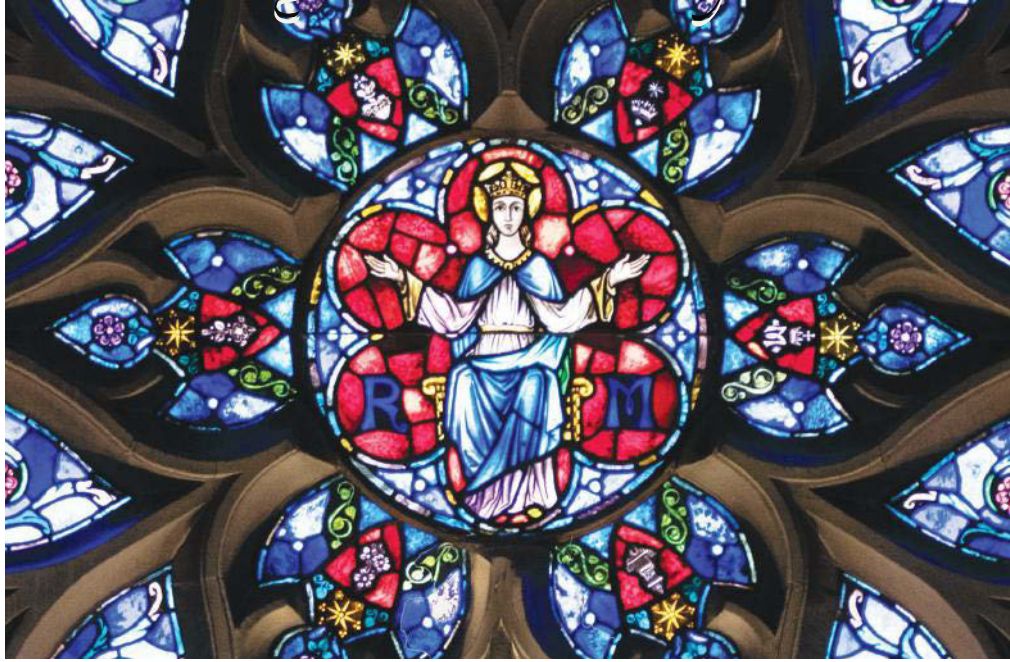


September 15, 2024 - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



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

TRUSTEE
Veronica McCarthy
Roy Joseph

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR
Edward Torres

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m.

**DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**
Deacon Thomas Jorge

PASTORAL CARE DIRECTOR
Dennis Francis Portelli

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.

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

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

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



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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, September 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:05 a.m. Stanko and Branka Lazar

12:05 p.m. Hector Medina

5 p.m. Robert Tan

Sunday, September 15

9 a.m. Family Mass celebrated for the parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:15 a.m. Parish Feast Day Mass

Monday, September 16

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian

8:05 a.m. Augustine Park

12:05 p.m. Sebastian Bartolotto

Tuesday, September 17

Saint Robert Bellarmine | Saint Hildegard of Bingen

8:05 a.m. Joaquin Lopez

12:05 p.m. Karoly Faggyas

Wednesday, September 18

8:05 a.m. Ana Luisa Acevedo

12:05 p.m. Alex Maher

Thursday, September 19

Saint Januarius

8:05 a.m. Robert Allen Smith

12:05 p.m. Josephine Orlando

Friday, September 20

Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gõn and Paul Ha-Sang Chõng and Companions

8:05 a.m. Angel Luis Acevedo

12:05 p.m. Angel Enrique Castiblanco

Saturday, September 21

Saint Matthew

8:05 a.m. Blanche Aepli

12:05 p.m. Jorge Alsina

5 p.m. Theresa and Sebastian Bartolotto

Remember Our Sick

Regina Abes, Guilberto Aguirre, Dennis Ascienzo, Baby Molly Catherine Banderberg, Michael Bekman, Marco Benitez, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Connie Brown, Rosita Cabral, 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, Simon Ho, Jennifer Holden, Nadine Ho-Sin Burton, Theresa Houseman, Ginger Inabinet, Jeannine Jodhan, Noila Johnson, Rosemary Kelly, Bendita Mandala, Fred Marks, Matilde Munoz, Aileen Nunag, Erny Ordóñez, Paul Christian Paiewonsky, Grace Perl, Maria Rodin, Msgr. Philip Reilly, Jason Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Valerie Rizzo, Patricia Tormey, Luigi Totumaccio, Carlos Luis Velazquez, Jamie Vayone, Carlos Luis Velazquez, 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, at disabilities.olqm@gmail.com, to make your special needs known.

