

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - October 6

5:00 pm: Veronica & Vincent Carroll -- Daughters

SUNDAY - October 7 - Respect Life Sunday

8:30 am: Susan Corker (Living) - Boyle Family

10:30 am: Members of the Purgatorial Society

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Mon. - October 8 -

8:30 am: Gustavo Cardenas -- Maria SanClemente

Tues. - October 9 - St. Denis & St. John Leonardi

8:30 am: George Boyle --- Boyle Family

Wed. - October 10

8:30am: Rose Chery --- Margaret Payette

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

Thurs. - October 11 - St. John XXIII

8:30 am: Priscilla Capiello -- Susan & Robert Dzedzic

Fri. - Oct. 12

8:30 am: Florence Ruggieri --- Family

Sat.- Oct. 13

8:30 am: 1. Terry Metrick --- Andy Paccione

2. Robert Johnson --- Aney Paccione

3. Rita Leonard --- Anne Loughery

5:00 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Sunday- October 14

8:30 am: Kazuko Kato --- Misuzu Kato

10:30 am: 1. Raymond Stahl --- Mary

2. Marianne Seufert --AM Leisure Club

3. Carlos Talisaysay --- Elena Cruz

12:30 pm: Phyllis Salomone --- Family

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:**~ In Loving Memory of Adeline Colella ~
Requested by Aluska & Foresta Families**The Altar Candles are offered this week :**~ In Healing --- John Chu ~
Requested by his Family*

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

CALENDAR OF EVENTSCH-Church, SC-Sullivan Center, S-School
SA-School Auditorium, MC- Murray Center
RC-Kateri (Rectory) Chapel BR--Board RoomSUNDAY - October 7

- NO Rel. Ed.

MONDAY- October 8 - Columbus Day

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

TUESDAY - October 9

- 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 10

- Wellness Class - 7- 8 pm - MC (See info in bulletin)
- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm - SC

THURSDAY - October 11

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

SUNDAY - October 14

- Religious Ed. - S- AMReligionClass.Weebly.com
- American Martyrs Feast Day - bagel breakfast after 10:30 am Mass -SC

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Sat. Oct. 13 - Zumba - 10 am -SC - Columbiettes
- Sat. Oct 20 - CYO Mass-10:45 am -St Kevin
- Sat. Oct. 20 - Cleanway Greenway - 9 am
- Sun. Oct. 21 - Blood Drive - SC-after all Masses
- Sat. Oct. 27 - Halloween Party-6:30 pm -SC
- S/S Oct. 27 & 28- Olivewood Sale -CH
- Sun. Oct 28 - CWV Recruitment Drive -CH
- Thurs. Nov. 1 - All Saints Day Masses in CH
8:30 am, 12 noon, 7:30 pm

National Suicide Prevention- 1-800-273-8255.
Preventing Suicide ... everyone can help.**We need to "give ourselves away, use ourselves up," trusting that God will replenish us, fill us always with His love and mercy.**

Sunday Collections

Last Weekend - September 30, 2018

Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church- \$6,297.

This Weekend - October 7, 2018

My Monthly Offering for the Support of my Church.

Next Weekend - October 14, 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 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.

**If we love one another, God remains in us
And His love is brought to perfection in us.**



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.

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

We come to Mass because we are sinners and we want to receive God's pardon, to participate in Jesus' redemption and forgiveness.

God of mystery and wonder, help me to realize all the ways you reach out to me!

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

Please join on for a night of music, games, haunted house, costume contest and refreshments. **You must RSVP by:**

Friday Oct. 19, so that we may plan accordingly. Email:

americanmartyrssports@gmail.com.

Children will not be admitted without an adult. Please see the flyers in the back of the Church.



*Because God rested on the seventh day,
we want to celebrate Sunday together as a family.*

REFLECTION

Today's readings give us a wonderful refresher on the Biblical origins of the Sacrament of Marriage, going all the way back to the second chapter of Genesis in our First Reading, and then reinforced by Jesus in our Gospel Reading from St. Mark.



Perhaps more than any other time in Christianity, marriage and family life are under attack right now. It is vital that we have a proper understanding of the Church's beautiful and solid teachings in these areas. We call this type of knowledge, "Formation" and it is one of the pillars of a stewardship way of life. Solid formation in the faith not only strengthens us in our own walk with the Lord, but it allows us to pass on this knowledge to others who are thirsting to know the truth about the human person, and it also arms us to defend our beliefs, when necessary.

These readings also invite us to reflect on the reality that we are to be good stewards of the vocation the Lord has entrusted to us. If I am married, do I recognize that my spouse and my marriage are a gift from God that must be nourished, developed and tended? This brings to mind the stewardship aspect of "Time." After time spent with God, my next priority of time should be for my spouse. Do I realize that at the end of my life I will have to give an account to God for how I cared for the gift of my spouse and marriage?
~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- Oct. 18 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.

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.



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will be on Monday, Oct. 22 at 7:30 pm in the MC. This year we will be reading the Gospel according to St. John.

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: \$838,711.

Amount returned to American

Martyrs: \$445,745.87

Number of Parishioners participating: 312

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. Class Dates Oct. 10 & Oct. 24 @ 7:00 PM in the MC.

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



American Martyrs Church Blood Drive

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

Sunday, October 21, 2018

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

To make an appointment, please call Ed Pearce
718-464-2061

**Long Island hospitals and their patients need
over 800 pints of blood every day.**

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

CYO MASS-SAT. OCT. 20

Please join us on Sat. **Oct. 20 at 10:45 am at St. Kevin Church** in Flushing as the Queens Deanery #5 celebrates the start of a new CYO season for all young athletes. Parents, coaches, aides, and volunteers will come together to pray for a successful and safe sports season.

Please come wearing your team uniform!

Diocese of Brooklyn Pilgrimage

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, DC - October 26-27, 2018

Led by: Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio - For reservations call: A & G Peace Tours, Inc. 718-423-5077

Email: agpeacetours@yahoo.com

+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +

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

**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.

***** COMMUNITY NEWS *****

Healing Mass - St. Anastasia- Tues. Oct 16 - 7 pm
Rosary, Mass & Healing Service - 718-631-4454

Oznam Hall Nursing Home - seeks a p/t Activity Leader
Mon - Fri. Call Marilyn Gindi at 718-971-2708

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 -- 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:	\$106,777.
Amount Received:	\$99,032.
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.
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

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!

ATLANTIC CITY

On Wednesday, October 17, we are planning a trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. Seats are filling up fast! 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!**



+ PURGATORIAL SOCIETY +

~ New members enrolled for October ~

**Eli Altman
Paul Paplaskas**

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.