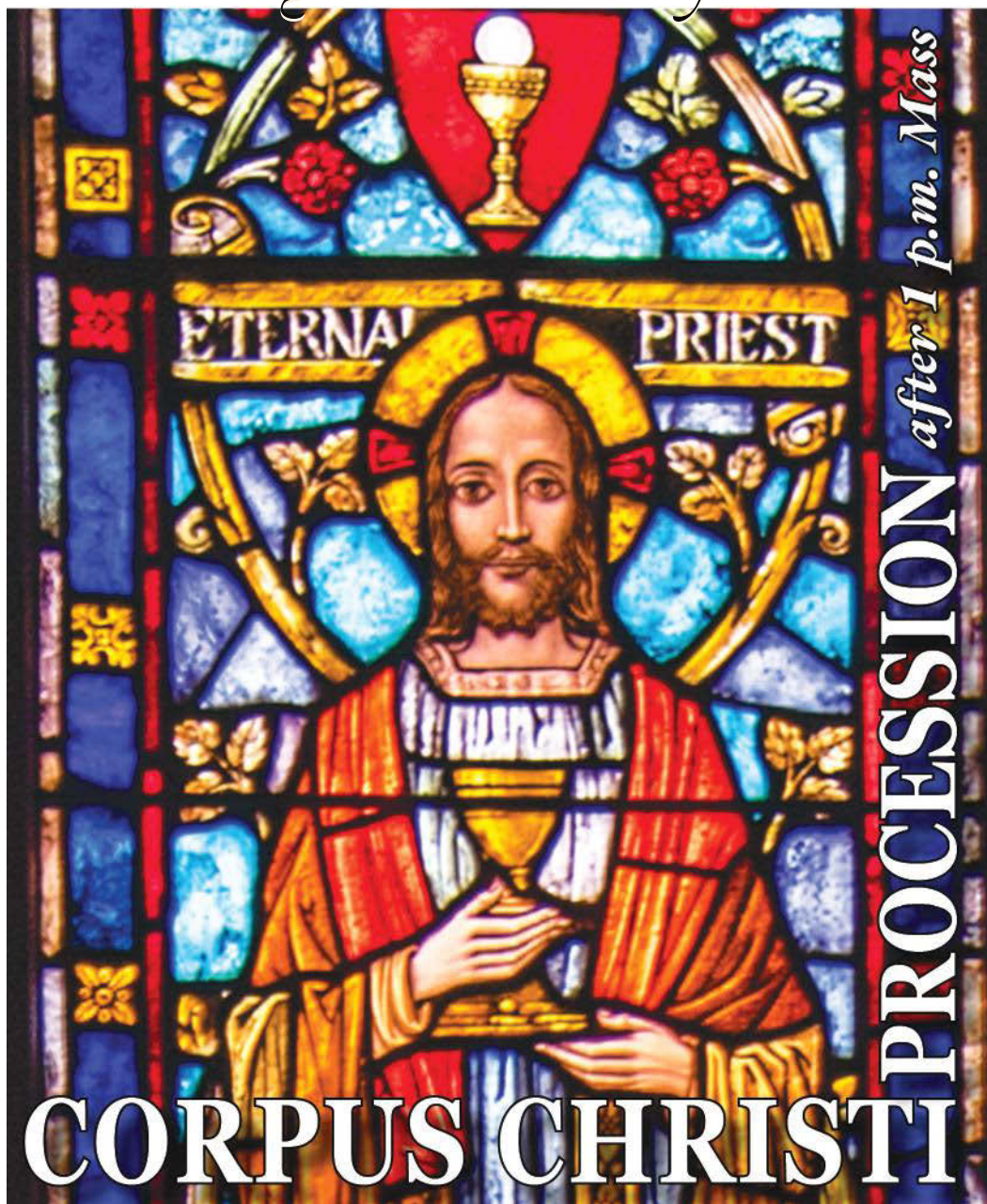


June 22, 2025 - Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — **PASTOR**
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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, June 21

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

12:05 p.m. Margaret Delaney

5 p.m. Victims of the 1/29/25

Potomac River midair collision

Sunday, June 22

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

Monday, June 23

8:05 a.m. Olga DeNapoli

12:05 p.m. Rosita Pinilli

Tuesday, June 24

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

8:05 a.m. Rod Kerekes

12:05 p.m. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham

Wednesday, June 25

8:05 a.m. Peter Ballerini

12:05 p.m. Anthony and Veronica Lizzul

Thursday, June 26

8:05 a.m. Conrado Cabuay

12:05 p.m. Alma and John Ilawan [living]

Friday, June 27

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:05 a.m. In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

12:05 p.m. Nick Monti

Saturday, June 28

Saint Irenaeus

12:05 p.m. In Thanksgiving to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

5 p.m. Richard Sorrentino

Remember Our Sick

Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Aurora Balthazar, Margaret Bastone, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Luis Calatayud, Kevin Carey, Rob Champion, 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, Sherry 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, June 22

10 a.m. rectory meeting room: Bible Study

After the 1 p.m. Mass outdoors, on church grounds:

Corpus Christi Procession

Monday, June 23

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

**9 a.m. church: Prayer Service in Recognition of
Retiring Schoolteachers (see p. 5)**

Tuesday, June 24

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Wishing All Students a Happy Summer Vacation!

