

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**SATURDAY - April 8, 2017**

5:00 pm: Giuseppe Buratti --- Buratti Family

SUNDAY - April 9, 2017 - Palm Sunday

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

10:30 am: 1. Theresa Kavaliauskas - Family

2. Jean Kozinoski --- Karen

3. Walter Stone --- Shoule Family

12:30 pm: Kevin Williams - Mark Moscarillo

Monday- April 10

8:30 am: Stamm Family --- Marie de Angelis

3 pm -9 pm: Confessions (Church)

Tues. - April 11

8:30 am: Dorothy Babicz (Healing) --Lorraine Drogin

Wed. - April 12

8:30am:Dorothy Babicz (Healing)-Barbara & Lauren Panawa

Holy Thursday - April 13

8:30 am: Morning Prayer (Chapel)

7:30 pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (Church)

Good Friday - April 14

8:30 am: Morning Prayer (Chapel)

3:00 pm: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (CH)

7:15 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)

7:30: Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - April 15

8:30 am: Morning Prayer (Chapel)

7:30 pm: Easter Vigil - Misa Pro Populo

Easter Sunday - April 16, 2017

8:30 am: Ruggieri Family --- Family

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

2. Moscato Family --- Marianne & John Pinto

3. Theresa Kavaliauskas --- Family

12:30 pm:Joan Shanahan Kearney --- Family

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:**~ In Loving Memory of John MacPherson ~**requested by Christina Arnone**The Altar Candles are offered this week for:**~ A Special Intention ~***CALENDAR OF EVENTS****CH-Church, SC-Sullivan Center, S-School, SA-School Auditorium, MC-Murray Center, KC-Kateri (Rectory) Chapel ---BR--Board Room****Sunday- April 9**

- Religious Education - S

**MONDAY - April 10**

- 3 pm -9 pm: Confessions (Church)

- Alcoholics Anonymous (Beginners Mts.) 7-8 pm - SC

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

TUESDAY - April 11

- 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 - April 12

- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm-SC

- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm -SC

HOLY THURSDAY - April 13

- NO Leisure Club

GOOD FRIDAY - April 14

- Rectory Office Closed

**HOLY SATURDAY - April 15**

- Rectory Office Closed

EASTER SUNDAY- April 16

- NO Religious Education

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Wed. April 19 -Atlantic City trip -Leisure Club
- Fri. April 21-White Elephant collection 7pm-8pm-SC
- Sat. April 22-White Elephant collection -9am-3pm-SC
- Sun. April 23 - CWV -Garage Sale - SC
- Mon. April 24 - Catholic Medley -7:30 pm - MC
- Sun. April 30 - Blood Drive -- SC
- Sun. May 7 - Communion Breakfast - 11:30 am - SC
- Sat. May 20 - International Night - 6 pm - SC
- Wed. June 7-Golf - North Shore Towers -1 pm
- Sat. June 3 - Defensive Driving - 9 am - 3:30pm-MC
- June. 9/10 - Broadway Revue - SC - 8 pm

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

Sunday CollectionsLast Weekend --April, 2, 2017

My Monthly Offering for the Support of my Church - \$7,147.

Easter Flowers Offering - \$2,262.

This Weekend - April 9, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.

My Easter Gift to my Church.

Next Weekend - April 16, 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!

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, Jeffrey Arcello, Josephine Attard, Roberto Barrientos, Gilda Bavaro, Cecilia Bello, Mary Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Owen Canavan, Frank Carroll, Joan Cerrone, Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Jen Costa, Eva Maria Ditaranto, Carrie Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry, Margaret Grasso, 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 Pickt, Peg Pinto, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Alexander Ramos, Lorraine Rensch, Gloria Ricioppi, Lily & Mike Rivera, Patrice Rohde, Lydia Roldan, Lee Servillo, 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.

RECONCILIATION

On **Monday, April 10 "Reconciliation Monday"** will be offered throughout the three local areas in the **Archdiocese of New York and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Center.** Confessions will be heard here at American Martyrs from **3 pm to 9 pm.**

+ 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

Queens Deanery #5 Facebook Page

Join Queens Deanery #5 on Facebook where you will learn more about the upcoming spiritual events in the parishes of our Deanery, as well as find all of the weekly bulletins, contact information, Mass schedules and so much more. Just visit Queens Deanery #5 on Facebook and "like" the page to receive updates, or visit us on the web at:

www.queensdeanery5.org.

