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*January 9, 2022*

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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

**OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH**

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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.

# Mass Intentions

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
## OUR LADY OF PITY

Saturday January 8th, 2022
**8:00 am Thanksgiving Mass**
**5:00 pm Ismael Collazo & Carhen Collazo**

Sunday January 9th, 2022
**8:30 am Beatrice Criscione**
**10:30 am Joseph J. Rentkowski**
**12:00 pm Thomas Rispoli**

Monday January 10th, 2022
**8:30 am For All Parishioners**

Tuesday January 11th, 2022
**8:30 am For All Parishioners**

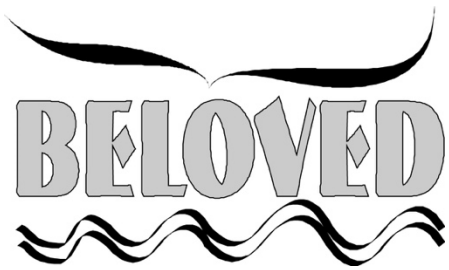
Wednesday January 12th, 2022
**8:30 am For All Parishioners**

Thursday January 13th, 2022
**8:30 am Rita Desilva**

Friday January 14th, 2022
**8:30 am Dennis Mikula Sr.**

Saturday January 15th, 2022
**8:00 am Dennis Mikula Sr.**
**5:00 pm Florence Manza**

Sunday January 16th, 2022
**8:30 am Mary Ciccarelli**
**10:30 am Anna & Giovani Sciara**
**12:00 pm Teresa & Dominick Condello**




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

Saturday January 8th, 2022
**5:00 pm Eleanor Carucci**
**3rd Anniversary in Heaven**
**&**
**Charles & Lillian Tatar**
***Requested by Son***

Sunday January 9th, 2022
**8:00 am Eileen Sullivan Meurer**
***Requested by Susan Sullivan***

**11:00am Sarah Attianese**
***Requested by Dana & Matthew Paone***
***&***
**Vincent Infuso**
***Requested by His Wife Rose***

Saturday January 15th, 2022
**8:00am Deborah A. Scott**
***Requested by Mark & Nicole Blanchard***

Sunday January 16th, 2022
**8:00 am Theresa Mathiasen**
**Birthday in Heaven**
***Requested by Family***

**11:00am Msgr. Alfred A. Varriale**
**Anniversary in Heaven**
***Requested by his Family***

***Wine, Host & Sanctuary Light***
***In Memory of***
***Vincent Infuso***
***Requested by***
***His Wife Rose***

# 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, Daniel & Eleanor Esposito**

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

***Parish Website-***

https://ourladyofpity-stanthony.org/

**Congratulations to Kerry Boyle who won the Knights of Columbus Christmas Basket Raffle**

**Thanks to all who participated!**

## Gospel: Luke 3: 15-16,21-22

John the Baptist had claimed one would come far more powerful than himself, one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on him and a voice said, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."

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**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

**First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7**
Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells his servant that he was formed to be "a light for the nations."

**Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38**
Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.

**Sunday**
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11;
Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7;
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Monday**
1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday**
1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday**
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday**
1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday**
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday**
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Mk 2:13-17

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*!

# Masking Update from Archdiocese

After careful review and consideration of the increasing number of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations statewide, and in alignment with CDC recommendations for communities with substantial and high transmission, all persons over age two who able to medically tolerate a face covering/mask, regardless of vaccination status shall always wear an appropriate face covering/mask while in any indoor public place.

Note that section 7c states: *"For purposes of this determination 'indoor public place' shall mean any indoor space that is not a private residence."* Presumably this applies to churches and our parish offices and meeting spaces.

The mandate is in effect beginning Monday, December 13. It will be reassessed on January 15, 2022.

- All parishioners are asked to wear masks while in church.
- Priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers are to wear masks in entrance and exit processions, at the time of the distribution of holy communion; and when in proximity with one another.
- Encourage communicants to receive in the open hand rather than on the tongue. The use of hand sanitizer before and after the distribution of holy communion is a prudent practice.

