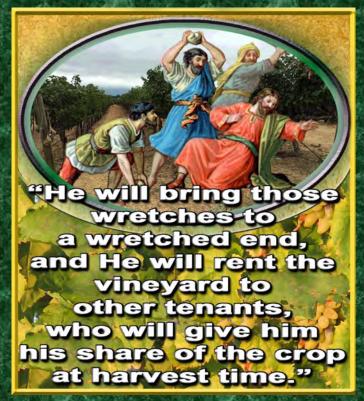


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Twenty - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2023



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

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 10:00am-3:00pm 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.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, October 7, 2023

9:00am Mary Ferranto

Requested by Joyce Hynes

9:30am: Blessing of the Animals

4:30pm Richard Tuite

Requested by Cathy Doyle

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

8:00am: <u>Joseph and Dolores Drennan, Jr.</u>

Requested by Paul and Linda Drennan

10:00am: John S. Eckert and Rose McGovern

Requested by Your Loving Family

12:00pm: The People of our Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 (COLUMBUS DAY RECTORY CLOSED)

9:00am: Special Intentions

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

9:00am: Giuseppa Geloso

Requested by Your Loving Husband, Giuseppe

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2023

9:00am: Giacomo Ocello

Requested by Your Loving Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023

9:00am: Shanna King

Requested by Mom and Dad

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023

9:00am: Priscilla Carollo

Requested by Andrea Grasso

6:00pm Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

9:00am: Maria and Charles Carstens

Requested by Rosa and Henry Carstens

4:30pm: The People of our Parish

MEMORIAL OFFERINGS WEEK OF OCTOBER 7, 2023



Bread and Wine Kristen Bruschi Req. by Joanne & Joe Williams



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



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



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

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING WHICH INCLUDES PARISH PAY: 9/30/2023 and 10/1/2023: \$7,499.

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

THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS



Every evening as the sun set the Salve Regina hymn was heard across the Atlantic. Men stood on the decks of three boats, led in prayer by Christopher Columbus. They had kept the same ritual of evening prayers since they left Spain months ago, but tonight was different. Tomorrow would be the Feast of Our Lady of the Pillar, Spain's great patroness. Columbus had promised his men that had they not spotted land by her feast day, he would order the ships to turn back, a promise he intended to keep. He knew Our Lady would not abandon what he had worked so hard to bring about. Every day that past they would get closer and closer to land. The crews on all three ships were alerted, each man was on deck, peering out for signs of land nearby. At 2 a.m., the cry came out, "Tierra!" Land!

As Columbus knelt on the beach to give thanks, the following prayer rose from his lips:

"O Lord, eternal and omnipotent God, Thou hast, by Thy holy word, created the heavens, the earth, and the sea; blessed and glorified be Thy name; praised be Thy majesty, who hast deigned that, by means of Thy unworthy servant, Thy sacred name should be acknowledged and made known in this new quarter of the world."

The above prayer, recited in Latin and the first spoken in the Americas, was followed by the chanting of the "Credo, the Te Deum", and many other prayers in thanksgiving. As the admiral solemnly proclaimed, "In the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ". He proceeded to claim the new land for his sovereigns, but not before first claiming it for his Divine Master, giving it the name "San Salvador" (Holy Savior).

Historians shied away from the Catholic aspects of Columbus' journeys, either making passing mention or ignoring them entirely. Yet the writings of Columbus himself, and the testimonies of others, shows the Catholic spirit was part of all aspects of his life and was central to the mission of exploration. As a Third Order Franciscan, Columbus would often be seen wearing the Franciscan habit, particularly when in the presence of clergy or nobility. On six separate occasions, Columbus wrote to the Holy Father requesting missionaries be sent to the recently discovered islands, a request which was fulfilled.

On January 6, 1494, the Feast of the Epiphany, the first Mass in the Americas was offered by a Benedictine who had accompanied the second voyage. Columbus believed he was chosen by God to bring the Gospel to people who were living in darkness and the shadow of death. Just as Saint Christopher bore Christ over the waters, so too was he to bear the light of the Gospel over the oceans.

On May 20, 1506, the Vigil of the Ascension, Christopher Columbus lay on his deathbed surrounded by his fellow Franciscans and his sons. As the friars chanted Compline, his last words echoed those of Christ on the cross:

"In manus tuas, Domine, commendo spiritum meum". (Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit).

After Columbus' death, his second son Fernando would write of his father's piety: "In matters of religion he was so strict that for fasting and saying all the canonical offices he might have been taken for a member of a religious order. When he had to write anything, he would begin by first writing these words,

"Jesus cum Maria sit nobis in via."

This inscription is found in the majority of Columbus' letters still in existence. The literal meaning, "May Jesus with Mary be with us on the way" is a fitting prayer for an explorer, and could rightly be considered his motto.



Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes newly baptized Michael Robert Passalacqua to your new Parish family.

