

October 18, 2020 - Twenty-ninth 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](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

#### GIVE NOW

Scan this QR Code with your  
phone for online parish giving



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#### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday closed  
(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, October 17*

**Saint Ignatius of Antioch**

8 a.m. Gabriel Caycedo

12:05 p.m. Angela and Diego Polito

5 p.m. Vicent Seminario

*Sunday, October 18*

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

*Monday, October 19*

**Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues**

8 a.m. Ramon and Felicitas Bagasan

12:05 p.m. Saint John Paul II

*Tuesday, October 20*

**Saint Paul of the Cross**

8 a.m. Allen Michael

12:05 p.m. Marie England

*Wednesday, October 21*

8 a.m. Nicole Ratta

12:05 p.m. Sister Benigna

*Thursday, October 22*

**Saint John Paul II**

8 a.m. Jesus P., Leonida P., Cirico A. Lagrada and other deceased members of the Lagrada family

12:05 p.m. Faustina Lopez

*Friday, October 23*

**Saint John of Capistrano**

8 a.m. Hubert Etheart

12:05 p.m. Raymond Henry

*Saturday, October 24*

**Saint Anthony Mary Claret**

8 a.m. Dr. Marlon Quidata de Asis

12:05 p.m. Albert Bevan

5 p.m. Barbara Hageney

## 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, 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

**ABOUT OUR SICK LIST:** 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.

## Main Events of the Week

*Tuesday, October 20*

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

(Please wear a face mask when visiting the rectory)

*Wednesday, October 21*

Religious Education on Zoom

*Thursday, October 22*

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

### VIRTUAL ST. JUDE NOVENA OCTOBER 20–28

Novena prayer is printed on page 6. For those unable to come to church to pray with us, the novena will be posted online so you will be able to participate at any time at home, beginning Tuesday, October 20th through St. Jude's Feast Day of October 28th.

### 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 Deceased

Eva Elsie Crespo  
Lorraine Dipini



Marlyn Feiten  
Vida Moreno

### 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

Forming  
Consciences



for  
Faithful  
Citizenship

*During the eight weeks prior to the national election, the reflections focus on the Church's teachings regarding Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship.*

### Faithful Citizens and the Primacy of Respecting Life

*"The right to life is the first among human rights."—Pope Francis*

**REFLECT:** "Whatever is opposed to life itself, such as any type of murder, genocide, abortion, euthanasia, or willful self-destruction, whatever violates the integrity of the human person, ... whatever insults human dignity, such as subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, slavery, prostitution, the selling of women and children; as well as disgraceful working conditions, where people are treated as mere instruments of gain rather than as free and responsible persons; all these things and others like them are infamies indeed.... Moreover, they are a supreme dishonor to the Creator...."

"Unfortunately, this disturbing state of affairs, far from decreasing, is expanding... Choices once unanimously considered criminal and rejected by the common moral sense are gradually becoming socially acceptable.... The end result of this is tragic: not only is the fact of the destruction of so many human lives still to be born or in their final stage extremely grave and disturbing, but no less grave and disturbing is the fact that conscience itself, darkened as it were by such widespread conditioning, is finding it increasingly difficult to distinguish between good and evil in what concerns the basic value of human life...."

"Only respect for life can be the foundation and guarantee of the most precious and essential goods of society, such as democracy and peace. There can be no true democracy without a recognition of every person's dignity.... Nor can there be true peace unless life is defended and promoted." (Evangelium Vitae)

**ACT:** Prepare for the election by learning where our national and local candidates stand on respect for life issues, such as abortion, euthanasia, and conscience protection.

**LEARN:** Visit the USCCB Respect Life website (<https://bit.ly/3h6U3Ne>) to learn more about the Church's pro-life teachings, the current issues, and what you can do to create a culture of life.

