

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - October 20

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

SUNDAY - October 21- World Mission

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

10:30 am: 1. John F. (Jack) Bills -- Ann Marie

2. Thomas Higen --- Margie

3. Lydia A. Bautista -- Chorzepa Family

12:30 pm: Angelina &amp; Joseph Pinto-Mary, Susie &amp; Ida

Mon. - October 22 - St. John Paul II

8:30 am: John &amp; Hedwig Sosna -- Donna &amp; Steve

Tues. - Oct. 23 - St. John of Capistrano

8:30 am: Lucy &amp; Michael Sica --- Family

Wed. - October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret8:30am: Virginia Carrillo -- Judith & Family  
After the 8:30 am Mass - Novena to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help.Thurs. - October 25

8:30 am: John Sosna --- Donna &amp; Steve

Fri.- October 26

8:30 am: JoAnn Falco --- Anita &amp; Billy

Sat.- Oct. 27

8:30 am: Intentions of the Catholic War Veterans

5:00 pm: Frank Smaldino -- Gregg &amp; Mary Ann

Sunday- October 28

8:30 am: Donald &amp; Lillian Borst --- E. O.

10:30 am: 1. Rosaria Falanga --- Family

2. Enrique Munoz --- Margaret Benczak

3. Carlos Pastrana --- Margaret Benczak

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:**~ In Loving Memory of ~  
Samantha Hope Ventura  
Requested by her Family**The Altar Candles are offered this week for :  
~ A Special Intention ~*

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**All Souls Mass Remembrance envelopes  
are located at the Altar rails, front pews  
and Church tables.****CALENDAR OF EVENTS**CH-Church, SC-Sullivan Center, S-School  
SA-School Auditorium, MC- Murray Center  
RC-Kateri (Rectory) Chapel BR--Board RoomSUNDAY - October 21

- Rel. Ed. - S
- **The Edward Malench Memorial  
Blood Drive - SC- after all Masses**

MONDAY- October 22

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

TUESDAY - October 23

- RCIA - 7:30 pm - MC
- **BINGO - 7:30 pm --SC**  
Total Prizes: \$3,000. Early Bird 7:15 pm.

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

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

WED. - October 24

- Wellness Class - 7:00 pm - MC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm - SC

THURSDAY - October 25

- Leisure Club -- 11 am -- SC
- Knights of Columbus -- 7:45 pm -- MC

SATURDAY - October 27

- CWV mtg -9 am-SC - after 8:30 am Mass-RC
- Halloween Party-6:30 pm - SC

SUNDAY - October 28

- Religious Ed. - S
- Olivewood Sale - after all Masses - CH
- Catholic War Veterans and Knights of  
Columbus Recruitment Drive -CH

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Thurs. Nov. 1 - All Saints Day Masses in CH  
8:30 am, 12 noon, 7:30 pm
- Fri. Nov. 2-All Souls Mass-8:30 am & 7:30pm-CH
- Mon. Nov 5. - Rosary Luncheon-12 noon-SC
- Mon. Nov 19 - Interfaith Prayer Service -  
7:30 pm --Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center

National Suicide Prevention- 1-800-273-8255.  
Preventing Suicide ... everyone can help.

**Sunday Collections**

**Last Weekend - October 14, 2018**

Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church- \$5,394.

**This Weekend - October 21, 2018**

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.  
World Mission -

**Next Weekend - October 28, 2018**

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!*

**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](http://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, Janet Altieri, Ana Lucia & Jairo, Marge Aquino, Eugenia Arpino, Elsa Barbagallo, Roberto Barrientos, Mary Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Frances Burgess, Bill Corrar, Frank Carroll, Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Jessie Carlone, Carrie Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry, Wilson Grullon, Ray Hippeli, Herman Hiris, Daniel Hoffner, William Krug, Cathy Losito, Ralph Marazzo, Aida Maravilla, Michael Marino, Susan McConnell, Danny Montchal, Mary Fitzgerald Murray, Ed Myles, Walter Panas, Rosemary Parente, Kathleen Pastore, Sal Piazza, Peg Pinto, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Alexander Ramos, Amelia Reyes, Lily & Mike Rivera, Patrice Rohde, John Sheridan, Jr., Arlene Scherne, Marie Scuderi, Lee Servillo, Adam Singer, George Stellakis, Mary Sweeney, Suzanne Szalkiewicz, Rosemary Tricarico, Joan Wagner, Jesse Wagner, Ed Wilm, McCaila Young, 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.*

Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in You.



