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**Holy Rosary** 30 minutes prior to Mass

First Fridays Mass 8:00AM at Historic Chapel

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration 9:00AM - 9:00PM

# OLSS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

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# SFOA SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday ...... 8:30 AM

## SFOA DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday ...... 6:00PM

#### **OLSS CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM or by appointment

#### SFOA CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before Mass or by appointment



#### **OFFICE HOURS & PHONE**

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## **WELCOME, VISITORS!**

We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or find one in the narthex.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office to get on the schedule. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given, (\$10 or more) signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

#### MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

03/16/24 - Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Pro Populo / For the People

03/17/24 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)

+ Franciszek & Maria Oblazny

11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)

+ Doris Thompson

03/18/24 - NO MASS

03/19/24 - Tuesday 5:30 PM Adoration & Mass Grace of healing for Luz Martinez

03/20/24 - Wednesday 8:00 AM Mass at OLSS

03/20/24 Wednesday 5:00 PM Mass at SFoA

03/21/24 - Thursday 8:00 AM Mass

03/22/24 - Friday 8:00 AM Mass

03/23/24 - Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

03/24/24 - Palm Sunday

8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)

Pro Populo / For the People

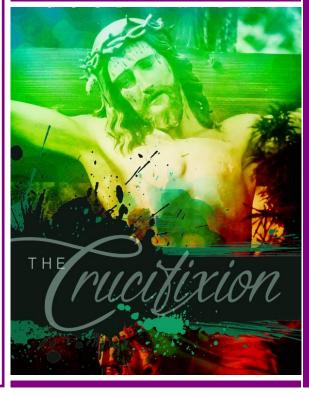
11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)

+ David Bliton

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Genemary Oberlin, Ludwika Glod, Maria Klikuszowian, Chuck Schafer, Christine Thornton, Missy Capers, Charles Davis, Maria Dale, Nadine Barrini, Lily Vidal, Luke Brooks, Stan Wojnar, Chris Wojnar, Glen Franklin, Dan Riley, Tina Hood, Sanford Adams, Doris Adams, Brian Mclain, Brian Lewis, Tammy Gabrinetti, Maureen Heath, Buddy Miller, Clifford Morris, Sheila Williams, Tess Rivera, Mary Glasgow, Ron Carr, Doris A. Adams, Doris Thomas, Ron McBee, Cheryl Burke, Deborah Mroz, Ducky Marx, Janet Gusgeski, Carole Linker, Michelle Ng, Donald Koski, Christopher Clay Field, Lana Miltenberg, Logan Hackney, Kathy Mulcahy, Jennifer Moran, Mac and Peggy Maurin, Michael Manfredi, Robert Allatin, Rhonda Avilles, Ivy Luna, Ron Petry, Linda Perry, Denis McShane, Evelyn Meaux, Kieran Gaughan Jr., Annie Hyver, Elizabeth Newcity, Leo Provanzano, Greg Williamson, Tom Meyer, Steve Puckett, Samantha Evans, Lauren Sullivan, Jim Kline, Gale Herring, James Ventella, Jarrod Conley, Leny Logan, Anna Rotondi, Bob & Marie Devine, Agnes Rodman, Mike Blackerby, Michelle Logan, Jim Kane, Robert Morris, Everett Harvell, Tommy Evans, Emily Edmonds, Mary Panfil, Emma Maniscalco, Mita Byers, Mely Andino, Benjamin Solamon, Anna DeMartino, Fr. Leahy, Katy Sherrill, Nathaniel Evans, Xavier Van Moer, Jim Walsh, Tim Roberson, Judy Bailey, Enzo and Maria Lopez, Joyce Rinck, Kitty Rodriguez, David Cocomazzi, Carol Campbell, Frank McNeil, Dr. Patrick Moreo, William David (Dub) Shepard, Rhonda Peterson, Gael Aodue, Emma Sizemore, Claire Walsh

TO ADD A NAME TO THE PRAYER LIST PLEASE EMAIL; OFFICE@WEAREOLSS.ORG



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent SFOA -6:00 PM

OLSS -

6:30 PM

#### WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE JESUS

I've always felt a real affection for the anonymous Greeks who approach Philip in Jerusalem and make their request with disarming frankness: "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Who are these people? "Greeks" is a catchall term in first-century Israel. These folks speak to Philip in Greek, not in Hebrew or Aramaic. The term suggests nothing about their ethnicity, nor does it spell out whether they are Greek-speaking Jews or Gentiles. But they are in Jerusalem specifically for the Passover, so they are at least God-fearing Gentiles. Because this verse follows the Pharisees' disgusted remark, "Look, the whole world has gone after him," we understand that these foreigners are generally unwelcome among the average citizens of Israel.

Still, they have the chutzpah to go to Philip, who speaks their language, and ask for the kind of intimate introduction to Jesus that few in the crowds around him received. Why do they want to see Jesus? Not simply for the photo-op, we can imagine. Being seen in the company of Jesus in those troubled days was a mixed bag, not necessarily something you wanted to advertise.

