

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 24TH, 2014**



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY AUGUST 23RD:

5:00 pm Joan & Robert Young & John Gale

SUNDAY AUGUST 24TH:

7:30 am Gloria A. Lombino
9:00 am Mary Grace & Mariano Papa
10:30 am Francesco & Anna Ieraci
NOON Joseph A. Magliocco

MONDAY AUGUST 25TH:

7:30 am Danielle Ngai

TUESDAY AUGUST 26TH:

7:30 am Jason Ravelo

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 27TH:

7:30 am Eulogio Gonzalez

THURSDAY AUGUST 28TH:

7:30 am Thomas Manisero

FRIDAY AUGUST 29TH:

7:30 am Gloria Schmidt

SATURDAY AUGUST 30TH:

8:00 am Muriel Lee
5:00 pm John Mineo, Jr.

SUNDAY AUGUST 31ST:

7:30 am Jerry V. Esposito & Anthony Ferrantelli
9:00 am Domenico Condello
10:30 am Joseph Fusic
NOON Giuseppa Infantino

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.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a Certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. They must be registered in the parish for at least 3 months or known by one of the priests. **Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy NOT IN THE RECTORY.**

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Our Golden Age Club is suspended for the summer. The next meeting will be September 23rd at 12 Noon.

MASS SCHEDULE

The weekday 7:15 am and 8:00 am Masses will resume on Monday September 1st. Please note this on your calendars.



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF AUG. 24TH:



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in memory of:
GLORIA A. LOMBINO
lovingly requested by her daughters.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Join your fellow parishioners, and bring along your friends, to our Annual Parish Picnic. Date: Sat. Oct. 4th. Time: 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Place: Parking Lot (rain or shine). Tickets will be on sale in the vestibule of the church beginning on Sept. 6th and 7th, at which time they will cost \$10 for adults. On the day of the picnic you may purchase tickets at the door which at that time will be \$15 for adults. Children 6 to 13 years of age at any purchase time will be \$5.00, 5 years old and under free.



PARISH JUBILEE



Theme for **AUGUST** prayer is:
FOR OUR COUNTRY

We still have some reservations available for the Jubilee Gala at the Hilton Garden Inn on Sunday September 28th. Our guest of honor will be His Eminence, Cardinal Dolan. The gala will run from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm, including a complete cocktail hour, sit-down dinner and dancing, and concludes with a Viennese Hour. The Jubilee Committee will accept requests for the remaining tickets on a first-come, first served basis. Drop off your reservations at the rectory or email the Jubilee Committee at olp100years@gmail.com



MORNING DEVOTIONS

Following the 7:30 am weekday Mass there is the Recitation of the Rosary and spiritual devotions. All Fridays there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. Only on First Fridays of each month there is Benediction. On Sat. only, following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." Let your Sacrament of Marriage or Holy Orders be the rock for your vocation. Find out how on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information call toll-free 877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).

HIS WORD TODAY

"When Jesus came to the neighborhood of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples this question: 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' They replied, 'Some say' ... 'And you, who do you say that I am?' ... 'Blest are you, Simon, son of John! No mere man has revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.'"

Listening to this conversation of Jesus with Peter we affirm what Simon said. He was a companion; we are followers in the faith. If I were asked this question as one of His disciples, I wonder how I would have answered. But I prefer to ask the question in a slightly different way.

Who is Jesus Christ for me? I can answer as Peter did. I can repeat words from the scriptures telling of the teacher, miracle worker. I can recount details of His passion, death and resurrection. But the question asks something more. Who is Jesus for me today? What relevance has He in my life? Has He changed me and my way of living and thinking? Is He part of my life, present in my home, among my family, coworkers and friends?

The answer to the questions should come not from my head, nor from the catechism, but from my personal relationship with Christ. The answer is found if He lives in my heart.



GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus asks His disciples, "**Who do you say that I am?**" Peter exclaims, "You are the Messiah!" Christ then declares that Peter is the "**Rock**" upon which He will build His Church, promising him the power "**to bind**" and "**to loose.**"

DID YOU KNOW?

There's a Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel open 24 hrs.-7days a week located on the grounds of Alba House. Would you like to be an **Adorer of Christ?** Sign up and consider becoming a **guardian**. Call Peter & Gabriella at 718-442-5884 or Lydia at 718-761-2932.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

"Priests for Life" is in need of volunteer drivers to transport members of their Pastoral Team from their Staten Island office to Newark Airport. If interested, call Anthony Vento at 718-980-4400 X260.

ST. ADALBERT SCHOOL

St. Adalbert's is now accepting new registrations, from Pre-K 3 through 8th Grade. Pre-K programs have flexible half and full day sessions. Middle States Accredited and Advanced Accreditation. There is a breakfast and lunch program, early morning drop-off and after-school programs. Computers, music, Spanish programs and much more. If interested call 718-442-2020.



SPORTS PROGRAM AT OUR LADY OF PITY

There have been questions concerning our Basketball Program. We are fortunate enough to be able to have the expertise of the Athletic Director from St. Joseph by the Sea High School take care of our upcoming sports program.

He will be instructing all present coaches and hopefully many new coaches, male or female, on different coaching procedures and rules of sportsmanship. In essence he will be our athletic director as well. Hopefully we will hear from our present coaches and get some new coaches into the program. If interested in helping us out, please call the rectory this coming week to leave your cell number and we will be setting up appointments to meet with one another.

