

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

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 OUR TOWER OF
 FAITH
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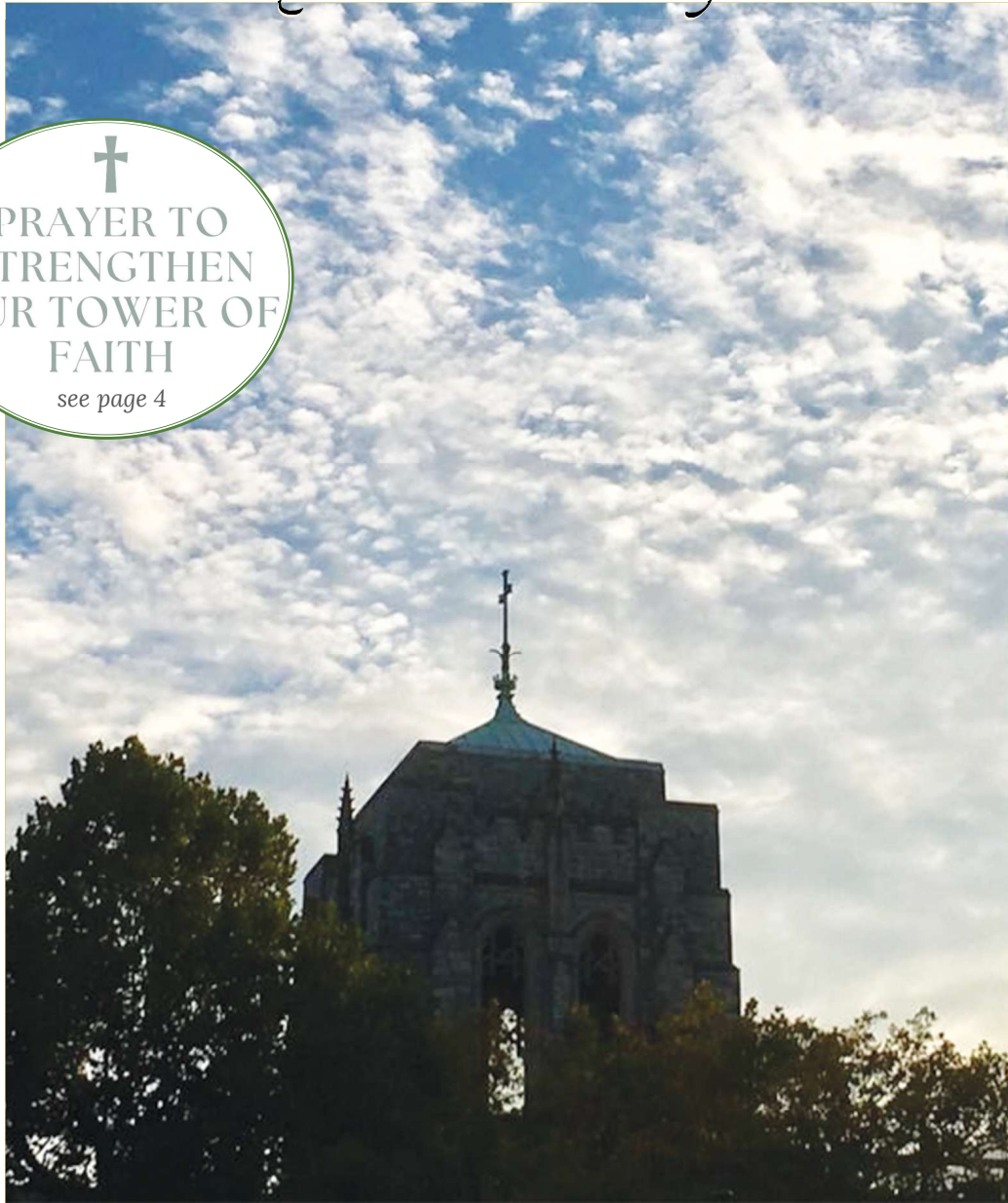


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OFFICE HOURS
 Monday-Tuesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
 Wednesday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 (closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.)
 Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. No office hours Sundays

Masses for the Week

Saturday, October 18

Saint Luke

12:05 p.m. Josephine Orlando

5 p.m. Khalid Jalajel

World Mission Sunday, October 19

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

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, October 20

Saint Paul of the Cross

8:05 a.m. Fr. Mario Gallipoli, C.P.

