

November 10, 2024 -Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
9 a.m. Mass

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Donations Accepted
9 a.m. to noon



Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — PASTOR
Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D.D. — PASTOR EMERITUS
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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)
8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Masses at 8:05 a.m. & 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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Thursdays 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
Mondays after 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. Mass

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM
First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.
baptismprep@olqmchurch.org



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Scan for parish registration information and form

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE
11:15 a.m.
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, November 9

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:05 a.m. Luz Maria Acevedo

12:05 p.m. Alex Perez

5 p.m. Deceased members of the Wilfinger family

Sunday, November 10

9 a.m. **Family Mass** celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Children's Liturgy of the Word

9 a.m. **Confirmation Presentation Mass**

Monday, November 11

Saint Martin of Tours

8:05 a.m. Phillip J. Pignato [anniversary]

12:05 p.m. Crispina Cabuay

Tuesday, November 12

Saint Josaphat

8:05 a.m. Reyes Acevedo

12:05 p.m. Grace and Cosmo Tomanelli

Wednesday, November 13

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

8:05 a.m. Teodulo Mendoza

12:05 p.m. Ceil Koluch

Thursday, November 14

8:05 a.m. Juana Hernandez Acevedo

12:05 p.m. Deceased members of the Caso family

Friday, November 15

Saint Albert the Great

8:05 a.m. Angela Arroyo

12:05 p.m. Mary and Henry Foertsch

Saturday, November 16

Saint Margaret of Scotland

Saint Gertrude

8:05 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Annabelle Resitano

5 p.m. Margaret Philomena O'Brien

Remember Our Sick

Guilberto Aguirre, Dennis Ascienzo, Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, David Batista, Michael Bekman, Marco Benitez, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Connie Brown, Rosita Cabral, Elizabeth Cabrera, Rafael Cabrera, Taylor A. Calder, Susan Campbell, Erin Campobianco, Gustavo Cáceres, Frances Cesarrano, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Danny Cozzi, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Zenaida Faya, Domingo Galicia, Marie Gavosto, Lionel Genello, Elizabeth Hansen, Jennifer Holden, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Ginger Inabinet, Jeannine Jodhan, Noila Johnson, Migdalia Leon, Bendita Mandala, Fred Marks, Matilde Munoz, Aileen Nunag, Erny Ordonez, Jaime Andres Ortiz, Paul Christian Paiewonsky, Grace Perl, Maria Rodin, Msgr. Philip Reilly, Jason Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Valerie Rizzo, Enrique Roque, Patricia Tormey, Luigi Totumaccio, Jamie Vayone, Karimita Villegas, Teresa Wong—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Because of space constraints, we must periodically update the prayers for the sick. Names may be removed after three (3) months, unless the rectory is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, November 10

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. *front of church (Ascan Ave):*

St. Vincent de Paul Truck accepting drop-off clothing donations for the needy

10 a.m. *rectory meeting room:* Sunday Morning Bible Study

2:30 p.m. *church:* Baptisms

Monday, November 11

★ **VETERANS DAY** ★

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

7–8 p.m. *Zoom:* "Through the Word" Bible Study

Tuesday, November 12

11:30 a.m. *church:* Confessions

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

Wednesday, November 13

Religious Education

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

7–8 p.m. *levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFO*

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

Thursday, November 14

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**

(see notice on p. 6 on winter hours)

Saturday, November 16

10 a.m. *rectory basement meeting room:*

Wills & Estate Planning Seminar *(see p. 4 for information)*

1–4 p.m. *rectory meeting room:* Single Adults Group Game Day

12:45 p.m. *church:* Confessions

CONFIRMATION PRESENTATION

At today's 9 a.m. Mass. Please remember in your prayers our confirmation candidates and all the Religious Ed students.

Remember Our Deceased

Helen D. Hwang

Carmen Pinto

Jose Rodriguez



Eleanor Sommero

Stanley Szurlej

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.

