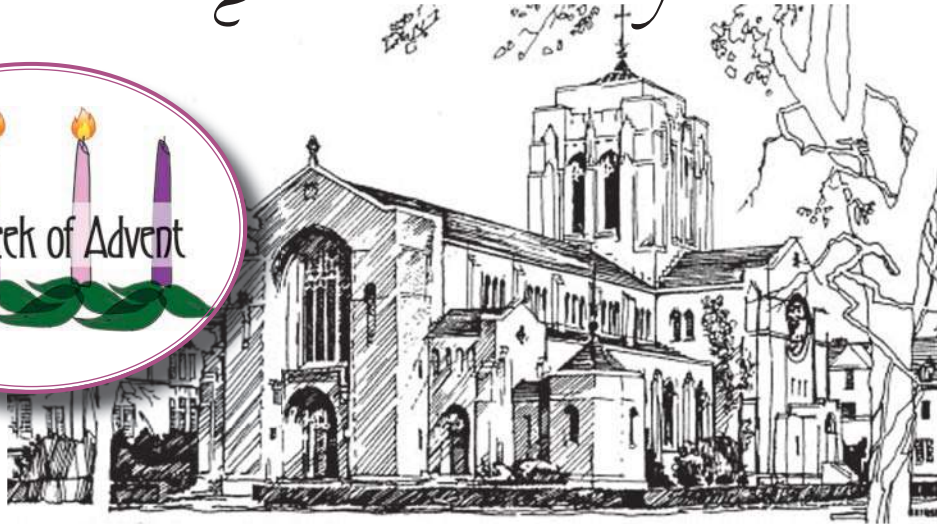


December 11, 2016 - Third Sunday of Advent

# Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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**SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.  
Masses at 8:00 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

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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

## Masses for the Week

*Saturday, December 10*

8 a.m. Edward DeMaria [anniversary]

12:05 p.m. Zsuzanna Toth

5 p.m. Deceased members of the Martinez family

*Sunday, December 11*

10 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*

*Monday, December 12*

**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

8 a.m. Carri Lorena Miller

12:05 p.m. Robert Claffey

*Tuesday, December 13*

**Saint Lucy**

8 a.m. Thomas Mulligan and Angelo Marino

12:05 p.m. Janina Mojak

*Wednesday, December 14*

**Saint John of the Cross**

8 a.m. Antonio Bartolino

12:05 p.m. Gertrude Ryan

*Thursday, December 15*

8 a.m. Antonio Bartolino

12:05 p.m. Maria and Vincenzo Malizia and family

*Friday, December 16*

8 a.m. Emanuel and Anna Del Toro

12:05 p.m. Maura McMillion

*Saturday, December 17*

8 a.m. George M. Mannery

12:05 p.m. Felicidad Mañalac

5 p.m. Deceased members of the

Linares and Griffin families

## Remember Our Sick

Bertha Aguilar, Fr. Charles Allen SJ, Edurne Achaval Bajarías, Edward Brumfield, Taylor Alan Calder, Raquel Cai, Bishop Octavio Cisneros, Deanna Condino, Nick A. Constantino, Robert Cosenza, Tracy Cuva, Gladys De Alban, Lawrence Doyle, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Dorene Fazio, Michael Frascino, Rita Fuchs, John Gmerek, Miguel Gonzalez, Avelino Guballa, Pilar Guballa, Barbara Hagoney, Sean Harrison, Robert Hyer, Daniel John, Maria Lee, Maribel Martínez, Louis Mavashev, Marina Mavasheva, Josephina McBride, Jordan Miller, Seeta Niranjani, John Odriscoll, Andrea S., Baby Isabella and Baby Sophia Seirano, Carolyn Siino, Catherine Smith, Robert Sonneman, Pamela Stemberg, Ann Tirrito, Lawrence Yoon, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

## Main Events of the Week



*Sunday, December 11*

**Giving Tree Weekend**

*Last day to drop off unwrapped Christmas gifts for boys and girls!*

4 p.m., church: **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Admission by Ticket Only

~Tickets Available at the Door~

*Monday, December 12*

Church closes after 12:05 p.m. Mass for Christmas cleaning

*Tuesday, December 13*

12:40–2:15 p.m., rectory: Pastoral Care meeting

*Wednesday, December 14*

10:15 a.m., nursing home: Fairview Nursing Home Mass

After 12:05 p.m. Mass, church: St. 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

*Thursday, December 15*

10:30 a.m., nursing home: Forest View Nursing Home Mass

After 12:05 p.m. Mass, church:

**Exposition and Benediction**

*(Evening devotions resume in February)*

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

*Saturday, December 16*

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

*Saturday, December 17*

12:45 p.m., church: Christmas Confessions

*(See page 6 for our full Christmas Schedule)*

*Rectory = main meeting room (lower level)*

## Remember Our Deceased

James Cruz

Marie Orlando

Robert Eidt

Rev. Msgr. George M. Schuster

Sister Marjorie Gallagher

Gwendoline Louise Wright

## 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, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley, Jeff Zabala. **Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections and military personnel.**

**CHURCH CLEANING** The church will close after 12:05 p.m. Mass on **Monday, December 12**, for cleaning in advance of Christmas.

## Sunday Mass Assignments

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

5 p.m.

*Celebrant:* Father Antonín

*Lector:* Raymond Cullen, Belinda Kotin

*Leader of Song:* Warren Harding

*EMHCs:* Gerald Abes, Irene Nash, Yorke Mizelle

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:30 a.m.

*Celebrant:* Father Passenant

*Lector:* Aldison Andrade, Alexandra Woo

*Leader of Song:* Warren Harding

*EMHCs:* Grace Sommero, Roger Aguinaldo, Richie Perl

10 a.m.

*Celebrant:* Bishop Sanchez

*Lector:* Celeste Zervas, Allan Cuevas

*Leader of Song:* Warren Harding

*Children's Liturgy of the Word:* Lily Zivkovic

*EMHCs:* Frank Schaefer, Mark Zivkovic, Lily Zivkovic

11:30 a.m.

*Celebrant:* Father Turczany

*RCLA Dismissal*

*Lector:* Yasmin Ammirati-Weber, Gregory Stein

*Leader of Song:* Paula Rocheleau Hernández

*EMHCs:* Jacqueline Lakah, Jonathan Rodriguez,  
Angela Damone

1 p.m.

*Celebrant:* Father Turczany

*Lector:* Marie O' Brien, Noila Johnson

*Leader of Song:* Paula Rocheleau Hernández

*EMHCs:* Niranjana Fernando Nelonie Demel, Sandy Singh

*Members of the Altar Server Society at all Sunday Masses*

**Thank you to all those who serve as ushers**

## Order of Mass

Third Sunday of Advent

Cycle A — Choir at 11:30 a.m.

ENTRANCE

*Missal #60*—"The Advent of Our King"

**MASS PARTS:** A Community Mass (*Proulx*)

FIRST READING

*Missal pgs. 38-39*— Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM—*Missal pg. 39*

SECOND READING

*Missal pg. 39*—James 5:7-10

GOSPEL

*Missal pg. 40*—Matthew 11:2-11

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come" (*P. Manz*)—*Choir*

*Missal #46*—"Beyond the Moon and Stars"

COMMUNION

"On Jordan's Bank" (*arr. M. Archer*)—*Choir*

Organ Meditation

*Missal #355*—"One Love Released"

CLOSING HYMN

*Missal #68*—"Every Valley"

## Second Collections

» Today's second collection is our Christmas gift to the church. There is also an envelope to help defray the cost of snow removal.

» Sunday, December 18, the second collection will help defray the cost of winter fuel. There is also an envelope for the Religious Retirement Fund.

» 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: [www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope](http://www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope).



## Come, Emmanuel

The "O Antiphons of Advent" will be sung daily at the 8 a.m. Mass starting Saturday, December 17.

Seven antiphons accompany the evening prayer from December 17 to 23 and proclaim the coming of Christ as the fulfillment of our hopes. There will be a one-page flyer in the church with the seven O Antiphon verses and their English translations and meanings.

## Advent Reconciliation Monday

December 19 ~ 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Our parish, and all parishes throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens and Archdiocese of New York, will have priests available to hear confessions during the hours of 4-8 p.m. on December 19. We will also have our regular daytime confessional hours during the week before Christmas.

