

August 20, 2023 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — **PASTOR**

Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D.D. — **PASTOR EMERITUS**

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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

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



JOIN THE PARISH

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 19

Saint John Eudes

8 a.m. Marie Gibson

12:05 p.m. Josephine Orlando

5 p.m. Marie Louis Morency

Sunday, August 20

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

Monday, August 21

Saint Pius X

8 a.m. Anna Kocurkova

12:05 p.m. Edith Joan Scudellari

Tuesday, August 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 a.m. Willy Lao Uy

12:05 p.m. Domenico Laudani

Wednesday, August 23

Saint Rose of Lima

8 a.m. Martha Hincapie

12:05 p.m. All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew

8 a.m. Herlinda Manrique

12:05 p.m. Father Bartholomew Daly

Friday, August 25

Saint Louis

Saint Joseph Calasanz

8 a.m. Anna Kocurkova

12:05 p.m. Giuseppina and Antonio Sciacca

Saturday, August 26

8 a.m. Helen U. Pua [living]

12:05 p.m. Bart Bertolotti

5 p.m. Bob Trovato and Dan Fuller

Remember Our Sick

Victoria Bagasan, Raymond Bajarias, Jose Blanco, Deanna Condino, Cely de Borja, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Jacqeline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Jorge Guzman, Miriya Healing, Anita Hsu, Mary Hughes, Msgr. Paul Jarvis, Elizabeth Ann Jiyun Kim, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Marites Macapagal, Loretta Milana, Nellie Milite, Karen Nassauer, Richard Perl, Jovanka Radeka, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Alice Singh, Robert Sorsaia, Giovanni Wong, Teresa Wong, Deacon Elias Yepes—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Because of space constraints, we must periodically update our list. Names will be removed from the sick list after three (3) months, unless our office is notified.

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 20

At All Masses:

Fall/Winter Clothing Drive for Migrants

Sunday Morning Bible Study

10 a.m. Zoom study resumes September 10

Monday, August 21

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

1 p.m. church: **WEDDING**

Jennifer Davino Holden/Dorian Jay Holden

“Through the Word” Bible Study

7 p.m. Zoom meetings resume September 11

Tuesday, August 22

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

Wednesday, August 23

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

Thursday, August 24

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

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Saturday, August 26

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

The **Wine and Hosts** are offered in thanksgiving by Eufrocina Perez [living]

~ 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

Robert P. King

Zbigniew Lewko

Lina Lim

Anthony Menninger

Dionicia Maria Sotelo Rodriguez

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



Pope St. Pius X: "Pope of the Eucharist"

"Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven."—
Pope St. Pius X

REFLECT: On August 21, the church celebrates the feast of Pope St. Pius X, who advocated for the frequent reception of communion at a time when Catholics were accustomed to receiving the Eucharist only once a year.

In his decree *Sacra Tridentina*, Pope Pius X wrote: "The Holy Council [of Trent] wishes indeed that at each Mass the faithful who are present should communicate, not only in spiritual desire, but sacramentally, by the actual reception of the Eucharist... For [Christ Himself] pointed out the necessity of frequently eating His Flesh and drinking His Blood... Moreover, we are bidden in the Lord's Prayer to ask for 'our daily bread' by which words, the holy Fathers of the Church all but unanimously teach, must be understood not so much that material bread which is the support of the body as the Eucharistic bread which ought to be our daily food."

In his decree *Quam Singulari*, Pope Pius X lowered the age for first communion to the age of reason, around 7, when the child can "distinguish between the Bread of the Holy Eucharist and ordinary bread, [adding that] a full and perfect knowledge of Christian doctrine is not necessary." Having the children wait until there were older, "forced [them] away from the embrace of Christ and deprived [them] of the food of their interior life."

Pope Pius added, "Those who have charge of the children should zealously see to it that after their First Communion these children frequently approach the Holy Table, even daily if possible, as Jesus Christ and Mother Church desire, and let this be done with a devotion becoming their age. They must also bear in mind that very grave duty...to have the children [properly formed in the faith]."

ACT: Commit to a worthy and frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist.

