

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - September 15

5:00 pm: Barbara Hageney --- John O'Rourke

SUNDAY -- September 16

8:30 am: Joseph & Marion Borst --- E.O.

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

2. Anthony Zafferese --- Family

3. Jean Kozinoski --- Karen Macchia

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Mon. - September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine

8:30 am: Marianne Seufert --- Misuzu Kato

Tues. - September 18

8:30 am: Annemarie Schwarz --- Fr. Frank

Wed. - Sept. 19 - St. Januarius

8:30am: Ony Blando --- Violet Santarina

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

Thurs. - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & Paul Chong Ha-sang

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

Friday -- Sept. 21 - St. Matthew

8:30 am: Dolores DeFonte --- Boyle Family

Sat. - September 22

8:30 am: 1. Stephen D. Adams - Family

2. Marianne Seufert ---Lorraine Walsh

3. Rodrigo C. Roaquin --- Fojas Family

5:00 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Sunday- September 23

8:30 am: Henry & Rose Frey --- E. O.

10:30 am: 1. Vito Merola --- Wife, Patricia

2. Marianne Seufert --- Barbara & Jack Goydas

3. Gloria Mazza --Millie Sanseverino

12:30 pm: Anastasio, Connie & Emilio Moffa - Sisters

The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:

~ In Loving Memory of ~

Arturo Marciano

Requested by Concetta Marciano

The Altar Candles are offered this week for:

~ Arturo Marciano ~

Requested by Concetta Marciano

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

MONDAY- September 17

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

TUESDAY - September 18

- **BINGO - 7:30 pm --SC**

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

BINGO				
15	28	37	51	73
6	17	32	45	61
9	15	★	60	70
12	26	44	52	66
7	22	34	48	72

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

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

WED. - September 19

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

THURSDAY - September 20

- Leisure Club -- 11 am -- SC

SUNDAY - September 23

- Religious Ed. -- S- 9:50 am

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Sat. Sept 22 - K of C Food collection --Key Food
- S/S. Sept 22 & 23- Columbiettes Bake Sale
- S/S. Sept 22/23 - Propagation of the Faith Speaker
- Wed. Sept. 26 - Columbiette mtg. - 7:30 pm -MC
- Sat. Sept. 29 - AM 70th Anniversary - 5 pm Mass
- Mon. Oct. 1 - Rosary Society mtg. - 1 pm - SC
- Sat. Oct. 6 - Defensive Driving - MC 9 am -3:30 pm
- Sun. Oct. 21 - Blood Drive - SC-after all Masses

Catholic Charities Behavioral Health Clinics offer same-day access to individuals in crisis. Individuals may walk into a Catholic Charities Behavioral Health Clinic or call the Center at 718-722-6001 for information.

National Suicide Prevention- 1-800-273-8255.

Preventing Suicide ... everyone can help.

Hope has two beautiful daughters:
their names are anger and courage.

Anger that things are the way they are.

Courage to make them the way they ought to be.

~ St. Augustine



Sunday Collections

Last Weekend - September 9, 2018

Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church- \$5,549.
Catholic University of America. - \$667.

This Weekend - September 16, 2018

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.
Catholic Education -help support Catholic Education
in the Diocese.

Next Weekend - September 23, 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, Joan Cerrone, Chang Family, William
Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Jessie Carlone,
Sue Decina, Carrie Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry
Flexer, Michael Gorry, Wilson Grullon, Ray Hippeli, Daniel
Hoffner, William Krug, Cathy Losito, Mary & 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,
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.



THE MAGNIFICAT DAY OF THANKSGIVING

The Jubilee Magnificat Day of Thanksgiving will be
celebrated at the **Kings Theatre in Brooklyn on Sat.
Oct. 6.** Special guests include Most Rev. Nicholas
DiMarzio, Most Rev. Robert Barron, Sean Cardinal
O'Malley, OFM, Cap, and others. The holy relics of
the Little Flower, St. Therese of Lisieux, and of her
parents will be available for veneration to registered
attendees only. Please go to: Magnificatday.com to
register and for more information.

