

**THE 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 1st, 2017**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 30th:
8:00 am	Ricardo Valentin
5:00 pm	Ronald Santa
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 1st :
7:30 am	Thomas Antonelli
9:00 am	Elizabeth & Wayne Hammer
10:30 am	Frank Riso, Lucy D'Orlando & Joseph DeMeglio
NOON	Francesco & Angela Colella
MONDAY	OCTOBER 2nd:
7:30 am	For All Parishioners
8:30 am	Rosaria DiGiacomo
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 3rd:
7:30 am	Gaetano & Carmine DiBenedetto
8:30 am	Melvin O'Connor
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 4th:
7:30 am	Salvatore Magliocco
8:30 am	Hugh White, Jr.
THURSDAY	OCTOBER 5th:
7:30 AM	Intentions of Teresa Hiatt Brown
8:30 am	Victor J. Cherichetti
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 6th:
7:30 am	Judy K. Collins
8:30 am	George Agius
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 7th:
8:00 am	Ellyn Iadarola
12:00 pm	Blessing of Animals
5:00 pm	Mary Tedesco
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 8th:
7:30 am	Joseph Galiano Sr. & Vinny Galiano
9:00 am	Loretta Gehrke
10:30 am	Members of Giannini & Riciglia Families
12:00 NOON	Melissa McGinlay

MORNING 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.

At St. Anthony of Padua there is Recitation of the Rosary and Devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

SATURDAY	SEPTEMBER 30th:
5:00 pm	Stanley Prachniak
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 1st:
8:00 am	Dolores Bray
11:00 am	John Wolenski, Sr.
MONDAY	OCTOBER 2nd:
7:30 am	Special Intentions
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 4th:
7:30 am	Maria Vecchio
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 6th:
7:30 am	Hermania Manaluz
SATURDAY	OCTOBER 7th:
5:00 pm	Czelawa Prachniak
SUNDAY	OCTOBER 8th:
8:00 am	Robert Merlino
11:00 am	Michael Dantoni

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 1st:



Our Lady of Pity

The Altar Breads and Wines,

are being offered in memory of

ELLEN IADAROLA

requested lovingly by her family

The Main Altar Candles

are being offered in memory of

LUCY COLANDREO

requested lovingly by Teresa & Fred Monforte

Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday – Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm

SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

**PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Do you desire a more loving relationship with Jesus? Beginning September 1st and every 1st Friday thereafter, 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 9:00 pm. 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Religious Education classes have begun. The last day to register will be September 29th, 2017.

BIBLE STUDY

Anyone interested in discovering a deeper relationship with God through the power of the Holy Spirit should join us in the Parish Center beginning September 11th at 7:30 pm. Classes will be held on Monday evenings. The Wild Goose is a 14 session program that will awaken our hearts in the transforming power of God's Love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Anyone interested in attending should call the rectory @ 718-761-5421 or Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920 to register. The cost is \$20, which will cover the cost of materials.

WEDDING BANNS

Second: Trisha Mongelli and Daniel Floridaia

LETTERS TO OUR LOVED ONES

On All Souls Day, Thursday, November 2nd at 7:30 pm, we will have a “Letters to Our Loved Ones” prayer service. You can bring a letter to a loved one that has died. This is an opportunity to express the things we did not convey when our loved ones were alive; or, simply to let them know that they have not been forgotten. Place the letter in a sealed

envelope and when you arrive at Church leave it in the basket which will be carried to the altar during the service. At the conclusion of the liturgy the basket of letters will be carried outside and placed in a fire. As the flames burn the letters, our thoughts and prayers will rise to heaven. Since this is a prayer service and not a Mass, non-Catholics should feel welcome and comfortable attending our service.

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **OCTOBER** “50/50” drawing are available in the back of St. Anthony's church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **OCTOBER** “50/50” drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish. Please place your envelope in the collection basket. **Cash only**, no checks please.

JOIN THE CHOIRS

The **Adult Choir** will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 20th at 8 pm in the Parish Center.

The **Youth Choir** will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 20th from 7 – 8 pm in the Parish Center.

New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses, or you may call Ron at 347-770-3477 for information.

Choir at St. Anthony of Padua meets after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass. Or call Fernando Pascual, Music Director at 718-494-6438.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group (grades 6-8 and High School) meets every third Friday of the month in the parish center. New members are always welcome! See Mrs. Amparo Caruso or Ms. Marissa Ponterella for details or email ourladyofpityyouthgroup@outlook.com. Any type of donations to our youth group program will be greatly appreciated.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of **St. Anthony's Church**. Thank you and God Bless.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or a friend are interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you need to be confirmed, the RCIA Program

invites you to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary.

**OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
MASS SCHEDULE:**

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7th:
5:00 pm M. O'Brien-R. Colella
SUNDAY OCTOBER 8th:
7:30 am B. Madaio-M. Madaio
9:00 am T. Hanley-A. Davis
10:30 am E. Boccieri-J. Boccieri
NOON R. Geronimo-V. Geronimo

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 7th:
5:00 pm M. Pontarella
SUNDAY OCTOBER 8th:
7:30 am C. Daniels
9:00 am N. Tricorico
10:30 am J. Magliocco
NOON S. Bilardi

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY OCTOBER 7th:
5:00 pm C. Baria-E. Baria
SUNDAY OCTOBER 8th:
7:30 am M. Zerega-M. Maningas
9:00 am J. Inigo-M. Maguire-I. Maguire
10:30 am N. Lopez-M. Tubay-M. Santa-H. Bailey
NOON J. Venditto-N. Lopez-D. Pangilinan

**NEW YORK CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL
PROGRAM**

Discover Scripture, discover yourself. Blessed Sacrament Church, Staten Island, will host a class on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 6, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. Who should apply? Adults seeking "something more" in their spiritual journey, and who can commit to two years of study and weekly assignments. No particular educational background is required. Parish catechists who have completed Levels 1 & 2 Catechist Formation and are seeking Levels 3 & 4 through the Bible School. Special discounts for catechists. Registration is a must. For more information e-mail: Bible@archny.org or telephone Maureen McKew, Firector @ 646-794-2855 or Elda Luisi, Registrar @ 646-794-2862

FLU SEASON

Flu season is right around the corner! Protect yourself and your loved ones. Rite Aide will be offering flu shots in the Parish Center on October 10th from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm.

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MATTHEW 21:28-32

Jesus speaks words of rebuke to the chief priests and the elders because they are not believing the teachings of John the Baptist. He warns them that tax collectors and prostitutes, who do believe John, will enter the Kingdom of God before them.

HIS WORD TODAY

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“But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, and does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life, since he has turned away from all the sins he has committed, he shall surely live...when John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him, but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.”

We are all called to conversion, to turn away from what is wrong or evil, and turn to what is good and beautiful. Unfortunately, some believe that conversion is an event of a single moment. God's grace inspires or impels us to change and do what is right and just. The one shining moment comes and takes over.

But for most of us, conversion is a lifelong process. We constantly are on guard to avoid what is evil, resist what impedes holiness, and continue the struggle as we 'hang in there.' We all experience that fight. Maybe we can use another approach. Conversion is not so much a turning from, but a turning to. We are summoned to turn to Christ, His life, the life of grace.

It is whom we seek that is important. When we keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the obstacles and barrier are lessened and the direction of our lives becomes clearer. When we realize that Jesus has His eyes on us and is seeking us, we come to THE shining moment.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING
(PARISH PAY PROGRAM)**

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log onto www.parishpay.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1

The Sick

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshipping 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: **Neil Amodio, Rusty Amodio, MaryAnn Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Barbara Bilardi, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Betteanne Foley, Fannie Marro, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Lenora Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Angie Mendez, Charles Messina, Lucille Messina, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi. Gloria Scaglione**

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.

ST. PETER'S BOYS H.S. CELEBRATES IT'S 100th ANNIVERSARY

Education is an awesome advantage for individuals and their communities, and this year marks the 100th anniversary of a great blessing for the people of Staten Island. For it was in 1917 that The Brothers of the Christian Schools came to Staten Island to open St. Peter's Boys H.S. in West Brighton. Since then, more than 10,000 graduates have received a Catholic High School education of heart and soul as well as mind and body. In fact, it is the goal of the faculty of St. Peter's to be Builders of Boys, Makers of Men. Therefore it is very fitting that hundreds of grateful supporters and alumni will join our Archbishop Timothy Cardinal Dolan for an inspiring Centennial Mass in St. Peter's Church at 3 pm on Sunday, **October 22, 2017**. Tickets are required for the Mass. It will be followed by a Gala Dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn at 5:30 pm. Space is limited in both spaces, so please plan now to be part of these happy events. Alumni, friends and supporters can go online now to www.SaintPeters100Years.org to reserve a table of seats, to take an ad in the commemorative book that is being created, and to see other ways that you can be part of this historic and impressive commemoration for a school that is strong and vibrant and a real blessing for the Staten Island of the present and future.

