

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. (use Queens Blvd church entrance)

ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Monday through Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Mondays after the 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

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, August 21

Saint Pius X

8 a.m. Maria Felecian Nazareth

12:05 p.m. Juan Sebastian Padilla

5 p.m. Msgr. Joseph A. Funaro [8th anniversary]

Sunday, August 22

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, August 23

Saint Rose of Lima

8 a.m. Lawrence Doyle

12:05 p.m. Anton Feretic [anniversary]

Tuesday, August 24

Saint Bartholomew

8 a.m. Herlinda Manrique

12:05 p.m. Giuseppina and Antonino Sciacca

Wednesday, August 25

Saint Louis

Saint Joseph Calasanz

8 a.m. Lucia E. Lett

12:05 p.m. Aldo Arcomano

Thursday, August 26

8 a.m. Lucia E. Lett

12:05 p.m. Martha and Guy Sironneau

Friday, August 27

Saint Monica

8 a.m. Lucia E. Lett

12:05 p.m. German Vega

Saturday, August 28

Saint Augustine

8 a.m. Carmelita Bolisay

12:05 p.m. Carlos Linares

5 p.m. Deceased members of the De Luca family

Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Sonia Baxter, Donald Begola, Taylor Calder, Geraldine Casserly, Martha Catel, MaryRose Crow, Tracy Cuva, Maria Daulo, John DiBiasi, Melinda DiMurro, Brian Donohue, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Helen F. Flores, Pat Gmerek, Alex Gutierrez, Graciela Guzman, Elizabeth Hansen, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Bob Keegan, Julie Lee, Herbert Lempel M.D., Ann Longobardi, Jason M., Artur Mavashev, Ferbian T. Penaflor, Maureen Piatt, Beatriz Sainz, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Tony Simomes, James F. Smith, Robert Sorsaia, Remington Stafford, Lacey Straeghtly, Edith Scudellari, Sen Trinh, Jorge Vasilescu, Maria Viesta, Lyle Vestermark, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Because of space constraints we must periodically update our sick list. Names will be removed after six (6) months, unless our office is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Main Events of the Week

Tuesday, August 24

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

Thursday, August 26

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

Thursday Devotions Resume on September 9

Saturday, August 28

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

Church Repairs and Changes to Weekday Schedule for August

During sanctuary renovations, the church will be open only for the celebration of daily Mass at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. All other weekday activities in the church outside of Mass times are suspended until Labor Day week.

Confessions will be heard in the rectory office on Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m. until Labor Day week. Saturday Confessions only will be in the church at 12:45 p.m.

Thursday Devotions, with Exposition/Adoration in the afternoon and Benediction at 7:30 p.m., will resume on September 9.

Thank you for understanding.



Remember Our Deceased

Rev. Joseph Koterski, S.J.

Anncarol Macho

Stanislawa Maciag



Sr. Lilly Mendonca

Munda Torres

Filomena Yu

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, 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.**

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, at disabilities.olqm@gmail.com, to make your special needs known.

This Week's Reflection from Catholic Social Teaching

Summer with the Saints: Saint Augustine (Feast Day August 28th)

A Christian is: a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks, and a hand through which Christ helps. (St. Augustine)

REFLECT: “There are many kinds of alms, by giving of which we assist to procure the pardon of our sins.... But none of those is greater than to forgive from the heart a sin that has been committed against us. For it is a comparatively small thing to wish well to, or even to do good to, a man who has done no evil to you. It is a much higher thing, and is the result of the most exalted goodness, to love your enemy, and always to wish well to, and when you have the opportunity, to do good to, the man who wishes you ill, and, when he can, does you harm. This is to obey the command of God: ‘Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which persecute you.’

“But seeing that this is a frame of mind only reached by the perfect sons of God, and that though every believer ought to strive after it, and by prayer to God and earnest struggling with himself endeavor to bring his soul up to this standard, yet a degree of goodness so high can hardly belong to so great a multitude as we believe are heard when they use this petition, ‘Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;’ in view of all this, it cannot be doubted that the implied undertaking is fulfilled if a man, though he has not yet attained to loving his enemy, yet, when asked by one who has sinned against him to forgive him his sin, does forgive him from his heart.” (St. Augustine, Enchiridion)

ACT: Pray for your enemies (see Luke 6:27-29).

