

OCTOBER 11, 2026



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Roman Catholic Community
in the Diocese of Bridgeport

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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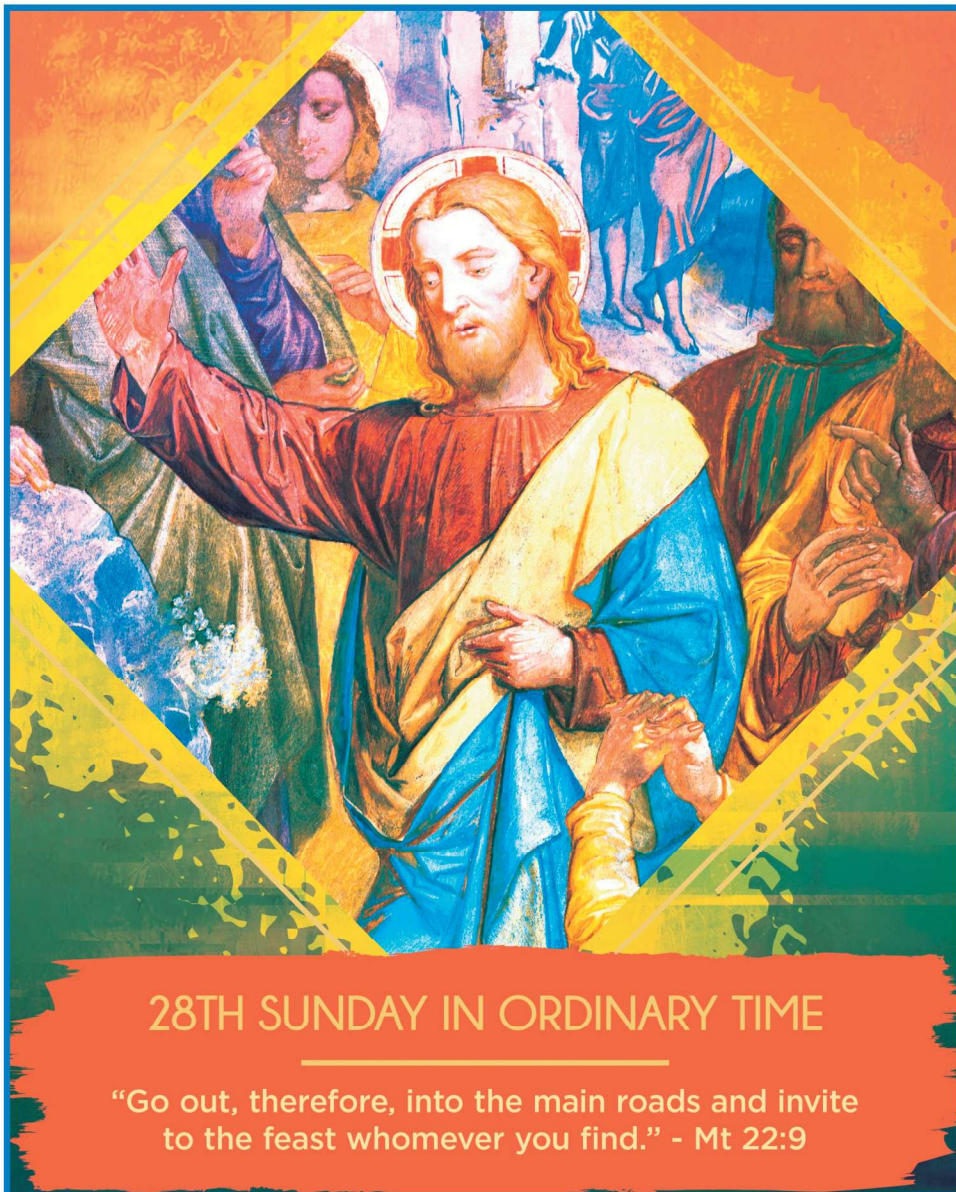
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"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite
to the feast whomever you find." - Mt 22:9

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 5:30pm Vigil
Sunday | 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday | 8:00am

Holy Days

8:00 am, 12:00 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday | 4:30 - 5:00pm
Other | By Appointment

Adoration

First Friday of the Month
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sacraments

BAPTISM: Sunday | 12:15pm
New parents must attend a
Pre-Baptismal class.
Contact Parish Office.

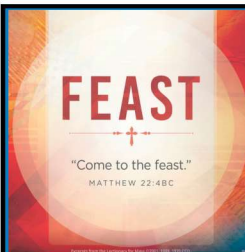
MARRIAGE

Arrangements through the
Parish Office.

