



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Roman Catholic Community
in the Diocese of Bridgeport

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Pastor

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Trustees

Betty Brennan
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Faith Formation

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Siobhan & Mike O'Hara

Director of Music

Michael Alderman

Children's Choir

Natalia Anderson

Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9am & 11am
Holy Days: 8am, 12pm & 5:30 pm

Confessions

Saturday: 4:30 pm and by
appointment

Adoration

First Friday of every month. Begins
at 8:30am and ends at noon with
Benediction. All are welcome!

Baptisms

Celebrated Sundays at 12:15pm.
New parents must attend a
Pre-Baptismal class. Please make
arrangements through the Parish
Office.

Marriage

Please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Office

Address

1200 Shippan Ave.
Stamford, CT 06902

Email

olssparishoffice@gmail.com

Phone

203-324-4634

Office Hours

Tuesday 1:00 - 4:00
Wednesday 1:00 - 4:00

Parish Membership

To join our parish community,
please complete our Registration
Form. Print it from the OLSS
website and return completed
form to the church or to the
parish office.

Ministries

Evangelization—Scott Heekin-Canedy

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JUNE 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday





This week the
Sanctuary Candle burns for
Bertasso Family
requested by Cathy Bertasso.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

5:30pm Lucia Maria Deaso (req. by daughter, Mary Russo)

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

9:00am Mary Kathryn Ryan

(req. by Barbara & Michael Ryan)

11:00am Florene Ciccarello (req. by nephew, Bill Carello)

MONDAY, JUNE 6

8:00am Franciszek Bajor (req. by family)

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

8:00am Janina Bogdanowicz (req. by family)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

8:00am Majorie Wuellner (req. by English family)

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

8:00am Special Intention

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

8:00am Agnes & Patrick Barry

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

5:30pm Stefan & George Szogedi (req. by Tiriolo family)

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

9:00am Special Intention

11:00am Jose Pastilha (req. by Elsa Neto)



WEEKLY COLLECTION:

This Year (5/29/22)

\$4,966;

Last Year (5/30/21)

\$3,801;

Become an Altar Server!

If your child has received their First Holy Communion and is interested in participating in the Mass more fully; Father Peter will be holding Altar Server training sessions during the month of June.



To sign up please contact the Parish Office:

olssparishoffice@gmail.com



Even though Pentecost is rightly celebrated in late spring, the robust experience of a New England fall can provide a profound metaphor for reflection. A full expression of fall colors is beautiful to behold. But, with all of its majesty and beauty, the observer knows the experience of death is soon to come. Creation will be dark and barren for a while. Pentecost cannot **be separated from the cross. Before God's transformative, life-giving power can bear fruit, we must first die.**

Pentecost is all about leaving the lifeless dead wood behind and allowing God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to create something new. These Pentecost creations happen repeatedly over and over again. The birthing process of the Church is ongoing. God is always bringing life out of death and creating something where there was once nothing. That is why the fall is such an apropos metaphorical season for Pentecost. In order to really receive the gift of the Holy Spirit we have to die to what we once knew and what no longer works.

When fire and wind find their fullest expression, they are in no way gentle nor kind. They have the potential to level anything in their paths. We are experiencing great turmoil in our world, nation, and our Church. Whether the result of circumstance or the work of the Holy Spirit, much of what we knew to be normal and constant is changing. Common systems and institutional structures that may have worked for a time no longer do. When the old and familiar need to be left behind, God creates something new. Change and disorder do not need to be our enemies. They always bring opportunities for something exciting and new. What we need is untiring faith, firm hope, and perfect love.

What we need is for the Holy Spirit to enlighten us to see what **is important and what we must do.** "O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams." (St. Augustine) **If we experience joy, even in the midst of turbulence, then we will know we are exactly where God needs us to be.** If not, then perhaps there is a lesson in the decaying leaves that graciously descend to the ground on a crisp fall day. ©LPi



Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room.

A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other.

The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfill the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations.

BE A VOLUNTEER "CHEF"!



Help prepare healthful, balanced lunches once every 4 months for up to 100 diners on the first Friday of every month at New Covenant Center. Join one of the four dedicated teams led by Maureen Carson, Joe Dineen, Krystyna Vaughan and Robert Finger, or Deb and Jeff Harrington. Some preparation can be done in your own home. For more information, contact Maureen Carson, maurencarson@aol.com, 203-324-2224

Saturdays at 5:00 pm (prior to the 5:30 Vigil Mass)
Live rosary in the Church until peace is restored in Ukraine and around the World. All are invited to join.

**Food Pantry Wish List
New Covenant Center**



Canned Tuna, Canned Soups/Stews, Dry Beans or Peas, Stuffing Mix, Bottled Water, Canned Chili Beans 16oz., Canned Fruit Canned Vegetables (low sodium), Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jam, Whole Grain Cereal and Oatmeal, Olive/Vegetable Oil, Crackers, White Rice and Pasta. Our neighbors thank you!

Last week we had the pleasure of "spotlighting" one of our young parishioners, Apolline Vincent. Please let us know if your child has achieved a milestone in their life that you would also like to celebrate with fellow parishioners. We would be happy to share the good news! Email: olssparishoffice@gmail.com

**DO YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW
SUFFER FROM AN ABORTION
EXPERIENCE?
BEGIN A PATH TO HEALING**

*Entering Canaan
Day of Prayer &
Healing*

**SATURDAY
JULY 9, 2022**

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE
INFORMATION CONTACT MAUREEN@
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Spiritual Director:
Fr. Lawrence Joseph Schrodgel, CFR
Come back to God who is love & mercy

**Summer Travel Plans?
Take OLSS with you!**

Our Weekly Wednesday Constant Contact is about to start up again. Stay in touch with your spiritual home no matter where you are this summer. If you would like to receive this weekly update please email olssparish@gmail.com to be included in our distribution.

*Giving made easy
while you're on the go!*

Support OLSS via your mobile phone, smart device or home computer. No more guilty feelings that you missed your Sunday donation. Set up your account today. Just visit our website to sign up and get started!