

August 16, 2020 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Our restored nave with new lighting, clean floors, and new kneelers

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**

Return to Church Sunday

Masses at 5 p.m. (Sat), 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m.

*After nine weeks of major repairs to the church interior,
we once again celebrate Mass in the church.*

WATCH SUNDAY MASS AT ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org



WELCOME!

Sound-enhancing assistive listening device is available if you have trouble hearing during Mass. Visit the sacristy for information.

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
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 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(Holy Day, but No Obligation This Year)

8 a.m. Manuel Paz [anniversary]

12:05 p.m. Michael Mancino

5 p.m. Maria Cuadrado

Sunday, August 16

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, August 17

8 a.m. Michael F. Mancino [anniversary]

12:05 p.m. Michael F. Mancino [anniversary]

Tuesday, August 18

8 a.m. Robert Peter Ballerini

12:05 p.m. Anthony Feretic

Wednesday, August 19

Saint John Eudes

8 a.m. Fernando Luis Cardenas

12:05 p.m. Ender Valeria Bodok

Thursday, August 20

Saint Bernard

8 a.m. Fernando Luis Cardenas

12:05 p.m. Clara Samniego

Friday, August 21

Saint Pius X

8 a.m. Paulinea Guballa [living]

12:05 p.m. Domenico Laudani

Saturday, August 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8 a.m. Manuel Torres De Asis, Sr.

12:05 p.m. Giuseppina and Antonino Sciacca

5 p.m. Anton Feretic [anniversary]

Main Events of the Week

Saturday, August 15

~ RETURN TO THE RENOVATED CHURCH ~

12:05 p.m., church: Mass for the

Feast of the Assumption

5 p.m., church: Mass and Celebration of

RCIA Sacraments of Initiation

Sunday, August 16

3 p.m., church: Wedding

Jacqueline Lavin and Gaetano Semilia

Daily Masses this week at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.
will be celebrated in the Convent Chapel

Rectory Summer Hours

Monday & Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.)

Rectory closed on Friday

Please wear a face mask when visiting

Confession Times (until further notice)

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.

Saturdays at 12:45 p.m. inside rectory door

Saturday, August 22

3 p.m., church: Wedding

Lisbeth Ascosta and Jonathan Rodriguez

The Sanctuary Lamp
is offered in loving memory of
Guy and Martha Sironneau

Remember Our Sick

Blanche Aepli, Joseph and Mary Augustine, Donald Begola, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Mark Bradley, Joseph Buatta, Susan Campbell, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, MaryAnn Cornell, Irene Cucurella, Tracy Cuva, Danielle D'Agostino, Norman Doucette, Carol Drew-Dwyer, Elizabeth Anne Dwyer, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Nancy Feldman, Stephanie Feldman, Estrela Feliciano, Michael Flannery, Alice Fromer, Ogan Gates, Kathleen and Brian Gordon, Pat Gmerek, Cathie Greulich, Paulina Guballa, Alexander Gutierrez, Philip Hassialis, Sean Harrison, Giles Houghton, Sandy Imperante, Michael H. Jordan, Migdalia Leon, Maria Leon Santiago, James Lung, Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Rosemary Parente, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Dennis Roberts, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Nick Spaventa, Fr. Radu Titonea, Maria Viesta, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Remember Our Deceased

Maureen Mahoney

Amparo Montoya

Munda Torres

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, Jean-Marc Moise, Brian Quinn, Justin Pabse, Adam Rearick, Rodney Ross, McNeely Royal, Victoria Tissler-Bacca, Charles Torres, Jose J. Vaz, Mollie Rae Whitley, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley, Jeff Zabala. **Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections and military personnel.**

WELCOME! 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 the OLQM Social Action Committee

On the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

REFLECT: The Solemnity of the Assumption celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. The Catechism explains that Mary "was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven, where she already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his Body" (CCC, 974).

Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is 'to be with Christ'" (CCC, 1025).

We can see how, throughout her life, the Blessed Mother continually chose to go deeper into her relationship with God. She modeled how to value and respect His precious gift of human life, from the moment of conception to its natural end. In the Annunciation, through her "yes," Mary witnessed to the undeniable humanity of unborn children as she conceived and carried the Christ child in her womb. After the Annunciation, having learned that her cousin Elizabeth was with child, she went in haste to her aid.

ACT: Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live today can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. Consider the following: Are we open to God's precious gift of new life? How do we support expectant mothers and parents of young children? Do we prioritize showing our love and care for loved ones who are ill or aging?

LEARN: Read Pope Francis's August 2019 Angelus on the [Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#). Watch Scott Hahn's [YouTube video](#) reflection on the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To learn more about the legislative issues that impact us as Catholics and how you can express your opinions to our elected officials, we also encourage you to sign up for "Action Alerts" from the New York State Catholic Conference at www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center.



Order of Mass Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

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

"Amazing Grace"

COMMUNION

"I Received the Living God"

CLOSING HYMN

"O God, Almighty Father"

Communion is distributed during exit

Watch Sunday Mass Online

Video recording of the Sunday Mass at OLQM is viewable on our church website

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Watch Daily Mass Online

Livestreamed from the

Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph in Brooklyn at

netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for Religious Education.
- » Sunday, August 23, the second collection will be for grounds maintenance. There is also an envelope for CCD and Religious Ed programs.
- » Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope. At our online Parish Giving portal, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu.
- » For [online Parish Giving](#) technical support, call 866-307-7140, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass Online at OLQM

We video record the 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass each week and post it online Sunday morning by 8 a.m. to watch from home on our website (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org) or the [parish YouTube channel](#). A direct link to the prerecorded Mass is also be made available every Sunday on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/olqmchurch. Please like and share and encourage others to join us at Mass!

Major Church Repair 2020

Parishioner Report #9

by Fr. Francis Passenant, Administrator

The Major Repair Project of 2020 nears completion as the new kneelers were installed this past week. We are very grateful for God's blessings for the success of our labors during this project. The contractors were appreciative to have work immediately after such a long time being idle because of the pandemic. Of course, the prayerful and financial support of our parishioners over the years to the many fundraising initiatives made this project possible.

Today's pictures show the scaffolding in the sanctuary as the wall restoration project moved to that area of the church. The beautiful reredos has been cleaned and touched up and the lighting enhanced to match the new lighting in the nave.

The confession rooms on the St. Mary side were refreshed with new carpeting and those on the St. Joseph side received new drapery as the existing drapes are over 80 years old. The braiding and cross above each

confessional was highlighted. The final touches will include cleaning the bronze gates on each side of the altar rails as well as refurbishing the holy water fonts at each door.

Last week the outside projects—repairs to the entrance steps of the church, rectory, and convent as well as the last phase of the 72nd Road cement project, delayed by weather and permit challenges—both got under way.

The parishioners in the 1912 who founded this parish supported and built our beautiful parish buildings through their prayers and sacrifices. The same can be said of our present-day parishioners who want to pass down to the next generation the viable parish they have received.

May God, through the intercession of Mary under her title as "the Queen of Martyrs," continue his blessing upon us.



The sanctuary under restoration.



Enhanced confessional exterior. The interiors were refreshed with paint and new carpet.

DAILY MASSES WILL MOVE TO THE RENOVATED CHURCH STARTING
MONDAY, AUGUST 24 AT 8 A.M. AND 12:05 P.M.

For the Well-Being of All

When Attending Mass . . .

- Wear a face mask (required).
- Bring your own hand sanitizer or wear gloves
- Use the bathroom at home before coming to Mass.
- Arrive 20 minutes before Mass start time.
- Use designated entrance only.
- Remain six feet apart.
- Follow the usher's instructions on seating, Communion distribution, and exiting.
- If you do not feel well, continue to pray in the privacy of your home and watch Sunday Mass at OLQM on our website.

Thank You for Cooperating!

Religious Ed Registration Ongoing for 2020–2021 School Year

Registration is open and online at our parish website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re. Children's religious education at OLQM is for students grades 1–8 and high school students up to age 16. Each family is asked to complete the online registration form. Fees are \$130 for one child, \$180 for two children, \$200 for three children. For students receiving First Communion, there is an additional fee of \$50 for sacramental preparation; for students receiving Confirmation the additional fee is \$90. For new students, parents must also submit a copy of the child's Baptism certificate to olqmreled@gmail.com.



For information or questions about the 2020–2021 academic year at OLQM Catholic Academy (nursery through K-7), please visit the academy website: www.OLQMCA.org

Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others?

