

Church of Our Lady Help of Christians



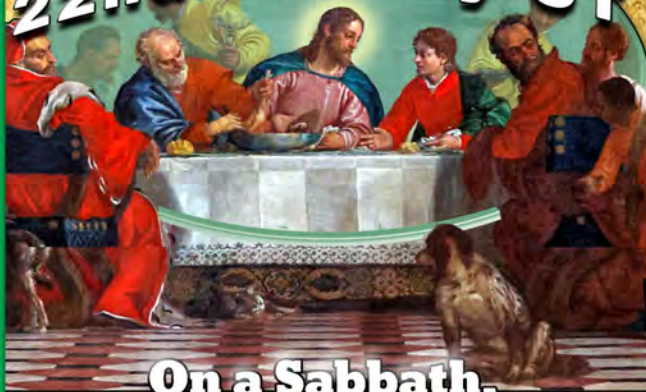
The Catholic Church
in Tottenville since 1898



7396 Amboy Road Staten Island New York 10307

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August 31, 2025
22nd Sunday OT



**On a Sabbath,
Jesus went to dine
at the home of one of
the leading Pharisees,
the people there were
observing him carefully.**

RECTORY

Office Hours:

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

Pastor: Fr. James H. Ferreira

Weekend Assistants: Fr. Frank Naccarato
Fr. Michael Reilly

Secretaries: Maria Byrnes
Ninfa Chiarello

Music Director: Wayne Hu

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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 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 30, 2025

9:00am: Joseph Nieves
Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Santo Musco

4:30pm: Alice Dochnahl (10th Anniversary)
Requested by The Bivona Family

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025

8:00am: Anna Haberbosch
Requested by Stefanie Wright

10:00am: Angelina Caporale
Requested by Your Loving Family

12:00pm: The People of our Parish

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 LABOR DAY (RECTORY CLOSED)

9:00am Special Intention

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

9:00am: Antonino Bonventre
Requested by Cosimo and Francine Robles

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

9:00am: Michael Trupiano
Requested by The Lenzo Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

9:00am: Patricia Ekelund
Requested by Margie Costello and Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

9:00am: Fr. Fred Miller and Deacon Ed Wetherall
Requested by The OLHC Parish

9:30am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

9:00am: Betty Cepero
Requested by The Chadwick Family

4:30pm: The People of our Parish

****Special Collections :**

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 30, 2025



Bread and Wine
Kathleen Cirencione
(1st Anniversary)
Req. by Your Loving Family



Sanctuary Lamp
Anna Haberbosch
Req. by Stefanie Wright



Altar Candles
Giuseppe Mastropaolo
(Happy Birthday)
Req. by Your Loving Family



Altar Flowers
NONE DURING SUMMER

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS:

Thank you for your support!

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

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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POPE LEO XIV AND HIS PROFOUND LOVE OF CHILDREN



(Pope Leo XIV bends down to take a photo with a girl taking part in the Summer Vatican Camp)

Since the start of his pontificate, the pope has demonstrated how children are the "cradle of the future of humanity." Pope Leo XIV's gentle gestures toward children have captured hearts all over the world. Pope Leo also reminds us that "the Gospel is also spread through a hug." In the Pope's natural ease with the younger generations, he follows Christ's own example – just as Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."

Pope Leo likes to meet the children at eye level. At a Vatican summer camp event, Pope Leo knelt beside a young girl to admire her drawing -- a gesture that Vatican News said "points us toward a direction that all people should follow."

As a missionary bishop in Peru, he bent down "many times to meet children at their level," and now as Pope, "his style hasn't changed."

Pope Leo's spontaneous blessings of children have become a hallmark of his young pontificate. On May 18, 2025, he paused his Popemobile at the Vatican to bless two American infants carried by pilgrim families. The Pope made the sign of the cross over each baby. The parents, who felt "called to fly to Rome" with their children for the inaugural Mass, saw this blessing as a sign of Providence.

Such incidents show how this "Papa Pope" reaches out to the youngest, bringing them into the heart of the Church's life.

All these encounters underline a deeper truth: Pope Leo's papacy is already focused on the future generation. He has reminded us that families -- and especially children -- are the "cradle of the future of humanity," where faith is shared "like food at the family table."

Addressing little ones at the Jubilee Mass, he even urged them to say "thank you" to their parents daily, honoring them with gratitude.

Pope Leo, willingly becomes small by kneeling, hugging, blessing, even giving fist bumps! He shows us that "to become small ... is to enlarge our humanity." In doing so, this humble pontiff brings Christ's fatherly warmth to children everywhere, proving that the newest Pope is truly a "pope for the children," shepherding the Church with a father's gentle heart.

As the summer ends and the school year begins, may we use Pope Leo as an example for our own children; to see our children at eye level, looking at the world through their eyes. Our children are the future of our faith. We must love them, guide them, hug them and bless them. May our children see the reflection of Christ in each one of us.



Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes all newly baptized 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

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



The Catholic Church traditionally dedicates the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows? The Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows falls right in the middle of the month, September 15th. The Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows is tied to an event in the life of her Son. On September 14th we celebrate the instrument of Christ's victory over death; and the next day, we remember the suffering of Mary as she stood at the foot of the Cross and witnessed the torture and death of her Son.

Through these prayers for September, we can unite ourselves to Mary in her sorrow, in the hope that we will one day also share her joy in the triumph of her Son.

PRAYER IN HONOR OF THE SORROWS OF OUR BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

O most holy and afflicted Virgin! Queen of Martyrs! thou who didst stand motionless beneath the Cross, witnessing the agony of thy expiring Son—through the unceasing sufferings of thy life of sorrow, and the bliss which now more than amply repays thee for thy past trials, look down with a mother's tenderness and pity on me, who kneel before thee to venerate thy dolours, and place my requests, with filial confidence, in the sanctuary of thy wounded heart; present them, I beseech thee, on my behalf, to Jesus Christ, through the merits of His own most sacred death and passion, together with thy sufferings at the foot of the cross, and through the united efficacy of both obtain the grant of my present petition.

To whom shall I resort in my wants and miseries if not to thee, O Mother of Mercy, who, having so deeply drunk of the chalice of thy Son, canst compassionate the woes of those who still sigh in the land of exile?

Offer for me to my Savior one drop of the Blood which flowed from His sacred veins, one of the tears which trickled from His divine eyes, one of the sighs which rent His adorable Heart.

O refuge of the universe and hope of the whole world, do not reject my humble prayer, but graciously obtain the grant of my petition.

PARISH / CHURCH/ OTHER EVENTS

**PARKING
LOT
CLOSED**

**Starting Tuesday,
September 4th,
the Amboy Rd. parking lot
of the church will be closed
from 12-3pm, Monday- Friday.**

It has come to our attention that the safety and security of the parking lot due to people collecting their children from school was becoming dangerous.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause, but the safety of our children is paramount.

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2025
MEMORIAL MASS
THURSDAY AT 7:00PM**



**WE REMEMBER SEPTEMBER 11TH AND ALL THE
FAITHFULL DEPARTED FROM OUR LADY HELP OF
CHRISTIANS CHURCH**

PAUL BEYER

LOUIS CAPORICCI

JOHN CHIPURA

JEFF GIORDANO

MICHELE LANZA

SCOTT MCGOVERN

MARIO NARDONE, JR.

PABLO ORTIZ

KENNETH WHITE

MARK WHITFORD

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Tel. No. 347-838-6726**

Announcements

Office Hours : Closed Monday, September 1st
Office Open: Tuesday through Thursday 10am to 3pm this week.

Starting Monday, September 8th Office Hours will resume: Monday through Thursday, 10:00am to 3:00 pm

All parents have been emailed regarding the first day of class. Classes begin September 14th.

Everyone has also been notified by email about Parent Meetings.

Grade 1: Wednesday, September 10th at 7th PM in the lower church.

Grade 2: Monday, September 15th at 7 PM in the lower church.

Grades 3, 4, 5, 6: Wednesday, September 17th at 7PM in the lower church.

Grade 7: Monday, September 22nd at 7 PM in the lower church.

Grade 8: Monday, October 15th at 7 PM in the lower church.

Have a Blessed Week, Mrs. Joan Baggs DRE



**SAVE THE DATE
CELEBRATING ITALIAN AMERICAN
HERITAGE MONTH**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

OLHC AUDITORIUM

1:00PM - 4:00PM

FOOD DRINK MUSIC

More details to follow.



Sunday October 5, 2025

7396 Amboy Road,
Staten Island NY 10307
(Yetman Ave. Parking Lot)

1:30 p.m. Assembly outside of the Church

2:00 p.m. Praying of the Glorious Mysteries

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

**JOIN OUR PARISH
FORTY HOURS EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION**



The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration and Private Prayer.
Beginning on Sunday, October 26th following with Vespers and Exposition at 6:00pm, and continuing non-stop, day and night, ending on Tuesday, October 28th, concluding at 4:00pm with Solemn Mass and Solemn Benediction.

*Just as the Lord asked his disciples,
"Could you not stay one hour with me?"
Come spend time with the Eucharistic Lord.*

Sign-up sheets to follow.