

August 30, 2020 - Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



*Bishop Sanchez's coat of arms appears above one of the interior side doors*

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**

**SUNDAY MASSES**  
Saturday: 5 p.m.  
Sunday: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**  
8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**  
Vigil Mass at 7 p.m.  
Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

## **\* UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE \***

**DAILY MASSES at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. will be celebrated in the Convent Chapel**

CONFESSIONS: Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m. inside rectory door

WATCH SUNDAY MASS AT [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://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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Thank you.



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**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Wednesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday closed  
(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 29*

**Passion of Saint John the Baptist**

8 a.m. Monica Romany

12:05 p.m. Carlos J. Linares

5 p.m. Juan Hernandez

*Sunday, August 30*

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

*Monday, August 31*

8 a.m. Indira, Krystal and Abad Ally-Singh [living]

12:05 p.m. John Bonavita

*Tuesday, September 1*

8 a.m. Annabella Sorsaia

12:05 p.m. Myron Schober

*Wednesday, September 2*

8 a.m. Jim Burns

12:05 p.m. Juan Resto

*Thursday, September 3*

**Saint Gregory the Great**

8 a.m. James Craig

12:05 p.m. Marvin Goldfarb [living]

*Friday, September 4*

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Alex Maher

*Saturday, September 5*

**Saint Teresa of Calcutta**

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Jeffrey Brian Chan

5 p.m. Elizabeth Mikitik, Anthony and Anna Wilfinger

## 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, 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, Dr. Ajay Lodha, 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

## Main Events of the Week

*Daily Masses (until further notice)*

Monday through Saturday Masses

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

will be celebrated in the Convent Chapel while restorative work in the church continues

*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

Bereavement meetings resume via Zoom in September. See page 4.



**The Sanctuary Lamp**  
is offered in loving memory of  
**Octavio and Kathleen Pomara**  
—requested by Vita Macciace

## Remember Our Deceased

Inez Yolanda Bosch  
Dr. Robert Cospito  
James T. DeLuca  
Richard Erlanger



Msgr. D. Joseph Finnerty  
Francis Fitzpatrick  
Robert Heyer

## 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

### **The USCCB on Stewardship**

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another  
as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10)*

**REFLECT:** "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members—the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church... so, stewardship in an ecclesial setting means cherishing and fostering the gifts of all, while using one's own gifts to serve the community of faith. The rich tradition of tithing set forth in the Old Testament is an expression of this... Those who set their hearts upon spiritual gifts must 'seek to have an abundance for building up the church' (1 Cor 14:12).

"But how is the Church built up? In a sense there are as many answers to that question as there are individual members with individual vocations. But the overarching answer for all is this: through personal participation in and support of the Church's mission of proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying.

"This participation takes different forms according to people's different gifts and offices, but there is a fundamental obligation arising from the sacrament of Baptism that people place their gifts, their resources—their selves—at God's service in and through the Church. Here also Jesus is the model. Even though his perfect self-emptying is unique, it is within the power of disciples, and a duty, that they be generous stewards of the Church, giving freely of their time, talent, and treasure" (from USCCB's Stewardship: A Disciple's Response).

**ACT:** Create a plan of stewardship and development. Consider, how will I grow as a disciple by giving of my time, talent, and treasure?

**LEARN:** Read the USCCB's [Stewardship: A Disciple's Response—A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship](#). We also recommend you view the YouTube video, [What Is Stewardship?](#)

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](http://www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center).



## **Order of Mass**

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **ENTRANCE**

"Praise to the Lord"

**FIRST READING**—*Jeremiah 20:7-9*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

**SECOND READING**—*Romans 12:1-2*

**GOSPEL**—*Matthew 16:21-27*

### **HOMILY**

### **OFFERTORY**

"Amazing Grace"

### **COMMUNION**

"I Received the Living God"

### **CLOSING HYMN**

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

*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](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

### **Watch Daily Mass Online**

Livestreamed from the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph in Brooklyn at

[netny.tv/masses](http://netny.tv/masses)

## **Second Collections**

- » Today's second collection is for Adult Religious Ed. See page 4 for update on the envelope for the Summer Missionary collection.
- » Sunday, September 6, the second collection will be for Pastoral Care. There is also an envelope for Catholic University of America.
- » Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund: [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope](http://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](http://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](http://www.facebook.com/olqmchurch). Please like and share and encourage others to join us at Mass!

# Major Church Repairs 2020 Parishioner Report #11

by Fr. Francis Passenant, Administrator

Last week's report ended with a cliff-hanger. The decoration of the medallions, which appear over the rear side doors to the vestibule on Ascan Avenue as you exit, and the decoration of the three shields above the side door leading to Queens Boulevard—these details inside the church were never addressed by previous administrations.

Today's pictures show the newly decorated medallions over the rear side doors. They are the "coat of arms," the symbolic emblems or crests, of the Holy See, presently occupied by Pope Francis, and the other the emblem of the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Since St. Joseph is honored as the patron of the Universal Church, the papal decoration was placed over the rear door facing the St. Joseph altar and the diocesan emblem was placed above the rear door facing the Marian altar,

as the Blessed Mary is honored as the patroness of the Diocese of Brooklyn under her title of "The Immaculate Conception."

The three shields over the ramp exit door to Queens Boulevard show the coat of arms of our diocesan bishop, Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio, D. D., and that of our pastor, Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. The medallion above them has been left blank awaiting the appointment of our new bishop since Bishop DiMarzio has reached the mandatory retirement age. MORE NEXT WEEK.

