5)***

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8
Sunday, October 11th –6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes
Sunday, October 18th –6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10
Sunday, October 11th –6:30-8:00pm – classes
Sunday, October 25th –6:30-8:00pm – classes
Social distancing protocols- including touchless temperature scanning of everyone who comes to the Parish Center- will be observed.

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Fr. Alan Savitt, Fr. John Boland, Fr. Joseph Lupo, Fr. Daniel Kelly, Marilyn Beyel, Rose Rech, Mary Ellen Rimli, Joyce Katonah, Alita Bach, Elizabeth Hartmann, Guido Telmosse, Mark Anderl, Michael Kownacki, Tony Lee Burns, Julian Bonifacia, Terry Koontz, Joellen Jacek, Vanessa Espinoza, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. ***We pray for the deceased:*** Carol Douris, John Connolly, Cynthia Cassibba, Donald Schlag, Robert Walker, John Murray, Timothy Hagen, Mary Fitzgerald, Tom Mahoney and all those who have died from COVID-19.

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY will be holding a catalog/on-line Fundraiser "GOING GREEN" from now thru November 6th. It is through an Eco-friendly Company - Boon Supply-offering diverse products-such as double- sided wrapping paper, travel bags, and stainless steel water bottles, to name just a few, in the hope of lessening our carbon footprints. Proceeds will benefit our Scholarship and Altar server awards as well as parish needs. Link to order: **https://www.boonsupply.com/1101501** Thank you.

RCIA continues with the rules of social distancing in place. ***Next meeting-Tuesday, October 13th 7:15 PM in the Church Hall.***

Please continue to pray the Rosary for an end to the corona virus pandemic & for peace and understanding in our country.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Consider donating altar flowers in memory of a loved one, or an occasion- birthday, anniversary; please call Patricia at the Rectory 973/663-0211 by Wednesday. - $70-$80.

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's *induction of new members & re-installation of officers* will take place on **Monday, October 12th at 6:45PM in Church.** The meeting will follow in the Church Hall. **All women of the parish are invited to join us** in praying the rosary.

GETTING MARRIED IN 2021? **Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange your wedding at Star of the Sea Church.**

-LECTORS -Star of the Sea is ***in great need of Lectors to read at the Masses.*** If interested, **please call Fr. Chris 973-663-0211.** Training TBD.

Fr. Chris celebrates a recorded Sunday Mass to help everyone stay connected to the parish. Mass is available on our website olsoslh.org after 1:15 pm for all of our parishioners who are at risk and remaining home during this pandemic. We are keeping all of you in prayer until it is safe for you to physically return to Mass.

A Special Parish Offering Letter has gone out to all parishioners. Your parish needs your help! Due to a shortfall in income this year with the pandemic, and the additional expense of necessities to keep everyone safe we are asking for your help. **We know this is a big ask and hope we can count on your generosity once more. Thank you, Fr. Chris.**

THE ROSARY - A PRAYER FOR ALL SEASONS

The Rosary has been one of the most popular devotions among Catholics worldwide for many years. A commonly held belief is that St. Dominic received the rosary during an apparition in the 13th century. He and his followers promulgated the prayer down through the centuries.

When Mary appeared to the three children in Fatima at the turn of the last century, she identified herself as the Lady of the Rosary. She impressed on the children how important it was to pray the rosary daily for world peace. From that time on praying the rosary has become a very important part of Catholic Devotion.

In the introduction to his Apostolic Letter on the Rosary written in 2002, Pope John Paul II emphasizes that though we pray for Mary's intercession, the rosary is truly about Jesus. It is "at heart a Christo-centric prayer" that can be seen as a short summary of the Gospel. We pray to Jesus in the company of His mother.

With Mary, we contemplate the mysteries of the life He shared with her. Even in the words of the Hail Mary itself – it is Christ who is the ultimate object of both the angel's announcement and the greeting of the mother of John the Baptist: "Blessed is the fruit of your womb."

