



Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

We hope you have felt at home in our church this weekend. Please feel free to join us as often as possible, you are most welcome. Church is open daily until 5pm.

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Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9am-5pm, 6:30pm-8:30pm;
Saturday: 9am-5pm; Sunday: 9am-1pm

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DAILY MASSES:

Monday - Friday: 7am, 9am, Saturday 9am

Public Holidays: 9am only

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: Vigil 5pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12noon



Holy Days: As Announced in Bulletin/Website

Confessions: Sat.: 4pm - 4:45pm or by appointment

Sacrament Information: See inside front cover

5th Sunday of Lent

CONGRATULATIONS

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Christopher Addamo, Morgan Arma, George Arnold, Angela Bacarella, Dominick Battisti, Jaden Bazille, Isabella Benincasa, John Brandl, William Brunn, Maria Calisi, Joseph Candela, Elizabeth Casey, Francesco Cinquemani, Sophia Cipriani, Kaela Cordero, Christian Costello, Jessica Dennehy, Jessica Di Re, Grace Dominguez, Matthew Fierek, Michael Foley, Liliana Fridrikson, Sophia Gabriel, Francesca Giammarino, Kevin Goldfield, Elizabeth Gomes, Lydia Gomez, Danielle Guzzardi, Isabelle Henri, Juliana Hudman, Tatiana Jaimes, Lauren Krokondelas, Caitlin Leahy, Jordan Leon, Camilli Martinez, Marini Martinez, Brooke Miraglia, David Montanez, Veronica Monteverdi, Lucia Musto, Luca Nitti, Joanna Palmieri, Isabella Pina, Jermaine Quilang, Elizabeth Pina, Elizabeth Raab, Samantha Ragusa, John Regan, Julianna Rios, Valentina Risch, Paul Rivard, Victoria Rodriguez, Riley Sabatini, Angela Schoelles, Joseph Scuderi, Celeste Solari, Justin Soto, Justin Suarez, Christopher Sullivan, Glenn Travers, Alex Ubertini, Giovanni Valerio (Saturday, April 8th)

April 2, 2017

We are a Tithing Parish

Sacraments and Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration:

Mondays: 7:30pm-8:20pm (use 203rd St. entrance)

Fridays: Begins after 9am Mass and ends at 10:30am.

Baptism: Instruction classes are held on the *last Saturday* of each month in the rectory at 11 AM. Parents should call the rectory to make arrangements before they attend the class and bring with them a copy of the child's birth certificate. Baptism is administered on the **2nd Sunday** of every month at **1:30 PM**.

Confession / Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM or by appointment with one of the priests.

Marriage: A couple must come to the rectory to make arrangements for their wedding **at least six months in advance of their proposed wedding date**. Please call the rectory to make an appointment. Marriage preparation (Pre-Cana) is available directly through OLBS as well as through the diocese. Please contact Laura (718 352-9247) or the rectory for information on the OLBS program. For information on the diocesan program, please log on to www.pre-cana.org

Anointing of the Sick: One of the priests should be called as soon as there is a sign of serious illness.

Communion of the Sick: Anyone who cannot attend Mass because of illness may receive the Eucharist at home on a regular basis. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion assist the priests in this ministry. Please call Agnes, Communion of the Sick Coordinator, at 718 631-4793, or the rectory.

Cenacles of Life: Mondays 7:30pm - Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration; and Saturdays at 8:15am Rosary in the church.

Rosary: Monday thru Friday after 9am Mass

Liturgy of the Hours: Monday to Friday before 9am Mass.

Rev. Msgr. George T. Deas, Pastor Emeritus (not in residence)

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Are you a young adult (20s and 30s) looking for ways to serve your community and connect with like-minded people? Like us on Facebook: OLBS YAM - E-mail BaysideYAM@hotmail.com.



