

# Church of Saint Rita

281 Bradley Avenue - Staten Island, NY 10314

**SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2017**

## FAREWELL TO FATHER ANTHONY GONZALES

It is with heavy hearts that the Parish of St. Rita bids farewell to Fr. Anthony Gonzales. Fr. Anthony has faithfully served our Parish for eight years. Unfortunately, the policy of the Archdiocese of New York is to limit the years of service of International priests to five years. This policy is being enforced without exception. We will miss Fr. Anthony's warmth, joy and dedication. He has become a great friend to many in our parish.



We wish Fr. Anthony well in his future ministry. When Fr. Anthony receives his new assignment, we will publish his new address in a future bulletin. Fr. Anthony Gonzales, we wish you God's continued blessings in your new assignment! We thank you and we love you!



**The Parish Offices will be closed  
on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th  
in observance of Independence Day.  
On Tuesday, Mass will be offered at 9am only.**

**Beginning this weekend, July 1-2, 2017,  
THE NEW WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

**will be on Saturday at 4:00pm and  
Sunday at 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm and 6:00pm.**

**(The week day masses remain at 7:00am & 9:00am and Saturday at 9am)**

# 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](http://www.stritachurch.net) **School Website:** [www.stritaschoolsi.org](http://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 rGrace Liss, Parish Manager  
Mrs. Deborah Williams, Music Director

## 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, JULY 1

4:00 Vincent S. Bellezza

### SUNDAY, JULY 2

8:30 Thomas Lynch, Jr. & Thomas Lynch, Sr.  
10:30 Mary Ann Cavagnaro  
12:30 Mike Vicidomini  
6:00 Quang Dang & Family (Living)

### MONDAY, JULY 3

7:00 Ellen Murray  
9:00 Rosaria Lauria

### TUESDAY, JULY 4

7:00 NO MASS  
9:00 Dominican Sisters (Living)

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

7:00 Anthony Costello  
9:00 Robert LoPrimo

### THURSDAY, JULY 6

7:00 Anthony Bianco  
9:00 Maria & Eustacchio Varrassi

### FRIDAY, JULY 7

7:00 Helen Bava  
9:00 Inas Biasi

### SATURDAY, JULY 8

9:00 Robert Guttilla, Jr.  
4:00 Doris Delaney

### SUNDAY, JULY 9

8:00 Emma Pospischil & Pospischil Family  
10:30 Leonard Charles & Gina Marie Carriero  
12:30 Vincent Toa & Maria Quan Nguyen  
6:00 John Petito, Sr.

*Tree of Life Call the Parish Office*

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Evening: 4:00pm**

**Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 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

**Groups not meeting in Summer, resume in Fall**

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Tuesdays 7:00pm in the Parish Center.

## ADULT CHOIR

Adults sing every Sunday at the 10:30am Mass.  
Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7:30pm in Church Hall.

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children sing every Sunday at the 8:30am 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.

## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

On Sunday, July 16th, we will celebrate the Feast Lady of Mount Carmel at a sung Mass at 12:30pm. After the Mass, we will have a procession with a statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and two Italian festival bands. At the conclusion of the procession, refreshments will be served in the school auditorium.

We invite our young children, boys and girls up to age seven, to dress as angels, to carry flowers to the Blessed Mother during the Offertory Procession, and to accompany the statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel during the procession following the 12:30pm Mass. This will add to the festivities of our procession, and honor Our Lady in a special way.

If you are interested in helping us defray the cost of this celebration, donations are greatly appreciated. Any offering you make will go towards the celebration honoring Our Lady of Mount Carmel! A special thank you to those who have already contributed to the feast. We are grateful for your generosity.

- Fr. Eugene



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL  
PRAY FOR US

### PLEASE NOTE

- *Kindly silence your cell phones and electronic devices while in Church. Your cooperation in this regard will be greatly appreciated.*
- *Now that summer is here, we should be mindful of our attire for Church and show our respect for the Lord's House. Our Church is air-conditioned, so when attending Mass, please dress appropriately.*
- *Before you leave the church, please place the missals back neatly in the racks. Please dispose of any garbage (tissues, papers, etc.) . Thank you for your cooperation.*



### ALTAR BREAD

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### WELCOME FATHER MARIA ANTONY

We welcome Fr. Maria Anthony Jegadhees back to our parish for the summer. This is his fifth year serving the people of St. Rita. He will be helping, so Fr. Eugene Carrella can take summer vacation. We are grateful for Fr. Maria Anthony's service to our parish.



## 50-50 CLUB

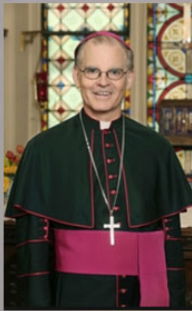
Congratulations to June's 50-50 Club drawing winner, Mr. Stephen Schipani. The drawing raised **\$800** and paid **\$400**. Why not try your luck? The next drawing will be July 27th. The donation is \$5.00 per envelope, and 50% goes to the winner and 50% to the parish. The pink envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church, at the parish office or in your envelope packet.



*In Baptism, we are reborn as children of God, made members of His Church, and heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven. Please welcome into St. Rita's Parish Family Logan Prince Antony who was Baptized in June .*

Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>

Feast Day of  
St. Maria Goretti



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6:30 PM – Music & Confession

7:00 PM – Mass, Veneration of 1<sup>st</sup> Class Relic

7:45 PM – Pot-Luck Dinner and Fellowship

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's Independence Day week, and there is a link worth tracing between the Declaration of Independence and the language of liturgy. One of the signers of the Declaration on that July 4 long ago was Charles Carroll, probably the wealthiest man in the colonies and one of the few Catholics on the political scene. As a flourish to his signature, he sought to distinguish himself from other prominent citizens bearing the same name by penning "Charles Carroll of Carrolltown"--a defiant "come and get me if you dare" postscript aimed at the British. Carroll's brother John was a priest and patriot who in 1789 was given the task of organizing the Catholic Church in this country. By 1791 he had assembled a synod, or assembly of delegates, to launch that task formally. Archbishop Carroll wanted to gain acceptance of our faith by American people who mistrusted our customs and could not comprehend our liturgy. He made the amazing proposal to Rome that our liturgy should be prayed not in Latin, but in the vernacular, English. His wish was denied, but one hundred sixty years later, his deep desire helped the American bishops and scholars at the Second Vatican Council to win the vote in favor of the vernacular not just for the United States, but for the Church throughout the world.-



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## CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000, ext. 2949, or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

## **WANTED!**

The St. Rita's Athletic Association (SRAA) is in need of a **Basketball Director** beginning in the Fall.

SRAA also has three vacancies beginning in September 2017 on the Board of Directors. The SRAA Board of Directors serves as the governing body for all of the athletic programs administered for the Parish of St. Rita's.

If you are interested in serving a two year term as the **1st Vice President, Recording Secretary or Treasurer**, email Anthony Iraci at [stritasports@gmail.com](mailto:stritasports@gmail.com).

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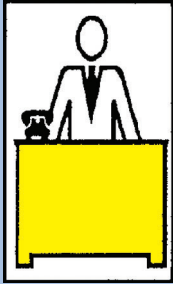


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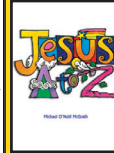
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