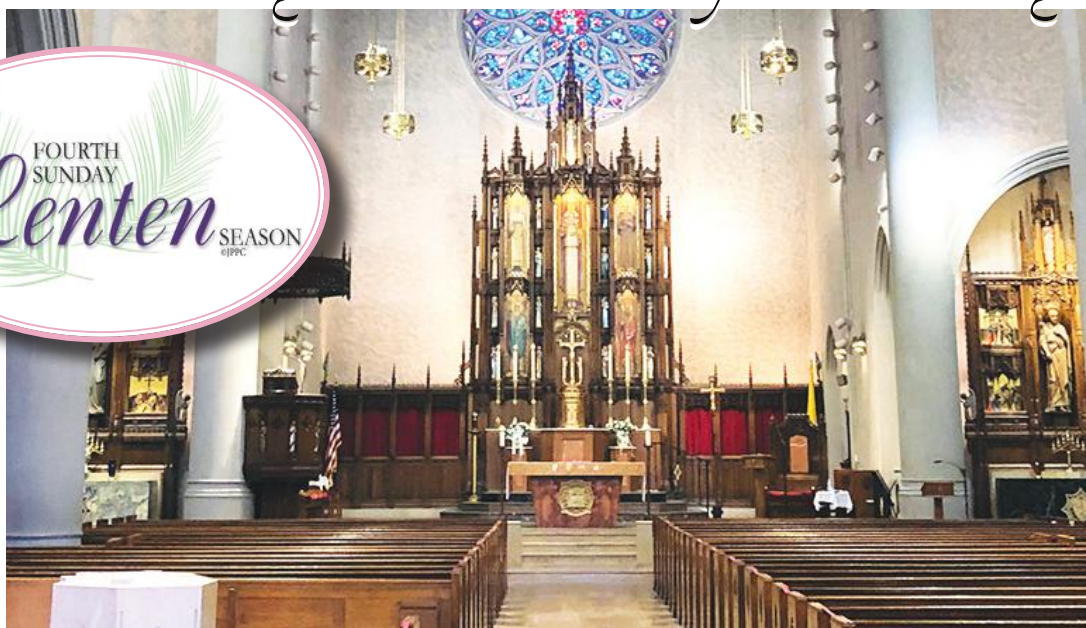


March 27, 2022 - Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. — **PASTOR**
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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.

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.

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m. (use Queens Blvd church entrance)

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

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.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

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



JOIN THE PARISH

Scan for parish registration
form and instructions

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
www.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, March 26

8 a.m. Joseph A. Del Rosario

12:05 p.m. Vicente E. Torres

5 p.m. Frances Yodice

Sunday, March 27

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, March 28

8 a.m. Ricardo Wojtuziak

12:05 p.m. Alfredo Castanar

Tuesday, March 29

8 a.m. Luz Arteche

12:05 p.m. Joseph Montalbano

Wednesday, March 30

8 a.m. Ramon Gonzalez [living]

12:05 p.m. Felix Tierney

Thursday, March 31

8 a.m. Rosemarie Nicoloi

12:05 p.m. Lawrence DiVittorio

Friday, April 1

8 a.m. Peter Cusumano

12:05 p.m. Manuela Miguel and Family

Saturday, April 2

Saint Francis of Paola

8 a.m. Martha Escudero

12:05 p.m. Gustavo Sabogal

5 p.m. John S. DeBiase

Main Events of the Week

Laetare Sunday, March 27

10 a.m. Zoom: Sunday Morning Bible Study

2:30 p.m. rectory: Baptism Instruction

4 p.m. church: Lenten Evening Prayer Service

Monday, March 28

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

7 p.m. Zoom: Monday Evening Bible Study
(New Study Series on Christ the Teacher, see p. 6)

Tuesday, March 29

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

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

Wednesday, March 30

Religious Education

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

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

Thursday, March 31

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, April 1

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

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

Saturday, April 2

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

1 p.m. Zoom: Single Adults Monthly Meeting

In-Person Parish Registration - April 2/3

Stop at the table in the Church vestibule after Mass next weekend to register with our parish. Welcome!

