

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

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
Monday–Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursdays 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Mondays after 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Mass

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM
First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.
baptismprep@olqmchurch.org



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Scan for parish registration
information and form

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

11:15 a.m.
ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

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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, August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

8 a.m. Arturo Taborga and Cira Martinez

12:05 p.m. Denise Lamarque

5 p.m. Matthew Patsos [anniversary]

Sunday, August 13

9 a.m. **Family Mass** celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

8 a.m. Marie Gibson

12:05 p.m. Deceased member of the Carvalho family

7:30 p.m. Msgr. Joseph A. Funaro [10th anniversary]

Vigil Mass for the Assumption

Tuesday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(Holy Day of Obligation)

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

Wednesday, August 16

Saint Stephen of Hungary

8 a.m. Manuel Paz

12:05 p.m. Lespinasse Morency

Thursday, August 17

8 a.m. Thomas D'Achille

12:05 p.m. Ila Amilcar Charles

Friday, August 18

8 a.m. Robert Peter Ballerini

12:05 p.m. Robert White

Saturday, August 19

Saint John Eudes

8 a.m. Marie Gibson

12:05 p.m. Josephine Orlando

5 p.m. Marie Louis Morency

Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Victoria Bagasan, Raymond Bajarias, Adolfo Baquero, Jose Blanco, Deanna Condino, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Luigi Cotumaccio, Cely de Borja, Cesar DeLeon, Jun De Leon, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Catherine Egan, Robert Engel, Annette Fridas, Jacqueline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Liza Gjinaj, Jorge Guzman, Kathy Halston, Miriya Healing, Anita Hsu, Mary Hughes, Ana Inzirelli, Terrence Jackson, Rocelina Jaquez-Cruz, Msgr. Paul Jervis, Elizabeth Ann Jiyun Kim, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Jean Leonard, James Leung, Marites Macapagal, Loretta Milana, Nellie Milite, Karen Nassauer, Martha Padilla, Richard Perl, Louis Petulo, Aracelis Phansaitong, Jovanka Radeka, Victoria Ruiz, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Alice Singh, Robert Sorsaia, Sam Stafford, Giovanni Wong, Teresa Wong, Deacon Elias Yepes—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

Sunday, August 13

9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. *NY Blood Center Mobile Bus in front of church:*
Summer Blood Drive

Sunday Morning Bible Study

10 a.m. *Zoom study resumes September 10*

2 p.m. *rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind Mary's statue):*
Summer Potluck Luncheon

Monday, August 14

After 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. *Masses church:*
Miraculous Medal Novena

"Through the Word" Bible Study

7 p.m. *Zoom meetings resume September 11*

7:30 p.m. **Vigil Mass for the Assumption**

In remembrance of our fifth pastor, Rev. Msgr. Joseph Funaro

Tuesday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

Blessing with Seawater at the 12:05 Mass

No Confessions on Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, August 16

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

Thursday, August 17

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

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Saturday, August 19

10 a.m. *church: Altar Server Training (last week)*

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

~ **Daily Mass Time Notice** ~

Takes effect Tuesday, September 5.

New time for first Mass (Mon-Sat) is 8:05 a.m.

Please see page 3 for more information.

Remember Our Deceased

Ann-Marie Henriette Bourbon
Sr. Elizabeth Mary Gildea, CSJ
Fr. John Felice, OFM
Antonio A. Gauna



Anthony Menninger
Sharon Powell
Clara Tse

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 Teaching



St. Maximilian Kolbe and the Eucharist

"Be a Catholic. When you kneel before an altar do it in a way that others may be able to recognize that you know before whom you kneel."
(St. Maximilian Kolbe)

REFLECT: The church celebrates the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe on August 14. Born in 1894 near Lodz, Poland, Fr. Kolbe was ordained in 1918 and began his Marian apostolate. He was arrested by the Gestapo in 1939 and released a few months later. He was again arrested in 1941 and eventually sent to Auschwitz. There, Fr. Kolbe "offered his life in place of an unknown man sentenced to death, in retaliation for the escape of a prisoner; he was locked up in a bunker to starve to death. [He died] on August 14, 1941, the eve of the Assumption, finished by an injection of poison" (Pope St John Paul II).

While known for his devotion to Blessed Mother, "the Immaculate," this martyr of Auschwitz had a tremendous love for the Eucharist, once praying, "Your Blood flows in my blood; your soul, O God incarnate, penetrates my soul, strengthening and nourishing it." Eucharistic Adoration was a part of his daily life since the seminary. He once said, "Eucharistic Adoration is the greatest power in the universe, capable of transforming us and changing the face of the world."

At Auschwitz, stripped of his clerical garb and subjected to dehumanizing beatings, he was asked why he sacrificed so much without regard to his own person; he simply replied, "I am a Catholic priest." At another time he said, "The concerns of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are my concerns." It was in the starvation bunker, notes Pope St John Paul II, when he "no longer celebrated Holy Mass in the sacramental sense, that he celebrated to the very last, with his life, and with his death, the holy sacrifice. In that way Father Kolbe participated in that great sacrament of our faith which is the Eucharist."