Please Pray for our Deceased

*Mary Johnston (Ed's Mom), Fr. Charles Papa,
Frank Blainey (Bridget's husband)*



April 2017 Mass Intentions—(Gift of)

- S-1st** **9am** Mary Jane Reilly (M/M Michael Reilly)
 5pm Purgatorial Society
- Su-2nd** **8am** Pilar Risch (OLBS CYO Board)
 10am For the people of our parish
 12pm Salvatore Serravillo (M/M Joe Cinquemani)
- M-3rd** **7am** For our Country & Officials (Maria Franzetti)
 9am Philip & Anna Brady (M/M Phil Brady)
- Tu-4th** **7am** William Holmes (Mike Tuite)
 9am Anthony Robilotta (M/M Richard Robilotta)
- W-5th** **7am** Harold Callahan
 9am Josephine Sullivan (Pat Finlay)
- Th-6th** **7am** Mike Devine (Peggy Devine)
 9am Michael Mullan (Theresa Mullan)
- F-7th** **7am** Hannah O'Shea (Siobhan Eberle)
 9am Dowd, Molloy & Keefe Families (Peg Molloy)
- S-8th** **9am** Thomas Randazzo (Fortunatta Randazzo)
 5pm Mary Anne Lynch (Robert B.Lynch)
 Antonia Carpinelli (Susan Cuomo)
 Sr. Mary Ellen Rahill (Frederic & Ginny Alexandre)
 Peggy Wall (OLBS Bingo)
 Genco & Pecunia Family (Yolanda Pecunia)

THANK YOU FOR MEMORIAL GIFTS

Altar Bread & Wine

In Memory of John Baginski— Gift of John & Peggy Buckley

Sanctuary Candle: Intentions of K. N. McNally

*Purgatorial Society: Gloria Brana, Agnes McLoughlin,
Peggy Wall, Aldo Ferranti, Joseph Davis*

MOMMY AND ME

Thursday, 4/6, 9:30am, auditorium

"Please pray for the sick..."

| Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 |
|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Ben Bletsch | Eva Ditaranto | Diane Carbone |
| Betty Gaioni | Debbie Lahey | Peter Cuomo |
| Viola Manning | Denise Lynch | Msgr. Flood |
| Fran Peluso | Msgr. Mahoney | Michael Galligan |
| Mary Saunders | Theresa Mullan | Pete Mallia |
| Casimir Visminas | Pat Sternkopf | Tom McDermott |
| | Greg Schwartz | Edward Reime |
| | | Marie Sheil |
| | | Lou Tirella |

Big Bucks—Bingo

*** New Schedule * Jackpot Is \$1,000!**
\$2,050 in prizes every 1st Friday (4/7)
(or 2nd Friday if 1st Friday is a 3-day weekend)
1st game starts at 7pm

Team 3 will work on Friday, 4/7/17 *

If you can volunteer, please call 718 229-5929 ext: 110

SAVE THE DATE

Fr. Robert Lauder and Sister Ave Clark will present *Allelulia Yes- Resurrection in your Life*, at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, at 7:15pm on Tuesday, April 25th, in the Parish Center. Entrance on 203rd Street. Refreshments will be served.

ALL CLASS REUNION

\$30 CELEBRATE 65 YEARS OF THE OLBS SCHOOL.

ALL ALUMNI are invited to the 5 o'clock Mass followed by a light dinner & refreshments on May 13th. OLBSReunion2017@gmail.com

CONCERT - MELYNDA DAVIS

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church
Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 4:30pm
Suggested offering \$15

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please sign up in the sacristy for Holy Week Services.

Altar Servers



Sat., 4/8

5pm: Veronica & Isabella Avallone, Sophia Phillips

Sunday, 4/9

8am: Dylan Rendall, Kaitlyn Ferenc, Mia Valerio

10am: Chloe Brojan, Domenico & Carmelo Monaco

12pm: John Paul Mussalli, AJ Anzalone, Maggie Moloney

PRACTICE FOR HOLY WEEK ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday, April 12th, at 4pm in the church

SYMBOLON

Join us for a series on Thursday evenings - April 6th thru May 4th, with Fr. Mark Matthias at 7pm in the Parish Center, to reflect on the wonders and mysteries of the Catholic Faith.

4/26: Catholic Moral Vision: *The Virtue, Grace & the Path to Happiness*

5/3: A Love That Lasts: *Discovering Authentic Love*

5/10: A Love that Lasts: *God's Plan for Sexuality*

5/17: Catholic Social Teaching: *Building a Civilization of Love*

5/24: Catholic Social Teaching: *Protecting the Dignity of the Human Person*

CYO

Board Meeting, Wednesday, 4/5, 8pm, rectory

POPE FRANCIS ON LENT

Fast from *hurting words* and say *kind words*

Fast from *sadness* and be filled with *gratitude*

Fast from *anger* and be filled with *patience*

Fast from *pessimism* and be filled with *hope*

Fast from *worries* and *trust in God*

Fast from *complaints* and contemplate *simplicity*

Fast from *pressures* and be *prayerful*

Fast from *bitterness* and fill your heart with *joy*

Fast from *selfishness* and be *compassionate* to others

Fast from *grudges* and be *reconciled*

Fast from *words* and be silent so you can *listen*

RCIA - (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For information contact Deacon William Molloy -
deaconbill@olbschurch.org

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

Novena—April 14th—April 23rd

The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be held in our church on Sunday, April 23rd, at 3pm. A copy of the Novena may be found on the church bookrack. It begins on Good Friday, April 14th, and continues through Sunday, April 23rd.

*Please Consider Remembering OLBS In Your Will
Legal Name of Church*

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church

ARMED FORCES PRAYER LIST



If you would like prayers requested in the bulletin for a loved one in the Armed Forces, please call the rectory at ext: 110.

Jason & Allison Carter, Conor Crosby, Sheldon Diaz, Eric Hauser, Lieutt. Heather O'Donnell, Michael McHugh, Catherine McManus, Jennifer & Michael Minnick, Adam Mohler, Capt. Andrew Pesature, Lieut. Daniel Pesature, Robert Rendall, William Rendall, Shawn Smith, Major Vidhi Persaud, Bryson Ciampa, USMC, Luke Mixon, Rct. Sergio Geico, USMC, Paul Chapman, Lieut. Gavin White, 1st Lieut. Richard Dolan, 1st Lieut. Joseph (J.C.) Alessandro, 1st Lieut. Thomas McDowell, Nicole Shiminger

★ **Please visit:** www.woundedwarriorproject.org ★

Respect Life Committee:

Why is the New York State Catholic Conference opposing S.2796, a bill which is currently working its way through the New York State Senate? Because it would expand late-term abortion, empower non-doctors to perform abortions, and compel medical workers to participate in abortion. In addition, S.2796 proposes changes to the law that would actually eliminate protections for pregnant women and their unborn children. Pray that this law is not passed, and contact your legislative representatives to tell them you oppose this bill.
nyscatholic.org

CTC (Catholic Teen Community) News

Interested in meeting new people? Planning outreach projects? Sharing your faith? All high school students are welcome to join us (CTC) on Monday nights - 7-8:30pm. For info call Mrs. Kathleen Giuliano - 718 229-5929 x-121.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, April 3rd, 7:30pm, rectory basement

Irish Dancing

Tuesday, 4/4, 4:45pm cafeteria - Thursday, 4/6, 5:30pm, cafeteria - Call 347 804-5464 for information.

TEEN CLUB MEETING

Wednesday, April 5th, 7:00-8:30pm, gym

REFLECTIONS Meeting

Thursday, April 6th at 7:30pm in the rectory

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

4/2 RAS Mass, 10am

4/5 Zumba, 7pm, **CAFETERIA**: \$10 per class or 8 class series - \$65 - no experience necessary.

4/7-8 Bake Sale, after all Masses, Parish Center

4/24 General Meeting, 4/24, 7:30pm, auditorium

SUPER SPRING RAFFLE

400 tickets @ \$100 will be sold and the winner gets \$20,000. Raffle will take place on **Tuesday, May 23rd**, at the **Spring Fashion Show**. Winner need not be present. **All tickets reserved and paid in full by Monday, 4/24th, will be eligible for a special drawing of \$100.** For information or to reserve your lucky number, call Linda 718 225-8452 or Dorothy 718 224-5136.

FASHION SHOW PRIZES

If you have any NEW gifts (maybe something you got for Christmas) or Bottles of Liquor that you would like to donate for the baskets, please call Peggy at 718 428-3323.

RAS CAKE/BAKE SALE

After all Masses next weekend, April 7th-8th, in the Parish Center. We ask everyone who possibly can to bring their home baked specialty on Saturday between 3pm and 5pm or first thing Sunday morning and come back Saturday or Sunday for the sale!