We intend to not only have a basketball program this season, but soccer and track as well. This cannot occur without the help of our parishioners in volunteering their time in coaching in any of the sports indicated.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Altar photos for both the First Holy Communion and Confirmation children may be picked up at CCD registration (dates and time listed below). **They are no longer available from the rectory.**

Fall CCD Registration will be held Sept. 9th and 10th from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center.

CLASS SCHEDULE:

Classes begin Sept. 23rd and 24th:

Tuesday	4-5:30 pm	Grades 2 and 3
Tuesday	6:30 to 8 pm	Grades 5, 6 and 7
Wednesday	4-5:30 pm	Grades 1 and 4

SIGHT & SOUND THEATRES PRESENTS "MOSES"

Join our parish with a trip to Lancaster PA to see the adventurous production of Moses. Witness the moment God first speaks to Moses at the burning bush. Experience God's awesome powers in the parting of the Red Sea. Price: \$115.00, includes deluxe bus, dinner at Good n' Plenty Restaurant and the fabulous show. All gratuities are included. For reservations and prices for children, call Lena at 718-761-8216. Bus departs at 11 am from our Church.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult Confirmation will be offered here on Staten Island at Our Lady Queen of Peace every Tuesday evening as follows: Sept. 30th, Oct. 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th and Nov. 4th, 11th and 18th. Celebration of Confirmation will be November 25th. To be eligible for this program you must be a practicing Catholic, baptized and having received First Holy Communion. Certificates of both Sacraments must be brought to the first class.

Sun. collection baskets or drop them off at the rectory. **All books are to be returned even if not taken....Thank you for your generosity to this event.**

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUPS

The death of a family member or friend confronts us with one of life's most difficult and painful challenges. The Pastoral Bereavement Program of the NY Archdiocese is the Church's response to God's call to comfort those who mourn. The Program began over 20 years ago and has grown to include over 50 parishes throughout our diocese.

The groups typically meet in a parish setting and are open to people of all faiths. Goal is to provide a safe place where the bereaved can share their experience with others, learn about the process of grief and healing and be supported by their Church family during a difficult time.

With this in mind...St. Christopher's parish plans on having afternoon and evening sessions every other Tues. in their rectory beginning on Sept. 16th. Call St. Christopher's Church @718-351-2452 if you are interested in attending a Bereavement Support Group, and give your name and tell them which session you prefer.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY AUGUST 30th:

5:00 pm M. Salcedo – I. Pastena – M. O'Brien

SUNDAY AUGUST 31st:

7:30 am M. Langone – M/M Madaio

9:00 am M/M Violetta – J. Almero

10:30 am M/M LaRosa – K. Carpenito

NOON M/M Bocchieri – J. Coraci

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY AUGUST 30th:

5:00 pm M. Salcedo

SUNDAY AUGUST 31st:

7:30 am I. Bialza

9:00 am M. Pontarella

10:30 am C. Daniels

NOON N. Tricorico

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY AUGUST 30th:

5:00 pm M. Tubay – J.Tangco – C. Rodriguez

SUNDAY AUGUST 31st:

7:30 am C. Baria – J. Clyne

9:00 am R. Eckman – J. Foresta – R. Whalen

10:30 am C. Garzon – N. Lopez – M. Santa

NOON J. Venditto – D. Pangilinan – J. Inigo

CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place in our gym on **Friday Oct. 17th at 7:30 pm**. Doors open at 7 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.00, which includes tickets for prizes. The Chance Books for this event will be mailed out to registered parishioners the week of Aug. 3rd. The book has remained the same in cost (\$15.00) as past years. Chances will be available at the auction as well. Upon receipt of your Chance Books, either return them by mail, put them in the

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Last weekend's (August 16-17th) collection was as follows:

Collection: \$ 7,031.50

Feast of the Assumption: 1,030.00

Total: \$ 8,061.50

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11TH

Please join Bishop O'Hara on Wed. evening Sept. 10th at 7:30 pm at St. Peter's Church 53 St. Marks Pl. for a concelebrated Mass commemorating the events of September 11th 2001. Bishop O'Hara will be the main celebrant and homilist.

For the thirteenth consecutive year, the University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of SI is sponsoring "***The Eve of Solemn Remembrance***".

From the very earliest days of Christianity, "the vigil-the watch through the night" – has been part of the most solemn celebrations and commemorations.

The University of Notre Dame Alumni Club of SI has revived this tradition for an ***eve of solemn remembrance***, a special event that has been held every year since Sept. 10th, 2002 at St. Peter's Church. The ***Eve of Solemn Remembrance*** is open to all Staten Islanders who seek comfort and reflection on the anniversary of the 9/11 attack.

Please join with fellow Staten Islanders at St. Peter's Church on September 10th. The service begins at 7:00 pm, with a presentation of sacred music by Maura Molloy.

THE SICK

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshiping 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, Nora Bonilla, Sally Caputo, Rosalie Carroll, Vera Cerullo, Michael Delfino, Carol Devine, Donna Hazen, John Hudson, Vanessa McIntosh, Ralph Moceo, Maria Scaglione, Ann Volpe and Joseph Volpe.

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 add the 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.

SHUT-INS

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

**PEOPLE WHO PRODUCE *GOOD RESULTS*
FEEL *GOOD* ABOUT THEMSELVES!**