

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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SUNDAY MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

(Monday–Saturday)
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

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m. (use Queens Blvd church entrance)

ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Monday through Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Mondays after the 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays from 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

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

GIVE NOW

Scan the QR code with your phone for
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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, January 15

8 a.m. Frank Figoski

12:05 p.m. Martin Kelleher

5 p.m. Lorenzo Nonong Leynes

Sunday, January 16

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, January 17

Saint Anthony

8 a.m. Jose B. Del Rosario

12:05 p.m. Saverio Cerminaro

Tuesday, January 18

8 a.m. Timothy Schneider

12:05 p.m. Ignazia and Matteo Orlando

Wednesday, January 19

8 a.m. Rosemarie Nicolais

12:05 p.m. Marie Luczenne Jean-Gilles

Thursday, January 20

Saint Fabian

Saint Sebastian

8 a.m. Alice Rosario

12:05 p.m. Asuncion Lopez

Friday, January 21

Saint Agnes

8 a.m. James Kelly

5 p.m. Aida Lopes

Saturday, January 22

Day of Prayer for the

Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8 a.m. Aida Almendral

12:05 p.m. Edward Hunt

5 p.m. Peter Walsh

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, January 16

10 a.m. Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study

After 11:15 a.m. Mass - St. Padre Pio Novena

Prayer sheet in the church. Novena continues Mon-Sat at 12:05 p.m. Mass.

Monday, January 17



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

7 p.m. Zoom: Monday Evening Bible Study

7-8 p.m. rectory basement meeting room:
Bereavement Group meeting

Tuesday, January 18

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

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

Wednesday, January 19

Religious Education

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

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

Thursday, January 20

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Benediction

(evening Benediction returns March 3 at 7:30 p.m.)

Friday, January 21

7:45-9 p.m. Zoom:

Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

Saturday, January 22

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

1 p.m. Zoom: Single Adults Group meeting

Remember Our Sick

Svetlana Abramova, Marylou Bagasan, Sonia Baxter, Donald Begola, Vivian Camporeale, Marc Calef, Susan Campbell, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Baby Matthew Cristian and Maria Lujan Cristian, Mary Rose Crow, Mary Cully, Tracy Cuva, Maria Daulo, John DiBiasi, Melinda DiMurro, Brian Donohue, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Clare Fabre, Paul Fabre, Elena Giordano, Marie Giorgi, Sheila Smith-Gonzalez, Pat Gmerek, Alex Guttierrez, Graciela Guzman, Elizabeth Hansen, Betty Hill, Mary Hughes, Ginger Inabinet, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Bob Keegan, Julie Lee, Wing Wan Lee, Ann Longobardi, Jason M., Artur Mavashev, Marina Mavasheva, Louis Mavashev, Joan Michelli, Sylvianne Mullholand, Matilde Munoz, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Victoria Rodriguez, Sally Roth, Beatriz Sainz, Scott Salbo, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Mary Sarro, Lily Shan, Robert Shan, James F. Smith, Robert Sorsaia, Sharon Speer, Remington Stafford, Robert D. Scudellari Sr., Daniella Tavarez, Jorge Vasilescu, Wai-Suet Wong, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Remember Our Deceased

Reverend Martin Carter
Kenneth A. Hart
Rene W. Kollrunner
Thomas MacBride



Robert Arthur Schnepf
Rosemary Silverman
Vincent Steccato

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, Gabriella Mattson, Justin Pabse, Rodney Ross, McNeely Royal, Jose J. Vaz, Mollie Rae Whitley, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley. **Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections, and military personnel.**

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

This Week's Reflection

from Catholic Social Teaching

Living the Gospel of Life and Civic Responsibility

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you. (Jeremiah 1:5)

REFLECT: “American Catholics are uniquely called to be the leaven that spreads through the nation, recalling it to its fundamental purpose. At no time is that leaven more badly needed than when the founding principles of the political order have not simply been disregarded, but deliberately distorted to yield a consequence directly contrary to their central tenets. If preceding generations had heard that Americans would one day argue that liberty includes the right to do away with life, they would have been astonished at the illogic. The right to exercise freedom to make choices presupposes respect for life as inviolable. Choice cannot be regarded as in any sense prior to life...”

“Our approach to faithful citizenship begins with moral principle. The most effective means is to insist on the centrality of the life imperative. As Catholics we should ensure that our fellow citizens do not forget the primacy of life, or the foundational role it occupies within the constitutional order of rights we enjoy. We should encourage public figures and those who would lead to defend life.... Neither respect for the opinions of others nor the quest for legal compromises can excuse condoning the killing of innocent human beings...”

