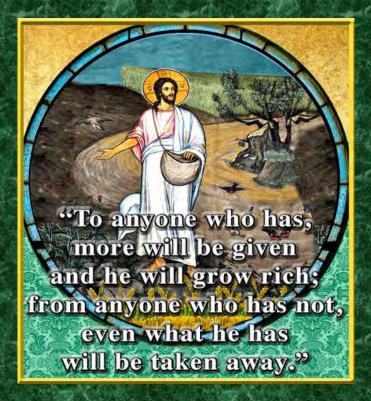


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# Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time July 16, 2023



### **RECTORY**

Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:00am - 3:00pm

Pastor: Fr. James H. Ferreira
Deacon: Deacon John Singler

Weekend Assistants: Fr. Frank Naccarato

Fr. Michael Reilly

Secretaries: Maria Byrnes

Ninfa Chiarello

Director of Music: Matthew Hosmer Email: matthew.hosmer@olhcparish.org

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10:00am-2:00pm Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Joan Baggs

Secretary: Patricia Dresch

## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday: 9:00am Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00pm

#### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptisms:** Scheduled on Saturday or Sundays at 1:00pm. Please call the rectory to schedule.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions will be every Saturday from 4:00pm-4:25pm (before the 4:30 Mass) and every Monday - Saturday after the 9:00am Mass. (approx. 9:20am).Please line up by the Confessional.

Communion to the Homebound: Please call the rectory to make arrangements for those homebound or hospitalized.

**Marriage:** Couples should call the rectory to arrange a meeting with a priest or deacon at least six months in advance of their wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the rectory at any time.

RCIA: A series of classes presenting a deeper exploration of the Catholic faith for adults which prepares them to make a conscious choice to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Sick List: Please update us monthly.

**Private Prayer:** The church is open weekdays from 9:30am-4:00pm.

**Sponsor Certificate:** Registered parishioners must fill out paperwork to be signed by the priest.

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#### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

## SATURDAY, JULY 15, 2023

9:00am Marilyn T. Esposito

Requested by Maryellen & Marty Esposito

4:30pm Phyllis and Frank Raccuglia and Priscilla Carollo

Requested by The Mangini and Carollo Families

## **SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023**

8:00am: Joan Drennan

Requested by Marie Ragusa

10:00am: Marty Esposito

Requested by Patricia Dresch and Jeff Tarantino

12:00pm: The People of our Parish

#### **MONDAY, JULY 17, 2023**

9:00am: Christina Pietrofesa

Requested by Anna and Lino Randazzo

## **TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023**

9:00am: Anthony Cipaldo (4th Anniversary)

Requested by Donna Schoer and Dawn Morales

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2023

9:00am: Mel Hansen

Requested by Jim and Ethel Buebendorf

#### THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2023

9:00am: Janet Benitez

Requested by Kathleen Durando

### **FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023**

9:00am: Deborah Andreocci

Requested by Stefanie Wright

### SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2023

9:00am: <u>D'Angelo Brown</u>

Requested by Gary and Lynn App

4:30pm: The People of our Parish

# MEMORIAL OFFERINGS WEEK OF JULY 15, 2023



Bread and Wine
Janet and Ronnie Benitez
(Wedding Anniversary)

Requested by The Cedeno Family



<u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> The People of our Parish



<u>Altar Candles</u> The People of our Parish

#### SACRIFICIAL OFFERING WHICH INCLUDES PARISH PAY: 7/8/23 and 7/9/23: \$6,889.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

#### //8/23 and //9/23: 50,889.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR
WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS BY CONNECTING TO
WESHARE AT: olhcparsh.churchgiving.com
or call 1-877-316-0260
YOU MAY ALSO DROP OFF YOUR ENVELOPES IN THE
RECTORY MAILBOX.

#### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

#### **Crossroad Collection**

Every 4th Sunday after all Masses (monetary donations only)

50/50 Club \$5.00 Donation You can't win it if you're not in it!

#### St. Edward's Food Pantry

6581 Hylan Boulevard SI NY 1st Weekend of the Month

#### First Friday of the Month

Mass at 9:00 am followed by Adoration/Benediction

#### **Recitation of the Rosary**

Daily after the 9am Mass

#### Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima

The 13th of every month at 6:00 pm

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# A reflection on today's Gospel

"A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil. It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep, and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it. But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred- or sixty-or thirty-fold. Whoever has ears ought to hear".

Each one of us can look into our own conscience today. Are some of us perhaps, like the seed that fell on the rocky ground? How do we stand up to the temptations of the world? Are we chasing after wealth and power?

As a parish family, what are we doing to cultivate the seeds that have been entrusted to us? Do we provide ample, rich soil for seeds to grow, or do we choke the seedlings by creating a culture that is not conducive— even detrimental—to healthy living? Do we create rocky ground?

When we follow the example of Christ, we must lower ourselves, choosing vulnerability over power, humility over prestige, and weakness over strength. We must be willing to make room in our hearts and minds for other voices, even when they challenge what we find comfortable. But we do not do this on our own. While we must work to cultivate the ground, we must remind ourselves that is God who waters the lands. Everything we do is a response to God's invitation. May we respond to this invitation with renewed zeal, remembering that we cannot expect ourselves to grow, if we are not willing to accept God's invitation to collaborate in the vineyard. May we be faithful in "sowing the seed, " praying for a harvest and leaving the results to the Lord!

