

February 9, 2025 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — **PASTOR**
Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D.D. — **PASTOR EMERITUS**
Rev. Antonin Kocurek — **PAROCHIAL VICAR**

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Edward Torres

DAILY MASSES
Monday–Friday: 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.
Saturday: 12:05 p.m. & 5 p.m. (Vigil)

ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
Monday–Saturday after 12:05 p.m. Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Mondays after 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Mass



JOIN THE PARISH
Scan for parish registration information and form

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Deacon Thomas Jorge

PASTORAL CARE DIRECTOR
Dennis Francis Portelli

SUNDAY MASSES
9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.
CONFESSIONS
Tuesday & Thursday: 11:30 a.m.
Saturday: 12:45 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursdays after 12:05 p.m. Mass
Evening Benediction resumes 3/6/25

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM
First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.
baptismprep@olqmchurch.org

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE
11:15 a.m.
ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

MUSIC DIRECTOR
David Close

OLQM CATHOLIC ACADEMY PRINCIPAL
Anne Zuschlag

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Masses at 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 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 12 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Saturday, February 8

Saint Jerome Emiliani

Saint Josephine Bakhita

12:05 p.m. Patrick James Flannery

5 p.m. Aurora de la Paz

Sunday, February 9

9 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, February 10

Saint Scholastica

8:05 a.m. Nenita Ilawan [living]

12:05 p.m. Loyalda Castanar

Tuesday, February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes

World Day of the Sick

8:05 a.m. In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes

12:05 p.m. Poligeno Madarang

Wednesday, February 12

8:05 a.m. Georgette M. Eddeh

12:05 p.m. Mary "Mamie" Bertolotti

Thursday, February 13

8:05 a.m. John Rigert

12:05 p.m. Percival R. Mendoza

Friday, February 14

Saints Cyril and Methodius

8:05 a.m. Richard Courtney

12:05 p.m. Luisa Casapao

Saturday, February 15

12:05 p.m. Norma Manno [living]

5 p.m. Mary Gilfedder

Remember Our Sick

Guilberto Aguirre, Dennis Ascienzo, Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Margaret Bastone, David Batista, Marco Benitez, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Connie Brown, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Rosita Cabral, Elizabeth Cabrera, Rafael Cabrera, Susan Campbell, Erin Campobianco, Gustavo Cáceres, Frances Cesarrano, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Danny Cozzi, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Ronda Esser, Zenaida Faya, Marie Gavosto, Lionel Genello, Alexander Gutierrez, Cathy Flannery, Elizabeth Hansen, Jennifer Holden, Hung Sang Hau (Sammy), Ginger Inabinet, Edward James, Jeannine Jodhan, Noila Johnson, Cipriana Jorge, Tommy Jorge, Sherryl Kahn, Migdalia Leon, Bendita Mandala, George McGarrity, Matilde Munoz, Aileen Nunag, Erny Ordóñez, Jaime Andres Ortiz, Paul Christian Paiewonsky, Grace Perl, Natalie Podulka, Maria Rodin, Jason Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Valerie Rizzo, Baby Isaac Joseph Terry, Patricia Tormey, Luigi Totumaccio, Sylvia Vargas, Jamie Vayone, Karimita Villegas, Teresa Wong—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Because of space constraints, we must periodically update the prayers for the sick. Names may be removed after three (3) months, unless the rectory is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, February 9

10 a.m. rectory meeting room (use glass door by the Mary statue):

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Monday, February 10

After 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses church:

Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, February 11

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

12:05 p.m. Mass church: Anointing of the Sick

7:30 p.m. church choir loft: Choir Rehearsal



Wednesday, February 12

Religious Education

3:45–5 p.m. levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 class

7–8 p.m. levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFO

7:45–9 p.m. Zoom: Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

(ID: 82120186604. PW: 765136)

Thursday, February 13

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

(Evening Benediction resumes Mar. 6)

Friday, February 14

♥ **HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY** ♥

6–8 p.m. McLaughlin Hall: MAYO Meeting

(Martyrs Active Youth Organization)

Saturday, February 15

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions



*With God our Father
all things are possible.*

Remember Our Deceased

Rev. James A. Boyd

Joan K. Danylak

Deacon Paul C. Dorsinville

Reynirio Jimenez



Anne-Marie Marion

Juan D. Martinez

Marcos Martinez, Sr.