“The claim that one does not wish to impose his views on others is sometimes put forward as a reason for saying nothing about the protection of life. The hollowness of such a position is perhaps best exemplified by comparing it to the statement: While I am personally opposed to slavery or racism or sexism, I cannot force my personal view on the rest of society.... The illusion of neutrality implied in the exercise of choice is false. Choice is itself an expression of permissibility and therefore a legal endorsement of the acceptability of killing.” (USCCB Living the Gospel of Life and Civic Responsibility)

ACT: Make the “9 Days for Life” novena this year; see <https://bit.ly/3nSwOut>. To receive the daily prayers by email or text message, in English or Spanish, sign up at www.9daysforlife.com.

LEARN: The General Instruction of the Roman Missal designates January 22nd as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. As Catholics, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Learn more about this day of prayer at <https://bit.ly/3nO9cHv>. Read the USCCB's Living the Gospel of Life and Civic Responsibility at <https://bit.ly/3l5Yw1x>.

Order of Mass

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle C—Choir 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #106—“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation (*Haugen*)

FIRST READING

Isaiah 62:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” (*J. S. Bach*)—Choir
Missal #408—“Earthen Vessels”

COMMUNION

“Panis Angelicus” (*C. Casciolini*)—Choir
Organ Meditation
Missal #337—“One Bread, One Body”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #195—“Now Thank We All Our God”

Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Livestream

www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Daily Mass Online

8 a.m. & 12 p.m. Livestream Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

www.netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

» Today’s second collection is for Pastoral Care.

» Sunday, January 23, the second collection is for churches in need in Latin America, Eastern Europe and Africa. There is also an envelope for the Religious Ed-Release Time program.


» Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope) or, at our Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu. For Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

New York Blood Center

SAVE A LIFE GIVE BLOOD

Make an appointment to start saving lives!



SHATEBA suffers from sickle cell and needs blood transfusions at least two - three times a year.

KYLE has severe aplastic anemia and has had a mean amount of blood and platelet transfusions.

ABRIEL has received over 70 transfusions during 11 operations as he lost both his legs when a car ran into him.

Scan me to start saving lives

#nybloodcenter
800.933.BLOOD
nybc.org

OLQM Winter Calendar

Check the bulletin weekly for updates on these occasions and more.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (Roe v. Wade Anniversary) Saturday, January 22—
8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. daily Masses

Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) Wednesday,
February 2—Blessing of Candles, 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses

St. Blaise Feast Day Thursday, February 3—Blessing of
Throats, 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses

**Anointing of the Sick (Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes/
World Day of the Sick)** Friday, February 11—12:05 p.m.
Mass. If you or a loved one are having a planned surgery, we
encourage you to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Alleluia Sunday February 27—All Sunday Masses. Last
Sunday before Lent for singing hymns with lots of alleluias!

Ash Wednesday March 2—Day of fasting and abstinence
as Lent begins. Ashes distributed on a schedule to be announced.

Lenten Clothing Drive Sunday, March 6—St. Vincent de
Paul Truck visits from 9 a.m. to noon to accept drop-off donations
of new and gently used clothing for those in need.

St. Joseph Novena Friday, March 11 to Saturday, March 19—
Weekdays (Mon-Sat) at the 12:05 p.m. daily Mass, Sunday after
11:15 a.m. Mass

MONDAY IS DEADLINE TO RESERVE A BUS SEAT FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE ON JANUARY 21

The diocese is providing round-trip bus transportation from Brooklyn to Washington, DC (mask-wearing required). Departs from the Diocesan Office (320 Prospect Park, West Brooklyn) on **Friday, the 21st, at 6:30 a.m. Cost: \$25.** Contact Martha Hernandez at 718-281-9540 or email mhernandez@diobrook.org ASAP to reserve your seat.

Bereavement Support Available

Fr. Radu Titonea, chaplain at Forest Hills Hospital, will lead a bereavement group meeting **Monday, January 17 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.** in our rectory meeting room. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by calling the rectory at 718-268-6251. Bring proof of COVID-19 vaccination for this in-person meeting; masks required.

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, we also recommend the bereavement group at Sacred Heart Parish in Glendale. They meet once a month. Call Nancy Baer at Sacred Heart parish ministries, 718-821-3285, for information about the meeting dates, times, and location.



Faith Sharing on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others? Join a faith-sharing group.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. The group is currently discussing the Gospel of St. Mark. If you would like to join them, contact Noila Johnson by email: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday Evening Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. *Through the Word* bible study group is currently engaging scripture through “The Nicene Creed: Beholding the Fullness of Our Faith.” All are welcome and can join in the study at any time! For Zoom details, email Joe: josephterry@gmail.com.

OLQM Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group: 7:45–9 p.m. Fridays. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings, with Bible Study the 3rd Friday of the month. Pray together and for one another. Learn how God’s word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 2917352357 (PW: 031011).

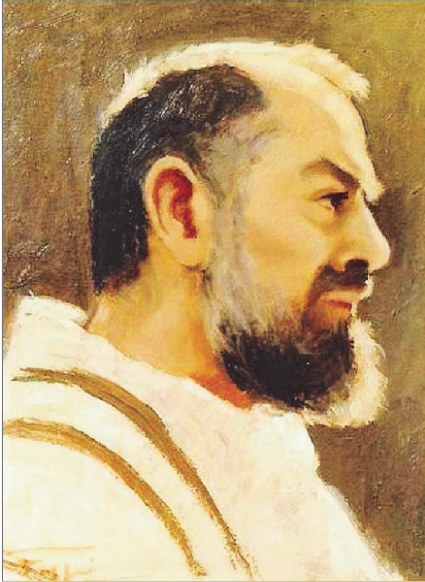
RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



If you are interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. To find out more, please contact olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message (including a callback number). All emails and calls will receive a response. An inquiry form is available at our website at www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/rcia.

NOVENA to St PADRE PIO



January 16 through 24

We will recite the Padre Pio novena after the 12:05 p.m. Daily Mass and at the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Two Sundays (January 16 & 23)

St. Pio of Pietrelcina, lovingly known as “Padre Pio,” had the stigmata and is regarded as a miracle worker. He lived the Franciscan life of poverty, serving the poor, the suffering, the sick. He prayed the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus daily. Saint Pope John Paul II canonized him in 2002. Join with us in our novena asking that St. Padre Pio pray for us, and pray for the poor.

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O my Jesus, you have said: “Truly I say to you, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you.” Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of ...*(State your intention).*

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory Be to the Father.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

JANUARY IS POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH: THOUGHTS FROM CCHD

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) takes up Pope Francis’s challenge to live in solidarity with the poor! It begins by remembering we are all children of God who share in one another’s joy and suffering. God empowers all, especially the marginalized, to stand up for themselves and their dignity. Subsidiarity—the participation of the people directly affected by a problem in finding a solution—is a way for us to affirm the dignity of all persons. In Catholic social teaching, subsidiarity is always paired with solidarity. Breaking the cycle of poverty involves empowering low-income and vulnerable communities—new mothers, immigrants, the elderly, families—to learn how to raise their own voices. Higher powers and institutions, including government, must provide resources and help so that communities can address these problems. Learn about the complexity of poverty in the United States at www.PovertyUSA.org; discover how you can help to upend the cycle of poverty in our communities.

KEEP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections	Jan 9
Candle Offerings	777.00
1st Collection	5,550.00
2nd Collection (<i>winter fuel</i>)	2,258.00
OLQMCA School Bldg Maintenance	722.00
<u>In-Church Subtotal</u>	<u>9,307.00</u>
Mail In	7,732.00
Parish Giving Online	6,182.50
<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>23,221.50</u>
Weekly Income Needs*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	1,971.50

* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. 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.

2021 Christmas Gift Total (*updated as of 1/9/22; includes Christmas gifts plus other end-of-year contributions to the parish. Outstanding generosity as usual. Thank you.*) **\$55,282.00**

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in your will and estate planning. You may speak directly to Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenat at 718-268-6251. For information on leaving a legacy gift, visit www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

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www.youtube.com/olqmmstewardship

OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

Friday, January 7

Bishop Brennan's Mass



The new Bishop of Brooklyn and Queens, Robert J. Brennan, celebrated an evening Mass with us on January 7, 2022, after blessing his coat of arms installed in our church. Bishop Brennan's shield bears the motto "Thy will be done." Priests from eight other Queens parishes attended as well as part of a synod deanery gathering. Also attending were members of the Knights of Columbus Juniper Valley Council, who provided these photos. To hear Bishop Brennan's homily, you can rewatch the Mass on our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/olqmstewardship.

2022–2023 Tuition Assistance

Financial aid is available for eligible students in grades K–8 who attend a Brooklyn or Queens Catholic school or academy. Families must meet financial eligibility requirements and be registered for 2022–23 school year to apply. **Applications open January 17.** For more information and to apply, go to:

www.futuresineducation.org/scholarships

Deadlines are March 31 for families that received an award last academic year and April 30 for new families (first-time applicants).

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
WEEK 2022
January 30 – February 5**

Worked Like a Charm! Beautiful NO Snow!

The day of Bishop Brennan's visit we also had the first snow of the winter. Thanks to the heat tracers that we installed in the pavement at the church's front entrance, the snow melts by itself!



SINGLE ADULTS GROUP NEWS We are starting the New Year off right with a Zoom meeting on **Saturday, January 22, at 1 p.m.** Bring your thoughts, tips, resolutions to share with the group. Newcomers are always welcome. If you are not on our email list, please call the hotline at **718-361-3201** to sign up.