July 26, 2020 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time





Middle section of the refinished church floor, before the pews are put back in place. Report on page 4.

Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. — **PASTOR** Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V. F. — **Administrator** Rev. Antonin Kocurek — **PAROCHIAL VICAR** Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham — **Senior Priest in Residence** 

# ~ During Church Repairs ~ Daily Masses in Convent Chapel 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

Sunday Masses in McLaughlin Hall 5 p.m. (Sat), 9 a.m., 11;15 a.m and 1 p.m.

> Watch the Sunday Mass at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org



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### Masses for the Week

Saturday, July 25 Saint James 8 a.m. Elisa A. Fule 12:05 p.m. Paul Cienki 5 p.m. Mangano family

<u>Sunday, July 26</u> Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

> <u>Monday, July 27</u> 8 a.m. Numeriano Tan 12:05 p.m. Miguel Angel Garcia

> <u>Tuesday. July 28</u> 8 a.m. Alan Murphy [anniversary] 12:05 p.m. Marie Kleinpeter

> > Wednesday, July 29

Saint Martha 8 a.m. Francesca Pacchiano 12:05 p.m. John Saver and Mickey Dowd

> <u>Thursday, July 30</u> Saint Peter Chrysologus 8 a.m. Dida Cruz [anniversary] 12:05 p.m. Kip Weldor

Friday, July 31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola 8 a.m. Julia Roldan 12:05 p.m. Spencer Koening

Saint Alphonsus Liguori 8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory 12:05 p.m. Maria Forero 5 p.m. Sarah Serigano

# **Remember Our Sick**

Blanche Aeppli, Joseph and Mary Augustine, Donald Begola, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Mark Bradley, Joseph Buatta, Susan Campbell, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, MaryAnn Cornell, Irene Cucurella, Tracy Cuva, Danielle D'Agostino, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Nancy Feldman, Stephanie Feldman, Estrela Feliciano, Michael Flannery, Alice Fromer, Ogan Gates, Kathleen and Brian Gordon, Pat Gmerek, Cathie Greulich, Paulina Guballa, Alexander Gutierrez, Philip Hassialis, Sean Harrison, Giles Houghton, Sandy Imperante, Michael H. Jordan, Migdalia Leon, Maria Leon Santiago, James Lung, Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Nick Spaventa, Maria Viesta, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

# Main Events of the Week

<u>Sunday, July 26</u> Thank you for your prayers and patience while repairs continue in the main church building.

> Daily Masses (Mon–Sat) 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Celebrated in the Convent Chapel

Sunday Masses 5 p.m. (Sat), 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. Celebrated in McLaughlin Hall

At all Masses, we will follow CDC procedures for the safety of all during the pandemic

> <u>Monday, July 27 – Tuesday, August 4</u> St. John Vianney Novena (see page 5)

<u>Confession Times (until further notice)</u> Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at 12:45 p.m. inside rectory door

August Blood Drive News on page 6



The Wine and Hosts and Sanctuary Lamp are offered in loving memory of Donald F. Gildea —requested by his wife

### Remember Our Deceased

Simone Boncy Anna Caccavalla John Dumbra Nelson Fulay John Monaghan Richard A. Santelli Gandaye Sebreth Jose Luis Trigo

### 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, Jean-Marc Moïse, Brian Quinn, Justin Pabse, Adam Rearick, Rodney Ross, McNeely Royal, Victoria Tissler-Bacca, Charles Torres, Jose J. Vaz, Mollie Rae Whitley, William Youssef, Phillip Whitley, Jeff Zabala. Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety, including police, fire, corrections and military personnel.

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WELCOME! 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

On Religious Freedom

From the OLQM Social Action Committee—Over seven weeks in June and July, our reflections focus on Religious Freedotm and Religious Persecution, in solidarity with Religious Freedom Week.



### Pray for a new birth of freedom in our country.

**REFLECT:** Religious liberty is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday or pray the Rosary at home. It is about whether we can make our contribution to the common good of all Americans.... What is at stake is whether America will continue to have a free, creative, and robust civil society—or whether the state alone will determine who gets to contribute to the common good, and how they get to do it.... Restrictions on religious liberty are an attack on civil society and the American genius for voluntary associations....

[Religious liberty] is our American heritage, our most cherished freedom. It is the first freedom because if we are not free in our conscience and our practice of religion, all other freedoms are fragile. If citizens are not free in their own consciences, how can they be free in relation to others, or to the state? If our obligations and duties to God are impeded, or even worse, contradicted by the government, then we can no longer claim to be a land of the free, and a beacon of hope for the world.... The teaching of the Church is absolutely clear about religious liberty: The human person has a right to religious freedom. This freedom means that all men are to be immune from coercion on the part of individuals or of social groups and of any human power, in such wise that in matters religious no one is to be forced to act in a manner contrary to his own beliefs. (Excerpted from United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "Our First, Most Cherished Liberty")

**LEARN:** At ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/Religious-Freedom we have many resources, including a link to the USCCB's scholarly YouTube presentation on Domestic Religious Freedom. To learn more about the legislative issues that impact us as Catholics and how you can express your opinions to our elected officials, we also encourage you to sign up for "Action Alerts" from the New York State Catholic Conference at www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center.

### Video Recorded Sunday Mass at OLQM

We record the 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass each week and post it online Sunday morning by 8 a.m. to watch from home. The Sunday Mass appears on our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org and the parish YouTube channel. Please subscribe! A direct link to the prerecorded Mass will also be made available every Sunday on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/olqmchurch. Please like and share and encourage others to join us at Mass!

### Order of Mass Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**ENTRANCE** "All the Earth"

FIRST READING—1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

**Responsorial Psalm** Lord, I love your commands.

SECOND READING—Romans 8:28-30

GOSPEL—Matthew 13:44-52

HOMILY

**O**FFERTORY "I Am the Bread of Life"

**Соммиліол** "Gift of Finest Wheat"

**CLOSING HYMN** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" *Communion is distributed during exit* 

### Watch Sunday Mass Online

Video recording of the Sunday Mass at OLQM is viewable on our church website ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

### Watch Daily Mass Online

Livestreamed from the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph in Brooklyn at <u>netny.tv/masses</u>

### Second Collections

» Today's second collection is for grounds maintenance.

» Sunday, August 2, the second collection will be for Major Repairs.

» Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope. At our online Parish Giving portal, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu.

» For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



# Major Church Repair 2020 - Parishioner Report #6

by Fr. Francis Passenant, Administrator

Major repairs are moving along as scheduled. The middle phase of the restoration of the church floor was completed last week. As you read this article, the final phase of floor restoration will be nearly done. We are now concentrating on completing the nave so that the pews can be securely put back and we can move back into the church for services.

Wall restoration work has moved to the left side of the church, where there is damage to repair caused by years of water penetration to the wall above the Mary Altar. The water leak was remediated with the roof replacement of 2017. (Remember, there were two roof replacements: the nave in 2015 and the roof of the church tower in 2017.) Since scaffolding is being placed near the ceiling, we will be repainting the main archways that cross the nave, which showed very visible flaking from water leaks. Those leaks were fixed with the roof replacement of 2015.

During final phases of repairs, the four confessionals on both sides of the church will be cleaned and varnished and the interiors of the confessional rooms will be refreshed with new paint and flooring.

The new lighting and the restored walls and floor give us a glimpse of what the parishioners in 1938 saw when they entered their new church building for the first time!

The new kneelers are ordered and will be delivered by the end of July, just in time to be installed when the floor is complete and the pews are returned. MORE NEXT WEEK.



Above—The middle section of the church floor before and after refinishing. Below—Scaffolding in place to repair the wall above the Mary Altar and the completed work from last week's picture of the wall restoration at the Saint Joseph Altar.



# St. John Vianney Novena July 27–August 4

Every year we offer nine days of prayer to the patron saint of parish priests for the future of the Church and for the seminarians in our diocese who are preparing to devote their lives sacrificially to Christ and the Catholic Church. Every day this week and through August 4, St. John Vianney's feast day, please make your own sacrifice and recite the novena prayer for the 2020-21 seminarians and for all men and women considering a religious life. The daily novena prayers are found at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/st-john-vianney-novena.



# Please make one of these seminarians your prayer intention for the novena:

Dung Vincent Vu Eusebius Eze Jean Presnel Jean Louis Joseph Hadzovic Thimote Cherelus Tobe Jude Offiah Alvaro Morales Benjamin Padilla Cuadrado Caetano Moura de Oliveira Cairo Antonio Lopez III Eliezer Hernandez Ron Erik Jon Winkelmann Juan Jose Luna Marcos Acosta Rodriguez Marcos Daniel Gonzalez Paolo Quaglioni Paulo Oliveira da Mata Thomas Thornton Thomas Villa Yerson Chinchilla Alex Olszewski

Daniel Senesca Elvin Torres Ernesto Alonso-Aguila Joseph Danzi Robinson Olivares Joseph Hung Sy Tran Callistus Ibeh Dulangs Regis Philogene Joseph Siano Juan Herrera Posada Kodzo Jeremie Tsonya Luis Marquez Nelson Gerardo Tlatelpa Nicholas Clemente Patrice Legoute Paul Zwolak Paulo Salazar Randy Nguyen Stephen Jankowski

ST. JOHN VIANNEY, PRAY FOR US!

### "Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and it will be opened to you."

Ask in prayer to know your vocation! Seek and find ways to serve! Knock on the doors of those who can help guide you! If you think God may be offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

# KEEP UP YOUR

### Weekly Collections

	July 19
1st Collection	\$2,075.00
2nd Collection (Pastoral Care)	786.00
Catch-Up Envelope	572.00
Subtotal McL Hall (247 attending)	<u>3,433.00</u>
Mail In/Lobby Box	3,975.00
Catch-up Envelope	2,725.20
Online Parish Giving	4,766.26
TOTAL	14,899.46
Weekly Income Need* Surplus/(Deficit)	21,250.00 (6,350.54)
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\* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Weekly figures are unaudited. 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.

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs in your will and estate planning. Contact Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251.

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### DEANERY CORNER: A place for news & events at nearby parishes

**BLOOD DRIVE** Sunday, August 16th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Margaret's Church (66-05 79 Place, Middle Village). Because of COVID-19, donors MUST schedule an appointment at 800-933-2566. Walk-ins with ID may be accommodated. Social distancing can be maintained. Read the NY Blood Center safety protocols: www.nybc.org/donate-blood/covid-19-and-blood-donation-copy.

# 2020–2021 School Year Religious Education Registration

Registration is open and online at our parish website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re. Children's religious education at OLQM is for students grades 1–8 and high school students up to age 16. Each family is asked to complete the online registration form. Fees are \$130 for one child, \$180 for two children, \$200 for three children. For students receiving First Communion, there is an additional fee of \$50 for sacramental preparation; for students receiving Confirmation the additional fee is \$90. For new students, parents must also submit a copy of the child's Baptism certificate to olqmreled@gmail.com.

# Adult Confirmation and RCIA

We want all who want to form a connection with our Church to feel welcome. If you have

questions about classes for Adult Confirmation, contact RCIA— Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults—please contact us. Email olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. Your call will be returned.



# For the Well-Being of All

When attending Mass . . .

- Wear a face mask (required).
- Bring your own hand sanitizer or wear gloves
- Use the bathroom at home <u>before</u> coming to Mass.
- Arrive 20 minutes before Mass start time.
- Use designated entrance only.
- Remain six feet apart.
- Follow the usher's instructions on seating, Communion distribution, and exiting.
- If you do not feel well, continue to pray in the privacy of your home and watch Sunday Mass on our website.

# Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others? Then Join Us.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10AM to 11AM discussing St. John's Gospel. To join, please contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com

Tuesday Evenings: 6:30PM to 8PM *Through the Word* (Bible Study). To join, please contact Joseph Terry: josephterry@gmail.com





**DID YOU KNOW?** OLQM came in third place in last year's Annual Catholic Appeal out of 112 parishes. We missed second place by only \$100! Let's make it our goal in 2020 to come in first.

Visit our website for instructions on how to give online: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal

### ABOUT THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) supports the important daily work of our Church in Brooklyn/Queens—work that no one parish can accomplish alone. ACA funds provide support for Catholic Youth Ministry Initiative; Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation.

The ACA is different from a one-time special collection. It is a **pledge campaign** where you can make a gift payable in installments until December 31. All donations made to the ACA above our parish goal are returned directly back to our parish for operations and improvements. Thank you very much for your consideration.