Remember Our Sick

Svetlana Abramova, Nistor Ardeleanu, Marylou Bagasan, Sonia Baxter, Donald Begola, Joseph Buatta, Rosalie Buatta, Vivian Camporeale, Marc Calef, Susan Campbell, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Celine Colon, Baby Matthew Cristian and Maria Lujan Cristian, Mary Rose Crow, Tracy Cuva, Maria Daulo, John DiBiase, Melinda DiMurro, Frank Dioguardi, Brian Donohue, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Clare Fabre, Paul Fabre, Domingo Galicia, Elena Giordano, Marie Giorgi, Pat Gmerek, Alex Gutierrez, Graciela Guzman, Elizabeth Hansen, Maureen Heyer, Betty Hill, Mary Hughes, John Imperante, Ginger Inabinet, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Bob Keegan, Julie Lee, Ann Longobardi, Jason M., Artur Mavashev, Marina Mavasheva, Louis Mavashev, Joan Michelli, Sylvianne Mullholand, Matilde Munoz, Richard Perl, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Annabelle Resitano, Dennis Roberts, Victoria Rodriguez, Sally Roth, Beatriz Sainz, Scott Salbo, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Robert D. Scudellari Sr., Lily Shan, Robert Shan, James F. Smith, Frank Soriente, Robert Sorsaia, Sharon Speer, Remington Stafford, Daniella Tavarez, Jorge Vasilescu, Wai-Suet Wong, Teresa Wong, James Yhap, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Remember Our Deceased

Denise Perrotta Benford

Mary T. Cully

Deacon James J. Lacy

Wing Wan Lee

Monica Mitran



Mary Jean Nicosia

Michelle Robinson

Thomas Siggia

Vinh Thi Tran

Robert Emmanuel Vasquez

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.

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This Week's Reflection from Catholic Social Teaching

Pope Benedict XVI on Holiness

*All the faithful of Christ of whatever rank or status, are called to the fullness of the Christian life and to the perfection of charity.
(Lumen Gentium)*

REFLECT: “Holiness, the fullness of Christian life, does not consist in carrying out extraordinary enterprises but in being united with Christ, in living his mysteries, in making our own his example, his thoughts, his behavior. The measure of holiness stems from the stature that Christ achieves in us, in as much as with the power of the Holy Spirit, we model our whole life on his. It is being conformed to Jesus....

“Christian holiness is nothing other than charity lived to the full.... God has poured out his love in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us; therefore, the first and most necessary gift is charity, by which we love God above all things and our neighbors through love of him. But if charity, like a good seed, is to grow and fructify in the soul, each of the faithful must willingly hear the word of God and carry out his will with deeds, with the help of his grace. He must frequently receive the sacraments, chiefly the Eucharist, and take part in the holy liturgy; he must constantly apply himself to prayer, self-denial, active brotherly service and the exercise all the virtues. This is because love, as the bond of perfection and fullness of the law governs, gives meaning to, and perfects all the means of sanctification....

“The essential means never leaving a Sunday without an encounter with the Risen Christ in the Eucharist.... It means never beginning and never ending a day without at least a brief contact with God ... it means following the “signposts” that God has communicated to us in the Ten Commandments, interpreted with Christ, which are merely the explanation of what love is in specific situations. It seems to me that this is the true simplicity and greatness of a life of holiness.” (General Audience, April 13, 2011)

LEARN: Read Pope Benedict XVI's complete General Audience at <https://bit.ly/3gdw0OU>.

To learn more about 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 NY State Catholic Conference: www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center.

Order of Mass Laetare Sunday

Cycle C—Choir 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #136—“Again We Keep This Solemn Fast”

MASS PARTS: People's Mass (*Vermulst*)

FIRST READING

Joshua 5-9a, 10-12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“God So Loved the World” (*J. Stainer*)—Choir
Missal #629—“You Gather In the Outcast”

COMMUNION

“Ave Verum” (*E. Elgar*)—Choir
Organ Meditation
Missal #598—“Christ, Be Our Light”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #134—“The Glory of These Forty Days”

Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Livestream

www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Daily Mass Online

8 a.m. & 12 p.m. Livestream Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

www.netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

» Today's second collection is to help offset the cost of fuel for the church and rectory. There is also an envelope for Catholic Relief Services.

» Sunday, April 3, the second collection is for Pastoral Care. There is also an envelope for the Easter flowers.

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 7:30 p.m. in church

Watch Online

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/way-of-the-cross

LENTEN SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER

Today at 4 p.m. in church

Evening Prayer with Scripture Reflection by Joseph Terry

The Fourth Sunday of Lent, *Laetare Sunday*, is the midpoint of our Lenten journey of the spirit. Laetare means “rejoice.” All are invited to join us at this service as we express hope and joy as we near our destination—Easter and the celebration of Christ’s Resurrection.



PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

with Bishop Paul Sanchez, Chaplain

November 7 - 17, 2022

11 Days Visiting

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Connemara * Killarney * Ring of Kerry
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BISHOP SANCHEZ
CHAPLAIN

Lenten NIGHTS OF PRAYER

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER
Scripture Reflection by Joseph Terry
March 27 at 4PM

THURSDAYS
Adoration and Benediction
12:40-7:30PM

FRIDAYS
Stations of the Cross
7:30PM

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Are You Registered at OLQM?

Everyone who regularly participates in the liturgy here at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is asked to register in the parish. Church attendance alone does not make you and your household registered members of our parish family.

Register online using our short online form at our website: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/parish-registration.

Use the QR code on the front of the bulletin to find the registration page with your smartphone. The same QR code is displayed on the glass windows in the Church vestibule and on the piano (front of church) and at the last row of pews (back of church).

Register in person next weekend, April 2/3, with a member of the parish Stewardship Committee in the Church vestibule at Mass.

SINGLE ADULTS GROUP NEWS: Usher in spring with us at our monthly Zoom meeting on **Saturday April 2 @ 1 p.m.** Since we didn't meet in March, feel free to salute our traditional Wearin' of the Green by donning appropriate attire! We expect to soon meet outside when the weather is warmer. If you'd like to join on Zoom and are not on our email list, please contact Denise at dmtdemaria@hotmail.com or call the group's hotline (718-361-3201) for log-in instructions. 🙏🌸🌻

Silent Minute for Ukraine

Inspired by the example of the Order of Malta, I invite you to set aside a Silent Minute at 7 p.m. each evening to pray for world peace and the end of the war in Ukraine. Share this idea with your friends and family as we join together spiritually with those suffering and call upon God's powerful grace. — Bishop Sanchez



Thank you for prayerfully considering making a pledge TODAY to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Pledges are payable through December 31. God bless you for your generosity.

There is a flyer in church that answers your Frequently Asked Questions about the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please take one home. If you choose to make your pledge or a financial gift by going online to www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or by texting DONATE to 917-336-1255, please be sure to select Our Lady Queen of Martyrs (ID #4172) as your parish.

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



If you are interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. To find out more, please contact olqmrcia@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. An inquiry form is available at our website at www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/rcia.

May our Lord continue to shower his graces upon our RCIA elect, candidates, and their sponsors this Lenten pilgrimage

Bereavement Support Is Available: If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, we recommend the bereavement group at Sacred Heart Parish in Glendale. They meet once a month. Call Nancy Baer at Sacred Heart parish ministries, 718-821-3285, for information about the meeting dates, times, and location.

VENDORS WANTED! SPRING FAIR AT AMERICAN MARTYRS BAYSIDE. Sunday April 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. To rent a table, email Jovie at jovie212@yahoo.com or call Theresa: 718-428-5308.

2023 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
with Deacon Greg Kandra and Fr. Antonin Kocurek
March 7-18, 2023. More information at SelectInternationalTours.com.
Call 800-842-4842 or email: rebecca@select-intl.com.

LIVESTREAM AT OLQM 9AM & 11:15AM every Sunday. If you miss a livestream, the entirety of the Sunday Mass is available on demand using the "past livestreams" link at www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

	Mar 20
Weekly Collections	
Candle Offerings	\$1,698.00
1st Collection	7,882.13
2nd Collection (Major Repairs)	2,578.00
<u>In-Church Subtotal (1286 attending)</u>	<u>12,158.00</u>
Mail In	2,527.00
Parish Giving Online	4,534.16
<u>Weekly Total</u>	<u>19,219.16</u>
Weekly Income Needs*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,030.84)

* 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 to ensure a fiscally sound position, without having to depend on less reliable income streams.

Special Collection for Ukraine \$4,323.00

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 Bishop Sanchez or Father Passenant at 718-268-6251. We have information on leaving a legacy gift at www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

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Student Honors

Congratulations to these students from our parish and graduates from OLQMCA for academic honors earned.