12:05 p.m. Emma Castino

Tuesday, October 21

8:05 a.m. Robert DeNapoli

12:05 p.m. Annabel Mana [living]

Wednesday, October 22

Saint John Paul II

8:05 a.m. Pasqualino Palmieri

12:05 p.m. Vernon Chattoo

Thursday, October 23

Saint John of Capistrano

8:05 a.m. John Sheridan

12:05 p.m. William Ocampo

Friday, October 24

Saint Anthony Mary Claret

8:05 a.m. Deanna Tordesillas [living]

12:05 p.m. Mary Ellen Shaw

Saturday, October 25

12:05 p.m. Sister Gertrude Coleman and

Sister Elizabeth White

5 p.m. Maria Alvarez

Main Events of the Week

World Mission Sunday, October 19

At all Masses: **Stewardship Sunday Appeal**

After 11:15 a.m. Mass *rectory meeting room:*

YCP (Young Catholic Professionals) meeting

(use the glass door by the Mary statue)

Monday, October 20

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

After 12:05 p.m. Mass *church:*

Start of St. Jude Novena

6:45 p.m. *rectory meeting room:* **Bereavement Support Group**

Tuesday, October 21

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

7-8:30 p.m. **Faith-Sharing and Fellowship** *(see p. 6)*

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

Wednesday, October 22

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: Charismatic Prayer Group**

(Meeting ID: 82120186604. PW: 765136)

Thursday, October 23

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

After 12:05 p.m. **Mass**

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 p.m. **Benediction**

Saturday, October 25

10:30 a.m. *church:* **Altar Server Training**

1-4 p.m. *rectory meeting room:* **Single Adults Group**

25th Anniversary Potluck Party

Remember Our Deceased

Dora Arango

Doug Blum

Lauren Cooper



Betty Francullo

Domingo Lee

Avelino B. Nacar, Sr.

Remember Our Sick

Molly Catherine Banderberg, Margaret Bastone, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Rosa Cabral, Rob Champion, Carlo Christian, Emily Cirillo, Dennis Clare, Noreen DeCaul-Thomas, Myrna Mimi De Leon, Iris Dellamarco, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Ronda Esser, Alexander Guttierrez, Hung Sang Hau (Sammy), Noila Johnson, Cipriana Jorge, Tommy Jorge, Karen Kane, Sherryl Kahn, Daniel Kenierey, Theresa Manino, Gloria Marsala, Joe Militia, Matilda Munoz, Laura Morales, Sandy Norona, Rafael Pak, Patricia Patane, Natalie Podulka, Maria Rodin, Jacqueline Rodzinski, Leonardo Rodriguez, Dennis Shepherd, Sandy Singh, Grace Sommero, Marion Steinberg, Ida Sumprer, Baby Isaac Joseph Terry, Jacquenline Vallejo, Carlos Velazquez, Jihan Villa, 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.

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, to make your special needs known. Contact: disabilities.olqm@gmail.com.

This Week's Reflection from the Catholic Teaching Committee **Jubilee of Marian Spirituality**

The Holy See has designated several Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognize different groups and various ministries in the Church. The Jubilee of Marian Spirituality will be held this month.



Marian Spirituality

“The spirituality of Marian devotions has deep roots in the history of the Church. This devotion to the Blessed Mother has transcended time and place to become a central spiritual pillar for the faithful.

“From the moment Christ spoke the words ‘Behold your mother’ (John 19:26), the Virgin Mary has been a pivotal figure in Christian devotion. The creation of hymns and prayers in honor of Mary can be found among the earliest writings of the Church. Marian devotion has developed and taken on many enriching forms that capture the heart of Christians everywhere.

“Mary has long represented the ideal model for Christians. Her virtues and example were extolled in antiquity by the fathers of the Church. Her humble and honest acceptance of God’s will, her fiat, is placed as the highest form of faith. Mary is the model of faith, exemplifying trusting surrender to our Lord’s plan. . . . Through her role as the mother of God, Mary has a distinct honor to bring our pleas and prayers to her Son and to plead on our behalf for mercy and grace. Turning to Mary in prayer enriches our spiritual life both through her own maternal comforting and through her intercession to Our Lord, which brings us ever closer to Christ. . . .

Marian Apparitions

“The transcendental nature of Marian spirituality is best reflected in the numerous apparitions of the Virgin Mother. These apparitions have occurred across the world and across various cultures. Marian visions and apparitions speak to the impact that the figure of Mary has on Christian spirituality.”

