

May 2, 2021- Fifth Sunday of Easter

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 (until further notice):

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

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.

GIVE NOW

Scan the QR Code with your phone for
online parish giving



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

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

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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, May 1

Saint Joseph the Worker

8 a.m. Maria de Jesus Mojica

12:05 p.m. Amadeo Moreno

5 p.m. Marierose Allen

Sunday, May 2

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, May 3

Saints Philip and James

8 a.m. Leonor Mojica

12:05 p.m. Lena T. Milang

Tuesday, May 4

8 a.m. Monica Guerron

12:05 p.m. Michael Sokol

Wednesday, May 5

8 a.m. Amalio Robles Gomez

12:05 p.m. Michael Bruno

Thursday, May 6

8 a.m. Eduardo Chavarry

12:05 p.m. Mary Roy-McCarthy

Friday, May 7

8 a.m. John Michael Flynn

12:05 p.m. Nicholas Miguel

Saturday, May 8

8 a.m. James J. Forster

12:05 p.m. Rev. Msgr. Richard Guastella

5 p.m. Anton Skabora

Remember Our Sick

Marylou Bagasan, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, Taylor Calder, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Geraldine Casserly, Martha Catel, Shaina Brennan Clemente, Tracy Cuva, Mary Dillon, Norman Doucette, Carol Drew-Dwyer, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Estrela Feliciano, Farneil F. Flores, Helen F. Flores, Christina T. Flores, Pat Gmerek, Concepcion Kane, Victor Kun, James Leung, Jason M., Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, Artur Mavashev, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Ferbian T. Penafior, Ritchie Perl, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Gloria Rodriguez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Tony Simomes, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, 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, May 2

10 a.m. Zoom: Bible Study

2 p.m. church plaza: Living Rosary

2:30 p.m. church: Baptisms

Monday, May 3

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

Miraculous Metal Novena resumes (in person)

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

7:30 p.m. Zoom: Bereavement Support Group meeting

Tuesday, May 4

11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

Wednesday, May 5

Religious Education on Zoom

Thursday, May 6

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

Saturday, May 8

12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

10 a.m. and 2 p.m. church: First Holy Communion



Weekday Masses & Confessions: Use the ramp entrance at Queens Blvd Mon-Sat for the 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Masses. **Confessions will be heard in the confession room next to the Blessed Virgin Mary altar** (Tue & Thu at 11:30 a.m., Sat at 12:45 p.m.). Following each Mass the church will be closed. For private prayer or to light a candle, the church vestibule at Ascan Avenue is open.

Remember Our Deceased

Blanche Aepli
Rev. Msgr. Charles P. Boccio
Lou Brogno
Quenol DeFay



Lidia Flores
Clara Mazzarino Berrocal
Adoracion Millares

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 Church on the Vocation of the Lay Faithful

He found others standing around, and said to them, "Why do you stand here idle all day?" They answered, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You too go into my vineyard." (Matthew 20: 6-70)

REFLECT: "The essential characteristic of the lay faithful who work in the Lord's vineyard is the secular nature of their Christian discipleship, which is carried out precisely in the world. It belongs to the laity to seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and directing them according to God's will. By Baptism, the laity are incorporated into Christ and are made participants in his life and mission according to their specific identity....

"Lay Catholics are disciples of Christ starting with the sacraments, that is, by virtue of what God has wrought in them, marking them with the very image of his Son Jesus Christ. It is from this divine gift of grace, and not from human concession, that is born the threefold 'munus' (gift and duty) that characterizes the lay person as prophet, priest and king, according to his secular nature.

"It is the proper duty of the lay faithful to proclaim the Gospel with an exemplary witness of life rooted in Christ and lived in temporal realities: the family; professional commitment in the world of work, culture, science and research; the exercise of social, economic and political responsibilities. All secular human realities ... are the context in which the lay Christian lives and works. These realities are places where God's love is received; the commitment of the lay faithful must correspond to this vision and is to be considered an expression of evangelical charity; for the lay faithful to be present and active in the world is not only an anthropological and sociological reality, but in a specific way, a theological and ecclesiological reality as well." (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church)

ACT: Pray with St. Ignatius of Loyola: "Lord, teach me to be generous; Teach me to serve you as you deserve; To give and not to count the cost; To fight and not to heed the wounds; To toil, and not to seek for rest; To labor, and not to ask for reward - except to know that I am doing your will."

LEARN: Read Pope Pius XII's Guidelines of the Lay Apostolate at <https://bit.ly/2Nud1Eh>. Watch Cardinal Arinze's retreat, titled Go Out to All the World, at <https://bit.ly/3dedFAE>.