ACT: "Receive Jesus and accept everything from His hands with the same dispositions which the all holy Virgin Mary had at the moment of the Annunciation" (Fr. Kolbe).

LEARN: Read Pope St Paul VI's homily on St. Maximilian Kolbe's beatification (<https://tinyurl.com/3wfcxswp>) and his homily on this saint's canonization (<https://tinyurl.com/32v8k7c3>). Read "For the Life of the World: St. Maximilian and the Eucharist," available at Catholic bookstores.

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

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A

ENTRANCE

Missal #431—"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Missal #858—**GLORIA:** Latin Chant Mass

MASS PARTS: Mass of Angels and Saints (*Janco*)

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:19a, 11-13a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #430—"How Great Thou Art"

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #395—"Here I Am, Lord"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #437—"Though the Mountains May Fall"

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for air conditioning.
- » August 20, the second collection is for CCD and Religious Education Programs.
- » 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 this summer?** Remember to mail in your weekly offertory, use the Catch-Up envelope, or use online Parish Giving.
- » For Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DAILY MASS TIME NOTICE!

We are making a slight adjustment to our daily Mass schedule. Effective Tuesday, September 5, the first Mass (Monday-Saturday) will commence at 8:05 a.m. This new time, just five minutes later, will be in harmony with our other daily Mass held at 12:05 p.m. Additionally, beginning in September, we are extending an invitation to the children of OLQM Catholic Academy, who will join us on most mornings for this Mass. Thank you for your understanding and support. Let us look forward to the blessings that lie ahead!

Give Blood, Give Love

BLOOD DRIVE

TODAY: August 13 ♦ 9:15am to 3:15pm

NY Blood Center Busmobile at OLMQ Church

BLOOD DONOR PRAYER

I gave my blood; Christ gave His.

I gave a pint; He gave all.

The needle is small and sharp; the nails were large and dull.

The table soft, relaxing; the cross rough, painful.

The nurses kind and gentle; the soldiers cruel and mean.

The crowd applauds my sacrifice;

“They that passed by reviled Him.”

Mine is O-Positive. His for positively all.

Mine, at best will prolong a life for awhile ...

His, without doubt, saved all ... forever!

—written by Bill Goff

THANK YOU FOR BEING A BLOOD DONOR!

After your life-saving act, refresh yourself with a light meal with your parish friends at our Sunday Potluck Luncheon! (see below)



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Cold Weather CLOTHING DRIVE

We will be collecting *used and new* fall/winter clothing items for migrants

AT THE SUNDAY MASSES ON AUGUST 19/20

Please limit donations to these Most Needed Items:

Winter Coats

Brand-New Underwear

Warm Clothes especially for Children (jackets, sweaters, hats, gloves, socks, etc.)

Disposable Diapers

Catholic Charities will pick up items after the 20th.

Thank you for helping.

Religious Education Registration

New and Returning Students: Register Online for 2023–2024 Classes

The Religious Education program at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs invites all those interested in furthering their children’s faith formation to register or re-register early. Please use the online registration form at: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re. God bless you, your faith, and your families.—Deacon Thomas Jorge, Director of Religious Education

The Joyful Presence of Children at Mass

We cherish having young children at Mass, even when they cry at inopportune times. There is an old saying that “Your parish is dying if no baby is crying.” We also recognize the need to maintain a peaceful atmosphere during worship. Sometimes children become persistently fussy, and we will not be upset if parents feel the need to make the child comfortable. Parents can use the church vestibule or the Saints Chapel as a designated comforting area. The vestibule can accommodate parents and children while still allowing them to hear and participate in the Mass. Let’s all approach this situation with charity and understanding so that everyone can fully focus on the Sunday Mass in God’s presence.

LIVESTREAM MASS Sunday at 11:15AM is available in its entirety on demand. Use the “past livestreams” link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast.

pot*luck

- /noun/ 1. meal to which everyone invited brings food to share;
- 2. meal for a guest that is prepared from whatever is available;
- 3. OLMQ Parish summer tradition hosted by Pastoral Care.

Let's ketchup 

SUMMER POTLUCK LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 • 2 PM

OLMQ Church Air-Conditioned
Rectory Basement
Hosted by Pastoral Care

Use the glass door near the Mary statue

Recent Baptisms at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Joaquin Manuel Hernandez

son of Ilana and Kevin Hernandez

Michael Bernard Lavin III

son of Stephanie and Michael Lavin II

Bastien Luca Prantil

son of Nasya and Eric Prantil

Raphael Abel Villada

son of Beatriz Sarmiento and Ruben Villada

Jonas Thomas Zet Hughes

son of Lynn Hughes and Juan Zet Samines

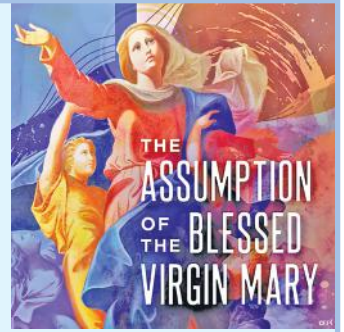
Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

Holy Day of Obligation

August 15 The Assumption

Holy Day Masses
Tuesday 8/15 at 8 a.m.
& 12:05 p.m.