SENIOR CITIZEN MEETING CHANGE OF VENUE

On Wed., 4/5, the Leisure Club will meet in the school **CAFETERIA** - not the Parish Center.

ANNUAL STATE OF THE OLBS CATHOLIC ACADEMY

April 5th at 7:30 pm in the OLBS auditorium. Parents, Grandparents, Parishioners, & EVERYONE are invited to learn about the Academy's first year of operations. Time is included for your input and questions.

WE WELCOME OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED
Aidan Robert Armstrong

From the Pastor's Desk....



Dear Parishioners,

The Fifth Sunday of Lent begins what is often referred to as Passiontide. You may remember the covering of crosses and images beginning today. (Actually, it is still allowed in the U.S. and you may see it in some churches.) The gospel story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead and the third and final scrutiny of the Elect prepares us all for the resurrection of Jesus following his passion and death. To have faith in the One who has power over life and death is to gain eternal life through him.

We welcome Bishop Chappetto this coming Saturday for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to the *confirmandi* on completing their initiation into Christ and the church. May they witness to their faith in word and deed.

Next week, Palm Sunday begins our observance of Holy Week. Reconciliation Monday of that week (April 10) affords a great opportunity to come to the Easter Feast cleansed and forgiven, your white baptismal garment spotless.

In Christ, *Father Bob*

SAVE THE DATE!

Cathedral Prep is honoring our own Fr. Bob on May 6th at their annual Immaculata Award and Reunion Dinner in Elmhurst. We have a group going from the parish. If you are interested in reserving a seat (tickets/\$50) or putting an ad in the journal, please call the rectory.

GIFTED YOUNG ARTISTS CONCERT

THIS Sunday, April 2nd at 7:30pm in Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church. Information: Patrick Dillery, 917 415-0941 or pdillery@giftedyoungartists.org

SAVE THE DATE!

If you can help **decorate the church** for Easter, please join me on Holy Saturday, April 15th, between 11am and 2pm. Thank you, Fr. Bob

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Churches throughout the New York area of three dioceses will be open for confessions on Monday, April 10th, from 3pm until 9pm. Please take the opportunity to go to confession wherever it is convenient.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Tuesday, 4/4, at 11am AND Friday, 4/7 at 7:30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION BENEDICTION

Feel free to join us after Friday evening Stations of the Cross for about 20 minutes to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Number of Pledges: 68

Amount Pledged: \$26,860

Amount Paid To Date: \$18,368

Goal: \$93,090

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Hosted by Fr. Bob Whelan

Visit Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome - 11 Days -

October 9th - 19th, 2017

\$3429 from New York - For detailed color brochure, please



email Peggy Devine at peggy-devine@gmail.com or call 718 352-8236 or pick it up at the rectory.

LENTEN POOR BOX OFFERINGS

Almsgiving and acts of charity are an important element of our Lenten Penance. This Lent we will be accepting donations for the poor and needy.

EASTER GIFT TO MY CHURCH

Next weekend, April 8th-9th, we will have the *My Easter Gift to My Church* Collection. Your generosity is most appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP — A way of life TITHING: God's plan for giving...

We recognize some of the good deeds by the children in our parish: *Veronica, Gr. 5, helped her friend with work*

| 2016 | March 26th | 2017 |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| \$ 8,454.00 | Collection | \$ 6,497.00 |
| \$ 3,056.50 | Faith Direct | \$ 3,174.00 |
| 841 | Attendance | 802 |

CALLING ALL 1967 OLBS GRADUATES

There will be a 50th reunion on Saturday night April 29th beginning with 5pm Mass then a tour of the school and a buffet dinner followed by a 60's dance in the auditorium. For more info contact either John Peiser at 917-881-9930 (jfpeiser@hotmail.com) or Eileen Wellner Kublo at 516-606-8984 (ice62953@aol.com).

Words of Life!

“An old Irish proverb says, “It is in the shelter of each other that the people live. Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. Visit www.goo.gl/fvSEYp for 10 ways to care for loved ones approaching life's end. Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, 2016-17 Respect Life Program

Laudato Si-Caring for our Common Home

"Society, through non-governmental organizations and intermediate groups, must put pressure on governments to develop more rigorous regulations, procedures and controls." "Unless citizens control political power - national, regional and municipal - it will not be possible to control damage to the environment.

