

# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA



1200 SHIPPAN AVENUE, STAMFORD, CT 06902

Parish Office: 203.324.4634

Office Hours: 10:00am-5:00pm Mon & Fri 10:00am-4:00pm Wed

## JULY 1, 2018

### MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm  
Sunday 9 am & 11 am  
Weekdays (Mon- Fri) 8 am  
Holy Days 8 am 12 pm & 5:30 pm

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30-5pm or by appointment

### BAPTISMS

Celebrated each Sunday after the 11 am Mass. Please call the Parish Office to schedule. New parents must attend a Pre-Baptismal class arranged through the Parish Office.

### MARRIAGE

Please call the Parish Office before finalizing any other arrangements.

### DIRECTORY

Pastor: Rev. Peter K. Smolik, FrSmolik@diobpt.org

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The Sanctuary Candle burns this week  
For Healing for Pam Bennett



The Altar Guild would like to offer all members of the Parish an opportunity to honor and remember loved ones on a birthday, anniversary, or a memorial event by placing flowers on the altar. The book with available dates is located on the bookshelf in the lobby.



**SATURDAY, JUNE 30**

5:30pm **Marianne Morrisey**  
(req. by Tedder & Garst family)

**SUNDAY, JULY 1**

9:00am **Seamus Cooke** (req. by Glynn family)  
11:00am **All Parishioners**

**MONDAY, JULY 2**

8:00am **Jason Rattaeli** (req. by John & Mary Keane)

**TUESDAY, JULY 3**

8:00am **Healing for Pam Bennett**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 4**

8:00am **Special Intention**

**THURSDAY, JULY 5**

8:00am **Special Intention**

**FRIDAY, JULY 6**

8:00am **Special Intention**

**SATURDAY, JULY 7**

5:30pm **Jose Pastilha** (req. by Neto family)

**SUNDAY, JULY 8**

9:00am **Mary Bortolan** (req. by family)  
11:00am **All Parishioners**



WEEKLY COLLECTION:

**This Year (06-24-18)**  
**\$ 2,863;**  
**Last Year (06-25-17)**  
**\$ 4,542;**



**Prayer for the Nation**

God of our forebears,  
in tumultuous times our ancestors made their way  
to a new land, seeking prosperity and peace.  
The wealth of a new nation lay before them,  
as well as the challenge to use wisely  
the gifts of the good earth and the industriousness of  
a people forged in the crucible of revolution  
and the high-minded ideals of life and liberty.  
Strengthen within us the pursuit of justice,  
the desire for equality, the love of true freedom.  
May all the citizens of our country  
work unceasingly to promote the common good  
so that all may share in the pursuit of happiness  
sought by the founders of our land.  
Amen.



**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's Gospel offers a rare framework -- a story in a story. Most of the healing miracles are standalone encounters. One person approaches Jesus, demonstrates faith, and is healed. The evangelist tells the next story. This Gospel, however, is different. Jesus is on his way to heal one person, a young girl of twelve, and is interrupted on his journey by "a woman afflicted with hemorrhages." She bravely approaches Jesus in a crowd, despite being ritually unclean from her bleeding, and stretches out to touch his cloak. She is healed! Jesus meets her eye, confirms her faith, and continues on to resurrect the young girl. Reading this passage, it might be easier to identify with one story -- the long-suffering woman or the young, innocent girl -- and to move past the other. But here they sit side by side. The girl is twelve. The woman has been suffering for twelve years. For the Gospel writers, number parallels have deep symbolic meaning. Between the woman and the young girl, we are not one or the other. We are both. None of us had a perfect childhood, perfect families, or a perfect peer group. As we endure pain, disappointment, or unmet expectations, it can feel like a part of our childhood hopes have died. Our coping mechanisms, social adaptations, and hidden secrets can make us the "walking wounded" in some respects. Jesus wants to do more than simply staunch the bleeding. His healing hand makes dead things come alive. He awakens the dreams that are asleep. This process requires prayer, conversations with trusted community and spiritual mentors, and critical looks at difficult areas of our life. However, we can believe the words of our Lord. If we approach Jesus in faith, believing that he wants to heal and save, we, too, will hear his calming words spoken over the hurts of our life. "I say to you, arise!" "Go in peace."



**HELP NEEDED!**

We are in need of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers! Please contact the parish office if you are interested!

203.324.4634 or email [NatashaOlssnatasha@gmail.com](mailto:NatashaOlssnatasha@gmail.com)



3rd Annual OLSS Beach Sunrise Mass  
Sunday, 7/8 @ 7AM  
on West Beach

What a beautiful way to start the day.....Mass on West Beach at 7AM followed by a potluck breakfast with your fellow parishioners.

Please bring your family & friends along with beach chairs or blankets to join in the celebration of Mass on the beach. The service will be followed by a potluck breakfast.....you bring the muffins, fruit salad or an egg casserole & we'll provide the coffee, water and doughnuts.

Park in the lot & walk over the hill behind the church to the beach.

If rain, Mass will be held in the church. To help with set-up, please contact Anne Downey at [olssfellowship@gmail.com](mailto:olssfellowship@gmail.com).

*Hope to see you there!*



**OLSS: Rosary Prayer Group**

The rosary prayer group would like to include you in our prayers. A box has been placed on the bookshelves for you to place your intentions. Our next meeting will be Tuesday July 10th at 630pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Questions or prayer requests can be sent to **Mary Sabato; [marytso718@gmail.com](mailto:marytso718@gmail.com) or call 914-714-5806**



A doration will take place  
Friday, July 6th

Sign up is in the back of the church



**Personal Items Collection**

The items needed are full size packages of **deodorant, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shaving cream, laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner.** SNAP funds cannot be used to purchase any of these important, everyday items. These donations are given to the parents every 6 weeks by SJPC. Please drop off all donations in the basket in the lobby of OLSS Church. Thank you for your generosity.



**Save the Date**

Wednesday,  
September 26th  
Please join us on a day pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine in Litchfield CT.

Sign up in the back of the church



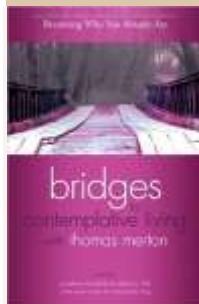
**Save the date!**

Sunday, August 26 from 6pm to 8pm  
Stamford Sunset Sails

Enjoy a brilliant 2-hour sunset sail from the 80' Schooner SoundWaters. Bring your dinner and your favorite beverage and relax while watching the sun dip below the horizon.

*Details to follow*

*Call parish office for more info  
203.324.4634*



Evening group will be studying the works of Thomas Merton study book called "Bridges to contemplative. Living", .since there are several books , the book we will be discussing is "Becoming Who You Already Are".(purple cover) . Available through amazon.

This will be a Seven week study. We will meet weekly from **7-8 PM.**

The dates we are meeting are :  
**Thursday , July 5, 12, 19, 26. In August: 2,9,16.**  
For more info or any questions please contact:  
**Janice Matturro [jltmhealing@gmail.com](mailto:jltmhealing@gmail.com)**