

April 18, 2021- Third Sunday of Easter

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

(Monday–Saturday)

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

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

CONFESSIONS (until further notice):

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m. (use Queens Blvd church entrance)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays from 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Tuesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday–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, April 17

8 a.m. William C. Vogel

12:05 p.m. Joseph W. Guastella, Sr.

5 p.m. Elaine Trubia

Sunday, April 18

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, April 19

8 a.m. Kevin del Rosario

12:05 p.m. Patrick Farrell

Tuesday, April 20

8 a.m. Adrian Hoogabosh

12:05 p.m. Salvatore Montellas, Donna Karkouta, Sister

Dolores Targiano, Santo Polizzano

Wednesday, April 21

Saint Anselm

8 a.m. Ika Chain Marquez

12:05 p.m. Vincent Curcio

Thursday, April 22

8 a.m. Lily Eng

12:05 p.m. In Thanksgiving for St. Expedito and St. Mark

Friday, April 23

Saint George

Saint Adalbert

8 a.m. Kevin del Rosario

12:05 p.m. John Saver and Mickey Dowd

Saturday, April 24

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen

8 a.m. Efren A. Fule

12:05 p.m. Ignazia and Matteo Orlando

5 p.m. Brian Cahill

Remember Our Sick

Blanche Aeppli, Marylou Bagasan, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Taylor Calder, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Geraldine Casserly, Martha Catel, Shaina Brennan Clemente, Tracy Cuva, Anthony Delia, Mary Dillon, Norman Doucette, Carol Drew-Dwyer, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Estrela Feliciano, Farnel F. Flores, Helen F. Flores, Christina T. Flores, Pat Gmerek, Concepcion Kane, Victor Kun, James Leung, Jason M., Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, Artur Mavashev, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Ferbian T. Penafior, Ritchie Perl, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Nick Spaventa, Maria Viesta, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Remember Our Deceased

Geraldine Casserly
Danton Charpentier
Franyie Croslin
Lilian Donato
Winifred Doris



Maria Celia Lema
Dr. Ajay Lodha
Hilda Perez
George Siebenkas

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

Eric Böhm, Sergio Borrero, Thaddeus Buenaventura, Ricardo Cantillo, 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, McNeely Royal, Victoria Tissler-Bacca, Charles Torres, Jose J. Vaz, Mollie Rae Whitley, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley, Jeff Zabala. **Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections, and military personnel.**

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, April 18

10 a.m. Zoom: Bible Study

Monday, April 19

7 p.m. Zoom: "Through the Word" Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Zoom: Bereavement Support Group meeting

Tuesday, April 20

11:30 a.m. confession room next to the BVM altar: Confessions

Wednesday, April 21

Religious Education on Zoom

Thursday, April 22

11:30 a.m. confession room next to the BVM altar: Confessions

After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 p.m. church: Benediction

Saturday, April 23

12:45 p.m. confession room next to the BVM altar: Confessions

The 9 a.m. Sunday Mass is livestreamed weekly at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Weekday Masses and Confessions

Use the ramp entrance at Queens Blvd Mon-Sat for the 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses. **Confessions will be heard in the confession room next to the Blessed Virgin Mary altar** (Tue and Thu at 11:30 a.m., Sat at 12:45 p.m.). Following each Mass the church will be closed. For private prayer or to light a candle, the church vestibule at Ascan Avenue is open.

WELCOME! If a disability makes it difficult for you to fully participate at Mass or other activities of our parish, contact our **Parish Advocate for Persons with Disabilities**, Karen Mongiello, at disabilities.olqm@gmail.com, to make your special needs known.

This Week's Reflection from Catholic Social Teaching

The Catechism on Scandal and the Respect for the Souls of Others

*He said to his disciples, "Things that cause sin will inevitably occur, but woe to the person through whom they occur."
(Luke 17:1)*

REFLECT: "Scandal is an attitude or behavior which leads another to do evil. The person who gives scandal becomes his neighbor's tempter. He damages virtue and integrity; he may even draw his brother into spiritual death. Scandal is a grave offense if by deed or omission another is deliberately led into a grave offense.

"Scandal takes on a particular gravity by reason of the authority of those who cause it or the weakness of those who are scandalized. It prompted our Lord to utter this curse: 'Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened round his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.' Scandal is grave when given by those who by nature or office are obliged to teach and educate others. Jesus reproaches the scribes and Pharisees on this account: he likens them to wolves in sheep's clothing.

"Scandal can be provoked by laws or institutions, by fashion or opinion. Therefore, they are guilty of scandal who establish laws or social structures leading to the decline of morals and the corruption of religious practice, or to 'social conditions that, intentionally or not, make Christian conduct and obedience to the Commandments difficult and practically impossible.'... Anyone who uses the power at his disposal in such a way that it leads others to do wrong becomes guilty of scandal and responsible for the evil that he has directly or indirectly encouraged." (Catechism)

ACT: Write to your Catholic political leaders when they "act in defiance of our fundamental moral principles" (<https://bit.ly/3ts6Yki>); for example, by passing laws and executive actions that violate religious freedom, the primacy of the family, and the dignity of human life.