This Week's Reflection

During our Parish Feast Day celebration in September, I shared a View from the Pew column which many of you enjoyed hearing again. We're going to revisit and share, in condensed form, some relevant and timeless pieces from the View from the Pew archives in the future.—Father Passenant

A View from the Pew: In the Service

by Deacon Greg Kandra

Eugene Patrick O'Grady was a priest who volunteered for the army during World War II, six years after being ordained. He was shipped out to Europe with the 115th Infantry and landed on Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944. Many men never made it off that beach.

Father O'Grady prayed over the fallen and notified their families. On that awful morning, he encountered a young soldier digging a trench in the sand while shells exploded around him. He noticed the boy's hands were worn raw, so he gave the soldier his gloves. Many of the soldiers who survived D-Day said that was typical of him. He gave whatever he could. He reached out to everyone, no matter their faith, and volunteered for every mission he could. He wanted to be with the soldiers and let them know that he felt what they were feeling—the nervousness, the dread, the loneliness.

In November 1944, after one long day, Father O'Grady headed back to the aid station near the front lines to see if there were any wounded he'd missed. He was struck by shrapnel and died instantly.

We should think of men like Father O'Grady today and so many others who are in the service. They merit our prayers and our gratitude. They remind us, too, of Jesus' call to his disciples: Deny yourself, take up your cross, follow me. Father O'Grady understood the cross as a kind of selflessness. It is the cross of ducking gunfire to give a man your gloves, saying Mass on the hood of a Jeep, anointing the dying under a tattered tent. It is the cross of placing others first until one day all you leave behind is a prayer book riddled with shrapnel, and stories that reveal the heart of a good Christian and a great priest. The most enduring homily is the one Father O'Grady preached with his life—one all of us need to hear and remember.

Note: The Montrose Chapel at Camp Fretterd in Reisterstown, Maryland, is dedicated for Father O'Grady, who was the only National Guard chaplain killed in Europe during World War II.

Order of Mass

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle B—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #215—“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation

Missal #859—GLORIA: Latin Chant—Choir

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:10-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring” (J. S. Bach)—Choir

Missal #629—“God of the Hungry”

COMMUNION

“O Sacrum Convivium” (R. Remondi)—Choir

Organ Meditation

Missal #624—“The Cry of the Poor”

IN HONOR OF VETERANS DAY

Missal #745—“America the Beautiful”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #190—“Go Make of All Disciples”

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is to help offset fuel costs. There is also an envelope for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.
- » November 17, the second collection is for Christmas Music and Liturgy. There is also an envelope for Human Development.
- » 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.
- » For online Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



OLQM Church Fall Fling Raffle Winners

Grand prize: V. McCarthy
Second prize: P. Farrell • Third prize: D. Testa



THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED.



Thank You from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Many thanks to everyone who brought clothing donations to the St. Vincent de Paul truck this morning and on other occasions this year. The truck visits our parish four times a year. The schedule for 2025 is listed on our website. Visit: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/clothing-donation-schedule



Free Seminar on Wills & Estate Planning

Saturday, November 16 (RSVP required)
10 a.m., rectory meeting room

Learn how to safeguard your assets, help your heirs, and leave a lasting legacy that reflects your Catholic faith at this seminar sponsored by the Catholic Foundation for Brooklyn and Queens. Topics to be discussed are wills and trusts; power of attorney; and charitable giving strategies.

Our featured speaker will be Donna Furey, Esq., an elder law, trusts, and estates attorney, past co-chair of the Queens Bar Association Elder Law Committee, and past president of the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Queens County.

The seminar is FREE and open to all parishioners and friends, but you must RSVP. Call the rectory at 718-268-6251 to reserve your spot. All registered attendees will receive a complimentary estate planning guide. No solicitations will be made during the presentation.

