

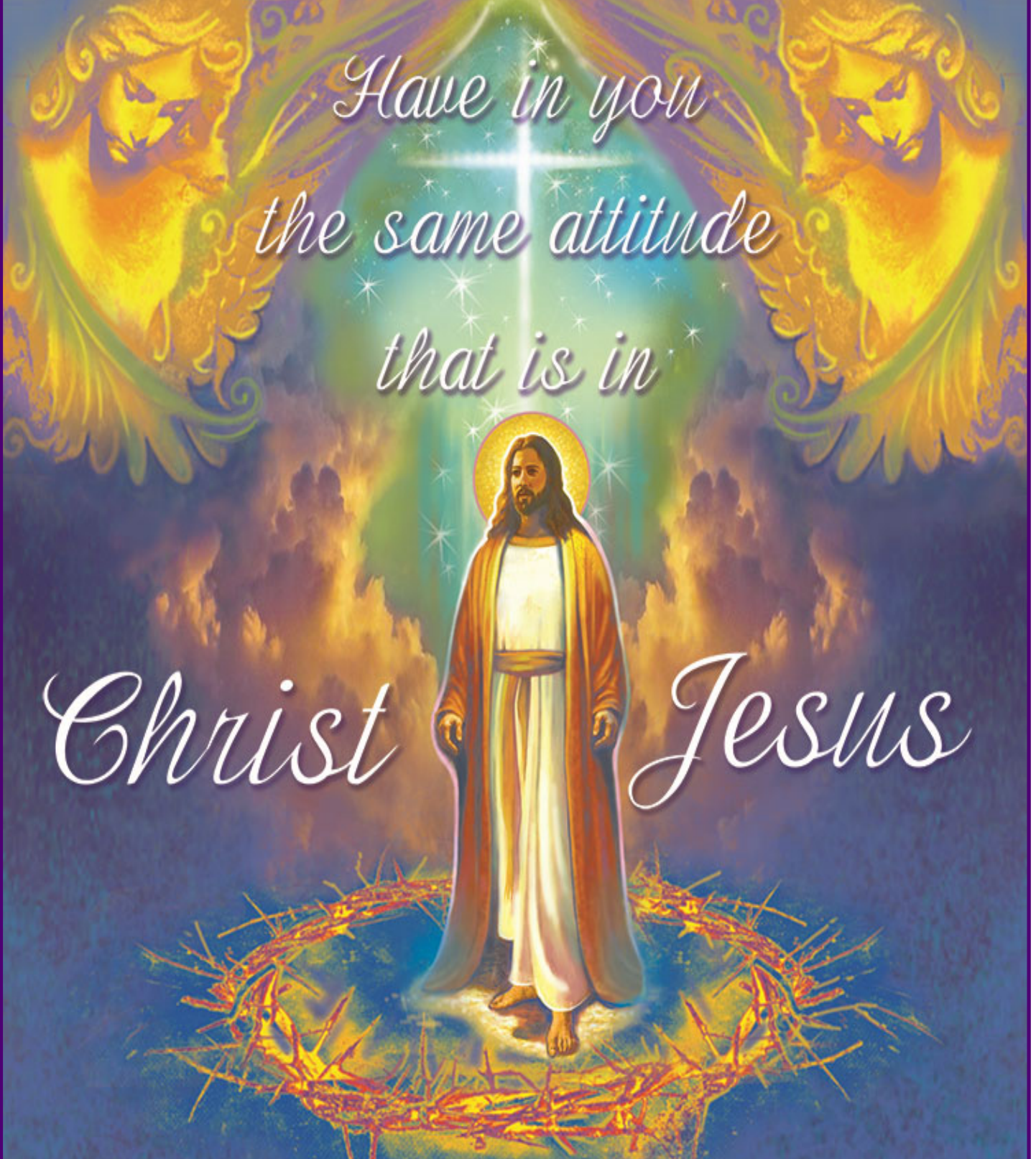
# *Church of Saint Rita*

281 Bradley Avenue - Staten Island, NY 10314

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2017**

*Have in you  
the same attitude  
that is in*

*Christ Jesus*



# 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. Abraham Berko, 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  
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— Wednesday: 718-313-6773



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

4:00 Francis Gasparik

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:30 Mr. Eugene Carrella

10:30 Bill Kutney

12:30 Joan & Fred Madorma

6:00 Vincent Toa & Maria Quan Nguyen

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

7:00 Catherine Kennedy

9:00 Gertrude Ponterio

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:00 Catherine Kennedy

9:00 Eileen Kelly

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:00 Gerald Murray

9:00 John Turkovic

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:00 Angelo Villareale

9:00 Rose & Benny Lamantia

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00 Mary Russo

9:00 Emma Pospischil & Pospischil Family

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00 Ellyn Iadarola

4:00 Ellen Murray

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30 Mr. Eugene Carrella

10:30 Antonio Assenso

12:30 James V. Treaty

6:00 Olimpia Stankiewicz

*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

## 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

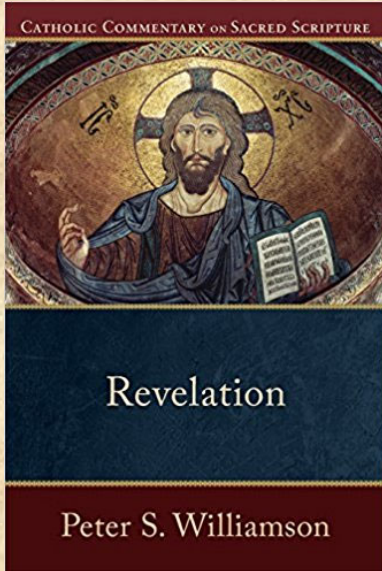
Thursdays at 12:00 noon in the Church Hall.

## PRE-NATAL BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES

Expecting the birth of a baby is a time of joyful waiting. To rejoice with you, we invite you to receive a special Pre-Natal Blessing during our celebration of the Mass on **Sunday, October 15th** at 10:30am. A prayer and blessing will be offered for the whole family along with a special one for the mothers-to-be and their unborn children. Each mother in waiting will receive a special blessed medal. *To register, call Mary Grace Liss at the parish office by Tuesday, October 10th.*



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION



The **Adult Faith Formation** class will begin on **Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Center. Peter DiMitre will conduct the classes and will be using the book entitled, "*Revelation*". The book was written by Peter S. Williamson. As Catholics, we are called to immerse ourselves daily in the Scriptures; unfortunately many of us get lost when we actually dive into the Bible. Peter DiMitre will guide us through the book with his love for the Scriptures and his practical wit. Discover the story of the Scriptures and their influence on the formation of the Catholic Faith. Jesus is Present in the Sacraments and in the Word; come to know that Word better and learn to live more profoundly! Books have been ordered which you can purchase at the first class for \$15.

### RCIA

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

## FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

Fr. Eugene Carrella will bless the animals on **Saturday, October 7th** at 12:00 noon in the front of the Church. All are welcome to bring their pets, large or small.

### PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.



## ALTAR BREAD

**Week of October 2-8, 2017**  
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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The 2018 Announced Mass Book for January through June is open. Announced Masses will be booked Monday to Friday between 9:00am and 5:00pm. At this time, we must ask you to limit the number of Masses requested to **4 per family** to allow everyone a chance to schedule Masses on special days—birthdays, anniversaries of death, etc. **Of the four Mass allotment, only two will be booked for Saturday evening and Sunday.** The offering for an Announced Mass is **\$15.00** and must be given when the Mass is arranged. We cannot book Masses over the telephone or through the mail. Thank you for your cooperation.

*-Fr. Eugene Carrella*



## Altar Servers

St. Rita School and CCD students in the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th grades wishing to become Altar Servers are asked to please call Mary Grace Liss at the parish office to register. Students are placed on a team and serve every other weekend at the same assigned time. Altar Serving is Community Service.

**Fr. Eugene will do the training on Saturday, October 14th at 1pm in the Church.**

## ST. RITA'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The SRAA monthly meeting will take place on **Monday, October 2, 2017** at 7:30pm in the school cafeteria for all coaches, volunteers and parents.

Email: [stritasports@gmail.com](mailto:stritasports@gmail.com).

## ST. RITA'S LADIES GUILD

St. Rita's Ladies Guild will gather for Mass on **Tuesday, October 3, 2017** at 9:00am, followed by a meeting in the Parish Center. All women are cordially invited. For more information call Marie Brech, President, at 718-494-7960.

*St. Rita's Ladies Guild is sponsoring a*



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St. Joseph by-the-Sea ~ 1pm-4pm (Girls)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017**

St. John Villa Academy ~ 11am-3pm

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2017**

St. Joseph by-the-Sea ~ 1pm-4pm (Boys)  
Notre Dame Academy ~ 1-4pm

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2017**

St. Joseph Hill Academy ~ 11:30am-2:30pm  
St. Peter's Boys High School ~ 1pm-4pm

**50-50 CLUB**

Congratulations to September's 50-50 Club drawing winner, Carolyn Harper. The drawing raised **\$910** and paid **\$455**.

Why not try your luck?

The next drawing will be October 26th. 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 TRANSITUS OF**  
**ST. FRANCIS**

The Transitus of St. Francis, sponsored by St. Elizabeth Fraternity, Order of Secular Franciscans, will be held on **Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 7pm at the Church of St. Charles, 200 Penn Avenue. The Transitus is a unique Franciscan ceremony (not a Mass) which commemorates the passing of St. Francis of Assisi from death to life, held on the evening before his feast day. The ceremony includes a presentation of prayer, music, video, and reflection, which lasts about 45 minutes. Father Louis Jerome, Pastor of St. Charles parish, will officiate. All are invited to come – refreshments will be served afterwards. For additional information, visit [www.franciscansatfarrell.org](http://www.franciscansatfarrell.org), call Denise Enright at 917-439-3142, or email [franciscans@verizon.net](mailto:franciscans@verizon.net).



**Young Adult Mass ~ October 4th**

The next Young Adult Mass will be held on **Wednesday, October 4th** at 7:30pm. Mass will be held at the main altar at Saint Patrick's Cathedral, 460 Madison Avenue (51st Street—between 5th and Madison Avenue). Adoration and Confessions will be held from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. A social will follow at Connolly's Pub. For more information please Email: [colin.nykaza@archny.org](mailto:colin.nykaza@archny.org).

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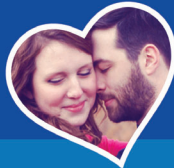
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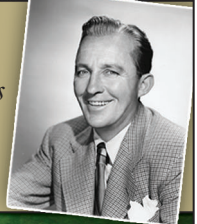


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