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OLQM CATHOLIC ACADEMY PRINCIPAL Anne Zuschlag

> SUNDAY MASSES Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30, 10, 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

DEACON Deacon Greg Kandra

DIRECTOR OF PASTORAL CARE AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Dennis Francis Portelli

> **MUSIC DIRECTOR** David Close

WEEKDAY MASSES 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. **PASTORAL COUNCIL** PRESIDENT Mel Gagliano

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN Lorna Stark

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION Vigil Mass at 7 p.m. Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

ROSARY and CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY Monday through Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA Mondays after the 8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays from 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. HOLY HOUR Third Thursdays at 12:40 p.m.

CHILDREN'S CONSECRATION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER and FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF FÁTIMA First Saturdays after the 12:05 p.m. Mass **CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM** First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance, prior to the proposed wedding date.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Parish is a vibrant Catholic Faith Community in Forest Hills, New York. We are one parish family seeking to be the welcoming and warm presence of Jesus Christ to the diverse peoples of the area.

Our parish life is centered on celebrating the Holy Eucharist, proclaiming and teaching God's Word, faith formation through our school and religious education programs, and ministering to and serving the pastoral needs of the faithful.

In thanksgiving to God for all that has been, for all that we are and for all that we will be, we support vocations and lay leadership development, strengthening stewardship, and fulfilling the mission of the New Evangelization to bring Christ into the world.

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OFFICE HOURS Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.) Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. | No office hours Sundays 407 - Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Masses for the Week

<u>Saturday, March 4</u> Saint Casimir 8 a.m. Special Intentions 12:05 p.m. Edward Barbini 5 p.m. Deceased members of the Chow and Clarke families

<u>Sunday, March 5</u> 10 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Children's Liturgy of the Word

<u>Monday, March 6</u> 8 a.m. Margaret Ann Maloney 12:05 p.m. Eleanor Tierney

<u>Tuesday, March 7</u> Saint Perpetua and Felicity 8 a.m. Beatrice Mannering 12:05 p.m. Henry R. C. Lara

Wednesday, March 8 Saint John of God 8:00 a.m. Rubin Almendral 12:05 p.m. John Trudden

<u>Thursday, March 9</u> Saint Frances of Rome 8 a.m. Elisa A. Fule 12:05 p.m. Jean and Elizabeth Renelique

> *Friday, March 10* **8 a.m.** Dolores Canizio **12:05 p.m.** Maria Pouliquen

<u>Saturday, March 11</u> 8 a.m. Alberto Munoz 12:05 p.m. Dionisia Cruzado 5 p.m. Joseph DeFeo

Remember Our Sick

Bertha Aguilar, Edurne Achaval Bajarias, Greer Bodner, Edward Brumfield, Taylor Alan Calder, Raquel Cai, Dr. Louis Capello, Nick A. Constantino, Robert Cosenza, Tracy Cuva, Gladys De Alban, Sharon DeNicola, Edward Donohue, Lawrence Doyle, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Dorene Fazio, Michael Frascino, Rita Fuchs, John Gmerek, Miguel Gonzalez, Avelino Guballa, Pilar Guballa, Barbara Hageney, Sean Harrison, Robert Hyer, Saran Kaba, James Keesan, Daniel John, Maria Lee, James Leung, Juan Martinez, Maribel Martínez, Elizabeth Maryon, Louis Mavashev, Marina Mavasheva, Josephina McBride, Jordan Miller, Seeta Niranjan, John Odriscoll, Monsignor Fursey O'Toole, Rosemary Parente, Caleb Piquet, Kayleigh Ruiz, Andrea S., Baby Isabella and Baby Sophia Seirano, Carolyn Siino, Catherine Smith, Pamela Stemberg, Ann Tirrito, Alice Trimmer, Yayir Tropin, Lawrence Yoon, Brittany Zaita-and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, March 5 2:30 p.m., *church:* Baptisms

