

April 27, 2025 - Divine Mercy Sunday

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Jorge Mario Bergoglio
December 17, 1936

Elected, Pope Francis
Bishop of Rome
March 13, 2013

Born to Eternal Life
April 21, 2025

Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — PASTOR
Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D.D. — PASTOR EMERITUS
Rev. Antonin Kocurek — PAROCHIAL VICAR



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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 12 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Saturday, April 26

12:05 p.m. Joseph LaMarca

5 p.m. Robert Sorsaia

Sunday, April 27

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:15 a.m. Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis

1 p.m. For the intentions of the Easter Memorials

Monday, April 28

Saint Peter Chanel

Saint Louis Grignon de Montfort

8:05 a.m. Maria Luisa Orenca

12:05 p.m. John Eric C. Ilawan [living]

Tuesday, April 29

Saint Catherine of Siena

8:05 a.m. Lawrence and Jacqueline Eliot

12:05 p.m. Ignazia and Matteo Orlando

Wednesday, April 30

Saint Pius V

8:05 a.m. Elisa A. Fule

12:05 p.m. Josephine Carbonella

Thursday, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker

8:05 a.m. Avery Wood [living]

12:05 p.m. Giuseppina and Antonino Sciacca

Friday, May 2

Saint Athanasius

8:05 a.m. Grace Ferrante

12:05 p.m. Maria Dolores Vazquez Bendala

Saturday, May 3

Saints Philip and James

10 a.m. First Holy Communion

12:05 p.m. Virginia Kenny

5 p.m. Brittany Pace and family [living]

Remember Our Sick

Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Margaret Bastone, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Rob Champion, Iris Dellamarco, Michelle De Leon, Gobby De Leon, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Babu Easow, Ronda Esser, Jim Giffels, Alexander Gutierrez, Hung Sang Hau (Sammy), Noila Johnson, Cipriana Jorge, Tommy Jorge, Karen Kane, Sherryl Kahn, Thomas E. Kearns, Roger Mejia, Natalie Podulka, Maria Rodin, Teruko Secor, Baby Isaac Joseph Terry, Teresa Wong—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Because of space constraints, we must periodically update the prayers for the sick. Names may be removed after three (3) months, unless the rectory is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, April 27

10 a.m. rectory basement meeting room

(use glass door by the Mary statue): **Sunday Morning Bible Study**

2:30 p.m. rectory meeting room: **Baptism Instruction**

(Baptisms on May 4 will begin at 3 p.m.; note time change)

2 p.m. **Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

3 p.m. **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy**

Monday, April 28

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

church: **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Tuesday, April 29

11:30 a.m. church: **Confessions**

7 p.m. rectory: **Catholic Teaching Committee meeting**

7:30 p.m. church choir loft: **Choir Rehearsal**

7-8:30 p.m. **Faith-Sharing and Fellowship** (see p. 5)

Wednesday, April 30

Religious Education

3:45-5 p.m. levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 class

7-8 p.m. levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFO

7:45-9 p.m. Zoom: **Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group**

(ID: 82120186604. PW: 765136)

Thursday, May 1

11:30 a.m. church: **Confessions**

After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 p.m. church: **Benediction**

Friday, May 2

6-8 p.m. McLaughlin Hall : **MAYO Meeting**

(Martyrs Active Youth Organization)

Saturday, May 3

10 a.m., church: **First Holy Communion**



12:45 p.m. church: **Confessions**

The Sanctuary Lamp

is offered in loving memory of

Claire Haggins

—requested by Patricia Malley

Remember Our Deceased

Robert Noumair

George Rivera

TJ Ujzdowski

WELCOME! Sound-enhancing assistive listening device is available if you have trouble hearing during Mass. Visit the sacristy for information. 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, to make your special needs known. Contact: disabilities.olqm@gmail.com.

This Week's Reflection

from the Catholic Teaching Committee

Prayers in Memory of Pope Francis

The entire Church mourns the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. We ask God to bestow his infinite mercy on the man who served the Church as Bishop of Rome. To guide your prayers, we offer these reflections from Scripture.

