

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH

1st Sunday OF ADVENT



OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE—OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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

New Dorp, Staten Island, N.Y. 10306

718-351-1093

ABOUT OUR PARISH

WORSHIP

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening4:00 pm
Sunday7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am,
10:00 am at Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekdays

Monday through Friday8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation

Eve of Holy Day 7:00 pm
Holy Day..... 8:00, 12:00 noon
At Our Lady of Lourdes 7:00 pm
Cedar Grove Avenue

SERVED BY

Rev. Dominic Thomas.....*Pastor*
Rev. Sujan Joseph.....*Parochial Vicar*
Deacon Thomas Finnerty.....*Administrative Assistant*
Dee Caraballo.....*Director of Music Ministry*
Mrs. Denise Hall-Clarke.....*Secretary*
Terence Hurson.....*Trustee*
Richard F. McCahey.....*Trustee*

CHURCH & RECTORY

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Mrs. Margaret O'Connor, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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: plannedgiving@archny.org.

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)

Sports Program - Olympic League, CYO, 8:00pm Second Monday (Cafeteria) Anthony Vinci—Email: OLQPSI.Sports@gmail.com.

The Secular Franciscan Order—First Thursday of the Month at 7:00pm



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 homebound who would like a visit from one of the priests or deacons at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Sundays during Mass. Scheduling should be made as early as possible, to allow the parents to attend the preparation 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 third Saturday of each month after the 4:00pm mass and on **First Fridays at 7pm Mass.**

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal | Monday evenings at 7:30pm and 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 | Monday 5:00pm in the Convent

Cenacle of Life Prayer Group | Friday 4:00pm

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

First Fridays | 8:00am-6:00pm Common Holy Hour and Confession | 6:00pm-7:00pm Healing Mass | First Friday of the month, 7:00pm Confessions are being heard on week Days from 7am to 7:45am.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

From the Pastor's Desk...

We have just celebrated and continue to enjoy the beautiful tradition of Thanksgiving, and we continue to thank God and everyone for all the blessings and enriching our life. As we enter in to the new liturgical year and the great season of Advent, let us bring our family to the Eucharistic Lord by actively participating in the Mass every weekend!

On the first Sunday of 2nd Advent, let us be alert and watchful in the spirit of today's gospel. Every morning when we get up, let us pray, "Lord, show me someone today with whom I may share your love, mercy and forgiveness." Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "Whatever you do in your family, for your children, for your husband, for your wife, you do for Jesus." Every night when we go to bed, let us ask ourselves, "Where have I found Christ today?" The answer will be God's Advent gift to us that day. By being alert and watchful we'll be getting an extra gift: Christ himself. There is a saying which goes back to St. Thomas Aquinas: "Without God, I can't. Without me, he won't." Be wakeful and watchful: We are so future-oriented that we frequently forget the present entirely. We spend too much time trying to protect ourselves against future misfortunes. We save for a rainy day, to get married, to buy a home, to send the children to college, to retire in comfort and to protect ourselves against future misfortunes with varieties of insurance. But we need to be more spiritually wakeful and prepare for our eternal life. Let us make this advent season the time of such preparation.

Advent and Christmas wreaths: It's a lovely way to remember and include our beloved departed by placing a memorial wreath in their name by and inside of our Churches. It brings beauty and color to our premise and inside of Our Lady of Lourdes. I pray and wish you all a very good advent and blessed time. See you all in Church and thank you for continuing to be a missionary of Jesus to us all!

Fr. Dominic

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8th

The Masses on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be as follows:

Wednesday: Eve—OLQP 7:00PM

Thursday: OLQP 8:15AM & 12NOON

Thursday: OLL 7:00PM

THE COLOR FOR ADVENT IS PURPLE



ADVENT PRAYER

O, come Emmanuel.

Come into our world and bring Your peace.

Come into our lives and grant us Your favor.

Come into our homes with Your love.

Stay with us, Lord Jesus,

Throughout these days of Advent.

Be with us wherever we go,

Be with us in whatever we do.

Prepare us for Your birth.

May Your birth enlarge our hearts.

May we prepare a place for You there.

Jesus, make room within our hearts for others.

May Your birth awaken us to the Good News.

Jesus, make us worthy of You, O, Lord,

Emmanuel, God-with-us.

Come.



Advent Wreath

One of the most common symbols used during Advent is the Advent wreath, usually made of evergreen branches formed into a circle. It holds four candles: three purple (or dark blue) and one pink. The purple candles symbolize the time of preparation and are lit at the beginning of the first, second, and fourth Sundays of Advent. The pink candle, lit at the beginning of the third week of Advent, symbolizes our focus on rejoicing during this penitential season. There is a similar Sunday in Lent.