DOMINICAN ACADEMY

Principal's Honor Role: **Greta Nemickas, Chloe Taddeo**

THE MARY LOUIS ACADEMY

Principal's List: **Angelina Bhojwani, Cybella Kosinov, Maribel Martinez, Chloe Riche**

First Honors: **Annabelle Ali, Angelina Perez, Jade Rubbo**

Second Honors: **Miriya Healing**

ST. FRANCIS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Honor Roll: **Sophia Dimont, Grace Edwards, Joshua Jazmin, Angela Morales, David Nasser, Esmeralda Vulaj**

Spring Calendar at OLQM

Save these dates! Our complete Holy Week Schedule is published online at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/holy-week-and-easter-schedule.

April 2/3 Weekend: Parish Registration Opportunity. Church vestibule after all Sunday Masses.

April 10 Palm Sunday. Start of Holy Week. Masses at 5 p.m. (April 9), 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

April 11 Reconciliation Monday. Easter confessions at 11:15 a.m., 4–5 p.m., 7–8 p.m.

April 17 Easter. Easter Vigil 5 p.m. (Holy Saturday April 16), Easter Sunday Masses 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

April 24 Divine Mercy Sunday. 3 p.m. service at Resurrection-Ascension; details to be announced.

May 1 Parish Expo. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in McLaughlin Hall.

May 7/8 Weekend: Mother's Day. Special blessing at all Sunday Masses.

May 7/8 Weekend: Sacred Music Society Sweepstakes. Ticket sales begin and continue May 14/15 & May 21/22.

May 14 First Communion Mass. 10 a.m.

May 26 Ascension Thursday. Holy Day of Obligation. Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. (May 25); holy day Masses 8 a.m., 12:05 p.m.

June 5 Pentecost Sunday. 4 p.m. Confirmation.

June 5 to June 13. St. Anthony Novena. Sunday (June 5) after 11:15 a.m. Mass, then Mon–Sat at 12:05 p.m. Mass.

June 18 School Graduation. 10 a.m. in church.

June 18/19 Weekend: Father' Day. Special blessing at all Sunday Masses.

June 19 Corpus Christi Sunday. Procession after 1 p.m. Mass.

June 24 Feast of the Sacred Heart. 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses.



Faith Sharing on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others? Join a faith-sharing group.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. The group is discussing the Gospel of St. Mark. If you would like to join them, contact Noila Johnson by email: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday Evening Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. *New Topic: Christ the Teacher.* Our *Through the Word* study program explores the Gospels to discover afresh the deeply beautiful and perennial teachings of our Lord! By using both the catechism and Scripture, we discover how the words of Christ lead us to the fullness of life. All are welcomed! To join the study on Zoom, email Joe: josephterry@gmail.com.

Friday OLQM Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group: 7:45–9 p.m. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings, with bible study the 3rd Friday of the month. Pray together and for one another. Learn how God's word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 2917352357 (PW: 031011).

At Nearby Parishes

Senior Retreat | Sat. Apr. 2 from 9:30 to noon | Our Lady of Hope (61-27 71st St, Middle Village, in the cafeteria) hosted by OLH Senior Goal Group. Guest speaker: Sister Karen Cavanagh, CSJ.

Eucharistic Adoration with Veneration of the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis | Mon. Apr. 4 at 7 p.m. | Our Lady of Mount Carmel (23-25 Newtown Ave, Astoria). With Bishop of Brooklyn Robert Brennan and Archbishop of Assisi Domenico Sorrentino.

Attention Parents & Students

SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY: Camp Marist is an international, coed, Catholic-based overnight summer camp for ages 6–16 on Ossipee Lake in New Hampshire, offering 40+ activities and a welcoming family-like atmosphere. Horseback riding, waterskiing, go-karts, sports, drama, everything a kid would want! To register, visit CampMarist.org.

TUITION ASSISTANCE is available for students in grades K–8 who attend a Catholic school or academy in Queens or Brooklyn. Families must meet financial eligibility requirements and be registered for the 2002–2023 school year to apply. Apply online at www.futuresineducation.org/scholarships. **Deadlines:** March 31 for returning students; April 30 for new families.