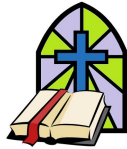


**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2015**



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

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26th:

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

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27th:

7:15 am Carmine and Gaetano DiBenedetto
9:00 am Lucille Graziosa
10:30 am Frederick Blossfeld
3:00 pm Paolo and Donata Pesce

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 28th:

7:15 am For All Parishioners
8:30 am Dorothy Spiezia

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29th:

7:15 am Philip Cecere
8:30 am Edmond Tangco (living)

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30th:

7:15 am Anthony Scaccianoce
8:30 am Ricardo Valentin

THURSDAY OCTOBER 1st :

7:15 am Giovanni Mangano
8:30 am Dorothy Spiezia

FRIDAY OCTOBER 2nd :

7:15 am For All Parishioners
8:30 am Rosaria DiGiacomo

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3rd:

8:00 am Gaetano and Carmine DiBennetto
5:00 pm D'Alessio Family

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4TH:

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 26TH:

5:00 pm Leo Gniewkowski

SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 27TH:

8:00 am Stella Koran
11:00 am Marion and Louis Tolas

MONDAY: SEPTEMBER 28th:

7:30 am Mass for All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY: SEPTEMBER 30th:

7:30 am Leo Gniewkowski

FRIDAY: OCTOBER 2nd:

7:30 am Hermania Manaluz

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 3rd:

5:00 pm Stanley Prachniak

SUNDAY: OCTOBER 4th:

8:00 am Florence and John Hagan
11:00 am John Wolenski, Sr.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF SEPT. 27TH:



The **ALTAR BREADS & WINES** this week are in memory of
RAYMOND TORRES
requested lovingly by Jo, Joe & Frank Morale

The **SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in memory of
ROBERT FRANCESCHINI
requested lovingly by his family

The **MAIN ALTAR CANDLES** burn this week in memory of
FRANK AVERSANO
requested lovingly by Rosary Altar Society

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT ALTER CANDLES** burn this
week in loving memory of:
JOHN WOLENSKI, SR.



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 27th 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 27th, 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 7:15 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.

REMINDERS TO ALL PARISHIONERS

On Sunday September 27th 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.

NOTE TO ALL ST. ANTHONY 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.

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.

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

"There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."

How frequently the image of water flows from the scriptures. From the creation account, through the miraculous crossing of the Red Sea, to the well at Sichar with the Samaritan woman, the purifications jars at Cana or the pool of Bethsaida, water was the center of consideration. Not a sea, not a well, not a pool, but today simply a cup of water given in the name of Jesus.

In our day, when people carry a bottle of water with them, when we suffer from droughts in so many places, the cup of water becomes a saving factor. Maybe today, it is the cup given in the name of Jesus which makes it so powerful.. Our care, consideration and concern for those who are thirsting bring the Person of Christ to others. We do not have to do great things, but simple things in the name of the Christ. It is Christ who will ease those thirsting for peace, joy, healing.

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 OCTOBER 3rd:

5:00 pm M. O'Brien – J. Coraci

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4th:

7:30 am C. Violetta – V. Violetta

9:00 am K. Carpenito – J. Porto

10:00 am S. LaRosa – I. LaRosa

NOON G. Mannino – A. Mannino

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: OCTOBER 3rd:

5:00 pm Rose

SUNDAY October 4th:

7:30 am Kelly

9:00 am Donadic

10:30 am Buttacavoli

NOON P. Magliocco

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3rd:

5:00 pm J. Venditto – C. Baria – E. Baria

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4th:

7:30 am M. Santa – J. Tangco – M. Zerega

9:00 am D. Boniface – a. Boniface – J. Bosco

10:30 am N. Lopez – R. Eckman – M. Tubay – Rbt. Eckman

NOON: R. Whalen – J. Clyne – L. DeMartino – S. DeMartino

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.

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. 16th 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 30th. There has been a change in the Youth Choir Sunday. **Beginning on Sunday Oct. 18th 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.

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.

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	Tues. 12-3 pm	Parish Center
	(Meetings resumes Sept. 29 th)	
Legion of Mary	Thurs. 7:30 pm	Church Chapel



CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place at Our Lady of Pity gym on Friday Oct. 16th 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 3rd, 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

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.sgspsi.org, find us on Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles, or email sfcssi@gmail.com.