Parish Book Club

Please join us on **Tuesday, May 2nd at 7 pm** in the Mary Mullaney Room church basement. Come prepared to discuss ***The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry***, by Rachel Joyce. This humorous novel shares profound insights into thoughts and feelings we all bury in our hearts. Harold Fry is compelled to deliver a letter to an old love in order to save her. He meets various characters along the way and reminisces about the events of his past as he tries to find peace and acceptance. Join us for great discussion, fellowship and friendship.

BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all who participated in our CTC's recent Blood Drive.. We received 36 pints!

Sunday Mass Presiders: April 8th-9th

schedule is subject to change - (in parentheses will preach)

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| Saturday, 4/8 | 5pm | Fr. Matthias |
| Sunday, 4/9 | 8am | Fr. Matthias |
| | 10am | Fr. Whelan |
| April 2, 2017-p6 | 12pm | Fr. Gallo |

Around the Diocese

- ***Flea Market:** St. Josaphat Church, Sunday, April 2nd, 9am - 4pm.
- ***Easter Craft Sale:** St. Josaphat Church, 35th Ave/210th St., April 8-9.
- ***Padre Pio Holy Hour:** On the 1st Tuesday of each month, (4/4), St. Josaphat Ch (35th Ave/210th St) extends an open invitation to Padre Pio Evening of Prayer - 7pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction, Confessions, Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet & 8pm Mass.
- ***Holy Week Retreat:** April 13-15, 2017 - join seminarians from around the diocese at St. Joseph's Seminary and Cathedral Seminary House of Formation - 718 827-2454 or vocations@diobrook.org .
- ***Way of the Cross Over the Brooklyn Bridge:** Good Friday, 4/14. For info call or visit the Communion & Liberation website 212 337-3580.
- ***Holy Hour and Fellowship:** "Encounter the Sacred" - An evening of prayer and fellowship for junior high and high school students, with praise and worship music, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, reflection, and refreshments. April 21st - 7:30—10pm - Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston 11362 - www.BrooklynVocations.org/hhf
- ***Bishop McDonnell MHS Reunion:** April 22nd - 718 857-2700 x-2253.
- ***Lay Carmelite Marian Day:** Celebrating 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima Apparitions, Sat., May 13th, 9-3:30pm - Registration: 845 344-2472.
- ***St. John's Univ Grand Alumni Homecoming Weekend:** June 2-3. Register before 5/18 at 718 990-2929 - stjohns.edu/alumnihomecoming
- ***Catholic Alaskan Explorer Cruise:** July 8-15. 860-399-1785 .
- ***Fatima/Lourdes Pilgrimage:** Aug. 30-9/8 - Bp. DiMarzio - 855 564-1008.
- ***Catholic Charities Bayside Senior Center:** 221-15 Horace Harding Expressway - 718 225-1144—FREE!
- ***Retreats at Bishop Molloy Retreat House:** 718 739-1229.
- ***Retreats:** St. Joseph Retreat Center: 718 720-1097.
- ***Retreats:** The Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May, NJ 08212 Call: 609 884-3829 or visit www.capemaymarianists.org
- ***Diocesan Pre Cana Information:** Visit www.pre-cana.org
- ***Adult Services:** 718 229-7320 & 225-1144 - Catholic Charities affiliate.
- ***Relief for Homeless Families:** Call Catholic Charities at 718 674-1000 or 929 234-3036.
- ***Volunteers Needed:** Ozanam Hall Nursing Home: Call Gail at 718 971-2020, 2021 or 2022.

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Easter Flower envelopes may be returned at any time. Your memorial donations will help defray the cost of our church flowers and decorations for Holy Week and the Easter Season and will be published our bulletin.

MOTHERS DAY

Mothers Day cards are available in church today. Please return all intentions to the rectory or in the collection basket. All the Masses on Mothers Day, May 14th, will be offered for our mothers.

Mass Scripture Readings—April 2, 2017

Readings for weekday Masses are available on the homepage - Tues., St. Isidore, Bishop & Doctor of the Church; Wed., St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest; Fri., St. John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

Sun., 4/9 Mt 21:1-11 Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27:11-54