

November 8, 2020 - **Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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 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. inside the rectory door

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE
ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

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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, November 7

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Vincenzo and Maria Malizia and family

5 p.m. Marilyn and Charles Chow

Sunday, November 8

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, November 9

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8 a.m. Rudy Salvanera

12:05 p.m. Deceased member of the Tortorici family

Tuesday, November 10

Saint Leo the Great

8 a.m. Theresa Ferzola

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

Wednesday, November 11

Saint Martin of Tours

8 a.m. Lynn Coulo

12:05 p.m. Rosa Hendricks Olivera

Thursday, November 12

Saint Josaphat

8 a.m. Leo Han

12:05 p.m. Albert Roque Bozzo

Friday, November 13

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

8 a.m. Victoria Quinola

12:05 p.m. Karman and Ilona Juhasz

Saturday, November 14

8 a.m. James Cruz

12:05 p.m. Franky Greger

5 p.m. Salvatore Pellettiere

Main Events of the Week

Tuesday, November 10

11:30 a.m., *rectory vestibule*: Confessions

(Please wear a face mask when visiting the rectory)

Wednesday, November 11

VETERANS DAY

Religious Education on Zoom

Thursday, November 12

11:30 a.m., *rectory vestibule*: Confessions

Next Sunday, November 15

CLOTHING DRIVE

One day only for 3 hours (9 a.m. to noon)

The donation truck from **St. Vincent de Paul** will be parked in front of the church next Sunday morning to accept donations of new or gently used clothing in good, wearable condition (please do not give stained, ripped, worn-out clothes). Please go through your closets this week and bring your items to church next Sunday. Others less fortunate than you will benefit from your kindness. Thank you.

Until Further Notice

WEEKDAY MASSES: If attending Mass at 8 a.m. or 12:05 p.m. (Mon-Sat), use the church ramp entrance/exit at Queens Boulevard. Following each Mass the church will be closed.

PRIVATE PRAYER: For those wanting private prayer time or to light a candle, the church vestibule is open weekdays and Sunday; vestibule entrance is at Ascan Avenue.

CONFESSIONS: Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m.; Saturday at 12:45 p.m. inside rectory front door.

Remember Our Sick

Blanche Aeppli, George Ang, Melanie Ang, Alexander Berardino, Peter Berardino, James Cardone, Jeffrey Carrasquillo, Lily Pe Chua, Shaina Brennan Clemente, Tracy Cuva, Norman Doucette, Carol Drew-Dwyer, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Estrela Feliciano, Pat Gmerek, Sandy Imperante, Victor Kun, Dr. Ajay Lodha, Nancy Martin, Liz Maryon, Marina Mavasheva, Artur Mavashev, Louie Mavashev, John Nikol, Connie Panella, Maureen Piatt, Bonnie Post, Dennis Roberts, Gloria Rodriguez, Andy Sanchez, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Scaturro family, Robert Sorsaia, Frank Soriente, Nick Spaventa, Fr. Radu Titonea, Maria Viesta, Teresa Wong, Brittany Zaita—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

Because of space constraints we must periodically update our sick list. Names will be removed after three (3) months, unless our office is notified. Thank you for understanding.

Remember Our Deceased

Bill Michael

Deacon Edward Smolinski

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 Moise, 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 **Pope Benedict on Praying for the Souls in Purgatory**

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them. (Catechism)

REFLECT: “If Purgatory is simply purification through fire in the encounter with the Lord, Judge and Savior, how can a third person intervene, even if he or she is particularly close to the other? When we ask such a question, we should recall that no man is an island, entire of itself. Our lives are involved with one another, through innumerable interactions they are linked together. No one lives alone. No one sins alone. No one is saved alone. The lives of others continually spill over into mine: in what I think, say, do and achieve. And conversely, my life spills over into that of others: for better and for worse.

“So my prayer for another is not something extraneous to that person, something external, not even after death. In the interconnectedness of Being, my gratitude to the other—my prayer for him—can play a small part in his purification. And for that there is no need to convert earthly time into God’s time: in the communion of souls simple terrestrial time is superseded. It is never too late to touch the heart of another, nor is it ever in vain. In this way we further clarify an important element of the Christian concept of hope. Our hope is always essentially also hope for others; only thus is it truly hope for me too. As Christians we should never limit ourselves to asking: how can I save myself? We should also ask: what can I do in order that others may be saved and that for them too the star of hope may rise? Then I will have done my utmost for my own personal salvation as well.” (Spe Salvi, Saved in Hope)

ACT: Pray for the souls in purgatory.

LEARN: Read Pope Benedict’s encyclical on hope, Spe Salvi (available at <https://bit.ly/3hVDzrI>).

