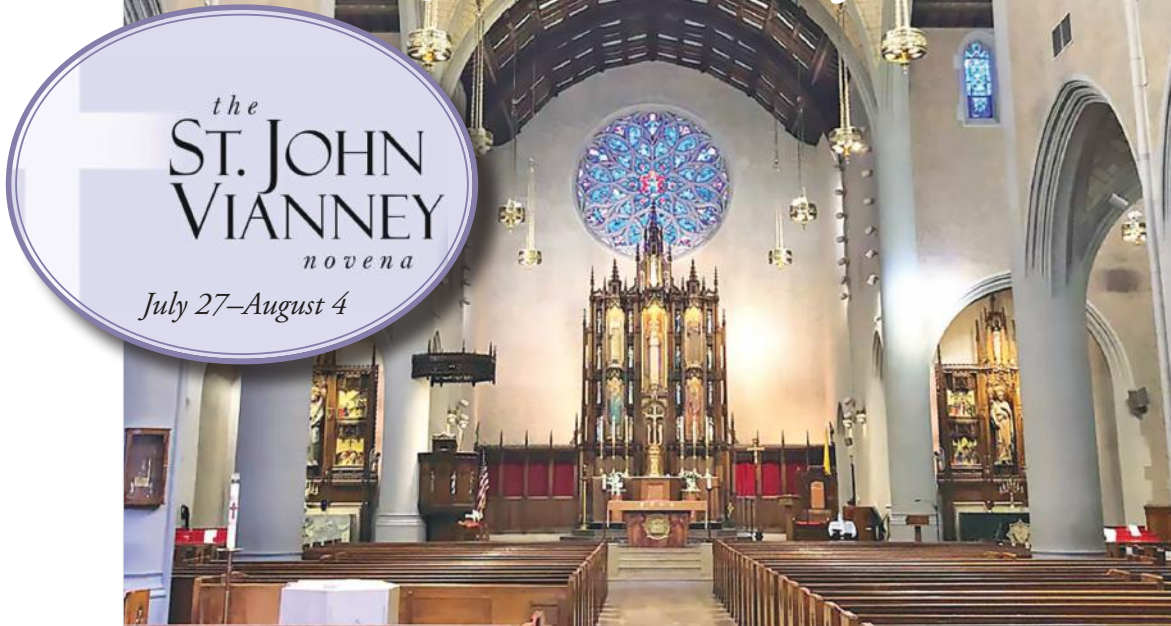


July 23, 2023 - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



the  
**ST. JOHN  
VIANNEY**  
novena  
July 27–August 4

Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — **PASTOR**

Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D.D. — **PASTOR EMERITUS**

Rev. Antonin Kocurek — **PAROCHIAL VICAR**

Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham — **SENIOR PRIEST IN RESIDENCE**

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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.

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

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

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE**  
Arrangements should be made at least  
**six months** in advance, **prior** to the  
proposed wedding date

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

**CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM**  
First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.



#### JOIN THE PARISH

Scan for parish registration  
information and form

#### WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

11:15 a.m.  
[ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast)

#### GIVE NOW

Scan for online  
parish giving



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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, July 22*

**Saint Mary Magdalene**

8 a.m. Francesca Mendoza [living]

12:05 p.m. John Shipley

5 p.m. Lawrence J. Zeiss

*Sunday, July 23*

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

*Monday, July 24*

**Saint Sharbel Makhūlf**

8 a.m. Abigail Lee Pleskac

12:05 p.m. Patricia Smith

*Tuesday, July 25*

**Saint James**

8 a.m. Nadine Ho-Sin Burton and family

12:05 p.m. Ruben Almendral

*Wednesday, July 26*

**Saints Joachim and Anne**

8 a.m. Deceased members of the Clancy family

12:05 p.m. Razelo DeAsis

*Thursday, July 27*

8 a.m. Clara Ceparano

12:05 p.m. Adela Fuster Vega

*Friday, July 28*

8 a.m. Deborah Reifsteck

12:05 p.m. Carol Aikman and family [living]

*Saturday, July 29*

**Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus**

8 a.m. Marie Morgan [living]

12:05 p.m. John Castino

5 p.m. Marilyn and Charles Chow

## Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Raymond Bajarías, Adolfo Baquero, Jose Blanco, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Luigi Cotumaccio, Cely de Borja, Cesar DeLeon, Jun De Leon, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Catherine Egan, Robert Engel, Annette Fridas, Jacqueline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Liza Gjinaj, Jorge Guzman, Kathy Halston, Mary Hughes, Ana Inzirelli, Terrence Jackson, Rocelina Jaquez-Cruz, Msgr. Paul Jervis, Elizabeth Ann Jiyun Kim, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Jean Leonard, James Leung, Loretta Milana, Nellie Milite, Martha Padilla, Richard Perl, Louis Petulo, Aracelis Phansaithong, Sharon Powell, Jovanka Radeka, Victoria Ruiz, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Robert Sorsaia, Sam Stafford, Giovanni Wong, Teresa Wong, Deacon Elias Yepes—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

**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, please contact our Parish Advocate for Persons with Disabilities, Karen Mongiello, at [disabilities.olqm@gmail.com](mailto:disabilities.olqm@gmail.com), to make your special needs known.

## Main Events of the Week

*Sunday, July 23*

10 a.m. **Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study**

*Next week summer break begins; study resumes September 10*

*Monday, July 24*

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

**Miraculous Medal Novena**

**“Through the Word” Bible Study**

*Summer break; 7 p.m. Zoom meetings resume September 11*

*Tuesday, July 25*

11:30 a.m. **church: Confessions**

*Wednesday, July 26*

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

*Thursday, July 27*

11:30 a.m. **church: Confessions**

After 12:05 p.m. **Mass**

**Novena to St. John Vianney Begins**

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

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

*Saturday, July 29*

10 a.m. **church: Altar Server Training**

*Four-week training: 8/29, 8/5, 8/12 & 8/19*

12:45 p.m. **church: Confessions**

*Sunday, July 30*

11:15 a.m. **Mass celebrant: Father Samuel Mwiwawi**

**followed by St. John Vianney Novena and**

**First Blessings in the Saints Chapel**



## Remember Our Deceased

Anne-Marie Bourbon

Rodolfo Clavaria

Philip Hassialis



Susan Scollin

Lois J. Wisnewski

## 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.**

## This Week's Reflection

from Catholic Teaching



### Pope Benedict XVI on Eucharistic Adoration

*"The sacrament of Christ's Charity must permeate the whole of daily life." (Pope Benedict XVI)*

**REFLECT:** "In the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; eucharistic adoration is simply the natural consequence of the eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church's supreme act of adoration. Receiving the Eucharist means adoring him whom we receive. Only in this way do we become one with him, and are given, as it were, a foretaste of the beauty of the heavenly liturgy. The act of adoration outside Mass prolongs and intensifies all that takes place during the liturgical celebration itself. Indeed, only in adoration can a profound and genuine reception mature." (Sacramentum Caritatis)

"To be all together in prolonged silence before the Lord present in his Sacrament is one of the most genuine experiences of our being Church, which is accompanied complementarily by the celebration of the Eucharist, by listening to the word of God, by singing and by approaching the table of the Bread of Life together. Communion and contemplation cannot be separated, they go hand in hand. If I am truly to communicate with another person, I must know him, I must be able to be in silence close to him, to listen to him and look at him lovingly. True love and true friendship are always nourished by the reciprocity of looks, of intense, eloquent silences full of respect and veneration, so that the encounter may be lived profoundly and personally rather than superficially...."

"At the moment of Adoration, we are all equal, kneeling before the Sacrament of Love.... With this faith, dear brothers and sisters, let us celebrate the Eucharistic Mystery today and every day and adore it as the center of our life and the heart of the world. Amen." (Pope Benedict XVI, June 7, 2012)

**ACT:** Spend quiet time with Jesus in Eucharistic adoration before or after each mass

**LEARN:** Read Pope Benedict XVI's apostolic exhortation, Sacramentum Caritatis, at <https://tinyurl.com/yc2nkp42>. Read his June 7, 2012 homily on the Eucharist, at <https://tinyurl.com/3u5rkt36>.

To learn more about legislative issues that affect 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](http://www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center).

## Order of Mass

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A

ENTRANCE

*Missal #559*—"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*Missal #858*—**GLORIA:** Latin Chant Mass

**MASS PARTS:** Mass of Angels and Saints (*Janco*)

**FIRST READING:** Wisdom 12:13,16-19

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Lord, you are good and forgiving.*

**SECOND READING:** Romans 8:26-27

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 13:24-43

**HOMILY**

**OFFERTORY**

*Missal #333*—"Seed, Scattered and Sown"

**COMMUNION**

Organ Meditation

*Missal #601*—"Christ, Be Our Light"

**CLOSING HYMN**

*Missal #580*—"In the Day of the Lord"

**11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM**

[ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast)

### Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for air conditioning.
- » July 30, the second collection is for Religious Education.
- » At any time, use the special envelope to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund ([ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope)). If using the Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu.
- » **Traveling this summer?** Remember to mail in your weekly offertory, use the Catch-Up envelope, or use online Parish Giving.
- » For Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Religious Education

#### 2023-2024 Class Registration Opens July 25

The Religious Education program at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs invites all those interested in furthering their children's faith formation to register or re-register early. Please use the online registration form on our website at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re). Thank you. God bless you, your faith, and your families.

