

Church of Saint Rita

281 Bradley Avenue - Staten Island, NY 10314

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2016

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH

(Our Lady of Vailankanni)

Saturday September 10, 2016

10:00am

Church of St. Rita, 281 Bradley Avenue

You and your family are cordially invited to attend the Novena and the Feast in honor of Our Lady of Good Health (Vailankanni) and obtain many blessing through Her powerful maternal intercession.



PROGRAM ON THE FEAST DAY

- 10:00 am ~ Rosary and Novena of 9th day
- 10:30 am ~ Solemn concelebrated Mass presided over by
**Most Reverend John O'Hara, Auxiliary Bishop,
Archdiocese of New York**
- 11:45am ~ Procession, carrying the statue of the Blessed Mother
- 12:30pm ~ Healing Service and Blessing of the sick
- 12:45pm ~ Veneration of and Offering to the Blessed Mother
- 1:00pm ~ Fellowship meal

SPECIAL NOVENA in preparation for the solemn Feast

- September 2nd at 7:30pm
- September 3rd at 5:00pm
- September 4th - 9th at 7:30pm
- September 10th (Feast Day) at 10:00am

NOVENA PROGRAM INCLUDES:

Solemn Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Scripture reading, short Homily, Novena Prayer, Recitation of the Holy Rosary, and Benediction.

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For more information: Joe Jacob: 408-219-5979, Vinu Menachery: 917-669-2600,
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Welcome to St. Rita's Parish Community

Please introduce yourself and register at the parish office. We welcome new parishioners to participate in the spiritual and social life of our church.



Church Website: www.stritachurch.net **School Website:** www.stritaschoolsi.org

SERVED BY

Rev. Eugene J. Carrella, Pastor
Rev. Anthony Gonzales, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Stephen Challman, In Residence

PARISH OFFICES

61 Wellbrook Avenue ~ Phone: 718-698-3746
Hours: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
Ms. Mary Grace Liss, Parish Manager

ST. RITA SCHOOL—S. I. REGION

30 Wellbrook Avenue ~ Phone: 718-761-2504
Mrs. Nicole C. Fresca, Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Phone: 718-982-6948
Mrs. Mary Gillespie, Coordinator

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

4:00 Nellie Parisi

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

8:00 Pasqualina Iacono
9:30 Paul C. Falco
11:00 Anthony Surla White
12:30 Placida Edralin
6:00 For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

7:00 Concetta Cordo (Living)
9:00 Rosalie Signa

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00 Salvatore Cascio
9:00 Eugene Carrella

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

7:00 Salvatore Cascio
9:00 Joseph Guastella

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:00 Santina Emilio
9:00 Marie Belford

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

7:00 Marion Coyte
9:00 Ann & James Connolly (Living)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00 Ramon Albano
4:00 Joe Musumarra

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:00 Benedicta Abad Santos
9:30 Anthony White
11:00 Joseph Guastella
12:30 Tommaso Vitale
6:00 For the People of the Parish

Tree of Life Call the Parish Office

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:00pm

**Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm,
and 6:00pm**

Monday to Friday: 7:00am and 9:00am

Saturday: 9:00am

Holy Days: Please refer to the bulletin or website

CONFESSIONS

Saturday from 3:00pm to 3:45pm,

First Sunday of the month after the morning Masses
and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Second & Fourth Sundays after the 12:30pm Mass.
Baptism class for the parents is held on the
Second Saturday of the month at 5:00pm by appt.

SICK CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to arrange Communion
Calls and Hospital Visits.

MARRIAGES

Must be arranged six months in advance.
Couples must see a priest to secure a date.

OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH NOVENA

First Saturday of the month after the 4:00pm Mass,
reception following in Church Hall.

SAINT RITA NOVENA

Tuesdays after the 7:00am and 9:00am Masses

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Thursdays after the 7:00am and 9:00am Masses

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mondays 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

ADULT CHOIR

Adults sing every Sunday at the 11:00am Mass.
Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7:30pm in Church Hall.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children sing every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass.
Rehearsal Wednesdays at 5:15pm in Church Hall.

LORD'S FLOCK

First Friday Mass at 8:00pm in the Chapel.
Third Friday Prayer Meeting at 8:00pm in Chapel.

ST. RITA'S LADIES GUILD

First Tuesday of the month at the 9:00am Mass,
meeting following in the Parish Center.

ST. RITA'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

First Monday at 7:30pm in the School Café.

stritasports@gmail.com

ST. RITA'S BOY SCOUTS

Fridays at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

ST. RITA'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Thursdays at 12:00 noon in the Church Hall.

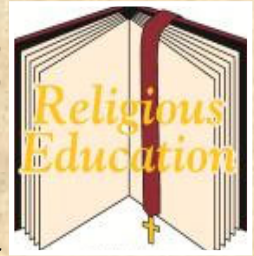
CCD REGISTRATION

KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 8

Registration for current students, new students or for children transferring from other schools or programs will take place on **Thursday, September 8, 2016** in the Parish Office, 61 Wellbrook Avenue, *driveway entrance*, from 3:00pm to 4:30pm and from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. A copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate is required along with proof of any other sacraments that have been received.

CCD Classes will begin on **Wednesday, September 14th** from 3:30pm to 5:00pm for students in grades Kindergarten to 5 and from 6:30pm to 8:00pm for students in grades 6, 7 and 8.