PICTURED—Next time when visiting church, please observe the newly painted medallions above the interior doors: (1) the Holy See's coat of arms; (2) the Diocese of Brooklyn's crest; (3) Bishop DiMarzio's crest; and (4) Bishop Sanchez's crest.



## BEREAVEMENT AT OLQM

Bereavement services will be resuming via Zoom meetings in September for parishioners of OLQM. For further meeting details, please email Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle ([ymizelle@gmail.com](mailto:yimizelle@gmail.com)).

## RCIA

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Do you need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation?

RCIA is the answer to your spiritual needs. Find out more about the parish RCIA program by contacting us at [olqmrcia@gmail.com](mailto:olqmrcia@gmail.com) OR call us at 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.

## 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 15 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!**

***"What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process."***

Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

**Catholic Charities Call Center: 718-722-6001**

**Monday through Friday, 9AM to 6PM**

If you are in need of assistance, Catholic Charities can help with information about food pantries and mental health counseling over the phone. For other services, visit the website: [www.ccbq.org](http://www.ccbq.org)

## Education at OLQM

### Religious Ed Registration Ongoing for 2020–2021 School Year

Registration is open and online at our parish website at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re](http://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](mailto:olqmreled@gmail.com).

### Catholic Academy Reopening Plans



For information or questions about the 2020–2021 academic year at OLQM Catholic Academy (nursery through K-7), please visit the Reopening Plan page at the academy website at [www.OLQMCA.org](http://www.OLQMCA.org). There is information about the academy's efforts to create and establish protocols and procedures for students, faculty, and staff to safely return to in-person instruction in September.

## KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

### Weekly Collections: August 23

1st Collection	\$4,435.00
2nd Collection ( <i>grounds maintenance</i> )	858.00
CCD & Religious Education	527.00
Catch-Up Envelope	200.00
<i>In-Church Subtotal</i> (402 attending)	6,020.00
Mail In/Lobby Box	2,001.00
Catch-Up Envelope (mailed)	2,320.00
<i>In-Church Total</i>	10,341.00
Online Parish Giving	5,902.19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,243.19</b>
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(5,006.81)

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

## Contact Us

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Emergency (last rites)  
718-810-9788 (after office hours)

OLQM Catholic Academy:  
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Religious Education Office:  
718-263-0907

RCIA Office:  
718-268-6251, ext. 27

OLQM Charity Outreach:  
718-268-6251, ext. 43

### ONLINE

Website:  
[www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

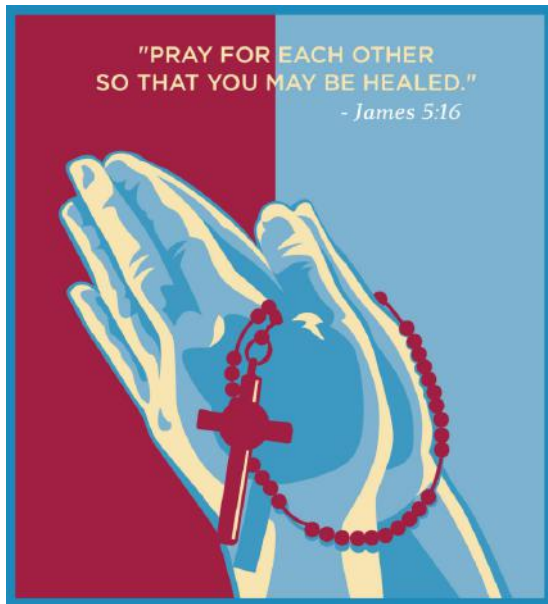
Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:  
[@OLQMChurch](https://www.facebook.com/OLQMChurch)

OLQM Catholic Academy:  
[www.olqmca.org](http://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.



### [DioceseofBrooklyn.org/prayforme](https://DioceseofBrooklyn.org/prayforme)

This online prayer community was built long before we were separated by the COVID-19 virus. By praying for each other and the special intentions we share here, we join in a spiritual communion that strengthens us to continue living a Catholic life.

## About the Special Collections Envelopes

In your offering envelope packet, you received an envelope for August 30th week for the **Summer Missionary** collection. All funds collected through the Summer Missionary envelope go to the Office of the Propagation of Faith. At a future date we hope to have the customary visit to our parish by a Catholic missionary.

Next weekend, September 5/6, we will take a special collection for the **Catholic University of America** in Washington, DC, which is the only institution of higher education in the country founded by the U.S. bishops and chartered by the Vatican. Thank you for your support for Catholic education, educators, and Catholic school families.

## Know Your Rights Workshop

### Facebook Live Event with Catholic Migration Services

**Monday, August 31 @ 6 p.m.**

Catholic Migration Services (CMS) in association with the Queens Public Library is hosting a Facebook live event about the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) immigration program. Visit the Queens Public Library Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/QPLNYC](https://www.facebook.com/QPLNYC)) through Facebook Live. This event will benefit parishioners and friends who may have DACA and their parents who may have questions. Presentation will be given in English, followed by a Q&A session in English and Spanish.

CMS thanks you! May we continue to place our trust in the Lord during this difficult time.



**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 \$100! We are a little behind where we were this time last year. We have about \$35,000 to go toward our 2020 parish goal of \$100,000. We are grateful for all contributions to date, especially since this is a very difficult year financially for many of you.

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.

If you can see your way to make a pledge and fulfill it by the end of the year, we would be very appreciative. Visit our website for instructions on how to give online: [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal](https://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal)