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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

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Deacon Greg Kandra

OLQM CATHOLIC ACADEMY PRINCIPAL Anne Zuschlag

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m. TRUSTEES

Roger Aguinaldo Veronica McCarthy

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS **EDUCATION**

Deacon Thomas Jorge

Weekday Masses

(Monday–Saturday) 8 a.m. and 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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

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

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

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

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

11:15 a.m. ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

PASTORAL CARE DIRECTOR Dennis Francis Portelli

Music Director

David Close

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Lorna Stark

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.

Masses at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

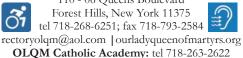
Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance, prior to the proposed wedding date

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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 12 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Saturday, March 25

Annunciation of the Lord

8 a.m. Elizabeth Olivares

12:05 p.m. Frances Yodice

5 p.m. Scott Harrison

Sunday, March 26

9 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners

of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, March 27

8 a.m. Alfredo Castanar

12:05 p.m. Louis Petrocelli

Tuesday, March 28

8 a.m. Grace Stark

12:05 p.m. Efren Fule

Wednesday, March 29

8 a.m. Luz Arteche

12:05 p.m. Michael Joyce

Thursday, March 30

8 a.m. Myles O'Neill

12:05 p.m. Ray Morales

Friday, March 31

8 a.m. Rosemarie Nicolois

12:05 p.m. Walfrido Francia

Saturday, April 1

8 a.m. Jane Dumas Charles

12:05 p.m. John S. De Biase

5 p.m. Mariela Caicedo

Remember Our Sick

Gustavo Aguilar, Lenah Arip, Kim Bach, Marylou Bagasan, Adolfo Baquero, Michael Bekman, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Donald Bergola, Taylor A. Calder, Wilfredo Caban, Gustavo Cáceres, Lois Caicedo, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Luigi Cotumaccio, Christopher Cunningham, Tracy Cuva, Tomas Czostkiewicz, Deacon John DeBiase, Frank Dioguardi, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Catherine Egan, Robert Engel, Annette Fridas, Jacqeline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Kenny and Lori Gray, Kathy Halston, Reszo Hrosz, Gary Hoskie, Giles Houghton, Mary Hughes, John Imperante, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Amanda Marie and Jadon Kalp, Katherine Klaum, Elaine M. Kuzlik, James Leung, Loretta Martinez, Johnny Metters, Martha Padilla, Richard Perl, Louis Petulo, Aracelis Phansaithong, Bonnie Post, Peter Purpura Sr., Matthew Rendell, Annabelle Resitano, Anna Robberio, John Rodriguez, Dennis Roberts, Alicia Revutin, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Lily Shan, Robert Sorsaia, Ana Spafford, Remington Stafford, Sam Stafford, John Tantillo, Antonio Torres, Antoinette Torres, Ruthelia Torres, Karl Wick, Teresa Wong, James Yhap, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, March 26

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKEND

10 a.m. Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study

2:30 p.m. rectory: Baptism Instruction

Monday, March 27

After 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses *church:* Miraculous Medal Novena

7 p.m. Zoom: "Through the Word" Bible Study

7–8 p.m. rectory basement meeting room:

Bereavement Support Group meeting

Tuesday, March 28

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

7:30 p.m. choir loft: Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 29

Religious Education

3:45–5 p.m. levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 class

7–8:15 p.m. levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFOI

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

Thursday, March 30

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

Friday, March 31

6:30 p.m. location to be announced: MAYO meeting

(Martyrs/Mercy Active Youth Organization)

7:30 p.m. *church:* Stations of the Cross followed by Benediction

Saturday, April 1

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

HOLY WEEK BEGINS

4:45 p.m. *church*: Procession of Blessed Palms before 5 p.m. Vigil Mass

Remember Our Deceased

Nina Marie Chow Ben Daquiz Caridad Baby de Leon Indencia Margaret Kelly Juan Pablo-Cabas Miranda Jonathan Moresco Rito Negret Robert Tan

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, please 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

Pope Francis on Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees

For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the one that is to come. (Hebrew 13: 14)

REFLECT: "In our daily efforts to do the Lord's will, justice needs to be built up with patience, sacrifice, and determination, so that all those who hunger and thirst for it may be satisfied. The righteousness of the Kingdom must be understood as the fulfilment of God's harmonious plan, whereby in Christ, who died and rose from the dead, all creation returns to its original goodness, and humanity becomes once more 'very good.' But for this wondrous harmony to reign, we must accept Christ's salvation, his Gospel of love, so that the many forms of inequality and discrimination in the present world may be eliminated.

"No one must be excluded. God's plan is essentially inclusive and gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons, and victims of trafficking. The Kingdom of God is to be built with them, for without them it would not be the Kingdom that God wants. The inclusion of those most vulnerable is the necessary condition for full citizenship in God's Kingdom. Indeed, the Lord says, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, a stranger and you welcomed me....'

"If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees.... For the future begins today and it begins with each of us. We cannot leave to future generations the burden of responsibility for decisions that need to be made now, so that God's plan for the world may be realized and his Kingdom of justice, fraternity, and peace may come."

LEARN: Read Pope Francis's message for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, at https://bit.ly/3wYaHcn.



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-catholicconference-action-center.

Order of Mass

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Cycle A—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #139—"The Glory of These Forty Days""

Mass Parts: People's Mass (Vermulst)

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:12-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption

SECOND READING: Romans 8:8-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"Come to the Table of the Lord" (J. Althouse)—Choir Missal #484—"What Wondrous Love Is This"

COMMUNION

"Hear Me when I Call" (K. Hall)—Choir Organ Meditation Missal #337—"The Supper of the Lord""

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #717 —"Lift High the Cross""

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

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Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for fuel. There is also an envelope for Easter Flowers.
- » April 2, the second collection is for Pastoral Care. There is also an envelope for our Easter gift to the church.
- » 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? Remember to mail in your weekly offertory, use the Catch-Up envelope, or sign up for online Parish Giving.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon-Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE Deacon Greg Kandra and Fr. Antonin Kocurek led a pilgrimage to the land of Jesus' ministry from March 7-18. They journeyed from Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee to Bethlehem and Jerusalem. If you follow Deacon Greg on Facebook or his blog at TheDeaconsBench.com, you can read his full account of their trip to some of the most historically significant churches in the world (it's a great read with fantastic photos).

(Editor's Note: On Good Friday, we will take up the Pontifical Collection for the Holy Land, where Christians are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to maintain a Christian presence in the land where the Church was born.)

Bereavement Support Group Meets This Monday. The parish bereavement group is a welcoming community of individuals who have faced loss and help one another to better deal with grief. They meet once a month (on the third or fourth Monday) in the rectory basement meeting room. The next meetings are on Mar 27 and Apr 17. All meetings start at 7 p.m. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

Recently Baptized at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Matthew Connor Cristian

son of María de Luján and Maurice Cristian

Georgina Caroline Finn

daughter of Renee and Thomas Finn

Michael James Finn

daughter of Renee and Thomas Finn

Lucas Villagracia Wang

son of Beverly Villagracia and Eugene Young Wang

Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

RCIA at **OLQM**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

If you are 18 or older and interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. RCIA guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education.Contact olgmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message (including a callback number). All emails and calls will receive a response.

United in Communion United in Charity

In Brooklyn and Queens



Today we are asking everyone to fill out a pledge card and make a commitment to support the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal. Please complete a card even if you have already donated (you can write on the card that you gave previously by mail or online). Take home the bulletin insert to read more about the good works the ACA supports diocesewide and how our own parish also benefits.

"Let us have charity and humility and give alms. At death, we lose all that we have in this world, but we take with us our charity and the alms-deeds we have done, and for these, we shall receive a great reward from God."

—St. Francis of Assisi

Thank you for supporting the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

Holy Week at OLQM

PALM SUNDAY (APRIL 2)

Blessed Palms at each Mass Masses 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. Vigil Mass 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 1 (procession with blessed palms starting at 4:45 p.m.)

CONFESSION DAYS AND TIMES

Reconciliation Monday (April 3): 11:30 a.m., 4–5 p.m. & 7–8 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday (April 4 & 5): 11:30 a.m. Good Friday (April 7): after the 7:30 p.m. Liturgy

HOLY THURSDAY (APRIL 6)

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:30 p.m. Mandatum (Washing of the Feet), Blessed Sacrament Procession to the Repository and Adoration until 11 p.m. (There are no confessions and no other Masses on Holy Thursday)

GOOD FRIDAY (APRIL 7)

Stations of the Cross: 1 p.m.
Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday: 3 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. with
Veneration of the Cross; Communion;

Confessions after the 7:30 p.m. service

HOLY SATURDAY (APRIL 8)

Solemn Easter Vigil: 7:30 p.m.

(There are no confessions and no other Masses on Holy Saturday)

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 9)

Mass of the Lord's Resurrection: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m.