*To learn more about the legislative issues that impact us as Catholics and how you can express your opinions to our elected officials, we also encourage you to sign up for "Action Alerts" from the New York State Catholic Conference at [www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center](http://www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center).*

## Order of Mass Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### ENTRANCE

Missal 545—"Sing a New Song"

FIRST READING—*Isaiah 45:1, 4-6*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Give the Lord glory and honor.*

SECOND READING—*1 Thessalonians 1:1-5B*

### GOSPEL

*Matthew 22:15-21*

### HOMILY

### OFFERTORY

"Take Our Bread"

### COMMUNION

Missal 350—"The Supper of the Lord"

### CLOSING HYMN

Missal 524—"Peace"

*Communion is distributed during exit*

### Watch Sunday Mass Online

Video recording of the Sunday Mass at OLQM is viewable at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

### Watch Daily Mass Online

Livestreamed from Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph at [netny.tv/masses](http://netny.tv/masses)

## Second Collections

- » Today's second collection is for Pastoral Care. There is also an envelope for World Mission Sunday.
- » Sunday, October 25, the second collection will be for winter fuel. All Souls Mass Remembrance envelopes are also available.
- » 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](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/blue-envelope)
- » For [online Parish Giving](http://online Parish Giving) technical support, call 866-307-7140, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



**Fall Fling Raffle Drawing**  
**Next Week October 25**  
\$20 per ticket | \$75 for 5 chances  
Grand Prize: \$1000  
2nd Prize: \$250 | 3rd Prize: \$100  
You don't need to be present at the drawing to win a prize.  
Thank you for your support!




## 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. Find out more about the parish RCIA program by contacting us at [olqmrchia@gmail.com](mailto:olqmrchia@gmail.com) OR call us at 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.



“The Church is on mission in the world. Faith in Jesus Christ enables to us see all things in their proper perspective, as we view the world with God’s own eyes and heart.”—Pope Francis

Today’s second collection is for World Mission Sunday. Just like Jesus, the greatest evangelizer, we are called to help spread the word of God. We encourage you to give generously to help others in their missionary work around the world!



### BEREAVEMENT AT OLQM

Bereavement services have resumed via Zoom meetings for parishioners of OLQM. For further meeting details, please email Commissioned Lay Pastoral Leader Yorke Mizelle ([ymizelle@gmail.com](mailto:ymizelle@gmail.com)).

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

**St. John’s Preparatory School** (21-21 Crescent St., Astoria, coed). **Sat. Oct. 17, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**  
**Sun. Oct.18, noon to 5 p.m.** By appointment only. [www.stjohnsprepschool.org](http://www.stjohnsprepschool.org).

**Holy Cross High School** (26-20 Francis Lewis Blvd, Flushing, coed). **Sun. Oct. 18, noon to 4 p.m.** RSVP at [www.holycrosshs.org](http://www.holycrosshs.org) or contact Mrs. Andrea Aloï ([admissions@holycrosshs.org](mailto:admissions@holycrosshs.org); 718-886-7250 ext. 524).

**Cathedral Preparatory School and Seminary** (56-25 92nd St., Elmhurst, for boys). **Sun. Oct. 25, in-person tours at 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m.** Contact Phil Franco ([pfranco@cathedralprep.org](mailto:pfranco@cathedralprep.org); 718-592-6800).

### Faith Sharing on Zoom

Are you looking to explore the Bible with others?

You may be interested in (1) Sunday Morning Bible Study, 10–11AM, discussing St. John’s Gospel. To join, contact Noila Johnson: [noilas@hotmail.com](mailto:noilas@hotmail.com). (2) Tuesday Evening Through the Word sessions, 6:30–8PM. To join this program, contact Joseph Terry: [josephterry@gmail.com](mailto:josephterry@gmail.com).

### Jeremiah Project

This high school and college discernment group for young men will be meeting on **Fri., Oct. 23 at 5–7:30 p.m. at Cathedral Preparatory School and Seminary** (Elmhurst). Experience Christ through fraternity and prayer. Register by email [cdost@diobrook.org](mailto:cdost@diobrook.org) or call 718-827-2454.



### New Book by Deacon Greg Kandra: The Busy Person’s Guide to an Extraordinary Life

Deacon Greg will have a **limited number of signed copies** of his newest book available in the rectory this week. Discounted price is \$10 (regular list price is \$14.95). Exact bills or checks only will be accepted. Please call ahead if possible to inquire on quantities.

# A Word from Bishop Sanchez: New Capacity Restrictions at Mass

Governor Cuomo issued a new COVID mandate that requires us to limit attendance at our Masses to 25 people. We and the entire Diocese of Brooklyn feel that the religious freedom of our parishioners is being unfairly attacked. For this reason, the Diocese of Brooklyn filed a lawsuit to protest the mandate.