Final 8:05 a.m. Saturday Mass on November 30 as Schedule Adjusts

In response to Bishop Brennan's call for parishes to reconfigure for the future (June 23 bulletin), we are adjusting our **Saturday schedule**. The last Saturday to celebrate Mass at 8:05 a.m. is November 30. **All other Mass times Monday–Friday and on Sunday remain the same.** On Saturdays, we will continue to offer Mass at 12:05 p.m. and the 5 p.m. Vigil Mass, which fulfills your Sunday obligation. For those desiring a Saturday morning Mass, we recommend 9 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Mercy (70-01 Kessel St) or 9 a.m. Mass in Spanish at Our Lady of the Cenacle in Richmond Hill (136-06 87th Ave).

SUNDAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING

Sunday, November 24

Forest Hills Interfaith Prayer Service
4 p.m. at Church in the Gardens

THANKSGIVING AT OLQM

Thursday, November 28

Mass at the special time of 9 a.m.

(Note: this is the only Mass of the day.)
Bring canned goods to church with you
for the local food pantries.

Contact Us

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LIVESTREAM MASS
Sundays @ 11:15AM. The Mass is available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	Nov 3
Candle Offerings	\$1,788.00
1st Collection	8,609.03
2nd Collection (<i>holiday church cleaning</i>)	1,683.03
Major repairs collection	1,724.00
All Saints Day (Nov 1)	2,838.00
2nd Collection, Nov 1 (<i>major repairs</i>)	1,135.00
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>17,777.06</u>
Online Parish Giving	5,627.30
Mail In	2,937.00
TOTAL	\$26,341.36
Weekly Income Needed*	\$24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	1,841.36

* Amount needed weekly to meet church expenses; does 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.

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 Father Passenant or Bishop Sanchez at 718-268-6251. You may also find more information on leaving legacy gift at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

November 16th through December 1st

Sacred Music Society Sweepstakes

This twice-a-year fundraiser supports the liturgies and concerts presented by the Sacred Music Society of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. Choir members will be selling tickets in the church vestibule after Sunday Masses on the weekends of November 16/17, November 23/24, and November 30/December 1. You should plan to act fast because only 100 sweepstakes tickets at \$50 each will be sold (offering a high chance of winning!). The drawing will be after the 1 p.m. Mass on Sunday, December 1. Winner receives \$1,000.

A CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

A Concert of Advent & Christmas Music

Sunday, December 15 at 4 p.m.

Tickets \$30 available in the rectory (*check and cash only*)

Children 12 & under free

ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL WREATHS AND FLOWERS

Order forms are available near the church entrances for Christmas memorial wreaths, trees, and poinsettia plants. Make your request early. Advent begins December 1.

Recent Baptisms at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Christopher James Levantis

son of Paulina and Peter Levantis

Ronald Benjamin Rosario

son of Micaela and Ronald Rosario

Olivia Leana Sosa

daughter of Jennifer Vallejo Freire and Cristian Sosa

Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

Bereavement Support Is Available

The parish support group is a welcoming community of individuals who have faced loss and help one another to better deal with grief. They meet monthly (third or fourth Monday) in the rectory basement meeting room. With the holidays approaching, this time of year can be challenging. The support group will be here for you, meeting on **Nov 18** and **Dec 16**. All meetings start at **6:45 p.m.** For questions, contact group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

God Loves a Cheerful Giver (2 Corinthians 9:7)

THANKSGIVING CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Please help us collect nonperishable items for the food pantries of our sister parishes in Queens.



Suggested items:

**Canned tuna, chicken, salmon * Canned vegetables
Canned fruits * Shelf-stable milk * Canned & boxed meals
(soup, mac & cheese) * Canned or dried beans
* Pasta, sauce, rice, cereal * Nut butters * 100% fruit juice
Low-fat, low-sodium, low-sugar foods & snacks**

Be sure items are not past expiration!