Many families make a small Advent wreath for use at home. Although the candles on the wreath in church are lit only on Sundays, the candles on the family's wreath usually are lit each night of the week, accompanied with a variety of prayers or rituals. Some families place a white or light-colored candle in the middle of the Advent wreath on Christmas Eve to symbolize the coming of the Christ Child. This candle symbolizes the connection between the Old and the New Testaments. Whatever is chosen, prayers and rituals should be appropriate and relevant to all members of the family.

WORSHIP TOGETHER

TODAY'S READING

FIRST READING

The prophet Isaiah foresaw a time when all nations would unite in peace over their common belief and worship of Israel's God. What do you think a world totally at peace looks like?

SECOND READING

Paul taught the believers in Rome that salvation and the end of time were closely connected. Thus, he encouraged avoiding immoral behavior such as drunkenness, promiscuity, envy, or jealousy. What motivates you to live a moral life?

GOSPEL

Jesus taught his disciples that no one knows when the Son of Man will return to earth, so "be prepared" at all times. As we begin the season of Advent, how might you be better prepared for welcoming Jesus into your life? ©LPI



Mass
INTENTIONS

Monday, November 28

8:00AM † Leonard Panza

Tuesday, November 29

8:00AM † Joseph Bonsignori

Wednesday, November 30—St. Andrew, Apostle

8:00AM † Mary & Paul Giardina

Thursday, December 1

10:00AM OLL † Ella & John Reilly

Friday, December 2

8:00AM † Frederick & Marion Hess

7:00PM † Deceased Members of the McAuliffe and Fitzgerald Family

Saturday, December 3—St. Francis Xavier, Priest

4:00PM † Marta & Pasquale Florio & Family

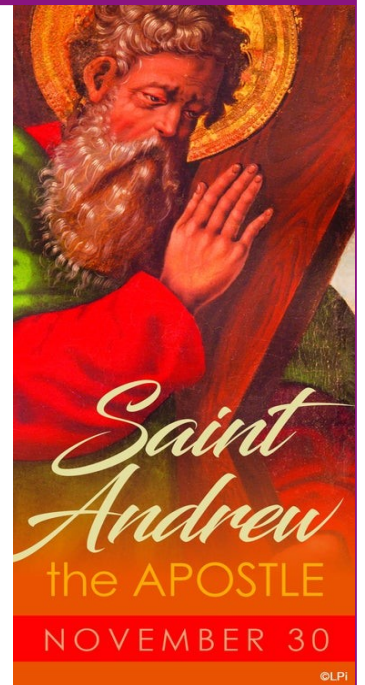
Sunday, December 4—Second Sunday of Advent

7:00AM † Special Intentions

9:00AM † Patrick Allocca, Doreen Chiara

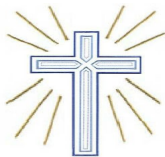
10:00AM OLL † Special Intentions—Patrick Giblin

11:00AM † Bernard Migliorini, Andrew Joseph Purcell



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Tara LaBarca, Baby Gabriel, Gallagher, Riyan Richard, Blythe Finn, Rose Bierbaum, DMIM, Charles Pomeroy, Peter Orleman, Anthony Pelle, Jr., Danielle Quattrochi, Sharonlee Davino, Helena Elsa Allen, Alyssa K, Baby Riley, Peter Bellina, Jr., Christina Grigoli, Melanie Chang, Shalini D'Souza, Jim Casper, Anthony Pelle, Lisa Bolton, John Nelson, Grayce Novaro, Karen Dalgin, Juan Cerda, John Klein, Raja Rajeswari, Peter Hagon, Marissa Bochichio, Frank & Barbara Jacobacci, Ron Cognetta, Daniel Hurley.



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.

Gloria Blum

Guardians needed for First Fridays Eucharistic Adoration

We are in need of guardians here at Our Lady Queen of Peace on First Fridays. If you would like to volunteer an hour to spend with Jesus each month, please call the rectory at 718-351-1093.



FATHER GANNON SCHOLARSHI FUND

This Fund helps students who attend OLQP School to remain in school when their family suffers a long term set back. Please make checks payable to: **OLQP/ Father Gannon Scholarship Fund.**

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.

November 13th

Sunday Collection	\$5,796.00
Shrine Candles	\$199.00
Archdiocese Military	\$1,801.00

Thank you for your generosity.

**Parish Weekly Expense
\$11,056.00**

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Being Surprised by Christ

Some people hate surprise parties. There are those who are uncomfortable with a last-minute vacation or even an unexpected travel upgrade. If it wasn't part of the plan, it's a cause for consternation.