—Deacon Thomas Jorge, Director of Religious Education



Give Blood, Give Love

# BLOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, August 13 ♦ 9:15am to 3:15pm**

**NY Blood Center Busmobile at OLQM Church  
(near Ascan Ave. church entrance)**

We need your help! Blood shortages often occur during summer months. Giving blood is practically painless, takes about an hour, and can save up to THREE lives.

- Must be age 17 or older, weigh min. 110 lbs.
- To prepare, eat well (low fat) and drink fluids the day before.
- Bring a picture ID with you.
- Walk-ins accepted. To schedule an appointment time in advance, scan the QR code for [Donate.NYBC.org](http://Donate.NYBC.org) and search by zip code (11375) and date.
- Q? Call the NY Blood Center at 1-800-688-0900.

**THANK YOU FOR CARING!**

After your life-saving act of being a blood donor, refresh yourself with a light meal and enjoy fellowship with others at our Sunday Potluck Luncheon!



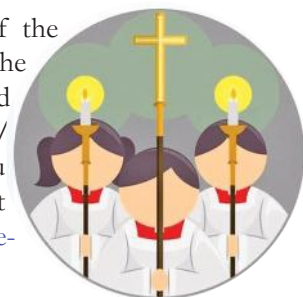
## Request for Basilica Committee Volunteers

Fr. Passenant is assembling a committee to examine the requirements and initiate the process of applying for basilica status for our cherished church building. Becoming a basilica would be an achievement symbolizing the deep-rooted faith and rich history of our congregation. If interested, please speak with Fr. Passenant after Mass or leave him a message at the rectory.

## Altar Server Training Begins July 29th

A program of altar server training is scheduled over four consecutive Saturdays—July 29, August 5, 12 & 19—at 10 a.m. in the church. The Altar Server Society at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is open to all young people of the parish, starting from the fourth grade through high school, as we strive to strengthen the faith of our young parishioners through service.

To participate, please take one of the Altar Server Sign-Up forms on the piano and leave your completed form in the sacristy. *A Parent/Guardian signature is required.* You can also find the form online at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/join-the-altar-servers](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/join-the-altar-servers).



## SIGN UP!

### Summer Potluck Luncheon

**Sunday August 13th after 1PM Mass**

Meeting in the air-conditioned rectory basement

**Entry fee: \$15 or a dish to feed 4 to 6 people**

Fill out & tear out this sheet & drop it in the collection basket to let us know you'll join us & what you'll bring. Or email your RSVP to Pastoral Care at [dfport@gmail.com](mailto:dfport@gmail.com).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**I'm bringing:** # of People \_\_\_\_\_

Appetizer \_\_\_\_\_

Main Dish \_\_\_\_\_

Side or Dessert \_\_\_\_\_

## pot\*luck

/noun/ **1.** meal to which everyone invited brings food to share; **2.** meal for a guest that is prepared from whatever is available; **3.** OLQM Parish summer tradition hosted by Pastoral Care.



# OLQM SUMMER CALENDAR

Watch for further announcements and updates.

## August 13: Summer Blood Drive

9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the NY Blood Center Mobile Bus.

## August 13: Summer Potluck Luncheon

2 p.m. in the air-conditioned rectory basement after the last Sunday Mass.

## August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

7:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Mon 8/14 will be in memory of Msgr. Joseph Funaro on his 10th anniversary.

Holy day Masses on Tue 8/15 at 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.; blessing with seawater at the 12:05 Mass.

## August 26 & 27: Summer Missionary Weekend

All Sunday Masses. A visiting missionary will give us an opportunity to learn about the mission work of the Catholic Church and to offer support to his mission cause.

## September 15: Parish Feast Day

12:05 p.m. Mass on Fri 9/15 (Our Lady of Sorrows).

July 27–August 4

## St. John Vianney Novena

Recited at 12:05 p.m. Mass weekdays; after 11:15 a.m. Mass Sunday

### Newly Ordained Father Samuel Mwiwawi to Celebrate 11:15 a.m. Choir Mass Next Sunday

Fr. Mwiwawi, who was newly ordained by Bishop Robert Brennan last month, will celebrate Mass on July 30, lead us in our annual novena to the patron saint of parish priests, and offer First Blessings.

Fr. Mwiwawi is presently assigned at Immaculate Conception parish in Astoria. He is fluent in American Sign Language, which he learned in Kenya to help teach the Gospel to hearing-impaired people there. Once he came to the US, he joined the Dominican Missionaries for the Apostolates of the Deaf and Disabled. In 2018–2019, the Dominicans referred him to help interpret sign language for Catholic Charities of Brooklyn/Queens. He completed his studies at Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary in Weston, MA.



Let's all welcome Fr. Samuel Mwiwawi on his visit next week and pray for those discerning priestly vocations.

As part of our novena program, we also ask that you use the prayer sign-up sheet in church and select one of the seminarians in our diocese and make him your prayer intention.

## KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

### —Weekly Collections—

	July 16
Candle Offerings	\$1,621.00
1st Collection	8,060.16
2nd Collection (pastoral care)	2,505.00
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>12,186.16</u>
Online Parish Giving	3,955.28
Mail In	1,128.00
TOTAL	17,269.44
Weekly Income Needed*	23,150.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(5,880.56)

\* 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 at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving).

## Contact Us

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Religious Education Office:  
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RCIA Office:  
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OLQM Charity Outreach:  
718-268-6251, ext. \*843

### FIND US ONLINE

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

Facebook, Instagram, Twitter:  
@OLQMChurch

YouTube (Sunday livestream):  
@OLQMStewardship

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

**LIVESTREAM MASS** Sunday at 11:15AM is available in its entirety on demand. Use the "past livestreams" link at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast).

Deanery Corner

*A place to share news and events at nearby parishes.*

**Bereavement Support Group at Sacred Heart Parish** (Glendale) meets once a month, usually in the afternoons. Call Nancy Baer at Sacred Heart, 718-821-3285, for information about their meeting dates, times, and location. (*Note:* Our parish Monday evening bereavement group resumes monthly meetings on September 18 at the new time of 6:45–8:15 p.m. (see [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/consolationbereavement](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/consolationbereavement)).



# RCIA

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are 18 or older and interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. The RCIA program guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. Contact [olqmrcia@gmail.com](mailto: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.



## Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

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

**Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m.** Meetings resume September 10 with continuing study of St. Luke's Gospel, starting from chapter 12. Contact Noila Johnson: [noilas@hotmail.com](mailto:noilas@hotmail.com).

**Monday "Through the Word" Bible Study: 7–8 p.m.** The Monday night study resumes on September 11 with a new three-month study on the Eucharist. Contact [josephterry@gmail.com](mailto:josephterry@gmail.com) if you'd like to join on Zoom. Archived recordings of the weekly bible studies can also be viewed on demand at [www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian](http://www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian).

**Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m.** The group holds weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Join to pray together and for one another. Learn how God's word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 2917352357 (PW: 031011).

## We Continue to Surpass Goal in Pledges!



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023  
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal: \$114,568  
Donors: 275

Pledged: **\$130,959**  
Paid: \$105,848

We are close to meeting our ACA goal for 2023 in paid pledges. Please continue to fulfill your pledge payments. Pledge payments received above the goal amount will be refunded to our parish for repairs and renovations.

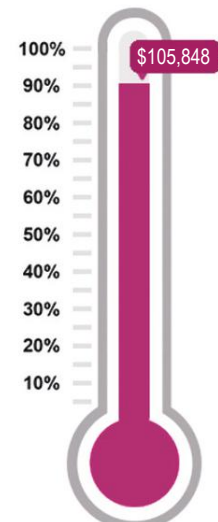
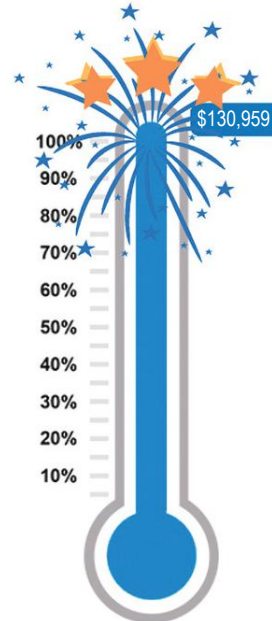
### Pledged amount

Fulfill all pledges because amounts paid over goal return to help our parish

### Paid amount

Once the goal amount is paid, we can fulfill our 2023 ACA obligation\*

Goal: \$114,568



\* ACA contributions are given to the diocese to help with the training of priests and deacons, delivering social services to the needy and poor in Brooklyn and Queens, and sustaining Catholic schools and religious education programs, including at parishes like our own.

**Spend quiet time with the Lord.  
Exposition and Adoration Every Thursday after  
12:05pm Mass and all afternoon. Benediction at 7:30pm.**

### 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 & Hearing Center** (152-11 Union Tpk, Flushing) at 718-990-6480 to arrange a screening with a hearing specialist. Free service offered until July 27. Free hearing aid help also available.