PRAYER AND READINGS

SANCTUARY CANDLE

This week the Sanctuary Candle burns
in memory of the
Salvatore (Sam) Cingari
requested by her family



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MATTHEW 22: 1-14**

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

5:30PM KEPLER PADILLA (REQ. BY DENISE CAMPOS)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

9:00AM JOSE PASTILHA (REQ. BY ELSA NETO)

11:00AM SALLY R. SWEENEY - 15TH ANNIVERSARY
(REQ. BY FAMILY)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:00AM MICHAEL J. FARRELLY (REQ. BY FAMILY)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:00AM MARY A. CZESCIK (REQ. BY FAMILY)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00AM PIETRO BORTOLAN

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:00AM SAM CINGARI (REQ. BY MARY DONOVAN)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:00AM VINCENT BAVETTA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

5:30PM MAURA G. KANE (REQ. BY FAMILY)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:00AM HAPPY BIRTHDAY 6TH JOHN DAY, LOVE MOM&DAD

11:00AM GIUSEPPE, ROSA & BEN GROSSI
(REQ. BY MASONE & MARTINO FAMILY)

Some friends invited me to one of the most famous and expensive restaurants in the country. I was grateful and eager to go. One invited friend even flew from another state for the experience. Every bite and sip was truly memorable and delicious. But my friends' teenage children spent much of the time on their phones, complained about the food, and generally ignored the once-in-a-lifetime experience. I wanted to yell, "C'mon, you guys! Look what you're missing!"

In today's parable, Jesus describes people invited to an amazing wedding feast who respond with inexplicable indifference. He says, "**Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business**" (Matthew 22:5). The problem is not that they choose evil but that they allow other desires to distract them from an amazing opportunity. The feast is prepared, but their hearts are elsewhere. In Christ Jesus, God offers each of us a wildly extravagant offer: a place at the wedding banquet between heaven and earth.

What are your current excuses for the delay in engaging with Jesus? How are you postponing a deepening of your relationship with him under the guise of responsibility? The good news is that the feast is ready. His invitation remains. Hear the Lord say to us, "C'mon, guys! Look what you're missing!" Then respond with concrete action.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

The OLSS Mass Book for 2027 is now open.

Contact the Parish Office to reserve your masses. Requested mass offering is \$15 for a mass (\$20 with a card). Sanctuary Candle offering is \$25 for the week. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October

- 18 World Mission Sunday
- 24 Person 2 Person Coat Drive Drop-Off
- 25 Youth Group Meeting
- 31 Vigil Mass begins at 4:30

November

- 3 Election Day Bake Sale
- 6 First Friday Adoration - 8:30 - 12:00 noon
- 6 New Covenant Center First Friday Lunch
- 15 Youth Group Meeting
- 26 Thanksgiving
- 29 First Sunday of Advent

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH

	10/04/26	10/05/25
Offertory	*****	\$4,275
Utilities	*****	\$1,999

****Not available at publication time.

The second collection next week is for Mission Sunday

Thank you for your generous support.



For more information, please
go to the website

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NEWS AND EVENTS

FORMING FAITH



Calling Parents of Catholic School 2nd Graders:

Please contact Dr. Pamela Garra **by October 25** so your children will be included in the May 2027 OLSS First Communion Preparation. Thank you!

Please email Dr. Pamela Garra at DRE@OLSS.Church

WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to all parishioners, parents, new residents and those visiting Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Get Involved!

There are many excellent ways to participate in the parish through our ministries. Do you like to cook or sing or decorate or organize or serve others or participate in the Liturgy of the Mass? Try one thing - bake for the Election Day Bake Sale or drop off a coat, sweater or hat at the Coat Drop-Off. Check the weekly bulletin and answer the call.

We need you!

Election Day Bake Sale

It's time to get ready for our annual Election Day Bake Sale!

Tuesday, November 3

We need bakers as well as volunteers to help throughout the day.

The bake sale runs from 8am to 6pm.

Thank you for your support of this great event. Start planning your menu. Sign up in the Lobby or contact Kate Ingram, kateingram0215@gmail.com



New Covenant Center

First Friday Meals - Friday, November 6

Helpers needed to shop, prepare and serve
Please contact Krystyna Vaughan,
Krystyna06902@gmail.com

NEW COVENANT CENTER
focused on hunger prevention and social services for a better life
A PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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Drive Thru

COAT DRIVE

HATS & GLOVES TOO

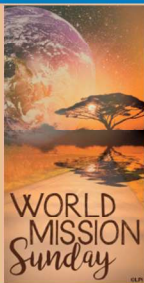
HELP KEEP YOUR NEIGHBORS WARM!

WE ARE COLLECTING NEW OR GENTLY USED WINTER COATS AND NEW GLOVES AND HATS ON BEHALF OF PERSON TO PERSON.

DRIVE -THRU DROP OFF
OLSS PARKING LOT
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24
11AM TO 1 PM



 person to person



World Mission Day was first established by Pope Pius XI, beginning in October 1927. This year the Church celebrates the 100th World Mission Day on Sunday, October 18, 2026. As the Church prepares to celebrate this day, Pope Leo XIV calls us to unity in Christ, love, and renewed missionary commitment "with joy and zeal in the Holy Spirit"

Thank you for your generous support.

CHANGE IN



MASS TIMES

Our Saturday Vigil Mass will begin
at 4:30pm starting
October 31st.



Celebrating new
life in Christ
through Baptism

Colette
Gallagher

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY



Celebrate the life of Christ with Mary, His mother, by praying the Rosary, one decade at a time. Each decade has one Our Father, ten Hail Marys and one Glory Be. Start with one Hail Mary. Hail Mary, full of grace....