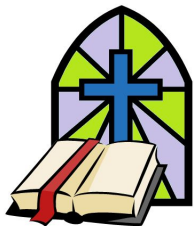


**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 22nd, 2017**



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

SATURDAY	JANUARY 21st:
8:00 am	Frank Gialanella
5:00 pm	Catherine O'Brien
SUNDAY	JANUARY 22nd:
7:30 am	In Thanksgiving to Padre Pio
9:00 am	Elizabeth Ferraro
10:30 am	Cangelosi Family
NOON	Rose Giallombardo
MONDAY	JANUARY 23rd:
7:30 am	For All Parishioners
8:30 am	For All Parishioners
TUESDAY	JANUARY 24th:
7:30 am	Karen Ebbe & MarySue Berschens
8:30 am	For All Parishioners
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 25th :
7:30 am	For All Parishioners
8:30 am	For All Parishioners
THURSDAY	JANUARY 26th:
7:30 am	For All Parishioners
8:30 am	For All Parishioners
FRIDAY	JANUARY 27th:
7:30 am	For All Parishioners
8:30 am	For All Parishioners
SATURDAY	JANUARY 28th:
8:00 am	Salvatore Garafalo
5:00 pm	Michael Mazzella & Carmela Rubino
SUNDAY	JANUARY 29th:
7:30 am	In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony
9:00 am	John Franca
10:30 am	Michael Russ Russo
NOON	Ermanno Baldessari

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	JANUARY 21st:
5:00 pm	Czeslaw Sawicki
SUNDAY	JANUARY 22nd:
8:00 am	Ronald LaMarca
11:00 am	Theresa Nelson
MONDAY	JANUARY 23rd:
7:30 am	Jessie Keeton
WEDNESDAY	JANUARY 25th:
7:30 am	Edward Matusiak
FRIDAY	JANUARY 27th:
7:30 am	Edward Matusiak
SATURDAY	January 8th:
5:00 pm	Mary Sawicki
SUNDAY	JANUARY 29th:
8:00 am	Lourdes Lumapat
11:00 am	Nicholas S. Chicola, Jr.

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 22nd:



OUR LADY OF PITY

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

STEWART WROBLEWSKI

Requested lovingly by his family

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.

Retreat for 8th grade Confirmation candidates will be Friday, March 3, 2017 in Our Lady of Pity Church at 7:00 pm

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 All are Welcome! Additional information to follow. Contact Steve Bilardi at 917-892-3017.

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 unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if

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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be "fishers of men."

HIS WORD TODAY

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I beg you brothers in the name of Lord Jesus Christ, to agree on what you say. Let there be no factions; rather be united in mind and judgment...Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel – not with wordy 'wisdom' however, lest the cross of Christ be rendered void of its meaning.

From the early days of the church questions and disputes arose, as the communities were formed and began to grow. Two thousand years later, people continue to line up, choose a banner or are pasted with a label. The words of St. Paul should cause us to pause and think.

I hear many sermons, read many tracts, watch a variety of religious programs. All seem to have different perspectives. If they are credible, they should lead us to the cross of Jesus Christ. If they fail to do this, they are of little worth.

Did we not hear the scripture words "there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God who is Father?" May we learn to listen with a special ear, discern with a keen eye and discover the wisdom of Jesus Christ and the cross. Next time, don't listen for just what you want to hear, but what you need to hear.

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

of Pity. 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

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.

Please note: The next Mass and meeting will be February 12th at 11:00.

Our **50/50 Raffle** has been extended until February 12th. Drawing will be held after the 11:00 am Mass. The members thank you for your support in this fund raising effort. If all tickets are sold, winner will receive \$2,000 and St. Anthony's will receive \$2,000.

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

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 11th 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:

Hugo Acciazatti, 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.

THE ARCHDIOCESAN CATECHETICAL OFFICE

THE STATEN ISLAND REGIONAL CATECHETICAL OFFICE

Invites you to be spiritually refreshed and renewed at our **25th Annual Day of Prayer for Catechists and**

Catechetical Leaders, Saturday, March 18, 2017,
 St. Charles School, 200 Penn Avenue, 9:30 am
 Presenter: Dr. Carole Eipers, Sadlier National Religion
 Consultant. Please RSVP to your Director/Coordinator
 by March 10, 2017. Lunch will be provided.
 Sponsored by: W.H. Sadlier, Inc.

SUNDAY **JANUARY 29th:**
 7:30 am J. Magliocco
 9:00 am N. Tricorico
 10:30 am C. Daniels
 NOON I. Bialza



BUS TRIP

Atlantic City – Golden Nugget

Date: February 1, 2017
 Cost: \$38.00 per person with \$25 cash back and free
 Buffet. (We must have at least 35 people to go)
 Time: Bus will leave from Our Lady of Pity Church at
 9:00 am
 For information and reservation, please call
 Agnes Davis at 718-494-5475

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

SATURDAY **JANUARY 28th:**
 5:00 pm A. Davis-J. Salcedo
SUNDAY **JANUARY 29th:**
 7:30 am B. Madaio-M. Madaio
 9:00 am K. Carpenito-M. Langone
 10:30 am J. Coraci-M. Mendez
 NOON D. Marro-F. Marro

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:
SATURDAY: JANUARY 28th:
 5:00 pm M. Salcedo

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY **JANUARY 28th:**
 5:00 pm J. Bosco-C. Baria-E. Baria
SUNDAY **JANUARY 29th:**
 7:30 am D. Pangilinan-J. Inigo
 9:00 am M. Maguire-I. Maguire-H. Bailey
 10:30 am J. Venditto-R. Eckman-D. Boniface-
 A. Boniface
 NOON N. Lopez-M. Santa-M. Santa-F. Aum



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 PARISHIONERS

Our Lady of Pity is in need of the following:

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.

THANK YOU!

Fr. John would like to thank the Sri Lankan Catholic Community of New York and New Jersey for donating the cost of the **Purple Altar Cloth** to be used during Advent and Lent.

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”

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

SOLD OUT!!

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 have not already done so, please put your check made payable to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua in the collection basket labeled “Carnivale”.

If anyone has gifts that they would like to contribute to the raffle 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 23rd Annual National Memorial for the Preborn and their Mothers and Fathers. 8:30-10:30 am, DAR Constitution Hall, 1776 D. Street, NW (18th 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.



GIVE BLOOD SAVE LIFE 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 21st and January 22nd 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.

ADOPTION

Children in China need homes. More boys available than girls. Older parents and single women welcome.

For more information call Barbara Salvesen at 845-623-5277.

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 31st 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 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.

For more information, email us at Franciscans@verizon.net and check out our website at franciscansatfarrell.org.