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.**

St. Josaphat's Leisure Club-Sands Casino trip,

Bethlehem PA, September 27. Cost \$30.00 leaves at 8:30
sharp receive back \$30.00 in slot play & \$5.00 in
food. Bus is filling up fast. Call Joy for reservations and
additional info. 917-921-7631. No answer leave message
will get back to you asap.

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.

YOUNG PEOPLE IN AFRICA

That young people in Africa may have access to education
and work in their own countries.

**St. Josaphat Church Flea Market- Sunday, October
7th, 2018 9am-4pm.**

K OF C - FOOD DRIVE

The Knights Of Columbus will sponsor a **Food
Collection on Saturday, September 22nd at Stop &
Shop located at 653 Hillside Ave, New Hyde Park.**
The Collection will take place from 9:00 AM to 1:00
PM. Please stop buy a purchase a canned good
item to donate to our volunteers.

HELP NEEDED

The Bridge to Life, Inc. (www.thebridgetolife.org) is seeking
dedicated & ambitious applicant for PT AA position. Hours
are Tues-Fri 11 am- 5 pm and Saturday 9 am -1 pm.
Requirements: Exp. in office procedures; MS Office;
database mgt.; social media campaigns; type 50 WPM;
bilingual in Spanish a plus. 718-463-7810

REFLECTION



Sometimes the Sunday readings bring peace and consolation. Other times they come as a swift kick in the pants. Today's readings definitely fall in the latter category.

In the Gospel from St. Mark, Jesus begins to instruct the Apostles in what was ahead for Him – and for them. “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.” In Peter's worldly way of thinking, Jesus should not have to suffer — and for that matter, neither should Peter.

But, rebuking Peter strongly, Jesus indicates He meant exactly what He said earlier. What's more, He was inviting Peter, and all of us, to join him in this way of life that is costly and self-sacrificing.

Why? Isn't Jesus all about love? Of course He is. He is love. And Jesus shows us by His example that real love requires toughness as much as tenderness.

Our second reading teaches that real faith in Him is displayed through service or “works.” In fact, this passage goes so far as to state that “faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.”

These readings make it clear that faith and love are not alive in us until they are demonstrated through service to others for the sake of the Gospel. Service of any kind will involve some self-denial. But when I embrace this way of life, I have the joy of knowing my faith and love are real. By laying down my life for Him, I gain a life that is really worth living. ~ thecatholicsteward.com

ROSARY SOCIETY



Welcome Back! Please join us on Monday, October 1, at 1 pm in the SC. Coffee and cake will be served. Our “Annual Luncheon” will be on Monday, November 5 at 12 noon. Tickets are available and are \$30. Please join us.

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:

Wednesday September 26
Thursday October 18
Thursday November 8
Tuesday December 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.

Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.

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. It is due to your generosity that this work can be done.



Reunion of American Martyrs Graduates

Come join us at the dinner dance celebration of **American Martyrs 70th Anniversary on Sept. 29th at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston.** Great time to connect with former classmates and enjoy reminiscing! For more information please email: maureens@jwhampton.com.

RELIGIOUS ED. REGISTRATION

Please return your registration form with payment to the Rectory as soon as possible. There will be a \$15 fee per family for late registrations.



Classes for Level 1 - 8 will begin on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 8:50 am in the Sullivan Center.

For information, visit:
AMReligionClass.Weebly.com

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.

“Get behind me, Satan.

You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do. Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the Gospel will save it.”

+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +

**Madeline Costa
Alice Tahaney
Claude Boniello**

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 *****

Oznm 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: \$106,602.
Amount Received: \$98,192.
Donors: 245

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!

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The National Safety Council will present its **Defensive Driving Course** for Insurance and Point Reduction at **American Martyrs on Saturday, October 6, 2018 in the Fr. Murray Center from 9 am to 3:30 pm.** To register or for more information, **please call Marty at: 631-360-9720.**



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 begin on Monday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 pm in the MC. This year we will be reading the Gospel according to St. John.