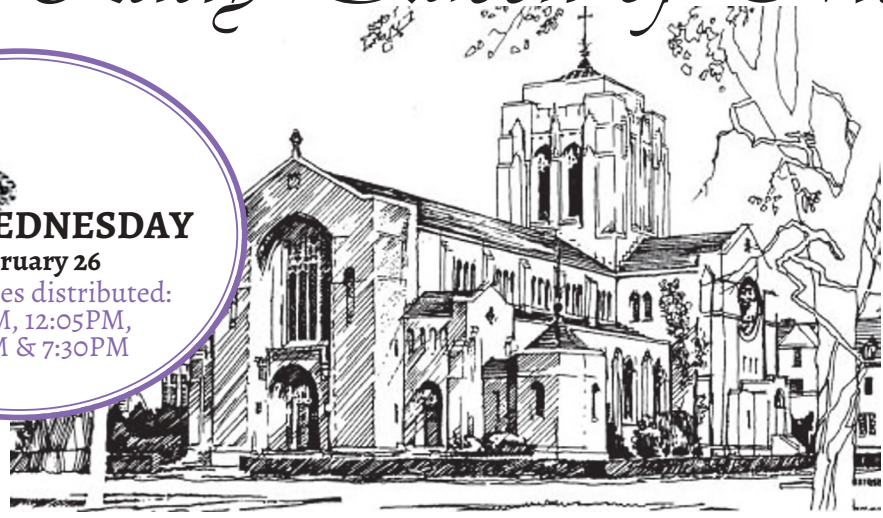


Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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

WEEKDAY MASSES
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: Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m.

ROSARY and CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
Monday through Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Mondays after the 8:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursdays from 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF FÁTIMA
First Saturdays after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

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.



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

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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, February 22

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

8 a.m. Msgr. Marin G. Guballa

12:05 p.m. Maurice and Rosa Vermersch

5 p.m. Ramiro del Castillo

Sunday, February 23

9 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, February 24

8 a.m. Michael Mancino

12:05 p.m. Zygmunt Wolk

Tuesday, February 25

8 a.m. In honor of Blessed Solanus Casey

12:05 p.m. Efrain V. Estrello

Ash Wednesday, February 26

Ashes distributed at the following liturgies only

8 a.m. Rose and Daniel Brogno

12:05 p.m. Rosa Hendricks Olivero

4 p.m. Prayer Service

7:30 p.m. Ronnie D'Andrea

Thursday, February 27

8 a.m. Felice and Francesca Pacchiano

12:05 p.m. Philomena McHatton

Friday, February 28

8 a.m. Rose Clements

12:05 p.m. Anthony Monteverdi [anniversary]

Saturday, February 29

8 a.m. Joel Canilla

12:05 p.m. Living members of the McHatton family

5 p.m. Abid, Indira, and Krystal [living]

Remember Our Sick

Blanche Aepli, Joseph and Mary Augustine, Donald Begola, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Mark Bradley, Joseph Buatta, Susan Campbell, James Cardone, MaryAnn Cornell, Irene Cucarella, Tracy Cuva, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Nancy Feldman, Stephanie Feldman, Michael Flannery, Anthony Frankel, Alice Fromer, Pat Gmerek, Cathie Greulich, Paulina Guballa, Alexander Gutierrez, Sean Harrison, Giles Houghton, Michael H. Jordan, Migdalia Leon, Maria Leon Santiago, James Lung, Liz Maryon, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Maureen Piatt, Grace Plank, Bonnie Post, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Frank Soriente, Chris Townley, Maria Viesta—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

ABOUT OUR SICK LIST: Because of space constraints we must periodically update our sick list. Names will be removed after three (3) months, unless our office is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, February 23

ALLELUIA SUNDAY

10 a.m., *rectory (enter through glass door off 72nd Rd):*

Bible Study Group

2:30 p.m., *rectory:* **Baptism Instruction**

Tuesday, February 25

7:30 p.m., *choir loft:* **Choir Rehearsal**

Ash Wednesday, February 26

LENT BEGINS

Day of Fasting & Abstinence

Distribution of Ashes at these times only:

8 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Masses

4 p.m. Prayer Service

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

3:45–5 p.m.: *levels 1, 2, 3, and 4*

7–8:15 p.m.: *levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFOI*

Thursday, February 27

After 12:05 p.m. Mass, *church:* **Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

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

Friday, February 28

6:30–9 p.m., *McLaughlin Hall:*

Martyrs Active Youth Organization

7:30 p.m., *church:* **Stations of the Cross and Benediction**

7:30 p.m., *rectory (enter through glass door off 72nd Road):*

Charismatic Prayer Group meeting

First Sunday of Lent, March 1

9 a.m. to noon, *in front of church on Ascan Ave.:*

St. Vincent de Paul Donation Truck

Please drop off your donations of new and gently used clothing during the morning hours only

Remember Our Deceased

Dr. Geraldine Chapey

Victoria Cupi

Manuel Jesus Hernandez

Hiver Leblanc

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

U.S. Catholic Bishops on the Dignity of Human Life

From the OLQM Social Action Committee

The basis for all that the Church believes about the moral dimensions of economic life is its vision of the transcendent worth—the sacredness—of human beings. The dignity of the human person, realized in community with others, is the criterion against which all aspects of economic life must be measured. All human beings, therefore, are ends to be served by the institutions that make up the economy, not means to be exploited for more narrowly defined goals. Human personhood must be respected with a reverence that is religious. When we deal with each other, we should do so with the sense of awe that arises in the presence of something holy and sacred. For that is what human beings are: we are created in the image of God. (Economic Justice for All, U.S. Catholic Bishops, 1986, #28)

If you are interested in Catholic social teaching in action, please join us. Contact Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant in person, by phone, or email them care of rectoryolqm@aol.com. You are welcome to join us in the rectory at our next meeting. Dates and times will be announced here and from the pulpit. Links to important documents and useful videos are available at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/catholic-social-action-committee.

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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #721—“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation (*Haugen*)

FIRST READING

Missal pg. 74—Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

RESPONSORIAL PSALM—*Missal pg. 75*

SECOND READING

Missal pg. 75—1 Corinthians 3:16-23

GOSPEL

Missal pgs. 75-76—Matthew 5:38-48

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

*“If a Man Love Me” (J. Roff)—Choir
Missal #475—“Christians, Let Us Love One Another”*

COMMUNION

*“Creation Will Be at Peace” (A. Page)—Choir
Organ Meditation
Missal #327—“I Am the Bread of Life”*

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #170—“Alleluia! Alleluia”

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for the Easter Holiday church cleaning.
- » Sunday, March 1, the second collection will be for winter fuel.
- There is also an envelope for Black and Indian Home Missions
- » Please use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund. At our Parish Giving portal, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu. ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope.

LENT BEGINS - ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

+ Lent 2020

PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING

Distribution of Ashes on February 26:

8 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Masses

4 p.m. Prayer Service

Thursday Evening Devotions Resume February 27:

After 12:05 p.m. Mass with Benediction at 7:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday of Lent at 7:30 p.m.

Take home a copy of our 2020 Lenten Season calendar, available in church.

St. Vincent de Paul
Clothing Donations Accepted
Sunday Only ~ March 1st
9 am to noon

Truck will be parked in front of
the church's Ascan Avenue entrance

“Thus, should one regard us, as servants of Christ.”

Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email vocations@diobrook.org.

Next Week's Special Collection

Funds collected will be used for grants given to dioceses that work to evangelize the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. Please give generously.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS CATHOLIC ACADEMY



NURSERY TO GRADE 8
PRE-K FOR ALL
STEM LAB
EXTENDED DAY FROM 7AM TO 6:30PM
DIVERSE POPULATION
STRONG TEST SCORES
EXPERIENCED AND DEDICATED STAFF
TECH, ART, GYM, MUSIC, AND SPANISH
FOR ALL STUDENTS
IPADS AVAILABLE TO ALL CLASSES

CALLED TO BE MORE

REGISTRATION

FEBRUARY 11, 2020 6:00 - 7:00PM

MARCH 3, 2020 6:00 - 7:00PM

FEBRUARY 12, 2020 7:30 - 8:30AM

MARCH 4, 2020 7:30 - 8:30AM

Contact us at
718-263-2622 or info@olqmca.org

72-55 Austin Street, Forest Hills, NY 11375
www.olqmca.org

'Art Against Hate' Contest

112th Precinct Community Council art contest is for students of all ages who live or go to school in Forest Hills and Rego Park. Art entries must include student's name, grade, contact info, and can be dropped off at the 112th Precinct (68-40 Austin St.). **Deadline February 28.** Winners/prizes to be announced at a Celebrate Diversity Dinner on April 30.

