

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - June 3

5:00 pm: Mae Muessle & Josephine Carr --- Marilyn

SUNDAY - June 4 - Pentecost

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

10:30 am: Members of the Purgatorial Society

12:30 pm: Nina & James Moffa --- Children

Monday- June 5 - St. Boniface

8:30 am: James M. McCabe-- Mary Ann & Patrick McCabe

Tues. - June 6 - St. Norbert

8:30 am: Kevin Duffy - Celia Mee & Michael Serzo

Wed. - June 7

8:30am: Denise Item --- Patricia Herbert

Thurs. - June 88:30 am: Regina Horvat - American Martyrs
Rosary SocietyFriday - June 9 - St. Ephrem

8:30 am: Theresa Greenstein--Deborah, Dina & Adam

Sat. - June 10

8:30 am: 1. Sadie & Henry Bartkowski --- Family

2. Betty Man - Alexis & Christine

3. Gerard Ciarambino --- Mattone Family

5:00 pm: Dragica Bosnjak - Ana & Diana Bosnjak

Sunday - June 11- The Most Holy Trinity

8:30 am: K J Peter & C V Devasia - Alice & T. Sebastian

10:30 am: 1. Mae & Joseph Muessle -- Marilyn

2. Josephine Carr, Ronald & Craig Schneider -- Marilyn

3. Anthony & Peter Stagnaro --- Marilyn

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:

~ In Loving Memory of ~
Theresa Kavaliauskas
 requested by the Family

The Altar Candles are offered this week:

~ In Loving Memory of ~
Regina Horvat
 requested by American Martyrs Parish

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CH-Church, SC-Sullivan Center, S-School,
SA-School Auditorium, MC- Murray Center,
RC-Kateri (Rectory) Chapel ---BR-Board Room

MON. - June 5

- Alcoholics Anonymous (Beginners Mts.) 7-8 pm - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Open Mtg.) 8:30 - 9:30 pm-SC

TUESDAY - June 6

- **BINGO - SC -7:30 PM**

Total Prizes: \$3,000. Early Bird 7:15 PM.

***** HANDICAP ACCESS *****

Please join us! We are grateful for all of our volunteers.

WEDNESDAY - June 7

- **Golf Outing - North Shore Towers -1 pm**
- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm-SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm -SC

THURSDAY - June 8

- NO Leisure Club
- Knights of Columbus - 7:45 pm -- MC

FRIDAY - June 9

- **Broadway Revue - SC - 8 pm**

SATURDAY - June 10

- **Broadway Revue - SC - 8 pm**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Wed. June 14 - Atlantic City - Leisure Club

GOLF OUTING --- WED. JUNE 7

American Martyrs 5th Annual Golf Outing
Wednesday, June 7th - North Shore Towers Golf
Course - 1 PM shotgun start.

Sign in and lunch at noon. Carts, lunch and dinner included \$175. Dinner only \$45. Dinner is immediately following at Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway - close by and plenty of free parking. Please reserve your foursome early - call Maureen at 718-276-0301. A Chinese Auction and 50/50 will add to the fun! Donations gladly accepted and will be much appreciated!

Please visit our new website at:
Americanmartyrs-queens.org



Sunday Collections

Last Weekend --May 28, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church - \$4,994.

This Weekend - June 4, 2017

My Monthly Offering for the Support of my Church.
Catholic Communications.

Next Weekend - June 11, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.

*******NOTE:** Please make all checks payable to:
American Martyrs Church.

If you are unable to attend Mass for a few Sundays, please use your "Catch Up" envelope for your contributions.

We need you & your financial support!

****** The May 50/50 Winner: ******

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Steve Vlkovic who won \$152.50 in our May drawing. Look for the **June 50/50 (yellow) envelope** which is included in your monthly mailing of donation envelopes. The next drawing will be held after the last Sunday in **June. Good Luck!**

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE: It's a convenient and secure way to make your regular Sunday contributions and there's no cost to you to set up your account on line. Just go to: e-giving.org/americanmartyrschurch and follow the instructions.

Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of American Martyrs in your will and estate planning.

Please Pray for our Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized:

Paula Abel, Jackie Arriaga, Alex Aponte, Marge Aquino, Josephine Attard, Roberto Barrientos, Gilda Bavaro, Cecilia Bello, Mary Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Owen Canavan, Frank Carroll, Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Carrie Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry, Mary Grecco, Wilson Grullon, Daniel Hoffner, John Horvat, Dr. Pamela Ierardi, Joseph Kinney, Bill Krug, Gabriella Losasso, Cathy Losito, Mary & Ralph Marazzo, Aida Maravilla, Susan McConnell, Donna McIsaac, Danny Montchal, Mary Fitzgerald Murray, Pat North, Walter Panas, Sal Piazza, Lynn Pickett, Peg Pinto, Leo Palombo, Agnes Ragusa, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Alexander Ramos, Lorraine Rensch, Gloria Riccioppi, Lily & Mike Rivera, Patrice Rohde, Arlene Scherne, Lee Serrillo, Adam Singer, George Stellakis, Mary Sweeney, Suzanne Szalkiewicz, John Tymon, Joan Wagner, McCaila Young, Fred Uy, Jacqueline Zeller, Genevieve Zenka, Fireman & 9/11 Survivor - Michael Arriaga. **If you would like to add a name to our sick list, please call the Rectory office.**



Also, please pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad.