Private school students, who are parishioners at St. Rita's and wish to receive Communion or Confirmation in 2017 are asked to please contact Mrs. Mary Gillespie Monday through Wednesday, at 718-982-6948 or email mgillespie@stritachurch.net. **Families are to be active and registered parishioners of our parish.**



PARISH TRUSTEES



We would like to thank *William Apriceno and William Gault* for their years of service to our Parish as Parish Trustees. The Archdiocese allows a Trustee to serve for one year, for no more than 3 years consecutively. Both William Apriceno and William Gault have served their maximum number of years. We have now asked that *Mediatrice Alcantara and James Hamilton* begin to serve as Parish Trustees, they have graciously accepted. We thank them for their commitment to St. Rita's Parish.

-Fr. Eugene

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION



RCIA

Any adult wishing to become a Catholic, or wishing to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, are asked to please call Mary Grace Liss at the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

New members are cordially invited to participate fully in the spirit and social life of our parish. Please register at the parish office, Monday to Friday, from 9:00am to 5:00pm or call Mary Grace Liss for more information.



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please notify the parish office if you plan to move, whether it be in or out of the parish.

PLEASE NOTE

Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation will be given only to active registered parishioners of St. Rita's Church.



2) Richard Blomquist & LeighAnn Roldan

1) Jason Prisco & Dina Marie Raimondi



To help raise funds for St. Rita School, we have been participating in a program from General Mills called **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**. Our school will receive 10 cents for clipping and collecting Box tops logos on qualifying General Mills products. Some participating products are from Betty Crocker, Green Giant, Pillsbury, Yoplait Nature Valley, Cottonelle, Huggies, Ziplock, Hefty and more. Please clip along the dotted line. The more logos, the more cash for our school! Box tops can be brought to the Parish Office or placed in the Offertory Collection in an envelope marked "Box Tops for Education", Attention Sister Jude. Thank you for your continued support!

ST. RITA'S GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Seniors 55 years of age and older are invited to join the Golden Age Club, which meet every Thursday from 12:00 noon to 3:00pm in the Church Hall. The first meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 15th**. For information call John Franca, President, at 718-982-8883.



*St. Rita's Golden Age Club is sponsoring a bus trip to Resorts in Atlantic City on **Wednesday, September 28, 2016**. There will be a pick-up at St. Rita's. To make a reservation or for information, please call Marie Iraci at 718-761-4077.*

50-50 CLUB

Congratulations August's 50-50 Club drawing winner, Mr. Joseph Jarema. The drawing raised **\$760** and paid **\$380**.

Why not try your luck?

The next drawing will be September 22nd.

The donation is \$5.00 per envelope, and 50% goes to the winner and 50% to the parish. The pink envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church, at the parish office or in your envelope packet.

The Goretti Group

New York Chapter



Margaret Fernandez

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." 2 Corinthians 3:17

In a culture that would have us lose ourselves, Margaret shares her experience of attaining true freedom and knowledge of self through pure friendships, and what living a vibrant, attractive chastity looks like in varying relationships.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th 6:30 PM to 9:30PM

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

366 Watchogue Road, 10314

Adoration/Praise and Worship/Reconciliation 6:30 PM

Mass – 7:30 PM

Veneration of St Maria Goretti 1st Class Relic – 8:15 PM

Talk – 8:15 PM After -Event Fellowship – 9:30 PM

*Free
to
Love*

NO SURPRISES

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.

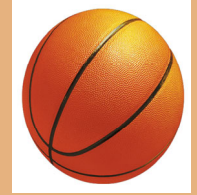
-François Fénelon,
Archbishop of Cambrai



BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

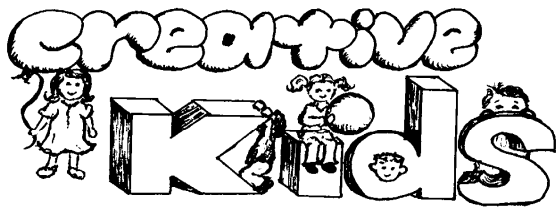


Sunday, September 11
Tuesday, September 13
Friday, September 16
7pm to 9pm



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Coupon Index Cards

You will need:

6 index cards
markers/crayons/pencil

1. Think of nice things you could do for a member of your family.
2. Write that person a note on an index card stating the nice things that you will do for him/her.
3. Write a different one on 5 index cards.
4. On the 6th card, write the words Coupon Book. Then staple the book together with all the coupons behind the title.
5. When you give this book to the person, explain that whenever they give you one of those coupons, that is when you do what is on the card.

Examples:

I will set the table.

I will play catch with you for 20 minutes.

I will take out the trash.

GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Jesus told a story about when you are invited to a party, do not take the best seat at the table. You will be embarrassed if asked to move to a lower seat.

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Ps 68:4-7, 10-11

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24

Lk 14:1, 7-14

Directions: Draw yourself and your friends at your birthday party.



**Happy
Birthday**

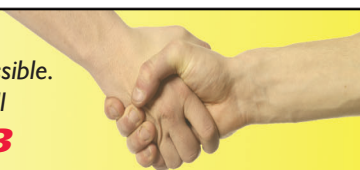
YOUTH LEADERSHIP MEETING

All public and private high school students are invited to attend a meeting at St. Charles School Auditorium from 6:15pm to 7:15pm on **Wednesday, September 28th**.

All students will gain service hours and leadership experience in planning SI Catholic Youth Fest which will be located at Moore Catholic High School from 9am to 5pm on Saturday, March 11, 2017. Contact Deacon Steve cyminsi@gmail.com for more information.

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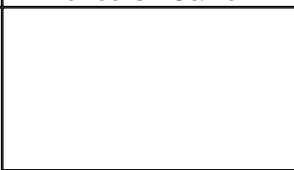
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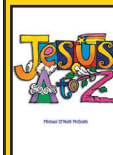
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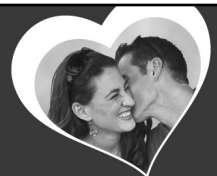
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