Let us pray for all the deceased of the Parish especially, Mary Slizewski.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

ANDREW S. ASWARD SC PAUL ALBANESE ROMANIA DIANA ALBANESE WASH. STATE DAVID BAGGS NY CHRISTOPHER DEDDO, JAPAN MICHAEL DEDDO, III ALASKA

STEVEN DENOBLE AFGHANISTAN BRIAN P. FLEMING KUWAIT MASON MORGANTE NC CODY ROBSINSON NC SHAWN ROBINSON, WA THOMAS TELLEFSEN, JR. ALASKA



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR Robert Kilsby **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 Sylvia Cohen Sharonlee D. Daniel

Elvira DeLuzio Ellen Derowki Andrew DiLorenzo Chris Dreizen Barbara Doty Dennis Emperor Nicolette Falzone Ramona Fogelstrom Nancy Flynn Joshua Gabay Emilyrose Gagliardi George Gina Kian Griffiths Frank Gennuso Debra Houshmondrad

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Jospeh Liotine Santa Luca Scuoto Maisco JoAnn Magee 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 Raymond Perry, Jr. Lynn Phimister Paul M.

Kevin Rybolt Robert Robin Rodolfo Frances Rotunno Philip Russo Edward Svennigsen

Jordan S. Patricia Savino Stephanie Christopher Seiler Judy Singler Stacey Strongarone

Gladys Tanecredit Tara Justin Too Carl Termine, Jr. Aiden Truscelli Annette Van Tine Vicki M.

Cathy Westcott Joseph Yasso

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Monsignor Farrell High School (All Boys)

Sunday, October 15th: 10am-1:45pm (Visit website to make an appt)

> www.msgrfarrellhs.org Tel. no. 718-987-2900

Moore Catholic High School (Boys and Girls) Saturday, October 14th: 12pm-3:00pm (Visit website to make an appt) www.MooreCatholicHS.org Tel. no. 718-761-9200

Notre Dame Academy High School (All Girls) Saturday, October 21st: 9:45am or 12:30pm (Visit website to make an appt.) www.notredameacademy.org

Tel. no. 718-447-8878

St. Joseph By the Sea High School (Girls) Sunday, October 15th: 1:00pm-4:00pm (Boys) Sunday, October 22nd: 1:00pm-4:00pm (Visit website to make an appt.)

> www.josephsea.org Tel. No. (718) 984-6500

St. Joseph Hill Academy High School (All Girls)

Sunday, October 22nd: 11:30am-2:30pm www.stjosephhillacademy.com Tel. No. 718-447-1374

PARISH / CHURCH/ CATHOLIC

PLEASE JOIN US SUNDAY OCT. 8, 2023 at OLHC

7396 Amboy Road

1:30pm: Assembly Outside of church

2:00pm: Praying of the Glorious

Mysteries

The Rosary will be prayed in the following languages: English, Italian, Polish, Spanish, Filipino and Sri Lankan.



WE ARE PLEASED TO ONCE AGAIN
HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM
The Seton Foundation for Learning

The representatives will speak to us and sell raffle tickets after all masses, the weekend of October 14th and October 15th.

Your support enables the Seton Foundation to make great expectations become a reality.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Office: 347-838-6726



Announcement:

There are NO Religious Ed. Classes on Sunday, October 8th Monday, October 9th in observance of Columbus Day.

Thank you to the 7th Graders who are participating in the Coast to Coast Rosary! We appreciate you taking part in this wonderful event!

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary. Please bring rosary beads to class.

Have a blessed week, Mrs. Joan Baggs, DRE

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

40 Days for Life Kick off Mass for the fall, 2023
40 Days for Life will be Sun. Oct 8, 9:30am at
Blessed Sacrament Church. Celebrating the Mass will
be Bishop Byrne and the Sisters of Life will be in
attendance. Refreshments to follow. All
welcome. Call Ginny if you want to get
involved at 646 267 6456

PLEASE SEE CHURCH LOBBY BOARD FOR DETAILS.

Brunch for Babies to benefit the Good Counsel Homes

On Sunday, October 15, 2023 11:00am to 3:00pm
Old Bermuda Inn
301 Veterans Road West, Staten Island 10309
\$65 per person
call 201-795-0637 or visit www.goodcounselhomes.org/
brunch
Call Ginny above with any questions.
Thanks for your help!



Our Lady Help of Christians

125th Anniversary Gala Event at the
Hilton Garden Inn
Saturday, October 21, 2023

@ The Hilton Garden Inn
Cocktails at 6:30pm

Dinner and dancing at 7:30pm-11:30pm \$175.00 per person Semi-formal attire requested

If you have not received an invitation and would like to come, please call the rectory at 718-317-9772.

Also, you can take an invitation on the table in the main lobby.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there.

Sponsorship

Join us by subscribing to a sponsorship opportunity or purchasing a congratulatory digital journal advertisement.

If interested, please see fliers on the tables in the lobbies on how to do so.

Your generosity will help continue the mission and viability of Our Lady Help of Christians into the future.