LEARN: Read *Sacra Tridentina*, On Frequent and Daily Reception of Holy Communion (<https://tinyurl.com/jr5tvemz>), and *Quam Singulari*, On the Discipline of the Sacraments on First Communion (<https://tinyurl.com/57bejkhj>). Read a biography of Pope St Pius X at <https://tinyurl.com/ydvzrv4c>.

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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A

ENTRANCE

Missal #560—"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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

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

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

GOSPEL: Matthew 15:21-28

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #628—"You Gather In the Outcast"

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #626—"The Cry of the Poor"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #564—"All the Ends of the Earth"

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for CCD and Religious Ed Programs.
- » August 27, the second collection is for maintenance of the church grounds. There is also an envelope for the Summer Missionary Appeal. Please be generous.
- » 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 OLMQ Catholic Academy, who will join us on most mornings for this Mass. Thank you for your understanding and support as we look forward to the blessings that lie ahead!



RECENTLY AT OLQM—While we await the official results from the New York Blood Center for last Sunday's summer blood drive, we want to thank the blood donors who participated. Your support for this important cause reflects the spirit of compassion that a church community embodies. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed!

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



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 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.

Baptism Preparation

We have a brand-new email address for dedicated inquiries about baptisms. For information about the baptism preparation process and celebrating this significant milestone, please contact: baptismprep@olqmchurch.org.

Also, please note that the new email for the church bulletin office is olqmcomm@olqmchurch.org.

New & Returning Students: Register Online for Religious Education 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 now. Classes for the 2023–2024 school year begin in September. 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

PRAYER REQUESTS

**Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer.**

Romans 12:12

Pastoral Care will be pleased to bring Communion to your homebound relatives and friends who are unable to attend Mass. Just fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket. Dennis Portelli, Pastoral Care Administrator, will contact them regarding receiving Communion at home and forward their name to our intercessory prayer group members, who will pray with and for them and, if you like, visit with them.

This prayer request is for:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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.



**Next Week:
Mission Appeal by
the Benedict XVI
Institute for Africa**

As the Church in Africa grows and participates in the New Evangelization of the world Church, the need for the proper formation of the clergy, religious, and laity becomes all the more acute. Integral to this mission is the formation of future Church leaders in theology and spirituality while paying attention to the cultures of the peoples of the vast continent of Africa. The Benedict XVI Institute is at the forefront of theological, spiritual, and cultural development across Africa, especially in seminaries, houses of formation, and universities. Its mission likewise includes Caritas, providing support to needy rural parish communities across Africa that need education for their children and basic medical services.

Fr. Maurice Agbaw-Ebai, who has been instrumental in the establishment of the Institute, will share his story at all the Sunday Masses next weekend, August 26 & 27, and gratefully accept our second collection donations. Please be attentive and give generously. Your support will be very much appreciated and might just be a lifeline for many on the continent of Africa.

**Thank You
for Helping Today**

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

**Cold Weather
CLOTHING DRIVE**

We are 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.

Memorialize a Loved One

Consider honoring a deceased loved 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.

**KEEP UP YOUR
INCREASED SUPPORT**

—Weekly Collections—

	Aug 13
Candle Offerings	\$1,108.00
1st Collection	7,099.13
2nd Collection (air conditioning)	2,271.13
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>10,478.26</u>
Online Parish Giving	4,189.26
Mail In	1,580.00
TOTAL	\$16,247.52
Weekly Income Needed*	23,150.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,902.48)

* 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 with Father Passenant or Bishop Sanchez at 718-268-6251. You may also find more information on leaving a legacy gift at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

Contact Us

BY PHONE OR EMAIL

- Rectory Office:
718-268-6251
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- Emergency (last rites):
718-810-9788 (after office hours)
- OLQM Catholic Academy:
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info@olqmca.org
- Religious Education Office:
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olqmreled@gmail.com
- RCIA Office:
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olqmrcia@gmail.com
- OLQM Charity Outreach:
718-268-6251, ext. *843

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- (NEW) Baptisms:
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- Bereavement Support:
bereave@olqmchurch.org
- (NEW) Bulletin Subjects:
olqmmcomm@olqmchurch.org

- Disabilities Advocate:
disabilities.olqm@gmail.com
- MAYO (Youth Organization):
youth@olqmchurch.org

- Pastoral Care Office:
dfport@gmail.com

- FIND US ONLINE**
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- YouTube:
@OLQMStewardship

- OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

- LIVESTREAM MASS**
Sunday @ 11:15AM. Available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast.

