

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 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. (use Queens Blvd church entrance)

ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Monday through Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Mondays after the 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Mass

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays from 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made at least **six months** in advance, **prior** to the proposed wedding date

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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 2 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Saturday, June 26

8 a.m. Jean Lee

12:05 p.m. Rev. Daniel J. Weiscopf

5 p.m. Daniel Cahill

Sunday, June 27

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, June 28

Saint Irenaeus

8 a.m. Michael Perrier

12:05 p.m. Nichola Monti

Tuesday, June 29

Saints Peter and Paul

8 a.m. Aida Almenndral

12:05 p.m. Paul Szabo

Wednesday, June 30

First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8 a.m. Joanie Molina

12:05 p.m. Stuart Haver

Thursday, July 1

St. Junípero Serra

8 a.m. Diane Jena Longalong-Mercado

12:05 p.m. Hermelinda Hidalgo

Friday, July 2

8 a.m. Diane Jena Longalong-Mercado

12:05 p.m. Alma L. Nassauer

Saturday, July 3

Saint Thomas

8 a.m. Venusto Padilla

12:05 p.m. Florence and Albino Condino

5 p.m. Grace Plank and Maria D'Apice

Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Sonia Baxter, Taylor Calder, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Geraldine Casserly, Martha Catel, Shania Brennan Clemente, Tracy Cuva, Mary Dillon, Melinda DiMurro, Norman Doucette, Carol Drew-Dwyer, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Estrela Feliciano, Farneil F. Flores, Helen F. Flores, Christina T. Flores, Pat Gmerek, Concepcion Kane, Bob Keegan, Victor Kun, Herbert Lempel M.D., James Leung, Ann Longobardi, Jason M., Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, Artur Mavashev, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Ferbian T. Penafior, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Tony Simomes, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Remington Stafford, Lacey Straeghtly, Maria Viesta, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, June 27

10 a.m. Zoom: Bible Study

Monday, June 28

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

7 p.m. Zoom: "Life in the Spirit" Bible Study

Tuesday, June 29

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

Thursday, July 1

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

12:05 p.m. Mass will be followed by a short period of

Adoration and Benediction

Benediction returns to its normal 7:30 p.m. time next week

Saturday, July 3

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

Before you get too distracted by summer break,
register or re-register for Religious Ed classes this fall
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Weekday Masses, Rosary & Confessions

Use the ramp entrance at Queens Blvd Mon-Sat for 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Mass. The Rosary is prayed Mon-Sat after 12:05 p.m. Mass. Confessions are heard in the confession room next to the Blessed Virgin Mary altar on Tue and Thu at 11:30 a.m., Sat at 12:45 p.m. Following each Mass the church will be closed until further notice. For private prayer or to light a candle, the church vestibule at Ascan Avenue is open.

Remember Our Deceased

Francis Booth

Adelaida Cabuay

Alfredo Cabuay

Anna Dewender

Deacon Issac Duncan



Tina Marie Gandolfo

Martin Keane

John K. O'Driscoll

Odette Ollu

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

from Catholic Social Teaching

The USCCB on Marriage and Religious Freedom

That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one body. (Genesis 2: 24)

REFLECT: “The new religious freedom conflict in America is over the institution of marriage. The Supreme Court decision in *Obergefell v. Hodges* means that the American legal system no longer recognizes the natural reality of marriage, and this has opened the door to a variety of challenges to religious freedom. Human beings did not create either marriage or religious freedom; they both belong to the nature of man as he was created by God at the beginning. Society, at its best, recognizes and honors them; at its worst, it rejects them or pretends that society itself is their origin.... Changing the definition of marriage in the law changed not one law but hundreds of laws at once. The Supreme Court’s decision in *Obergefell* cut short the debate over what the truth about marriage is and paved the way to cast those who disagree with its redefinition as bigots...

“Religious freedom gives citizens the space to tell the truth about marriage in respectful ways. The *Obergefell* decision must not end public discourse on marriage.... Pope Francis wrote, ‘A healthy pluralism, one which genuinely respects differences and values them as such, does not entail privatizing religions in an attempt to reduce them to the quiet obscurity of the individual’s conscience or to relegate them to the enclosed precincts of churches, synagogues or mosques. This would represent, in effect, a new form of discrimination and authoritarianism.’ Keeping religious people out of the public square is not a demonstration of fairness or equality, but rather the opposite. When the only virtue is tolerance, and this virtue is misunderstood, anyone who is perceived as intolerant is shut out from the conversation.” (Made for Freedom, at <https://bit.ly/3nRCcyO>)

ACT: Answer the USCCB’s call to prayer, penance and sacrifice for the protection of life, marriage, and religious liberty, see <https://bit.ly/2SrBblr>.

LEARN: Review the USCCB’s website, Marriage: Unique for a Reason, at <https://bit.ly/3tl3dfd>. Watch the USCCB video titled Made for Freedom, at <https://bit.ly/3nPm6po>.

