

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SAT. - February 29

5:00 pm: Christine Stone --- Froehlich Family

SUNDAY- March 1 - First Sunday of Lent

8:30 am: John & Virginia MacNeil --E.O.

10:30 am: Members of the Purgatorial Society

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Monday - March 2

8:30 am: Joseph Ossanna --- Geoffrey Bogner

Tues. - March 3 - St. Katharine Drexel

8:30 am: Mary Kramer --- Baquero Family

Wed. - March 4 - St. Casimir

8:30 am: Fitzsimmons Family --- Family

After the 8:30 am Mass - Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Thurs - March 5

8:30 am: Terry Markou - William & Kathleen Harap

Friday - March 6 - World Day of Prayer

8:30 am: Joseph Yandoli --- Daughter

7:15 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:30: Stations of the Cross

Sat. - March 7- Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

8:30 am: 1. Herb Paolini --- Tabitha Gustin

2. Mariano Vizconde --- Aida & Vince Torres

3. Janette Gadell --- Chironna Family

5:00 pm: Smaldino & Granieri Families - Gregg & MaryAnn

Sunday - March 8 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

10:30 am: 1. Paulette Wilson (Healing) - CWV

2. Michael Arriago (Healing) --- CWV

3. Joan Manauis --- Jao Family

12:30 pm: Salvatore Piazza -- Victor & Raquel

*The Gifts of Bread & Wine are Offered:*

*~ In Loving Memory of Patrick Zafferese ~*

*Requested by his Family*



Lenten Prayer

Renew within us, Lord, a steadfast spirit. Return to us the joy we had at our baptism, and grant us the courage to once again live as you desire. ~ Amen



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Sunday - March 1, 2020

- Religious Education 8:45 am - S
- **BLOOD DRIVE** - SC



Monday - March 2

- **Rosary mtg. -1 pm** - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous Beginners mtg. -7-8 pm-SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Open mtg.) 8:30-9:30pm-SC

TUESDAY - March 3

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

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

\*\*\*\*\* HANDICAP ACCESS \*\*\*\*\*



We are grateful for all of our volunteers.

WED. - March 4

- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm - SC

THURS. - March 5

- **Leisure Club --11 am - 3 pm** -- SC
- **Blue Knights -- 8 pm** --MC
- **Crafty People -- 7 pm** --SC

SATURDAY - March 7

- **St. Patrick's Day Party-SC**



SUNDAY - March 8, 2020 - Daylight Savings

- **Rel. Ed. - 8:45 am** - S

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- **Sat. March 21-Lenten Soup Supper-SC -6pm**
- **Thurs. March 26 -Public Safety - SC**
- **Wed. April 1 - Atlantic City - Resorts**
- **Sun. April 26 - CWV Garage Sale - SC**

*For the sake of His sorrowful passion,  
have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

*~ Chaplet of Divine Mercy*

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Please join us on the first Sunday of every month at 10 am to pray the Rosary.

The Most Holy Rosary is vital to the spiritual life of any Catholic. It draws us into the mystery of Christ's life, Passion, and death. It can resolve personal problems, rescue souls from eternal death, and conquer our despair.



Sunday Collections

Last Weekend - February 23

Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church - \$5,781.

This Weekend - March 1

1. Monthly Offering for the Support of my Church.
2. Black & Indian Mission.

Next Weekend - March 8

1. 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!*

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. Go to:

[Americanmartyrs-queens.org](http://Americanmartyrs-queens.org)

Find "Ways to Give" 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:

Michael Arriaga, Barbagallo Family, Roberto Barrientos, Iríde Bublik, Rose & Jessie Carlone, Bill Carrar, Frank Carroll, Chang Family, Diana Ferrante, Deacon Stan Galazin, Michael Gorry, Mary Ellen Guthenberg, Joe Kinney, Jack Kopicinski, William Krug, Daniel Limberg, Brian Mastrococco, Steve McCabe, Ed Miles, Mary Modica, Frank Mollo, Danny Montchal, Frank Pagano, John Pinto, Lorraine Rensch, Amelia Reyes, John Sheridan, Jr., Sheila Still, Arlene Scherne, Marie Scuderi, Lee Servillo, Paulette Wilson, Genevieve Zenka.

