

August 2, 2020 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



The main portion of the church floor is ready for the return of the pews. Major Repairs report on page 4.

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**

~ **During Church Repairs** ~

Daily Masses in Convent Chapel

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

Sunday Masses in McLaughlin Hall

5 p.m. (Sat), 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m and 1 p.m.

Watch the 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.

GIVE NOW

Scan this QR Code with your smartphone for easy, secure online parish giving. Thank you.



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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 1

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Maria Forero

5 p.m. Sarah Serigano

Sunday, August 2

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, August 3

8 a.m. Thomas Trott

12:05 p.m. Manuel Miguel

Tuesday, August 4

St. John Vianney

8 a.m. In Honor of St. Jude

12:05 p.m. In Honor of St. John Vianney

Wednesday, August 5

Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

8 a.m. Marie England

12:05 p.m. Antoine Lakah

Thursday, August 6

Transfiguration of the Lord

8 a.m. Muriel De Maria [anniversary]

12:05 p.m. Christine Evangelista

Friday, August 7

Saint Sixtus II

8 a.m. Annabella and Louis Sorsaia

12:05 p.m. Luz Marina Penagos

Saturday, August 8

Saint Dominic

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Anne and Henry Jennings

5 p.m. Joseph Grosso

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, 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, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Dennis Roberts, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Nick Spaventa, Maria Viesta, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Remember Our Deceased

Simone Bony
Anna Caccavalla
John Dumbra
Nelson Fulay



John Monaghan
Richard A. Santelli
Gandaye Sebretth
Jose Luis Trigo

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.**

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, August 2 to Saturday, August 8

Thank you for your prayers and patience while repairs continue in the main church building.

Rectory is open again!

Monday–Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday–Thursday–Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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

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

Mass Times

Daily Masses (Mon–Sat)

8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Celebrated in the Convent Chapel

Sunday Masses

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

Celebrated in McLaughlin Hall

At all Masses, we will follow CDC procedures for the safety of all during the pandemic

Devotions

Church lobby is open for private prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, August 4 Concludes the St. John Vianney Novena

(see page 5 for information on how to find the novena prayer booklet online)

August Blood Drive @ Nearby St. Margaret's Parish
See page 6

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

On the Dignity of Older People

From the OLQM Social Action Committee

Reflect: There is a beautifully balanced relationship between young people and the elderly; each can meet the needs of the other.

In a rapidly changing world, society demands productivity. Youth innocently embraces these demands for speed and efficiency, often sacrificing compassion for those who fail to display their own attitude and behavior. Many also desire to give something to the world. They bring their talents to live their lives differently than previous generations

Elders have invested their years in building skills and knowledge and to achieve their goals. The elderly, called “the guardians of the collective memory” by Pope John Paul II, possess wisdom developed from life’s lessons earned meeting the demands of reality. For this they deserve our care and respect.

Wisdom benefits both youth and the elderly, who have answers to the struggles of young people and an understanding of values such as hope and patience.

Learn: Read the document from the Vatican’s Pontifical Council for the Laity on “[Dignity of Older People and Their Mission in the Church and in the World.](#)”

Act: There is a win-win situation in intergenerational friendships. Developing a bond between people of different ages grows within us not only a spirit of giving, but nurtures in our soul the seeds of wisdom.

In this time of corona virus mitigation, we can learn from the elderly that patience with the social and lifestyle restrictions can reward us with a future, one with just respect and understanding. Seek out the elderly, and their wisdom.

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.

Online Sunday Mass 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. Watch on our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org or the [parish YouTube channel](#). A direct link to the prerecorded Mass will 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!

Order of Mass

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

FIRST READING—*Isaiah 55:1-3*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SECOND READING—*Romans 8:35, 37-39*

GOSPEL—*Matthew 14:13-21*

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 Major Repairs. Sunday, August 9, the second collection will be air conditioning; there is also an envelope for maintenance for the OLQM Academy building.

» 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.

Ushers & Lectors
Leaders of Song

WE THANK EVERY ONE OF YOU
WHO IS WITH US TODAY!

Major Church Repair 2020 - Parishioner Report #7

by Fr. Francis Passenant, Administrator

The congregational areas of the church are almost ready!

The vast section of the floor under the pews is completed (*pictured on the bulletin cover*) but the aisle across the front of the church still needs to be sealed and polished and the sanctuary has been left for a later date in the near future.

Our church was the first floor repair job undertaken by the company hired after the lifting of the construction ban during the pandemic. Since the company's backlog was so great, we concentrated on the congregational areas to get back the use of the seating for Sunday Mass.

The rest of the floor will be completed in the weeks before the end of the year. There will be no need to close the church on weekends to complete the floor project and we can use the convent chapel for weekday Masses again when needed. This allows us to now bring in the different company we've engaged to anchor the pews back in place.

Return of the pews: The return of the pews to their permanent place has begun; as you read this, the work should be halfway completed. The new kneelers will be installed as the final stage of the congregational seating plan. The restorative work on the walls around the church's beautiful stained glass windows and the wall below the choir loft should also be completed by the time you read this article. The Stations of the Cross have been refreshed as well as some of the decorative features highlighted in today's pictures. The confessionals will be cleaned, varnished, and the curtains replaced.

