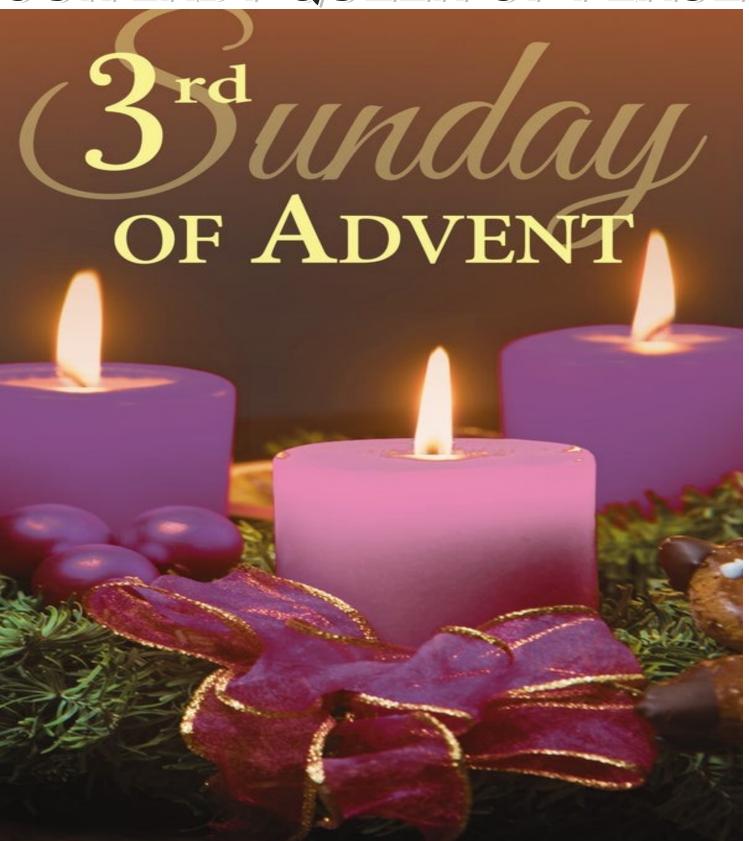
# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE



We come together as a community of faith to celebrate with praise and joy!

90 Third Street, New Dorp, Staten Island, N.Y. 10306

# **ABOUT OUR PARISH**

#### **WORSHIP**

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening ......4:00 pm Sunday .....7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am, 10:00 am at Our Lady of Lourdes

#### Weekdays

Monday through Friday .....8:00 am

#### Holy Days of Obligation

### <u>Create a Gift That Pays You and Leave a</u> <u>Legacy for Your Parish</u>

Create an additional source of secure retirement income, while providing for Our Lady Queen of Peace and Our Lady of Lourdes. To learn more, please call a gift planning specialist at (646)794-3317 or email: <a href="mailto:plannedgiving@archny.org">plannedgiving@archny.org</a>.

#### PARISH ASSOCIATIONS

Holy Name Society/Father's Club - 8:00pm, First Monday after Second Sunday (Fr. Hopkins Hall)

Rosary & Altar Society (OLQP) - First Sunday following 9:00am Mass

Rosary & Altar Society (OLL) - 7:30pm Eve of First Friday (KofC Hall)

#### **SERVED BY**

Rev. Dominic Thomas	Pastor
Rev. Sujan JosephParod	chial Vicar
Deacon Thomas FinnertyAdministrati	ive Assistant
Dee CaraballoDirector of Mus.	ic Ministry
Mrs. Denise Hall-Clarke	Secretary
Terence Hurson	Trustee
Richard F. McCahey	Trustee

#### **CHURCH & RECTORY**

90 Third Street, New Dorp, Staten Island, N.Y. Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 2:00 pm

718-351-1093 | Fax 718-351-1784 | olqpchurch.org Email: olqpchurch@verizon.net

**SCHOOL-**Our Lady Queen of Peace 22 Steele Avenue | 718-351-0370 | olapsi.com Mrs. Margaret O'Connor, Principal

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Mrs. Barbara Orleman | 718-979-0989



#### **VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Please contact the rectory if you know of anyone who is sick at home or in the hospital and or home-bound who would like a visit from one of the priests or deacons at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church. Please call 718-351-1093 or email: <a href="mailto:olopchurch@verizon.net">olopchurch@verizon.net</a>

#### SACRAMENTS

#### BAPTISM

Sundays during Mass. Scheduling should be made as early as possible, to allow the parents to attend thepreparation meetings

#### RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday | 7:30am-8:00am

Saturday | 3:00pm-3:30pm

(Our Lady of Lourdes) Sunday | Before 10:00am Mass (Our Lady of Lourdes)

#### MATRIMONY

The Catholic Church takes preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony very seriously. Please contact the rectory at least one year in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with one of the Parish priests. Participation in the Marriage Preparation Program offered.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The fourth Saturday of each month after the 4:00pm mass and on First Fridays at 7pm Mass.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

Miraculous Medal | After morning Mass

Novena to St. Joseph | Wednesday after morning Mass Novena to St. Peregrine | Thursday after morning Mass Novena to the Sacred Heart | Friday after morning Mass

Divine Mercy | 7:30am on week Days

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary | After morning Mass

Legion of Mary | Thursday 7:00pm

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group | Friday 4:00pm

Charismatic Prayer Group | Second Friday of the month, 7:30pm

Eucharist Adoration | Monday through Friday 7:00am-8:00am

First Fridays | 8:00am-6:00pm

Common Holy Hour and Confession | 6:00pm-7:00pm

# **HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

# From the Paster's Desk ...

Advent gives us time to slow down and take a look at ourselves—where we are going. As a Christian, it gives us a vision of our lives, reminds us of God's actions in the lives of our ancestors in the past and shows us the new possibilities of what our life can be. The vision of life that Advent gives us is twofold; it looks back to the first coming of Christ at Bethlehem, and it looks to the future when Christ will come again. In the interval between these two events, we find meaning for our lives as Catholic Christians.

We celebrate first Christ-become-human. We view His life and experience His presence as a human being in our history. Christ came to show us what life can and should be. He gave us true and valid principles by which we can live true and valid lives. But Jesus knew that the human heart could not live-in isolation. He formed the Church around the concept of a people held together by love. In that community we discover unlimited possibilities and meaning. Alone we can do nothing. Together we find real meaning.

In these few short weeks, we take in the sweeping panorama of time - from Christ's birth to His Second Coming. The season of Advent brings us the magnificent vision of life and hope for the future given to us by Christ. It redefines what is important —not by the values of the world—but by the image of Christ

Advent is our time - first to become reflective so we know the direction that Christ calls us to and then to become more involved, more caught up in the meaning and the possibilities of life as a Christian community. We are preparing not only for Christmas Day and Season, but also for Christ's Second Coming. This means that when He comes again, we will be awake and watchful. He will not find us asleep.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent is called "Gaudete Sunday." Gaudete is Latin for "rejoice."

Advent should be a time of joy for us. We recognize that once again we shall celebrate and remember the birth of Jesus, the birth of God who has chosen to take on our human nature, the birth of the Redeemer. We should take just a few minutes today and sit in silence and let our hearts rest in this great mystery of our faith: God become man, God redeeming us because He loves us.

May Advent help us open our hearts even more to the Lord and continue with total confidence our struggle against sin and our striving for virtue.

**Father Dominic** 

# Why Do Catholics Do That?

#### Why is purple the color of Advent?

The Catholic Church uses visual aids to highlight a season of the liturgical year or a mystery of the faith. Purple – violet – represents a time of penance and preparation. During the weeks of Advent, the priest wears violet vestments and the altar is decorated with violet to remind us to prepare penitentially for Christ's coming.

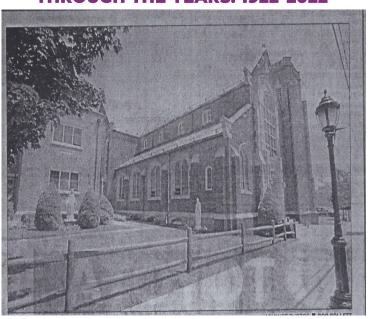
On the third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday), rose vestments and altar cloths are used to signal that Advent is almost over. This is a happy time when we anticipate the joy of Christ's coming.



Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24th 4:00PM, 5:30PM

9:00PM—Our Lady of Lourdes
Christmas Day, December 25th
7:00AM, 9:00AM, 10:00AM(OLL), 11:00AM
& 4:00PM Vigil Mass for Holy Family

**THROUGH THE YEARS: 1922-2022** 



DECEMBER 12, 2021 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# WORSHIP TOGETHER

#### **TODAY'S READING FIRST READING**

The words of the prophet Zephaniah focus on hope for a new beginning of the Lord's presence in their midst. How has the season of Advent thus far brought you spiritual renewal? **SECOND READING** 

As his letter draws to a close, Paul encourages the Philippians to be a community that rejoices in the Lord. How would you rate your own spiritual happiness? **GOSPEL** 

John the Baptist exhorted the crowds, tax collectors, and soldiers to live a moral and other-centered life within the parameters of their day-to-day work. What would this look like for you in your current station in life?



Tara

#### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

LaBarca, Baby Gabriel, Gallagher, Riyan Richard, Lucille Iannella, Blythe Finn, Rose Bierbaum, DMM, Charles Pomero, Peter Orleman, Anthony Pelle. Jr.. Danielle Quattrocchi, Sharonlee Davino, Helena Elsa Allen, Alyssa K, Baby Riley, Peter Bellina, Jr., Christina Grigoli.

#### 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. To be eligible to win, please be sure to get your entry in soon! Good Luck to all.





Monday, December 13-St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr 8:00AM † Ethel & Timothy Hogan

Tuesday, December 14—St. John of the Cross, **Priest & Doctor of the Church** 

8:00AM † Adrian J. Maleady

Wednesday, December 15

8:00AM † John Reilly

Thursday, December 16

8:00AM † Katherine Buglino

Friday, December 17

8:00AM + Leonard & Annamarie Brown

Saturday, December 18

4:00PM + Dorothy & Christopher Sharp,

Deceased Members of the Hanley-Dillon Family

Sunday, December 19—4th Sunday of Advent

7:00AM † Mona & Daniel Boylan, Margaret Keenan

9:00AM † Thomas Bluemke, Jose Enrique Garcia, Frank McGinnis

10:00AM OLL † Elaine Passante

11:00AM † Thady Mills, Frank Grisanti,

In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony







Rest In Peace

Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

> Joseph A. Santangelo, Celeste Paradiso

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We are grateful to all who contribute so generously each week, thank you for your support! We do recommend that you use parish envelopes or Weshare. Please call the rectory to register.

#### **December 5th**

Sunday Collection \$6.940.00 Shrine Candles \$192.00 School \$1.522.00

Thank you for your generosity.

### First Friday's Healing Mass

All are invited. Adoration after the 8AM Mass, Common Holy Hour at 6pm, priests are available for confessions. Healing Mass at 7:00PM—Here at Our Lady Queen of Peace.



### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



#### Prayer for Our Jubilee Year

Heavenly Father, bless and strengthen our parish family as we prepare ourselves spiritually for our Jubilee Year. Fill us with an ardent desire for Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament which nourishes and heals our souls. Inspire us, through the gifts of the Holy Spirit, to bring the Gospel message of love and hope to all people and help us to be good stewards of vour wondrous creation, our world. Through the intercession of Mary, our beloved Mother, may our families stay united in love, our children grow in faith, our elderly and homebound be cherished and cared for and our sick be healed. May our grieving parishioners be consoled and our prayers for all the souls of our faithful departed find a place in Your Heart. Bless all Priests, Deacons and Religious who have served and are now serving the people of our parish. May their lives of prayer and service foster vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life.

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Pray for us.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us.

Amen



#### We'd like to Connect with you!

Get important updates from the parish in a timely and convenient way. This new tool we're using lets you choose what info you'd like to receive - via

email or text message - from the various ministries and groups in the parish. You can unsubscribe any time. Visit our Parish at: https://archny.flocknote.com OLQOSI

### ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY December 20th

Confessions are heard from 11:00am to 1:00pm and 6pm to 8pm in every parish. Advent gives us a wonderful opportunity to preach on the importance the Sacrament of Penance, and to remind our people that this Sacrament is the best way to prepare for the joy of Christmas and celebrating the birth of Our Savior



# Christmas Flower Offering

You will find a Christmas Flower envelope in your envelope packet and in the back of the Church. Donations can be given in memory and/or in honor of your loved ones and your intentions will be remembered during each Mass throughout the Christmas Season. As always, we thank you for your generosity.

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

Mr. & Mrs. Mrs. George Best, Mrs. Adrian J. Maleady, Mrs. Nancy Kinzler, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Koeth, Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Salzarulo, Mr. & Mrs. George Baron, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kosnik, Deacon & Mrs. Dennis Hogan, Mrs. Patricia Cummiskey, Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Sikorski, Ms. Merilyn Hess, Mr. & Mrs. J Bilotti, Ms. Joan Altomonte, Mr. & Mrs. John Drury, Mr. & Mrs. James Rinaldo, Mrs. Robert Russo, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Ciampi, Mr. & Mrs. Pisani, Mr. & Mrs. Michael J. Varriano Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McKeon, Mr. & Mrs. Livio Belulovich, Mr. & Mrs. George Boresky, Mr. & Mrs. John Maloney, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Cioffi, Mr. & Mrs. Ron Cognetta, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Colantuono, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph D' Apuzzo, Mr. & Mrs. Carlos Tax Alvarez. To be continued....

# Our Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp, which is next to our Tabernacle, is a sign of the Real Presence of Jesus, the Light of the World, in our Parish

Church. In accordance with tradition, this candle may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a particular person or persons, or for a special intention. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. There are several dates still open for dedication in the 2022 Book. Anyone who would like to plan for dedicating the Sanctuary Lamp should contact the Parish Office.

The Sanctuary Light for this week is donated in memory of The Deceased Members of the Hogan & Carannante Families requested by Deacon Dennis & Judy Hogan.

We are accepting offerings for the Bread and Wine for the week in memory of your loved ones. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. Any questions, please call the Parish office 718-351-1093.

The Bread and Wine for this week are donated in memory of The Deceased Members of the Hogan & Carannante Families requested by Deacon Dennis & Judy Hogan.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Shout for joy! When was the last time you ever felt like doing that? Fear, uncertainty, pressure, negativity, disappointment, and myriad other human experiences can rob us of joy. We can never predict what life will bring. As unsettling as that can often seem, life's unpredictability is also the very thing that allows it to be exciting and adventuresome! We know that life can be difficult, and it is unrealistic to expect it to be otherwise. God never promised an easy road. But, when a person truly falls in love with God and discovers the peacefulness and assurance of God's presence, then a depth of understanding will be brought to everything they do and experience. Nothing will be able to rob them of joy! When we realize that God, the King of Israel, is in our midst and with us, there is no further misfortune to fear. We celebrate the beauty and wonder of God's gift of joy today as we ready ourselves, even more excitedly, for the coming of our Savior. Do not fear and do not be discouraged. There is a power and presence within us, our God, who has made us, who loves us and who will keep us. What more do we need? Rejoice! **©LPi** 

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# **NEWS AND EVENTS**

Congratulations to the following OLQP 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students who received First Quarter Honors for the 2021 School Year:

#### 1st Honors 5-D

William Aimone, Chloe Alatas, Joseph Barone, Alicia Cannavo, Andrew Cupelli, Ashley Di Leo, Karas Endraws, Gianna Fiduccia, Peter Fiduccia, Liam Hemandez, Nicholas Ippolito, Anna Jaliashvilli, Frank Khaykin, George Kirchhoffer, Mia Lamanno, Alexis Lepre, Joseph Leto, Kirsten Mackoul, Ryan Rousta, Santino Ruggiero, Charleigh Urrico, Nicholas Vitolo.