**Please pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad:**

- Rev. LT. Mark Bristol, USN
- LCPL Christopher Keane - USMC
- PO3 John Schaefer - USCG
- SGT Christopher Cola -USA



If you know of any parishioner who is currently serving in the Armed forces and would like to be added to our prayer list, please call the Rectory. 718-464-4582.

*Nothing is more powerful than the power of prayer.*



PILGRIMAGE TO OBERAMMERGAU

**THE PASSION PLAY**

Visits to: Wurzburg, Rothenburg, Regensburg, Passau, Salzburg & Munich

**MAY 12 - 21, 2020**

Bishop Octavio Cisneros, Spiritual Director  
Rev. Frank Schwarz, Chaplain

For a Brochure call: Peter's Way Tours at:  
516-605-1551 ext 17.

Or visit: [Kaitlin@petersway.com](mailto:Kaitlin@petersway.com).  
Information is available at the Rectory Office  
**ONLY 10 SEATS LEFT!**

CWV - GARAGE SALE - SUN. APRIL 26

VENDORS WANTED

Please contact Theresa @ 718-428-5308 or Jovie at: [Vetsgaragesale@yahoo.com](mailto:Vetsgaragesale@yahoo.com).



Youth Ministry

Please join our Youth Ministry. Young people from Middle School through High School are invited to join. We meet bi-monthly in the Murray Center.

<https://amreligionclass.weebly.com/youth-group.html>

For more information please contact:  
Cynthia Macias, Youth Minister -  
[youthministryam@gmail.com](mailto:youthministryam@gmail.com)

ROSARY SOCIETY

Come join us on Monday, March 2 at 1 pm in the Sullivan Center for coffee and Irish Soda Bread, celebrating St. Patrick's Day!



**Reminder \*\* dues are \$15.**

Save the Dates!

Afternoon Tea -- Sunday, April 19 at 2 pm.  
Day of Recollection - Monday, May 11 at 11 am.

Ed Malench Memorial Blood Drive

Please donate blood and help save the life of a friend or neighbor in your community!



**Sunday, March 1, 2020**

**9:15am ~ 1:45pm ~ Sullivan Center**

For medical questions, call 1-800-688-0900.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Reconciliation Monday will be observed in the Diocese and here at American Martyrs on the Monday of Holy Week - **April 6, 2020**. Observance of this day allows the faithful to experience the grace of forgiveness and mercy in the Sacrament of Penance. Those conscious of grave (mortal) sin are obligated to confess before receiving Holy Communion.

## **BULLETIN REFLECTION**

As we begin the beautiful and challenging season of Lent, our readings this week remind us why we need these 40 days so much. They also suggest a particular strategy we Christian stewards might take as we make the journey towards Easter.



Our first reading takes us back to Genesis, reminding us of our Creator and the loving care and lavish gifts He gave to our ancestors, Adam and Eve. He created them out of pure love and provided abundantly for them.

Life was good in the Garden! Until the first couple allowed just a sliver of doubt in the goodness of God to enter their minds. Swayed by the words of the serpent, they became ungrateful and distrustful despite God's great love and all the gifts of creation He had provided. Sound familiar? These same temptations threaten to pull us away from God today.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, shows us by the example of Jesus Himself one way that we can attain spiritual strength and grow to become more effective disciples and stewards. In this passage, we find our Lord in the desert, fasting for 40 days and 40 nights. Like Adam and Eve, He is confronted by the evil one. But unlike our fallen parents, our Lord triumphs definitively over the devil's lies and sends him slithering away.

How did He do it? By knowing the Scriptures and by proclaiming them confidently. And by His perfect trust in the Father.

This Lent, let us embrace this 40-day spiritual reset. Let us prioritize our use of time by committing to prayerful study of the Scriptures and trusting more deeply in the Father's love. We will surely be better stewards by Easter. ~thecatholicsteward.com

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**Be Merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

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**CWV Indoor Garage Sale-- Sunday- April 26**

**VENDORS WANTED!**

**Come join us for our 16th Annual Garage Sale to be held in the Sullivan Center on Sunday April 26 from 9 am to 3 pm. Free Admission. Coffee, bagels and snacks will be available.**



## **2020 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*~ We are the Church, Together ~*

In the coming weeks, every family will be invited to participate in this appeal and prayerfully consider a pledge. Please join with us to respond to those in Brooklyn & Queens who are in need, and support the important work of our Diocese through a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal** today.