I understand that we are still required to limit attendance for this weekend once again. Please be aware that:

- 25 people will be admitted to each Mass in the Church.
- An additional 25 people will be admitted to worship services offered at the same time in the convent chapel.
- If you are unable to attend Mass, please participate in the videotaped Mass that will be available on the parish website ([ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)) on Sunday morning.

We will be offering Mass at these times:

- Saturday (Vigil) at 5 p.m.
- Sunday at 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., and 1 p.m.

## CALL TO ACTION

If you would like to express your displeasure with the governor's decision, please go to Governor Cuomo's website ([governor.ny.gov](http://governor.ny.gov)), which will explain how you can call or email or write him. Your message to Governor Cuomo could be as follows:

Governor Cuomo,

I feel strongly that your recent mandate of Wednesday, October 8, 2020, regarding COVID-19 unfairly attacks my religious freedom to worship in my local Catholic Church. My Church follows the safety protocols. Since my Church seats 900 people, I feel that 150 people can safely socially distance and worship together in that large a space.

I ask that you take this information into consideration.

Sincerely,

[Your Name and Signature]

May God continue to watch over you!

Bishop Paul Sanchez, Pastor

**"GIVE TO GOD WHAT IS GOD'S."** You belong to Christ and Christ is God's!

How will you respond to so great a love? Is He asking you to follow Him by serving in the priesthood or consecrated life?

Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

## KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

### Weekly Collections: October 4

1st Collection	\$4,728.00
2nd Collection ( <i>Parish Youth programs</i> )	860.00
2nd Collection ( <i>Academy bldg. maintenance</i> )	788.00
<i>In-Church Subtotal (577 attending)</i>	<u>6,376.00</u>
Mail In/Lobby Box	2,791.12
Catch-Up Envelope ( <i>mailed</i> )	2,000.00
<i>In-Church Total</i>	<u>11,167.12</u>
Online Parish Giving	5,192.00
<b><u>TOTAL (Online &amp; In Church)</u></b>	<b><u>16,359.12</u></b>
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(4,890.88)

\* 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.*

## Contact Us

### BY EMAIL

Rectory Office:  
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Emergency (last rites)  
718-810-9788 (after office hours)

OLQM Catholic Academy:  
718-263-2622

Religious Education Office:  
718-263-0907

RCIA Office:  
718-268-6251, ext. 27

OLQM Charity Outreach:  
718-268-6251, ext. 43

### ONLINE

Website:  
[www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://www.ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

Facebook, Twitter and Instagram:  
[@OLQMChurch](https://www.facebook.com/OLQMChurch)

OLQM Catholic Academy:  
[www.olqmca.org](http://www.olqmca.org)

NOVENA to St. Jude Thaddeus

Apostle and Martyr



Join in prayer and bring your intentions to St. Jude: for physical, mental, spiritual health

# Virtual St. Jude Novena: October 20–28

Prayer will be posted as video on our website at [ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org](http://ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org)

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (**make your request here**), and that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever.

I promise, O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. Amen.

**Prayer:** May the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored and loved in all the tabernacles until the end of time. Amen. May the most Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised and glorified now and forever. Amen. St. Jude, pray for us and hear our prayers. Amen.

**Blessed be the Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

**Blessed be the Immaculate Heart of Mary.**

**Blessed be St. Jude Thaddeus, in all the world and for all eternity.**

*One Our Father and One Hail Mary*



DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN/QUEENS

**WE ARE THE CHURCH, TOGETHER**

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE (as of 10/12/20)**

**Parish Goal: \$109,112**

**Pledged to Date: \$102,696**

**Donors to Date: 257**

**Paid to Date: \$89,270**

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

## What's the Difference between Annual Catholic Appeal Giving and 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.

ACA gifts can be made through December 31 either online or by phone by **texting ACA to 917-336-1255**. Online giving to the ACA is managed by the Catholic Foundation of Brooklyn Queens via the Give Central payment processing platform at:

[catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal](http://catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal)

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

The Annual Catholic Appeal 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.

**ACA fundraising 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. And 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 joins you in faith with others throughout our city to do good works in 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
- Sharing our faith
- Sustaining the seminarians
- Forming deacons and priests
- Providing for elderly priests and religious

The Annual Catholic Appeal is a primary source of funds for **Catholic Charities** and **Catholic Migration Services**, which bring assistance to thousands of our neighbors. These programs can only serve those in need if we all come together, working as one family of faith. THANK YOU.

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](http://catholicfoundationbq.org/annual-catholic-appeal)