**PILGRIMAGE TO GERMANY & AUSTRIA**

Please join Bishop Cisneros, Spiritual Director and Rev. Frank Schwarz, Chaplain, on **May 12 - 21, 2020** for this 10 day, once-in-a-lifetime, pilgrimage to the 42nd world-famous Passion Play which takes place every ten years in Oberammergau!

Highlights include: Wurzburg, Mainz, Rhine River Cruise, Heidelberg, Salzburg, Neuschwanstein Castle, Munich, and of course the Passion Play in the town of Oberammergau.

**Visit: Peter's Way Tours at [petersway.com](http://petersway.com).**

Brochures will be made available soon.

**2019 Mass Book Intentions**

The 2019 Mass Book is now open. You may choose to commemorate a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday remembrance, in healing, or simply a prayer of thanksgiving. Each offering is \$15. You can pick up a Mass Intention sheet at the doors of the Church, come to the Rectory or call to request a special Mass offering for your loved one. Also, you may wish to offer the gifts of Bread and Wine or the Altar Candles for one week. The offering is \$25.

**POPE FRANCIS**

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention in May.

**The Mission of Religious**

**That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.**

**THE GIFT OF EUCHARIST**

*When we permit ourselves to be nourished by the Bread of Life, we are in tune with the heart of Christ.*

**God of mystery and wonder, my thanksgiving is equaled by my trepidation. Please help me!**

**HALLOWEEN PARTY - SAT. OCT. 27- 6:30 PM**

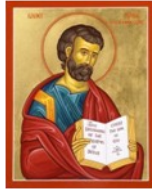
Please join us for a night of music, games, haunted house, costume contest and refreshments. **You must RSVP today**, so that we may plan accordingly. Email: [americanmartyrssports@gmail.com](mailto:americanmartyrssports@gmail.com). **Children will not be admitted without an adult.** Please see the flyers in the back of the Church.



*Because the family is the root of society,  
we want our family to fulfill its vocation  
to build the common good.*

## REFLECTION

Our readings today are wonderfully consoling and wildly challenging. If we take them to heart, they just might change our lives. For they should call us to profound gratitude for all that God has done for us and inspire us to live lives of thanksgiving and obedience to Him in response to His overwhelming love and mercy.



In the Gospel Reading, from Mark, Jesus tells us in His own words how we can thank Him and how our lives can reflect greatness in His eyes — we can imitate Him. He tells us, “Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Our God has ransomed our lives. In truth, this “ransom” means our lives are not our own but belong to God. We must do what He asks us to do with them. And He has told us clearly what to do — serve others in love as we have been served in love by Him.

This is why service for the Christian Steward is not an add-on to our already busy lives. It *is* our life. Over the course of the next week, take these readings to heart. Reflect on the remarkable love God has shown for you. Then look carefully at your daily life.

Is it an imitation of the servant-love of your Brother and Savior? What changes do you need to make, perhaps just in attitude, or perhaps to the trajectory of your life as a whole, to live in grateful service to the One who loves you so?  
~thecatholicsteward.com

### Special Needs Parents Group

We invite parents/guardians with children/adults with all special needs or IEP's to join us to share and exchange ideas in an informal setting. We will be meeting on:

**Thursday- Nov. 8 Tuesday- Dec. 4**

At 10:00 AM in the Sacred Heart Religious Education Office located in the school building at 216-01 38th Avenue. For further information please contact Georgette Lyons at 718-631-1307.