**American Martyrs**

**Church 216-10 Union**

**Turnpike, Bayside, NY 11364**

**Knights of Columbus Fr. John J. Murray Council  
14666**

**Live Irish Music Irish Step Dancers**

**DJ + Dancing**

**Raffles 50/50**

Catered traditional Irish & American Fare including Corned Beef & Cabbage (and something for the kids), Dessert, Complimentary Glass of Beer + BYOB!

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @**

**6PM (after the 5PM Mass)**

**Buy your tickets early -**

**Prices increase by \$5 on 2/26**

**Kids 6 & Under - Free / Ages 7 to 12 - \$10 /**

**Ages 13 to 18 - \$20 / Ages 19 & Up - \$30**

**Tickets sold after each Mass or drop payment with completed form to Rectory (718) 464-4582**

**No tickets sold at the door.**

**Cash or Checks Payable to**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Email questions to**

**kofc14666fm@gmail.com**

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**SUBMIT THIS PART WITH RECTORY ORDERS**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seating Preference:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Adults:** \_\_\_\_\_ **# Kids 13 to 18:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Kids 7 to 12:** \_\_\_\_\_

**# Kids 6 & Under:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amounts: Cash \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +**

**Walter R. Sokolich**

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

**\*\*\* COMMUNITY NEWS \*\*\***

**Marian Healing Mass - Tues. March 10 - St. Anastasia**

7 pm -Rosary, Mass & Healing service - 718-631-4454.

**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.

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

**Associated Vincentian Charities of Brooklyn:**

**Donate your old Car, Truck or Van - 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 contact:

**[SVDPAUTO@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SVDPAUTO@GMAIL.COM)**

**IRS Tax Deduction - Free Towing - Any Condition.**

**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](http://www.nycalanon.org) -- 212-941-0094

**Catholic Charities Neighborhood Home Delivered Meals:**

Are you or someone you know 60+ years old, living in the Northeast 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.

**National Suicide Prevention** help line: -1-800-273-8255

**Healing After Abortion:** Sisters of Life at: **866-575-0075**  
**[Hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:Hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org)**

**GENERATIONS OF FAITH-Capital Campaign**

**Amount Pledged: \$1,227,929.**

**Total Paid on Pledges: \$1,031,138.**

**Amount returned to American Martyrs: \$588,687.**

**Number of Parishioners participating: 317**

For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges.

**COMMUNITY BAG PROGRAM**

The American Martyrs Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry will receive a \$1 **donation** every time a \$2.50 Community Bag is sold during the month of **February** at the **Stop & Shop** store located at: **215 26th Ave, Bayside, NY.**



**AMERICAN MARTYRS LEISURE CLUB**

**New Members are always welcome!**

Open all year! Come join us on any Thursday from 11 am to 3 pm, in the Sullivan Center for a few fun-filled hours, to socialize, play cards, celebrate holidays & plan occasional excursions. Our facility is air -conditioned & handicap accessible.



*We look forward to seeing you on Thursdays!*

**On Wednesday, April 1, 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. For information and reservations, please call: **Rosemarie at 718-479-9479.**



**Come have some fun! All are welcome!**

**CRAFTY PEOPLE**

The next Crafty People meeting will be on Thursday, **March 5 at 7:30 p.m. in Sullivan Center.** We will be making felted soap. All you will need to bring in are bars of any kind of soap (2 to 4)—they must be bars. We are having a guest craft leader, so we hope to see you there! As always, if you are interested in becoming a Crafty Person, please email Annie at **[amcraftypeople@ymail.com](mailto:amcraftypeople@ymail.com)**.



**BUILD THE BLOCK - Thursday, March 26**  
**Neighborhood Policing & Safety Meeting**

The NYPD officers serving our community invite you on **Thursday, March 26** to a discussion of the public safety challenges in our neighborhood. **Their goal is to identify policing & public safety needs in our community.** **Doors open at 6 pm for light refreshments. Meeting starts at 6:30pm here in the Sullivan Center.**

**PURGATORIAL SOCIETY**

**~ New Members Enrolled for March ~**

**Wanda Stanek      Richard Krzywda**

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.