To learn more about the legislative issues that impact 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 New York State Catholic Conference: www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center

The 9 a.m. Sunday Mass is livestreamed weekly at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Order of Mass

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle B —Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #407—“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 #433—“Amazing Grace”

COMMUNION

Organ Meditation

Missal #320—“Gift of Finest Wheat”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #196—“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. Livestream ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Daily Mass Online

8 a.m. & 12 p.m. Livestream Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph
netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

» Today’s second collection is for air conditioning. There is also an envelope for Peter’s Pence.

» Sunday, July 4, the second collection will be grounds maintenance.

» Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope) or at our Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu. For [Parish Giving](#) technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mass Requests for 2022

Please take a Mass Request sheet home with you. Fill it out, mail it back or drop it off, with payment, at the rectory during business hours. We will schedule your Mass intentions on the date requested or the next closest day and time. The 2022 Mass Book itself will open sometime this summer. Stay tuned for a further announcement.

Offerings for the Wine and Hosts, Sanctuary Lamp, and Altar Flowers to honor loved ones can be requested throughout the year. Please contact the rectory.

OLQM Convent Update

The parish convent has been a residence for various groups over the 65 years since it was built. Intended originally as housing for the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) Sisters who staffed the parish school in 1956, it has been accommodating different groups in need of a place to call home.

Renovated in 2001 by the diocese, the convent was used first as housing for senior priests. Later a group of challenged adults with disabilities occupied the facility in 2007 through a program sponsored by Catholic Charities. It was a temporary residence for three years while their main home, Dawson Manor in Ozone Park, was being renovated. The residents were warmly received by our parishioners and they attended many parish Masses and social events. The Sisters of Charity of Halifax were the latest occupants, living in the building for ten years from 2010. The Sisters, many of whom were retired, were familiar faces at Mass. As their numbers have depleted, it was deemed necessary for the remaining Sisters to move to convents within their community with available space.

We held Daily and Sunday Masses in the convent during the summer of 2020 while the interior of our church was being extensively renovated. Many enjoyed the cozy worship space.


The diocese has identified a social service agency named YAI (Young Adult Institute) with interest in renting the convent. YAI provides innovative services for the I/DD (intellectual and/or developmental disabilities) community. They are dedicated to the personal growth and independence of the individuals they work with and are excited to have a building in such great condition with minimal renovations to bring it up to code for the population they serve.

We look forward to warmly welcoming our new neighbors and invite you to keep them and their counselors in your prayers.

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes

St. Nicholas of Tolentino Parish (150-75 Goethals Ave., Jamaica) **Outdoor Flea Market** is open weekends through November 20/21. The flea market is located in the church parking lot. Admission and parking are free. For more information, phone 718-591-1815.

American Martyrs Bingo Is Back! Tuesday, July 13. Doors open at 6 p.m. American Martyrs is located at 79-43 Bell Blvd., Bayside. 

OLQM SUMMER CALENDAR

Save the Dates

July 27–August 4: **Annual St. John Vianney Novena** at the 12:05 p.m. Mass *weekdays*

August 1: **St. John Vianney Feast Day Observed** at the 11:15 a.m. *Sunday Mass*

August 15: **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

August 28/29: **Summer Missionary Weekend** all Masses (*guest speaker to be announced*)

Celebration of Our Parish Feast Day

September 15: **Evening Prayer Service** 7:30 p.m.

Praying with St. Joseph in the Year of St. Joseph: “Support in Difficulties, Mirror of Patience, Comfort of the Sorrowing”

Annual Catholic Appeal Update

Our Parish Goal: \$114,568

We are getting closer! Our thanks to the 305 parishioners who have made a financial pledge to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. The parish usually has over 400 donors each year. Let's close the gap and make our goal **SOON!**

We are asking every parish member who is able to make a personal financial gift and support our Catholic Church in Brooklyn and Queens. Please take a brochure and pledge card from the church. You can schedule payments from **now through December 31**. If you prefer, you may make a gift online at annualcatholicappeal.org or text ACA to 917-336-1255. You can call 718-965-7375, ext. 1602, and have a pledge card mailed to your home. However you give, in whatever amount, it is important for all of us to participate and support our diocese. Thank You.

* Please make online gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal through the dedicated website listed above. Please do not use online Parish Giving.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021
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We are **together**

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Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

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RCIA is the answer to your spiritual needs. To find out more, contact us at olqmrchia@gmail.com OR call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.

On the Obligation to Attend Mass

As access to vaccines has become more widespread and we emerge from the restrictions of the pandemic, Bishop DiMarzio has lifted the general dispensation and requires Catholics to **return to church to attend Mass on Sunday** and Holy Days of Obligation. If you are ill or elderly, care for someone who is, or have serious health risks, automatic dispensation from the obligation applies, as always.

For the homebound, we will livestream Mass on Sunday. However, the **livestream Mass is not intended as a substitute** for those who are able to fulfill their obligation to gather in church for a Sunday celebration of Mass. Let us remember the importance of the gift of the Sacred Eucharist. As the NY State Bishops remind us, “The Mass is the greatest gift that Our Lord has given us. It is a sacred moment in which we are truly in His presence, to hear His Word, to receive Him in Holy Communion, and to give Him thanks. The Sunday Eucharist is a remarkable opportunity, not to be missed.”

