

# Church of Our Lady Help of Christians



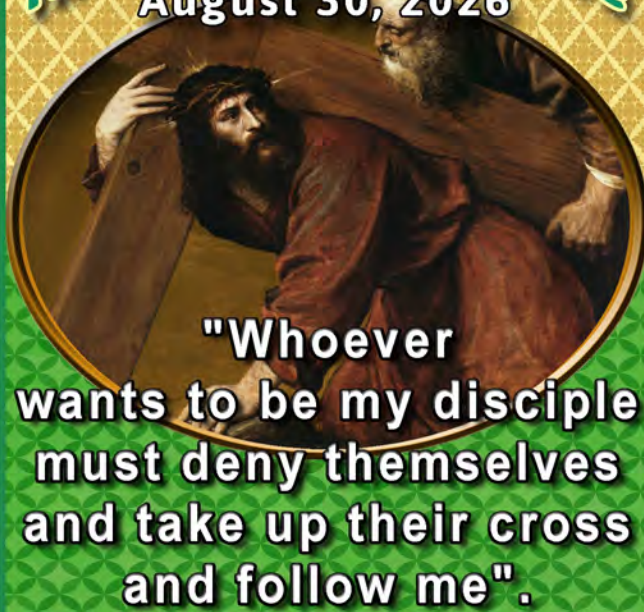
The Catholic Church  
in Tottenville since 1898



7396 Amboy Road Staten Island New York 10307

Parish Office: 718-317-9772 [www.olheparish.org](http://www.olheparish.org) \* Religious Education: 347-838-6726

**22nd Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**  
**August 30, 2026**



## **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:**

Regular hours: Monday: 8:00am-1:00pm and

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00am-3:00pm

**Summer Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am-1:00pm  
through September 8th.**

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

**Weekend Assistants:**

**Fr. Frank Naccarato and Fr. Michael Reilly**

**Secretaries:**

**Maria Byrnes and Ninfa Chiarello**

**Music Director: Wayne Hu**

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS:**

Regular 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 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 29, 2026****9:00am: Giuseppe Mastropaolo (Happy Birthday)***Req. by Your Loving Sister and Family***4:30pm: Marie Cipaldo***Req. by Donna Schoer and Dawn Morales***SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2026****8:00am: Alice Dochnahl (11th Anniversary)***Req. by The Bivona Family***10:00am: Angelina Caporale***Req. by Carl and Carolyn Bennett and Family***12:00pm: The People of our Parish****MONDAY, AUGUST 31, 2026****9:00am: Gary App***Req. by Lynne and Bob Amerosa***TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026****9:00am: John S. Eckert and Rose McGovern***Req. by The Eckert Family***WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2026****9:00am: Mary Ann Sansivero***Req. by Sabrina Anastasio***THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2026****9:00am: Kathleen Cirencione***Req. by Robert and Joanne Pietro***FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2026****9:00am: Fr. Fred Miller and Deacon Ed Wetherall***Req. by the OLHC Parish***9:30am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament****SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026****9:00am: Michael Frisoli***Req. by Robert Vigneri***4:30pm: The People of our Parish****\*\*Special Collections and Rosaries****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!****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 29, 2026****Bread and Wine****Kathleen Cirencione  
(3rd Anniversary)***Req. by Your Loving Family***Sanctuary Lamp****The People of our Parish****Altar Candles****Vincenza Giannola***Req. by Your Loving Family***Altar Flowers****NONE DURING SUMMER****SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS:****Thank you for your continued support!****Reg. Collection 8/22/26 and 8/23/26:****Total : \$3,866.****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.****venmo**



“The Blessed Virgin Mary, assumed into the glory of heaven, is a sign of hope and consolation for the entire People of God.” (Pope Leo XIV, Angelus Address, August 15, 2026)

In the month of August, as we mark the end of summer and students transition back to school, the Church reminds us of the constant love and presence of Our Lady, especially in the feasts of her Assumption and Coronation.

Sorrowfully, this month also marks a tragic new era in New York state, as assisted suicide legislation, known as MAiD, took effect. More than ever, we must offer solidarity and authentic compassion to those who are placed at risk by this legislation. We turn in trust to Our Lady, and beg her intercession for each of us, and especially those who are most vulnerable to threats against life. May she be a sign of hope and consolation on our journey to our eternal home.

In Christ, Our Life,  
The Respect Life Office

Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes all newly baptized  
to your new Parish Family especially,  
**Benito Luis O'Hare.**

Let us pray for all the deceased of the Parish buried  
from the church especially, **Michael Maratta and  
Robert George Delicio.**

### 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 |

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

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

Alexander  
Angelo Alberga  
Tina Aucello  
Ariel Ayubo  
Philip Alfano  
Robert Alongi  
Anna Ambrosiole  
Thomas Arnone  
Jake Aspinall  
Aubrey  
Doreen Balkin  
Frank Bak  
Anna Bolino  
Margaret Bonamo  
Roseann Brock  
Joseph Burzo  
Theresa Cardinale  
Carmela  
Dennis Castelli  
Luca Carsen  
Thomas Celentano  
Albert G. Chamberlain  
Anthony Chillelli  
Steven Cina  
Lisa Clifford  
Agnes Coniglione  
Salvatore Cortes  
Stacey Cohen  
Sylvia Cohen  
Frank Creazzo  
Maria D'Amelio  
Maria P.  
Matt Dordero  
Eddie Covelli  
Daniel  
Danielle T.  
Ellen Derowki  
Andrew DiLorenzo  
Barbara Doty  
Nicolette Falzone  
Denise Ferreira  
Nancy Flynn  
Joshua Gabay  
Emilyrose Gagliardi  
Frank Gennuso  
George  
John George  
Rita G.  
Brian Godkin  
Judy Goode

