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*December 12, 2021*

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**MASSES**

*Our Lady of Pity Church*

**Saturday evening** ..... 5:00 pm
**Sunday** ..... 8:30, 10:30 am & 12:00 noon
**Holy Days** .....Consult bulletin
**Weekdays** .....8:30 am
**Saturday**.....8:00 am

*St. Anthony of Padua Church*

**Saturday evening** ..... 5:00 pm
**Sunday** ..... 8:00 & 11:00 am
**Weekday** Holy Day of Obligation only

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*Saturday & weekday evenings by appointment only*

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

***Our Lady of Pity Church*** .....Saturday, 3:45 to 4:30 pm

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

***For either Church:*** Couples should make arrangements with a priest at least one year in advance to secure a date and time.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

***Our Lady of Pity Church:*** Celebrated on the fourth (4th) Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm.

***St. Anthony of Padua Church:*** Celebrated on the second (2) Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm.

**NOVENAS**

***Our Lady of Pity Church:*** Miraculous Medal, St. Jude and Infant of Prague Saturday after the 8:00 am Mass.

**RECITATION OF THE ROSARY**

***Our Lady of Pity Church:*** Rosary is recited after the 8:30 am weekday Mass; on Saturdays after the 8:00 am Mass; and, occasionally on Sundays.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# Mass Intentions

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
## OUR LADY OF PITY

Saturday December 11th, 2021
**8:00 am** **Louis & Dorothy Campione**
**5:00 pm** **Frances Armetta & Ismael Collazzo**

Sunday December 12th ,2021
**8:30 am** **Edward & Margaret Cleary**
**10:30 am** **Maria Pia & Giovanni Sciara**
**12:00 pm** **Larry Bellino**

Monday December 13th, 2021
**8:30 am** **Peggy & Peter Maczula**

Tuesday December 14th, 2021
**8:30 am** **Charles Messina**
**Happy Anniversary in Heaven**

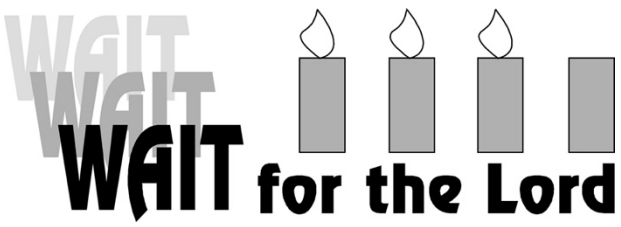
Wednesday December 15th, 2021
**8:30 am** **Linda Jakovcic**
**Happy Anniversary in Heaven**

Thursday December 16th, 2021
**8:30 am** **Orazio Landi**

Friday December 17th, 2021
**8:30 am** **Elisa Colella**

Saturday December 18th, 2021
**8:00 am** **Larry Pilarski**
**5:00 pm** **Henry J. Scroope 3rd**

Sunday December 19th ,2021
**8:30 am** **Nicholas Zappetti**
**10:30 am** **Philip & Uderaide Di George**
**12:00 pm** **The Depalo, Modena & Paulicelli Families**




## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
## ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Saturday December 11th, 2021
**5:00 pm** **Vito & Philip Yaccarino**
***Requested by the Family***
***&***
**Philip & Junior Cintron**
***Requested by his sister***

Sunday December 12th, 2021
**8:00 am** **Frank Ottomanelli**
***Requested by Susan Cole***
***&***
**John & Florence Hagan**
***Requested by Sue & Paul Wicinski***

**11:00am** **Nancy Keenan**
**Birthday in Heaven**
***&***
**Kevin Mc Padden**
***Requested by Meehan Family***

Saturday December 18th, 2021
**5:00 pm** **Special Intention**

Sunday December 19th , 2021
**8:00 am** **Pauline & Steven Covello**
***Requested by Daugther Patricia***
***&***
**Joseph & Josephone Aiello**
**Anniversary in Heaven**
***Requested by their Family***

**11:00am** **Vincent Infuso**
**Birthday in Heaven**
***Requested by the Children***

**Wine, Host & Sanctuary Lamb**
**In Memory of**

**Kevin Mc Padden**

**Requested by Meehan Family**

# Pray for the Sick

Every worshiping 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:

**Virginia Corrente, Emil Kurak, Michael Ragonese, Helen Keiling, Frank A. Marchese, Frank J. Marchese, Agnes Mueller, Dayanara Georzette Acevedo, Rusty Amodio, MaryAnn Azzarello, Edward Bach, Ray Beshara, Jeff Beauzil, Isabella Borzumato, Brook Balacco, Joan Lee Cammy, Joann Cavallaro, Gianna Cerullo, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Ida & Jerry Coraci, Alexander Passante, Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Maureen Dragula, Phyllis Esposito, Danny Fortunato, Rose Infuso, Vincent Infuso, Frank Maltempi, Fannie Marro, Lillian Miner, Julio Pagan, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Angie Mendez, Jaclyn Mooney, Darlene Remy, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi, Khadijah Sabir, Gloria Scaglione, John Serri, Dcn. Michael Venditto, Phillip Yoo, Brigette Stano, Bettie Wilde, Lucy Nicholasi, Ann Arena, Tom & Mae Scarpaci, Dominic DeBenedito, John Mooney, Jeanette & Anna Ayala, Teresa Guida, Anthony Pelle Jr. Joan Conroy, Eugene LaPeruta, Javier Rivera, Tony Driscoll, Salvatore Gambarella, Lauren Russ**

**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

## 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.

**PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE**

**EUCHARISTIC 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 9:45 am Eucharistic Guardians will be needed. For further information call Joseph Magliocco at 718-698-8054

## 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.

## SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy, not in the rectory

## Online Giving with OSV

Our Online Giving is getting an upgrade to a newer, easier-to-use platform! If you currently give online, you will soon be receiving an email with instructions on how to log into the new system. Best of all, your existing payment and donation information will be migrated over so you will not have to set up your gifts again! Keep an eye on your email for more information coming very soon.

https://www.osvhub.com/our-lady-of-pity-rcchurch/funds

**Follow Us on our various social media platforms to stay in touch with Fr. John & Our Parish**

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***Facebook-***

https://www.facebook.com/OLOPSTACHURCH/

***Parish Website-***

https://ourladyofpity-stanthony.org/

**2021 Christmas Wreath Program**

**Sincere Thanks**

Once Again, we had a very successful Christmas Wreath Program. Father John would like to thank all those who purchased a wreath. A special thanks to Joanne Callari, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Johnson, Frank Marchese & The Knights of Columbus who gave their time and talents to put together the wreaths!

A special thanks also to Gene Boccieri, his team, Frank Marchese & Anthony Di Stefano for helping with set up our Indoor and Outdoor Nativity Scene!

## Gospel: Luke 3 10-18

John the Baptist answers people who ask him what they should do, leading some to believe he was the Messiah. John clearly states that he will be followed by one so powerful that "I am not fit to loosen his sandal strap."

**First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a**

Zephaniah urges the people of Jerusalem to rejoice because the Lord is in their midst. He conveys the message that God will love and protect those who have remained faithful to him.

**Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7**

Paul encourages the Philippians to be ready for Christ. He tells them not to worry about their concerns, but to instead ask God's help and allow his peace to fill their hearts and minds.

**Sunday**
Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

**Monday**
Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday**
Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday**
Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25; Lk 7:18b-23

**Thursday**
Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

**Friday**
Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

**Saturday**
Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

Office: 718-494-0308

DEAR FAMILIES,

We are planning to reopen the week of November 8, 2021, under the supervision of Sr. Crucifix Regional Director of Staten Island… Unfortunately, we had to change our schedule. All students that we received registrations for will be contacted by the teachers of that class. If you are not contacted by Sunday 11/7 PLEASE email: dbecker @olopsa.org

**Schedule is as follows:**

**Tuesday 4p-5:30p**
4th & 5th grade only

**Wednesday 4p-5:30p**

2nd & 3rd only

**Thursday 4p-5:30p**
1st grade

**Thursday 4:30p-5:15p**
Special Needs Class

If there's a conflict with this revised schedule with your original days of choice, please email at the above address and we can discuss.

