

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

We have recorded videos of the daily and Sunday Mass on our website
as a way to remain united around the celebration of the Mass



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Sound-enhancing assistive listening device is available if you have trouble hearing during Mass. Visit the sacristy for information.

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.)
Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Private Masses will be offered by our parish priests for the intentions listed.

Saturday, June 13

St. Anthony of Padua

Anabella and Louis Sorsaia

Intention of St. Anthony Novena

Krystyna Mlynarczyk [anniversary]

Sunday, June 14

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, June 15

Anthony and Veronica Lizzol

Florencia B. Cabrera

Tuesday, June 16

James Patrick Hyland

Benjamin Soriano

Wednesday, June 17

Marie England

Mary Roy-McCarthy

Thursday, June 18

Robert and Moses Silva

Hector Manuel Ortiz

Friday, June 19

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Agustin Cruz

Saturday, June 20

Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fernando Munoz

Geoffrey Gill

Robert Peter Ballerini

NOTE: In the daily Masses, the priests of the parish are fulfilling and will continue to fulfill the Mass intentions that have been requested.

Remember Our Sick

Blanche Aepli, Joseph and Mary Augustine, Donald Begola, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Mark Bradley, Joseph Buatta, Susan Campbell, James Cardone, MaryAnn Cornell, Irene Cucurella, Tracy Cuva, Danielle D'Agostino, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Nancy Feldman, Stephanie Feldman, 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, Liz Maryon, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Maria Viesta, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Main Events of the Week

**** Church Vestibule Open for Private Prayer ****

During the COVID-19 emergency, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church will have its vestibule open each day for private prayer and devotion. You may enter the vestibule through the doors on Ascan Avenue. Please wear a mask, remain six feet apart, and bring your own hand sanitizer with you. You may also wear gloves. If you are not feeling well, please continue to pray in the privacy of your home.

For the celebration of funerals, baptisms, or weddings, please call the rectory at 718-268-6251 and be aware that we are still required to limit the number of people in attendance at those services to 10 persons.

Thank you for your continued patience as we pray for a return to a new normal. May God continue to watch over you! While there is no public celebration of the Mass for the time being, our priests are celebrating Mass each day privately for the scheduled intentions. You can watch our recorded Masses from your home or phone on our website ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org, on www.facebook.com/olqmchurch, or the [parish YouTube channel](#).

Virtual Devotions

Monday Novena Prayers and

Thursday Devotions (Adoration and Benediction)

will be viewable on our website on those days along with the daily Mass. We invite you to participate from home.

Confessions

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday at 12:45 p.m. inside rectory door*

* For parishioners wishing to make a confession, please wear a mask, practice responsible social distancing, and enter the rectory one at a time.

Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

Sunday mornings at 10 a.m.

Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

(see page 4 for information)

Remember Our Deceased

Ramona Calsada

Baby Michael Steven Martucci

Robert McBride

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.**

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 Respect for Houses of Worship

OLQM Social Action Committee

Beginning this week, and continuing over seven weeks in June and July, our reflections focus on Religious Freedom and Religious Persecution, in solidarity with the USCCB's Religious Freedom Week.



Pray that people of all faiths would be free to worship without fear of attacks and harassment.

REFLECT: Houses of worship provide spaces for people to step back, often with fellow believers, and pray. The disturbing rise in attacks on these places is an attack on religious freedom. Gunmen in churches, synagogues, and mosques terrorize faith communities. In Europe and North America, churches have been desecrated. Priests all over the world have been killed, even while celebrating liturgies. The problem is not limited to attacks on Christians. Over 50 people were murdered in two mosques in New Zealand, while there have been several attacks on synagogues in recent years. Mosques and synagogues have been vandalized while there has been a rise in attacks on Jewish and Muslim people who are simply going about their daily life. These kinds of attacks are assaults on the image of God and cannot be tolerated.

ACT: First, take time during this week, if possible, to pray a decade of the rosary, fast from a meal, or spend time before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, offering up your act as a sacrifice in reparation for sins against human dignity. Then, support increased funding for the FEMA Nonprofit Security Grant Program. This program provides grants to nonprofits, including houses of worship, to improve security. While we should hope, pray, and work for a country where people can worship without fear, we can also take practical steps to protect churches, mosques, and synagogues. Contact your representative and senators today!

LEARN: Read the [Declaration on Human Dignity](#) on the Vatican website and the USCCB's summary of the [Second Vatican Council Declaration on Religious Liberty](#). Watch the [USCCB-produced video](#) on "Religious Liberty." Links to all three resources are available at our website at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/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.

Readings and Mass Options

Corpus Christi Sunday

FIRST READING—*Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14B-16A*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

SECOND READING—*1 Corinthians 10:16-17*

GOSPEL—*John 6:51-58*

Video recordings of the Mass each day with our parish priests are being posted on our church website

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

SUNDAY MASS ON NET TV

Spectrum Channel 97

FIOS by Verizon Channel 48

Tune in online at netny.tv

Saturday at 6 p.m.

Vigil prerecorded from Immaculate Conception in Jamaica (English)

Sunday at 11 a.m.

Live from St. James Cathedral in Downtown Brooklyn (English)

Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Prerecorded from Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph in Prospect Heights (Spanish)

Second Collections

» Today's second collection is for materials for our CCD and Religious Education Program. There is also an envelope for Father's Day Mass Remembrances.

» Sunday, June 21, the second collection will be for maintenance of the OLQM Catholic Academy building. There is also an envelope for the Peter's Pence collection and the Pope's philanthropic work.

» Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope. At our 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.

~ Father's Day: June 21 ~ Mass Remembrance Envelopes

Dads (living and deceased) will be remembered at Mass on Father's Day weekend. Envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

Racial Injustice

In light of the recent disturbing events in our nation, we unite our hearts with the sentiments expressed by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Bishop DiMarzio encourages us: "We Christians must be fierce in our opposition to the evil of racism. But we must respond peacefully and remember the Lord's call to us to love one another as He loves us."

Other Bishops offer these thoughts:

We need to finally root out the racial injustice that still infects too many areas of American society. . . . We join our brother bishops to challenge everyone to come together, particularly with those who are from different cultural backgrounds. In this encounter, let us all seek greater understanding amongst God's people. . . . Let each and every Catholic, regardless of their ethnicity, beg God to heal our deeply broken view of each other, as well as our deeply broken society.

Please join us in prayer for all those who work to promote racial equality and human dignity.

WAYS TO GIVE

We are grateful to all who are faithfully contributing to the needs of our parish during this time of pandemic. May God bless you and keep you safe!

You may leave your church donations in the mailbox to the left of the front door of the rectory. In the church vestibule we have a donation box and our DipJar for credit card contributions.

We strongly encourage you to use [online Parish Giving](#). You can enroll at our website ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org or from your phone using the QR code here. You can make one-time or recurring donations with Parish Giving and there is telephone support; call **866-307-7140**, Mon-Fri, 8:30AM to 4:30PM.



Dip to Donate



Parish Giving
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Use Smartphone

Vote in the June 23 Primaries

New York holds its primary elections on June 23. There are primaries for president, Congress, state Senate, state Assembly, and a new Queens borough president. Be sure to exercise your right and responsibility to vote. The state is encouraging everyone to vote using mail-in ballots. If you are a registered voter and have not yet received the mail-in ballot, you can apply online at the Board of Elections site: NYCAbsentee.com. If you don't have the internet, you can call 1-866-VOTE-NYC. Deadline to request mail-in voting is June 16.

In-person voting is still possible, including early voting from June 13–21. Go to vote.nyc/page/understanding-ballot to do an address lookup for your polling site and to read what's on the ballot. (Looking ahead past the primaries: To vote in the November 3 General Election, the deadline for new voter registration is October 9, 2020.)

Adult Confirmation and RCIA

We want all who want to form a connection with our Church to feel welcome, even during this difficult time. If you have questions about classes for Adult Confirmation, contact RCIA (Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults) by email (olqmrca@gmail.com) or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. Your call will be returned.



Faith Sharing Groups Meet via 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

Pange Lingua

(translation)

Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory,
Of His flesh the mystery sing;
Of the Blood, all price exceeding,
Shed by our immortal King,
Destined, for the world's redemption,
From a noble womb to spring.

Of a pure and spotless Virgin
Born for us on earth below,
He, as Man, with man conversing,
Stayed, the seeds of truth to sow;
Then He closed in solemn order
Wondrously His life of woe.