Kian Griffiths  
Robbie Hammel  
Felipe Higgenson  
Debra Houshmonrad  
Sofia Ivanchenko  
Thomas Jacob  
Jeremy  
Jimmy T.  
Kathy

Marianne Kelly  
Nancy King  
Gianna Kovacs  
Rafael Laskowski  
Maria LaSorsa  
Joseph Liotine  
Anthony Lodareo  
Santa Luca  
Flora Lucchese  
Ralph Lucchese  
Scuoto Maisco  
Ed Malley  
Joseph Mariconda  
John Marsh  
Matthew  
Ken McCall  
Vincent Merola  
Franco Migliorini  
Roberta Miro  
Christine Momole  
Peter Monfasani  
Joan Orena  
Richard Ortiz  
Linda Palermo  
Paul M.  
SPC Sean Pesce  
Lynn Phimister  
Julie Pleszewicz  
Phyllis  
Michael Porto  
Robin Rodolfo  
Patrick Rogers  
Frances Rotunno  
Kevin Rybolt  
Philip Russo  
Angelo Sardinha  
Jordan S.  
Patricia Savino  
Christopher Seiler  
Stephanie  
Judy Singler  
Stacy Stongarone  
Robert Sussman  
Edward Svennigsen  
Gladys Tancredi  
Tara  
Danielle Teco  
Danielle Taunton  
Carl Termine, Jr.  
Justin Too



### A Prayer of Gratitude for the Blessings of Summer



**Heavenly Father,**

**Thank You for walking with me through every  
day of this summer.**

**Thank You for the sunshine, the peaceful  
mornings, the laughter of loved ones,  
and every blessing that often went unnoticed.**

**Even during difficult moments, You never left  
my side. You gave me strength when I was  
tired, comfort when I felt worried, and hope  
when I needed encouragement.**

**As this season comes to an end, I choose to  
remember Your goodness instead of my  
disappointments.**

**Help me keep a thankful heart in every season  
of life. May I never forget that every good gift  
comes from You.**

**Fill my heart with joy that lasts beyond the  
summer months,  
and help me continue sharing Your love  
with everyone I meet.**

**In Jesus' name, Amen.**

## PARISH / CHURCH/ OTHER EVENTS

**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026**  
**AT 10:00AM MASS**



**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**  
**MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS**  
**THE 2026 LIMITED RAFFLE**

**ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT \$100**  
**EACH TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT ALL**  
**WEEKEND MASSES STARTING THE WEEKEND OF**  
**SEPTEMBER 26TH AND SEPTEMBER 27TH.**

**MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.**

**25th Anniversary**  
**9/11 Memorial Mass**  
**Friday, 7:00pm**



## RESPECT LIFE



## HELP SAVE LIVES IN STATEN ISLAND!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over 26,000 saved babies
- More than 180 closed facilities
- More than 275 converted workers

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

**Vigil location:** Outside SIU Hospital North  
 475 Seaview Ave & Mason Ave

**Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily

**Local contact:** 40DaysSI@gmail.com

**Learn more ...** get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

[40daysforlife.com/StatenIsland](http://40daysforlife.com/StatenIsland)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Our regular office hours begin on Tuesday, Sept. 1st:  
 10AM to 3PM - Monday through Thursday.

We are still located in the rectory.

Religious Ed. begins on Sunday, September 13th at  
 10:45 - 11:45 AM.

**PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR SUNDAYS !!**

**Monday, September 14th through Wednesday,**  
**September 16th, 4 PM to 5 PM.**

Important Parent Meetings:

**Grade 1: Tuesday, September 8th @ 7:00 PM**

**Grade 2: Tuesday, September 15th @ 7:00 PM**

**Grade 7: Tuesday, September 22nd @ 7:00 PM**

**Grades 3, 4, 5, 6: Wednesday, September 30th**  
**@ 7:00 PM**

**Grade 8: Tuesday, October 6th @ 7:00 PM**

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL PARENT MEETINGS WILL BE**  
**HELD IN THE SCHOOL GYM. Enter through the**  
**Yetman Avenue parking lot.**

**God Bless you! Mrs. Joan M. Baggs**  
**Director of Religious Education**

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS  
PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

On the last Tuesday of the month, the Purgatorial Society is celebrated at the 9am Mass. The Holy Mass is offered for the members enrolled in the Purgatorial Society. If you would like to have a loved one enrolled, please contact the rectory. Once enrolled you will receive a card showing the name of the loved one and the time period that they will be enrolled.

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

BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM AT ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

**(Rectory Basement) 101 Cromwell Ave. SI, NY 10304**

There is a 7 Week Bereavement Program beginning on September 10th - October 29th. This program is opened to the public and designed to help those who are grieving the death of a loved one. A spiritual and supportive and confidential environment is offered. **PLEASE SEE CHURCH LOBBY BULLETIN BOARDS FOR DETAILS.**

*Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary*  
*Novena Prayer*



PRAYER  
TO THE IMMACULATE  
HEART OF MARY

Novena Prayer

O MOST BLESSED MOTHER,  
heart of love, heart of mercy,  
ever listening, caring,  
consoling, hear our prayer.  
As your children, we implore your  
intercession with Jesus your Son.  
Receive with understanding and  
compassion the petitions we place  
before you today, especially  
(special intention).  
We are comforted in knowing your  
heart is ever open to those  
who ask for your prayer.  
We trust to your gentle care and  
intercession, those whom we love  
and who are sick or lonely or hurting.  
Help all of us, Holy Mother to bear  
our burdens in this life until we  
may share eternal life and peace  
with God forever  
Amen.