*A Letter to Our Diocese of Immigrants from Bishop DiMarzio (see page 4)*

On the Occasion of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12

Letter to the Diocese of Immigrants

Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio, Bishop of Brooklyn

In the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis closing the Year of Mercy, our Holy Father begins with the words "Misericordia et Misera," which were the words St. Augustine used in recounting the story of Jesus' meeting with the woman caught in adultery (Jn 8:1-11). Saint Augustine describes the event by giving the two new names to Christ and the adulterers: "Mercy with misery." Our Holy Father reminds us that although the Year of Mercy ends, the showing of mercy to those confronted with misery is important. The spiritual and corporal works of mercy, especially welcoming the stranger, are founded on the beatitudes that Jesus enunciated on the Mount; they are the best ways of evangelizing the world today.



between the United States and Mexico will not remedy the situation. As the poet Robert Frost said, "Walls do not make good neighbors," and will not alone ensure security. Dialogue with our neighbors is most important. And the legalization of those already here who are well established and working is a critical necessity.

The Bishops of the United States, in solidarity with all immigrants, have pledged to advocate for just and equitable laws governing migration to our country. I, as your bishop, speak to you immigrants and to all members of our Church who stand ready to assist you and understand your plight. You, and the many of you who have American-born children, will be the subject of our advocacy and protection as far as we can offer it to you. Please be assured that we will always welcome the stranger amongst us, no matter what your legal status, and exhort the fellow members of our diocese in Brooklyn and Queens to do the same. The law of God takes precedence over human laws, and to this we must be witnesses.

This letter is written as comfort and support to the many immigrants, documented and undocumented, in our diocese in Brooklyn and Queens who at present find themselves in a miserable condition because of a change of the administration of our nation which has threatened many with deportation. There is no doubt that we need to restore sensible immigration policies in our nation, notwithstanding the need for security in our country, which is compromised by the presence of 11 million undocumented persons. The deportation of these people will not guarantee security. We know that a wall

As the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is celebrated on December 12, you may be assured that we pledge our support and invoke the intercession of Our Lady, Patroness of Mexico and Patroness of the Americas, to whose intercession we fly unto at this time of need.

At the 12:05 p.m. Mass on December 12, the congregation will be invited to place roses in vases at the base of the picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

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Weekly Collections

Table with 2 columns: Collection Name and Amount. Includes items like Candle Offerings, 1st Collection, 2nd Collection, Christmas Flowers collection, Mail In, TOTAL, Weekly Income Needs\*, and Surplus/(Deficit). Total amount for December 4 is 19,261.50.

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.

*The Sacred Music Society  
of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs*



*Annual Christmas Concert*


Geraldine McMillian, *soprano*  
John Easterlin, *tenor*  
Vaughn Fritts, *bass-baritone*

**David Close, conductor**

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Choir  
Oratorio Society of Queens  
The Orchestral Arts Ensemble of Queens

**Sunday, December 11 at 4 p.m.**

*TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR*  
*\$30/general; \$10/children age 12 and under*



**OLQM Christmas Giving Tree**

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY to return unwrapped gifts with the tag attached. Leave all gifts under the tree in the church. Gifts will be collected by Catholic Charities and distributed in time for Christmas. Thank you all for your kindness and generosity in bringing a happy Christmas to families in need. — Ministry Leader David James and Martyrs Active Youth Organization (MAYO)

Deanery Corner

**Simbang Gabi:** Two parishes will have Masses to prepare for Christmas in the Filipino tradition: **December 15–23 @ 7 p.m.** at **Church of the Ascension**, 86-13 55th Ave., Elmhurst; **December 21 @ 7:30 p.m.** at **Our Lady of Mercy**, 70-01 Kessel St.

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**Concert of Advent & Christmas Music at Saint Margaret Church: December 15 @ 7:30 p.m.** 80th St. and Juniper Valley Rd (off Metropolitan), Middle Village. Friar Alessandro, “The Voice from Assisi.” Tickets \$15. To reserve and purchase tickets, call 718-326-1911.