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, September 15

PARISH FEAST DAY

After all Masses *in the church vestibule:*

Religious Education Registration | Voter Registration Drive

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

1 p.m. Mass Honoring St. Lorenzo Ruiz

Monday, September 16

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

Miraculous Medal Novena

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

Tuesday, September 17

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

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

Wednesday, September 18

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, September 19

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

Saturday, September 21

10 a.m.–12 p.m. *rectory:* CYO Basketball Registration (*see p. 6*)

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

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

Judith Balasubramaniam/Terrence Cronin

Sunday, September 22 - First Day of Autumn 🍁🍁

9 a.m.–12 p.m. *near church entrance on Ascan Ave:*

St. Vincent de Paul Donation Truck will accept drop-off donations of new and gently used clothing

The Sanctuary Lamp is offered in loving memory of
Jonathan William Moresco
—requested by Thomas Moresco

The Wine and Host are offered in loving memory of the
deceased grandparents of the Napoli family
—requested by Gerry Napoli

Remember Our Deceased

Eugene Bryant
James M. Cunningham
Santa Barbara Dominguez Kelly
Bill Donohoe

Maggie Donohoe
John O'Grady
Jessurex Soriano

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

Ed. Note: During the two months prior to the national election, the reflections will focus on the Church's teachings on forming consciences for faithful citizenship.

The Church on the Obligation to Participate in Promoting the Common Good

I bless the Lord who counsels me; even at night my heart exhorts me. (Psalm 16:7)

REFLECT: “According to its primary and broadly accepted sense, the common good indicates the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfilment more fully and more easily.... The common good, in fact, can be understood as the social and community dimension of the moral good.... It is not possible to love one’s neighbor as oneself and to persevere in this conduct without the firm and constant determination to work for the good of all people and of each person, because we are all really responsible for everyone.” (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church)

“It is necessary that all participate, each according to his position and role, in promoting the common good. This obligation is inherent in the dignity of the human person.... Citizens should take an active part in public life.... It is the duty of citizens to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom. The love and service of one’s country follow from the duty of gratitude and belongs to the order of charity.... Submission to authority and co-responsibility for the common good make it morally obligatory to pay taxes, to exercise the right to vote, and to defend one’s country.” (Catechism)

Pope Benedict XVI writes that “to desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity. We must be attentive to the common good juridically, civilly, politically and culturally in the life of society. The more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbors, the more effectively we love them” (Caritas in Veritate).

ACT: Examine your conscience in light of Catholic Social Teaching (<https://tinyurl.com/2b2j3fzc>).

LEARN: Read the USCCB essay on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: The Common Good (<https://tinyurl.com/ytdxrkfd>). Read Pope Benedict’s encyclical, Caritas in Veritate (Charity in Truth), at <https://tinyurl.com/y59tux2r>.

Order of Mass Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cycle B—Choir Mass 11:15 a.m.

ENTRANCE

Missal #321—“Gather Us In”

“Laudate, Laudate Dominum”—Choir Mass

MASS PARTS: Mass of Creation/Shiavone

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4c-9a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

SECOND READING: James 2:14-18

GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-35

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

“Salve Regina” (S. P. Waddington)—Choir

Missal #715—“Take Up Your Cross”

COMMUNION

“Laudate Dominum” (W. A. Mozart)—Choir

Organ Meditation

Missal #32—“I Am the Bread of Life”

CLOSING HYMN

“Our Lady Queen of Martyrs” (*music in pew racks*)