In short, the entire congregational area has been renovated: floor and walls restored, new kneelers on the pews, and the Stations of the Cross and confessional areas refreshed.

Remaining outdoor projects: Lastly, the pointing of the exterior steps of the church, rectory, and convent buildings has been contracted and work should be done before Labor Day. The front steps of the church and the ramp door on Queens Boulevard will be done first, so they will be available for our return. Please pray for good weather so these outdoor projects can be completed as scheduled.

The 72nd Road sidewalk project started last year has resumed. It was suspended as we got close to the cold weather last autumn. The winter weather and the COVID-19 bans of the spring delayed the completion of this job. It should take about a week, depending on the weather. Please enter and exit the schoolyard from Ascan Avenue only until this work is completed.

My hope is that, barring any unforeseen delays, **we should be able to announce in next Sunday's bulletin a date to return to worship in the church.** MORE NEXT WEEK.



Pictured—*The church's interior walls are cleaned and brightened, including the Stations of the Cross artwork on the walls.*



St. John Vianney Novena Concludes August 4

Please make one of these seminarians from our diocese your prayer intention. A prayer booklet can be found at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/st-john-vianney-novena.

Alex Olszewski	Marcos Acosta
Alvaro Morales	Marcos Gonzalez
Benoit Chavanne	Nicholas Clemente
Brendon Harfmann	Paolo Quaglioni
Caetano Moura	Patrice Legoute
Cairo Lopez III	Paul Zwolak
Callistus Ibeh	Paulo Oliveira
Elvis Toribro	Paulo Salazar
Erik Winkelmann	Randy Nguyen
Ernesto Alonso	Regis Philogene
Eusebius Eze	Rev. Mr. Elvin Torres
Fritznel Mertyl	Rev. Mr. Joseph Tran
Gerardo Tlatelpa	Rev. Mr. Robinson Olivares
Jeremie Tsonya	Samuel Mwiwawi
Joseph Danzi	Stephen Jankowski
Joseph Hadzovic	Thibaut Sardet
Joseph Siano	Thimote Cherelus
Juan Herrera	Thomas Thornton
Juan Luna	Timothy Johnson
Kevin Dell'Osso	Tobechukwu Offiah
Louis de Rohan	Vincent Vu
Luis Marquez	Yerson Chinchilla

Support Catholic Education

Dear Parishioners,

I encourage you to express your support of Catholic education by visiting the website of the New York State Catholic Conference and sending the message found there to our elected officials. I appreciate your concern for Catholic schools and academies. The easy steps you can take are explained below. Thank you.—Bishop Sanchez

The action needed is time-sensitive and concerns Catholic school families receiving equitable access to federal COVID-19 funding assistance. Please go to:

www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center

Enter your name, email, and address. Select your diocese. Use the Compose Your Message form; there is a prewritten email ready to be delivered to your U.S. senators and congressional representatives. To complete, click Send Message.



** SECURITY INCIDENT **

An unfortunate incident happened in the church lobby on July 26 around the noon hour. The collection box set up to accept cash and envelopes was broken into and the contents taken. No one was harmed; the incident was caught on videotape and reported. If you left a check in the box between July 20 and July 26, we are advising that you contact your bank and put a stop payment on the check. We are taking action to better protect the box.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

	July 26
1st Collection	\$2,373.00
2nd Collection (grounds maintenance)	601.00
Catch-Up Envelope	73.00
<u>Subtotal McL Hall (239 attending)</u>	<u>3,047.00</u>
Mail In/Lobby Box	2,427.00
Catch-up Envelope	3,930.00
Online Parish Giving	4,359.19
TOTAL	13,763.19
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(7,486.81)

* 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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OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

DEANERY CORNER

A place for news & events at nearby parishes

BLOOD DRIVE ♦ **Sunday, August 16th, 9AM to 3PM, St. Margaret's Parish Hall** (66-05 79 Place, Middle Village). Since the pandemic, blood drives have almost completely stopped. New York City now has an alarmingly low blood supply. Donors **MUST** schedule an appointment by calling **800-933-2566** or using the [NY Blood Center's donor portal](#) (search by zip 11375 and you'll find St. Margaret's nearby). Read the NY Blood Center safety protocols: www.nybc.org/donate-blood/covid-19-and-blood-donation-copy.

If you call to make an appointment to participate in the blood drive, you may also want to ask the NY Blood Center about their program to collect convalescent plasma from those recovering from COVID-19.

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!

2020–2021 School Year

Religious Education Registration

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.

Adult Confirmation and RCIA

We want all who want to form a connection with our Church to feel welcome. If you have questions about classes for Adult Confirmation, contact RCIA—Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults—please contact us. Email olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. Your call will be returned.



Student Honors

Congratulations to these students from our parish for their attaining Honor Roll status at **ST. FRANCIS PREPARATORY SCHOOL**:

Zara Abraham	David Nasser
Madelena Browne	Nathaly Perezmalonado
Gabriel Joseph	Jolai Rodriguez
Marqus Mcintosh	Esmeralda Vulaj
Daniel Morales	

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.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2020
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN/QUEENS

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! We are halfway to our goal of \$100,000, which we are very grateful for, since this is a very difficult year. Help us reach our goal. Please make a pledge. All ACA gifts are payable through December 31.

Visit our website for instructions on how to give online:

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal