

September 27, 2020 - Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs



Most Rev. Paul R. Sanchez, D. D. — **PASTOR**
Very Rev. Francis J. Passenant, V. F. — **ADMINISTRATOR**
Rev. Antonin Kocurek — **PAROCHIAL VICAR**
Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Cunningham — **SENIOR PRIEST IN RESIDENCE**

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.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE – UPDATE

Weekday Masses: For those attending Mass at 8 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. (Mon–Sat), use the church entrance/exit at Queens Boulevard (ramp). 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.

WATCH SUNDAY MASS ONLINE
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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, September 26

Saints Cosmas and Damian

8 a.m. Rose and Daniel Brogno

12:05 p.m. Frank Passenant, Sr.

5 p.m. Mark Pollini

Sunday, September 27

Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs

Monday, September 28

Saint Wenceslaus

8 a.m. Portofino employees [living]

12:05 p.m. Zef Vulaj

Tuesday, September 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

8 a.m. Jorge Bonilla

12:05 p.m. Josefina Galicia

Wednesday, September 30

Saint Jerome

8 a.m. Gladys Carrion

12:05 p.m. Luz Marina Penagos

Thursday, October 1

Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus

8 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

12:05 p.m. Al Maher

Friday, October 2

Holy Guardian Angels

8 a.m. Joseph A. del Rosario

12:05 p.m. Renelyn Joy Carino

Saturday, October 3

8 a.m. Brian Cahill

12:05 p.m. Yvonne de Boissiere

5 p.m. Thomas Trott

Main Events of the Week

Sunday, September 27

9 a.m. to noon, *front of church on Ascan:*

St. Vincent de Paul truck accepting drop-off donations of used clothing

2:30 p.m., *church:* Confirmation: Religious Ed Students

4 p.m., *church:* Confirmation: OLQM Catholic Academy (OLQMCA) Students

Tuesday, September 29

11:30 a.m., *rectory vestibule:* Confessions
(Please wear a face mask when visiting the rectory)

Wednesday, September 30

Religious Education on Zoom

Thursday, October 1

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

Saturday, October 3

10 a.m., *church:* First Communion: Religious Ed

12:45 p.m., *rectory vestibule:* Confessions

2 p.m., *church:* First Communion: OLQMCA



NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

Two events—safely outdoors—in the church plaza
(Ascan Avenue & Queens Blvd)

Living Rosary at 2PM

Blessing of Animals at 4PM

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, Rosemary Parente, 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.

Remember Our Deceased

Margot Casanova
Georgina De Armas



Carmen Herrera
Rev. Anthony Struzziari

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**



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

**The USCCB on Protecting Human
Dignity as Faithful Citizens**

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. (1 John 3:1)

REFLECT: Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our society, human life is especially under direct attack from abortion, which some political actors mischaracterize as an issue of “women’s health.” Other direct threats to the sanctity of human life include euthanasia and assisted suicide (sometimes falsely labelled as “death with dignity”), human cloning, in vitro fertilization, and the destruction of human embryos for research.

Catholic teaching about the dignity of life calls us to oppose torture, unjust war, and the indiscriminate use of drones for violent purposes; to prevent genocide and attacks against noncombatants; to oppose racism; to oppose human trafficking; and to overcome poverty and suffering. Nations are called to protect the right to life by seeking effective ways to combat evil and terror without resorting to armed conflicts except as a last resort after all peaceful means have failed, and to end the use of the death penalty as a means of protecting society from violent crime. We revere the lives of children in the womb, the lives of persons dying in war and from starvation, and indeed the lives of all human beings as children of God. We stand opposed to these and all activities that contribute to what Pope Francis has called “a throwaway culture.”

ACT: Pray the “Prayer for Life and Dignity” at <https://bit.ly/3gKGYcx>.

LEARN: Study what the Church teaches on “the Human Person and Human Rights” from the Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church at <https://bit.ly/31Gxdb3>. Watch the Duquesne University video “Human Dignity in Catholic Tradition,” at <https://bit.ly/34FXlo5>.

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.

Order of Mass

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE

Missal 199—“Praise to the Lord”

FIRST READING—Ezekiel 18:25-28

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

SECOND READING—Philippians 2:1-11

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:28-32

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

Missal 432—“Amazing Grace”

COMMUNION

Missal 325—“I Received the Living God”

CLOSING HYMN

Missal 197—“Holy God We Praise Thy Name”

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 CCD Release Time.
- » Sunday, October 4, the second collection will be for Parish Youth programs. There is also an envelope for maintenance of the building used by the OLQM Catholic Academy.
- » 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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CLOTHING DONATIONS

Our many thanks to you for bringing donations this morning to the St. Vincent de Paul truck. Your generosity, as always, is appreciated. We have one more clothing drive scheduled for 2020 heading into Thanksgiving and the holidays, when the St. Vincent de Paul truck again visits our parish on Sunday, November 15th.

ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/clothing-donation-schedule

Bring the Rosary to Life!

The month of October is dedicated to the **Most Holy Rosary**. Join us **in person** at next Sunday's **Living Rosary, October 4 @ 2PM** outside in the OLQM church plaza. We'll pray the rosary together to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives us.



A Spiritual Rosary Pilgrimage (An Online Global Event)

The pilgrimage, which began on September 8th, the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary, **concludes on October 7th**, the feast of the Holy Rosary. This online event and bible journey includes video meditations and presentations by Catholic speakers. It is completely free, but you must register at ParousiaMedia.com.