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 **Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

ENTRANCE

Missal #385—“City of God”

FIRST READING—*Wisdom 6:12-16*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING—*1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“My Soul Is Longing for Your Peace”

COMMUNION

Missal #332—“O Sacrament Most Holy”

IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY

Missal #731—“America the Beautiful”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #443—“O God Our Help in Ages Past”

Communion is distributed during exit

Watch Sunday Mass Online

Video recording of the Sunday Mass at OLQM is viewable at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Watch Daily Mass Online

Livestreamed from Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph at netny.tv/masses

Second Collections

- » Today’s second collection is for the holiday church cleaning. There will be a special collection for Missionaries.
- » Sunday, November 15, the second collection will be for Christmas Liturgy and Music. There is also an envelope for Pastoral Care.
- » Use the blue envelope at any time to contribute to the Parish Endowment Fund. To contribute through our Parish Giving portal online, select Blue Envelope from the pull-down menu: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope
- » For **online Parish Giving** technical support, call 866-307-7140, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Please Participate in Our Clothing, Food, and Toy Drives

Need grows as the holidays near!

The **St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Donation** truck visits next Sunday, November 15, from 9 a.m. to noon. Also next week share what you “can” with the **Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive**. Bring canned and nonperishable food items to Sunday Masses on **November 14/15 and the 10 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass (November 26)**.



Our **Giving Tree Toy Drive** will look a little different this year. Tags will be in a basket in church to take beginning **November 28/29**. Then return your new, unwrapped gifts to church or the rectory the first two weekends of December, in time for Catholic Charities to collect before Christmas.

Cremation and Catholic Burial Traditions

November is customarily a time to visit the graves of loved ones and pray for them at the site of their resting place. The Church stresses the importance of burying the remains of the dead, either the body or the cremated remains (ashes), in a final and permanent resting place.

Burial of the full body is still preferred by the Church as more representative of our Christian faith. Ideally, the body would be present at the Funeral Mass of Christian Burial, after which cremation (if chosen) would take place, then burial of the remains. However, it is permitted to have a funeral Mass with the cremated remains.

The Church instructs that cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, and the care and attention given to appropriate transport and final disposition. Cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. Scattering the deceased's ashes on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping them in an urn in the home, is not the reverent disposition that the Church requires.

The Catholic Cemeteries office of the Diocese of Brooklyn can assist in choosing a gravesite or crypt for burial for yourself and your loved ones. Contact them at **718-894-4888** or www.ccbklyn.org. For answers to other questions about Catholic burials, visit www.catholicburialtraditions.org or please call to speak with one of our parish priests.



On the Road to Sainthood: Leaders of African Descent

“Celebrating the Cloud of Witnesses: Race, Resilience, and Renewal” is a free online lecture series commemorating the rich cultural tradition of the Black Catholic community. You’ll learn the stories of six men and women who overcame racism and discrimination while living their Catholic faith: Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange, Venerable Henriette Delille, Fr. Augustus Tolton, Julia Greeley, and Sr. Thea Bowman. And you’ll be asked to support their causes for sainthood. The lectures are Saturdays, **November 7, 14 & 21 @ 2:30–4:30PM**. A live-streamed Mass @ 5PM on November 21 will be celebrated by Archbishop Wilton Gregory, Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., who was newly appointed by Pope Francis as the first African American cardinal.

Register at www.eventbrite.com/e/122107178859 or email tolton@gmail.com for more information.

November 11

VETERANS DAY

Honoring all those who have served our country in times of war. Among those veterans are our military chaplains.



MEMORIAL CANDLES at the SACRED HEART OF JESUS ALTAR

If you would like to remember the souls of your loved ones in an individual way with a memorial candle at the Sacred Heart of Jesus altar, please contact Dennis Portelli, OLQM Pastoral Care Director at dport@gmail.com.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT AT OLQM

Monthly bereavement meetings have resumed via Zoom for parishioners. Our support group assists those grieving in laying their loved ones to rest. We HELP, CARE, and LISTEN to one another and work together through grief. Join to share memories among others who have experienced, or are now experiencing, the same difficulties. Meetings are typically the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. If you are interested in joining the **November 16** meeting, email Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle (ymizelle@gmail.com) for further details.



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

Do you need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation?

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

Faith Sharing on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others?

You may be interested in one of our faith-sharing groups: **Sunday Morning Bible Study** meets 10–11AM and is currently discussing St. John’s Gospel. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com. **Tuesday Evening “Through the Word”** meets 6:30–8PM. To join this program, contact Joseph Terry: josephterry@gmail.com.