Tuition Assistance Available

for students in grades K-8 who are registered/enrolled in a Catholic school or academy. Families must meet financial eligibility requirements. **APPLY ONLINE** at www.FuturesinEducation.org. \$35 non-refundable application fee. **DEADLINE** March 31 for families who received an award last academic year and April 30 for new families. Call 866-441-4637 or email info@factstuitionaid.com.

IF YOU HAVE NEED ... Catholic Charities

Mobile Outreach Team serves our Queens neighborhoods providing supportive counseling in the privacy of your home. They can connect you to community-based home care and legal and mental health services for individuals age 5 and older. Call 718-456-7001.

Bereavement Support Is Available

Our support group offers help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Meetings are the first and third Mondays of the month, 7-9 p.m., in the rectory basement meeting room. Upcoming meetings are **March 2 & 16**. If attending for the first time, an RSVP is required. Call the rectory at 718-268-6251 or email Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle at ymizelle@gmail.com.

Recommended on Our Website

Four new videos, produced by the U.S. Catholic Bishops, are meant to help inform us about faithful citizenship and discerning where political candidates stand on important issues. Videos cover Catholic participation in public life, protection of human life and dignity, promotion of the common good, and loving our neighbors.

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage with the Charismatic Prayer

Group | Sunday, April 19 -

Reserve a Seat Early!

Bus departs 7 a.m. (sharp) from in front of our church for the **National Shrine of the Divine Mercy** in Stockbridge,

Massachusetts. **Cost: \$50/person.** Tickets are first come, first serve. Reserve your seat now, invite a friend along, and wear good walking shoes! For tickets or questions, call any one of these prayer group members:

Cely De Borja: 718-255-1654 or 347-743-2304; Cecile Mendoza: 347-453-4147; Virgie Punto: 917-770-0897; Marlyn Pagmanua: 347-791-4398



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS DURING LENT AT 7:30 P.M. with BENEDICTION

Taste of the World Participating Restaurants

Tuscan Hills, La Vigna, La Dolce Italia, Portofino, Matiz, Jack & Nellie's, Rove, Cipollina Gourmet Italian Market, Starbucks, Rimtin, Deasura, Buffalo Wild Wings, Dante's Pizza, Xin Taste Hand Pull Noodle, Spy C Cuisine, Manor Oktoberfest, Alberto's, Guantanamera, Agra Palace Restaurant & Party Hall, Dani's Pizza, Compadre 77, The Reef

PLUS returning from the Lunar New Year event

East Ocean Palace, Ren Wen Noodle Factory, Noodlefan Staten Island

Raffle Prizes from

Aigner Chocolates, dinerbar, Austin's Ale House, Foodtown, Woodhaven House, Nick's Bistro, Queens Bully, T.G.I. Fridays, Wine Room of Forest Hills

Taste of the World



For information, call (718) 268-6251

Sunday, March 8, 2020 in McLaughlin Hall

\$35 (save \$5 if you buy before March 8) | **Children \$10**
Admission includes samplings of foods & desserts from participating restaurants. Buy a ticket after today's Mass (church vestibule) or at the rectory during business hours.

Student Honors

Congratulations to the following students from our parish for academic honors earned.

HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL

Second Honors: **Samuel Torres, Matthew Fernandez**

CATHEDRAL PREPARATORY SCHOOL & SEMINARY

First Honors: **Jon Christopher**

Principal's List: **Matthew Martinez**

Alleluia Sunday

This Sunday before the start of Lent we will sing farewell to "Alleluia" for a time. Proclaiming Alleluia is traditionally omitted at Masses during Lent's 40 days because of the penitential character of the season. On Easter's celebration of the Risen Christ, Masses will again be accompanied by the joyful singing of hymns/songs replete with Alleluias!