<u>Monday, March 6</u> 7 p.m., rectory: Bereavement Support Group meeting

<u>Tuesday, March 7</u> 2:30 p.m., nursing home: Forest Hills Nursing Home Mass

7:30 p.m., church choir loft: Choir rehearsal

<u>Wednesday, March 8</u> 10:15 a.m., nursing home: Fairview Nursing Home Mass

After 12:05 p.m. Mass, church: St. Padre Pio Prayer Group

Religious Education 3:45–5 p.m.: *levels 1, 2, 3, and 4* 7–8:15 p.m.: *levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFOI*

<u>Thursday, March 9</u> After 12:05 p.m. Mass, *church:* Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 p.m. *church:* Benediction

10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., rectory: RCIA

<u>Friday. March 10</u> 7:30 p.m., *church:* Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction

7:30 p.m. rectory: Charismatic Prayer Group

<u>Saturday, March 11</u> After 12:05 p.m. Mass, church: St. Joseph Novena Begins (prayer on p. 5)

<u>Sunday, March 12</u>

TASTE OF THE WORLD FOOD FESTIVAL 2:30–5 p.m., McLaughlin Hall

Next Sunday is Daylight Saving time, so set your clocks ahead and don't miss this afternoon of food and fun with our neighborhood restaurant friends! Details on p. 4.

Remember Our Deceased

Doris Bonnett Charles D'Allessio John E. Gavigan Erik Haanio Leonor Monasterio Egdalia Ramirez

We pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad

Eric Böhm, Sergio Borrero, Thaddeus Buenaventura, Bobby DiTroia, Armando Fellin, Andrew Gonzalez, A. Jay James, William (Will) Klos, Michael Le Floch, Louis Mannino, Jean-Marc Moïse, Brian Quinn, Justin Pabse, Adam Rearick, Rodney Ross, Victoria Tissler-Bacca, Charles Torres, Gonzalo Vallecillos, Jose J. Vaz, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley, Jeff Zabala. Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections and military personnel.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday during Lent at 7:30 p.m., followed by Benediction

Sunday Mass Assignments

SATURDAY, MARCH 4 5 p.m.

Celebrant: Father Antonín *RCLA:* Rite of Sending *Lectors:* John Valenti, Sandy Singh *Leader of Song:* Joe Annese *EMHCs:* Sandy Singh, Kathy Scapp, Mark Scapp

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

8:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Father Antonín Lectors: Alejandro Caycedo, Roger Aguinaldo Leader of Song: Joe Annese EMHCs: Jack Butera, Ernie Foli, Theresa Bryant

10 a.m.

Celebrant: Father Cunningham Lectors: Ray Bendana, Regina Faighes Leader of Song: Joe Annese Children's Liturgy of the Word: Carla Christian

EMHCs: Margarita Forero, Gina Warshaw, Karen Nassauer

11:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Father Passenant Lectors: Irma Cruso, Charles Tse Leader of Song: Paula Rocheleau Hernández EMHCs: Lilia Penagos, Angela Damone, Thomas Jorge

1 p.m.

Celebrant: Father Cunningham *Lectors:* Al Smith, Joanie Molina *Leader of Song:* Paula Hostetter *EMHCs:* Niranjan Fernando, Nelonie Demel, Swedrini Fernando

Members of the Altar Server Society at all Sunday Masses

Thank you to all those who serve as ushers

Plan Ahead: Sunday, March 19 St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Donations

If you are spring cleaning your closets, please set aside clothing items you no longer wear to donate to charity this Lent. Items for men, women and children are needed. Clothes must be clean and in wearable condition. (Please <u>do not</u> give stained, ripped, worn-out clothes.) Drop-off at the **St. Vincent de Paul truck** that will be parked on Ascan Avenue in front of our church **one day only: Sunday, March 19, from 9 a.m. to noon.** Thank you.—From Charity Outreach at OLQM

Order of Mass

First Sunday of Lent Cycle A—Choir at 11:30 a.m. Mass

ENTRANCE *Missal #122*—"Led by the Spirit"

Mass Parts: People's Mass (Vermulst)

FIRST READING Missal pgs. 76-77—Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM—Missal pg. 77

SECOND READING Missal pgs. 77-78—Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Missal pg. 78—Matthew 4:1-11

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OFFERTORY "Since By Man Came Death" (G. F. Handel)—Choir Missal #644—"You Have Called Us"

COMMUNION "Turn Thy Face from My Sins" *(A. Sullivan)*—*Choir* Organ Meditation *Missal #336*—"Eat This Bread"

> **CLOSING HYMN** *Missal #407—*"Christ Before Us"

Second Collections

» This Sunday's second collection will help defray the cost of winter fuel. There is also an envelope for the Black and Indian Home Missions.

» Sunday, March 12, the second collection will be taken for Pastoral Care.

» Please use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund or, at our Parish Giving portal, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu. More at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope.

Commit to Live in *Faith* and Give in *Love*

That is the theme of this year's **Annual Catholic Appeal**. The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for almsgiving this Lenten season. This major cooperative effort asks us to work together with all the local churches in the Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens. Your generous response over the coming weeks in support of the parish and the diocese will be deeply appreciated.

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NOTE: Flowers are not permitted anywhere in the church throughout the 40 days of Lent. Kindly refrain from leaving flowers. Our sacristan is instructed to remove them. Thank you.

Bereavement Support at OLQM

Our support group offers understanding, compassion, and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Meetings are always Mondays, from 7-9 p.m., in the rectory, and facilitated by Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader, Yorke Mizelle. The next meeting dates are March 6 & 20. Call the rectory or email ymizelle@nyc.rr.com if interested in attending.

Registration: Nurserv to Grade 7

OLQM Catholic Academy Registration night is this Tuesday, March 7 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. We are looking forward to welcoming new families to the OLQM family! For questions, please call the Academy office at 718-263-2622 or visit their website at: www.olqmca.org.

IMMIGRATION ISSUES: The Catholic Migration Services office has prepared a helpful flyer that includes a preparedness plan for knowing your immigration options. You can download this information at our website or at the CMS website: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/CMS-plan www.catholicmigration.org/immigration

I PRAYER REQUESTS

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

Pastoral Care will be pleased to bring Communion to your homebound relatives and friends who are unable to attend Mass. Just fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket. Dennis Portelli, Pastoral Care Administrator, will contact them regarding receiving Communion at home and forward their name to our intercessory prayer group, who will pray with and for them and, if you like, visit with them. L

This prayer request is for:

Name: _

Phone:

6th Annual Taste of the World



in McLaughlin Hall!

Sunday, March 12 | 2:30 to 5 PM

One afternoon of food and fun! One entry fee, many tastings!

Tickets: \$20 advance/\$25 at door

Participating Restaurants

Banter | Bareburger | Bund | East Ocean Palace Cipollina Gourmet Italian Market | The Grill Jack & Nellie's/Rove | Keuka Kafe La Boulangerie | La Dolce Italia Bakery La Vigna | Portofino | Manor Oktoberfest | Matiz Tuscan Hills/Ovo Sodo | Silk Cakes Martha's Country Bakery | Roast N Co Shake Shack (Custard) | Violet's Bake Shoppe

Plus Raffled Door Prizes - Gift Certificates from Other Restaurants

CHURCH SWEEPSTAKES.TOO!

Raffle Tickets \$50 each or 3/\$75 Top Prize: \$1,000 Cash 2nd Prize: \$200 JetBlue Gift Certificate 3rd Prize: \$100 Cash

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY \$5 discount for buying in advance. On sale at the back of the church.

Tickets also on sale in the rectory during the week

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March 7 & 14: On-Site Registration for **Confirmation Preparation for Adults**

Classes begin this spring for adults age 18+ who have received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist and want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration is March 7 and March 14, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., in the rectory basement meeting room. Class sessions are scheduled for eleven Tuesdays starting March 21, as follows:

Tuesday Classes at 7:30 p.m.

March 21 and 28; April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 (all classes held in the rectory basement meeting room)

Confirmation Ceremony

Pentecost Sunday, June 4 at a special 4 p.m. Mass



REQUIREMENTS: Attendance at all classes is mandatory in order to be

confirmed. A materials fee of \$60 is due at the first class. Your Baptismal and First Communion certificates are also required. (Please contact your church of baptism to secure this information.)

Call 718-263-0907 or email olgmrcia@yahoo.com with questions or to get more information.

Charismatic Prayer Group at OLQM

Pilgrimage to National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA

April 23, Sunday of Divine Mercy

Bus departs 6:30 a.m. (sharp) from our church (corner Ascan Ave. and Queens Blvd). Cost: \$50/ person. Wear good walking shoes!

For tickets, call any of these prayer group members:

Virgie Punto 917-770-0897 Nellie Milite 718-704-3862 Cely De Borja 718-255-1654 or 347-743-2304 Cecile Mendoza 718-674-6551 or 347-453-4147 Marlyn Pagmanua 347-791-4398

Don't Miss Out! Tell Your Friends! First Come, First Serve!

1st Collection

Weekly Income Needs*

Mail In

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Diocesan News

Vocation Retreat with Bishop DiMarzio Friday to Sunday, March 24-26

At the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston (7200 Douglaston Parkway). Encounter Jesus Christ, hear inspiring talks from Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio and seminarians, reflect on your own vocation. For more information contact Rev. Sean M. Suckiel, Director of Vocations, by email or phone: 718-8272454, vocations@diobrook.org.

Today's Second Collection for Black and Indian **Missions** will help local African American and Native American dioceses throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your generosity. www.blackandindianmission.org.

Weekly Collections February 26 1,616.00 Candle Offerings 11,103.22 2nd Collection (Easter church cleaning) 3,311.50 1,175.50 17,206.22

Surplus/(Deficit) (2, 143.78)*Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Figures are unaudited.

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in your will and estate planning. Contact Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251.

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Pilgrimages

Lent in Catholic Cuba

March 24–31 | Spiritual Director: Bishop Octavio Cisneros. Visits to Our Lady of Cobre, Havana, Punta Frances, Cienfuegos on cruise ship *Celestyal Crystal.* Call Lucille at Regina Tours 1-800-CATHOLIC (228-4654), ext. 208 for brochure.

Fatima and Lourdes

August 30–September 8 | Spiritual Director: Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio. Travel to Portugal and France to pay homage to Our Lady on the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions. For brochure, email jimadair@thecatholictour.com or call the Catholic Tour, 1-855-564-1008.

Italy with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

September 11-20 | Rome, Monte Cassino, Naples, Pompeii, Amalfi Coast. \$3,799/person includes air from JFK and daily Mass, breakfast and dinner. Call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

Lent FAQ's

Ashes

Giving something up Scrutinies: Examining our lives Scrutinies and Penance Prayer, fasting and almsgiving Stations of the Cross Blessed palms

Services of Interest

FREE Speech and Hearing Screenings through April 27: Call the St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center (152-11 Union Turnpike) at 718-990-6480 to schedule an appointment.

Spiritual Retreat House Open to the Public: The St. Joseph Retreat Center in Staten Island, run by the Daughters of Divine Charity, is open to both religious and laity for private retreats. Call 718-720-1097 to inquire about pricing and overnight stays.



FREE NYC Tax Prep from the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs for qualifying New Yorkers filing their taxes online or in person. This service is for those who earned \$64,000 or less in 2016. **Call 311** to ask for tax prep assistance and locations (more than 200 free tax sites in the five boroughs), or file online at **nyc.gov/taxprep**. Help available in English, Spanish, Bengali, Chinese, Haitian Creole, Korean and Russian.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH Starts Saturday, March 11 at the 12:05 p.m. Mass

G lorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands, to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death and the special favor we now implore. (Mention your petition.)

Glorious St. Joseph, through the love you had for Jesus and for the glory of His Name, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. Jesus, Mary and Joseph assist us in our need. Amen.

Remember, O most chaste spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who implored your help and sought your intercession was left unassisted. Full of confidence in your power I fly unto you and beg your protection. Despise not, O Guardian of the Redeemer, my humble supplication, but in your bounty, hear and answer me. Amen.

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