**Carnivale**

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

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

**The Staaten, Forest Ave**

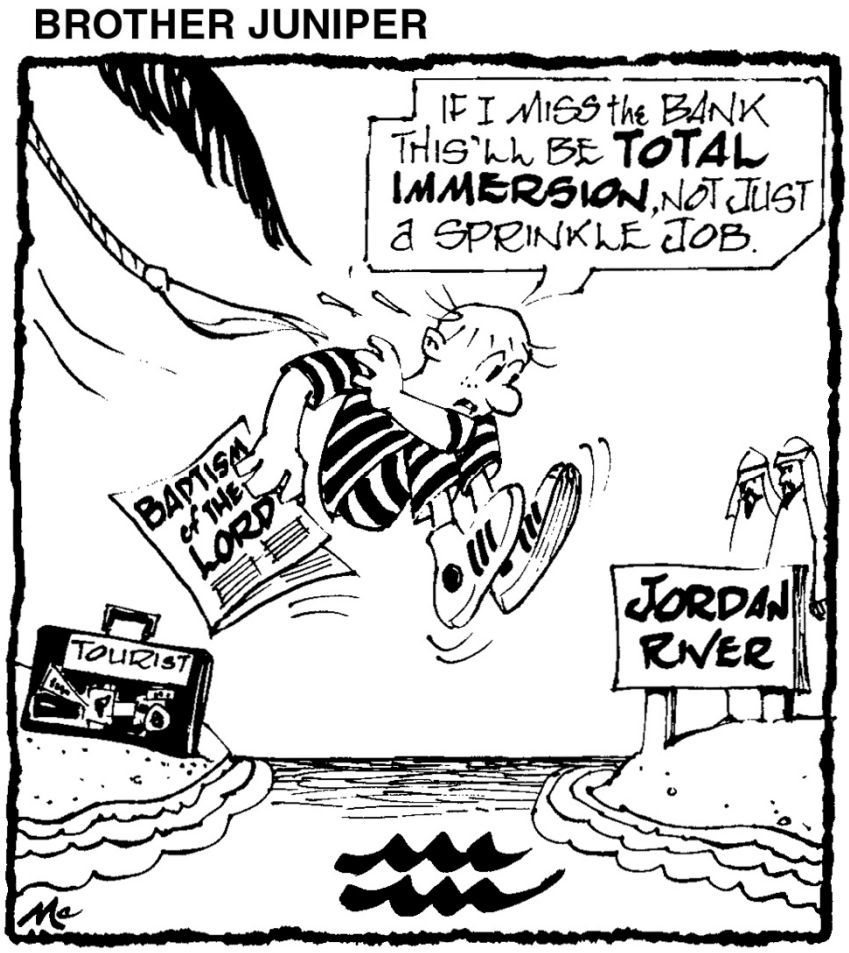
**Cost is $65.00 Per Person**

**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!**



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**"The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their heart whether John might be the Christ... After all the people were baptized and Jesus had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased.'"**

The scene if familiar, the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, and the affirming voice of the Father. John hesitated, but Jesus insisted, showing His total identity with the people He came to save. Our baptism initiated our Christian journey, as we accepted our mission sharing with Jesus as priest, prophet, and king. As we live our baptismal commission, can we hear the same affirming voice of the Father approving our lives and witness to Jesus Christ? Yes, we are beloved, is He pleased, or can we do more?

**HIS WORD TODAY**

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS

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# KID'S KORNER

## Gospel Today

### The Baptism of the Lord | Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

After Jesus was baptized by John, and while He was praying, the Heavens opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in the form of a dove.

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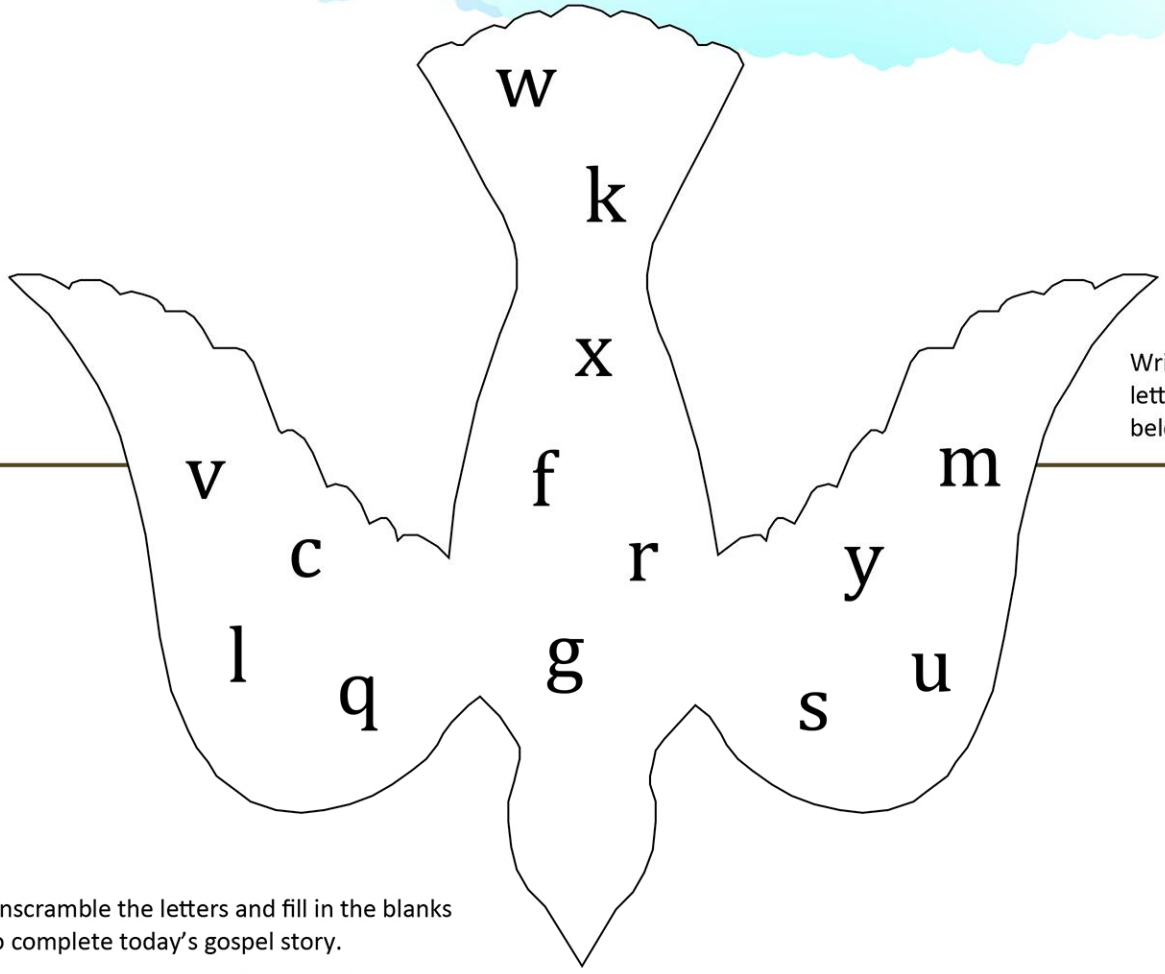
***And a voice came from Heaven,***
***"You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."***

*Luke 3:22*




Write the missing letters in the space below...

Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks to complete today's gospel story.

*Note: There are two words, use each letter one time.*

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people, including Jesus.

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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***Vaccination required***

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