You may be interested in (1) Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10–11AM, discussing St. John's Gospel. To join, contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com. (2) Tuesday Evenings, 6:30–8PM, there's a program called *Through the Word*. To join, contact Joseph Terry: josephterry@gmail.com.

VOCATION THOUGHT: "Woman, you have great faith." It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon, or priest? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

	August 9
1st Collection	\$1,922.00
2nd Collection (<i>air conditioning</i>)	747.50
Catch-Up Envelope	260.00
Academy building maintenance	337.50
<u>Subtotal McL Hall (256 attending)</u>	<u>3,267.00</u>
Mail In/Lobby Box	3,758.00
Catch-up Envelope	4,445.00
Online Parish Giving	6,253.03
TOTAL	17,723.03
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,526.97)

* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Weekly figures are 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. Contact Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251.

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Annual Catholic
Appeal 2020

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**WE ARE THE CHURCH,
TOGETHER**

DID YOU KNOW? OLQM came in third place in last year's Annual Catholic Appeal out of 112 parishes. We missed second place by only \$100! Let's come in first place this year!

Gifts made to the Annual Catholic Appeal bring support to tens of thousands of residents in Brooklyn and Queens through key programs, ministries, and services administered by the Diocese of Brooklyn, including Catholic Charities and Catholic Migration Services. These programs can only serve those in need if we all come together, working as one family of faith.

The current public health situation makes Annual Catholic Appeal funding even more important as people are in need of spiritual, physical, emotional, or economic support during this crisis.

We are halfway to our 2020 parish goal of \$100,000—for which we are very grateful, since this is a very difficult year. Please help us reach our total goal and please make a contribution to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal. All gifts are payable through December 31. Visit our website for instructions on how to give online:

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal

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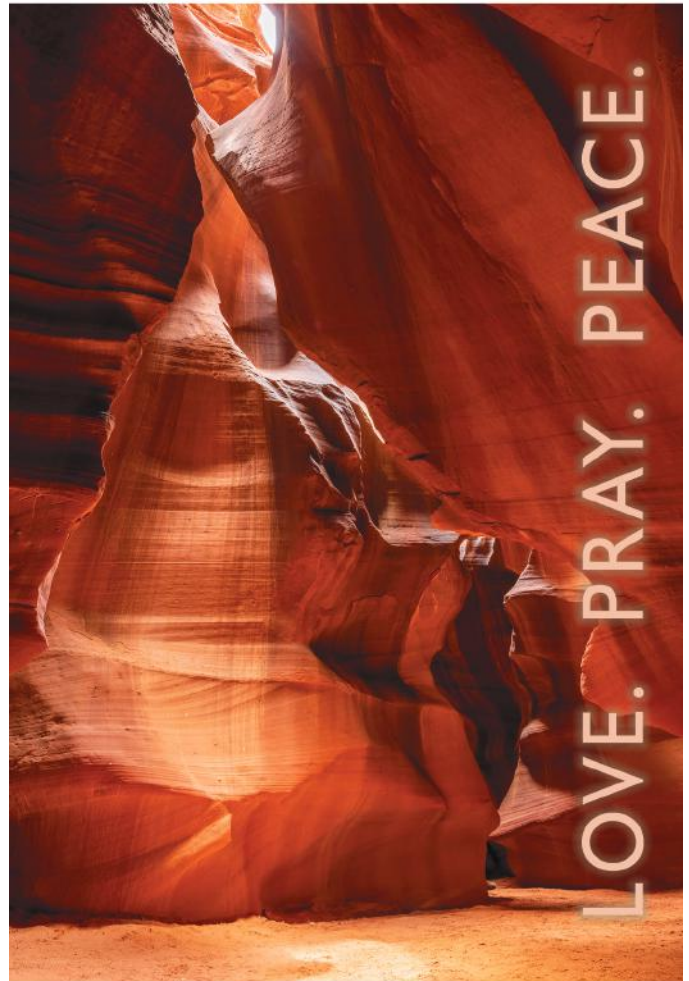


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YouTube.com/user/OLQMStewardship

Just like water finds its way
through the rock,
we will carve a new path
together.



As we carve a new path towards the future, let's embrace the stability and consistency provided through online giving.

As a country in flux, the desire for simplicity is paramount. Our Lady Queen of Martyrs has partnered with Parish Giving to provide a solid foundation for our stewardship program. Visit our website today to sign up ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

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