

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2015**

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

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19th:**

5:00 pm Riccardo D'Elia

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>:**

7:30 am James A. Slattery

9:00 am Ann Jablonski

10:30 am Concetta and Vincent Cordero

NOON Joseph McGoff

**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21st:**

7:30 am Intentions of Gigante Family

8:30 am Dorothy Spiezia

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd:**

7:30 am For Our Parishioners

8:30 am Bill Weldon

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd:**

7:30 am Sr. M. Angela Macari

8:30 am Kamai Ryner

**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>:**

7:30 am Josephine D'Agosto

8:30 am Arcadio Arquena

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Cyril Yelk

8:30 am Rosario Folloso

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

8:00 am Mauricio and Maxima Figueras

5:00 pm Frank Riso, Lucy D'Orlando and

Joseph DeMeglio

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Carmine and Gaetano DiBenedetto

9:00 am Lucille Graziosa

10:30 am Frederick Blossfeld

3:00 pm Paolo and Donata Pesce

**AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

**SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm Antoni Mieczkowski

**SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>:**

8:00 am Michael Vecsi

11:00 am Doris Tracy Driscoll - Anniversary

**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 21st:**

7:30 am For All Parishioners

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd:**

7:30 am Maria Vecchio

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25th:**

7:30 am Andrzej Kubrak

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm Leo Gniewkowski

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

8:00 am Stella Koran

11:00 am Marion & Louis Tolas

This week's Wine and Host is being offered in memory of:  
**Wolenski and Wicenski Families**



**MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF SEPT. 20<sup>TH</sup>:**



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in memory of  
**SIMONETTE MAPES**  
requested lovingly by Mom, Dad, and John

The **MAIN ALTAR CANDLES** burn this week in memory of

**Josephine Gravano**

requested lovingly by her sister Jean Chiapparelli and family

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT ALTER CANDLES** burn this week in loving memory of **Wanda and Stefan Wroblewski**



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, 10:00 AM - 4 PM.



**YOUTH CHOIR MEMBERS**

All are welcome to sing at Father John's Installation Mass on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. If interested, it is important to call Ron D'Albero, our Music Director, at 347-770-3477, for details and to reserve seating at the Mass.

**INSTALLATION OF FATHER JOHN AS PASTOR**

The Most Reverend John O'Hara, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, will solemnly install **Father John Wroblewski** as pastor of the new parish of Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua, on **Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at 3:00 pm.** Following Mass there will be a reception in the parish gymnasium. Everyone is invited for this happy occasion. Kindly RSVP via the enclosed flyer or call the parish office at 718-761-5421 so that we can plan for the food. You can also call St. Anthony's Rectory at 718-761-6660.

**MORNING DEVOTIONS**



Following weekday 7:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On Fridays 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.

**RCIA PROGRAM**

The RCIA Program invites you to meet on Wed. at 7:30 pm in Our Lady of Pity Parish Center. No registration necessary. There is NO FEE for this program.

**OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

## ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

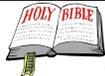
The monthly envelopes for the SEPTEMBER "50/50" drawing are available in the back of St. Anthony's church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish.

### \*NOTE TO ALL PARISHIONERS

If you attend Mass at either church, you can drop your weekly envelope(s) in the collection and it will be sent to the site where you are registered.

### FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of St. Anthony Church. Thank you and God bless!



### GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus taught His disciples that as the Messiah, He had to suffer much, be put to death and rise 3 days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the Gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

### HIS WORD TODAY

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them 'Go in peace, keep warm and eat well.' But you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself if it does not have works, is dead."

A prophet, some say is one who comforts the distressed and distresses the comfortable. St. James' letter should do just that. We can grill ourselves with questions of how I have wasted food just this week. I have outgrown clothes in my closet, how I have criticized the poor for being poor, without knowing the real cause.

Some say "I am a Catholic. I was baptized. Wonderful, but do I practice the faith, attending mass, receiving the sacraments, serving the needs of others? They are the things that Catholics do. I am a Catholic, but do I pay my employees a just wage, provide adequate heat to those who rent from me, do I send a meal to a home where someone is ill or grieving? That is what practicing Catholics do. Saint James' letter reminds us of the Archbishop in Brazil, who stated: "When I give bread to the poor, they praise me. When I ask why they are poor, they call me a communist." Pope Francis asks us, when we give a coin to a beggar, do we look him or her in the face? Do we fear touching them as we place the coin in their hand? Is Christ to be found in giver and receiver? Faith is real when accompanied by good works. Otherwise it is dead!