Nothing is more powerful than the power of prayer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

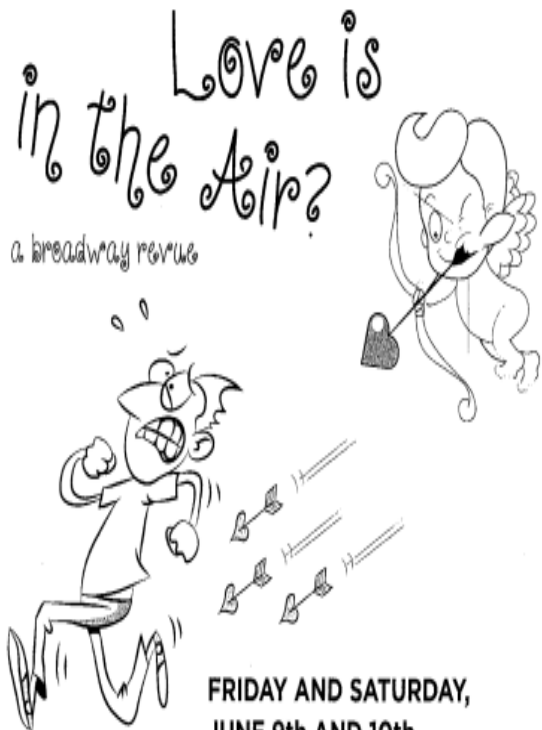


Parish men - What is in YOUR heart? Please consider joining our Father John J. Murray Knights of Columbus Council 14666. Open to ALL Catholic men 18 years and older who wish to share in the Charity, Fraternity, and Unity of Christ with Brother Knights. We meet at 7:45 every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month in the Murray Center (rectory basement). We have a red shirt waiting for YOU!

Email: kofc14666fm@gmail.com

Web: kofcam.weebly.com

American Martyrs Presents



**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
JUNE 9th AND 10th
at 8:00 pm**

American Martyrs Sullivan Center
79-43 Bell Boulevard
Bayside, New York 11364

Tickets are \$20
and are available after all the Masses,
at the Rectory (718-464-4582), or at the door.

The Sullivan Center is air conditioned and handicapped accessible.

REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, which is significant to us as Catholics in multiple ways. It marks the completion of our Easter season, but it is also known to many as the birthday of the Church. We recall that it began with Jesus calling to His Apostles to "Follow me." Now some three years later the Lord sends them out filled with the Holy Spirit to preach the "Good News." Throughout His ministry Jesus prepared His followers for this moment, as it was clear He intended to give them the authority to build the Church and to do His work.



The Lord breathed on them granting them the Holy Spirit, just as God breathed life into the first humans during creation. Thus, this was a moment of re-creation. St. John Chrysostom pointed to Pentecost as the time when those who follow Jesus (which includes each of us), paralleled Moses when he came down from the mountain carrying tablets of stone in his hands, the Ten Commandments. St. John Chrysostom said, "The Apostles came down from the mountain carrying the Holy Spirit in their hearts. They were a living law, living tablets." That should be true of us as well.

The First Reading today from the Acts of the Apostles reports the happenings on this day. It was on this day that the Holy Spirit was gifted to Jesus' followers and on this day we received the gifts of the Holy Spirit, which allow us to live, proclaim, and model a Christian way of life. We hear that "they were all together in one place" when this occurred.

That is what we do when we gather, and that is what we are doing at this moment. At Mass we share gifts, especially the gift of the Eucharist, but we also share a love for God, a trust in the Lord. We, too, are filled with the Spirit. However, before we can be filled, we must recognize and acknowledge our emptiness.

We gather together to worship, to pray, in obedience. By being here we accept the fact that we need the guidance and help and strength of the Lord to carry out our mission. We have to rely on God.

Pentecost falls 50 days after Easter. Our Gospel Reading from St. John records the first time Jesus appeared to His Apostles after the Resurrection, in other words on Easter Sunday. Just as today we are reminded of our call, so we are through this reading. Jesus says, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." We have been given a mission to continue the work of Christ here and now. Every time we gather for Mass and receive Christ through the Eucharist we should have awareness and an understanding of that mission. When we leave here today, whenever we go out in the world, we are to share and spread the Good News.

~ the catholicsteward.com

PEACE BE WITH YOU.

