



## **REV. MSGR. JOSEPH L. CUNNINGHAM**

Entered into Eternal Life October 12, 2023

Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V.F. — PASTOR Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. - PASTOR EMERITUS Rev. Antonin Kocurek — PAROCHIAL VICAR

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SUNDAY MASSES Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m. **DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS** EDUCATION Deacon Thomas Jorge

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WEEKDAY MASSES (Monday–Saturday) 8:05 a.m. & 12:05 p.m. MUSIC DIRECTOR David Close

**OLQM CATHOLIC** ACADEMY PRINCIPAL Anne Zuschlag

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. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays 12:40 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM** 

First Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

baptismprep@olqmchurch.org

**ROSARY & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** Monday-Saturday after the 12:05 p.m. Mass

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

JOIN THE PARISH Scan for parish registration information and form

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE

11:15 a.m. ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

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

> **GIVE NOW** Scan for online parish giving





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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 07 - Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

#### Our Lady Queen of Martyrs - Forest Hills, New York

#### Masses for the Week

<u>Saturday, October 21</u> 8:05 a.m. Deceased members of OLQM Single Adults Groups 12:05 p.m. Edith Joan Scudellari 5 p.m. Theresina Leung

<u>Sunday, October 22</u> 9 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs *Children's Liturgy of the Word* 

> <u>Monday, October 23</u> Saint John of Capistrano 8:05 a.m. Joseph Kancelaric 12:05 p.m. Henri-Robert Lamarque

*Tuesday, October 24* Saint Anthony Mary Claret 8:05 a.m. Lucille M. Leipold 12:05 p.m. Faustina Lopez

<u>Wednesday, October 25</u> 8:05 a.m. Wilfredo Edgardo Caban 12:05 p.m. Raymond Urrutia

<u>Thursday. October 26</u> 8:05 a.m. Sacred Heart of Jesus (Thanksgiving Mass) 12:05 p.m. Jose M. Millares

> *Friday. October 27* **8:05 a.m.** Elizabeth G. Jordan **12:05 p.m.** Pauline Kra [living]

<u>Saturday. October 28</u>
Saints Simon and Jude
8:05 a.m. Nereida, Eulogio, and Edward Colon
12:05 p.m. Intentions of St. Jude Novena
5 p.m. Elizabeth Mikitik and Anne Wilfinger

## **Remember Our Sick**

Victoria Bagasan, Raymond Bajarias, Donald Begota, Viola Binua, Jorge A. Castillo Lepe, Deanna Condino, Antonio Cordova, Elizabeth Cordova, Cely de Borja, Norman Doucette, Baby Luka Dudashvili, Jacqeline Gagliano, Domingo Galicia, Stephen Gavosto, Lucille Giannone, Jorge Guzman, Anne Hansen, Miriya Healing, Jo-Ann Henry, Anita Hsu, Mary Hughes, Elizabeth Ann Jiyun Kim, Elaine M. Kuzlik, Tommy Jorge, Cipriana Jorge, Mary Ann Lyons, Marites Macapagal, Lillian MacColl, Nellie Milite, Matilde Munoz, Karen Nassauer, Peter Nicolois, Jorge Ospina, Amelia Perdomo, Richard Perl, Jovanka Radeka, Ariana Rose, Dr. Anthony Sarro, Terrence and MaryAnna Scudieri, Peter Shaver, Alice Singh, Robert Sorsaia, Carlos Eduardo Villegas, Graciela Guzman Villegas, Stanislawa Wolk, Giovanni Wong, Teresa Wong, Jennifer Yamamoto, Deacon Elias Yepes—and all parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals or confined to their homes

**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.

### Main Events of the Week

<u>Sunday, October 22</u> 10 a.m. rectory meeting room: Sunday Morning Bible Study (use glass door behind the Mary statue)

After 1 p.m. Mass church vestibule: Fall Fling Raffle Drawing

<u>Monday, October 23</u> After 8:05 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Masses *church:* Miraculous Medal Novena