Gloria Raymundo

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



This Week's Reflection from Catholic Teaching 2025 Jubilee Year

Pope Francis has declared 2025 a Jubilee Year! In our diocese, Bishop Robert Brennan opened the Jubilee Year with a Mass at St. James Cathedral and procession to St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral. The text below is taken from the website of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston. It begins by citing the letter of Pope Francis (*Spes Non Confundit*, 25; "Hope does not disappoint").

"The storms that buffet us will never prevail, for we are firmly anchored in the hope born of grace, which enables us to live in Christ... This hope, which transcends life's fleeting pleasures and the achievements of our immediate goals ... inspires us to keep pressing forward, never losing sight of the grandeur of the heavenly goal to which we have been called. The coming Jubilee will thus be a Holy Year marked by the hope that does not fade, our hope in God."

The Boston archdiocesan document continues:

"A jubilee year is a time for forgiveness and renewal in our relationship with God. In the Bible, the year was marked by the remittance of debt and property as well as the healing of relationships between people, nations, and even the relationship between humans and creation (cf. Leviticus 25: 8-55). The first Christian Jubilee was declared in 1300 by Pope Benedict VIII. Jubilee years are now normally declared every 25 years. In 2015, Pope Francis declared an extraordinary Jubilee Year, the Year of Mercy.

"Jubilees are still marked by forgiveness and renewal. They exhort us to conversion, prayer, repentance, and renewed faith. As part of the generosity of the Church and Our Lord, indulgences are given to remove temporal punishment from sins that have been forgiven. Passing through a 'holy door' has traditionally been a sign of conversion, passing away from one's old life and into a life of renewed zeal and faith. The year, the only holy doors are in Rome.

"The Holy Father desires the Jubilee Year will be a 'moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the 'door.' We want to reach those at the margins of society (prisoners, elderly, sick, poor) and those at the margins of our parishes (those who do not know Jesus). We want to foster in them a thirst for Jesus himself and curiosity about him that they may accept the invitation to encounter him at our parishes and pilgrimage sites. For our parishioners, we hope this Jubilee Year will foster determination to be a sign of hope for others and engender greater knowledge of God's mercy, for they are 'co-responsible for ensuring that manifold signs of hope bear witness to God's presence in the world' (*Spes Non Confundit*, 17). Events for the Jubilee Year should focus around providing opportunities which foster curiosity about Jesus and ways of encountering him."

Order of Mass

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle C—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #215—"Holy, Holy, Holy"

MASS PARTS

Mass of Creation

Missal #841—**GLORIA:** Latin Chant—*Choir*

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"With a Voice of Singing" (*M. Shaw*)—*Choir*
Missal #391—"The Summons"

COMMUNION

"Ave Verum" (*C. Saint-Saëns*)—*Choir*
Organ Meditation
Missal #667—"Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #416—"Christ Before Us"

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM
ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for major repairs.
- » February 16, the second collection is for snow removal. There is also an envelope for the maintenance of the building that houses OLQM Catholic Academy.
- » At any time, use the special envelope to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope). If using the Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

TAKE THE SAINT FRANCIS PLEDGE

To honor God's creation and serve the poor in these ways:

- ♦ PRAY and reflect on the duty to care for God's creation and protect the vulnerable.
- ♦ LEARN and educate others on the causes and moral dimensions of climate change.
- ♦ ASSESS how each of us is contributing to climate change by our own consumption and waste.
- ♦ ACT to change our choices and behaviors contributing to climate change.
- ♦ ADVOCATE for Catholic principles and priorities in climate change discussions and decisions, especially as they impact the poor and vulnerable.

Recently Baptized at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Zoe Mariel Amrhein

daughter of Lynnette and Timothy Amrhein

Gian Lorenzo Belliard

son of Laurana Rosa and Gabriel Belliard

Liam Brooks

son of Arlene and Leonard Brooks Jr.

Rome Castillo

son of Laura and Ronald Castillo

Audriana Rose Cianciaruso

daughter of Christina and Vincent Cianciaruso

Gabriel Adrian Feliciano

son of Lynnette Perez de Jesus and Orvin Feliciano

Annelise Grace Jordan Nieto

daughter of Arianny Leon Nieto and Darius Jordan

Allison Siyoon Kim

daughter of Bohyung Lee and Myoung Su Kim

Everett Anderson Lam

son of Susan Chong and Andrew Lam

Ian Hunter Lam

son of Susan Chong and Andrew Lam

Eloise Jolie Lin

daughter of Annie Kwan-Lin and Da Xin Lin

Katherine Penelope Lin

daughter of Annie Kwan-Lin and Da Xin Lin

Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

OLQM Winter into Lent

Save these dates & watch for more information in future bulletins.

