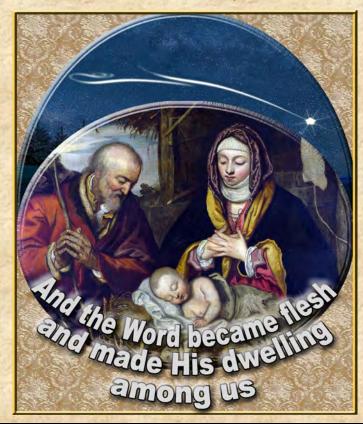


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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD DECEMBER 25, 2022



RECTORY

Office hours: Mon-Fri. 8:00am - 3:00pm Pastor: Fr. James H. Ferreira

Deacon: Deacon John Singler Weekend Assistants: Fr. Frank Naccarato

Fr. Michael Reilly

Director of Music: Matthew Hosmer Email: hosmer@olhcparish.org Secretaries: Maria Byrnes, Ninfa Chiarello

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 10:00am - 3:00pm

DRE: Mrs. Joan BaggsSecretary: 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 1:00 pm. 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 Certificates: Registered parishioners must fill out paperwork to be signed by the priest.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2022

4:30pm: The People of our Parish

Christmas Mass

12:00am: Christmas Novena

Midnight Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022

8:00am: Christmas Novena

10:00am: Christmas Novena

12:00pm: Christmas Novena

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2022

9:00am: Christmas Novena

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022

9:00am: Christmas Novena

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2022

9:00am: Christmas Novena

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2022

9:00am: Christmas Novena

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2022

9:00am: Christmas Novena

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

9:00am: Christman Novena

4:30pm: Christmas Novena

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

WHICH INCLUDES ON-LINE

GIVING

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

PLEASE NOTE: YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS BY CONNECTING TO WESHARE

AT:

olhcparish.churchgiving.com or call 1-877-316-0260

OR DROP OFF YOUR ENVELOPES

IN THE

RECTORY MAILBOX.

Crossroad Collection

Every 4th Sunday after all Masses

50/50 Club

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

First Friday

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 6:00 pm

St. Edward's Food Pantry

6581 Hylan Boulevard SI NY 1st Weekend of the Month



At Christmas, we remember that our Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of Mary, was born on December 25 in the city of Bethlehem in a stable and placed in a manger. When God became man, he truly became like most of humanity, poor and outcast. The fact is that because of our sins, all men and women are poor, and it is only in the coming of Christ do we receive a lasting inheritance that will never fade or run out. God became one with man so that we poor unworthy ones might be one with God. God's super-abundant generosity to us spurs us on to be generous with each other, to forgive each other, and to love each other from the heart. That is what makes this season special and reminds us that our selfish pride must be cast aside if we are to truly be like God who humbled himself to dwell among us.

Allow me to thank all of you for helping this parish achieve its mission to bring Christ into our little corner of God's vineyard. Know that this weeks masses are said for all those who have supported the parish in the past year as well as your special intentions. May the salvation of the Christ child be the light that guides our way into the New Year. Amen.

Fr. James Ferreira
Our Lady Help of Christians Church
Pastor



Let us pray for all the deceased of our Parish . Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes **Liam Alexander Zuccaro** newly baptized , your new Parish family.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN



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

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

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 Stephen Cacase Theresa Cardinale Salvatore Cortes Carmela Luca Carsen Dennis Castelli Mike Chadwick Stacey Cohen Sylvia Cohen Sharonlee D. Daniel Elvira DeLuzio Ellen Derowki Andrew DiLorenzo John Dilgen Chris Dreizen Barbara Doty Marie Dunigan Dennis Emperor Nicolette Falzone Skip Fiore

Ramona Fogelstrom

Nancy Flynn Joshua Gabay Emilyrose Gagliardi George Gina Kian Griffiths Frank Gennuso Debra Houshmondrad Felipe Higgenson Thomas Jacob Jeremy Kathy Robert Kilsby Nancy King Gianna Kovacs Rafael Laskowski Maria LaSorsa Ginnie Ledwon Flora Lucchese Ralph Lucchese Joseph Liotine Anthony Lodareo Scuoto Maisco Ed Malley Matthew Ken McCall Joseph Mariconda Peter Marsh

Patty McNichol

Vincent Merola

Peter Monfasani

Linda Palermo

SPC Sean Pesce

Lynn Phimister

Robin Rodolfo

Philip Russo

Frances Rotunno

Edward Svennigsen

Robert

Raymond Perry, Jr.

