

June 30, 2024 - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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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)
8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Masses at 8:05 a.m. & 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

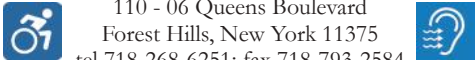
MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Mondays after 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Mass

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM
First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.
baptismprep@olqmchurch.org

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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, June 29

Saints Peter and Paul
8:05 a.m. Jordan Kenna
12:05 p.m. Anna Estornel
5 p.m. Christine Norton

Sunday, June 30

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

Monday, July 1

Saint Junipero Serra
8:05 a.m. Aida Almendral
12:05 p.m. Trevor Daffy

Tuesday, July 2

8:05 a.m. Venusto Padilla
12:05 p.m. Sophia Wood [living]

Wednesday, July 3

Saint Thomas
8:05 a.m. Carmen Velazquez
12:05 p.m. Fr. Mario Gallipoli, C.P.

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day
8:05 a.m. Jarrett Pagano
12:05 p.m. Isabel Mendoza [living]

Friday, July 5

Saint Anthony Zaccaria
Saint Elizabeth of Portugal
8:05 a.m. Sergio Garcia [living]
12:05 p.m. Nicolas Miguel

Saturday, July 6

Saint Maria Goretti
8:05 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory
12:05 p.m. Vincent Sorsaia
5 p.m. Gilda Lascano

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, June 30

10 a.m. rectory meeting room (use glass door by the Mary statue):
Sunday Morning Bible Study
(see notice on p. 6 about summer break)

2:30 p.m. rectory meeting room:
Baptism Instruction

Monday, July 1

After 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses church:
Miraculous Medal Novena
“Through the Word” Bible Study—Summer Break
Study resumes on Monday, September 9 at 7 p.m. on Zoom

Tuesday, July 2

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

Wednesday, July 3

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

Thursday, July 4



Rectory office closed for the holiday

Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.
No Confessions
After 12:05 p.m. Mass

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed when the lobby closes.
Next Thursday, July 11, evening Benediction at 7:30 p.m. resumes.

Saturday, July 6

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

Remember Our Sick

Guilberto Aguirre, Dennis Ascienzo, Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Marco Benitez, Rodolfo C. Bernabé, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Taylor A. Calder, Rosita Cabral, Susan Campbell, Gustavo Cáceres, Frances Cesarrano, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Domingo Galicia, Marie Gavosto, Lionel Guello, Lionel Genello, Simon Ho, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Ginger Inabinet, Jeannine Jodhan, Rosemary Kelly, Fred Marks, Matilde Munoz, Paul Christian Paiewonsky, Grace Perl, Dennis Portelli, Bashar Rammo, Msgr. Philip Reilly, Jason Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Valerie Rizzo, Robert Sorsaia, Luigi Totumaccio, Jamie Vayone, Teresa Wong—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.

Remember Our Deceased

Eva J. Barta
Fr. Ralph J. Caputo
Luis Morales



Paul Muldowney
Rose Tibayan

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.**

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

This Week's Reflection

from Catholic Teaching

The Universal Call to Holiness via Reverent Astonishment

"Question the beauty of the earth, the sea ... question all these realities, see their beauty.... Who made them if not the beautiful one who is unchanging." (St Augustine)

REFLECT: Today we will focus on the word call. Note how the word "call" suggests a distance. When we say that God is calling us to holiness, it means that God calls to us from a distance because there is an infinite distance between God and creature, as we saw in our earlier reflections. But what is most important here is that there is a gap between God, who is uncreated being itself, and me, as a created creature, and God takes the initiative in calling to us across that gap.

How does God call us? We covered several ways in earlier reflections: for example, how God places the desire for him in our hearts and how he speaks to us through our conscience. In this reflection, we will discuss how God calls us by moments of reverent astonishment.

St. Josephine Bakhita discovered God by looking at the African night sky, saying, "Seeing the sun, the moon and the stars, I said to myself, 'Who could be the Master of these beautiful things?' I felt a great desire to see him, to know him and to pay him homage." Dorothy Day found God, and then converted to Catholicism, in the wonder of her child. In her autobiography, Day wrote that "no human creature could receive or contain so vast a flood of love and joy as I often felt after the birth of my child. With this came the need to worship, to adore."

Notice their words. St. Bakhita is moved to pay homage; Dorothy Day is moved to worship and adore. This reverent astonishment is uniquely human. Animals don't look at creation with a sense of awe. We do because we see in nature how God calls us, even when we don't know that it is God who is calling us.

LEARN: Read Dorothy Day's autobiography, *The Long Loneliness*, and/or St. Bakhita's biography, *Bakhita: From Slave to Saint*. Both are available at your favorite Catholic bookstore.

BE AN INFORMED CITIZEN: 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

Making Progress: Sidewalk Repair Continues

We appreciate your patience as we repair the sidewalk along Queens Boulevard. As of our press deadline, we anticipated the concrete from the curb to the church ramp entrance would be poured, allowing access in time for Sunday Masses. However, repair work can sometimes be unpredictable. If you encounter difficulty accessing the ramp entrance, please use the Ascan Avenue entrance instead, where ushers will be on hand on Sunday to assist you. We will keep you informed of the sidewalk project's progress through our website, Facebook page, and weekly eblast (*continued on p. 4*).

Order of Mass

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle B

ENTRANCE

Missal #416—"Christ Before Us"

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

FIRST READING

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

GOSPEL

Mark 5:21-43

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #450—"Amazing Grace"

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #581—"Worthy Is the Lamb"

AFTER CLOSING PRAYER, IN OBSERVANCE OF JULY 4

Missal #745—"America the Beautiful"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #198—"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for maintaining the school building that houses OLQM Catholic Academy.
- » July 7, the second collection is for grounds maintenance.
- » 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.

OLQM Summer Calendar

Save these dates. Additional announcements to follow.

Saturday, July 27 to Sunday, August 4

St. John Vianney Novena

The novena will be prayed Mon–Sat at the 12:05 p.m. daily Mass and on Sundays 7/28 & 8/4 after the 11:15 a.m. Mass. During one of the Sundays of the novena, a newly ordained priest in our diocese will celebrate Mass, to be followed by a First Blessing.

Sunday, August 11

Potluck Luncheon

2:15 p.m. (after the last Sunday Mass) in the air-conditioned rectory basement. Dust off one of your family’s secret recipes and bring a dish to share with fellow parishioners and get to know each other better.

Thursday, August 15

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

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

Weekend, August 24/25

Summer Missionary

In this annual tradition, a visiting missionary will speak at all Masses, giving us an opportunity to learn about the mission work of the Church and offer support to his particular mission cause.

Sunday, September 15

Parish Feast Day celebrated at the 11:15 a.m. Choir Mass.

Summer Style Tips for Church

We all like to relax in the summer when the temperatures get hot, and we want everyone to stay cool and comfortable during services. However, church remains a place of worship and reverence. We kindly request that you choose church attire that reflects both comfort and respect for the church and for others attending services. We encourage apparel that is neat and not overly tight, short, or revealing. Because the church is air-conditioned, bringing a light sweater or cardigan might be a practical choice, both for your personal comfort while also aligning with our values of modesty within a sacred space. Thank you.



Making Progress: Sidewalk Repair Continues *(continued from p. 3)*

The sidewalk project is an example of your Annual Catholic Appeal contributions at work. The \$75,000 in overage funds returned to our parish from the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal are helping to pay for this project. That is only half of the \$151,000 total cost, however. We are hopeful we can raise the rest if we successfully exceed our Annual Catholic Appeal goal again this year. Thank you for your continued support.

Pictured—As of June 25, the sidewalk at the ramp entrance was prepped and waiting for the concrete to arrive for the pour; concrete poured and curing in front of the rectory.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024: Update

Our parish goal is to raise \$114,568 (same as last year). The diocesan Appeal supports many pastoral, charitable, and educational programs that benefit the wider Catholic community in Brooklyn and Queens, and they benefit our own parish, too. Programs funded by the ACA support parish religious education activities and seminarians and future parish priests. So far, 217 of you have pledged or made a gift. While this generosity is heartening, it is 20 donors fewer than at this time last year. We encourage more of you to join your fellow parishioners in contributing to the ACA, in any amount. There are Appeal envelopes near the church doors to use, or you can scan the QR code below with your phone to donate online. Let’s try to meet or beat our parish goal before Labor Day. God bless you for your generosity!



AnnualCatholicAppeal.org



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024
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Bereavement Support

The parish Monday evening bereavement group will not be meeting in July and August. Monthly meetings will resume in September, with the specific dates to be announced and published soon in the bulletin and on our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/consolationbereavement.

In the meantime, we would like to point you to an additional resource that may be of help: the bereavement group at Sacred Heart parish in Glendale (83-17 78th Ave.). They meet in their convent basement (entrance on 77th Ave., labeled Parish Ministries) on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in attending one of their meetings, please call Nancy Baer at Sacred Heart at 718-821-3285 in advance, since circumstances sometimes cause the group to switch their meeting dates.

Worth Reading: Witness the Actual Abortion Extremists

We want to bring to your attention an op-ed piece written by Cardinal Dolan on the ongoing abortion divide. It originally ran in the NY Daily News on June 9, 2024. The original is behind a paywall, but we have a pdf copy of the article, "Witness the Actual Abortion Extremists," on our website in the News section at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org.



Father of all nations and ages,
 We recall the day when our country claimed its place
 among the family of nations;
 for what has been achieved we give you thanks,
 for the work that still remains we ask your help,
 and as you have called us from many peoples
 to be one nation, grant that, under your providence,
 our country may share your blessings
 with all the peoples of the earth.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
 Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.
 —*Roman Missal*

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	June 23
Candle Offerings	\$1,850.00
1st Collection	8,135.00
2nd Collection (<i>air conditioning</i>)	2,357.00
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>12,342.00</u>
Online Parish Giving	3,835.15
Mail In	1,359.00
TOTAL	17,536.15
Weekly Income Needed*	24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,963.85)

* 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

Peter's Pence (*Holy Father's collection*) \$1,416.00
 Special collections taken throughout the year do 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.

Contact Us

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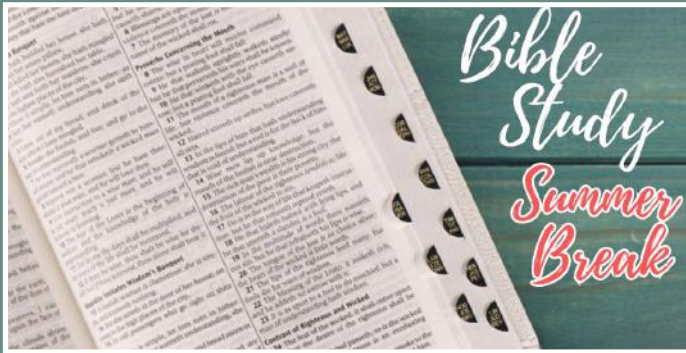
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LIVESTREAM MASS

Sundays @ 11:15AM. The Mass is available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast



After today's (June 30) meeting, the **Sunday morning faith-sharing group** that meets in-person will break for the summer. The group plans to resume meeting on Sunday, September 8. During this break, anyone who would like to receive information may contact Noila Johnson through email: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday evening **"Through the Word" Zoom Bible study** is also on summer break. Their study of the Acts of the Apostles resumes on Monday, September 9. Archived recordings of past Bible studies can be viewed on demand at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian. Stay strong in Christ and rest well this summer!

Catholic Charismatic Prayer

Wednesdays @ 7:45-9 p.m. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings. 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).

Religious Education at OLQM

Even as students and teachers embark on a well-deserved summer break, we are preparing for the fall. Beginning this September, Religious Education will implement a two-year preparation program for First Holy Communion and for Confirmation. The new structure, developed in consultation with Deacon Thomas Jorge, the director of Religious Ed, includes a Pre-Sacrament Class in the first year and a Sacrament Class in the second year.

This change will give young learners more time to fully absorb the class teachings and develop their spiritual habits, all in preparation for receiving the Sacraments.

See you all in September!

Student Honors

The following students from our parish are cited by **St. Francis Preparatory School** for their commendable academic performance.

Congratulations to all for honors earned!

HONOR ROLL

- Natalia Borges, Maya Delgado, Gabriella Edwards, Joshua Jazmin, Isabella Jimmo, Dominic John, Valentina Lorenzo, Angela Morales, Safiya Richens, Alexander Setari, Isaiah Sharpe, Maria Vulaj, Brooke Welz

Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger lasts but a moment; a lifetime, his good will. —Psalms 30:5-6

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Free Hearing Services Do you have to ask people to repeat themselves? Do you have ringing in your ears? Call St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center at 718-990-6480 to arrange an appointment with a specialist. Free screenings are being offered through August 1. Free hearing aid help is also available. The center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike in Flushing.

Assisted Living and Respite Care is available at Dominican Village, an independent living retirement community founded by the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, New York. To schedule a tour, call 631-842-6091 or email jford@dominicanvillage.org.