There is a temptation to view these folks as curmudgeonly — sticks in the mud, obsessed with predictability. But I think if we're being honest, there's a little bit of the surprise-averse in all of us.

Deep within the very heart of the element of surprise is a kernel of shock. And shock, in the moment, can feel similar to trauma. If we reflect on the most traumatic occurrences of our lives — a loss, an accident, a calamity — it is likely that we will say this: "It was the shock more than anything that got to me." Grief or fear, those feelings were overwhelming as well, but they came later. In the first moment, all we knew was we were going about our lives on one path until we were thrust on a different one and then the whole future changed.

This is the natural rhythm of our life here on earth. We never know what is coming — which is to say, in a beautiful way, we always know what is coming. More importantly, we know Who is coming. Like the early riser who sets the "pre-alarm" (the one on which he knows he's going to hit snooze just to take the edge off the disappointment of waking up), we are always being given a heads-up in Scripture. From the earliest prophecies of the Messiah to Jesus' reminders in the Gospel to the very last words of Revelations, God has communicated to His stewards: You know the time. The time is now. We are called to constant vigilance, perpetual renewal, steadfast accountability.

In the end, the coming of Christ may be the only event in history that was a surprise, but not a shock — and so it will only be beautiful, even for those who hate surprise parties.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Whether it is the surgeon performing an operation or the pilot directing a flight, one expects them to be alert. When we entrust our lives to someone, we presume that they will attend to them with the utmost care and vigilance. If we have this expectation of others, why would we not have it of ourselves? Our lives are precious vessels on an eternal journey. We can only stay afloat and on the course because of God's love and mercy. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. God's word transforms all that it touches, even a lukewarm heart. Let us seek God's grace this Advent season so that we can walk more fully in His light. Then, finding ourselves more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful, we will be eager and well prepared to meet our Lord when He comes. Why would we not want to be ready, awake, and watchful for the One we have waited for so long?

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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 Lamp for this week is donated in memory of Anthony Cicero requested by Jean Cicero.

BREAD AND WINE

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.

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Our Lady Queen of Peace Christmas Wreaths

This year we are offering an opportunity to memorialize your family or loved ones with evergreen Christmas wreaths to be displayed outside the Church. Those interested in a Christmas memorial should contact the rectory. Only 75 wreaths are for purchase and minimum donation for the wreath is \$75.00. Wreaths will be also be available at Our Lady of Lourdes. Wreaths will be inside on the Church wall. These will be a different size and the donation will be \$100. Please note, only 10 will be available.

NEWS AND EVENTS



24 Hours of Adoration

Our Lady Queen of Peace Church

Friday December 2nd at 7am, pauses for Masses at 8am and Healing Mass at 7pm, concluding with Mass on First Saturday, December 3rd at 8am.

As part of our Eucharistic Revival to create a deep awareness and appreciation for the source of our spiritual strength, come and spend an hour in the special presence of the Lord! Please spread the word and bring your family.

If you are interested in being a Guardian for one hour, please call the rectory—718-351-1093 or Edwin—347-538-5680.

Vocations: The Elijah Cup

In 1 Kings 17, during a drought, Elijah tells the poor widow of Zarephath that if she makes him a small loaf of bread with the last of her flour and oil, her "jar of flour will not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the Lord sends rain upon the earth." In faith, the widow baked the bread and fed Elijah. For the next year, the widow, her son, and Elijah ate bread made from the bowl of flour and jug of oil. Like this poor widow, we pray in faith for vocations, believing that our cup will also never run dry.

Each week a parishioner will take the chalice home, put it in a prominent place, and pray daily for vocations. This is a wonderful way for families to pray for vocations and to unite the parish in perpetual prayer for priest and consecrated life. For more information or if you are interested in signing up, please call the rectory at 718-351-1093 and ask to be put in touch with Elizabeth Fennimore.



100th Anniversary Celebration Cruise

Sail into Summer with family and friends to the paradise of the Atlantic – Bermuda. Enjoy iconic pink-sand beaches, crystal clear water and exquisite wonders within easy reach.

Sail from Cape Liberty, Bayonne, New Jersey Dockyard on Celebrity Summit Cruise ship to Royal Dockyard, Bermuda on Sunday, June 4th, 2023, and returning on June 11th, 2023.

Experience 21 square miles of socially distanced fun.

Balcony cabins \$1,942.00 and Ocean View No Balcony Cabins \$1,596.00 per person. Cost includes Taxes, Port Fees,

Classic Beverage Fees and Wi-Fi Service.

Call Bonnie McDermott: 718-979-3900 at Blue Ribbon Travel, 45 New Dorp Lane, Staten Island, NY to reserve your cabin.

Entertainment and Celebration is part of the 100th year of Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish.



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>

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.

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