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

	February 9
Candle Offerings	3,492.00
1st Collection	10,182.00
2nd Collection (<i>major repairs</i>)	3,513.00
Online Parish Giving	1,415.00
Mail In	350.00
TOTAL	18,952.00
Weekly Income Needs ¹	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,298.00)

¹ 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.

Collection figures for February 16 will be reported next time.

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www.olqmca.org



Help Maintain the Ban on Surrogacy

Governor Andrew Cuomo has included language in his state budget proposal to repeal New York's ban on surrogate motherhood for profit. He is committed to undoing the ban, which was signed into law by his father, calling it "antiquated" and "based in fear." His budget language would enable the buying and selling of children and the exploitation of women for their eggs and their wombs. Please urge your elected officials to remove this language from the budget and to oppose any other legislation to legalize commercial surrogacy. Take action!

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, which has a pre-written email to be delivered to your state senator and state assembly member. To complete, click Send Message.

Pilgrimage

May 26 to June 3, Spiritual Highlights of Italy with Papal Audience. Travel to Rome, Castel Gandolfo, Pietrelcina-San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Lanciano, Loretto, Assisi, Cascia. Mass daily. Land prices begin at \$1499/person, double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400/person to reserve your space. Contact Brian at 860-399-1785 or Brian@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Women's Spirituality Retreat

April 3-5, Marist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ. A weekend of rest and renewal in an exploration of your own story and stories of women in faith. Eucharist, prayer experiences, beach walks, socials included. Cost \$140/person, double occupancy. Call the Cape May Marionists, 609-884-3829.

Deanery Corner

A place for news & events at nearby parishes

Getting to Know Mother Cabrini, Sunday March 1st, 1 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall (70-01 Kessel Street). Coffee and conversation with Sister Lucille Souza, MSC. Come and learn about this extraordinary saint. Elevator access. Questions? Call AnnaMarie Pinto: 917-416-7012.

Anointing of the Sick Mass, Saturday, March 14th, 1 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope Church (61-27 71st St., Middle Village). Light refreshments afterward in the school cafeteria, provided by the OLH Senior Goal Group. For more information, call 718-429-5438.

Feel Great, Look Great Exercise Classes, Wednesdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Our Lady of Mercy (70-01 Kessel Street). Low-impact, gentle movements for your muscles and joints. \$2/session. For all ages! Highly recommended, but call 718-268-6143 in advance in case of schedule changes.

Vendors Wanted: American Martyrs Garage Sale for Catholic War Veterans. Call Theresa at 718-428-5308 or email Jovie Chorzepa at vetsgaragesale@yahoo.com. Vendor contracts and payment due March 3; the Garage Sale will be Sunday, April 26. American Martyrs Church is located at 79-43 Bell Blvd., Bayside.

Catholic Charities & the U.S. Census

CENSUS DAY 2020 IS APRIL 1

Every 10 years, the U.S. government counts every person living in the United States regardless of their immigration status. Catholic Charities Brooklyn/Queens (CCBQ) is working with the NYC Census to make sure everyone is accurately represented and our boroughs can receive the financial benefits we deserve for local **healthcare, housing, education, transportation, employment,** and other human services and programs.

CCBQ HIRING CENSUS WORKERS

CCBQ is currently hiring Census Outreach Captains and Outreach Workers. These jobs entail work with internal and external partners, including parishioners and community members in hard-to-count neighborhoods of Brooklyn and Queens.

Requirements: Associates Degree in Human Services or related field; must have access to a car and a valid driver's license and be able to use public transportation, climb stairs, and lift/carry all necessary materials for workshops to site locations. Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, and Outlook) needed; bilingual Spanish preferred.

QUESTIONS?

For more information, contact Mrs. Josefa Castro, Director of Parish & Community Relations-Queens: 718-726-9790, ext. 8059, or jcastro@ccbq.org. www.ccbq.org/advocate.

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