

Our Lady
Star of the Sea
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saint
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• 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**WHY DID
YOU DOUBT?**

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OLSS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 PM
(except on Holy Saturday)
Sunday 11:00 AM

OLSS DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday No Service
Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 AM

SFOA SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 AM

SFOA DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday.....5:00 PM

OLSS CONFESSIONS

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

SFOA CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment

Holy Rosary

30 minutes prior to Mass

First Fridays Mass

8:00 AM at Historic Chapel

Fridays Eucharistic Adoration

5:00 PM to 6:30 PM



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OFFERTORY UPDATE

OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

AUGUST 2, 2026	AUGUST 3, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 9,490.23	COLLECTION - \$ 12,220.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 3,368.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 4,779.74

SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

AUGUST 2, 2026	AUGUST 3, 2025
COLLECTION - \$ 1,465.00	COLLECTION - \$ 1,623.47
MAINTENANCE - \$ 1,210.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 890.00

"Each one should give as much as he has decided on his own initiative, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7

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.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

08/08/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
+ *Timothy Ford*

08/09/26 - XIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)
+ *Marian Kuchta*
11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
Pro Populo / For the People

08/10/26 - Monday: NO MASS

08/11/26 - Tuesday: 5:00 PM - Adoration, Rosary & Mass

08/12/26 - Wednesday:
8:00 AM Mass at OLSS
+ *Bonnie Fay*
5:00 PM Mass at SFOA
+ *Stanislaw & Janina Kuchta*

08/13/26 - Thursday: 8:00 AM Mass
+ *Janina Swiacki*

08/14/26 - Friday: 8:00 AM Mass
+ *Mark Lang*

08/15/26 - Saturday: The Assumption of the BVM
9:00 AM Mass

08/15/26 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass
Shanon Brock

08/16/26 - XIX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)
Pro Populo / For the People
11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)
John & Frances Morrissey

PETER 2.0

Saint Peter is elevated to our attention for at least nine crucial Matthean moments. This gospel is invested in the development of a singular disciple destined to become the keeper of the keys. Though Peter is called to discipleship in ch. 4, he has no speaking part on that occasion or up until this one in ch. 14, when he attempts to walk on water. It's the first time in Matthew that Peter distinguishes himself from the generic group of disciples. It's the moment that prepares him for his fateful confession in ch. 16: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Up to now the 12 apostles have functioned like a conglomerate of pale witnesses to Jesus' ministry. Occasionally they venture a question, but it's "the disciples" who ask it - as if none of these men has yet found his voice in the commanding presence of the Teacher. Let's face it: We'd likely be no different in the company of one who heals the sick, multiplies food, casts out demons, and restores the dead. Not to mention one who teaches with such authority that religious leaders are confounded.

Once Peter dares to address the Lord personally on this fearful night, his leadership potential is out of the bag. Jesus seems to know it, too: From now on he'll select Peter for his inner circle of three to go where the others are not invited. Perhaps Jesus continues to mull over the three in ensuing episodes, weighing their merits. Peter has a forgiveness handicap: "Lord, must I forgive my brother seven times?" Meanwhile the sons of Zebedee, hiding behind their mother's skirts, crave the glory seats in the coming reign. Peter will make his daring confession yet follow it with a glaring lack of comprehension by rejecting any talk of the Passion to come. Peter is "blessed" for what the Spirit makes known to him - and "Satan" for tempting Jesus to seek a less costly way.

Peter's warring spirits are evident from this first stormy hour. He has the inspiration, energy, and bravado to get out of the boat, and a legion of doubts that cause him to sink in short order. This Petrine trait echoes again at the Last Supper, when Peter swears his faith will never be shaken, only hours before he will deny his Lord multiple times. "O you of little faith," Jesus must chide his friend - and, by extension, us. For Peter is ultimately chosen to be the rock upon which the church will stand and, occasionally, sink like a stone. Peter's flaw is alive and well in his 21st-century heirs. But as long as we mirror Peter's persistent repentance, thankfully, the church will survive.



WITH YOU ON *the* JOURNEY



Skylark is a local non-profit Christian organization, dedicated to the sanctity of human life and sexual purity. Providing resources to help young families/single moms who are facing unplanned pregnancies. Since 1992, Skylark has been serving

Glynn, Camden, Wayne, and surrounding counties with free services such as pregnancy testing, STD testing, ultrasounds, pregnancy options counseling, parenting education and support, baby essentials, post-abortion support groups, fatherhood education, adoption referrals, and so much more. With compassionate, caring services, our team is with you on the journey. friendsofskylark.com

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

PRAY asking the Lord to open the eyes of young mothers and fathers to see their options and have hope.

VOLUNTEER at Skylark located in Kingsland or mobile unit

DONATE new/gently used baby items: (clothes; baby hygiene products; diapers/wipes; nursery items; ...)

GIVE financially to help support the local pregnancy center

We invite you to join us at Skylark's annual fundraising banquet in October to support/learn more about Skylark.

Please contact Deacon Tim and Rhonda Hughes at (912) 464-4197 or rhughes@tds.net

"You who have received so much love, show your love by protecting the sacredness of life."

- Mother Teresa of Calcutta



ORGAN FUND
NEED TO RAISE \$ 130.000
AS OF TODAY WE RAISED \$ 21,110



We need to raise at least 40 to 45% of the estimated \$130,000 cost before signing a contract with the company that will build our new organ.

