



# Our Lady Star of the Sea

Roman Catholic Community  
in the Diocese of Bridgeport

## Pastor

Rev. Peter K. Smolik,  
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## Trustees

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## Faith Formation

Dee Fumega

## Confirmation

Siobhan & Mike O'Hara

## Director of Music

Michael Alderman

## Mass Schedule

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

## Confessions

Saturday: 4:00 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.

May 14, 2023

## Ministries

Fellowship—Deb Harrington

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Music—Michael Alderman

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6th SUNDAY OF EASTER



*This week the Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of W. Dennis White & Aileen M. White requested by family.*



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 13

5:30pm Frank Russo (req. by family)

SUNDAY, May 14

9:00am All Mothers

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

MONDAY, May 15

8:00am Continued Strength & Health for Msgr. Surwilo  
(req. by Vito & Gizelle Tiriolo)

TUESDAY, May 16

8:00am Michael E. Hourican (req. by William Carello)

WEDNESDAY, May 17

8:00am Angela Towle (req. by Marian Nangle)

THURSDAY, May 18—ASCENSION

8:00am Fr. William J. McCarthy. M.S.A.  
(req. by William Carello)

12:00pm Bogdan Bukowicki

FRIDAY, May 19

8:00am Kevin Mahan (req. by family)

SATURDAY, May 20

5:30pm Maria & Jan Dobrzynski (req. by family)

SUNDAY, May 21

9:00am Adolph J. Luciani (req. by Gina Font)

11:00am Matthew Frattarola (req. by Louise Petersen)



## 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth."  
- Jn 14:16-17a

My dad was adopted as a baby. It's a big part of my family's story. His birth mother placed him in a Catholic orphanage not long after birth. A young couple longing for a baby strolled among the bassinets. My father, then only a few months old, looked at the husband and smiled. The man said, "That's my son." They took him home and the family grew. This moment of adoption was a wonderful truth they celebrated even when my dad was a young boy. They told him, "You're even more special than the other children, because we chose you to be our son." My dad's eyes well up with tears of gratitude whenever he tells the story, even eighty-three years later.

What is your story? Do we think or act like unwanted orphans? Who do we believe ourselves to be? As we continue to ponder Jesus' resurrection, we hear him say to us this Sunday, **"I will not leave you orphans."** God doesn't leave us alone like spiritual orphans. The power that raised Jesus from the dead is the Holy Spirit, who is also called the Spirit of Adoption. He chooses us to be His children, to share God's life forever. He gives us a future filled with hope.

We are not orphans anymore! This Easter, that's the story we should share with others. It's the true story we are living right now. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

**WEEKLY COLLECTION:**



**This Year**  
5/7/23 \$3,974;  
**Last Year**  
5/8/22 \$3,753;

**Special Collection - Monthly Utilities \$1,516;**



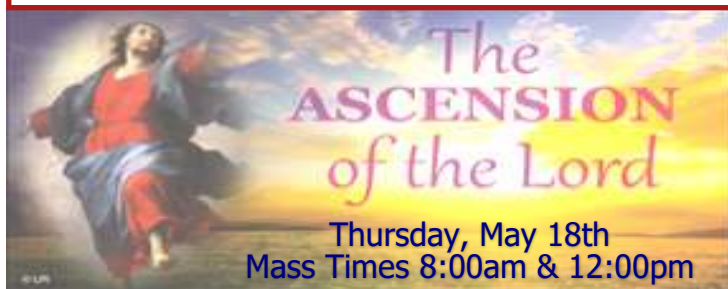
Olivia Nicolle Arce  
Emilia H. Lewicki  
Vivian P. Lewicki

WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,  
WE WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



**"The Song of Bernadette"**

Thursday, May 18th  
1:00—3:00  
ALL WELCOME!  
OLSS Meeting Room



The  
**ASCENSION**  
of the Lord  
Thursday, May 18th  
Mass Times 8:00am & 12:00pm



SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH

Noon—2:30

All Welcome ~ Free

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Pierogis, Kielbasa and more!

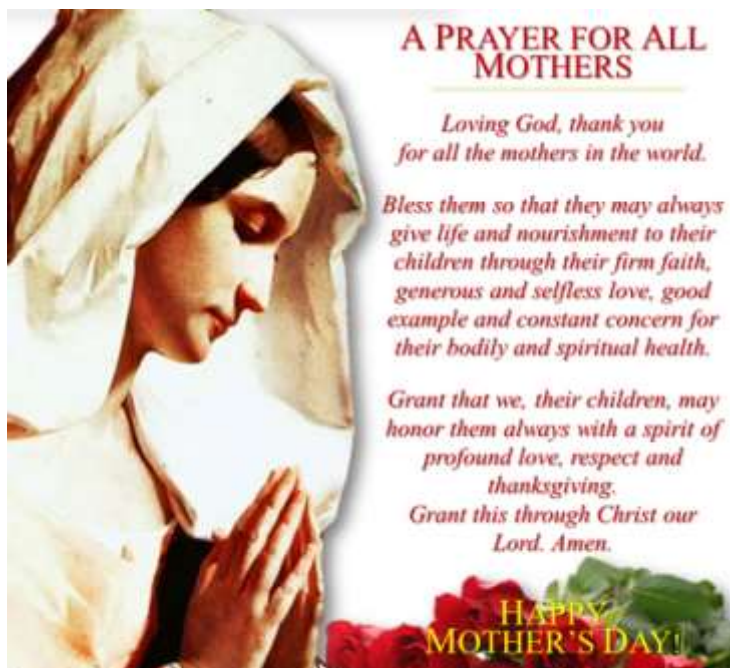
Bounce House, Face Painting, Games, Crafts & Cotton Candy!

Raffles, Raffles, Raffles!

Sign up to help out or to donate a Raffle Basket.



Or contact [olssfellowship@gmail.com](mailto:olssfellowship@gmail.com) to get involved.



**A PRAYER FOR ALL MOTHERS**

*Loving God, thank you for all the mothers in the world.*

*Bless them so that they may always give life and nourishment to their children through their firm faith, generous and selfless love, good example and constant concern for their bodily and spiritual health.*

*Grant that we, their children, may honor them always with a spirit of profound love, respect and thanksgiving.*

*Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**UPcoming EVENTS**

*May 13th*

*Shippan Point Garden Club Flower Sale*

*May 14th*

*Mother's Day*

*May 21st*

*Sacrament of Confirmation*

*May 27th*

*HomeFront*

*June 3rd*

*5th Annual Shredding Day @ OLSS  
Benefit for Person-to-Person*

*June 4th*

*OLSS CHURCH PICNIC!!*

*July 9th*

*Beach Mass*



**ANNUAL HOMEFRONT EVENT**  
**Saturday, May 27th 7:30am**  
**NEW DATE**

We work together to help repair the home of someone in need. Even if you can only stay a few hours, that will make a huge difference. All skills are needed – painting, cleaning, gardening, carpentry, a cheerful attitude and a willingness to help! Coffee and donuts as well as lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Ken Wiegand at 203. 249. 1890  
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