The Holy Rosary

For those who have never had a devotion to the Blessed Mother, pray to the Lord Jesus to reveal her to you. Jesus will help you discover the love that only a Mother can give. She is our Advocate and intercedes with her Son on our behalf. One way to be close to her and to learn from her is to make the Holy Rosary a permanent part of your prayer life. The Rosary is a powerful prayer. Pray it with others for the needs of the Church, the world, our families, our nation, and the salvation of souls. May its recitation bring each of us comfort and hope, especially during this Jubilee of Hope.

SOURCE: *The quoted text is from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website page, “A Resource for Marian Spirituality.”*



Order of Mass **Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Cycle C—Choir Mass at 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #320—“Gather Us In”

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation (*Haugen*)

Missal #841—GLORIA: Latin Chant—Choir

FIRST READING

Exodus 17:8-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

GOSPEL

Luke 18:1-8

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“The Lord Will Be a Defence” (*R. Foort*)—*Choir*

Missal #622—“You Gather in the Outcast”

COMMUNION

“Ave Verum” (*Wm. Byrd*)—*Choir*

Organ Meditation

Missal #457—“Shelter Me, O God”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal #576—“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Second Collections

- » Today’s second collection is for Pastoral Care. There is also a special collection for World Mission Sunday.
- » October 26, the second collection will be for maintenance of the church grounds. There are also envelopes for All Saints Day and All Souls Mass Remembrances.
- » 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.

**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PARISH
♥ VOLUNTEERS ♥**

Masses and Sacraments

Daily Masses

Monday–Friday: 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.
Saturday: 12:05 p.m. and 5 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday Masses

9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

Confessions

Tuesday and Thursday: 11:30 a.m.
Saturday: 12:45 p.m.

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.
Masses at 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m.

Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Monday–Saturday after 12:05 p.m. Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays after 12:05 p.m. Mass
Benediction at 7:30 p.m.

Celebration of Baptism

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

Celebration of Marriage

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

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A Silver Milestone: Single Adults Group Turns 25

The Single Adult Group is celebrating its 25th anniversary by throwing a party on **Saturday, October 25 @ 1–4 p.m.** in the rectory basement meeting room. It's potluck style with a special "Taste of the World" twist: Consider bringing a dish that reflects your cultural heritage. **RSVP TODAY** or by Monday (October 20) to dmtdemaria@hotmail.com and let us know what you'll bring. Newcomers welcome! Questions? Reach out to the same email address.

Prayer to "Strengthen Our Tower of Faith"



Gracious and loving, God, give us the courage and trust to support the efforts to strengthen our tower of faith.

May your grace enlighten us to see this need and to joyfully make sacrifices so that your brilliant splendor may shine as a beacon of light and hope to guide us on our way to you.

Keep under your protective care all those who will work on this project. Guide their hands, hone their skills. May their efforts manifest your great glory!

We place this request into the hands of our patroness, the Queen of Martyrs, and we ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections

| | Oct 12 |
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| Candle Offerings | \$1,620.00 |
| 1st Collection | 7,550.12 |
| 2nd Collection (<i>major repairs</i>) | 3,061.12 |
| Subtotal: In Church | 12,231.24 |
| Online Giving | 6,786.35 |
| Mail In | 3,547.00 |
| TOTAL | \$22,564.59 |
| Weekly Income Needed** | 24,500.00 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | (1,935.41) |

** 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.

Good News! A New Calling Begins

Congratulations to David James, our longtime youth minister and the current board chair at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Catholic Academy, on his acceptance into the Diaconate Formation Program for the Diocese of Brooklyn. Please pray for David and his family as he begins the aspirancy period of the program.

Today: Young Catholic Professionals!

Join their **coffee hour right after 11:15 a.m. Mass** in the rectory basement meeting room (use the glass door by the Mary statue). Meet other young adults (20s and 30s) from the parish; help shape the program for this new group! They're planning to **meet every 3rd Sunday** of the month.

Bereavement Group Meets Monday

The parish bereavement support group is a welcoming community for those coping with loss. Meetings are **monthly on Mondays at 6:45 p.m.** in the rectory basement. They meet this Monday, Oct 20, and then on Nov 17 and Dec 15. Contact group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

Today, some of your fellow parishioners will share what stewardship means to them—and how each of us can take part in sustaining the life of our parish.

STEWARDSHIP IS



Stewardship reminds us that everything we have and enjoy in life is a gift from God, entrusted to our care so that we may nurture and share it generously.