OLQM Calendar Highlights

Beginning in September ... Save These Dates

Wednesday, September 6: **OLQM Catholic Academy First Day of School** *Welcome back, students!*

Wednesday, September 6: **Basilica Committee Meeting** 7 p.m., rectory basement meeting room

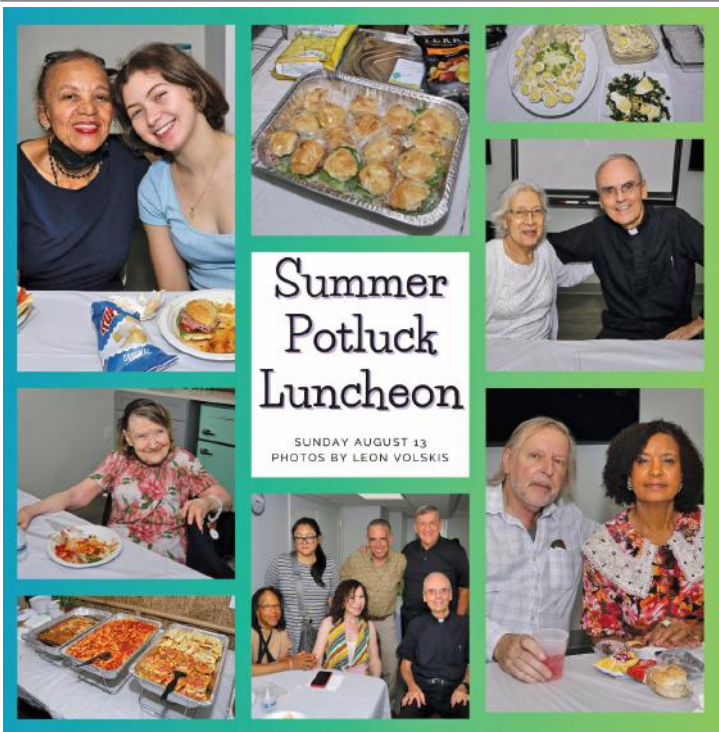
Monday, September 11: **9/11 Commemoration** (22nd anniversary), 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses

Friday, September 15 (Our Lady of Sorrows): **Parish Feast Day Celebrated** at the 12:05 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 17: **San Lorenzo Ruiz Celebration** at the 1 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 24: **St. Vincent DePaul Clothing Truck** visits the church, from 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



Diocese Pilgrimage with Bishop Robert Brennan.

National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis.

July 17–21, 2024. Tickets are limited.

Enroll by September 1, 2023. Email peter@petersway.com for enrollment details and itinerary.

ACA Update: We Have Surpassed Goal!

Parish Goal: \$114,568 (Achieved!)

Pledged: \$139,212

Paid Pledges: \$116,660

Donors: 291

The funds we successfully raised for the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal will help with the training of diocesan priests and deacons, 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).

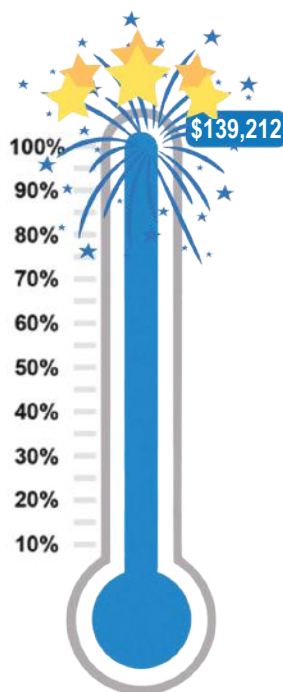
But we're not done yet! As of August 14, we are \$2,092 over our ACA goal amount in payments. The dollars paid over the goal amount will be refunded to us for our own parish-specific renovation and repair projects. So let's keep going. Please continue to fulfill all outstanding pledges. Make all pledge payments by or before December 31, 2023.

Thank you for your generosity!



2023 ACA GOAL: \$114,568

Total dollars pledged
exceeds our goal by 21%



Total dollars paid so far
exceeds our goal by 2%.