I humbly ask for your continued prayers and financial support. Every gift, no matter how small, brings us one step closer to making this project a reality.

Parents, Religious Education starts soon!!!

There are a few changes/reminders that you need to be aware of.

* RE begins AUGUST 23.

* RE classes are for Kindergarten through 8th grade.

* CYM is for high school students who have already made their Confirmation.

ALL REGISTRATIONS WILL BE COMPLETED ONLINE (www.weareolss.org)
Ministries Tab - Religious Ed

***BEGINNING THE 26/27 RE SCHOOL YEAR, ALL SACRAMENTAL CLASSES (FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION WILL REQUIRE TWO CONCURRENT YEARS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

REQUIRED CLASS ATTENDANCE WILL BE DISCUSSED AT PARENT MEETINGS.***

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IN OLSS

A newborn child should be baptized within the first few months of life. A child who has reached the age of kindergarten should receive some basic instruction/preparation before reception of the Sacrament. In order to have a child baptized at Our Lady Star of the Sea, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, and registered in the OLSS Parish for at least four months. A child to be baptized should normally have two Godparents, a male and a female. In order to serve as a Godparent, a person must be a practicing Roman Catholic, fully initiated, and at least sixteen years of age. A Godparent must supply a letter from his/her proper pastor indicating suitability to serve as a Godparent for Baptism. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class which lasts approximately one hour.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE IN OLSS

Those preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage need to contact the church office for a list of instructions at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. Definite plans for a particular date should not be made until such contact has been completed. Only when a priest or deacon has decided that he will officiate at the marriage, will a definite date be set. There is a requirement for marriage preparation classes. Options for these will be discussed when you meet with the priest or deacon you have chosen as your celebrant

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

All the names of the sick we receive will be entered on the prayer list for one month, and then removed. If you would like your loved one to remain on the prayer list longer, please let us know, and we will happily oblige.

Braeden Hormann, Joshua McLaughlin

Mike Perry

Margaret Norton

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
Sat 08/08	1. Cariline Neff 2. Richard Foy	Bryant Shepard	Dennis Foster Don Petrine Saul Capulong Greg Glaz
Sun 08/09	1. Hunt Thornhill 2. Brian Benton	Joaquin Gomez John M. Hopkins Isaac Dominici Evan Gomez	Carl Boria John Nevins Mike Recore Dave Bowman
Tue 08/04	Karen Hill		
Wed 08/05	Richard Foy		
Thu 08/06	Bonnie Carr		
Fri 08/07	Elisabeth Sepulveda		
Sat 08/15	1. Bonnie Carr 2. Bryant Shepard	Bryant Shepard	Ken Sylvester James Pappas James Marcin David Bowman
Sun 08/16	1. Karen Jenkins 2. Tommy Jenkins	Samuel Dominici Evan Gomez Isaac Dominici John M Hopkins	Keith Danos Colleen Danos Robert Cappello Saulo Capulong

SFOA LECTOR SCHEDULE

Sunday 08/09	Kathleen Rogers Lewart Simmons
Sunday 08/16	Susan Price - LaSalla Jennifer Pfeffer

COUNTERS SCHEDULE

Sunday 08/09	Teresa David, Chrissy Bundrick, Richard Foy, Renee Gentle, Robert Capello
Sunday 08/16	Pauline Wentworth, Bill Tobias, Roberto Garza, Trish Jenkins, Kathy Brown



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.
- Mt 14:28-29

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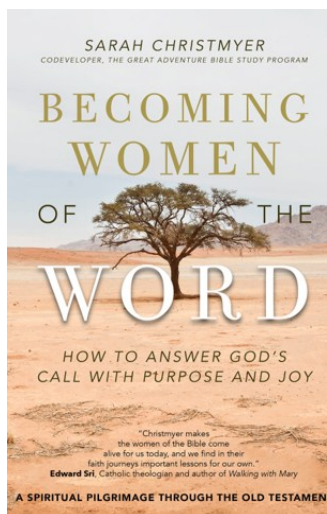
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WHAT'S GOING ON ?

Mon 08/10	OLSS - Ladies Auxiliary - 6:00 PM - RE Double Room
Tue 08/11	SFoA - Ladies Cursillo - 9:30 AM - Social Hall
Wed 08/12	SFoA Men's Cursillo - 9:00 AM - Social Hall OLSS - Legion of Mary - 5:30 PM - RE Room #8 OLSS - Men's Bible Study - 6:30 PM - RE Double Room
Thu 08/13	OLSS - Men's Cursillo - 5:00 PM - RE Room # 4 OLSS - Ladies Cursillo - 5:30 PM - Room # 5 OLSS - OCIA- 6:00 PM - Social Hall OLSS - Knights of Columbus - 6:00 PM - RE Room # 8
Fri 08/14	OLSS - Eucharistic Adoration - 5:00 PM - Main Church
Sat. 08/15	OLSS - Mass of the Assumption of BVM - 9:00 AM
Sun 08/16	SFOA - Pancake Breakfast - 9:30 AM -Social Hall OLSS - Donut Social - 12:00 PM - Social Hall



WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

When: Beginning September

7th & 11th Time: Monday evenings
(6:30 – 8:00 pm) and again on Friday
mornings (9:00 – 10:30 am)

Where: in the OLSS Religious
Education Building

To sign up and for more information,
contact Eileen Lang via email
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732-489-1124. The deadline for sign
up is August 23rd to ensure we have
time to order
materials.

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