LEARN: Watch Bishop Barron on the importance of St. Augustine at <https://bit.ly/3hljL2E>. Read St. Augustine’s Confessions at <https://bit.ly/3h3EM2X>. For a shorter biography, see <https://bit.ly/3jsa2dE>.

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

Catch Deacon Greg on EWTN This Week

Deacon Greg Kandra will appear on “At Home with Jim and Joy” on segments to air **August 25 & 26**. EWTN is on Spectrum channel 460; Fios channel 285. If you’d like to watch, the program airs Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays @ 1:30 p.m. ET; Fridays @ 11 a.m. (Wednesday’s Encore); and Saturday @ 11 a.m. (Thursday’s Encore).

Order of Mass Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Times

Cycle B

ENTRANCE

Missal #203—“God, We Praise You”

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

FIRST READING

Book of Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:21-32

GOSPEL

John 6:60-69

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #404—“Earthen Vessels”

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #592—“Your Words Are Spirit and Life”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #537—“O God Beyond All Praising”

Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Livestream

ourladyqueenofmartys.org/webcast

Daily Mass Online

8 a.m. & 12 p.m. Livestream Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

- » Today’s second collection is for grounds maintenance. There is also an envelope for CCD and Religious Ed Programs.
- » Sunday, August 29, the second collection will be for Adult Religious Education. There is also an envelope for giving to the Summer Missionary appeal.
- » Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (ourladyqueenofmartys.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.



2022 Mass Book Open

Contact or visit the rectory during business hours.



PHOTOS—*Courtesy Deacon Greg Kanda*



Walking “To Jesus Through Mary”

The Marian symbol newly impressed in the cement on the church plaza is to remind us of our church’s dedicated to Mary.

The elements of the engraved design on the pavement capture major Marian themes. First is the Miraculous Medal cross, which represents Christ’s sacrifice for our salvation. The bar under the cross that runs through the letter “M” stands for Mary and her presence at the foot of the cross. Above the Miraculous Medal cross is engraved an additional symbol — a crown, which represents Mary’s title as Queen of Heaven.

The engraving was originally slated to be done in summer 2022, but because the sidewalk on Ascan Avenue needed attention this year, the project was advanced. After the heat tracers for winter were embedded in the cement, a local artist added the engraving. The design was suggested by Father Passenant, but he says this creative project took but a “committee of one—the Holy Spirit—to be acted on and executed.” And it has turned out beautifully. Deacon Greg notes that the engraving on the pavement on entry to the church further signifies that Mary shows us the way to Jesus.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Registration for Fall Sessions **OPEN NOW**

If you are interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers.

To find out more and to sign up for sessions that begin in September, please contact us at 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. You may also complete and return the information and inquiry form available at: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/rcia



Livestream Schedule

For the sick, home-bound, and travelers, we livestream the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Masses every Sunday. If you miss a livestream broadcast, the entirety of the Sunday Mass will be available on demand at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast using the “past livestreams” link.

HELP US KEEP THE CHURCH CLUTTER-FREE:

Please do not leave in the church any religious materials or items that you receive in your personal mail. If you do not want these items, you can dispose of them as you would your other unwanted mail. Thank you for complying and helping to keep the church clean.



Parish Feast Day Celebration



**SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, September 15
(Our Lady of Sorrows)**

An Evening Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

Praying with St. Joseph in the Year of St. Joseph

*"Support in Difficulties, Mirror of Patience,
Comfort of the Sorrowing"*

*We invite you to join Bishop Sanchez and our parish clergy to
thank St. Joseph for interceding for us as a parish family.*

*The evening with St. Joseph is arranged by
OLQM's Catholic Social Action Committee*

Summer Missionary Weekend



LoveandCareMission.org

August 28/29 at all Masses

Fr. Vijayan Joseph of **Love and Care Mission Inc.** (LCM) will make the summer mission appeal at all Sunday Masses next week at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. Please be warm and welcoming to him and as generous as possible in offering support to LCM's cause using the Summer Missionary envelope.