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

Order of Mass

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Cycle B

ENTRANCE

Missal #170—"Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Holy Anthem Rise"

FIRST READING: Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:18-24

GOSPEL: John 15:1-8

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal #175—"Three Days"

COMMUNION

"Regina Caelia, Jubila" (*M. Praetorius*)—*Solo*
Missal #320—"Gift of Finest Wheat"

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #185—"The Day of Resurrection"

Watch Sunday Mass Online

9 a.m. Livestream ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Watch 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 Parish Youth programs. There is also an envelope for Mother's Day Mass Remembrances.
- » Sunday, May 9, the second collection will be for Major Repairs.
- » 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.

Monday Devotions Resume on May 3rd

Miraculous Medal Novena will be prayed in person on Mondays following the 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses.

Prayer sheets are available. All are welcome!

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

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1 Peter 4:10)

Today we are asking everyone who is able to make a personal financial pledge as we join together to support our Catholic Church in Brooklyn and Queens. We need your help—as a committed parishioner, friend, and Catholic—to spread the light of Christ to our city and neighbors by giving to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your participation joins you in faith with others doing good works:

- Connecting young people to the Church
- Feeding the hungry
- Visiting the sick and imprisoned
- Giving shelter to the homeless
- Welcoming the stranger
- Caring for the elderly
- Sharing our faith
- Educating the young
- Forming deacons and priests

MAKE A COMMITMENT TODAY

We are grateful to the 151 parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs who have already pledged to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Our Parish Goal: \$114,568

To make a pledge to help us meet our goal, you can use one of the pledge cards in church. You can schedule payments from **now through December 31**. If you prefer, you may make your 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.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2021
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I am the CHURCH
You are We are together

*Please make online gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal through their dedicated website. Do not use online parish giving.

IN HONOR OF MARY

Join us to pray a LIVING ROSARY

After today’s 1 p.m. Mass
outside in the church plaza
(on Ascan Avenue)



Spring Calendar at OLQM

May 1/2: *Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend, at all Masses*

May 2: Living Rosary, after 1 p.m. Mass

May 8: First Holy Communion, 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.

May 8/9: Mother’s Day weekend. *Special blessing at all Masses*

May 13: Ascension Thursday. Holy Day of Obligation. *Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m. May 12; Holy Day Masses 8 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.*

May 18: May Crowning. *School Mass with eight graders*

May 23: Pentecost Sunday

June 5–13: St. Anthony of Padua Novena

June 6: Corpus Christi Procession, after 1 p.m. Mass

June 6: Confirmation, 2:30 p.m. & 4 p.m.

June 11: Feast of the Sacred Heart

June 19/20: Father’s Day weekend. *Special blessing at all Masses*

Because activities may be subject to late changes, always check our website and the bulletin weekly for possible updates to our calendar of events.



On Mother’s Day weekend (May 8/9), all Masses will be for the intentions of mothers, living and deceased, listed on the remembrance envelopes. Enroll your mother, grandmother, godmother, or the mother figure in your life as your gift for Mother’s Day. Envelopes are available in the church to leave in the collection basket.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: St. Francis Hospital and Heart Center (100 Port Washington Blvd, Roslyn) has open positions in the nursing department for Patient Care Associates. PCAs provide comfort, compassionate communication, and emotional support to patients in addition to direct patient care (bathing, toileting, feeding, ambulating, turning, and positioning). High school diploma or equivalent required; job training will be provided. St. Francis provides health care benefits for you and your family as well as paid time off. If interested, please contact Jaime Slone at 516-562-6893 or visit stfrancisheartcenter.chsli.org and click on Careers.

A MARIAN GLOSSARY

May is Mary's month. This glossary from the U.S. Catholic Bishops explains important terms about or related to the Blessed Mother.

Annunciation: The angel Gabriel visits the virgin Mary, telling her that she was to be the mother of the Savior. After giving her consent to God's word, Mary became the mother of Jesus by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Assumption: The church recognizes the Blessed Virgin Mary's singular participation in her Son's Resurrection by which she was taken up, body and soul, into heavenly glory when her earthly life was finished.

Hail Mary: Known in Latin as the Ave Maria, the prayer's first part praises God for the gifts he gave to Mary as Mother of the Redeemer; the second part seeks her maternal intercession as "Mother of the Church."

Immaculate Conception: From the first moment of her conception, Mary, by the singular grace of God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, was preserved immune from original sin.

Magnificat: The title commonly given to the Latin text and vernacular translation of the Canticle (or Song) of Mary, which she recites at the time of the visitation. It begins: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord."

Mary: The mother of Jesus. Because she is the mother of Jesus, she is called the Mother of God (Theotokos). Mary is also called "full of grace" and, in Christian prayer and



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devotion, "Our Lady," the "Blessed Virgin Mary," and the "New Eve."