LEARN: For guidelines on how Catholics should exercise their civic responsibilities, read the USCCB's Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship (<https://bit.ly/39Gs6eU>). Consider the USCCB's response to the current administration's pro-abortion agenda, both within the United States (<https://bit.ly/2MkbHnC>) and abroad (<https://bit.ly/3pGrU1q>).

To learn more about the legislative issues that impact us as Catholics and how you can express your opinions to our elected officials, we encourage you to sign up for "Action Alerts" from the New York State Catholic Conference: www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center

Order of Mass Third Sunday of Easter Cycle B

ENTRANCE

Missal #183—"Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today"

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING: 1 John 2:1-5a

GOSPEL: Luke 24:35-48

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #175—"Two Were Bound for Emmaus" (solo)

COMMUNION

"Regina Caeli, Jubila" (solo)

Missal #331—"Taste and See"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #178—"Jesus Is Risen"

Communion is distributed during exit

Watch Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. Livestream ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Watch Daily Mass Online

Livestream Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for heating fuel. There will be a special collection for Catholic Home Missions.
- » Sunday, April 25, the second collection will be for grounds maintenance.
- » Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope) or at our Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu. For [Parish Giving](#) technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ALLELUIA!

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today! Alleluia! For all of the Easter Season, which lasts 50 days and ends on Pentecost Sunday (May 23rd this year) we will proclaim Alleluia repeatedly. The word comes from the Hebrew and means "God be praised."



GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

Church Building Restoration Project—2020

Restoration of Brass Gate in front of Blessed Virgin Mary Altar

*In memory of Anton Feretic, Marija Feretic, Anthony Feretic
—by Lucille Feretic*

Restoration of Brass Gate in front of the St. Joseph Altar

In memory of James Roland—by Patricia Roland

Holy See Medallion (over side door)

Gift of Veronica McCarthy

Diocese of Brooklyn Medallion (over side door)

Gift of Francis and Raphaella Pak

Restoration of the Confessional (right side)

Gift of the Longobardi and Morales families

Restoration of the Confessional (left side)

In memory of Antonin Kocurek—by Fr. Antonin and family

Restoration of the Holy Water Fonts at Main Door

In memory of deceased members of the Clare and Maguire families—by Dennis and Maura Clare

1 . *In memory of John and Lui Eng*

—by Edward Eng

2 . *In memory of Dominga and Mariano Tan Yee Seng*

—by Ester Tan Yee Seng

3 . *In memory of the family of Giattino and Soja*

—by Josephine and Richard Giattino

Restoration of the Holy Water Font at Side Doors

1. *In memory of Rocco, Norma, and Diana Napoli*

—by Gerry Napoli

2. *In memory of parents Owen and Mary McGarrity and brother*

John—by Mary McGarrity

Annual Catholic Appeal

Cathedral Seminary House of Formation is a place where men who believe they may be called to the priesthood embark on a journey of discipleship. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, their destination is Christ, Himself. Through experiences with formators, relationships with brothers in the community and in prayer, the seminarians' hearts are opened to understand the road they are called to take. Your support of the ACA campaign helps ensure the Church continues to have priests we need to serve our Catholic community.

Our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal has videos that explain in *40 seconds or less* the impact of the programs and services made possible because of financial donations to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. We pray that the 2021 ACA will be successful in allowing us to reach out in love to those in need and uniting us together in Christ as one Church. You can donate by going to catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal or texting ACA to 917-336-1255. Thank you.

MAY 1 & 2: Commitment Weekend for the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

In a few weeks we will ask everyone to prayerfully consider making a personal gift or pledge as we join together to support our Catholic Church. We will have pledge cards in church or you can pledge using your phone. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocese.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021
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I am the CHURCH
You are We are **together**

Spring Calendar at OLQM

May 1/2: *Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend, at all Masses*

May 2: Living Rosary, *after 1 p.m. Mass*

May 8: First Holy Communion, *10 a.m. and 2 p.m.*

May 8/9: Mother's Day weekend. *Special blessing at all Masses*

May 13: Ascension Thursday. Holy Day of Obligation. *Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. May 12; Holy Day Masses 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.*

May 23: Pentecost Sunday

May 27: May Crowning. *School Mass with eight graders*

June 5-13: St. Anthony of Padua Novena

June 6: Corpus Christi Procession, *after 1 p.m. Mass*

June 6: Confirmation, *2:30 p.m. and 4 p.m.*

June 11: Feast of the Sacred Heart

June 19/20: Father's Day weekend. *Special blessing at all Masses*

Because activities may be subject to late changes, always check our website and the bulletin weekly for possible updates to our calendar of events.



Saint John Paul II Statue Dedicated

One of the traditional elements of Catholic devotion is the display of statues to the saints, to whom we say prayers of intercession. An enhancement to our church is our new statue of Saint John Paul II, which was blessed and dedicated on Divine Mercy Sunday and will be installed in the saints chapel in the narthex of the church. The statue is a gift from Zbigniew, Beata, and Olivier Jawornicki.

Employment Opportunity: St. Francis Hospital and Heart Center (100 Port Washington Blvd, Roslyn) has open positions in the nursing department for Patient Care Associates. PCAs provide comfort, compassionate communication, and emotional support to patients in addition to direct patient care (bathing, toileting, feeding, ambulating, turning, and positioning). High school diploma or equivalent required; job training will be provided. St. Francis provides health care benefits for you and your family as well as paid time off. If interested, please contact Jaime Slone at 516-562-6893 or visit stfrancisheartcenter.chsli.org and click on careers.

Weekly Collections

	Apr 11
Candle Offerings	1,076.00
1st Collection	5,249.00
2nd Collection (<i>Pastoral Care</i>)	1,869.00
<i>In-Church Subtotal (690 attending)</i>	<u>8,194.00</u>
Lobby Box & Mail In	2,266.00
Catch-up Envelope	3,695.00
Parish Giving Online	6,481.51
TOTAL	<u>20,636.51</u>
Weekly Income Needs*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(613.49)

* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Figures unaudited. Totals do not reflect other income sources. Our goal is to cover parish expenses through higher first collections to ensure a fiscally sound position, without having to depend on less reliable income streams.

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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Facebook and Instagram:
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OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

Faith Sharing on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others?
Join one of our faith-sharing groups.

Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10–11 a.m. Discussing St. John's Gospel. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Through the Word, Monday evenings, 7–8 p.m. Catholic bible study that draws from the 73 books of the canon of Scripture, sacred tradition, and teachings of the fathers and doctors of the Church to bring Christ in the word to you. Contact Joseph Terry for the Zoom information: josephterry@gmail.com.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation? RCIA is the answer to your spiritual needs. To find out more, contact us at olqmrca@gmail.com OR call 718-268-6251, ext. *827, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.

Bereavement Support at OLQM

The parish bereavement support group offers spiritual support to those who have recently suffered a loss. We offer a caring environment, hope, and comfort; we are nonjudgmental and respect privacy in all aspects of grieving and point toward healing. Meetings are the first and third Mondays of the month and are being held virtually via Zoom until further notice. Meetings are scheduled for **April 19, May 3 & 17**. All meetings begin at **7:30 p.m.** Contact group facilitator and Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle at ymizelle@gmail.com.

K-8 Tuition Assistance Available for School Year Beginning September

Financial aid is available for eligible students who are registered in a Catholic elementary academy or school in kindergarten through grade 8. You must be able to demonstrate financial need (submitting proof of income; public assistance verification letter, if applicable; and report cards). Scholarships are awarded on a needs-basis considering household size and total annual income. To apply, go to www.futuresineducation.org. There is a nonrefundable \$35 application processing fee.

Deadline: April 30 for new families
Call 718-965-7340 or email
scholarships@futuresineducation.org.

OLQM Catholic Academy has rolling enrollment as space allows for nursery and K-8. Visit the academy online at olqmca.org/admissions.



Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes

Our Lady of Mercy Food Pantry (70-01 Kessel St.) is open Saturdays, 10–11 a.m. There will be prepared bags to pick up. Masks must be worn and social distancing observed. OLM always needs food to restock its shelves. If you would like to lend support, contact Deacon Dean Dobbins directly at the OLM rectory: 718-268-6143 or ddobbins@diobrook.org.

Summer Theology Courses

Expand your understanding of the Catholic faith this summer with thought-provoking lectures offered in a prayerful, collegial setting. Join a class in person or Zoom in from any location. **Graduate theology classes taught June 1 to July 14** are 50% off tuition for new students. For more information, visit Saint Joseph's Seminary online at www.dunwoodie.edu.

Summer Jobs Program

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) connects NYC youth ages 16–21 with career exploration opportunities and paid work experience for the summer. **Deadline to apply is April 23.** Go to application.nycsyep.com. On the application, please choose Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services (CCNS) under Brooklyn or Queens as your Agency Provider. For questions, call CCNS SYEP-Queens at 718-408-6265, Mon–Fri, 10AM–5PM, Pin#WPA167355.

COVID-19 Burial Assistance

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will reimburse **eligible funeral expenses for deaths related to COVID-19 that occurred after January 20, 2020**. This program launched on April 12. To apply, call toll-free 844-684-6333 | TTY: 800-462-7585, Mon–Fri, 9AM–9PM. The website for more information: www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance.

COVID Vaccination Appointment Help

Councilmember Karen Koslowitz's office is **helping seniors schedule appointments** and providing resources to safely transport seniors to an available vaccination site and back home again. Contact her office at 718-544-8800. Please encourage seniors you know to take advantage of this service.

Free Speech & Hearing Screenings

St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center, located at 152-11 Union Turnpike (Flushing), is offering screenings AND hearing aid help, free of charge, **through May 4**. Call 718-990-6480 to make an appointment.