### 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.

## SRI LANKEN MASS

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

Father also asks that we donate toys and school supplies for the Sri Lanken children. Beginning Sept. 12th we will be collecting them and Father will send them off to his country sometime in October. Thank you for always helping us out.

### OUR LADY OF PITY SITE:

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### MASS SCHEDULE:

#### **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm J. Salcedo – I. Pastena

#### **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am B. Madaio – M. Madaio

9:00 am J. Carluzzo – A. Davis

10:30 am M. Bonamo – M. Martino

#### LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

#### **SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm Salcedo

#### **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Ponterella

9:00 am Rose

10:30 am Bialza

#### ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

#### **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm M. Tubay –J. Tangco –M. Santa – J. Bosco

#### **SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am C. Baria –E. Baria –J. Clyne – C. Rodriguez

9:00 am N. Lopez –R. Whalen – H. Bailey

10:30 am R. Eckman –D. Pangilinan –Rbt. Eckman –J. Inigo

### 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 either Church 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.**



**SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**OUR LADY OF PITY – ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA**  
**REGISTRATION CLOSED AUGUST 31.**

**CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 28**

All classes will be held at Our Lady of Pity Parish Center.



### NEW BIBLE STUDY

#### A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

This five-part program takes participants on an exciting tour of the Liturgy as it explores the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. The words and gestures will be seen in a new light, giving new life to the liturgical experience. We will use DVDs of Dr. Edward Sri. The classes, facilitated by Sister Marcia, will be held on Monday evenings 7:30-9:00 pm and Friday mornings at 9:30-11:00 am, starting the week of October 19, 2015 at Our Lady of Pity  
Reservations can be made at the rectory 718-761-5421.

### 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.

### WOMEN'S CLUB MEETINGS

**Our Lady of Pity Rosary Altar Club:** Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.  
**St. Anthony of Padua Ladies Auxiliary:** Meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome.



### JOIN THE CHOIRS

All Choir practices at Our Lady of Pity are suspended for the summer months. New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to the organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses.  
**The Adult Choir** will begin practicing on Wednesday Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm in the Parish Center.  
**The Youth Choir** will have rehearsals on Wednesdays from 7 to 8 pm in the Parish Center beginning on September 30<sup>th</sup>. There has been a change in the Youth Choir Sunday. **Beginning on Sunday Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> the New Youth Choir will be singing at the 9:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity.** For information call our Music Director Ron at 347-770-3477.  
**Choir at St. Anthony of Padua** meets on Thursday at 7:00 pm in the Church. New members are always welcome.

### 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:

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|-----------------------|--|---------------|
| <b>Golden Age</b>     | Tues. 12-3 pm                              | Parish Center |
|                       | (Meetings resumes Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup> ) |               |
| <b>Legion of Mary</b> | Thurs. 7:30 pm                             | Church Chapel |

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**"Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny Himself, take up his cross and follow Me."** Marriage involves self-denial. Hear more about decisions to love that helps keep



### CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place at Our Lady of Pity gym on Friday Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Doors open at 7 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.00, which includes tickets for prizes. The book of chances has remained the same in cost (\$15.00) as past years. Prizes: \$2,000, \$500, \$300. Chances will be available at St. Anthony of Padua Church (yellow basket in back of the church) and at the auction as well. Upon receipt of your Chance Books, either return them by mail, put them in the Sunday collection baskets or drop them off at one of the rectories. **All books are to be returned even if not taken.... Thank you for your generosity to this event.**

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION FAIR

Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 from 12 pm to 2 pm at the South Fin Grill, 300 Fr. Capodanno Blvd. & the Dolphin Fountain.  
Considering a Catholic High School for your child? Are you interested in learning more about Staten Island Catholic High Schools? Join us for our information day where we will be available to share TACHS information. Academic programs, The Road to College Success, Open House dates, and showcase our students and our Catholic High Schools. To RSVP please call (718) 667-5350 ext. 1007