On the night of that Last Supper,
Seated with His chosen band,
He the Pascal victim eating,
First fulfills the Law's command;
Then as Food to His Apostles
Gives Himself with His own hand.

Word made Flesh, the bread of nature
By His word to Flesh He turns;
Wine into His Blood He changes;
What though sense no change discerns?
Only be the heart in earnest,
Faith her lesson quickly learns.



Corpus Christi Procession 2019. Photo by Maria Ribar.

Pange Lingua is a processional hymn traditionally sung at Exposition and Benediction in honor of the Blessed Sacrament. It was written by Thomas Aquinas in 1264 for the Feast of Corpus Christi.

News About The Tablet

Delivery of The Tablet newspaper to churches in Brooklyn/Queens, including our church, is suspended for six months. The last bulk deliveries were made with the May 30th edition. The diocese made this decision during the recent citywide curfews and because distribution of literature and use of missalettes is discouraged to reduce the spread of the coronavirus. You can read the online edition at TheTablet.org. Individual subscriptions for home delivery are available.

June 19th Observed as World Day of Priests

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey toward Heaven. All are called in Christ, but some are chosen to nourish His Body as priests and in the consecrated life. Could you be among them? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

Weekly Collections

We will publish collection income reports and comparisons every four weeks until our church returns to her normal activity. Thank you for keeping up your increased support by enrolling in online giving. Please visit the parish website for more information.

AIR CONDITIONER ASSISTANCE: Mayor de Blasio announced plans to provide free air conditioners and free installation to low-income seniors to have comfort while sequestering. Call 311 for information or at www.nyc.gov enter "air conditioner" in the search box and click on GetCool Air Conditioner Program. Air conditioners for people with medical conditions may also be available through a city benefit program.

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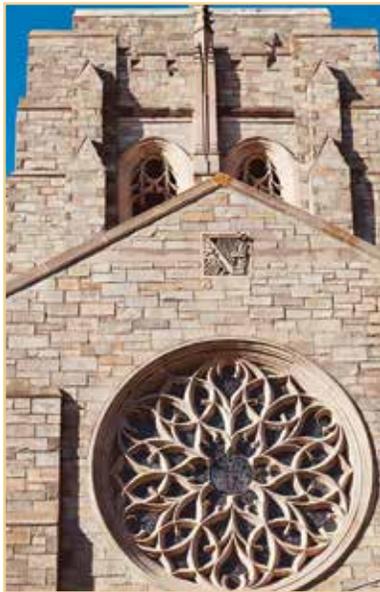
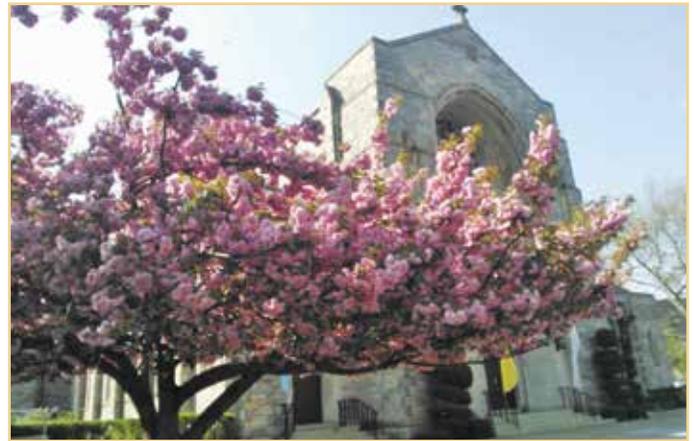
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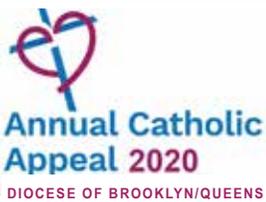
“All the days of the earth, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease” (Genesis 8:22). Even in this unusual spring season during time of pandemic, when we have been physically separated from the church and each other, the church still draws people to it as a social institution and spiritual connection.

Photos—Right: Cherry blossoms bloomed. Photo by Bibiana Stehly.

Below: One of the rose windows and inside the church vestibule (also known as the narthex), which is open for private prayer and devotion. Photos courtesy Armei Gold Photography. The gate in front of the saints’ chapel in the church vestibule reads “Pour forth upon us, O Lord, the Spirit of Thy Love.”



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TOGETHER**

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 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.