Vigil Mass
Monday 8/14 at 7:30 p.m.



The 7:30 p.m. Mass on August 14 will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of former OLQM pastor Msgr. Joseph Funaro on the tenth anniversary of his death. We hope you can be present. The 12:05 p.m. Mass on August 15 will have a holy day blessing with seawater.

RCIA 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 olqmrca@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.

Please Note These New Email Addresses

The email address for the church bulletin office has changed. The new email is: olqmcomm@olqmchurch.org
We also have two brand-new email addresses for dedicated inquiries about baptisms and marriage preparation:

- For information about the baptism preparation process and celebrating this significant milestone, please contact: baptismprep@olqmchurch.org
- For couples seeking guidance in preparing for the sacrament of marriage, please send your requests by email to: marriageprep@olqmchurch.org

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	Aug 6
Candle Offerings	\$2,001.00
1st Collection	8,119.00
2nd Collection (major repairs)	3,244.00
<i>Subtotal - In Church</i>	<i>13,364.00</i>
Online Parish Giving	5,468.92
Mail In	2,265.00
TOTAL	\$21,097.92
Weekly Income Needed*	23,150.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,052.08)

* 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

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in your will and estate planning. You may speak directly to Father Passenant or Bishop Sanchez at 718-268-6251. You may also find more information on leaving legacy gift at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

Contact Us

BY TELEPHONE

Rectory Office:
718-268-6251
Emergency (last rites):
718-810-9788 (after office hours)
OLQM Catholic Academy:
718-263-2622
Religious Education Office:
718-263-0907
RCIA Office:
718-268-6251, ext. *827
OLQM Charity Outreach:
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Bereavement Support:
bereave@olqmchurch.org

(NEW) Bulletin Subjects:
olqmcomm@olqmchurch.org
Disabilities Advocate:
disabilities.olqm@gmail.com
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[@OLQMStewardship](https://www.youtube.com/@OLQMStewardship)
OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

Summer Missionary Weekend: August 26 & 27

Fr. Maurice Agbaw-Ebai from the **Benedict XVI Institute for Africa** will visit our parish at the end of the month and speak at all the Sunday Masses. He has been instrumental in the establishment of this institute and will share his story and gratefully accept our second collection donations, which will assist the institute's mission promoting Catholic education, culture, and evangelization in Africa. Kindly be attentive and give generously.



A Thank-You from Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities of Brooklyn and Queens sends its deepest thanks for OLQM's caring concern in providing funds and emergency food for migrants in crisis [during the June food drive]. Your generosity answers many prayers and helps Catholic Charities create a more compassionate community.

—Peace,

Rev. Msgr. Alfred LoPinto, CEO of Catholic Charities

WE DID IT!



PARISH GOAL PAID: \$114,568

Pledged: \$134,864

Donors: 282

We met our diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal goal in paid pledges. Thank you so much for your generosity! Our parish contribution to the ACA will help with the training of priests and deacons for the diocese, delivering social services to the needy and poor in Brooklyn and Queens, and sustaining Catholic schools and religious education programs (including those of our parish). We still have outstanding pledges over the goal amount. Please continue to fulfill those pledges because the surplus pledges, once paid, will be refunded to us for our own parish-specific renovation and repair projects.

OLQM Calendar Highlights

Save these dates heading into fall.

Wednesday, September 6

OLQMCA First Day of School *Welcome back, students!*

Wednesday, September 6

Basilica Committee First Meeting 7 p.m., *rectory basement meeting room*

Monday, September 11

9/11 Commemoration (22nd anniversary) *at the 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses*

Friday, September 15 (Our Lady of Sorrows)

Parish Feast Day *celebrated at the 12:05 p.m. Mass*

Sunday, September 24

St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Truck *will be parked near the church entrance on Ascan Ave. on Sunday morning only, during the designated hours of 9 a.m. to noon, to accept gently used clothing*

Sunday–Wednesday, October 15–18

Parish Mission *with Fr. Bruno at all the Sunday Masses on the 15th and evenings at 7 p.m. on Oct 16, 17 & 18*

Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom



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

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Meetings resume September 10 with continuing study of St. Luke's Gospel, starting from chapter 12. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday "Through the Word" Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. The evening group resumes meetings on September 11 with a new three-month study on the Eucharist. Contact josephterry@gmail.com to join on Zoom. Archived recordings of the weekly bible studies can also be viewed on demand at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. The 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).

**Spend quiet time with the Lord.
Exposition and Adoration
Every Thursday after 12:05pm Mass
and all afternoon. Benediction at 7:30pm.**