11:15 A.M. SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/webcast

Second Collections

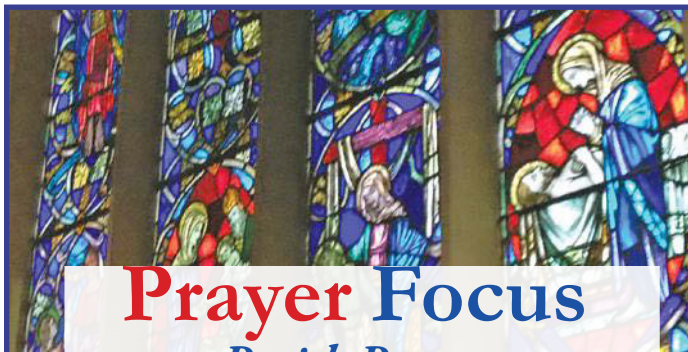
- » Today’s second collection is for our Parish Feast Day.
- » September 22, the second collection is for air conditioning. There is also an envelope for Catholic Education.
- » **Returning from summer break?** Use the Catch-Up envelope.
- » At any time, use the special envelope to contribute to the 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.



BE AN INFORMED CITIZEN: 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.



Welcome Father Patrick Longalong, celebrating today’s
1 p.m. Mass in honor of Saint Lorenzo Ruiz.



Prayer Focus

Parish Prayer

O glorious Queen of Martyrs, whose Immaculate Heart, in the Passion of your Son, was cruelly pierced by the word foretold by the holy and aged Simeon; obtain for my heart true courage and holy patience to bear well the tribulations and trials of this life. We honor our past and celebrate the promise of our future as we journey forward.

Bless our sacrifices in bringing about a new beginning for our community and our church,

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, named in your honor. Amen.

Hail, O Maid of royal birth, noblest martyr-rose of earth. Pray for us!

Lily of virginity, Pray for us!

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs who did stand by the Cross of Jesus. Pray for us!

THANK YOU FOR USING THE SPECIAL ENVELOPE FOR MAKING A GIFT ON THIS OUR PARISH FEAST DAY.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

—Weekly Collections—

	Sept 8
Candle Offerings	\$1,858.00
1st Collection	7,743.00
2nd Collection (<i>Pastoral Care.</i>)	3,015.00
<u>Subtotal - In Church</u>	<u>12,616.00</u>
Online Parish Giving	5,360.91
Mail In	2,852.00
TOTAL	20,828.91
Weekly Income Needed*	\$24,500.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(3,671.09)

* 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.

Recently Baptized at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Agata Olivia Azevedo

daughter of Samantha and Daniel Azevedo

Angelina Azevedo Ballerini

daughter of Kathy Azevedo and Daniel Ballerini

Valentina Azevedo Ballerini

daughter of Kathy Azevedo and Daniel Ballerini

Aviana Maria Donato

daughter of Samantha Magid and Kevin Donato

Congratulations to the children, their parents and godparents!

RCIA Is Now Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The mission remains the same, but the name is changing. Our religious education program for adults age 18 or older welcomes those wanting to join the Catholic Church or needing to complete their Sacraments. OCIA 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.

Contact Us

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YouTube:
[@OLQMStewardship](https://www.youtube.com/OLQMStewardship)

OLQM Catholic Academy:
www.olqmca.org

LIVESTREAM MASS

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

Today and Next Sunday Voter Registration Drive

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is conducting a nonpartisan voter registration drive after all Masses today and next Sunday. As our bishops remind us, “In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation” (Faithful Citizenship, No. 13). We urge you to register and vote in the upcoming election. We have a table in the vestibule with registration forms. If you are a citizen and you are not registered to vote at your current address, please take the time to register.

Guest Speaker, September 22 at 10:15 a.m.



Vincent LeVie

Join us in the rectory basement meeting room after next week’s 9 a.m. Mass for an insightful talk by **Vincent LeVie**, director of external affairs for **DeSales Media**, a Catholic ministry in the Diocese of Brooklyn. He will discuss the U.S. bishops’ teaching document, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, and share how the Church in Brooklyn and Queens carries out its mission when it engages with elected civil officials. An additional opportunity to register to vote will be available during this gathering. Light refreshments will be provided.