+ PURGATORIAL SOCIETY +

~ *New Members Enrolled for June* ~

Edward Kerner **Anthony Stukas**
Peter Cottone **Agnes Licitra**
Vera Danzer **Judie H. Heap** **Josephine Danek**
John & Vilet Pranckus
Anella & Alex Mitchell
Veronica & Benedict Paplaskas
Anthony & Amelia Kavaliauskas

The Purgatorial Society enrolls a deceased loved one in 12 monthly Masses (starting on the month of enrollment) offered on the first Sunday of every month at the 10:30 am Mass. The stipend to enroll a loved one is \$25.00. The names of those enrolled for the first month will be published in the bulletin.

+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +

Connie Topa

Eternal Rest grant unto them Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace; and may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.
~ Amen

**Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of Your love.**

Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.

ATLANTIC CITY -- LEISURE CLUB

On Wednesday, June 14, we are planning a trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. We will leave from the parking lot at 9:15 am returning about 9:15 pm. The cost is \$35. For information and reservations, please call Rosemarie at 718-479-9479. All are welcome!



GENERATIONS OF FAITH-CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Amount Pledged: \$1,240,000.

Total Paid on Pledges: \$602,141.

Amount returned to American Martyrs: \$270,375.

Number of Parishioners participating: 310



I am very excited to tell you that work on the Church roof and pointing has begun and will continue through the summer. We will do everything possible to minimize any inconvenience to our parishioners. *Please be patient as this long overdue work progresses!*

For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges. It is due to your generosity that this work can be done.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD)

Registration for Religious Education for Fall 2017 has begun. Children who are currently enrolled in American Martyrs Religious Education program have received their re-registration forms. Please return the completed form to the Rectory, or their teacher, or mail to the Religious Education office.



Children entering the 1st grade in September 2017 should enroll NOW in order to receive first communion in second grade—registration forms can be found at the Church entrances. **Children in all grades** who have not previously been enrolled in Religious Education or who are returning or transferring to American Martyrs' program should call the Religious Education office at 718-464-6411 for an application.

*** COMMUNITY NEWS ***

Catholic Charities - Bayside Senior Center-

221-15 Horace Harding Expy. 718-225-1144 Serves full meals at 11:30 every day. Programs: Chair Yoga, Line Dancing, Tai Chi, Exercise, Bingo, Computer, and more.

Sisters of the Handmaids of the Holy Child Jesus:

Will minister and care for the elderly in their own homes. Call 718-888-7708.

Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy- The Catholic Counseling Center offers professional therapy by NYS licensed therapists. 631-243-2503. Dr. George Giuliani. Or visit: thecatholiccounselingcenter.com

Catholic Charities Home-base Program - assists those with housing crisis, (i.e.-- rental arrears, utility shutoffs, etc.) Call 718-674-1000 for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul: donate your old car- running or not. 718-491-2525. The Society will give back \$75/\$200 to American Martyrs. For anyone that has a neglected vehicle that they would like to dispose of.

Al-Anon and Ala-teen Family Groups: if you've been affected by or are concerned about someone else's drinking, you've come to the right place! Hope, help, and happiness are attainable. www.nycalanon.org -- 212-941-0094

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Home Delivered Meals:

Are you or someone you know 60+ years old, living in the North-east Queens area and would benefit from a hot meal each day? Call 718-357-4903 for more information.

Meals-on-Wheels -- Sub. Drivers needed on call--Mon - Sat. 4 hours per workday. 718-357-4903 #1 - Maria or Kathy

Alzheimer's Adult Day Program - Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services. Mental and physical stimulation, a hot lunch and door to door transportation. 718-358-3541. Weekly caregiver support group.

Nar-Anon Never Alone: is a 12-step support group for anyone affected by a loved one's use/abuse of drugs. 718-217-0364.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

~ *Live in Faith Give in Love* ~

Annual Appeal Goal for 2017: \$61,392.
Amount Pledged: \$86,535.
Amount Received: \$73,716.
Donors: 222

Pledge envelopes have been placed at all the entrances to the Church. You can make a pledge online by going to www.rcdobdonate.org, or simply mail in the commitment form on the back of the **Tablet** with the amount of your pledge. Some companies have matching gift programs, so please check to see if your place of employment participates. If you have not yet seen the video presentation, you may do so on our **website:**

americanmartyrs-queens.org

Remember, every dollar received over goal comes back to the Parish.

Thank you for all you do for American Martyrs.
~ *Reverend Frank L. Schwarz, Pastor*



2017 Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer

ACA Theme for 2017 --- Live in Faith - Give in Love

God our Creator, Giver of all good gifts,
we praise and glorify you.

Teach us to acknowledge always, and with enduring gratitude,
the many blessings your infinite love has showered upon us.
Widen our vision and enliven our generosity, as we seek to
support the pastoral and charitable works of our diocese in
Brooklyn and Queens.

All-loving Father, Fountain of Mercy, we honor and adore you.
Open our hearts to welcome the Holy Spirit, who enables us to
live in faith and give in love, so that the joy of the Gospel may
penetrate every heart in our local communities.

Open our eyes and stir up in us your compassion, so that all may
come to know your Son, Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the
life, now and forever.

Amen.