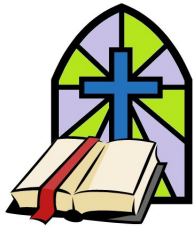


**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 15th, 2017**



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

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| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 14th:</b>                           |
| 8:00 am          | Linda Badalamenti                              |
| 5:00 pm          | Marie & Angelo Andolino                        |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 15th:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | John J. Flanagan                               |
| 9:00 am          | Maria Ferrer & Carmen Martinez                 |
| 10:30 am         | Caroline & Christie DePaulo &<br>Leo Scagilone |
| NOON             | Kenny G. Fung                                  |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 16th:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | For All Parishioners                           |
| 8:30 am          | Grzegorz Serafin                               |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>   | <b>JANUARY 17th:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | For All Parishioners                           |
| 8:30 am          | Giuseppe Granata                               |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>JANUARY 18th :</b>                          |
| 7:30 am          | Wanda & Stefan Wroblewski                      |
| 8:30 am          | For All Parishioners                           |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 19th:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | Ricardo Valentin                               |
| 8:30 am          | Rose Rocca                                     |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 20th:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | For All Parishioners                           |
| 8:30 am          | Kathryn A. Bartelini                           |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 21st:</b>                           |
| 8:00 am          | Frank Gialanella                               |
| 5:00 pm          | Catherine O'Brien                              |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 22nd:</b>                           |
| 7:30 am          | In Thanksgiving of Padre Pio                   |
| 9:00 am          | Elizabeth Ferraro                              |
| 10:30 am         | Cangelosi Family                               |
| NOON             | Rose Giallombardo                              |

**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:**

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| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>JANUARY 14th:</b>     |
| 5:00 pm          | Charles Scepkowski       |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 15th:</b>     |
| 8:00 am          | All Souls in Purgatory   |
| 11:00 am         | Joseph Rentkowski        |
| <b>MONDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 16th:</b>     |
| 7:30 am          | Msgr. Alfred A. Varriale |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> | <b>JANUARY 18th:</b>     |
| 7:30 am          | Ronald LaMarca           |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 20th:</b>     |
| 7:30 am          | Andrew Villa             |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>  | <b>January 21st:</b>     |
| 5:00 pm          | Czeslaw Sawicki          |
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    | <b>JANUARY 22nd:</b>     |
| 8:00 am          | Ronald LaMarca           |
| 11:00 am         | Theresa Nelson           |

**MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 15th:**



**OUR LADY OF PITY**

The **SANCTUARY LAMP** is being offered in memory of

**CARMINE & GAETANO DI BENEDETTO**

Requested lovingly by Margart Di Benedetto

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



**SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA**

Join us for the next Family Day on Saturday, February 11th, 1:30 – 4:30 pm. Our topic will be the Mass.

Parent Meeting for Confirmation will be held on

Wednesday, February 15, 2017, in Our Lady of Pity Church at 7:00 pm.

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.

### **SRI LANKAN MASS**

Each Sunday at 6:00 pm here at Our Lady of Pity Fr. Mendis holds a Sri Lankan Mass. All are welcome.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **ANNUAL HOLY NAME COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

Members of our Holy Name Society will be having their Annual Communion Breakfast on April 2, 2017. Additional information to follow. Contact Steve Bilardi at 347-861-0316.

#### **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.



#### **JOIN THE**

##### **CHOIRS**

The **Adult Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

The **Youth Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays, from 7 – 8 pm in the

Parish Center. New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our Music Director, 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.

#### **SHUT-INS**

If any member of your family is homebound and

### **MARRIAGE BOOK FOR 2018**

The Marriage Schedule Book at Our Lady of Pity is open. Please call the rectory between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest to set your marriage date.

### **THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



#### **GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-34**

When Jesus visits John, John recognizes Jesus as the “Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.” John further indicates that Jesus is truly the Messiah and “God’s chosen One.”

#### **HIS WORD TODAY**

### **THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**“But as I say, I did not recognize him. The one who sent me to baptize with water told me: “When you see the Spirit descend and rest on someone, it is he who is to baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ Now I have seen for myself, and have testified, ‘This is God’s chosen One.’**

A logo or trademark makes it easy to recognize a product. The sari of St. Teresa of Calcutta or the gentle smile of Pope Francis leave no doubt of whom we speak. A familiar melody or words from the scripture often bring joy to our ears. They stay with us. When the Baptist said he did not at first recognize the Christ until another sign was offered, he kept on looking. I ask myself, where can I recognize Christ today? How can I discover Him? The saint of Calcutta found Him in the poor and abandoned. The Holy Father tells us He is out on the streets, in the poor, homeless and needy. Where do I look?