Prayer for Peter: The First of the Apostles

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew—Jesus summoned his Twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the Twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. (10:1-4)

Pray one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Union of Pope and Bishops

A reading from the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church *Lumen gentium*—This collegial union [of bishops] is apparent also in the mutual relations of the individual bishops with particular churches and with the universal Church. The Roman Pontiff, as the successor of Peter, is the perpetual and visible principle and foundation of unity of both the bishops and of the faithful. The individual bishop, however, is the visible principle and foundation of unity in his particular church, fashioned after the model of the universal Church. In and from such individual churches there comes into being the one and only Catholic Church. For this reason each individual bishop represents his own church, but all of them together in union with the Pope represent the entire Church joined in the bond of peace, love, and unity. (no. 23)



Pray one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. O God, immortal shepherd of souls, look on your people's prayers and grant that your servant Pope Francis, who presided over your Church in charity, may, with the flock entrusted to his care, receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful steward. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Order of Mass

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Cycle C—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #180—"Christ, the Lord, Is Risen Today"

MASS PARTS: Mass of St. Peter and St. Paul (*Schiavone*)

FIRST READING

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" (*G. Young*)—Choir

Missal #483—"We Walk by Faith"

COMMUNION

"Aurora Coelum Purpurat" (*P. Yon*)—Choir

"Regina Caeli"—Leader of Song

Missal #184—"Ye Sons and Daughters"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #194—"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Exposition After 1 p.m. Mass

Missal #177—"Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise"

"O Salutaris Hostias" (*Werner*)

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

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Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for maintenance of the church grounds. There is also an envelope for the Catholic Home Missions.
- » May 4 the second collection will help defray the cost of fuel. There is also an envelope for the Mother's Day Mass Remembrances.
- » At any time, use the special envelope to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope). If using the Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30p.m.

OLQM Spring Calendar

Save these dates and check the bulletin weekly for updates on these and additional church activities.

May 4 (Sun)—**Living Rosary for Mary's Month** following the 1 p.m. Mass, in the church plaza

May 6 (Tue)—**May Crowning** with the OLQM Catholic Academy eighth-grade class, 9:15 a.m.

May 10/11 (Weekend)—**Mother's Day Blessing** at all Masses

May 10/11, 17/18 & 24/25 Weekends—**Sacred Music Society Sweepstakes** Tickets will be on sale after Masses over three weekends; drawing on 5/25 after 1 p.m. Mass

May 28 (Wed)—**May Crowning** with Religious Education students

May 29 (Thu)—**The Ascension of the Lord** (Holy Day of Obligation) Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m. on 5/21; holy day Masses at 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

June 5 (Thu)—**St. Anthony of Padua Novena begins** Prayed daily at the 12:05 p.m. Mass and Sunday, 6/8, after the 1 p.m. Mass

June 8 (Sun)—**Pentecost Confirmation Mass** 4 p.m.

June 13 (Fri)—**St. Anthony Novena concludes** with distribution of St. Anthony bread at the 12:05 p.m. Mass

June 14 (Sat)—**OLQMCA Graduation** 9 a.m. in the church



Jubilee of Hope, Renewal of Faith and Charity

Have you pledged yet? The Annual Catholic Appeal supports vital ministries and services across Brooklyn and Queens—efforts that no single parish could undertake alone. For 2025, our parish goal is to raise \$110,076. Please prayerfully consider a gift! Use the envelopes in church or give to the ACA online. You can find the link on our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal/

Bereavement Support Is Available

The parish bereavement group is a welcoming community of individuals who help one another deal with grief. Meetings are held monthly, typically on the third or fourth Monday. They meet next on **May 19** and on **June 16**. All meetings begin at **6:45 p.m. in the rectory basement**. The group does not meet in July and August. If you have questions, please contact group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	Apr 13	Apr 20
Candle Offerings	\$ 1,849.00	\$2,384.00
1st Collection	11,117.13	17,066.26
2nd Collection	11,336.13	4,632.20
	(Easter gift to church)	(Easter liturgy/music)
Support for Sr. Priests*	—	4,205.20
Holy Thursday	—	3,651.00
Stations of the Cross	—	1,211.00
Good Friday Pontifical*	—	3,243.18
Holy Land 2nd GF Collection*	—	2,510.00
Holy Saturday Easter Basket Blessing	—	399.00
<u>Subtotal: In Church</u>	<u>24,302.26</u>	<u>39,301.84</u>
Online Giving	4,281.82	5,081.77
Mail In	4,694.00	6,441.00
TOTAL	33,278.08	50,824.77
Weekly Income Needed**	24,500.00	24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 8,778.08	26,324.61

* Special collections that benefit the designated causes (senior priests and Good Friday Holy Land collections); amounts do not accrue to the parish.

** Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses; does not reflect other income sources. Our goal is to cover parish expenses through higher first collections, without having to depend on less reliable income streams.

Consider a Legacy Gift: You may find information on leaving legacy gift to the parish at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

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LIVESTREAM MASS

Sundays @ 11:15AM. The Mass is available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast



FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY

**Today at 2 p.m. Holy Hour
Exposition & Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament**

3 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy



Faith Sharing at OLQM

**Are you looking to explore your faith
with others? Join a parish group.**

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Weekly gatherings in the rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind the Mary statue).

Tuesday Evening Fellowship: 7–8:30 p.m. Gather weekly with fellow parishioners Bob and Melinda Nobbs for faith reflections and conversation. Call 718-805-7232 or text 917-545-8049 to request meeting location.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday. Join to pray together and for one another. Learn how God's word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 82120186604 (PW: 765136).

Through the Word: On-demand viewing of a collection of bible studies at [YouTube.com/@bktheologian](https://www.youtube.com/@bktheologian). Revisit these past studies or explore them for the first time.

Easter Memorials

Today's 1pm Mass
will be for the Easter
memorials donated



Additional Easter Memorial Recognitions

These gifts were received after our last bulletin was printed. We acknowledge them here, with appreciation:

In memory of Orlando Varona Isaza and Rosalia Arango de Minera—by Astrid Minera & Elkin Varona

In memory of mother Camille Harriot—by daughter Damille Harriott (*group of tulip plants*)

Pilgrimage to Italy for Jubilee Year 2025

October 28–November 6, 2025: Join Bishop Emeritus Nicholas DiMarzio on this special 10-day pilgrimage to Italy. Experience the beauty of Italy while deepening your faith and building lasting friendships. Destinations: Assisi, Loreto, Manoppello, San Giovanni Rotondo, Materdomini, Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Monte Cassino, and Rome. **Cost: \$4,695** (includes airfare). Highlights: Mass at the Shrine of Padre Pio, visit to the tomb of Blessed Carlo Acutis, entry through the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica.

Limited Space Available! Enrollment Deadline MAY 30th!

Peter's Way Tours

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Mother's Day Mass Remembrances

Masses on Mother's Day weekend (May 10/11) will be for the intentions of all your loved ones (living or deceased) listed on the remembrance envelopes placed on the altar. You will find envelopes in the church for your use.

LIVING ROSARY SUNDAY, MAY 4 AFTER 1PM MASS

Join us outside, in the church plaza, next Sunday for this special devotion to our Blessed Mother in honor of Mary's month. We need 60 people, so bring a friend.





Holy Week to Easter 2025



Pictured—(1) Music director David Close (center) with Fr. Passenant, seminarian Louis de Roban Chabot, and the choir after Palm Sunday services; (2) Holy Thursday; (3) our clergy and altar servers on Holy Saturday preparing the church for the Easter Vigil. And so many of you came out on Holy Saturday morning for the Easter basket blessing from Fr. Antonin. Photos here are courtesy LeeAnn Close, Roger Aguinaldo, and Denise DeMaria. We have more photos than we can process in a day, so we will be posting more on our website and in the bulletin during Eastertide, which continues through Pentecost.



Religious Education News

Catechist Cynthia Romeo shared with this photo of a few of the Religious Ed Confirmation students who, after walking the Lenten Stations of the Cross, gathered for a short Service of Light—a reminder that the light of Christ, kindled at Baptism, continues to shine brightly through Confirmation and beyond. Please keep all our Religious Education students in your prayers, especially our second graders who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 4.