WHERE & WHEN TO GIVE:

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church

At the Sunday Masses on the weekend of November 16 & 17
and the 9am Mass on Thanksgiving Day

OLQM CHRISTMAS

& Giving Tree & TOY DRIVE



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs parish is assisting Catholic Charities by collecting gifts for children & teens in need in our community.



1 Choose a gift tag from the church tree; tags will be available for two weekends, beginning November 16th & 17th. Shop for a brand-new, age-appropriate gift for that boy or girl.

2 Return your gift UNWRAPPED, with the tag attached, and place it under the tree. Gifts must be returned by December 8th.

Gifts donated by OLQM parishioners will be sent to Santa's Toy Shop at St. Gabriel's (Elmhurst) where parents can select a present for their children.

Many blessings to you and yours this Advent & Christmas.

NOV 16/17 to Dec 7/8



A Gift Restored

Fr. Passenant, assisted by seminarian Louis Chabot, blessed the newly installed statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the Saints Chapel after 12:05 p.m. Mass on October 31, the eve of All Saints Day. The statue was previously owned by a parish member, Mary Anne Lyons, who wanted to give it to our church. She passed away soon after making this donation. The statue was lovingly restored and repainted by Deacon Daniel Garcia, OLQM's maintenance manager.

Our website has a pamphlet on the graces offered by a devotion to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, patron saint of the Carmelite Order (ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/olmc-devotion). *Photo courtesy of Denise DeMaria*

November Remembrances

We are remembering the souls of our faithful departed brothers and sisters who we buried here during the last five years through a reading of their names, in alphabetical order, at the Masses all this month. If you wish to remember a loved one in an individual way with a gift of a memorial candle at the Sacred Heart of Jesus altar, please contact Dennis Portelli, Pastoral Care Administrator, 718-268-6251, and he will be pleased to assist you.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.

OCIA (formerly RCIA) is a program for adults age 18 or older who want to join the Catholic Church or complete their Sacraments. OCIA guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. To sign up, contact olqmrkia@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.

Single Adults Group Game Day. Saturday, November 16, from 1–4 p.m. in the rectory basement meeting room. A Master of Ceremonies will conduct trivia games, but you are welcome to bring Scrabble or other board games to play; also feel free to bring some snacks or beverages to share. If you have any questions, please contact dmtdemaria@hotmail.com.

Please Continue to Fulfill Your Pledges

We have successfully raised \$114,568 for the diocesan annual Appeal, fulfilling our parish's 2024 obligation. So far, \$156,052 has been paid of a total of \$167,312 pledged by 325 donors.

The surplus amount paid, which now stands at about \$41,400, will come back to our parish. So please continue to make all outstanding pledges by Dec 31.



Faith Sharing Groups at OLQM



Are you looking to explore the Bible with others? Join a parish group.

Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m. Weekly in the rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind the Mary statue). Current study: St. Luke's Gospel.

Monday Through the Word Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. on Zoom. Current study: the Acts of the Apostles. Contact Dr. Joseph Terry (josephterry@gmail.com) to request the Zoom link. Archived recordings can be viewed on demand at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. Weekly Zoom prayer meetings with bible study on the 3rd Wednesday. Join to pray together and for one another. Learn how God's word is alive and relevant in our daily lives. Meeting ID: 82120186604 (PW: 765136).

Deanery Corner

A place to share news at nearby parishes

Golden Age Club @ Our Lady of Mercy meets on Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., in the OLM Parish Hall (elevator access). Join for bingo or bring your own games, puzzles, and cards. Free coffee and dessert every week! Contact Frances Coseglia at 646-248-0492.

Rosary and Altar Society @ Our Lady of Mercy welcomes men and women of all ages and interests who are devoted to Our Lady. They meet once a month in the OLM Parish Hall after 9 a.m. Mass. They will meet Nov 16 and Dec 21. Call Renate at 718-551-7986 for more information. Our Lady of Mercy is located at 70-01 Kessel Street.