

# Church of Our Lady Help of Christians



The Catholic Church  
in Tottenville since 1898



7396 Amboy Road Staten Island New York 10307

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**August 3, 2025**  
**18th Sunday OT**

**"You fool,  
this night your life  
will be demanded of you;  
and the things you have  
prepared, to whom will  
they belong?"**

## RECTORY

### **Summer Office Hours:**

**Monday-Friday: 8:00am - 2:00pm**

**Pastor: Fr. James H. Ferreira**

**Weekend Assistants:** Fr. Frank Naccarato  
Fr. Michael Reilly

**Secretaries:** Maria Byrnes  
Ninfa Chiarello

**Music Director:** Wayne Hu

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### **Summer Office Hours:**

**Monday-Wednesday: 10:00am - 1:00pm**

**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 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, AUGUST 2, 2025**

**9:00am:** Richard Kosek  
*Requested by The Sacco Family*

**4:30pm:** Anthony Parisi (Happy Birthday)  
*Requested by The Cipriano and Parisi Family*

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2025**

**8:00am:** Linda Peccerillo  
*Requested by Angela and Roger Drinjak*

**10:00am:** John S. Eckert and Rose McGovern  
*Requested by Your Loving Family*

**12:00pm:** The People of our Parish

**MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025**

**9:00am** Guerrino Mario DiBerardino  
*Requested by Arthur Faiella*

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2025**

**9:00am:** Joseph Porcello  
*Requested by Sabrina Anastasio*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025**

**9:00am:** Ann Rapaglia and William Karpeles  
*Requested by Your Loving Families*

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025**

**9:00am:** Carl Termine, Sr.  
*Requested by His Loving Family*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 8, 2025**

**9:00am:** Vincent Pizzillo (Happy Birthday)  
*Requested by Your Loving Family*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025**

**9:00am:** Victoria Catalano  
*Requested by Her Loving Sister and Niece*

**4:30pm:** The People of our Parish

**\*\*Special Collections :**

**Crossroad Colletion-** Every 4th Sunday after all Masses

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

**St. Edward's Food Pantry -** 1st Weekend of the Month (to 6581 Hylan Blvd )

**First Friday of the Month** Mass at 9:00am followed by Adoration/Benediction

**Recitation of the Rosary -** Daily after the 9:00am Mass

**Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima -** The 13th of every month at 6:00pm

**MEMORIAL OFFERINGS  
BEGINNING AUGUST 2, 2025**



**Bread and Wine**  
**Vincent Pizzillo**  
*Req. by Your Loving Family*



**Sanctuary Lamp**  
**Thomas Doyle**  
*Req. by Kathy Doyle*



**Anthony Parisi**  
**(Happy Birthday)**  
*Love, The Cipriano and Parisi Family*



**Altar Flowers**  
**NONE DURING SUMMER**

**SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS:**

**Thank you for your support!**

**PARISH REGULAR COLLECTION:**  
**JULY 26, 2025 and JULY 27, 2025: \$4,140.**

**YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT YOUR WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS BY CONNECTING TO WESHARE AT:**

**[olheparish.churchgiving.com](http://olheparish.churchgiving.com)**  
**or call 1-877-316-0260.**

**YOU MAY ALSO DROP OFF YOUR ENVELOPES IN THE RECTORY MAILBOX, OR**

**VENMO , a new mode of payment for those who prefer cashless options: Below is our QR code for our Venmo account. Please feel free to use it for donation purposes.**



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The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

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### ***Why is August dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary?***

“The primary reason why August became associated with the Immaculate Heart of Mary is because of World War II and the devotion of Pope Pius XII to Our Lady of Fatima.

The world was in turmoil in the 1940s and in 1942, Pope Pius XII responded to the requests of Our Lady of Fatima and consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on October 31, 1942. When the war continued, Pius XII again turned to the Immaculate Heart.

On May 4, 1944, Pope Pius XII established the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary on August 22, the octave day of the feast of the Assumption. He did so that by her intercession may be obtained “peace among nations, freedom for the Church, the conversion of sinners, the love of purity and the practice of virtue.”

This remained the day dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary up until after the Second Vatican Council. After the revision of the General Calendar, Pope Paul VI decided to switch the feasts of the Immaculate Heart and the Queenship of Mary. The feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was joined to the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (celebrated on the Saturday following the feast of the Sacred Heart, typically in June) and the Queenship of Mary was moved to August 22. This was in part to recognize the fact that Mary’s queenship is closely connected to that of her Assumption into heaven.

Even after the switching of the feasts, many Catholics continued to celebrate August as a month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as they felt her message at Fatima needed to be heard in a more extended way.

This designation of August is not an "official" spiritual theme decreed by the Catholic hierarchy, but simply an historical development that grew out of World War II and the message of Our Lady of Fatima.”

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Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes all newly baptized especially,  
**Adriana Marie Passalacqua**  
to your new Parish Family.

Let us pray for all the deceased buried from our church.



**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY. GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

|                            |                              |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| ANDREW S. ASWARD SC        | BRIAN P. FLEMING KUWAIT      |
| PAUL ALBANESE ROMANIA      | MASON MORGANTE NC            |
| DIANA ALBANESE WASH. STATE | CODY ROBINSON NC             |
| DAVID BAGGS NEW YORK       | SHAWN ROBINSON WA            |
| CHRISTOPHER DEDDO VA       | THOMAS TELLEFSEN, JR. ALASKA |

**Welcome August**



*May God turn your cannot into can,  
your confusion into clarity,  
your burdens into blessings and  
your stress into peace.  
May He bless you with  
joy, love, and happiness.  
May He provide a shield of protection  
over you and your family during the  
month of August and always.*

**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS  
PURGATORIAL SOCIETY**



**On the last Tuesday of every month,  
The Holy Mass is offered for the  
members of the Purgatorial Society.  
If you would like to have a loved one be en-  
rolled, please contact the rectory.**

**6 month enrollment is \$15.00  
12 month enrollment is \$30.00**

**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**

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|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Alexander           | Rita G.            | Stephanie          |
| Angelo Alberga      | Brian Godkin       | Christopher Seiler |
| Philip Alfano       | Kian Griffiths     | Judy Singler       |
| Robert Alongi       | Felipe Higgenson   | Stephanie          |
| Anna Ambrosio       | Debra Houshmonrad  | Stacey Strongarone |
| Jake Aspinall       | Sofia Ivanchenko   | Edward Svennigsen  |
| Aubrey              | Thomas Jacob       | Gladys Tancredi    |
| Doreen Balkin       | Jeremy             | Tara               |
| Frank Bak           | Jimmy T.           | Danielle Taunton   |
| Anna Bolino         | Kathy              | Carl Termine, Jr.  |
| Margaret Bonamo     | Kathy S.           | Justin Too         |
| Roseann Brock       | Marianne Kelly     | Vicki M.           |
| Robert Bridge       | Nancy King         | Tim Wallace        |
| Joseph Burzo        | Gianna Kovacs      | Cathy Westcott     |
| Theresa Cardinale   | Frances Laguna     | Joseph Yasso       |
| Carmela             | Rafael Laskowski   |                    |
| Dennis Castelli     | Maria LaSorsa      |                    |
| Luca Carsen         | Joseph Liotine     |                    |
| Thomas Celentano    | Anthony Lodareo    |                    |
| Steven Cina         | Santa Luca         |                    |
| Lisa Clifford       | Flora Lucchese     |                    |
| Salvatore Cortes    | Ralph Lucchese     |                    |
| Stacey Cohen        | Suoto Maisco       |                    |
| Sylvia Cohen        | JoAnn Magee        |                    |
| Eddie Covelli       | Ed Malley          |                    |
| Sharonlee D.        | Joseph Mariconda   |                    |
| Daniel              | Matthew            |                    |
| Danielle T.         | Ken McCall         |                    |
| Elvira Deluzio      | Peter Marsh        |                    |
| Ellen Derowki       | Vincent Merola     |                    |
| Andrew DiLorenzo    | Franco Migliorini  |                    |
| Barbara Doty        | Roberta Miro       |                    |
| Dennis Emperor      | Christine Momole   |                    |
| Nicolette Falzone   | Peter Monfasani    |                    |
| Nancy Flynn         | Joan Orena         |                    |
| Ramona Fogelstrom   | Linda Palermo      |                    |
| Joshua Gabay        | Paul M.            |                    |
| Emilyrose Gagliardi | Raymond Perry, Jr. |                    |
| Frank Gennuso       | SPC Sean Pesce     |                    |
| George              | Lynn Phimister     |                    |
| John George         | Phyllis            |                    |
|                     | Michael Porto      |                    |
|                     | Robert             |                    |
|                     | Robin Rodolfo      |                    |
|                     | Frances Rotunno    |                    |
|                     | Kevin Rybolt       |                    |
|                     | Philip Russo       |                    |
|                     | Angelo Sardinha    |                    |
|                     | Jordan S.          |                    |
|                     | Patricia Savino    |                    |



PARISH / CHURCH / OTHER EVENTS



**PLEASE NOTE:**  
We **DO NOT HAVE**  
the outdoor clothes bins any longer.  
**DO NOT** leave bags of

clothing in the church parking lot.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**SPECIAL EVENT**

**Goretti Run/Walk Fundraiser  
Saturday, August 16th 10:00am**

Join us at Midland Beach on Staten Island for the Annual Run/Walk to "Spread the Joy of Authentic Love" and help support our NY Chapter! Families, teams and individuals are welcome to run or walk our 2 mile race! (A 1 mile race for children 12years old and under). Cash prizes in all age categories, free food/T-shirts, & children's medals for all!

**Donate or register with the link on our webpage: [thegorettigroup.org/newyork](http://thegorettigroup.org/newyork)  
Email: [ny@thegorettigroup.org](mailto:ny@thegorettigroup.org) for more information.**

Midland Beach Promenade Lot #9 (Corner of Fr. Capodanno )Blvd. & Lincoln Ave.)



**AUGUST 16, 2025, 10:00 AM  
2025 2 MILE RACE FOR THE  
CHASTE NYC RUN/WALK**

STATEN ISLAND MIDLAND BEACH PROMENADE

Come join us and Race for the Chaste! Bear witness to authentic love and help raise funds for the **Goretti Group New York**. Prizes, Food, and Fun for all with a special 1-mile race for those 12 and under!

[ny@thegorettigroup.org](mailto:ny@thegorettigroup.org)

**REGISTER NOW!**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



**Summer Office Hours**

**Monday - Wednesday  
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
Tel. No. 347-838-6726**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Attending Sunday Mass is an integral part of our Religious Education program and is a requirement for all grades all year.*

*Please use the Mass slips that were given out. If you attend at another parish please save the bulletins and bring them to us in September.*

**Please register your children as soon as possible as classes are filling up quickly!**

Registrations can be dropped off in person 10am to 1pm Monday through Wednesday. Registrations can also be placed in the Rectory mail slot at any time or mailed.

**Have a blessed week,  
Mrs. Joan Baggs, DRE**

**RESPECT LIFE**



Building a culture that cherishes and protects every human life.

**PART-TIME CHURCH SEXTON NEEDED  
HERE AT OLHC.**

Currently, the parish needs a part-time Church Sexton. We are looking for someone to cover the morning at the parish in maintaining the church's offices and liturgical functions.

All interested parties should contact the rectory or email Fr. Ferreira at:  
[fr.james.ferreira@olhccparish.org](mailto:fr.james.ferreira@olhccparish.org)

## The Immaculate Heart of Mary



### Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end. Amen.