### UPCOMING TRIP OF POPE FRANCIS...

Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua Parish has been allotted 26 tickets for the Papal Mass at Madison Square Garden, Friday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.  
**Winners of the lottery tickets for the Pope's Mass are as follows:** Mimi Lumapat, Miguel Lumapat, Dina Malandro, Pat Montanaro, Alan Cabot, Conrad Micek, Paulina Macek, Rose Ragonese, Luisa Magracia, Melissa Perera, Robert Marcello Jr., Camille White, Mr. K. Fernando, Nancy Zerega, Kishon Wijesuriya, Pasindu Seneuzatne, Vanessa Alvarez, Victoria Huapaya, Alicia Magracia, Mike Terracino, Sabrina Qasim, Herby Wijesuriya, Angela Scandaglia, Maryann Midaio and Angel Kiste,  
**NOTE; YOU MUST TAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

### SCHEDULE: 2015 POPE FRANCIS VISIT

*Here is the schedule for Pope Francis' September 2015 Apostolic Journey to New York as released by the Vatican on June 30, 2015.*

#### Thursday, September 24

- 5:00 p.m. Arrival at John F. Kennedy International Airport
- 6:45 p.m. Evening Prayer (Vespers) at St. Patrick's Cathedral

#### Friday, September 25

- 8:30 a.m. Visit to the United Nations and Address to the United Nations General Assembly
- 11:30 a.m. Multi-religious service at 9/11 Memorial and Museum, World Trade Center

- 4:00 p.m. Visit to Our Lady Queen of Angels School, East Harlem
- 6:00 p.m. Mass at Madison Square Garden

### ST. ANTHONY MISSION APPEALS

Each year, here at St. Anthony's, we are assigned a Missionary – a priest, brother, sister or lay person who comes to give us a concrete opportunity to collaborate with the Pontifical Mission Societies in supporting the Missionary activity of our church. I am happy to tell you that next weekend we will be welcoming Sister Raymond, MSC – a Missionary sister of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – from Reading, PA for our annual Mission appeal. The MSC sisters were founded over 100 years ago and presently have 750 Sisters working in 22 countries around the globe and have been serving Our Lord and His people here in the U.S. since 1908. The U.S. Sisters teach and work in hospitals, parishes, and on college campuses. Sister Raymond is coming to speak with us about the Missionary endeavors of her sisters around the world. The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection next weekend will support the missionary work of the MSC Sisters. I know you will be generous because you always are. Thank you and God bless you.

### DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thursday, December 3, 2015 Hilton Garden Inn, S. I. Cost \$100 per person Includes: Show, Dinner, Wine & Soda, Dessert. Contact: Deacon Joe Rentkowski 718-727-4567.

### REMINDERS TO ALL PARISHIONERS

On Sunday September 27<sup>th</sup> there will be NO 12 pm Mass. The late Mass will be at 3:00 pm for our Pastor Father John's installation. A reception will follow, all are invited.

### CYO YOUTH FEST

October 17, 2015, at Moore Catholic High School, 10 am to 5 pm. Featuring Father Augustine Torres, CFR. Talk, skits, music, dancing performance. Bishop Peter J. Byrne will celebrate Mass at 4:00 pm "My favorite part of CYM Youth Fest was listening to all of the stories and how God changed their lives." – Guadalupe. "I liked when we heard the band, the rappers and the skit." – Michael. "There's nothing not to like." – Lucero

### ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

#### *Welcome Back Mass and Wine & Cheese Social*

Saint Francis Catholic Singles, for those in their 30s, 40s, and 50s, will meet at Holy Family Church, 366 Watchogue Road, SI 10314, on Thursday, September 24, 7:15 pm. Join us as we anoint a new SFCS season with the celebration of Mass at Holy Family. Confessions will be heard from 6:45-7:15. Mass will begin at 7:30. A wine and cheese social will follow in the lower level of the church where we'll mingle and enjoy one another's company. Cost: \$10 appreciated. For more information, check our website: [www.sgpsps.org](http://www.sgpsps.org), find us on Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, or email [sfcssi@gmail.com](mailto:sfcssi@gmail.com).

### 2015 THE YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

The past few weeks we have presented the way in which individual persons can live consecrated life. The more common way is through community life. Most of us are familiar with religious communities in which members profess public vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. The public witness to Christ and the Church requires a separation from the world according to the character and purpose of each community. There are thousands of varieties of religious communities but they do have these elements in common: they must live in a common house under the authority of a superior. These houses have a chapel or oratory in which the Mass is celebrated and the Eucharist reserved so that it is the center of the community. They are to wear a sign of their consecration, either a habit, a common dress, or a religious insignia.