Many young people give of themselves as Jesuit Volunteers, builders for Habitat for Humanity, Big Brothers and Sisters for our youth. These serve a dual role – they discover Christ and bring Him as well. It is kind of like a smile – something I give away and hold on to at the same time. May others recognize the Christ in me.

### **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.paritypay.com](http://www.paritypay.com) or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1

### MASS BOOK FOR 2017

Masses are available for 2017. Please call or come to the Rectory to schedule a Mass.

**OUR LADY OF PITY – 718-761-5421**

**ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA – 718-761-666**

### 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.

### 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.

### ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners from St. Anthony of Padua's Church to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. Following are the group titles and days they meet:

**Golden Age**  
**Legion of Mary**

Tues. 12-3 pm  
Thurs. 7:00 pm

Parish Center  
St. Jude Chapel

### Staten Island Centering Prayer Group

Invites you to begin 2017 with us to come pray, be still and rest in God's presence. St. Joseph's Retreat House, 850 Hylan Blvd., S.I., NY, 718-720-1097, Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-9:00 We will meet once per month, on the second Wednesday of each month. For more information please contact Anne-Louise DePalo @ 718-351-3748.



**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:

**MaryAnn Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi.**

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.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP**

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2017 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship being held on Saturday January 21, 2017 at Our Lady of Pity Gym. Registration is 9:30 am followed by the competition at 10:00 am. Local winners will be chosen by the best out of 15 foul shots. Local winners will move on to district and state competitions and would be advised of the date and time of those events.

All contestants at the local level will be recognized for their participation in this event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age (birth certificate if handy) and written parental consent. For entry forms and additional information, contact Joseph Scalici 718-885-7687, [joe83952001@yahoo.com](mailto:joe83952001@yahoo.com) or Louis Rotondo 718-757-8502, [louisarotondo@gmail.com](mailto:louisarotondo@gmail.com).

5:00 pm  
**SUNDAY**  
 7:30 am  
 9:00 am  
 10:30 am  
 NOON

M. Donadic  
**JANUARY 22nd:**  
 M. Salcedo  
 M. Pontarella  
 P. Magliocco  
 S. Bilardi

**ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY**  
 5:00 pm  
**SUNDAY**  
 7:30 am  
 9:00 am  
 10:30 am  
 NOON

**JANUARY 21st:**  
 J. Venditto-H. Bailey-J. Bosco  
**JANUARY 22nd:**  
 J. Tangco-M. Zerega  
 M. Tubay-M. Santa-M. Santa  
 R. Whalen-D. Pangilinan-C. Baria-E. Baria  
 R. Eckman-J. Flood-M. Maguire-I. Maguire



**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.

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

We will be implementing a new policy regarding **cell phones**. First, discourage children from bringing them to class. This was specified in the Parent Handbook on the back side of the yearly calendar given out in the fall:

7. Children should not bring cell phones into the building. Any necessary messages can be given to the Director.

If it is really **necessary** for your children to have a phone, they are to place it in the box on the teacher's desk with their name on it as they enter the classroom. If someone does use a phone without permission, it will be confiscated and a fine of \$25 must be paid before it is returned.

Thank you for your cooperation!  
 Father John Wroblewski, Pastor  
 Sister M. Marcia Vinje, Director of Religious Education

**OUR LADY OF PITY PARISHIONERS**

**Our Lady of Pity is in need of the following:**

- PURPLE ALTAR CLOTH** (Used during Advent & Lent)
  - RED ALTAR CLOTH** (Used for Confirmation & Pentecost) \$750. each
  - BRAZIER** (Used for lighting the new fire on Holy Saturday) \$2,000.
  - COPE, STOLE & HUMERAL VIEL** (Used for Stations during Lent) \$750.
- Anyone wishing to **donate the cost** of any of the items as a gift or memorialize for a loved one, please call the rectory @ 718-761-5421.

**SAVE THE DATE**

On Saturday, April 29, 2017 at 7:00 pm the parish of Our Lady of Pompeii at 25 Carmine St. in Greenwich Village will be hosting a gala Dinner Dance Reunion. All OLP alumni, family and friends are invited! Please go to their Facebook page titled, "OLP Reunion" for future announcements.