On this Stewardship Weekend, we're asking each family to prayerfully consider giving \$25 each week to help strengthen our parish finances. We're also grateful for the many ways you give from the heart, sharing your time and talents with our parish community. Through our **heart work—which is also hard work, because it requires a bit of sacrifice**—we can together build a stronger, more faithful parish community.

**ALL SOULS' DAY (NOV 2)
ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE NEAR
THE CHURCH DOORS**

Faith and Finance Converge at St. Patrick's Cathedral: On October 1, Cardinal Peter Turkson, Chancellor of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences, celebrated Mass with Cardinal Timothy Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral to open the Catholic Faith Investor Summit (www.CatholicFi.com). The event, organized by OLMQ parishioner and Knight of Malta Roger Aguinaldo, gathered leaders dedicated to aligning investments with Catholic values. Pictured (l to r)—*Roger Aguinaldo; Bishop Paul Sanchez; Cardinal Peter Turkson; Father Francis Passenani; Bob Schnel, parishioner and Knight of Columbus.*



OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

OCIA is a program for adults 18 and older who wish to join the Catholic Church or complete their Sacraments. Through discernment, prayer, and education, OCIA guides participants on their journey of faith. To learn more or enroll, please contact ocia@olqmchurch.org or call 718-268-6251, ext. *827, and leave your name and callback number; all messages and emails will receive a response.

St. Jude Novena

Monday, October 20 to
Tuesday, October 28

Bring your intentions to St. Jude for physical, mental, spiritual health. We will recite the novena prayer in honor of St. Jude Thaddeus at the 12:05 p.m.

Masses, Monday through Saturday, and after the 11:15 a.m. Mass next Sunday (October 26). The prayer sheet is in the church

St. Jude, pray for us.



For Classical Music Lovers

Mystic Hour with Pianist Sasha Grossman. Sunday, October 26 from 3–4:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Parish (433 Sackett St. Brooklyn). Works by Bach, Chopin, Schumann, J. L. Marin. For the second half of the program, Sasha will be joined by soloist Eric Grossman. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at Eventbrite: <https://tinyurl.com/2hzpky7k>.

Faith Sharing at OLQM

*Are you looking to explore your faith with others?
Join a parish group.*

Monday Through the Word: 7–8 p.m. Every 1st and 4th Monday on Zoom. Current topic: Faith to Overcome. Meeting ID: 88429100717. Sessions recorded, archived for later viewing on demand at [YouTube.com/@bktheologian](https://www.youtube.com/@bktheologian).

Tuesday Evening Fellowship: 7–8:30 p.m. Faith reflections and conversation hosted by fellow parishioners Bob and Melinda Nobbs. Call 718-805-7232 or text 917-545-8049 for meeting location.

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).

Upcoming at OLQM

Save these dates. Check the bulletin weekly for updates.

All Saints Day: Saturday, Nov 1. 12:05 p.m. Mass. *Because the holy day falls on Saturday, there is no obligation.*

All Souls' Day Remembrances: Sunday, Nov 2. *At all Masses throughout November, we will read the names (in alphabetical order) of those buried from our parish these past five years. Remembrance envelopes are also available in church.*

Fox Funeral Home Memorial Mass: Saturday, Nov 8. 10:30 a.m.

Molloy University Fall Open House

Sunday, Nov 16 @ 1 p.m. Campus tours begin at 12 noon. Prospective students and their families are invited. Register at molloy.edu/openhouse25 or contact the admissions office: 516-323-4000; admissions@molloy.edu. Molloy is located at 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre.

Catholic High School Open Houses

Parents & students! There are a few more open houses yet to happen.

CHRIST THE KING
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Ave, Middle Village |
Wed, Oct 22: 6–8pm | 718-
366-7400 x240; ctkny.org

NOTRE DAME SCHOOL
(girls) 327 W. 13th St.,
Manhattan | **Sun, Oct 26:**
1–5pm *RSVP req'd* | 212-
620-5575; cheznous.org

Outstanding ACA Pledges Due by Dec 31

Thanks to 280 donors, we met our goal to raise \$110,076 for the Annual Catholic Appeal to help fund pastoral, charitable, and educational programs for all of Brooklyn and Queens. In fact, we surpassed our goal by more than \$22,000—and that surplus paid over goal will be returned to our parish. Please continue to fulfill any of outstanding ACA pledges. God bless you for your generosity!



Lunch & Learn at Dominican Village

Thursday, October 23 from 1–3 p.m. Dominican Village is an independent and assisted living community for seniors at 565 Albany Ave., Amityville. RSVP 631-842-6091.