Today’s Special Collection for Missionaries

Donations that we receive today, along with money previously collected on August 30 (\$732) through the Summer Missionary envelope, will be sent to the Office of the Propagation of the Faith and divided evenly among 42 different missionary groups. Thank you for your generosity. God bless our brothers and sisters all over the world for their missionary work, and we pray that next year the missionaries will again be able to visit our parish in-person.

Recent Baptisms at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Gabriella Grace Aristy

daughter of Janet and Kevin Aristy

Brady Maurice Lipski

son of Crystal and Adam Lipski

Lia Lopez

daughter of Jennifer and Freddy Lopez

Gemma Taylor Losquadro

daughter of Kristen and Leonard Losquadro

James Brady Lukenovich

son of Alyssa and Nicholas Lukenovich

Robert Benicio Namani

son of Barbara and Burim Namani

Camila Jolie Pineda

daughter of Jeannette Casado and Radhames Pineda

Charlotte Hope Prusa

daughter of Sarah and Christopher Prusa

Lucas Arturo Salcedo

son of Veronica and Heriberto Salcedo

Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

“For we are God’s coworkers. . . .”

How are you being called to build the kingdom of God as His coworker? Consider the generous service of priesthood or consecrated life. Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

	November 1
1st Collection	\$4,307.50
2nd Collection (<i>OLQMCA bldg maintenance</i>)	603.00
All Saints envelope	828.00
Candles	563.00
<i>In Church Subtotal (481 attending)</i>	<u>6,301.50</u>
Mail In/Lobby Box	1,956.00
Catch Up Envelopes	2,175.00
Online Parish Giving	4,139.47
TOTAL	14,571.97
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(6,678.03)

* 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.

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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ONLINE

Website:
www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org

Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:
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OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

Community Services

If you have need, Catholic Charities Call Center can help with information about food pantries, mental health counseling, and other social services. Call 718-722-6001 Monday through Friday, 9AM to 6PM. www.ccbq.org

FREE Speech & Hearing Screenings; Hearing Aid Help, through November 12 at the St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center (152-11 Union Turnpike). Call 718-990-6480 to schedule an appointment.

Spend some quiet time with the Lord.

Car Donations for Charity

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVP) will give back \$50/\$100 to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs for each donated car, truck, or van (any condition, running or not). If you or a family member, friend, or neighbor have an old or neglected vehicle to dispose of, please call SVP. The number is 718-491-2525. Free towing is available. Thank you for your participation.

Attention: Parents & Students

**Molloy College Virtual Open House
November 15 @ 1 PM**

Register at www.molloy.edu/openhouse.
Once you register you will receive a Zoom link.

Early Bulletin Deadline for Thanksgiving

If your church group would like an announcement placed in the bulletin, please submit your news item by email to olqmcomm@aol.com by 10AM on the Monday before the Sunday that you want the piece to be appear (6 days prior). Please tell us how long you would like the announcement to run. For the November 29th bulletin, the early deadline is Monday, November 16th. All submissions are subject to approval.

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Annual Catholic Appeal 2020

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APPEAL UPDATE (as of 11/2/20)

Parish Goal: \$109,112 Pledged to Date: \$114,277

Donors to Date: 291 Paid to Date: \$102,458

Help us close the gap. Make a gift of any amount to the ACA before December 31st.

Remember: The Annual Catholic Appeal Giving Is Different from Parish Giving

Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) is a pledged campaign that raises money for the Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens as a whole to help tens of thousands of people in our city. The ACA raises \$8 million annually. Every parish in the Diocese is assigned an ACA financial goal toward that total. This year's parish goal for Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is \$190,112.

Online giving to the ACA is managed by the Catholic Foundation of Brooklyn Queens via the Give Central payment processing platform. Donate to ACA at:

catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal

When you donate to the ACA via Give Central, please be sure to select Our Lady Queen of Martyrs (#4172) from the Parish drop-down menu.

ACA giving is entirely independent of giving to the parish. To give to our parish directly with a weekly offering online, use only the Parish Giving option on our website.

What Programs Does the ACA Support?

Donations to the ACA support dozens of programs that are beyond the abilities of any one parish and that benefit the faithful throughout Brooklyn and Queens. In these times of uncertainty, Annual Catholic Appeal funding is needed more than ever as people citywide are in need of spiritual, physical, emotional, or economic support during this public health crisis. An ACA gift does good works in these very specific ways:

- Connecting our 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
- Sustaining the seminarians
- Forming deacons and priests
- Providing for elderly priests and religious
- Supporting Catholic Charities and Catholic Migration Services

If you are watching Mass at home...

Please support the Annual Catholic Appeal.
Text ACA to 917-336-1255. Or use the purple DONATE VIA GIVE CENTRAL button on our website. Or go direct to: catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal