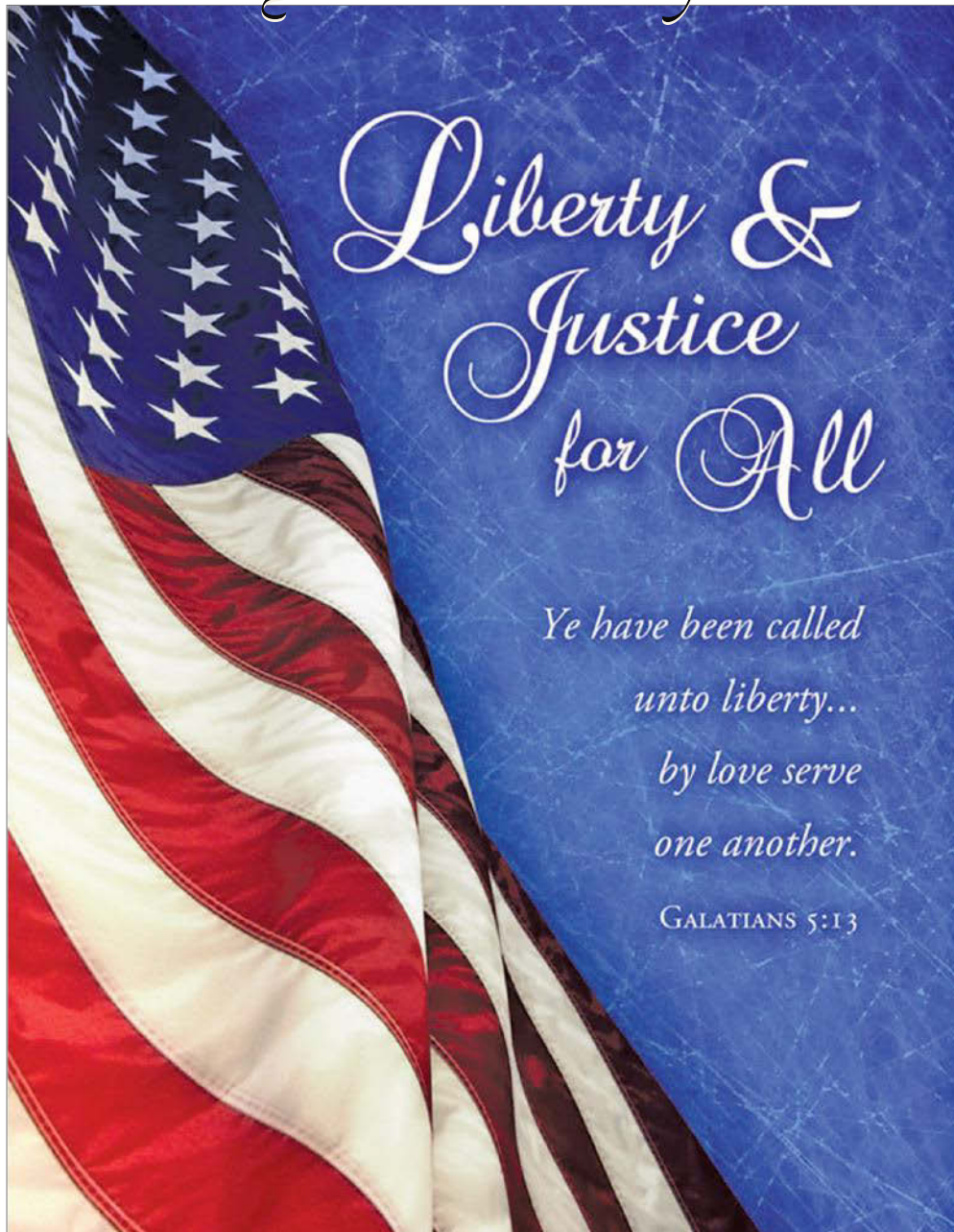


July 6, 2025 -Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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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 5

Saint Anthony Zaccaria
Saint Elizabeth of Portugal
12:05 p.m. Robert Sorsaia
5 p.m. Robert Sorsaia

Sunday, July 6

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

Monday, July 7

8:05 a.m. Fermin Manalo, Sr.
12:05 p.m. Nicolas Miguel

Tuesday, July 8

8:05 a.m. Dennis Chumacera
12:05 p.m. Maureen Lima [living]

Wednesday, July 9

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions
8:05 a.m. Georgette Carfagno
12:05 p.m. Robert Tan