Register Online TODAY for Religious Education Classes

The Religious Education program at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs invites all those interested in furthering their children’s faith formation to register or re-register at our parish website using our online form.

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re/

Deadline is June 27 for classes that begin in the fall.

Religious ed classes are for public schoolchildren of our parish. Students grades 1 through 8 and high school students up to age 16 are all welcome to join our program.

Thank you, and God bless you and your faith and your families.

Deacon Thomas Jorge
Director of Religious Education

Witness to Charity

Today’s Special Collection for Peter’s Pence

Funds raised through this annual collection support the Universal Church and help the Holy Father help the neediest people around the world, in recognition of the common humanity shared by peoples of all ethnicities and religious backgrounds. The Church asks that you be a witness of charity by supporting the Holy Father’s charitable works. Thank you for giving generously, to the extent possible.

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others? Join one of our faith-sharing groups.

Sunday Morning Bible Study meets 10–11 a.m. Beginning June 20 the group begins a new discussion of the Gospel of St. Mark. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday Evening Bible Study meets 7–8 p.m. The current theme is “Life in the Spirit.” For those interested in exploring the Person and the work of the Holy Spirit and how we can grow in our relationship with Him, join this summer-long program. For more information and Zoom link, contact Joseph Terry: josephterry@gmail.com.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections	June 20
Candle Offerings	\$ 1,193.00
1st Collection	7,611.00
2nd Collection (OLQMCA bldg maint.)	1,117.00
<i>In-Church Subtotal (1,019 attending)</i>	<u>9,921.00</u>
Mail In	2,638.00
Parish Giving Online	4,763.01
TOTAL	<u>17,322.01</u>
Weekly Income Needs*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,927.99)

* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Figures 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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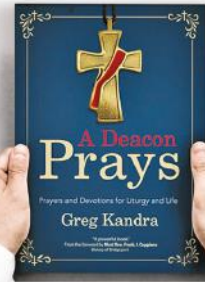
Bereavement Support at OLQM

The parish bereavement support group offers spiritual support to those who have recently suffered a loss. We offer a caring environment, hope, and comfort; we are nonjudgmental and respect privacy in all aspects of grieving and point toward healing. Meetings are typically the first and third Mondays of the month (except on Monday holiday weekends) and they are being held virtually via Zoom until further notice. All meetings begin at **7:30 p.m.** Two meetings are scheduled for summer: **July 19 and August 16.** The fall schedule will be announced soon here and on our website. If interested in joining, please contact group facilitator and Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle at ymizelle@gmail.com.



New Book by Deacon Greg

This collection of prayers is for deacons at various moments in life—but it's applicable to anyone seeking to serve God and the church. There is a Prayer before Work, a Prayer at Day's End, Seasonal Prayers, and others. List price is \$14.95 on Amazon but we have several signed copies at \$10 in the rectory, along with copies of Deacon Greg's other books ("The Busy Person's Guide to an Extraordinary Life" and "The Busy Person's Guide to Prayer"). It would make a thoughtful gift for someone you care about. *A Deacon Prays: Prayers and Devotions for Liturgy and Life*, by Deacon Greg Kandra (with Foreword by Bishop Frank J. Caggiano). Ave Maria Press, 2021.



Prayers
and
Devotions
for Liturgy
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NY Project Hope: Coping with COVID

Need to talk? If you are experiencing **uncertainty and anxiety about COVID**, call the **Catholic Charities Call Center at 718-722-6001**, Mon–Fri, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. It's a free, anonymous, and confidential help and information line. Or visit NYProjectHope.org for other helpful resources.

FREE Speech and Hearing Screenings

Contact **St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center** (152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing) at **718-990-6480** to schedule an appointment. Free services are being offered from June 21 through August 5. Hearing aid help is also available.

Looking Ahead . . .

2022 Passion Play Pilgrimage, May 17–26

Join this diocesan pilgrimage through Germany and Austria for the Oberammergau Passion Play. Bishop Octavio Cisneros will accompany the pilgrimage as Spiritual Director and Father Frank Schwarz as Chaplain. For further information and a brochure, call Peters Way Tours, Karen at 516-606-1551, or email Karen@petersway.com.

Day Program Positions Available at Queens Centers for Progress (81-51 164th Street, Jamaica). To inquire about Day Services Assistant and Day Services Specialist positions to work with adults with developmental disabilities, call **718-380-3000, ext. 202**, for more information. Benefits are available for full-time positions.

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FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS

Several of our parishioners volunteer at two local food pantries. One pantry operates weekly on Saturday mornings out of **Our Lady of Mercy Church** on Kessel Street. If interested in helping there, contact Deacon Dean Dobbins directly at 718-268-6143 or ddobbins@diobrook.org. The other pantry operates out of **Queens Community House** (108-25 62nd Drive) on Wednesdays. The volunteer shift is from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.; the pantry opens its doors at 5 p.m. to start handing out food to those in need. If interested in volunteering at QCH's pantry, please leave your name, phone number, and email and our parish coordinator will contact you. You can use this tear-out form and drop it in the collection basket, or call the OLQM rectory during the week. Thank you for your help.—BISHOP SANCHEZ

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____