Declutter your closets for a cause!
Please give some needed winter clothes!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK CLOTHING DRIVE
Sunday Only
September 22, 2024
9am to 12pm



COME TO

Drop-off Location:
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church
St Vincent de Paul truck will be parked in front of the church on Ascan Avenue

NEW & GENTLY USED CLOTHING ACCEPTED

- ✓ for men
- ✓ for women
- ✓ for children

Summer Blood Drive Results

On behalf of the New York Blood Center, we thank everyone who took part in the mobile bus blood drive organized by our Pastoral Care ministry on August 18. Here are the results: 44 registered donors, 8 deferrals, and 36 whole blood donations—benefiting the lives of more than 108 people, including those injured in accidents, being treated for cancer, and battling blood diseases.

Bereavement Support Available

The parish bereavement 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. Meetings are scheduled for **September 23, October 21, November 18, December 16**. All meetings start at **6:45 p.m.** For more information, contact the group facilitator Mike Acquilano at bereave@olqmchurch.org.



Our Religious Education teachers and assistants are ready for another year!* Classes start this Wednesday. Parents, stop by the registration table at the back of the church and sign up your children. Today is your last chance to register in person. You may also register online at ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/re. Don't put it off any longer!

**Ed. Note:* Since this photo was taken on September 4, catechist Noila Johnson (7th from left) experienced a cerebral incident and is in great need of all our prayers. Please keep Noila and her family in your prayers as well.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

ADDITIONAL ALTAR SERVER VESTRY GIFTS

High School Combo

Gift from Veronica McCarthy
 Gift from Jane Liang and Li Sun
 Gift from JoAnn Longobardi
 Gift from the Warden Kulkarni family
 Gift from the Sonntag family
 In memory of Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham—
by the Garrity family

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Gift from Rose Ceminaro
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 In memory of Msgr. Joseph Funaro—
by Alice and Ed James
 In thanksgiving for the Ministry of Altar Server—
by Alice and Ed James
 In memory of Father Gordon H. Maher—
by Lawrence E. Marmion

David Morgan, Michael, Judy, Roby Reddi;
 Frank & Walter—*by Marie Morgan*

Grade School Black Cassock

In memory of Anna and Louis Vasile—*by Carol Mc Nelis*
 In memory of Robert Sorsaia

Grade School Surplice

In memory of Ignazia Sciacca Orlando—
by Antoinette Orlando
 In memory of Josephine Orlando—*by Antoinette Orlando*
 Gift from Patricia-Ann “Pacie” Cruz Fulgado
 Gift from Ester Rivero

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND GIFTS

Get in the Game! CYO Sports Sign-Ups Underway

Mercy Martyrs CYO Sports has athletic opportunities for students attending Our Lady Queen of Martyrs (OLQM) or Our Lady of Mercy (OLM) Catholic academies or living within the parish boundaries. **OLQM-OLM CYO Basketball registration** will be held in our rectory **Saturday, Sept 21 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m.** Tryouts for the **Tri-M Girls CYO Swim Team** for girls ages 6-14 are **Monday, Sept 16, at 6 p.m.** at Grover Cleveland High School (21-27 Himrod St, Ridgewood). For more information, email Trimswimteam@gmail.com. Visit MercyMartyrsSports.org for FAQs and eligibility.



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. The group meets weekly in the rectory basement meeting room (use glass door behind the Mary statue). Current study: St. Luke’s Gospel. Contact Noila Johnson: noilas@hotmail.com.

Monday Through the Word Bible Study: 7–8 p.m. on Zoom. Current study topic: the Acts of the Apostles. Contact Dr. Joseph Terry (josephterry@gmail.com) to request the Zoom link. All are welcome. 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).

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Our parish goal was to raise \$114,568 for the diocesan annual appeal. We surpassed goal in paid pledges! So far, \$128,528 has been paid, with a total of \$148,208 pledged by 304 donors. Please continue to fulfill outstanding pledges by Dec. 31. The surplus paid over goal will come back to our parish. God bless you for your generosity!



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The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception
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