



Our Lady Star of the Sea

Roman Catholic Community
in the Diocese of Bridgeport

Pastor

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Betty Brennan
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Joe Dineen

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Rich Kondub

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Dee Fumega

Confirmation

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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: 4:30 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

Monday 11:00 - 3:00
Tuesday 11:00 - 3:00

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

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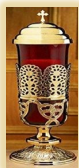
Music—Michael Alderman

olssmusicdirector@gmail.com

May 4, 2025

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER





*This week the Sanctuary Candle
burns in loving memory of
Eric Brennan
requested by his family*



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, May 3

5:30pm **Carl William Schulte & Arlene Marjorie Schulte**
(req. by Mary Russo & family)

SUNDAY, May 4

9:00am **Kevin Hopkins**

11:00am **Mary Butler** (req. by Galvin family)

MONDAY, May 5

8:00am **Father Bogdan Bukowicki**

TUESDAY, May 6

8:00am **Ann & Andrzej Uzieblo**

WEDNESDAY, May 7

8:00am **Margaret Bavetta**

THURSDAY, May 8

8:00am **Zofia Lemanski**

FRIDAY, May 9

8:00am **Irena & Frank Bajor**

SATURDAY, May 10

5:30pm **Gray, Hughes & Kane family** (req. by Maura Kane)

SUNDAY, May 11

9:00am **Michael Magee** (req. by Iannazzi family)

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



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

I eat breakfast. If I don't have something substantial, I'm fading by midmorning. Breakfast is my key meal because it sets up my physical wellbeing for the rest of the day.

Spiritually speaking, we need sustenance to get us going. This is true for the Apostles in this Sunday's remarkable Gospel reading. The risen Jesus makes his third appearance to them in the early morning light and calls, "**Come, have breakfast**" (John 21:12). The exhausted and cold fishermen sit, and he feeds them bread and fish as the dawn breaks. They are overwhelmed by his presence to the point of awestruck silence. As they eat, their bodies and their hearts come alive. Once refreshed by their morning meal, they will be ready to feed others — indeed, the whole world — with the love of the risen Jesus. But first, they need breakfast from him.

Do you realize how essential early morning prayer is? Jesus desires to refresh us every morning with his word of love, with his grace-filled presence. This week, hear Jesus calling to you: "Come, have breakfast!" Embrace some form of spiritual, meditative practice each morning for spiritual strength to get you going. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

*Thank you
for your generous donations!*



On April 9, thanks to some very efficient volunteers, we packed and delivered 11 boxes of items to New Covenant Center and Pacific House who were very glad to receive these items and put them to much-needed use! *OLSS Outreach Team*

INTRODUCTION TO CENTERING PRAYER (every other Saturday 7:30am - 8:15am)

Next meeting will take place **May 10** at
Deacon Gauthier's home (76 Auldwood Road)

All are welcome.

Shippan Christian Fellowship (every other Saturday 7:30am - 8:45am)

Next meeting will take place **Saturday May 3**
at Deacon Gauthier's home (76 Auldwood Road)

All Christian men are welcome



WEEKLY COLLECTION

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| Palm Sunday | 4/13/25 | \$ | 9,148 |
| Last Year | 4/14/24 | \$ | 4,677 |
| Good Friday/Holy Lands | 4/18/25 | \$ | 1,218 |
| Last Year | 4/19/24 | \$ | 1,214 |
| Easter Sunday | 4/20/25 | \$ | 11,917 |
| Last Year | 4/21/24 | \$ | 4,707 |
| Easter Flowers & Blossoms of Hope | | \$ | 1,320 |
| Divine Mercy | 4/27/25 | \$ | 5,301 |
| Last Year | 4/28/24 | \$ | 5,076 |
| Catholic Home Missions | 4/27/25 | \$ | 790 |
| Last Year | 4/28/24 | \$ | 589 |

*The Monthly Utility Collection will be done this weekend.
Thank you for your continued generosity.*

Early Registration



**2025-26 Religious Education
Easy Online Registration**

Apply **Discount Code TrueVine**
to receive **\$50 off** until **May 15**.
<https://shorturl.at/emjif>



Please e-mail DRE@OLSS.Church or
call Dr. Pamela Garra (203) 687-0973 with questions.



**1st Parish
Ministry Meeting**

Sunday, May 4 at 10:00 am in the Meeting room.
This is your opportunity to hear and participate in the
plans for upcoming Parish Activities.
Looking forward to seeing you!

OLSS Senior Activities

Movement & Movie

Chair Exercises - 1-1:30

Wednesday Movie - 1:30—3:00

May 7th - Father Stu

May 21st - The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

Bingo -Friday, May 16th—1:30—3:00

Bring snacks to share, refreshments provided

OLSS Meeting Room



*The Mysteries of the
Mass*

Discover where the words
and actions came from and the
meaning they still hold today

Join us—

**Saturday eve after the 5:30 Vigil Mass
from April 26 -May 31**

Guided by Fr. Peter Smolik & Dr. Brant Pitre



*Shippan Point Garden Club
Annual May Market
May 10th 9:00 - 3:00*

*Annuals, Perennials, Veggies & Herbs,
Container Gardens, Gift Baskets,
Food & Drink*





**Food Pantry Wish List
New Covenant Center**

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

**Please leave your donations
in the foyer of the Church.
Our neighbors in need thank you!**

Attention 2025 Graduates!

Let's celebrate!



On June 1, OLSS will recognize the graduates
by putting their names in the bulletin.

We need your help!

If you or someone in your family will be graduating
from middle school, high school or college in 2025,
please contact the Director of Youth Ministry, Siobhan
O'Hara (olss.stamford.youth@gmail.com)

Mark your calendar!

Some upcoming events at Our Lady Star of the Sea

- May 2 First Friday NCC Lunch
- May 2 **First Friday Adoration 8:30 am - 12 noon**
- May 4 OLSS Parish Ministry Meeting
- May 7 & 21 Senior Movement & Movie
- May 10 Shippan Garden Club May Market
- May 11 Mother's Day
- May 16 Senior Bingo
- May 17 **First Holy Communion**
- May 18 May Crowning of the Blessed Mother
- May 22 **Confirmation - at the Basilica of St. John**
- May 29 Ascension Thursday
- June 1 Graduation Recognition Sunday