6:45 p.m. rectory meeting room: Bereavement Support Group 7 p.m. Zoom: "Through the Word" Bible Study

> <u>Tuesday, October 24</u> 11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

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

<u>Wednesday, October 25</u> Religious Education 3:45–5 p.m. levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 class 7–8:15 p.m. levels 5, 6, Confirmation, FFO

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

<u>Thursday, October 26</u> 11:30 a.m. church: Confessions

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 p.m. *church:* Benediction

<u>Friday, October 27</u>

6–8 p.m. McLaughlin Hall (enter at red doors at parking lot): MAYO (Martyrs Active Youth Organization) Halloween Party

<u>Saturday, October 28</u> 9:45 a.m. church: Altar Server Training

12:05 p.m. Mass church: Close of the St. Jude Novena

1–4 p.m. rectory basement meeting room: Single Adults Group Anniversary (see p. 4) 12:45 p.m. church: Confessions

The **Sanctuary Lamp** is offered in memory of **Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham** —requested by the OLQM staff

## Remember Our Deceased

Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham Robert Fanto Neil Ferrara Jose Hernandez Elias Kamaris Phyllis Imperante Fr. Jerome Nadine Msgr. Anthony F. Sherman Msgr. James F. Spengler Edward W. Wronski Fr. Mathew Hoang viet Dinh Fr. Robert Vitaglione

#### 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.** 

#### This Week's Reflection from Catholic Teaching

#### The Confessor as Persona Christi

"I will appoint for you shepherds after my own heart, who will shepherd you wisely and prudently." (Jeremiah 3: 15)

**REFLECT:** "Just as he does at the altar where he celebrates the Eucharist, and at each one of the sacraments, the priest, as the minister of penance, works 'in persona Christi.' The Christ whom he gives and makes present, and who by means of his ministry effects the remission of sins is with the priest [a] faithful and compassionate pastor dedicated to search for the lost sheep" (Pope John Paul II, December 2, 1984).

"It is precisely this message that must be transmitted: what counts most is to make people understand that in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, whatever the sin committed, if it is humbly recognized and the person involved turns with trust to the priest-confessor, he or she never fails to experience the soothing joy of God's forgiveness....

"It must be a commitment of pastors and especially of confessors to highlight the close connection that exists between the Sacrament of Reconciliation and a life oriented decisively to conversion. It is necessary that between the practice of the Sacrament of Confession and a life in which a person strives to follow Christ sincerely, a sort of continuous 'virtuous circle' be established in which the grace of the Sacrament may sustain and nourish the commitment to be a faithful disciple of the Lord" (Pope Benedict XVI, March 7, 2008).

"Dear Friends, may you be aware of the great gift that priests are for the Church and for the world; through their ministry the Lord continues to save men, to make himself present, to sanctify. May you be able to thank God and above all be close to your priests with prayer and support, especially in difficulty, so that there may be more and more Pastors in accordance with the Heart of God" (Pope Benedict XVI, May 5, 2010).

**ACT:** Thank God for our parish's priests; pray for them and for the soul of our gentle and compassionate confessor, Msgr. Joseph Cunningham.

**LEARN:** Read Pope St. John Paul II's apostolic exhortation, Reconciliation and Penance, at https://tinyurl. com/55r2ec52. Read Pope Benedict XVI's March 7, 2008, address at https://tinyurl.com/mvcsrtjp, and his May 5, 2010, audience at https://tinyurl.com/2zpvabp2.