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Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes all newly baptized especially Natalia Adelina Kwiatkowski. Let us pray for all the Deceased of the parish.



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



ANDREW S. ASWARD SC STEVEN DENOBLE AFGHANISTAN PAUL ALBANESE ROMANIA BRIAN P. FLEMING KUWAIT DIANA ALBANESE WASH. STATE MASON MORGANTE NC CODY ROBSINSON NC THOMAS BROWN AFGHANISTAN SHAWN ROBINSON, WA CHRISTOPHER DEDDO, JAPAN THOMAS TELLEFSEN, JR. ALASKA MICHAEL DEDDO, III ALASKA

# A Prayer of Thanks



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

PLEASE LET THE RECTORY KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REMOVE ANYONE FROM THIS SICK LIST. THANK YOU

Alexander Angelo Alberga Robert Alongi Anna Ambrosole Jake Aspinall Aubrey Gaetano Babbo Roseann Brock Joseph Burzo Theresa Cardinale Salvatore Cortes Carmela Luca Carsen Dennis Castelli Mike Chadwick Steven Cina Stacey Cohen Svlvia Cohen Sharonlee D. Daniel Elvira DeLuzio Ellen Derowki Andrew DiLorenzo John Dilgen Chris Dreizen Barbara Doty Marie Dunigan Dennis Emperor Nicolette Falzone Ramona Fogelstrom Nancy Flynn Joshua Gabay Emilyrose Gagliardi George

Gina

Kian Griffiths Frank Gennuso Debra Houshmondrad Felipe Higgenson Thomas Jacob John, Jr. Jeremy Kathy Robert Kilsby Nancy King Gianna Kovacs Rafael Laskowski Maria LaSorsa Ginnie Ledwon Flora Lucchese Ralph Lucchese Jospeh Liotine Anthony Lodareo Santa Luca Scuoto Maisco Ed Malley Matthew Ken McCall Joseph Mariconda Peter Marsh Thomas Meehan Patty McNichol Vincent Merola Franco Migliorini Roberta Miro Peter Monfasani Joan Orena

Linda Palermo

SPC Sean Pesce

Lynn Phimister

Kevin Rvbolt

Robin Rodolfo

Patricia Savino

Christopher Seiler

Philip Russo

Jordan S.

Stephanie

Frances Rotunno

Edward Svennigsen

Robert

Raymond Perry, Jr.

Judy Singler
Stacey Strongarone
Gladys Tanecredit
Tara
Justin Too
Carl Termine, Jr.
Aiden Truscelli
Cathy Westcott
Annette Van Tine
Joseph Yasso

Thank you, God, for the pleasures of summer, the bright sunny days and perfect moonlit evenings.

Thank you for the smells of mowed grass and air thick with rain.

Thank you for days at the lake and evenings chasing fireflies.

Thank you for vacations and festivals, picnics and cookouts, baseball and concerts and swimsuits and popsicles.

Thank you for the fireworks of thunderstorms, for watermelon sweetness, for summer's pace and summer's grace.

Thank you for all your beauty and power and faithfulness displayed in the summer.

Amen

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## PARISH / CHURCH INFORMATION

## **RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

Staten Island is blessed to have both the Crossroad Foundation and Good Counsel Homes .

Crossroad Foundation, which we support every 4th Sunday with a canister collection has a 35 year history of helping mothers. Please pray for these ministries.

If you would like to get involved to help contact Crossroad: at 1 718 556 3474

or email: crossroad15@verizon.net

Contact information for Good Counsel homes is: 1 718 650 6994 or email:

good counsel homes.org or postabortionhelp.org.

Good Counsel and Crossroad Foundation are so thankful to our Parish for all that we do in helping to save babies lives.





THE 2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN!

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS.

(No more than 5 Masses at a time)

PLEASE NOTE: MASSES WILL NOT BE HELD IF PAYMENT IS NOT MADE AFTER ONE WEEK.

THANK YOU.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

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# **Registration**

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR CHILD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AS OUR CLASSES ARE FILLING UP QUICKLY. REGISTRATIONS FORMS CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AND PRINTED.



We would like to Congratulate all our 8th Graders on a job well done. The following students let us know they will be attending the following Catholic Schools. God Bless them on their journey to High School.

## St. Joseph By the Sea

Julia Bono Sofia Iacono Gerard Paramithis Alexis Sukharenko Brianna Taormina

# St. Joseph Hill Academy

Sophia Cruz-Crispino Analise White Notre Dame Academy Julia McConnell Daniella Volpe

# **Monsignor Farell High School**

Robert Helbig Christopher Malone Christian Suarato

Enjoy the lazy days of summer! We hope to see you at Mass!

Mrs. Baggs, DRE



Our Lady Help of Christians
125th Anniversary
SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 21, 2023
@6:30pm
@ The Hilton Garden Inn

We are also looking for old photos of the Church /Parish/School. If you have any of the above photos, please submit them to the rectory.

Thankyou.