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:

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.

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Would that the Lord might bestow His spirit on them all!" Come and see what the Holy Spirit has waiting for your marriage on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more information go to www.wwme.org or call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME EXT 3.

CROSS ROAD FOUNDATION'S FALL FASHION SHOW

The Cross Road Foundation will be holding its 22nd Annual Fall Fashion Show & dinner on Thursday evening, October 8th 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 24th. Proceeds from this event will go to help expectant and new mothers in need on Staten Island.

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.



CHRISTMAS TREE PROGRAM BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

We are in the process of ordering Christmas trees that adorn our properties during the Christmas and New Year seasons. You may order one in memory of your loved one, in dedication to someone, or with personal family Christmas greetings. To purchase a tree, see one of the Christmas Tree Committee members next week in the church vestibule. The flyers inserted in the bulletin may be dropped off at the rectory.

BUS TRIP TO ATLANTIC CITY

To Sands Casino – Date: Wed. October 7, 2015
9:00 am departure from in front of Our lady of Pity Church.
Cost: \$36. with \$25. back. Call Agnes at 718-494-5475



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.

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.



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. If there aren't enough children signed up within the next two weeks, we will be canceling the program.

RCIA

What is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)? It is a process of spiritual growth for adults who want to become full participants in the Catholic Church. RCIA is open to people who have never been baptized and wish to become Catholic. However, Catholics who were baptized but never received Confirmation and/or Eucharist also participate in RCIA, and their spiritual formation is completed with the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion, often at the Easter Vigil or during the Easter Season.

We also welcome Catholics who have been Baptized, Confirmed and made First Communion but drifted from the faith. We can help you find the road to growth and a return to active participation in the Sacraments.

Our RCIA team meets in the Parish Center at Our Lady of Pity on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. Please join us. There is no advance registration. But, if you have questions, please feel free to call Sister Marcia in the religious education office. .

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. Needy mothers@aol.com

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

FIRST: MICHAEL DANNECKER & JENNIFER J. KOCH

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.

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.

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.

COLUMBUS DAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, October 12th at 9:30 am. For tickets you must e-mail – columbusday@archny.org. For those people who wish to come without a ticket, the Cathedral will open at 9:15 am for seating.

SOCIETY OF ST. PAUL FIRST ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

The Pauling Family invites all Staten Islanders to attend their dance on Saturday, October 10th, from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm at the Labetti Post, 390 Hylan Blvd. Cost \$65.00 per head. To make reservations please call Jim Haynes at 718-987-1609.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



Since the Feast Day of St. Francis falls on a Sunday, October 4th, Father will be blessing pets at 1:30 pm on Saturday, October 3rd in front of the Church doors.

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/manhattan 949-280-9494

Respect Life

Beautiful prayer cards by the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen will be distributed at all the Masses on Saturday and Sunday, October 31st and November 1st. This prayer card is for unborn babies, that all precious unborn babies are allowed to be born. Please join us in praying to protect these fragile lives.



6TH ANNUAL BRAVEST BBQ

Firefighters for America's Bravest presents the 6th Annual Bravest BBQ, Saturday, October 10, 2015 at 12:00 pm at The Hillside Swim Club, 151 Signs Road. \$20 per person *children 14 and under are FREE.. All you can eat and drink, music, raffles, Chinese Auction. Lots to do for the kids including: face painting, pumpkin giveaways, rock wall, Rolling Video games, carnival games and rides. All proceeds will go to Building for America's Bravest, a proud program of the Stephen Stiller Tunnel to Towers foundation, that builds specially adapted SMART homes for our nation's most catastrophically injured service members. Buy tickets now at www.bravestbbqeventbrite.com For questions please call 718-986-4587

SPECIAL NEEDS MASS

There will be a special needs Mass at St. Joseph-St. Thomas, Staten Island, NY at 2:30 pm every 2nd Sunday of the month. Entrance to the parking lot is off McGuire Ave.

"Release the joy that is inside of another, and you release the joy that is inside of you."

-Neal Donald Walch