Be an Informed Citizen; Let Your Voice Be Heard. To learn more about legislative issues that affect 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 NY State Catholic Conference.

www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center

#### Order of Mass

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle A—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m. Entrance

Missal #432—"All the Earth"

Missal #858-GLORIA: Latin Chant Mass

MASS PARTS: Jubilate Deo/Mass of Creation

FIRST READING: Isiah 25:6-10a

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

I shall live in the house of Lord all the days of my life.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

"Gloria Festiva" (E. Crocker)—Choir Missal #556—"Sing a New Song"

COMMUNION

"Ave Verum" (C. Saint-Saëns)—Choir Organ Meditation Missal #364—"Bread of Life"

**СLOSING Нумл** *Missal #727*—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

**11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM** ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

#### A FULL CHOIR WEEKEND!

Choir will sing at the 5 p.m. Vigil Mass on October 28 & all Sunday Masses on October 29

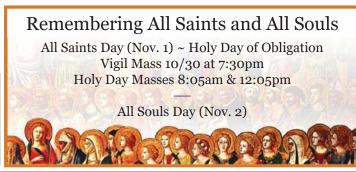
#### Second Collections

» Today's second collection is for Adult Religious Education. There are also envelopes for World Mission Sunday and for All Souls' Day Remembrances.

» October 29, the second collection is for major repairs.

» 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 Parish Giving technical support, call 866-307-7140, Mon–Fri, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



## St. Jude Novena: October 20–28

#### Recited at the 12:05 p.m. Daily Masses & after today's 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass

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 so that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (*make your request*), 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.

Pray one Our Father and one Hail Mary.



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

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## Bereavement Support Is Available

The parish bereavement support group is a welcoming community of individuals who have faced loss and help one another to better deal with grief. They meet once a month (third or fourth Monday) in the rectory basement meeting room. Their next meeting is **Monday, October 23**. All meetings start at **6:45 p.m.** If you wish to attend, please RSVP to bereavement group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.

#### Single Adults Group Anniversary Party Saturday, October 28, from 1–4 p.m.

We will gather in the rectory basement meeting room to celebrate our 23rd anniversary! The format is our traditional potluck party, so please plan to bring something to share. It can be anything from savory or sweet dishes to water or cider and paper plates and such. So that we can coordinate, contact Denise De Maria at either dmtdemaria@hotmail.com or 718-361-3201 to RSVP and tell us what you will bring. Newcomers are welcome too! We haven't been able to observe our anniversary for the last three years, so please try to join us if possible.

#### **RCIA** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



If you are 18 years of age or older and interested in becoming Catholic, or if you need to complete your Sacraments of Initiation, RCIA is the answer to your prayers. RCIA guides you through the process of discernment, prayer, and education. Contact olqmrcia@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.

# Fall Fling Raffle Drawing Is TODAY after the 1pm Mass

#### There will be three cash prizes! Good luck!

Whether through your raffle ticket purchases or increased giving, OLQM values and appreciates your support for your parish in whatever form it is offered.



## Faith Sharing Groups at OLQM

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

**Sunday Morning Bible Study: 10–11 a.m**. The group is studying St. Luke's Gospel and meets in-person in the rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind the Mary statue). Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday "Through the Word" Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. The evening group is undertaking a three-month study on the Eucharist. To join on Zoom, contact josephterry@gmail.com. Archived recordings of the weekly bible studies can also be viewed on demand at www.YouTube.com/@bktheologian.

Wednesday Catholic Charismatic Prayer: 7:45–9 p.m. The Charismatic group holds 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: 2917352357 (PW: 031011).

#### About Today's World Mission Sunday Collection

Always taken on the next to last Sunday of October, this collection supports the feast of catholicity and universal solidarity so Christians will bring the Gospel to all! Specifically, it aids the work and witness of priests, religious, and lay leaders who bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

# KEEP UP YOUR

-Weekly Collections-

	Oct 15
Candle Offerings	\$1,571.00
1st Collection	8,012.15
2nd Collection (Pastoral Care)	3,030.15
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>12,613.30</u>
Online Parish Giving	3,682.10
Mail-In	2,350.00
TOTAL	\$18,645.40
Weekly Income Needed*	23,150.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(4,504.60)
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\* 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 with Father Passenant or Bishop Sanchez at 718-268-6251. You may also find more information on leaving a legacy gift at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/planned-giving.