Faith Sharing Groups 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. (2) Tuesday Evenings, 6:30–8PM, there's a program called *Through the Word*. To join, contact Joseph Terry: josepherry@gmail.com.

LAST CHANCE FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS!

Respond to the 2020 Census!

The deadline to fill out the Census is extended to **September 30th**. Make sure you and your family complete the Census form to help shape many different aspects of our community for the years to come. Fill out the census! Make our community count! Go to 2020census.gov and www.futurohispano.com.

"He humbled Himself and became obedient..."

If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Contact the Vocation Office by email (vocations@diobrook.org) or call at 718-827-2454.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Most Rev. Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport, will celebrate the **Annual "Rosary for Life" Mass, Thursday, October 1st at Resurrection Church, Brooklyn** (2331 Gerritsen Avenue, at Gerritsen and Whitney). **Rosary begins at 7 p.m.**, followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. Parking available; church is wheelchair accessible. For more information, call Rosary For Life Inc. 718-377-6920.

October 1 – Respect Life Month Begins



Congratulations to Our Newly Confirmed!

At two separate Masses today, Bishop Sanchez will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on 54 teens and adults from our religious education programs and the OLQM Catholic Academy. May the Holy Spirit strengthen the newly confirmed so that they may be more closely united to Jesus Christ and his Church!



BEREAVEMENT AT OLQM

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

Blessing of the Animals

**Sunday, October 4 @ 4PM
in the OLQM church plaza**

Have your pets on a leash or in a carrier for their safety during this blessing — in honor of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures!



Papal Honors for Our RCIA Program Director

Veronica McCarthy received the “Pro Ecclesia” Award, bestowed by Pope Francis, in a ceremony with Bishop DiMarzio on Saturday, September 19, 2020, at St. Joseph’s Co-Cathedral. Ronnie is our parish RCIA Program Director and has worked in many other ministries over the years. Fifty-six other laypeople from the diocese were also honored for their years of selfless work for both the Church and for those in need. **Congratulations, Ronnie!**



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 olqmrca@gmail.com OR call us at 718-268-6251, ext. 27, and leave a message. All emails and calls will receive a response.

The Catholic Charities Call Center Can Help. Call 718-722-6001 Monday through Friday, 9AM to 6PM.

Information about food pantries, mental health counseling, and other social services is available. Visit online at www.ccbq.org.

KEEP UP YOUR INCREASED SUPPORT

Weekly Collections: September 20

1st Collection	\$4,507.50
Parish Feast Day Collection	1,695.50
2nd Collection (<i>Catholic Education</i>)	433.00
Catch-up Envelope	310.00
<i>In-Church Subtotal (537 attending)</i>	<i>6,946.00</i>
Mail In/Lobby Box	1,451.00
Catch-Up Envelope (<i>mailed</i>)	1,651.00
<i>In-Church Total</i>	<i>10,048.00</i>
Online Parish Giving	4,196.09
TOTAL	<u>14,244.09</u>
Weekly Income Need*	21,250.00
Surplus/(Deficit)	(7,005.91)

* 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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Drawing will be October 25

The air is getting cooler. Stock up on hot chocolate, warm sweaters, and Fall Fling Raffle tickets for the church.

\$20 per ticket

\$75 for a sheet of 5 chances to win a prize!

Grand Prize: \$1000 | Second Prize: \$250 | Third Prize: \$100

Please purchase a raffle sheet for yourself or as a gift for family members and friends. Proceeds will help us raise additional capital funds for parish repairs and improvements, replacing funds we would have raised at in-person group gatherings and social activities that had to be canceled this year.

You don't need to be present at the October 25th drawing to win a prize. Thank you for your support!

**Holy Cross High School
2020 Fall Open House**

Sunday, October 18 - Noon to 4 p.m.

RSVP online at www.holycrosshs.org. For more information, contact Mrs. Andrea Aloï in admissions at 718-886-7250 ext.524, or admissions@holycrosshs.org.

"Let us have charity and humility and give alms. At death we lose all that we have in this world, but we take with us charity and the alms-deeds we have done, and for these we shall receive a great reward from God."

— St. Francis of Assisi

Please support the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

For the Well-Being of All

Simple reminders when attending Mass . . .

- Wear a face mask (required).
- Bring your own hand sanitizer or wear gloves.
- Use the bathroom at home before coming to Mass.
- Arrive 10 minutes before Mass start time.
- Use designated entrance only.
- Remain six feet apart and follow the usher's instructions on seating, Communion distribution, and exiting.
- If you do not feel well, continue to pray in the privacy of your home and watch Sunday Mass at OLQM on our website.



**WE ARE THE CHURCH,
TOGETHER**

DID YOU KNOW? OLQM came in third place in last year's Annual Catholic Appeal out of 112 parishes. We missed second place by \$100! We are a little behind where we were this time last year. **We have about \$20,000 to go toward our 2020 parish goal of \$109,000.** Please continue to make your monthly payments and know that we are grateful for all contributions to date, especially since this is a very difficult year financially for many of you.

Gifts made to the Annual Catholic Appeal bring support to tens of thousands of residents in Brooklyn and Queens through key programs, ministries, and services administered by the Diocese of Brooklyn, including Catholic Charities and Catholic Migration Services. These programs can only serve those in need if we all come together, working as one family of faith. The current public health situation makes Annual Catholic Appeal funding even more important as people are in need of spiritual, physical, emotional, or economic support during this crisis.

If you can see your way to make a pledge or new gift and fulfill it by the end of the year, we would be very appreciative. Visit our website for instructions on how to give online: ourladyqueenofmartyrs.org/annual-catholic-appeal