Weekend, March 1/2—"Alleluia" Sunday. On the Sunday before Ash Wednesday, we will bid farewell to this sacred word for the duration of Lent.

Weekend, March 1/2—Annual Catholic Appeal 2025. An in-pew appeal to support this diocesan cause will be made at all the Sunday Masses.

Sunday only, March 2—St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Donations. The truck will be parked in front of the church on Ascan Ave. during the designated hours of 9 a.m. to noon to accept drop-offs of gently used clothing.

March 5—Ash Wednesday/Lent Begins.

Ashes will be distributed at these times only:

8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses. 4 p.m. Prayer Service. 7:30 p.m. Mass.



March 6—Thursday Evening Devotions resume.

Exposition and Adoration weekly after the 12:05 p.m. Mass and all afternoon, with Benediction at 7:30 p.m.

Tue, March 11 to Wed, March 19—St. Joseph Novena.

Recited at the 12:05 p.m. Mass daily and after the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass on 3/16.

Thu, March 13—Lenten Pilgrimage Day at OLQM

Begins at 8:05 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. *(detailed schedule to follow)*

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	Feb 2
Candle Offerings	\$1,218.00
1st Collection	9,147.00
2nd Collection <i>(fuel)</i>	2,811.00
<u>Subtotal - In church</u>	<u>13,176.00</u>
Online Parish Giving	3,909.85
Mail In	3,056.00
TOTAL	\$20,141.85
Weekly Income Needed *	24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(4,358.15)

** Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses; does not reflect other income sources. Our goal is to cover parish expenses through higher first collections, without having to depend on less reliable income streams.*

Consider a Legacy Gift

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in your will and estate planning. You may speak directly to Father Passenant or Bishop Sanchez at 718-268-6251. You may also find more information on leaving legacy gift on our church website: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

Contact Us

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OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

LIVESTREAM MASS
Sundays @ 11:15AM. The Mass is available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Reserve Your Seat ASAP
**Bus Trip to Sight & Sound:
Noah**

Join the OLQM Charismatic Prayer Group on a bus trip to Lancaster, PA, to experience **Sight & Sound: Noah**—an unforgettable live stage production that brings the story of Noah’s Ark to life.

WHEN: Saturday, May 31

DEPARTURE TIME & PLACE: 6 a.m.—Bus will be in front of Queens Center Mall

SHOWTIME: 10:15 a.m.

COST: \$200 per person (includes transportation, lunch at a buffet restaurant, and show ticket)

CONTACT FOR TICKETS: Call any of these prayer group members:

Araceli De Borja: 347-743-2304

Virgie Punto: 917-770-0897

Cecille Mendoza: 347-453-4147

Enjoy the heritage of our Catholic faith and an enriching journey of faith and fellowship. Seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**OCIA: Order of Christian
Initiation of Adults**

For adults age 18 or older who want to join the Catholic Church or complete their Sacraments, the OCIA program guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. To sign up, contact olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message (including a call-back number). All emails and calls will receive a response.



**Faith Sharing
at OLQM**

**Are you looking to explore the Bible
with others? Join a parish group.**

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Weekly gatherings in the rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind the Mary statue). Current study: St. Luke’s Gospel.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday. Join to pray together and for one another. Learn how God’s word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 82120186604 (PW: 765136).

Through the Word: On-demand viewing of a collection of bible studies at [YouTube.com/@bktheologian](https://www.youtube.com/@bktheologian). Revisit these past studies or explore them for the first time.

**– Mass and Anointing of the Sick –
Tuesday, February 11**

*Our Lady of Lourdes - World Day of the Sick
12:05 p.m.*

Anointing is for those who wish to receive it, especially those facing surgery, the frail and elderly, and anyone who is feeling pain or suffering in mind, body, or soul.



**Is any sick among you? let him
call for the elders of the church;
and let them pray over him,
anointing him with oil in the name
of the Lord: And the prayer of
faith shall save the sick, and the
Lord shall raise him up; and if he
have committed sins, they shall be
forgiven him.
James 5:14-15 KJV**

Bereavement Support Group

The parish bereavement group is a welcoming and comforting community of individuals who help one another deal with grief. They meet once a month, usually the third or fourth Monday. Meeting are scheduled for **Feb 24, Mar 17, Apr 21, May 19, and Jun 16**. All meeting start at **6:45 p.m.** in the rectory basement meeting room. For more information or questions, contact the group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

“They left everything and followed Jesus.”

If you sense that Christ may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office: 718-827-2454 or vocations@diobrook.org.