## Recent Baptisms at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

**Jakub Tafari Andruszkiewicz**  
son of Roxanne Elliott and Tomasz Andruszkiewicz

**Peter Berisha**  
son of Elidona Pjetri and Gjoka Berisha

**Brandon Roland Charpentier**  
son of Kristina Blazevski and Roland Charpentier

**Cali Jean Desir**  
daughter of Aliyah Rogers and Darrel Desir

**Alanna Grace Diaz**  
daughter of Julie Mosguea and Ignacio Diaz

**Nathaniel Oeswadi**  
son of Qiao Peng and Anthony Oeswadi

**Abel Pierre Ruiz**  
son of Vanessa Lamothe and Efrain Ruiz Jr.

**Jaxson Jean Ruiz**  
son of Vanessa Lamothe and Efrain Ruiz Jr.

**Maya Jozefa Wadolowski**  
daughter of Dorota and Christopher Wadolowski

**Harrison River Zauzich**  
son of Emelia Grant and Pablo Zauzich

*Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!*

**Student Honors:** Congratulations to these students from our parish and school for academic honors earned:

**HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL**  
First Honors: **Ryan Rinfret**

**ST. FRANCIS PREPARATORY SCHOOL**  
Honor Roll: **Nora Flores, Christopher Francone, Gabriel Joseph, Nathaniel Nathani, Alfredo Piedra, Jolai Rodriguez, Katyana Rodriguez, Marisol Samaniego, Elizabeth Ta, Bravo Zayas**

### Attention Parents & Students

**December 15 Deadline to Apply for St. Francis Prep Winter Academy 2017:** This tuition-free, academic enrichment program is for boys and girls in grades 6 and 7. No homework, no exams, just the enjoyment and fun of learning and making new friends! The Winter Academy will be held at St. Francis Preparatory School (61-00 Francis Lewis Blvd., Fresh Meadows) on four Saturday mornings: January 7, 14, 21, & 28. Apply online at [sfponline.org](http://sfponline.org).

### Today's Christmas Gift Collection

Of all second collections that revert to the parish, your Christmas gift to the church is by far the most important. Please consider a generous contribution.

## Christmas Schedule 2016

### CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

Saturday, December 17 at 12:45 p.m.  
Reconciliation Monday, December 19 at 11:30 a.m. and from 4-8 p.m.  
Tuesday to Thursday, December 20-22 at 11:30 a.m.  
Friday, December 23 at 11:15 a.m.  
No Confessions Christmas Eve

### CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Saturday, December 24  
5 p.m. Vigil Mass with Children's Pageant  
11:30 p.m. Christmas Carols  
Midnight Mass

### CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

Sunday, December 25  
8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. (Choir) and 1:15\* p.m.

### FEAST OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

Saturday, December 31 Vigil Mass at 5 p.m.  
Sunday, January 1, 2017 Masses at 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. (Choir) and 1:15\* p.m.

\*Note start times for the last Mass on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS:

The support group will meet Monday evenings **December 19** and on **January 9 & 23**, from 7-9 p.m. in the rectory. Facilitated by Commissioned Lay Leader Yorke Mizelle. Call ahead to our church rectory if attending or, for more information, email [ymizelle@nyc.rr.com](mailto:ymizelle@nyc.rr.com).

### GENERATIONS OF FAITH (GOF) AND REMINDER FOR END-OF-YEAR CHURCH GIVING:

For those who have pledged to GOF, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges. Mail your payments to the campaign lockbox address or sign up for online payments at [www.cfbq.org/generations/payments](http://www.cfbq.org/generations/payments). Your GOF donations work to support aging religious throughout our diocese and, at the parish level, your generous pledges have allowed us to place a \$90,000 downpayment toward the purchase of a new church organ. Thank you!

The annual **Religious Retirement Fund** collection next week (December 17/18) helps to provide nursing and eldercare to those who have given a lifetime of service to the Church and Catholic schools and agencies. Thank you for your donation, to the extent possible.

**EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE:** New Year's bulletin deadline is December 15.

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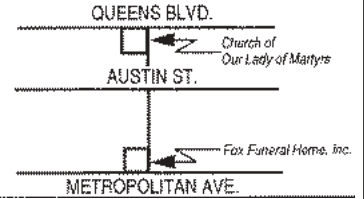
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