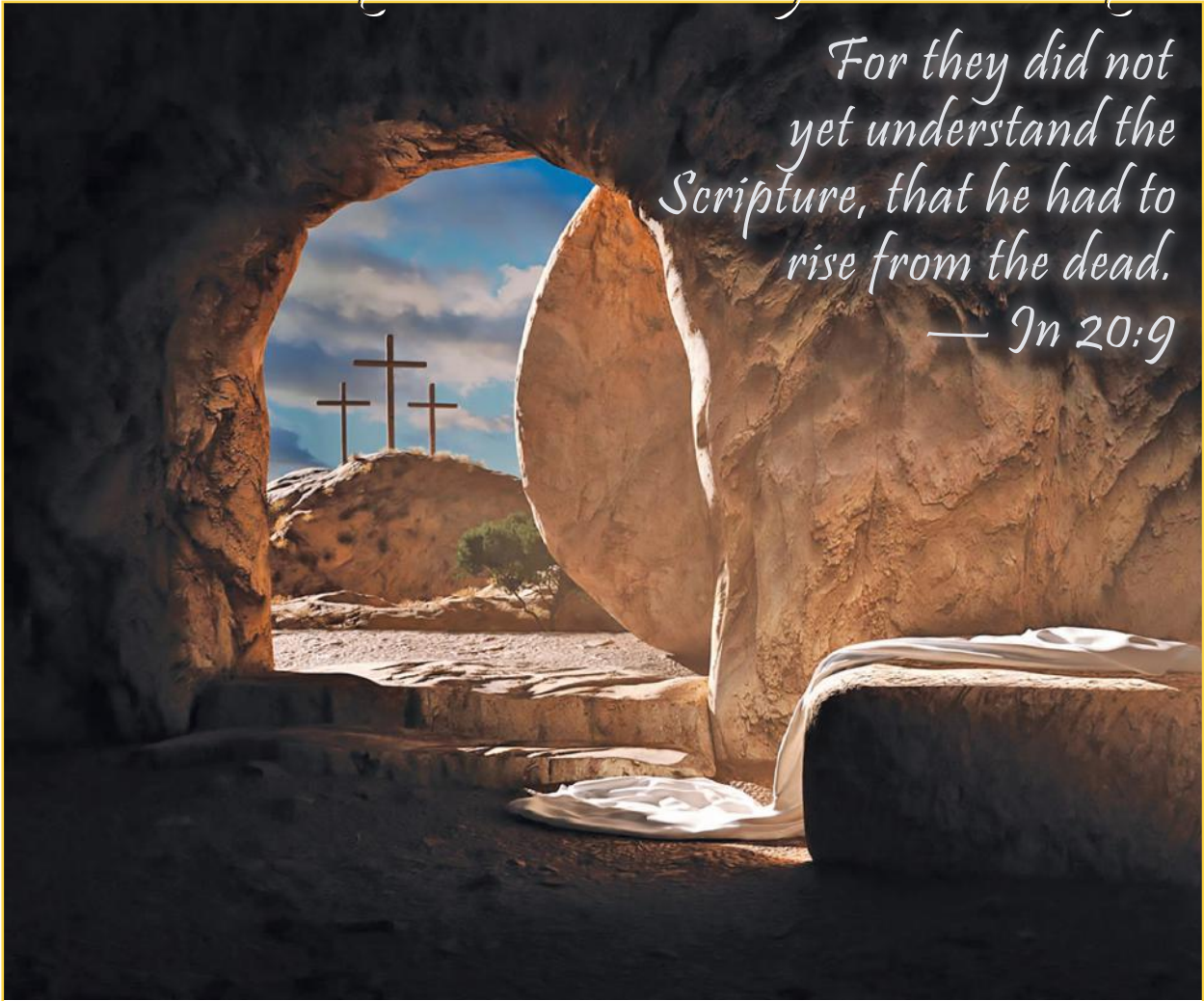


April 9, 2023 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



*For they did not
yet understand the
Scripture, that he had to
rise from the dead.
— In 20:9*

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.

Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. — **PASTOR**
Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V. F. — **ADMINISTRATOR**
Rev. Antonin Kocurek — **PAROCHIAL VICAR**
Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham — **SENIOR PRIEST IN RESIDENCE**
Dcn. Greg Kandra — **DEACON**



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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

Holy Saturday, April 8

(No morning or 5 p.m. Mass. No confessions)

7:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 9

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Easter Monday, April 10

8 a.m. Melba Muñoz

12:05 p.m. Kathy Kitchen

Easter Tuesday, April 11

8 a.m. Treasa Cunningham

12:05 p.m. Manuela Miguel and family

Easter Wednesday, April 12

8 a.m. Felix Farres

12:05 p.m. Giuseppina and Antonio Sciacca

Easter Thursday, April 13

8 a.m. Benedetta Cancellieri

12:05 p.m. Stanley and Halina Daniszewski

Easter Friday, April 14

8 a.m. Raphaelle Telhomme

12:05 p.m. Joseph Cardenas

Easter Saturday, April 15

8 a.m. Ralph Haddad

12:05 p.m. Raul Calleja

5 p.m. Msgr. Michael Dempsey

Remember Our Sick

Gustavo Aguilar, Lenah Arip, Kim Bach, Marylou Bagasan, Adolfo Baquero, Michael Bekman, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Donald Bergola, Taylor A. Calder, Wilfredo Caban, Gustavo Cáceres, Lois Caicedo, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Luigi Cotumaccio, Christopher Cunningham, Tracy Cuva, Tomas Czostkiewicz, Deacon John DeBiase, Frank Dioguardi, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Catherine Egan, Robert Engel, Annette Fridas, Jacqueline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Kenny and Lori Gray, Kathy Halston, Reszo Hrosz, Gary Hoskie, Giles Houghton, Mary Hughes, John Imperante, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Amanda Marie and Jadon Kalp, Katherine Klaum, Elaine M. Kuzlik, James Leung, Loretta Martinez, Johnny Metters, Martha Padilla, Richard Perl, Louis Petulo, Aracelis Phansaithong, Bonnie Post, Peter Purpura Sr., Matthew Rendell, Annabelle Resitano, Anna Robberio, John Rodriguez, Dennis Roberts, Alicia Revutin, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Lily Shan, Robert Sorsaia, Ana Spafford, Remington Stafford, Sam Stafford, John Tantillo, Antonio Torres, Antoinette Torres, Ruthelia Torres, Karl Wick, Teresa Wong, James Yhap, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

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, please contact our Parish Advocate for Persons with Disabilities, Karen Mongiello, at disabilities.olqm@gmail.com, to make your special needs known.

Main Events of the Week

Easter Sunday, April 9

Alleluia! Happy Easter!

10 a.m. Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study

Easter Monday, April 10

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

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

Easter Tuesday, April 11

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

No Choir Rehearsal

Rehearsals resume next Tuesday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Wednesday, April 12

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

Religious Education

Spring Recess. Classes resume next week.

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

Easter Thursday, April 13

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

Easter Saturday, April 15

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

The **Wine and Hosts** are offered by
Drew Goolcharran [living]

The **Easter (Paschal) Candle**
is offered in loving memory of
Celina Cavalier
—requested by *Jusette Meaney*

The **Sanctuary Lamp**
is offered in loving memory of
William Thomas Malley
—requested by *Patricia Malley*

Remember Our Deceased

Richard Baxter
Sonia Baxter
Gerry Bonneau
Ramon Gonzales
Pedro Lluen



Adoracion Millares
Jose Millares
Jason Ponze
Rogelio Sponton
Francesca Valdivia

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, Gabriella Mattson, Justin Pabse, Rodney Ross, McNeely Royal, Jose J. Vaz, Mollie Rae Whitley, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley. **Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections, and military personnel.**

This Week's Reflection from Catholic Social Teaching

Pope Benedict XVI on the Resurrection

If Christ has not been raised, then empty [too] is our preaching; empty, too, your faith. (1 Corinthians 15: 14)

REFLECT: “Saint Paul explains quite drastically what faith in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ means for the Christian message overall: it is its very foundation. The Christian faith stands or falls with the truth of the testimony that Christ is risen from the dead. If this were taken away, it would still be possible to piece together from the Christian tradition a series of interesting ideas about God and men, about man’s being and his obligations, a kind of religious world view: but the Christian faith itself would be dead....

“The New Testament testimonies leave us in no doubt that what happened in the ‘Resurrection of the Son of Man’ was utterly different. Jesus’ Resurrection was about breaking out into an entirely new form of life, into a life that is no longer subject to the law of dying and becoming, but lies beyond it.... In Jesus’ Resurrection a new possibility of human existence is attained that affects everyone and that opens up a new kind of future, for mankind....

“On this basis we can understand the unique character of this New Testament testimony. Jesus has not returned to a normal human life in this world like.... He has entered the vast breadth of God himself, and it is from there that he reveals himself to his followers....