Bishop Brennan’s Vocation Retreat

February 28–March 2, 2025

Open to young men who are high-school seniors and older (ages 16 and up), the retreat includes Mass, communal and private prayer, Eucharistic Adoration, interaction with the seminarian community, and presentations to help participants discern their vocation and consider whether God may be calling them to the priesthood. Those attending will have an opportunity to meet personally with Bishop Robert Brennan, Bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn. The retreat will be held at the **Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington** (440 West Neck Rd). Advance registration required. Email cdost@diobrook.org or call the Vocation Office: 718-827-2454.

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes.



Saturday, March 1 @ 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Hope Gym (parking lot is at Eliot Ave. and 72nd St). This ain't your grandma's bingo! It's where **bingo**

meets Name That Tune! Playing your favorite songs from the 60s, 70s, and 80s to win bingo! Join for an evening of entertainment, prizes, and raffles. **Tickets: \$35 per person** (includes bingo games, beer, wine, soda, and snacks). You **must be age 21 and over**, please. Feel free to bring your own food for your table. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Juniper Valley Council 14578 and the Holy Name Society of Our Lady of Hope. To order tickets and get additional information, please contact:

- Anthony Zalak: 646-354-0743/tony2819@aol.com
- Thomas McCabe: 718-779-2692/tombren5@aol.com

Golden Age Club @ Our Lady of Mercy meets on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. in the OLM Parish Hall (elevator access). Join for bingo or bring your own games, puzzles, and cards. Free coffee and dessert every week! Contact Frances Coseglia at 646-248-0492.

Rosary and Altar Society @ Our Lady of Mercy welcomes men and women of all ages and interests who are devoted to Our Lady. They meet once a month in the OLM Parish Hall after the 9 a.m. Mass. Call Renate at 718-551-7986 for dates and more information. Our Lady of Mercy is located at 70-01 Kessel Street.

FREE Large Print Bibles & Missalettes

Xavier Society for the Blind has free offerings in large print for people living with vision loss due to macular degeneration, glaucoma, and diabetes. If you or anyone you know is interested in these free materials, get in touch. Call them at 212-473-7800 or toll-free at 800-637-9193; email info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org; or visit the society online at xaviersocietyfortheblind.org.

Health Services from St. John's University

FREE Hearing Screenings. Do you have to ask people to repeat themselves? Do you have ringing in your ears? Call St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center (152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing) at 718-990-6480 to arrange a speech and hearing evaluation with a specialist. Free services are being offered from **February 3 through May 1**. Free hearing aid help is also available.

Mental Health Services. St. John's University Center for Psychological Services (152-11 Union Turnpike) offers testing and specialized therapy for children, adolescents, and adults for most common mental health problems: anxiety, behavioral problems including ADHD, depression, and trauma. Services are offered on a sliding-fee scale based on income. The center does not accept insurance. For questions and to make an appointment, call 718-990-1900.

Assisted Living and Respite Care

Dominican Village—an independent living retirement community in Amityville, New York, founded by the Sisters of St. Dominic—has openings. To schedule a tour, call 631-842-6091 or email jford@dominicanvillage.org. More information is available at www.dominicanvillage.org.

Day of Prayer and Healing Retreats

Hosted by the Sisters of Life Hope and Healing Mission, the retreats are for women who are suffering after the experience of abortion. You are not alone. Upcoming meetings in the NYC area are scheduled for **March 15 and May 31**. For retreat locations and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, call 866-575-0075 or email hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

families that
PRAY TOGETHER
stay together.

Handicapped Encounter Christ

Volunteer Opportunity Available (for adults 21+)

Handicapped Encounter Christ Ministry

Handicapped Encounter Christ (HEC) is a ministry for adults with physical, mental, cognitive and/or sensory disabilities. It is based on the Cursillo movement of the Catholic Church. HEC brings together the communities of disabled and enabled adults so they can get to know our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the year we have many events, and annually there is a three-day HEC retreat held in the spring. We are always looking for participants to join this ministry - those who are disabled and those who are not - so that together we are one community learning from each other, enjoying each other's company, and establishing many beautiful friendships as we all get to know our Lord.

2025 HEC Retreat - April 24-27

PLEASE join our HEC retreat planning meetings for enabled adults who wish to volunteer and be of service on the retreat weekend.

- Monday, February 10, 7 PM - St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn
- Wednesday, March 5, 7 PM - St. Kilian, Farmingdale (Green Room)
- Monday, April 7, 7 PM - St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn

All are welcome. Please join us!
Call Bernice (516) 582-0302 or Bob (516) 241-4122

