

July 9, 2023 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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

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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.



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Scan for parish registration
information and form

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

11:15 a.m.
ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

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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 8

8 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Alicia de Páez

5 p.m. William Wilfinger

Sunday, July 9

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

Monday, July 10

8 a.m. Miranda Deluca Digiacomio

12:05 p.m. Doctor Giacomani

Tuesday, July 11

Saint Benedict

8 a.m. Robert A. Bertha

12:05 p.m. Nicolas Miguel

Wednesday, July 12

8 a.m. William Burns

12:05 p.m. Joan Smith

Thursday, July 13

Saint Henry

8 a.m. Salvador Alba

12:05 p.m. Marvin Goldfarb [living]

Friday, July 14

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

8 a.m. Patria Fausto [living]

12:05 p.m. Nicola Pistilli

Saturday, July 15

Saint Bonaventure

8 a.m. James Prieto

12:05 p.m. Robert Sorsaia

5 p.m. Kay Bruno

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, July 9

10 a.m. Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study

Monday, July 10

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

7 p.m. Zoom: "Through the Word" Bible Study

Tuesday, July 11

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

Wednesday, July 12

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

Thursday, July 13

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 15

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

2 p.m. *church*: WEDDING

Elizabeth Lynch/Nicholas Scaturro



Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Adolfo Baquero, Jose Blanco, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Luigi Cotumaccio, Cesar DeLeon, 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, Martha Padilla, Richard Perl, Louis Petulo, Aracelis Phansaitong, 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, to make your special needs known.

Remember Our Deceased

Anne-Marie Bourbon



Philip Hassialis

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.**

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This Week's Reflection

from Catholic Teaching



The Dual Dimension of Christian Liturgy

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing... (Ephesians 1: 3-4)

REFLECT: God always takes the initiative. As the catechism states, “God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness, freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life.... In his Son and through him, he invites men to become, in the Holy Spirit, his adopted children and thus heirs of his blessed life.” God wanted “to reveal himself and to make known the mystery of his will” so that we might respond with a love “far beyond our own natural capacity.” Through his grace, God sends the Holy Spirit to “awaken faith in us and to communicate to us the new life, which is to know the Father and the one whom he has sent, Jesus Christ.”

In response, we worship and adore God, and we surrender ourselves to God in thanksgiving. Liturgy, then, is our response as a Church to God’s infinite and gratuitous love for us. For example, “in the Eucharistic sacrifice, the whole of creation loved by God is presented to the Father through the death and the Resurrection of Christ. Through Christ, the Church offers the sacrifice of praise in thanksgiving for all that God has made good, beautiful, and just in creation and in humanity.”

Liturgy, then, is profoundly paternal and filial. In this encounter or dialogue of the Father with his children through Christ in the Holy Spirit, the Father always takes the initiative—he loves us first—and we his children, full of amazement, make remembrance of and acknowledge his gifts. Consequently, liturgy is a wonderful school of prayer and life in which one learns to be grateful, to rely on our Father, to expect everything from him, and to know that we are part of his family to which all human beings are called.

LEARN: Read what the Catechism says about Liturgy, starting with paragraph 1077 (at <https://tinyurl.com/mwnfch5b>).

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.

Order of Mass

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A

ENTRANCE

Missal #213—“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Missal #858—GLORIA: Latin Chant Mass

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

FIRST READING

Zechariah 9:9-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:9, 11-13

GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #465—“Come to Me”

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #335—“Taste and See”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #431—“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today’s second collection is for major repairs.
- » July 16, the second collection is for pastoral care.
- » 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 Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**SAVE THE DATE:
SUNDAY, AUGUST 13**

**Summer Blood Drive
and Summer Potluck Luncheon**

Details to follow.

Diocesan News

New Regional Episcopal Vicar for Queens West

Last month, Bishop Robert Brennan announced a restructuring of the 22 parish deaneries in the Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens into four regions—Brooklyn East, Brooklyn West, Queens East, and Queens West—and the appointment of four regional episcopal vicars to oversee them. This move is to reinvigorate the deaneries and establish a more proactive working relationship among parishes.

The Very Rev. Peter J. Purpura, pastor of Our Lady of Hope, will oversee Queens West, which includes our Queens 6 deanery. In this role, Father Purpura will assist Bishop Brennan in the administration of a diocese in areas such as pastoral planning, and he will be in charge of investigating and addressing complaints made to Bishop Brennan. As Father Purpura told Currents TV, these are situations “where there’s been someone harmed,” or it may be a matter of “simply fielding and responding to a common complaint” so that people can “air their grievances, and it will be our responsibility to respond . . . and where possible, repair the harm.”

The other regional episcopal vicars are Rev. John Costello (Queens East), Rev. Joseph Hoffman (Brooklyn East), and Most Rev. Witold Mroziwski (Brooklyn West).

From Our Clergy

An Overdue Tribute but Lasting Gratitude to Deacon Greg

We pray for God’s choicest blessings on Deacon Greg and his wife Siobhain Kandra as they relocate to Florida. Deacon Greg with Siobhain’s support and prayers has faithfully served the people of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church, Forest Hills, since his ordination in 2007. Among other things, Deacon Greg has interviewed families seeking the baptism of their children, and he baptized many of those same children. He preached with clarity and compassion countless homilies, assisted at numerous liturgies, and assisted with our parish program to prepare adults to receive their sacraments through RCIA.

We are happy that Deacon Greg will continue to be able to give parish and diocesan retreats and missions and write new content for his blog and books. May God continue to accompany Greg and Siobhain in their future endeavors! We look forward to welcoming them on their visits to New York.

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Father Antonin Kocurek
Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham

Bereavement Support

Monday evening bereavement group meetings resume in the fall on September 18, at the new time of 6:45–8:15 p.m. The schedule for fall and winter 2023–2024 will be posted at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/consolationbereavement. Until meetings resume, an additional resource is the bereavement support group at Sacred Heart parish in Glendale. They meet once a month, usually in the afternoons. Call Nancy Baer at Sacred Heart parish, 718-821-3285, for information about the their meeting dates, times, and location.

OLQM SUMMER CALENDAR

Watch for further announcements and updates.

July 27 to August 4: St. John Vianney Novena
Prayed Mon–Sat at the 12:05 p.m. daily Mass and Sun 7/30 after the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

July 30: Mass with Newly Ordained Priest
11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass will be celebrated by one of the newly ordained priests in our diocese, followed by a First Blessing.

August 13: Summer Blood Drive
9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the NY Blood Center Mobile Bus, which will be parked near the church entrance.

August 13: Summer Pot Luck Luncheon
2 p.m. in the air-conditioned rectory basement after the last Sunday Mass. Details and sign-up sheet will be available soon.

August 15: The Assumption (HDO)
7:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Mon 8/14 will be in memory of Msgr. Joseph Funaro. 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 Mass on Fri 9/15 (Our Lady of Sorrows).

Recently at OLQM

Emergency Food Drive Results

Parishioners of OLQM helped bring the bags of food donated by our parish to a Catholic Charities van, which came to bring the donated food items to St. Pius V Parish in Jamaica. There, volunteers are feeding the newly arrived asylum seekers two hot meals a day. We also collected \$1,939 in cash as part of the emergency food drive on the weekend of June 24/25. We are distributing these funds by sending \$1,500 to St. Pius V's church kitchen and the balance to Catholic Charities Brooklyn/Queens, which is coordinating efforts to aid the migrants. Thank you to all who donated food and dollars to the food drive.



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 olqmrca@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.

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

Make Placing an Envelope in the Basket Part of Your Weekly Mass Celebration

For those enrolled in the online Parish Giving option, your weekly donations made electronically are much appreciated. Some parishioners who give online and come to church in person each week still like to put something in the collection basket during the offertory as a symbolic gesture of their involvement in the sacrificial offerings to the Lord, which is an integral aspect of the Mass. If you contribute through the Parish Giving program, we recommend that you drop an empty envelope in the basket on Sunday and write on the front of the envelope "Parish Giving." That way you are participating in the offertory presentation while informing us of your online donation.

Weekly Collections

Because of an early bulletin deadline for the Fourth of July holiday, the collection figures for Sunday, July 2, were not available. They will appear in next week's bulletin.

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OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

LIVESTREAM MASS Sunday at 11:15AM is available in its entirety on demand. Use "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast.



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. Current topic: St. Luke’s Gospel. To join the group, contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday “Through the Word” Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. The Monday evening group is engaged in a year-long study of the Sunday Reading Reflections. To join on Zoom, contact josephterry@gmail.com. Archived recordings of the weekly bible studies can be viewed at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. The charismatic 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).

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes.

Maggie’s Little Theater at St. Margaret Parish presents the musical comedy **Once Upon a Mattress**. Evening performances are **Saturdays July 15 & 22** at 8 p.m. and **Friday July 14** at 8 p.m. Matinees will be performed **Sundays July 9, 16 & 23** at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults; \$20 for seniors and children age 11 and under. Reserve tickets at www.maggieslittletheater.org or call 347-286-8508. St. Margaret Parish Hall in Middle Village is located at 66-11 79th Place (between Metropolitan Ave. and Juniper Valley Rd).

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 will be offered until July 27. Free hearing aid help is also available.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2023
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Parish Goal:	Pledged:
\$114,568	\$115,246
Donors:	Paid to Date:
237	\$89,235

UPDATE: As of June 26, we continue to surpass our pledge goal. Please fulfill your outstanding pledges to ensure a successful conclusion of the 2023 ACA with paid donations. The ACA funds many diocesan ministries, and these endeavors ultimately support the needs of parishes like ours. And any dollar amounts paid that exceed our parish goal are given back to us. Last year we had over 300 donor/parishioners giving to the ACA, and we used the funds paid over goal to renovate the rectory basement meeting room. We welcome more of you contributing to the 2023 ACA, in any amount. There are ACA envelopes near the church doors that you can use. God bless you for your generosity!

Attention Students!

TIME SENSITIVE: Women in Engineering Week: July 17–21 @ The Mary Louis Academy. Open to girls entering grades 5–8 in the new school year. Use your creativity to solve hands-on engineering challenges alongside an instructor and mechanical engineer from San Jose University and TMLA’s robotics team. \$250 registration fee. Register at www.tmla.org/apps/pages/TMLASummerfest.

St. Joseph’s Seminary & College Fall 2023 Registration Underway. Earn an MA degree or a certificate in theology. Classes can be taken in person or 100% online. Expand your understanding of the Catholic faith. Affordable tuition and 50% discounts for full-time employees of parishes, Catholic schools, and diocesan employees. To apply, go to www.dunwoodie.edu/ma-in-theology.

Join the Bishop Francis Xavier Ford Guild

The guild lends prayerful and financial support to the cause of the beatification and canonization of this Servant of God and Maryknoll missionary, who was born in Brooklyn and died in prison in China in 1952. Membership fees: \$25 (individual annual); \$50 (families annual); lifetime memberships of \$500 per person and \$1,000 per family. Monthly Masses are offered for members of the guild. We have posted the application on our parish website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/sainthood-for-bishop-ford.

Diocese Pilgrimage Led by Bishop Robert Brennan. National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. July 17–21, 2024. Tickets are limited. Enroll by Sept 1, 2023. Email peter@petersway.com for enrollment details and itinerary.