So there's both some daring and some risk involved in this direct request. Obviously they don't want to look at Jesus. They want to know him. Maybe they are hoping, at this late date—although no one knows the lateness of the hour besides Jesus and his adversaries—to become his disciples. It's not their fault that they come into the story too late to walk around the countryside with him and absorb his teaching. They cannot know that they are seeking the acquaintance of Jesus when the time before his execution can be counted out in hours.

And Jesus, for his part, agrees to their request. He agrees that it is high time to be seen: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified." Jesus is about to be lifted up to a place where he can be viewed, not only for miles, but also for centuries. The arrival of the Greeks, in a sense, is a sign to Jesus that his hour of Passion and glorification is about to unfold. For their part the Greeks didn't mean to be a sign of anything. They weren't trying to be special. They expressed a need that people coming to faith often experience: the desire for greater union with Jesus.

RCIA catechumens and candidates frequently seek a closer relationship with Jesus than the cradle Catholic, and they are anxious to acquire that intimacy. In this sense, we lifelong Catholics need to take our cue from the newcomers. If we would like to see Jesus, all we have to do is ask.

# WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT SAINT JOSEPH?

In terms of facts, almost nothing. Matthew alone highlights Joseph's role. Here we meet Joseph the dreamer who, like his namesake in Genesis, learns of heaven's purposes while he sleeps. The earliest gospel calls the adult Jesus "son of Mary" rather than "son of Joseph." Luke and John prefer to call Jesus "son of Joseph." However, Luke adds, "as was thought." Joseph's last appearance is when Jesus is 12. Jesus is called the carpenter's son, revealing his father's occupation. Tradition says Joseph died when Jesus was 18 with the art of the Eastern Church depicting the death of Joseph.

Matthew describes Joseph as a righteous man who considers divorcing his pregnant betrothed. Then heaven intervenes. Joseph takes Mary home and gives her his full protection. It's an enormous concession to the divine will, especially crediting Mary's perpetual virginity. We always want more from Joseph. He's already given quite a lot.

# SOLEMNITY OF JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE VIRGIN MARY (MARCH 19)

The strong, silent type.

Joseph never uttered a word in scripture. Instead, he let his actions speak for what was going on in his heart. By his actions we know that Joseph not only believed in God but listened for God's promptings and was willing to be led - even to some confusing and difficult places.

#### **VENERATION -**

Respect or awe inspired by the dignity, wisdom, or dedication of a person. Specifically, honor shown to Mary, the apostles, martyrs, saints, and others viewed as faithful witnesses to Christ by telling their stories, celebrating their feast days, praying for their intercession, displaying their likeness, and performing acts of devotions, including visits to shrines and pilgrimages to a holy sites. **Veneration** is distinct from the homage we give to God.

#### WHY IT MATTERS

Our present culture too often celebrates the vulgar, the cynical, and the rude. **Veneration** is an exercise in humility as it honors those holy ones whose virtues invite us to reach higher, whose lives are signs of faithfulness and hope.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church: The Christian **veneration** of images is not contrary to the first Commandment which proscribes idols. Indeed, whoever **venerates** an image **venerates** the person portrayed in it. . . . Images [lead] us to God incarnate (2132).

#### **OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH SERVICES**

Good Samaritan Food Pantry: Our Lady Star of the Sea parish with the wonderful support of the parishioners provide food for families and individuals in need in our community. We are open Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays from 9am - 12pm

Altar Servers: Always looking for new altar servers and experienced altar servers. For more information contact Jason Dominici at dominici.jason@gmail.com

**Catholic Youth Ministry:** For more information email Kristie and Bryant Shepard at <a href="mailto:relregioused@weareolss.org">relregioused@weareolss.org</a>

RCIA: Adults interested in learning about the Catholic Church call Ray Meaux at 912-882-2343

**Bereavement Ministry:** A group of volunteers who deliver food to grieving families at the time of their loss and/or assist the church in providing hospitality after a funeral service. Contact person is Victoria Brooks 912-322-6857

**Shut-ins & Hospitalized Family Members:** When You or your loved one is getting ready for a planned surgery or procedure or things unplanned happens and we end up in the hospital Please Notify Parish Office at 912-882-4718

**Religious Education**: Sundays during the school year September 10, 2023 ~ May 12th, 2024, 9:15am-10:30am at the Religious Ed Building. Email Bryant and Kristie Shepard at religioused@weareolss.org

Ladies Auxiliary: uses their skills and talents in a wide variety of roles. Anyone who is ill or in the hospital, if they would like a prayer blanket, Contact Sally Caez at caez@tds.net /912-552-1155

The **Knights of Columbus** (**K of C**) is a global Catholic fraternal service order founded by Fr. Michael J. McGivney on March 29, 1882, It has grown to support refuge relief, Catholic education, local parishes and dioceses, and global Catholic social and political causes. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men. For more info Contact Norberto Caez-KofC@weareolss.org

**Ushers:** Provide a welcoming presence to parishioners and visitors as they enter the church. If interested in becoming an usher, please church office at 912-882-4718

Father's Hospitality Angels: Volunteers dedicated to serving our priest and parish through sacramenta receptions, welcoming newcomers, children's movie nights, Senior Home Outreach, and much more. We host many fundraising events throughout the year to fully support our ministry and special projects. If you would like to spread your wings and join us, we meet the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6PM in the Social Hall or call Victoria Brooks for more information - 912-322-6857

**Legion of Mary:** A lay organization to help the world by active works and prayers and to serve Jesus through Mary. Contact Maureen Van Horn 912-322-8672 or Maureen Vanhorn@tds.net



For those families requesting a Letter of good standing, participation letter from the office for school registrations, Sacraments, Godparent

verification, etc. you must meet the following criteria;

- 1. Be officially registered in our parish for at least six months. Considerations will be taken for military families new to the parish and will be addressed on case-by-case basis.
- 2. Be in good standing which means you and your family regularly attend Mass and contribute to our offertory program. You must use your assigned envelope/giving number for these donations to be recorded properly. We understand that sometimes people are unable to give to the parish; however, placing your envelope even if its empty in the basket helps us determine that someone is in fact participating in the life of a parish.
- 3. If you have moved away and are not actively participating in our parish life, and if we have not seen you at mass for weeks and months, we may be unable to issue you with the above mentioned documents. Additionally, your standing within the parish may differ from those who consistently attend and share with our community their Time, Talent and Treasure.

#### **OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR**

#### SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

MARCH 10, 2024 MARCH 12, 2023

COLLECTION COLLECTION - \$ 455.00

MAINTENANCE MAINTENANCE - \$ 730.00

MAINTENANCE - \$ 204.00

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7



Make plans to join your family and friends as **Knights of Columbus** present their **Annual Lenten Friday Fish** 

Fridays of lent leading up to Good Friday! For only \$12 per person and \$48 for a family of 4 or more you can

enjoy fried (or baked) Pollock fish, French Fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, baked beans and a drink; along with a number of tasty desserts prepared by the women of our Ladies Auxiliary. To-go meals will also be available!

Dates: March 22

Time: 5-6:30 in the Parish Social Hall

#### The Ladies Auxiliary and the Knights of Columbus

will be recognizing all High School seniors on Saturday, April 27, 2024 after 5:00 PM Mass

The Parents of the high school seniors need to contact Sally or Norberto Caez at 912-552-1151 or 912-552-5598 or caez@tds.net

All seniors must be present to receive special gifts.

#### FREE HELP!

Do you need help around the house? In your yard? Putting things away or in the attic? Whatever it is we're hete to help. The teens annual Walk by Faith Service retreat will be Sat. March 23rd. They will come to your home to help you with your needs. Please email religioused@weareolss.org to get your name on the list and schedule a time for a small group to come to your home.

## OLSS LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE THURSDAY MARCH 21 AT 6:00 PM

CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY THERE WILL BE NO





#### March 18, 2024, SFOA, OLSS, SFKB Ultreva at 6:00 PM

Those interested in the Cursillo Movement are welcome to attend. Irish blessings, prayers, group witness and potluck dinner.

SFoA Stations of the Cross Fridays at 6pm. Friday, March 22 will be youth shadow stations, followed by a lite meatless pizza and fish taco potluck meal. You are welcome to bring your old palms to a bonfire following (weather permitting a fire).

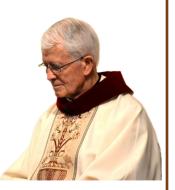
Youth will practice Wed. March 20, 6:35 pm

#### **Easter Sunday 3-31-2024**

"Easter People" Potluck Breakfast an Egg Hunt following Mass in the Social Hall

#### Fr. William Leahy will celebrate his 88th birthday on March 21st.

He is doing well and the only gift he would like is to hear from his friends, so if you would take a moment and send him a birthday card with anything that you remember about your time with him, he would appreciate it. His address is:



Fr. William Leahy Sunabella Senior Care 231 Montgomery Crossroads Unit #306 Savannah, GA



**PALM SUNDAY** 

8:30 AM Mass at SFOA 11:00 AM Mass at OLSS



**HOLY THURSDAY** 7:00 PM

Mass with procession to "Garden of Gethsemane" following



**GOOD** FRIDAY 3:00 PM Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM Veneration of the Cross **SATURDAY** EASTER

VIGIL 8:00 PM Mass **EASTER SUNDAY** 8:30 AM Mass at **SFOA** 11:00 AM Mass at OLSS



## Kathy Levy

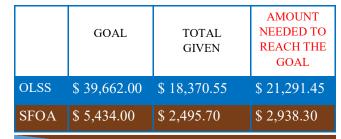
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