Thursday, July 10

8:05 a.m. Steve Haniotis
12:05 p.m. Oscar Gonzalez

Friday, July 11

Saint Benedict
8:05 a.m. Alfonso Freidel
12:05 p.m. Elisa A. Fule

Saturday, July 12

12:05 p.m. Dr. Jose Fernandez
5 p.m. Wilfredo Edgardo Caban

Remember Our Sick

Jonas Astrauskas, Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Aurora Balthazar, Margaret Bastone, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Luis Calatayud, Kevin Carey, Rob Champion, Noreen DeCaul-Thomas, Iris Dellamarco, Michelle De Leon, Gobby De Leon, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Babu Easow, Ronda Esser, Alexander Gutierrez, Hung Sang Hau (Sammy), Spyro Harisiadis, Noila Johnson, Cipriana Jorge, Tommy Jorge, Joshua Joseph, Christopher Henderson, Karen Kane, Sherryl Kahn, Thomas E. Kearns, Roger Mejia, Natalie Podulka, Maria Rodin, Teruko Secor, Debbie Seechan, Sandy Singh, Samuel Stafford, Baby Isaac Joseph Terry, Marilyn Viggiano, Teresa Wong, Mariana Zapata—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, July 6

Sunday Morning Bible Study - Summer Break

Return date for the 10 a.m. Sunday Bible Study to be announced.

2:30 p.m. church: Baptism

Monday, July 7

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday, July 8

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

7–8:30 p.m. Faith-Sharing and Fellowship (see p. 6)

Choir Rehearsals Summer Break

Tuesday rehearsals resume September 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 9

7:45–9 p.m. Zoom: Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group
(ID: 82120186604. PW: 765136)

Thursday, July 10

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 p.m. church: Benediction

Saturday, July 12

12:45 a.m. church: Confession



Remember Our Deceased

Bruce Edwards
Paolo Michelotto-Pedrerros
Richard Perl
Stephen Meighan
Dean Moore

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This Week's Reflection

from the Catholic Teaching Committee

The Blessings of Age

As part of the 2025 Jubilee celebrations, Pope Leo XIV recently met with families, children, grandparents, and the elderly. The following thoughts are excerpted from the United States Bishops' "Pastoral Message on Growing Old" from 1999.



The Call to Holiness

"While all are called to holiness, to 'ever more intimate union with Christ,' spiritual concerns often assume greater importance for older persons. Many of you now have the time and space to reflect more deeply and to act with greater moral grounding and vision. For more and more seniors, daily Mass is the heart of their spiritual life and the springboard for companionship with many peers. Some are called to a type of prayer known as contemplative prayer, in which words give way to a quiet, attentive listening to God. The diminishment of the senses that may happen in later life, often seen only as a negative, can sometimes foster contemplation. Many older persons experience a renewed enthusiasm for learning and seek out Bible study groups, small faith-sharing groups, and adult faith formation programs."

Reminiscing As One Ages

"Aging can also entail a 'crisis of meaning.' In later life, you begin to wonder if your life has made a difference to anyone—if it has meaning. You may engage in reminiscing or a life review. You look back at the events and relationships in your life, recognizing what is good and constructive and letting go of mistakes and failures. While you cannot change past events, you can ask God to help you change your attitudes and perception of them. Some past failures might now be seen as events from which you learned. Perhaps dealing with difficult people has taught you about patience and respect for different points of view."

Creative Activities for the Aging

"Reviewing the past can lead you to take action in the present. You may discover a need for reconciliation: to seek forgiveness or to extend it to others. The first person who may need forgiveness is yourself. You may also discover that God has a new task for you. A talent waiting to be developed or a skill too valuable to be retired can lead to wonderfully creative and fruitful activities."



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Order of Mass

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle C

ENTRANCE

Missal #212—"Praise to the Lord"

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

FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14c

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING

Galatians 6:14-18

GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #513—"Peace"

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #455—"Come to Me"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #533—"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Choir Takes Summer Break

The choir is resting their voices for a time, but they will return mid-summer for the St. John Vianney Novena on August 3. Weekly Choir Masses resume on Sunday, September 7.

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for the maintenance of the church grounds.
- » July 13, the second collection is for major repairs.
- » 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.
- » **Traveling this summer?** Remember to mail in your weekly offertory, use the Catch-Up envelope, or use online Parish Giving.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Masses and Sacraments

Daily Masses

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

Sunday Masses

9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

Confessions

Tuesday and Thursday: 11:30 a.m.
Saturday: 12:45 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Masses at 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

Rosary and 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

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

Celebration of Marriage

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

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This Week's Catholic Teaching Reflection

The Blessings of Age *cont'd from page 3*

Decline of Health

"We also want to say a word about . . . a decline and eventual loss of your own personal health. You fear becoming dependent on others. . . . You may worry about being unable to communicate your desires regarding such serious matters as life support systems. Advance directives can help your loved ones know your wishes. You may worry about losing your home or not having the financial resources to sustain you through chronic illness or disability.

"These are serious concerns that you, your family members and friends, and your faith community must work to address. Here, however, we must say this to you: There is nothing wrong with being dependent on others; interdependence, not independence, is the true Gospel value. . . . All of us need each other. . . . Do not fear asking for and accepting help. Your dependency can be an occasion of grace both for yourself and for others."



** Summer Style Tips for Church **

We know it gets hot in the summer, and it's only natural to want to stay cool and comfortable. Feel free to dress for the weather—but keep in mind that church is still a place of worship and reverence. We ask that you choose attire that is neat and not too tight, short, or revealing. Our church is air-conditioned, so a light sweater or cardigan might come in handy. Thank you for helping to keep things respectful and comfortable for everyone.

Weekly Collections

Because of an early close for the July 6 bulletin for the Fourth of July holiday, the collection figures for Sunday, June 29 were yet not available. They will appear in next week's bulletin.

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.

OLQM Summer Calendar

Sunday, July 27

Start of the St. John Vianney Novena

Novena will be prayed after the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass and then Mon-Sat at the 12:05 p.m. Mass.

Sunday, August 3

St. John Vianney Novena Choir Mass

During the second Sunday of the novena, one of the newly ordained priests from our diocese will join us to celebrate the 11:15 a.m. Mass, to be followed by a First Blessing.

Monday, August 4

Close of the St. John Vianney Novena

12:05 p.m. Mass

Friday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

A Vigil Mass on Thur. 8/14 at 7:30 p.m. will be in memory of Msgr. Joseph Funaro, on the twelfth anniversary of his passing. Holy Day Masses on 8/15 will be at 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m., with a blessing with seawater at the 12:05 Mass.

Weekend, August 23/24

Summer Missionary

A visiting missionary will speak at all the Masses, giving us an opportunity to learn about the mission work of the Church and offer our support to his particular mission cause.

I BELIEVE . . . Celebrating 1700 Years of the Nicene Creed

by Friar Wayne Hellmann, OFM Conv.

Happy Anniversary! In his proclamation to announce the Holy Year of 2025, Pope Francis reminded us that 2025 is also the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed. Since 325 AD, this Creed has been professed by all Christians.

It had an initial rocky start, but it was later confirmed by the Council of Constantinople in 381. From that first gathering of bishops in the city of Nicaea (a Mediterranean city presently called Iznik found in Turkey) to our present-day local parish gatherings for Sunday Mass, we are united in that same Nicene faith, across the world and across the centuries.

What other text in human history can compete? Of non-biblical texts, the Nicene Creed is truly the most “catholic” of texts. This means the Creed came to be accepted by all local churches of the entire body of Christians spread from East to West. This same expression of faith in each local church was shared in the universal church, and this faith of the universal church was grounded in local churches. For this reason, we profess the church to be “a holy and catholic church.”

Why the creed? We received the basics of our Catholic faith from the preaching of the apostles. Their preaching was subsequently written down in what became our New Testament. The Scriptures needed to be understood, discussed, and shared. Without words or explanation, it would be impossible to pass on the apostolic faith from generation to generation.

The question in Nicaea was basic. How are we to understand God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? All three are clearly present in the preaching of the apostles. These three are central to the earliest rite of baptism and to the prayer of the Eucharist. The Nicene Creed likewise has a threefold structure:

- The first part is the foundation of our Abrahamic faith: “I believe in one God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible!”
- In the second and longest part, we profess how intimately God embraces us in our humanity: “true God from true God, begotten, not made . . . incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man!”
- In the third part, we profess intimate communion with God: “the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life . . . in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.”

The Nicene Creed is about what God has done and does for us, not what we do for God. Therefore, with grateful and joyful confidence, our apostolic and catholic faith presses us forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.





as of June 23, 2025

Parish goal: \$110,076

Pledged: \$101,471 | Paid: 76,843

Donors: 199

So close . . . Because of an early bulletin deadline this week, our ACA figures are not fully up to date, but we are **hopeful that by now, we will have met our goal** in pledges.

If you have not yet contributed to this annual diocesan fundraising appeal, please do so today. You have until December 31 to fulfill pledges. When we exceed our goal in paid pledges, the overage will come back to our parish. Use the envelopes in church or give online using the link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal/

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes

Food Pantry Volunteers Wanted: Our Lady of Mercy (70-01 Kessel St) needs adult volunteers for their weekly Saturday morning food pantry. Please call or text the coordinator, Trish McCann, 718-263-8491, if interested.



Faith Sharing at OLQM

Are you looking to explore your faith with others? Join a parish group.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. This group meets weekly, in person, in the rectory basement but is on summer break for July and August. Stay tuned for a future announcement about a resume date.

Tuesday Evening Fellowship: 7–8:30 p.m. Gather with fellow parishioners Bob and Melinda Nobbs for faith reflections and conversation. Call 718-805-7232 or text 917-545-8049 for meeting location.

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 from [YouTube.com/@bktheologian](https://www.youtube.com/@bktheologian). Revisit past studies or explore them for the first time.

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