Presentation: At the presentation and dedication of Jesus to God by Mary and Joseph in the Temple (Lk 2:22-39), in accordance with the Law of Moses, Simeon and Anna exclaim the expectation of Israel for the long-awaited Messiah. The presentation of bread and wine is a preparatory rite for the liturgy of the Eucharist at Mass.

Rosary: A prayer in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary that repeats the Ave Maria (Hail Mary) in "decades" of ten prayers, each preceded by the Pater Noster (Our Father) and concluded by the Gloria Patri (Glory Be to the Father), accompanied by meditation on

the mysteries of Christ's life.

Virgin Birth: The conception of Jesus in the womb of the Virgin Mary solely by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Church's confession of faith in the virgin birth affirms that Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit without human seed.

Virgin Mary: The mother of Jesus, who is honored as "ever-virgin" for her perpetual virginity.

Visitation: At the Annunciation, Gabriel also told Mary that her barren cousin Elizabeth had conceived a son in her old age. Mary went to visit her cousin and confirmed the truth of the angel's words. The time she spent with Elizabeth is referred to as "the visitation."

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www.olqmca.org

Weekly Collections

	Apr 25
Candle Offerings	921.00
1st Collection	5,103.00
2nd Collection (<i>grounds maintenance</i>)	1,561.00
<u>In-Church Subtotal (637 attending)</u>	<u>7,585.00</u>
Lobby Box & Mail In	2,142.00
Catch-up Envelope	1,477.00
Parish Giving Online	4,532.19
TOTAL	<u>15,736.19</u>
Weekly Income Needs*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(5,513.81)

* 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.

RCIA News

Easter Vigil 2021

The elect and candidate in our RCIA (Rite of Christian of Adults) program were received into full communion with Christ and His Church at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 3. Bishop Sanchez and the people of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Parish joyfully welcomed three elect: Mo Cristian, Miles Warhover, and Bo Yang, who received the Sacraments of Initiation. We also welcomed candidate Colleen Kidda, who made a profession of faith from another Christian faith tradition and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist. We rejoice with them.

The entire RCIA team, together with Bishop Sanchez, Father Passenant, Father Antonin, Monsignor Cunningham, and Deacon Greg, have been honored to accompany them on their journey of faith.

The RCIA program guides people through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or need to complete the Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your spiritual needs. To find out more, contact us at olqmrcia@gmail.com or call 718-268-6251, ext. *827, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.

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 the first and third Mondays of the month and are being held virtually via Zoom until further notice. Meetings are scheduled for **May 3 & 17**. All meetings begin at **7:30 p.m.** Contact group facilitator and Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle at ymizelle@gmail.com.

Faith Sharing on Zoom

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

Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10–11 a.m. Discussing St. John's Gospel. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Through the Word, Monday evenings, 7–8 p.m. Catholic bible study that draws from the 73 books of the canon of Scripture, sacred tradition, and teachings of the fathers and doctors of the Church to bring Christ in the word to you. Contact Joseph Terry for the Zoom information: josephterry@gmail.com.

Deanery Corner

A place to share news and events at nearby parishes

Our Lady of Mercy Food Pantry (70-01 Kessel St.) is open Saturdays, 10–11 a.m. There will be prepared bags to pick up. Masks must be worn and social distancing observed. OLM always needs food to restock its shelves. If you would like to lend support, contact Deacon Dean Dobbins directly at the OLM rectory: 718-268-6143 or ddobbins@diobrook.org.

Summer Theology Courses

Expand your understanding of the Catholic faith this summer with thought-provoking lectures offered in a prayerful, collegial setting. Join a class in person or Zoom in from any location. **Graduate theology classes taught June 1 to July 14** are 50% off tuition for new students. For more information, visit Saint Joseph's Seminary online at www.dunwoodie.edu.

Catholic Charities NY Project Hope

Need to talk? If you are experiencing **uncertainty and anxiety about COVID**, call 929-268-3321 or call the Catholic Charities Call Center at 718-722-6001, Mon–Fri, 9AM–5PM. It's a free, anonymous, and confidential phone help and information line.

COVID-19 Burial Assistance

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will reimburse **eligible funeral expenses for deaths related to COVID-19 that occurred after January 20, 2020**. This program launched on April 12. To apply, call toll-free 844-684-6333 | TTY: 800-462-7585, Mon–Fri, 9AM–9PM. The website for more information: www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance.

COVID Vaccination Appointment Help

Councilmember Karen Koslowitz's office is **helping seniors schedule appointments** and providing resources to safely transport seniors to an available vaccination site and back home again. Contact her office at 718-544-8800. Please encourage seniors you know to take advantage of this service.

Free Speech & Hearing Screenings

St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center, located at 152-11 Union Turnpike (Flushing), is offering screenings AND hearing aid help, free of charge, **through May 4**. Call 718-990-6480 to make an appointment.