Roberta Miro

Joan Orena

Franco Migliorini

Jordan S.
Patricia Savino
Stephanie
Christopher Seiler
Judy Singler
Stacey Strongarone
Gladys Tanecredi
Tara
Justin Too
Carl Termine, Jr.
Aiden Truscelli
Annette VanTine
Wayne
Joseph Yasso





Our Christmas Novena of Masses will begin at the Midnight Mass on Christmas Day, through January 2, 2023.

The primary intention of this novena of masses is to pray for the people of the parish, especially our generous benefactors.

If you wish to add intentions to this novena, write the intentions for which you wish to pray on the Christmas Novena envelope, add an offering within the envelope and put it in the collection. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during the Christmas Novena.

Also available is the option to purchase a Novena Christmas card which you can send to your loved ones to let them know that their intentions are being remembered at the Christmas Novena of Masses. The cards are \$5.00 each.

Please call the rectory if interested in purchasing a card.

PARISH, CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

Please note the rectory office will be closed Mon. Dec. 26, and Wed. Dec. 28 through Mon. Jan. 2. We will re-open on Tues. Jan. 3.

Coffee Hour

We would love to start up Coffee Hour Again after the Holidays. Thank you to those who have volunteered already! We need MORE volunteers at the following times:

9:15-9:30 AM Volunteers to Set up: This includes setting up coffee, slicing bagels, setting out plates, napkins, drinks, butter and cream cheese.

10:40-11:15 AM: Volunteers to serve the bagels, and replenish butter, cream cheese and drinks as needed.

11:15 - 11:45 AM: Volunteers to clean up , which includes breakdown of tables, sweeping gym floor, wash coffee pot, and put away all leftovers.

In order to continue coffee hour, which we know everyone enjoys, it is necessary to have more volunteers. The few volunteers we have are not able to make it every week. This is a decision that is up to you, our parish families.

Please contact Mrs. Joan Baggs at joan.baggs@olhcparish.org or 347-838-6726 if you would like to volunteer. *If we can get a team of 10 volunteers to alternate in preparing, serving, and cleaning up for the hospitality, I am confident we can keep this lovely tradition in our parish going.

*Hospitality is open to all who wish to come not just those who attend religious instructions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

OFFICE HOURS MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY 10:00 AM-3:00 PM TEL. NO. 347-838-6726

Announcements

Christmas Mass Schedule:

The Religious Education office will be closed from Thursday, December 22nd through Monday, January 2nd.

Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 3rd at 4:00 PM.

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Saturday, December 24th 4:30 PM

Sunday, December 25th Midnight, 8AM, 10 AM and 12 PM

Wishing all our families a very Blessed Christmas and a Very Happy and Healthy New Year! Mrs. Joan Baggs, DRE

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

So far this year,
CROSSROADFOUNDATION has helped
more than 165 women with options such
as counseling, parenting classes and material
assistance. We distributed more than \$90,000 in
needed baby items. More importantly, of the 45
mothers who were considering abortion, 26 that
we know of chose to continue their
pregnancies. Their gratitude is heartfelt.
Crossroad thanks our parish for the monthly
canister collection. We are helping them save
babies! Pray for them and tell others of their
work. www.crossroadfoundation.net
482 Manor Road, SI 10314 718-556-3474

The Giving Tree



Thank you to all our parishioners who gave to the Giving Tree.

Your continual commitment to helping others is a blessing!!

Toys for Tots



Thank you to all who unselfishly gave to Toys for Tots. You put a smile on a child's face. God bless you! May you have a blessed Christmas season!



The Rectory Staff at Our Lady Help of Christians would like to wish you and your families a very blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!