A Secular institute is a community of people, consecrated through the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience, who live in the world, seeking to contribute to the holiness of the world from within. They are like leaven among other Christians, giving example of a life dedicated to Christ and his Church. They may or may not live together in a common house. Most of them do not have distinctive dress. Their mission lies in who they are and in giving witness among their families, in their parish, and at work. The Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary are an example of a secular institute.

The United States Conference of Secular Institutes is meeting this weekend, September 18-20 in San Antonio, Texas. At the close of their meeting, Sister Marcia will be installed as the president of this national organization.



**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:

**Brook Balacco, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Paul Davis, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Frank Sanna, Ann Volpe, Annette McGoff, Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa.**

**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.

### NEEDY MOTHERS PROGRAM

We are in need of baby items: strollers, high chairs, seats. Also newborn and gently used baby clothes to size 12 months. Please bring items on Tuesday 12:00 to 4:00pm to: 2187 Victory Blvd. next to Alba House Chapel.



### PIG ROAST

At Trattoria Romana Restaurant, 1476 Hylan Blvd. SI  
Tuesday, October 13, 2015 from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm.  
Includes: Salad, Pizza, Pig Roast, Potatoes, Broccoli Rabe,  
Desert, Coffee, Tea, Soda & Cash Bar. Cost: \$50 per  
person in advance  
Contact: Deacon Joe Rentkowski 718-727-4567.

### CROSS ROAD FOUNDATION'S FALL FASHION SHOW

The Cross Road Foundation will be holding its 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Fall Fashion Show & dinner on Thursday evening, October  
8<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton Garden Inn at 7:00 pm. The theme for the  
evening will be, "Mamma Mia". Tickets for the event are  
\$65 per person. This includes dinner, musical entertainment  
and a show of fashions from local boutiques. There will also  
be gift baskets and a 50/50 drawing. Please call 718-556-  
3474 to RSVP by September 24<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from this event  
will go to help expectant and new mothers in need on Staten  
Island.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Sept. 23-Nov. 1, 2015

This fall's "40 Days for Life" campaign will be held Sept. 23  
– Nov. 1, 2015. "40 Days for Life" is a peaceful, highly  
focused, non-denominational initiative that focuses on 40  
days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion  
facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of  
protecting mothers and their children from abortion. Since  
2007 at least 10,331 unborn children have been saved from  
abortion during "40 Days for Life" campaigns, and 60  
abortion facilities have closed. To learn more visit:  
[www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)

### 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 them the  
Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

### The Gold Star Post Golden Jackpot Raffle

The Gold Star Post drawing for the Jackpot has been  
postponed until December, as all of the 200 tickets have not  
been sold. Each ticket is \$50 and the prizes are \$5,000.,  
\$2,000., and \$500. (prizes may vary if all tickets are not  
sold). Tickets can be purchased by calling Ed Matusiak  
(718) 698-0237.

### BUS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

To Sands Casino – Date: Wed. October 7, 2015

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

### DAY OF RECOLLECTION WITH FR. BRENDAN T. GORMLEY

Listening to our Blessed Mother, September 26th (Saturday)  
in the Msgr. Glynn Center from 9 am – 3pm.  
Mini Breakfast & lunch. Adults - \$20 - Teens-\$10  
RSVP To Rectory @ Holy Family, 366 Watchogue Rd. by  
Sept. 16th (718) 761-6663.

### ADOPTION?

Baby girls and boys in China need homes for both infants  
and toddlers. Older parents and singles are welcome. For  
further information call Barbara from St. Anthony's Church in  
Nanuet, New York, at 845-623-5277.

### SOCCER PROGRAM

There will be a Soccer Clinic once again at Our Lady of Pity  
Site run by Mr. Raul Maturana for children ages 7-11. 20  
sessions: from Wed. Sept. 9 through Sat. Nov. 14. Wed. at  
the gym 7:30-8:30 pm; Sat. time and place to be  
determined. There will be a \$50.00 registration fee for each  
child attending the clinic. Watch for upcoming flyer.

### MOORE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

100 Merrill Avenue  
Staten Island, New York  
718-761-9200

Moore Catholic would like to invite you to our Open House  
on Sunday, October 4, 2015. 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**St. Pauls Publishing**, operated by the priests and  
brothers of the Society of St. Paul at the Alba House, on  
Victory Boulevard, 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](mailto:dora@stpauls.us).

"There is always a lot to be thankful for if you take the time to look for it."

-Anonymous