Thank you,

The Religious Ed Catachetical team

# RCIA
*A journey in faith*

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**
Is a process where you can experience the Catholic faith community. It is an opportunity for questions to be answered and for learning about the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church. Are you:

- A person who has not been baptized and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, and become a Catholic?
- A Baptized Christian of another denomination who would like to learn about and join the Catholic tradition?
- A baptized Roman Catholic who has not received Eucharist or confirmation and would like to become a full patriciate in the life of the Church?

The Christian initiation process offers an environment of support and guidance as you discover God is working in your life. Through RCIA, the Our Lady of Pity- St. Anthony of Padua community can help you fulfill this journey, If you think the RCIA program is for you, and you would like registration information, please email cookvin1@aol.com.
RCIA Meets on Thursdays 7:30 pm in the parish g

***The Vatican has recently released the English text of Pope Francis' appeal for all people of goodwill to take any COVID-19 vaccine "authorized by the competent authorities."***

*"In a brotherly spirit, I join in this message of hope for a brighter future. Thanks to God and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from COVID-19. They grant us the hope of ending the pandemic, but only if they are available to all and if we work together.*

*Being immunized with vaccines authorized by the competent authorities is an act of love. And contributing to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love. Love for oneself, love for one's family and friends, love for all people. Love is also social and political, there is social love and political love; it is universal, always overflowing with small gestures of personal charity capable of transforming and improving societies (cf. Laudato si', no. 231, cf. Fratelli tutti, 184).*

*Vaccination is a simple but profound way of promoting the common good and caring for each other, especially the most vulnerable. I pray to God that everyone may contribute their own small grain of sand, their own small gesture of love; no matter how small, love is always great. Contribute with these small gestures for a better future.*

*God bless you and thank you*!

**Hunterdon Hills Playhouse Trip**

**Song & Dance Holiday Show & Luncheon**

**Friday Matinee**

**December 17th, 2021**

**$108.00**

**For Reservations Call**

**Lena 718-761-8216**

**Parish Giving Tree**

**Our Giving Tree will stand in the vestibule for the next few weekends starting November 17th. You are invited to remove a tag, purchase the gift item written on the tag, wrap the gift and place the original tag on the package. Return it to the giving tree on the date listed on the tag. Thank You for your generosity.**

**Carnivale**

**Fat Tuesday, March 1st, 2022**

**6:00 PM to 10:00 PM**

**The Staaten, Forest Ave**

**Cost is $65.00 Per Person**

**Cash Bar**

**For Information and reservations please contact Joanne Callari at 718-761-5421. Make checks payable to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony.**

**If anyone is willing to donate new items for the raffle tables, you may bring them to the rectory at Our Lady of Pity.**

**Thank you for your support!**

## Reconciliation Monday Schedule
## December 20th, 2021

## Our Lady of Pity Church

11:00 AM until 1:00 PM

## St. Anthony of Padua

3:30 PM until 5:00 PM

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**"Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again, rejoice. Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord himself is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds, present your needs to God in every form of prayer and of petitions full of gratitude."**

Surely, we are making many, many plans. Halfway through advent and we are told, 'rejoice, be happy.' Even with all difficulties, take a moment, 'for the Lord is near.' Take a moment to thank Him for coming. Take a moment, look around, and see how blessed you are.

Don't you have a reason for gratitude and joy? Doesn't your faith allow you to express thanks for others, for life, for family? Bring those people and their needs to the Lord in your plans and prayer. 'See how unselfish' you can be.

May the closing words of the bible be your mantra this week: 'Come Lord Jesus.'

**HIS WORD TODAY**

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS

OUR LADY OF PITY
&
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

# CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE OF MASSES 2021

## Our Lady of Pity

**Christmas Eve**
**December 24th**

4:00 PM

&

Midnight

**Christmas Day**
**December 25th**

9:00 AM

10:30 AM

&

Noon

## St. Anthony of Padua

**Christmas Eve**
**December 24th**

10:00 PM

**Christmas Day**
**December 25th**

8:00 AM

&

11:00 AM

Our Lady of Pity/St. Anthony of Padua

# Golden Age

- **When: Tuesdays starting November 9th**
- **Where: Our Lady of Pity Gym**
- **Time: 12-3pm**

## All are welcomed!

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