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

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

7 p.m. rectory: Catholic Teaching Committee meeting

Choir Rehearsals Summer Break

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

Wednesday, June 25

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

Thursday, June 26

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, June 28

12:45 a.m. church: Confession

Sunday, June 29

**9 a.m.–12 p.m. front of church, Ascan Ave.: St. Vincent de Paul
Truck accepting drop-offs of used clothing**

The Sanctuary Lamp

is offered in loving memory of

Ann Melnick

—requested by Stephen Manick

Remember Our Deceased

Bruce Edwards

Michael Bernard-Mescall

Paolo Michelotto-Pedrerros

Brian Tomlin

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

This Week's Reflection

from the Catholic Teaching Committee

Faith, Memory, and Unity

Pope Francis initiated the 2025 Jubilee Year with his document "Hope Does Not Disappoint." It encourages us to remember specific groups in our prayers. We highlight below the Pope's mention of the elderly and the poor as well as his remembrance of the Great Council.



Prayers for the Elderly

"Esteem for the treasure that they are, their life experiences, their accumulated wisdom and the contribution that they can still make, is incumbent on the Christian community and civil society, which are called to cooperate in strengthening the covenant between generations." The Pope mentions specifically "grandparents, who represent the passing on of faith and wisdom to the younger generation" (14).

Remembrance of the Poor

Pope Francis remembers "the *poor* who often lack the essentials of life. . . . We must not close our eyes to the dramatic situations which we now encounter all around us. . . . [The poor] suffer from exclusion and indifference on the part of many. . . . Let us not forget that the poor are almost always the victims, not the ones to blame" (15). The late Holy Father encourages us to use the goods of the earth for everyone and affluent nations "to commit (themselves) to remedying the remote causes of injustice" (16).

Anniversary of First Great Council

Pope Francis reminds us that 2025 coincides with "the 1700th anniversary of the celebration of the first great Ecumenical Council, that of *Nicaea*." The Council of Nicaea in 325 sought to preserve the Church's unity, which was seriously threatened by the denial of the full divinity of Jesus Christ and hence his consubstantiality with the Father. Some 300 bishops took part, convoked at the behest of the Emperor Constantine. By the grace of the Spirit, they unanimously approved the Creed that we still recite each Sunday at the celebration of the Eucharist. The Council Fathers chose to begin that Creed by using for the first time the expression "We believe" as a sign that all the Churches were in communion and that all Christians professed the same faith.

Milestone in History

The celebration of the anniversary of the Council of Nicaea invites Christians to join in a hymn of praise and thanksgiving to the Blessed Trinity and in particular to Jesus Christ, the Son of God, "consubstantial with the Father," who revealed to us that mystery of love. At the same time, Nicaea represents a summons to all Churches and Ecclesial Communities to persevere on the path to visible unity and in the quest of finding ways to respond fully to the prayer of Jesus "that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me (Jn 17:21)" (17).



Order of Mass

Corpus Christi Sunday

Cycle C—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #714—"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation (*Haugen*)

FIRST READING: Genesis 14:18-20

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

GOSPEL: Luke 9:11b-17

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"Ave Verum" (*E. Elgar*)—Choir & 1 p.m.

Missal #355—"I Am the Bread of Life"

COMMUNION

"In the Breaking of the Bread" (*M. Ward*)—Choir & 1 p.m.

Organ Meditation

Missal #352—"Amén. El Cuerpo de Cristo"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #532—"O God Beyond All Praising"

PROCESSION AT 1 P.M. MASS

Missal #666—"O Salutaris Hostia" (*Werner*)

Missal #24 (p. 114)—"Pange Lingua"

Missal #25 (p. 115)—"Sing, My Tongue"

Choir Takes Summer Break: The choir is singing today at both the 11:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. Masses. After a busy liturgical season, they will rest their voices for a while but return mid-summer for the St. John Vianney Novena on August 3. Regular Choir Masses will resume on Sunday, September 7.

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for air conditioning.
- » June 29, the second collection is for the maintenance of the building that houses OLQM Catholic Academy. There is also an envelope for Peter's Pence.
- » 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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Clothing Drive—One Morning Only!

St. Vincent de Paul Truck Visits Next Sunday, June 29

As you clear out your closets for summer, consider the blessings you can share with those in need! The St. Vincent de Paul clothing donation truck returns to OLQM on Sunday, **June 29 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon**. The truck will be parked near the church entrance on Ascan Ave. This is a one-morning-only opportunity to donate gently used clothing that is clean and in wearable condition. The truck visits only four times a year, so take advantage of this special window. Thank you for caring and giving with open hands and hearts!

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/clothing-donation-schedule

Participate Fully in the Offertory—Even If You Give Online

If you are a regular online giver, thank you. Even though your weekly contributions are made digitally, you'll still receive offertory envelopes. Why? Parishioners who give online appreciate the chance to participate in the offertory during Mass by placing something in the collection basket. We recommend you drop an empty envelope in the basket on Sundays and write "Parish Giving" on the front. This gesture allows you to take part in the presentation of the gifts during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Giving is a spiritual act, after all, not just a transaction. Thank you for sharing in the life of our parish.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

	June 15
Candle Offerings	\$1,940.00
1st Collection	8,087.15
2nd Collection (Pastoral Care)	3,022.15
St. Anthony Relics* (rounded up)	1,400.00*
<u>Subtotal: In Church</u>	<u>14,449.30</u>
Online Giving	3,849.30
Mail In	3,250.00
TOTAL	21,548.60
Weekly Income Needed**	24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,951.40)

** 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.

* Special collection that benefits the designated cause of the Antonian Association of Chicago; does not accrue to the parish.

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.



Awesome Day of Friendship & Faith in Lancaster

The Charismatic Prayer Group took a special bus trip to Lancaster, PA, on Saturday, May 31, to attend the live stage production of “NOAH” at the Sight and Sound Theatre.

With a large turnout and beautiful weather, the group joined a packed house in experiencing the powerful retelling of one of the Bible’s most famous stories. The production left a lasting impression, according to one prayer group member, especially when the animals marched into the massive onstage ark without a single human hand to guide them. Everyone was in awe of this spectacular show.

A Time for Every Season

Thanking Our Retiring Teachers for Their Decades of Dedication

by Amy Snorteland (remedial math teacher)

There is an appointed time for everything, so we are told in the Book of Ecclesiastes. This notion brings with it the willingness to accept change. Some changes are easier than others, but all change brings new opportunities.

It is with sadness, some natural trepidation, but happiness for good friends that we share the news with you that Mrs. Foertsch (K1), Mrs. Henry (grade 4), and Mrs. Neubert (grade 6) have all decided to retire at the end of this school year.



Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Neubert, and Mrs. Foertsch

Staff changes are extremely unusual at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Catholic Academy. Each of these teachers has been with us for decades. Despite our regret for ourselves and our children, we celebrate their hard work with the hundreds of children they have served and inspired over the years.

Recognition Service: Join us on Monday, June 23, at 9 a.m. for a recognition prayer service for these educators who have given so much. We encourage OLQMCA alumni to attend or help spread the word.

Deanery Corner

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 you are interested.

Reliquary of St. Anthony

Last Sunday, June 15, we welcomed Franciscan friars from the Basilica of St. Anthony in Padua, Italy, to the Masses. Fathers Mario Conte and Fabio Turriseño traveled with two sacred relics of St. Anthony. They shared the history of the relics and offered a communal blessing with one of them. During relic veneration following the Masses, St. Anthony prayer cards were distributed. By touching the prayer card to the relic, the friars explained, it became a third-class relic—an object now linked to the saint through contact with his sacred remains. Our thanks to the Antonian Association of Chicago, which made this special visit to our church possible. Photos courtesy Denise De Maria.



Parish goal: \$ 110,076
Pledged: \$98,050
Paid: \$72,626
Donors: 194

Any day now we will meet goal! We are at 89% of our goal in pledges. If you haven't yet contributed to the annual diocesan fundraising campaign, please make a pledge today and help us keep the momentum going. Every gift makes a difference. You have until December 31 to fulfill pledges made today. When we exceed our goal amount in paid pledges, the overage funds will come back to our parish to help with needed repairs. Use the envelopes in church or give online using the link on our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal/

Time Sensitive: Starts June 30

Father Troike Summer Leadership Program for Young Men

This four-week summer program (June 30–July 24) at **Cathedral Prep** in Elmhurst is for young men entering 7th or 8th grade who wish to sharpen their academic skills and develop leadership potential. Mornings focus on academics, including TACHS prep; afternoons feature sports and recreation. Program cost is \$500. To register, contact Mr. Zapata by calling 718-592-6800, ext 150, or email cpadmissions@cathedralprep.org.

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. Meeting in the rectory basement (use glass door behind the Mary statue).

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.