



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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Joe Dineen

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Rich Kondub

Faith Formation

Dee Fumega

Confirmation

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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Music—Michael Alderman

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SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time





*This week the Sanctuary Candle
burns in memory of
Edward Orgera.*



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

5:30pm In memory of Patrick Broderick
(req. by Broderick family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

9:00am Sandra Delpero
(req. by son, Christopher Delpero & family)

11:00am Mire Gjuraj (req. by family)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00am Anne & Andrew Ozieblo

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:00am Sophia Lemanski

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:00am Bronia & Martin Zolkowscy

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00am The Hughes family (req. by family)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:00am Msgr. Edmund J. Hussey
(req. by Shelagh Ann Ryan)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

5:30pm Richard Rich (34years passed) (req. by family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:00am Tracy Kane (req. by D'Ariano family)

11:00am Edward S. Czescik (req. by family)

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

This Year (9/11/22)

\$10,696;

Catholic University \$ 91.00;

Last Year (9/12/21)

\$ 4,068;



Pray for
PEACE

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.



“You cannot serve both God and mammon.” Merriam-Webster defines mammon as material wealth or possessions, especially having a debasing influence. While God does not take issue with our need to use money for the business of our lives, there can be a problem with the attitudes we bring to it. We can easily become so preoccupied and obsessed with money that it becomes the real “god” we worship. Do we serve mammon instead of God? In their book, *Wealth, Riches and Money*, Craig Hill and Earl Pitts outline symptoms of mammon’s influence in our lives. Some of these are worry and anxiety over money, money mismanagement, fear over “never having enough,” an “I can’t afford it” mentality, impulse buying, stinginess, greed, debt, and discontent.

Many of the things on that list can consume us to the point that we are distracted from what we really need to be doing. Many people spend an inordinate amount of time worrying about money and it becomes the source of their worst fears. If we are honest with ourselves, we need to admit that we place far more emphasis on our material securities than we ought. In fact, we have actually convinced ourselves that we cannot live without it. Are we that certain about the presence of God? Many of the world’s problems, especially those involving inequity and injustice, result from conflicts about money. Many equate money with happiness. Those successful in accumulating large amounts of it quickly realize just how wrong they are.

“Your ultimate allegiance is not to the government, not to the state, not to nation, not to any man-made institution. The Christian owes his ultimate allegiance to God, and if any earthly institution conflicts with God’s will it is your Christian duty to take a stand against it. You must never allow the transitory evanescent demands of man-made institutions to take precedence over the eternal demands of the Almighty God (Martin Luther King, Jr.)” This is the point Jesus is trying to make. Unfortunately, when we look around our man-made kingdoms are far more prevalent than God’s kingdom. When we start seeing greater evidence of justice, equity, dignity, respect, opportunity, gentleness, holiness, solidarity, honesty, simplicity, care for creation, and a decrease in ambition, then we will know that God’s kingdom is being served. We will be doing what we are supposed to do. ©LPi



RAFFLE SALES THIS WEEKEND!
 REGISTER IN THE CHILI COOKOFF
 AND/OR DESSERT BAKE OFF
 TO WIN GREAT PRIZES!

Volunteers Still Needed!
 Direct any questions to Deb Harrington
olssfellowship@gmail.com
 646.963.0675

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

For all children 3 years through Kindergarten. Two sessions will be offered every Sunday 9:00 - 10:15 and 11:00 - 12:15. This program is offered to allow parents and other siblings to attend Mass while the little ones are in the atrium. This is not a drop-off childcare program. Registration is limited to 12 children per program session. Registration opens Sept. 1st. Classes start Sept. 18th.

Faith Formation

For all children in 1st through 6th grade. This program is offered on Sundays from 10:00 - 11:00. This allows families to attend either the 9:00 or the 11:00 Mass. Registration opens Sept. 1st. Classes start October 2nd. First Communion Preparation For all children in 2nd grade that have already completed one year of Faith Formation. Catholic school children will join in January. Schedule to follow.

Christ Beside Me

New program for all children in 7th & 8th grades. Emphasis will be on evangelization, catechesis, participation in the Liturgy, prayer and becoming a part of the Christian community. Basic pre-prep class for Confirmation. Classes will be Wednesday evenings from 5:00 - 6:15pm in the Meeting Room. Registration open Sept. 1st. Classes start September 21st.

*Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish announces
 "Fellowship Enrichment Series"*

In response to expressed need from the 2022 Synod we are adding additional ways to grow through Christ in fellowship.

We are blessed with extraordinary parishioners, willing to share their talents and experiences. Join to learn and share a cup of coffee with fellow parishioners.

Our first session:
October 15th

Dr. Mary Solanto – ADHD in children and adults
 8:45- 9:00 am Refreshments and Snacks
 9:00 - 10:00 Presentation and Discussion

To register please click below:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D49ABAC23A5FC1-enrichment>

If you would like to lead a session please contact:
olssfellowship@gmail.com or
 Deb Harrington 646 963-0675

All parents of girls and boys in grades 5 to 12
 are invited to attend

THE CHALLENGE & CONQUEST FAMILY BBQ
 on Friday, September 23rd from 7 TO 9 pm.
 Please rsvp to Valerie Vincent
washingtondc1990@gmail.com

Join fellow OLSS Parishioners
 via ZOOM and pray the
 Rosary any day or everyday



Mon. - Fri. @ 4:30pm
 Meeting ID: 724 106 329
 Passcode: 5jZxtq

Sat. - Sun. @ 4:00pm
 Meeting ID: 858 4487 2509
 Passcode: 541612



Mila Elizabeth Ditter
 and
 Henry Cooper Buggy