### 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!***

**October is the Month  
of the Rosary!**



**Dear Parishioners,**

**Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.  
Please do not chew gum in Church, and please wear proper Sunday attire in reverence of the Holy Eucharist.**  
~ Fr. Frank

### GENERATIONS OF FAITH-CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

**Amount Pledged: \$1,240,000.**

**Total Paid on Pledges: \$877,281.**

**Amount returned to American**

**Martyrs: \$445,745.87**

**Number of Parishioners participating: 314**

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



### The Wellness Class

This class is a 45 minute Total Body work out that includes Aerobic Movement, Resistance Training, Basic Yoga and Meditation. This class is intended for both women and men , of all fitness levels. Suggested class price is \$ 5.00. All proceeds will go to the AM Columbiettes. Next class: Oct. 24 @ 7:00 PM in the MC.

Come and give it a try! Mind ~ Body ~ Soul ~



### VENDORS WANTED!!!

**American Martyrs Christmas Fair - Dec. 1 & 2.**

**E-mail: [Christmas.fair@yahoo.com](mailto:Christmas.fair@yahoo.com)**

### FRATERNAL BENEFITS NIGHT

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES --MON., OCT. 29 at 7:30pm  
9296 220th STREET, QUEENS VILLAGE, NY11428**

Sponsored by St. Anne's Council of the Knights of Columbus Come and learn about the many excellent life-insurance packages and financial-planning programs offered to members of the Knights of Columbus at very reasonable and competitive cost. All Catholic males over the age 18 years are invited to attend. Wives and children may also attend to acquire any desired information. Refreshments to be served.



### Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem

Next weekend, Samer Awwad will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work and rosaries - all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. The purchase of these items will help Christian families in the Holy Land.

### RCIA

If you are an adult, 18 years or older and interested in completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion) now is the time to register. Please contact the Rectory at 718-464-4582 to make an appointment.

**+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +**

**Rev. Romano A. Zanon**

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

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**Please pray for the men and women of our  
Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad:  
SPC Ruby Russo - US Army  
LCPL Christopher Keane - USMC  
PO3 John Schaefer - USCG**

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.

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

**Pilgrimage ~ Holy Land - Barcelona**

March 10-21, 2019 - Spiritual Director: Fr. John Costello  
Call: **A & G Peace Tours - 718-423-5077**

**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**

**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.

**2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*~ Answer The Call ~*

We thank those who have already made a pledge, and we ask that everyone *prayerfully* consider making a gift to the 2018 Appeal.



**Annual Appeal Goal for 2018: \$59,000.**  
**Amount Pledged: \$106,787.**  
**Amount Received: \$100,515.**  
**Donors: 247**

**You can make your gift online at:**  
**AnnualCatholicAppeal.org**

Many companies have special *Matching Gift Programs*.  
**call the ACA office at: 718-965-7375, ext. 1602.**

Your donation is tax deductible. [CFBQ.org/ACAVideo](http://CFBQ.org/ACAVideo).  
**Remember, every dollar received over our goal comes back to American Martyrs Parish.**

Thank you for all you do for American Martyrs.

*~ Reverend Frank L. Schwarz, Pastor*

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**WINTERFEST LUNCHEON**

**The Rosary Society Annual Luncheon will be held on Monday, November 5, at 12 noon in the Sullivan Center.**



**Tickets are \$30.** Please call Carol Fortune at 718-631-0896 or Barbara Froehlich at 718-465-0585, if you have any questions.

**Tickets and raffles will be sold after all Masses on Oct. 20/21 and Oct 27/28.** All Ladies and Gentlemen are welcome to attend our yearly fund raiser.

We will have a "Sweet Shop" table with cake and cookies. Anyone interested in donating baked goods, please drop off your goodies after Sunday Masses on November 4 to the Sullivan Center. We welcome any donations of wine, or liquor.

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**THANK YOU!**

Rev. Gary Wiesmann from the Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica, who was here to speak about the Propagation of the Faith is very grateful for the parish collection of **\$5,805**. He writes: "Your Parish family has blessed the poor with some of what they deserve as God's children; I am confident that the good Lord will bless you and your parishioner for this most generous sacrifice for our poor. Truly, "...the Lord hears the cry of the poor" and has touched the hearts of your Parish as they have so generously responded in the Lord's name. We are very grateful!"

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Does receiving communion  
fill your heart with God's love and grace?