**"LUCKY 40 CLUB"**

**OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY JANUARY 21st:**  
 5:00 pm E. Bocchieri- J. Bocchieri  
**SUNDAY JANUARY 22nd:**  
 7:30 am T. Hanley-J. Salcedo  
 9:00 am V. Violetta-C. Violetta  
 10:30 am S. LaRosa-I. LaRosa  
 NOON M. Terracino-N. Terracino

**LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY: JANUARY 21st:**

This Fund Raiser is used for additional funds for the maintenance of BOTH worship sites. The Building Fund is not sufficient to cover any unexpected expenses that are incurred. The **LUCKY 40 CLUB** has two sessions. January to May and June to October. The cost is \$40 per session. Complete details are on the form. Thank you for your support.

### ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **JANUARY** "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 **JANUARY** "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.



### CARNIVALE

Fat Tuesday, February 28, 2017

6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

DaNoi Restaurant, 4358 Victory Blvd.

Menu: Salad, Pasta, Entrée, Unlimited Soda, Coffee and Dessert. (Cash Bar)

Reservations limited to 100 people, \$40 per person

Anyone interested, please call St. Anthony's Rectory 718-761-6660 or OLOP Rectory 718-761-5421

If you are interested in going please put your check made payable to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua in the collection basket labeled "Carnivale".

**Please note: There are only 20 seats left.**

If anyone has gifts that they would like to contribute to the gift table for Carnivale, please call a rectory.

### STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship grown cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but (both of you) wish to try again

– then the Retrouvaille program may help you.

**Retrouvaille** (Rediscovery) sponsored by the Family Life Office/Diocese of Metuchen consists of a weekend experience for couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions.

The next program is scheduled for the weekend of **February 10-12, 2017**. All inquiries are confidential. For more details please call the Family Life Office 732-243-4573. Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Tom & Pat McTague 732-583-4468 (evenings).

### MARCH FOR LIFE

Pam Tebow (mother of Christian athlete Tim Tebow) to speak at prayer service on the morning of the March for Life!

Friday, January 27, 2017 in Washington, D.C.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Memorial for the Preborn and their Mothers and Fathers. 8:30-10:30 am, DAR Constitution Hall, 1776 D. Street, NW (18<sup>th</sup> and D St. Washington, DC 20006 Free Admission, no tickets required. Large groups welcome. Catholic Mass at 7:30 am (doors open at 7:00 am) Interdenominational Service: 8:30-10:30 am, leaving plenty of time to get to the March for Life rally. E-mail [Christa@nprcouncil.org](mailto:Christa@nprcouncil.org).



### ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

The New York Blood Center plans to run another Winter Blood Drive at Our Lady of Pity Church. It is planned to take place the morning of January 29, 2017 from 8:15 am to 2:15 pm in the gym. Help save a life!

### RESPECT LIFE

#### PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN

Beautiful prayer cards will be distributed on the weekend of January 21<sup>st</sup> and January 22<sup>nd</sup> at **St. Anthony of Padua Church**. The precious prayer was written by the late Bishop Fulton Sheen. Join us in praying for the unborn. Please give generously as we will be collecting for Good Counsel Home for mothers and babies on Staten Island.

### TOURING TUESDAY

Considering a Catholic Elementary School for your child? Are you interested in learning more about

Staten Island Catholic schools serving children in grades Pre K3, Pre-K 4 Free UPF and Kindergarten through Grade 8? Register to visit a Catholic school on **touring Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 9-11 am.** Our online admission application is now open. For more information, to schedule a tour, apply for admissions, or to find out more about our financial assistance programs, visit [www.buildboldfutures.org](http://www.buildboldfutures.org) or call our bilingual phones at 646-794-2885. Private tours are available.

### **COULD GOD BE CALLING YOU TO A VOCATION AS A SECULAR FRANCISCAN?**

The **Order of SecularFranciscans** is a branch of the worldwide Franciscan Family. It was founded by St. Francis of Assisi himself for those lay people who are single or married, but who wish to follow in his footsteps as their way to grow in the spiritual life, and we endeavor to sincerely mirror his Christ-like example, especially toward those we encounter as we go about our day.

We invite you to join us as our guest at our next meeting on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm, at **Msgr. Farrell High School** (first floor). Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Justin Biase, OFM Conv., our latest member will be admitted to the Order, and we will enjoy the annual January celebration of the Extractions of Saints. Refreshments will be served. For more information, email us at [Franciscans@verizon.net](mailto:Franciscans@verizon.net) and check out our website at [franciscansatfarrell.org](http://franciscansatfarrell.org).