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. The following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center

Legion of Mary Thurs. 7:00 pm St. Jude Chapel

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Our Lady of Pity Rosary Altar Society: Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua Ladies Auxiliary: Meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Lady of Pity: Second Sunday of the month Mass at 10:30 am; that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua: Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass.

CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place at Our Lady of Pity gym on Friday, October 13th at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 7:00 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.00 which includes some tickets for prizes, cake and coffee. The cost of the chances is \$15.00. Prizes are: \$2,000, \$500, and \$300. Upon receipt of your Chance Books, either return them by mail, put them in the Sunday collection or drop them off at one of the rectories. Winner need not be present to win. Please return any unused chance books. Proceeds from these chances help to defray the many costs and expenses incurred by our parish throughout the year. Anyone wishing to donate new items would be greatly appreciated. As always, thank you for your support.

PASTA DINNER

Knights of Columbus, Saint Anthony of Padua Council 16134, 3rd Annual Pasta Dinner, Saturday, October 14, 2017, 7pm – 11 pm, Our Lady of Pity Gym, donation \$25 per person, children 6-13 yrs. \$15/5yr. & under free!, For tickets contact: Ralph Bencivenga @ 917-499-3609, Joseph Carolei @ 718-300-1784, Joseph Scalici @ 718-885-7687. Various pasta & meat dishes, salad, dessert, coffee, beer, wine, soda, 50/50 and raffles. All are welcome to attend. Please make a reservation as soon as possible.

WESTBURY MUSIC FAIR

“Married to Broadway”

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Featuring the stars of Les Miserables

A Broadway Love Story for the Actors & the Audience!

Barbara Russell & Ron Sharpe – Join this couple and their friends for a Musical afternoon.

2:00 pm show

Dinner at Verdi's, Bus & Gratuities

Cost: \$100 per person

For Information & Reservation please call

Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

SANDS CASINO, BETHLEHEM, PA

Cirque Dreams Holiday

Monday, November 27, 2017

New Cirque Show, Broadway Musical & Christmas Spectacular – All in One!

Cost: \$98. Per person (includes \$30 slot play)

Celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2017, Cirque Dreams Holiday, lights up the holiday season with its critically acclaimed holiday stage extravaganza. This spectacular has over 300 costumes, 20 acts & 30 artists from every corner of the globe. See snowmen, penguins, angels, toy soldiers, soaring acrobatics, illusions & more!!

Bus will leave from St. Anthony's Church at 9:00 am.

Please call Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

SANDS CASINO

October 12th, Bus leaves in front of Our Lady of Pity at 9:00 am. Cost is \$38. Per person with \$25 cash back and \$5 food voucher. 35 people needed to go. For information and reservation call Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475

THANK YOU

The Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Pity would like to thank all our parishioners, their families and all our volunteers who attended our Family Day Picnic. All who attended had a good time, especially the children.

HOLIDAY MAGIC

Dinner Dance at Resorts Casino Hotel, AC

Christmas comes but once a year, come out and celebrate with some holiday cheer!! Thursday & Friday, November 30th to December 1st, 2017, \$215. per person. Trip includes 1 night at Resorts Hotel & Casino, \$30 lunch voucher, \$5. breakfast voucher. \$20 slot play, holiday gift for all, holiday dinner dance at Resorts, sit down dinner, music & dancing, Santa Claus, live show, Resorts Casino Matinee Show, deluxe motorcoach transportation.

Contact Lena Magliocco at 718-761-8216

MONSIGNOR FARRELL HIGH SCHOOL

2900 Amboy Rd., S.I., NY

Open House – Sunday, October 15th, 11:30 am to 3:00 pm
718-987-2900

www.msgrfarrellhs.org

MOORE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Will be hosting their annual Open House on Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

100 Merrill Avenue, S.I., NY 718-761-9200

ST. JOHN VILLA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

25 Landis Ave., S.I., NY 10305

www.sjva.org

Open House, Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Empowering young women to realize their full spiritual, intellectual, moral and social potential for over 80 years.

ST. JOSEPH BY-THE-SEA HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

5150 Hylan Blvd., S.I., NY – 718-984-6500

Sunday, October 15th for Girls – 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Sunday, October 22nd for Boys – 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

ST. PAUL'S PUBLISHING

Operated by the priests and brothers of the Society of St. Paul at the Alba House, located on Victory Blvd., S.I., NY, has a vacancy for a part-time sales assistant in its marketing department. Fluency in both English and Spanish, good computing skills and a pleasant phone manner are required. For a job application form, contact Dora Torres at 1-800-343-2522 between 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm on weekdays, or email dora@stpauls.us.