Weekly Collections

	March 19
Candle Offerings	\$1,563.00
1st Collection	8,627.19
2nd Collection (major repairs)	2,248.00
In-Church Subtotal	<u>12,428.19</u>
Online Parish Giving	4,486.60
Mail In	2,075.00
TOTAL	<u>18,999.79</u>
Weekly Income Needed*	23,150.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(4,150.21)
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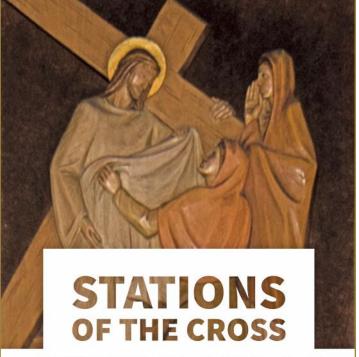
^{*}Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses. Totals do not reflect other income sources. Our goal is to cover parish expenses through higher first collections, without having to depend on less reliable income streams.

Special Collection

Catholic Relief Services \$1,623.19 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 with Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251. There is additional information on leaving a legacy gift at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.



LAST FRIDAY OF LENT March 31 7:30pm

GOOD FRIDAY April 7 1pm

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YouTube (Sunday livestream): www.youtube.com/olqmstewardship

OLQM Catholic Academy: www.olqmca.org

LIVESTREAM MASS Sunday at 11:15AM for the homebound and the sick. If you miss a livestream the entirety of the Sunday Mass is available on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast.

Faith Sharing Groups on Zoom

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Topic: St. Luke's Gospel. To join, contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday "Through the Word": 7–8 p.m. Topic: Sunday Reading Reflections. To join on Zoom, contact josephterry@gmail.com. Archived recordings of the bible studies can be viewed at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. The charismatic group holds weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. 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).

All these groups welcome new members!

Attn: Parents & Students

Tuition Assistance Available for 2023–2024 School Year

Financial aid is for eligible students in grades K–8 who attend a Catholic school or academy in Queens or Brooklyn. For eligibility requirements and application, scan the code or go to www.FuturesinEducation.org. Deadlines: March 31 for families that received an award last academic year; April 30 for new applicants. Questions? Call 718-965-7340.



OLQM Catholic Academy

Registration for Grades K-8 olqmca.org/how-to-apply

Car-Free Austin Street?

Community Board 6 has voted on a resolution requesting that the Department of Transportation (DOT) study "a possible redesign of Austin Street as a first step for higher pedestrian safety and lower car congestion." Depending on what the study recommends, Austin Street could become less accessible to people coming to our academy or our Church. The Forest Hills Chamber of Commerce is meeting on March 29 to update us on the DOT study, which may include banning cars on Austin Street and eliminating parking. (This meeting is not open to the public, as previously announced, but for business owners/FH Chamber members only.)

If you wish to express your opinion on this issue to DOT and Queens Borough Commissioner Nicole Garcia, contact them online (use this bitly link: https://on.nyc.gov/3Taj9iT). You might also want to read the letter and sign a petition from the Forest Hills Chamber of Commerce, which you can find at https://bit.ly/42ejzsS. (We have this information with links to the petition on our parish website, in the News section.)

Attention Teens & Young Adults: If you would like to make a difference in your life and help others, consider volunteer service at the St. Francis Breadline in Manhattan (135 W. 31 St), a ministry of service to the poor and those in unfortunate situations. Visit www.stfrancisbreadline.org or call 212-564-8799 to request information.

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes.

Diocesan Lenten Pilgrimage at Our Lady of Hope (61-27 71st St, Middle Village). Monday, March 27. Mass at 8:30 a.m.; Eucharistic Adoration from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Family Rosary at 3:30 p.m.; concluding with Benediction at 4 p.m. All are welcome.

Need healing from an abortion?

Nesecita sanacion de un aborto? Call Hope & Healing Mission: 866-575-0075 hopeafterabortion.com

Miscarriage/Pregnancy Loss/ Counseling:

Aborto expontaneo, Perdida de un Bebe/concejeria. MiscarriageHurts.com

Suffering infertility?

Padece de Infertilidad? The Gianna Center Call: 631-376-3232 NationalGiannaCenter.org

Unplanned pregnancy?

No planificaron un Embarazo? Call: 516-798-9100 Call: 877-777-1277

Text: 212-20-8716

Adverse prenatal diagnosis?

Complicaciones en su diagnostic prenatal? Call: 877-777-1277 Call: 516-798-9100 VisitationCenterUS.org PrenatalPartnersForLife.org



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