Love and Care Mission is a nonprofit, tax-exempt, Catholic organization in New York State whose ministry is based on Jesus' mission of healing the sick, comforting the afflicted, and bringing the good news of salvation to all! LCM is committed to alleviating the sufferings of the poorest of the poor and needy in the developing world. It provides assistance without discrimination through HIV/AIDS programs, orphan children programs, homes for the aged, drinking water projects, and programs that allow poor students to keep going to school. Last year LCM helped over 6,800 children in India, Nigeria, Kenya, and Ghana.

Thank you for your participation and prayers for all missions and especially for the beneficiaries of Love and Care Mission.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

| | August 15 |
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| Candle Offerings | \$ 1,225.00 |
| 1st Collection | 7,354.00 |
| 2nd Collection (<i>Religious Education</i>) | 1,163.00 |
| The Assumption of the BVM | 2,729.00 |
| <u><i>In-Church Subtotal</i></u> | <u>12,471.00</u> |
| Mail In | 2,448.00 |
| Parish Giving Online | 4,084.60 |
| <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>19,003.60</u> |
| Weekly Income Needs* | 21,250.00 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | (2,246.40) |

*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. You may speak directly to Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251. Additional information on leaving a legacy gift is available at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

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Planned Giving to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Thank you for your gracious support of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church. May we invite you to confer our Church in your planned future giving? We want to share information that reminds us of the tax advantages of naming our Church as a beneficiary in our retirement plans. Jeanne Farnan Mulry of the Catholic Foundation assists parishes in their ministry of serving God's people. She can assist you with the suggestions made for "Leaving a Lasting Legacy" (see box below). You may also speak directly with Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at the rectory (718-268-6251). As always, we are grateful for your support and prayers.

—Bishop Sanchez and Father Passenant

Leave a Lasting Legacy with a Gift from Your Retirement Plan

All IRAs, 401(k)s and other retirement plans have beneficiary pages. Because leaving these plans to children can result in a large percentage going to taxes, you may want to consider naming the parish endowment fund as a beneficiary of your retirement plan. It will be a charitable gift so no taxes are due on the gift. You can even leave just a percentage of the retirement plan to the parish endowment fund. For information about changing your beneficiaries on retirement plans or other legacy planning ideas, contact:

Jeanne Farnan Mulry
Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens
Email: jmulry@cfbq.org | Tel. 718.965.7375 x1621

Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Parish Goal: **\$114,568**

Pledged: **\$139,554** Paid: **\$109,474**

as of 8/16/2021

To date, 366 parishioners have made a financial gift or pledge to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. We are SO CLOSE—at 95% of goal in funds received and on target, we hope, to bring the 2021 Appeal to a successful conclusion by Labor Day. THANK YOU! *Please fulfill your pledges. Paid funds received above goal come back to our parish!*

We are still accepting donations if you would like to help. Use an ACA envelope from church and drop it in the collection basket or, to donate online, text ACA to 917-336-1255.



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



Faith Sharing at OLQM

Group meetings resume after Labor Day

Sunday Morning Bible Study, Monday Evening Bible Study, and Friday Evening Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group all welcome new members. Stay tuned for announcements about new meeting dates in September. If you have interest or questions about their activities, visit our website for contact information:

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/faith-sharing-groups

Bereavement Support Is Available

The parish bereavement support group offers spiritual support, help, and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. We are nonjudgmental and respect privacy in all aspects of grieving. Meetings are the **1st and 3rd Mondays** of the month (except on Monday holiday weekends). Future meeting dates: **September 20, October 4 & 18, November 1 & 15, December 6 & 20. Location to be announced.** Contact bereavement support group facilitator and Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle (ymizelle@nyc.rr.com) for more information. An RSVP is required, especially if attending a meeting for the first time.

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes

Outdoor Flea Market at St. Nicholas of Tolentino Parish (150-75 Goethals Ave., Jamaica). Weekends through November 20/21. The flea market is located in the St. Nicholas church parking lot. Admission and parking are free. For information, phone 718-591-1815.

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