

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 * Religious Education: 347-838-6726

**25th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
September 20, 2026



**"I am not being
unfair to you, friend.
Didn't you agree to work
for a denarius?"**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

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

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

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, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026**

9:00am: Alfred Pantaleone
Req. by The Cardona Family

4:30pm: Robert Bridge
Req. by Cousin Kathy and Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

8:00am: Joseph & Ida Cracchiolo
Req. by Your Loving Family

10:00pm: The People of our Parish

12:00pm: Patricia Palermo
Req. by Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Anastasio

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

9:00am: James Lynch
Req. by His Wife, Ann Lynch

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 *Padre Pio Novena ends after Mass*

9:00am: Joan Blondell (Happy Birthday)
Req. by Your Loving Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

9:00am: John S. Eckert and Rose McGovern
Req. by The Eckert Family

Mass followed by Prayers and a Veneration of the Relic of St. Padre Pio.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

9:00am: Henry Carstens
Req. by His Loving Friend, Bell

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026

9:00am: Richard Ekelund
Req. by Margie Costello and Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

9:00am: Paul Ungaro
Req. by Fran Esposito

4:30pm: Dennis and Priscilla Carollo
Req. by Jenine and Dennis

****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**SEPTEMBER 19, 2026****Bread and Wine****Rosa Carstens***Req. by the OLHC Rosary Group***Sanctuary Lamp****The People of our Parish****Altar Candles****Maria Cosenza***Req. by Your Loving Family***Altar Flowers****The People of our Parish****SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS:****Regular Weekly Contributions:****9/12/26-9/13/26: Total: \$4,181.****Thank you for your continued 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.

**venmo**



Now that we are back into the swing of a new year, I would like to remind everyone of a few housekeeping issues. Many of us have been away and it is good that you have returned. Here are a few things to remember:

1. Please try to refrain from long chats in church. It's a place of prayer.
(Church is open 8am- 4pm Mon-Fri, 8am-5:15pm Sat, 7am-1pm Sun).
2. Please genuflect or, if unable, bow before entering the pew in respect for the Blessed Sacrament.
3. Please do not talk during the Mass. The sign of peace is not extended for the faithful in order to promote a reverent environment. Please keep respect for those trying to focus on the Lord.
4. When receiving Holy Communion, please come close to the priest. If you receive on the tongue, please extend your tongue (Don't worry, it's not rude). If you receive on the hand, please flatten your hand and your left hand should be on top of your right.
5. Please receive the host **IN FRONT OF THE PRIEST**. Please ensure any children with you do the same.
6. When leaving the church, please try to keep conversation within the vestibule or outside. Please try to keep the interior of the Church a place of prayer.
7. Please try to respect parking rules and give yourself adequate time to park (we all know the challenges of Tottenville parking). Please try not block the parking of our surrounding neighbors.
8. Remember the traditional rule: the definition of missing mass is arriving after the Gospel is read.
9. Parking lot closed Monday to Friday 1-3pm during school days. This is for the safety of our children. Also, remember the Amboy Rd. Parking lot is for church use only. It is not a public playground or auxiliary public parking.
10. Please remember the bathroom is for emergency use only. Please plan ahead before leaving for church. It is distracting for others when many people exit the church for bathroom use.
11. Please remember that vestibules have the glass doors and speakers so that if children need a place to calm down, you can still participate in the mass. It is fine to go there, if you need it. No shame. I wish we could have a better space but the building prevents us.
12. Please remember that it is not appropriate to eat and drink in the church. I have been finding coffee cups and soda bottles left after mass. Water is acceptable in an emergency. Please wait to refresh yourself till after mass (everyone is supposed to fast 1 hour before mass) unless urgent needs of health require it.

Fr. James Ferreira
Our Lady Help of Christians Church
Pastor

Our Lady Help of Christians welcomes all newly baptized to your new Parish Family especially,
Dean William Vano.

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
Maxine 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
Margurite Orlino
Richard Ortiz
Linda Palermo
Paul M.
SPC Sean Pesce
Lynn Phimister
Julie Pleszewicz
Phyllis
Michael Porto
Matthew Quagliariello
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



Let us pray for all the deceased of the Parish
buried from the church, especially, **Rosa Carstens**
Michael Morrisse.