“This also presupposes that for the disciples the Resurrection was just as real as the Cross.... It presupposes that they were simply overwhelmed by the reality, that, after their initial hesitation and astonishment, they could no longer ignore that reality.... It is truly he. He is alive; he has spoken to us; he has allowed us to touch him... It was an utterly unique experience, which burst open the normal boundaries of experience and yet for the disciples was quite beyond doubt.” (Jesus of Nazareth: Ignatius Press)

LEARN: Read the encyclical letter, Redemptor Hominis, the Redeemer of Man, by Pope St John Paul II, at <https://bit.ly/3JmxKEV>.

To learn more about legislative issues that affect 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 NY State Catholic Conference: www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center.

Order of Mass Easter Sunday

Cycle A—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #178—“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

SEQUENCE

Missal #37—“Victimae Paschali Laudes”—Choir
Missal #169—“Alleluia! Let the Holy Anthem Rise”

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9

HOMILY

SPRINKLING OF HOLY WATER

“Sing Praise to Our Creator”—*Choir*
Missal #651—“Baptized in Water”

OFFERTORY

“Anthem for Spring” (*P. Mascagni*)—*Choir*
Missal #578—“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”

COMMUNION

“Out of Darkness”—*Choir and song leader*
“Aurora Coelum Purpurat” (*P. Yon*)—*Choir*
Organ Meditation
Missal #172—“Ye Sons and Daughters”

CLOSING HYMN

“Hallelujah Chorus”—*Choir*
Missal #723—“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM
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*Today's Easter hymns are printed
on a separate sheet. Please take a copy.*

Second Collections

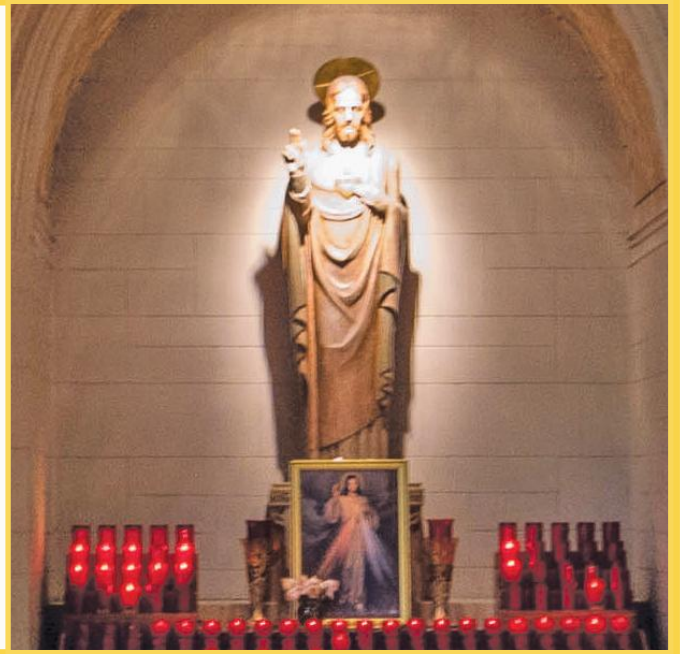
- » Today’s second collection is our Easter support of senior priests. There is also an envelope for the Easter Music & Liturgy.
- » April 16’s second collection is for maintenance of the OLQM Catholic Academy building. There is also an envelope for fuel.
- » At any time, use the special envelope to 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.
- » Traveling? Remember to mail in your weekly offertory, use the Catch-Up envelope, or sign up for online Parish Giving.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30p.m.

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

**Feast of the Divine Mercy
Sunday, April 16**

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

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



MAY OUR LORD SHOWER HIS
GRACES UPON OUR RCIA
ELECT AND CANDIDATES
COMPLETING THEIR SACRAMENTS
THIS EASTER VIGIL.

Memorialize a Loved One

Consider honoring a deceased loved one with a memorial of the Wine and Hosts, Sanctuary Lamp, or Altar Flowers. Names of the memorialized will be published in the bulletin. To arrange a memorial of any kind, or to make a Mass request and offering, call or visit the rectory during business hours.

RCIA at OLQM

Rite of Christian Initiation of
Adults



If you are 18 or older and interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. RCIA guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. Contact olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message (including a callback number). All emails and calls will receive a response.

Bereavement Support Is Available

The parish bereavement group is a welcoming community of individuals who have faced loss and help one another to better deal with grief. They meet once a month (on the third or fourth Monday) in the rectory basement meeting room. The next meetings are on **April 17, May 15, and June 26**. All meetings start at **7 p.m.** If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the bereavement group facilitator, Mike Acquilano, at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible
with others? Join a faith-sharing group.



Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Current topic: St. Luke's Gospel. To join the group, contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday "Through the Word" Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. The Monday evening group is engaged in a year-long study of the Sunday Reading Reflections. To join on Zoom, contact josephterry@gmail.com. Archived recordings of the weekly bible studies can be viewed at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. The charismatic group holds weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Join to pray together and for one another. Learn how God's word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 2917352357 (PW: 031011).

All the groups welcome new members!



A Blessed Easter to You

There is a curious feature in John’s account of the disciples arriving at the empty tomb of Jesus. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke, there is a verbal clue that Jesus has risen, given either by an angel or two or by a young man. In John’s Gospel, the visitors to the tomb encounter only an empty tomb and empty linen wrappings.

Emptiness is an appropriate symbol for what we have been through these past few years. The Easter message reminds us that it sometimes takes time to deepen our understanding and to unravel the meaning of events around us. Through the renewed presence of Christ in the lives of the Apostles, when he appeared to them in various ways *after* His Resurrection, the Apostles grew in strength and grace. The nature of our gift of faith requires a leap of trust in God’s incredible love that overcomes our weaknesses. This is the mystery that we celebrate and we rejoice in today!

May the Risen Lord enlighten our minds and bring joy to our hearts. May the Easter days ahead fill us with renewed faith and a willingness to witness to God’s presence in today’s world.

On behalf of Fathers Passenant, Antonin and Cunningham, Deacon Greg Kandra, and the entire staff of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, I offer you our sincere prayers that this Easter season will bring blessings to you and your loved ones. *Alleluia!*

— BISHOP PAUL R. SANCHEZ

Car-Free Austin Street?

Community Board 6 has voted on a resolution requesting that the Department of Transportation (DOT) study “a possible redesign of Austin Street as a first step for higher pedestrian safety and lower car congestion.” Depending on what the study recommends, Austin Street could become less accessible to people coming to our academy or our Church. The study may recommend banning cars on Austin Street and eliminating parking.

If you wish to express your opinion on this issue to the DOT and Queens Borough Commissioner Nicole Garcia, contact them online (use this bitly link: <https://on.nyc.gov/3Taj9iT>). You might also want to read the letter and sign a petition from the Forest Hills Chamber of Commerce, which you can find at <https://bit.ly/42ejzsS>. (We have this information with links to the petition on our parish website, in the News section.)

Weekly Collections for Sunday, April 2, were not available at publication time because of an early close for the Easter holiday. They will appear in a future bulletin.

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CHRIST HAS RISEN. INDEED, HE HAS RISEN.

Spring Calendar at OLQM

Sunday, April 16: **Feast of the Divine Mercy**, 2–3 p.m.

Holy Hour and Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday, May 6: **First Holy Communion**, 10 a.m.

Sunday, May 7: **Living Rosary**, following 1 p.m. Mass in the church plaza

Monday, May 8: **May Crowning** with 8th graders, 9 a.m.

Weekend, May 13/14: **Mother’s Day**, special blessing at all Sunday Masses

Weekends, May 13/14, 20/21, 27/28: **Sacred Music Society Sweepstakes**, tickets on sale after Sunday Masses; drawing 5/28

Thursday, May 18: **Ascension of the Lord**, Holy Day of Obligation. Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. (5/17); holy day Masses 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

Sunday, May 28: **Pentecost**, 4 p.m. Confirmation Mass

Parents & Students: Deadline Nears

Tuition Assistance Available for 2023–2024 School Year

Financial aid is for eligible students in grades K–8 who attend a Catholic school or academy in Queens or Brooklyn. For eligibility requirements and to apply, scan the code or go to www.FuturesinEducation.org. April 30 is the deadline for new applicants. Questions? Call 718-965-7340.



SCAN ME for Catholic School financial aid info

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NYS Eucharistic Congress

October 20-22, 2023
Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville, NY

Held at the sacred spot where the North American Martyrs gave their lives for Christ and where St. Kateri Tekakwitha was born.

EVENTS INCLUDE:

- Great Speakers!
- Mass with Cardinal Dolan and NY Bishops
- Confessions
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Support the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

“We must show charity toward the sick who are in greater need of help. Let us take them some small gift, if they are poor, or at least, let us go and wait on them and comfort them.”

—St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

The annual diocesan campaign helps to fund Catholic Charities of Brooklyn/Queens; hospital, college, and prison chaplains; and the residence for infirm clergy, among other services. The ACA supports this daily work of the Church in ways that no one parish can accomplish alone.

Our parish goal is to raise \$114,568. If you received an ACA envelope at home, please use it. Or take an envelope from the church. You may also make your gift online at annualcatholicappeal.org (please select OLQM as your parish) or text DONATE to 917-336-1255.

If we surpass our goal, the surplus donations are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements.

Thank you for your support.