#### 2nd Honors 5-D

Olivia Gumb.

#### 1st Honors 6-D

Andrew Albano, James Best, Ryan Bova, Isabella Diaz, Frank Dotti, Alessa Faljean, Charles Francis, Sarah Gambino, Isabella Garomo, Alexa Kirchhoffer, John Mullin, Dylan Skovronck, Carly Spadafora, David Tax-Alvarez, Sophia Vayos, Erik Vitolo.

#### 2nd Honors 6-D

Katie Russell, Gwen Samarasekera.

#### 1st Honors 6-Z

Jake Allen, Raymond Angelo, Camillo Barone, Isabella Bruno, Michael Gaudiuso, Norah Hernandez, Sara Hoxha, Jack Ippolito, Joseph Piccirillo, Brianna Ritchie, Salvatore Scalici, Sofia Tropaitis, Nicholas Wasserman, Audriana Weinmeier.

#### 2nd Honors 6-Z

Luciana DeMarco, Vitina Susca.

#### 1st Honors 7-H

Chase Abrahamsen, Victoria Aurelus Gul, Lucas Baierlein, Hayden Bennett, Katherine Danis, Quinn Francis, Cameron King, Adrianna Mormile, Dante papandrea, Emily Schmitter.

#### 2nd Honors 7-H

Ryan Abinanti, Isabella Ekonomakos, Nicole Falanga, Jackson Guyon.

#### 1st Honors 7-B

Chelsa Abraham, Gabriella Ambrosio, Robert Balletto, Isolina Best, Isabel Daretany, Rocco Dembinski, Justin Marzullo, Nicolette Pimpinella, Valentina Stellato, Julianna Taromina

#### 2nd Honors 7-B

Carissa Campanella, Salvatore Colantuono, Thomas Giammarino, Patrick Kelly, Vincent Pimpinella.

#### 1st Honors 8-G

Michael Diaz, Karol Endraws, Theodora Gergis, Ava Rotondi, Leila Rousta, Madison Sayers, Giovanna Sciortino.

#### 2nd Honors 8-G

John Certa, Christina Dotti, Serge Gervais, Rileigh Mahon, James Marinaro, Nicholas Messina, Michael Signeavsky.

#### 1st Honors 8-A

Michael Bello, Christopher Brewer, Nicole Cannavo, Christopher DeFranco, Julianna Di Leo, Olivia DiMonda, Victoria Kirchhoffer, Mark LoPiano, Michael Pastore, Angelina Scafuri, Ava Toro, Barbara Tullo.

#### 2nd Honors 8-A

Matteo DeStefano, Nicholas Harrison.



# The Joy of Advent

# GRACE THROUGH WAITING

Patricia Livingston

Advent: A strong wind is blowing. An adventure is in the air. Someone is coming. The curious energy of Advent is that we are looking for something we know is already here. It is both right now and not yet. We sing "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," yet Emmanuel means "God is with us."

The days of Advent are like the intriguing little doors on an Advent calendar. Each one opens to reveal some aspect of Christmas. The reflections that follow are some of the doorways I find in the Emmanuel reality—beauty, kindness, prayer, humor, insight, memory, encounter, music, and Scripture. What doors will you open this season?

(From Catholic Update)



# Congratulations

To Our Newlyweds

Mr. & Mrs. Mario Basso

#### Please note:

\*Breaking the Word books have been placed in the pews. With the QR code you can find readings and in addition, the songs for various services.

\*Every second Saturday at the 4 pm Mass we want recognize, bless and congratulate those who are celebrating any wedding anniversaries.

\*Advent memorial wreaths are on the church and rectory fence. Your departed loved one's names will be on it during Christmas and New Year season. It brings our memory alive and makes our church and compound more elegant and lovely.

Keep "Christ" in Christmas!