#### In Loving Memory Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham March 4, 1937 – October 12, 2023

Msgr. Cunningham touched the lives of many in Forest Hills over his 60 years of priestly ministry beginning at Our Lady of Mercy and ending at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. As Bishop Sanchez said in his homily during the Vigil Mass of Transferral, "How lucky we are to have known him." Your continued prayers for solace for his family are appreciated. Condolences can be mailed to his sister, Mrs. Mary O'Donnell, 57 Sylvia Lane, New Hyde Park, New York 11040.



Pictured—A happy time from September 2022, when our clergy attended the awards dinner bonoring Msgr. Cunningham for his past service from 1979 to 1984 as a principal of Cathedral Preparatory School and Seminary.

This past week, on October 20, 2023, he was honored posthumously for his service from 1986 to 1991 as rector at the Saint Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Florida. May he rest in the peace of Christ, the Risen Lord.



## Contact Us

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LIVESTREAM MASS

Sunday @ 11:15AM. Available in its entirety on demand using the "past livestreams" link at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast



## Inspired by the Parish Mission

Our parish is grateful to Father Michael Bruno for his inspiring and hope-filled presentation of the parish mission on the evenings of October 17 through 19, as we move into this present pastoral year. His insights and examples were helpful to guide us in understanding the role each person plays in the life of the parish. The Eucharist is the source and summit of who we are as Catholic Christians, and Father Bruno made that very clear to us, especially since we ended each of the evenings with Benediction.

Our hope is that the graces of this event will guide us and strengthen our path to be Christ-present in this local church in Forest Hills.

Thank you, Father Bruno, for your love and attention.

—FATHER PASSENANT

#### ACA UPDATE

Parish Goal: \$114,568 (Achieved!) Donors: 307 Pledged: \$144,275 Paid Pledges: \$131,000 (\$16.4K over goal as of October 16)



Your response to the Annual Catholic Appeal has been phenomenal. We have met our ACA commitment AND are \$16,000 over goal in paid pledges! Please continue to fulfill all outstanding pledges by December 31. Amounts paid over goal are refunded to OLQM. To make a new or one-time gift to the 2023 ACA, there are envelopes in church for your use.

#### Community Health Services

**FREE Hearing Screenings**. Do you have to ask people to repeat themselves? Do you have ringing in your ears? Call St. John's University Speech & Hearing Center (152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing) at 718-990-6480 to arrange a screening with a hearing specialist. Free service through November 30. Free hearing aid help is also available.

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**Mental Health Services** available at St. John's University Center for Psychological Services (152-11 Union Turnpike). Testing and therapy available for children, adolescents, and adults. To make an appointment, call 718-990-1900.

Assisted Living Residence and Respite Care Option. Dominican Village, founded by the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville, NY, is a independent living retirement community that offers a nurturing environment with a balance of personal choices, care, and support. To schedule a tour or for more information, call 631-842-6091 or email jford@dominicanvillage.org.

## Catholic High School Open Houses

Parents and students should contact each school's admissions office directly. RSVPs and advanced registration may be required.

Christ the King (coed). 68-02 Metropolitan Ave., Middle Village. Thursday, October 26 @ 6–8pm. 718-366-7400 ext. 240; www.ctkny.org

Notre Dame High School (girls). 327 West 13th St., Manhattan. Sunday, October 29 @ 1–5pm. 212-620-5575, ext. 318; www.cheznous.org

#### Deanery Corner

A place for news & events at nearby parishes

**TODAY:** October 22 @ 1 pm. Living Rosary with the Holy Rosary and Altar Society of Our Lady of Mercy (70-01 Kessel Street, Forest Hills). Refreshments to follow afterward in the OLM Parish Hall.

Vendors Wanted for American Martyrs Christmas Fair: December 2 & 3. Email Christmas.fair@yahoo.com or call 718-464-4582. American Martyrs is located at 79-43 Bell Blvd in Bayside.

#### Are You Struggling in Your Marriage?

Retrouvaille, a Christian peer ministry and marriage-saving program, has an upcoming weekend November 3–5 at Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington. For questions and to register (there is a fee), call 800-470-2230 or sign up at HelpOurMarriage.org.