**2026 CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE**

**Monsignor Farrell High School
(All boys)**

Sunday, October 18th - 10:00am-1:45pm

Visit website to register

www.msgrfarrellhs.org

718-987-2900

**Moore Catholic High School
(Boys and Girls)**

Saturday, October 3rd - 12:00pm-3:00pm

Visit website to register

www.MooreCatholicHS.org

718-447-8878

**Notre Dame Academy High School
(All Girls)**

Sunday, October 25th - 1:00pm -5:00pm

Visit website to register

www.notredameacademy.org

718-447-8878

**Regis High School, New York, NY
Merit Based School
(All Boys)**

Thursday, Oct. 8th

(Time to be determined)

www.regis.org

212-288-1100

**St. Joseph by the Sea High School
(Girls and Boys)**

Girls: Sunday, October 18th - 1:00pm-4:00pm

Boys: Sunday, October 25th - 1:00pm-4:00pm

Visit website to register

www.josephsea.org

718-984-6500

**St. Joseph Hill Academy High School
(All Girls)**

Sunday, October 25th - 12:00pm-3:00pm

Visit website to register

www.stjosephhillacademy.com

718-447-1374

**St. Peter's High School
(All Boys)**

Sunday, November 3rd - 12:00pm-2:30pm

Call for more information

718-447-1676

**Xavarian High School, Brooklyn, NY
(Boys and Girls)**

Sunday, October 18th

Visit website to register

www.xaverian.org 718-836-7100

PARISH / CHURCH/ OTHER EVENTS

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



Sunday October 4, 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, Sri Lankan and
 Filipino.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 3, 2025

9:30 AM AFTER THE 9AM MASS.
 IN THE AMBOY ROAD SIDE
 PARKING LOT OF THE CHURCH.

SAVE THE DATE !!!

OCTOBER- FEST ON SUNDAY
OCT. 18TH MORE DETAILS TO
FOLLOW!!



THE STOLENZHALER COLUMBIETTE

AUXILIARY will be selling chances on the weekend of **October 17th and October 18th** for the NY State Council Knights of Columbus Charitable and Benevolent Program. The drawing will be held December 5, 2026. First Prize: \$25,000. Second Prize: \$10,000. Third Prize: \$5,000 plus 10 prizes of \$1,000. Your donation of \$5.00 per chance or \$10.00 for 2 chances is greatly appreciated. The NY State Knights of Columbus assists many organizations through out the state such as: Catholic Education Match, Grants and Scholarships Special Olympics, Disaster Relief, New York Bishops' Diocesan Programs Sisters of Life, After Pregnancy Support, Religious Vocations, Coats for Kids, Food for families, 5 NYS Shrine Pilgrimages and Wheelchairs.

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.

Important Parent Meetings:

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

Grades 3, 4, 5, 6: Tuesday, September 29th @ 7:00 PM

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE!!

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.

Mass Attendance: 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 Mass at another parish, please save the bulletins and bring them to us when your child attends class.

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

RESPECT LIFE NEWS

40 Days for Life! We are again participating as a parish in this most powerful ministry to educate people on the alternatives to abortion and to pray for those contemplating it. **OLHC** will be praying each Saturday from 1-2 and 2-3pm. We start on Sept 26. **Transportation is available.** The weather is always beautiful for us at this time. If you can join us or wish to come back this Fall, please text Ginny 646 267 6456. If you feel the Lord is telling you to do something, this is it!! *"LOVE - It's profit lies in its practice" St. Bernard*

CLOVE LAKERS HEALTH CARE AND REHAB. CENTER

Located at 25 Fanning Street is **looking for volunteers** to serve in the Recreation Department, assisting staff with programs. If you are a Eucharistic Minister, please consider bringing Holy Communion to our residents on a regular basis. If interested contact Eileen Bardel Volunteer Coordinator at 718-289-7114. **For more info. Please see Church lobby Bulletin board.**



**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS
\$\$\$ A LIMITED RAFFLE \$\$\$
ONLY 300 TICKETS SOLD**



**YOU NEED TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!!
PRICE: \$100 PER TICKET
(split the purchase with family and friends)**

LIMITED TO 300 TICKETS

\$\$\$ PRIZES \$\$

FIRST \$10,000

SECOND \$ 3,000

THIRD \$ 2,000

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD BEGINNING THE WEEKEND OF SEPT. 26 AND SEPT. 27.

***DRAWING: SAT. DECEMBER 5TH, FOLLOWING THE 4:30PM MASS AT
THE CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY.***

WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT. THEY WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE.

**NOTE: IF ALL 300 TICKETS ARE NOT SOLD, PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED
PROPORTIONATE TO THE NUMBER OF SOLD TICKETS.**

TICKET PURCHASE LIMITED RAFFLE

Please complete the form below and mail it with your payment to: OLHC 7396 Amboy Road, or you can place it in the collection basket at Mass or the rectory mailbox. Your ticket stub will be mailed. Tickets may also be purchased after all weekend Masses.

Names: _____

Address: _____

Tel. no. _____

No. of Tickets _____ **at \$100.00 each**

Enclosed \$ _____ **cash** _____ **check** _____

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS AND GOOD LUCK !