Mary lived with her eyes fixed on Christ. The memories of Jesus impressed upon her heart were always with her – leading her to reflect on the various moments of life at her son's side. In a way these memories were to be the "rosary" which she recited uninterruptedly throughout her earthly life.

In the recitation of the Rosary, we enter into contact with the memories and reflections of Mary. Contemplating the scenes of the rosary in union with Mary is a means of learning from her - the message of Jesus' life. As we reflect on each mystery, Mary calls us to be receptive to God's Word, to ponder it in our hearts and to act on it in our everyday lives.

During this month of October devoted to the Holy Rosary, let us then renew our devotion to Christ by praying the rosary with His loving Mother.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Chris

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2020 Diocesan Ministries Appeal- *"Love Thy Neighbor"*

One of the benefits of giving to our Diocesan Ministries Appeal is the knowledge that the funds stay in our own Diocese and only support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties. This local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, a former pastor now living in our priests' retirement residence, the store owner you see each day as you shop in town – perhaps even a family member. What better way to *"Love Thy Neighbor"*?

For your convenience, you can support the Diocesan Ministries Appeal by making an on-line gift or pledge by going to www.2020appeal.org and following the user-friendly instructions. Please participate in the 2020 Appeal today! Thank you.

Monday, October 12th, Columbus Day, is a National Holiday. The Parish & Religious Ed offices are closed. Unless it is an emergency, please call us on Tuesday. Thank you.

FOOD PANTRY-IS OPEN with social distancing.

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS- 973-663-0211 - call in your order & a pick up time will be given to you.

DROPPING OFF FOOD- *There are barrels by the rectory back door,and in the church vestibule for all non-perishables.* **Coordinator-Toni Tarighi.**

During the Covid-19 pandemic we are asking for additional items—beef patties (packs -4), chicken parts, hot dogs & buns. ***Other items needed: COFFEE, TEA,*** Yogurt, pears, beets, **spinach,** pancake mix & syrup, laundry & dish detergent, paper towels, Dove & Ivory soap, cleaning products.

Thank you to the Bolcars, DeMasis, Pazzaglias, Kaulfers & Kimbles & all who have donated food & money to support our pantry.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is next weekend,**October 17-18**. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus sent out the Apostles to make disciples of all nations. The work of Evangelization continues today. We need to support the men and women who bring the Word of God to far off lands. Please be generous in the second Collection next weekend. Thank you.

BLOOD DRIVE, MONDAY October 12th from 3 to 8pm in our gym sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. There is a blood shortage and your help is appreciated. You can sign up for regular blood or "double red" which takes longer and is for plasma donations. Please use this **link** immediately to schedule an appointment: https://donor.cbsblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/52673 **or call 877-25-4825.** There are not many slots open.

TABLE OF HOPE *-a program sponsored by the Interfaith Food Pantry of Morris County and Bethel Church* will be supplying ***food to the needy at Lakeside Park, Swan Rd. behind Rte 15 Dunkin'Donuts, , Wednesday, October 14th between 12:30 and 4 PM.*** If you know someone who needs food please pass this information along. Table of Hope supplies canned goods, fresh produce, meat and poultry, dairy items, frozen items. It is a simple procedure—the person pulls up their car, opens the trunk and the volunteers place the food bags into their car and close the trunk. No need to get out of the car. It is all anonymous. This is the 3rd time Table of Hope has come to our area since March when the pandemic changed everything.

Stay connected through our Facebook pages:
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, and
Our Lady Star of the Sea Rosary Altar Society.

Prayer for the Loss of a Child

O God, I come to you with a heavy heart
over the loss of my precious child (name).
How I wish I could have done more
to protect my son (daughter) in life;
but it was Your will that he (she)
be called home to You.
Please grant me a strong faith, for it is
only through Your grace that I shall endure.
Lord, You know what a blessing
my child was to me and to so many others
on this earth.
I implore You to watch over him (her);
Forgive all sins and shower him (her) with tender loving care. Remind me that I need not worry for my dear child will be forever free of sadness
and know only peace and joy with You.
With this prayerful intention, I trust I will
one day embrace my child in Heaven. Amen.

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