[Facebook.com/Queens Deanery 5](https://www.facebook.com/QueensDeanery5)

Americanmartyrs-queens.org.

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!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday, April 10: Confessions: 3 pm to 9 pm-Church

The Paschal TriduumHoly Thursday, April 13

8:30 am Morning Prayer -- Chapel

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper -- Church

Good Friday, April 14

8:30 am Morning Prayer -- Chapel

3:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion -- Church

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross -- Church

Holy Saturday, April 15

9:00 am Morning Prayer -- Chapel

7:30 pm Easter Vigil -- Church

Easter Sunday, April 16

Masses: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm -- Church

The Paschal Triduum, Latin for "three days," commemorates the essential features of our redemption:
Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Christian life makes sense only when each of these moments is linked to the other two.

REFLECTION

Most of us know today as Palm Sunday, although officially in the Church it is called Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, and to many Church leaders it is simply Passion Sunday, which comes from the Latin name for it, *Dominica Passionis*. We have reflected on this day previously how the liturgy begins with great joy and becomes more and more somber with the reading of the Passion.



During the procession of the palms Jesus arrives in Jerusalem to great tumult and rejoicing as the people cry out "Hosanna... blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest." As the Mass progresses we get an overview of what is to occur during this holiest of weeks, including the institution of the Eucharist, the passion and death of the Lord, the prediction of His Resurrection, and then His Resurrection itself.

Imagine the confusion of the Twelve Apostles. Jesus has been spending time with them in the recent weeks prior to the Passion trying to get them to understand that His time of suffering was near and approaching, and that is the reason He must go to Jerusalem. And here is the crowd welcoming and praising and laughing and celebrating His presence.

We are not much different in many ways, but now is the time for us to really embrace and understand the sacrifice the Lord made for each of us, and the incredible gift He has given us. In the coming days it is our final chance to truly rededicate ourselves to being His disciple.

~ the catholicsteward.com

GENERATIONS OF FAITH-CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Amount Pledged: \$1,242,365.

Total Paid on Pledges: \$530,803.

Amount returned to American Martyrs: \$220,602.

Number of Parishioners participating: 309



Work on the Church roof and pointing will commence in the Spring of 2017. Total projected cost of the project is \$725,000. For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges.

ATLANTIC CITY -- LEISURE CLUB

On Wednesday, April 19, 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.



Save the Date

**American Martyrs 5th Annual Golf Outing –
Wednesday, June 7th – North Shore Towers Golf
Course – 1 PM shotgun start. Details to follow.**

CWV Indoor Garage Sale-- Sunday- April 23

**Come join us for our 13th Annual
Garage Sale to be held in the
Sullivan Center on Sunday April 23**



from 9 am to 3 pm. Free Admission. Coffee, bagels and snacks will be available. If you would like to rent a table, (\$40) please call Frank Pagano @ 718-217-2326 for contract information.

"White Elephant" table collection will be in the Sullivan Center, Friday, April 21, 7 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, April 22, 9 am - 3 pm. NO clothing please.

Help our Troops by helping our Vets.

Christ became obedient to the point of death, Even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name.

American Martyrs Church

Father John J. Murray Communion Breakfast

Sunday May 7, 2017 in the Sullivan Center

After the 10:30 Mass

Honoring Monsignor E. Bottino

Speaker Father George Cowan

Delicious hot breakfast – Eggs, Bacon, Pancakes, French toast, Coffee, Juice, etc.

*****Prizes to be raffled!!!!*****

Buy your tickets NOW! Buy your tickets NOW! Buy your tickets NOW!

Age 13 and older = \$15 per person Age 7 to 12 = \$7 per person Age 6 and under - Free

Tickets sold after masses prior to the event and OR

Complete the stub below and leave it at rectory WITH PAYMENT.

You can pay by cash, or make checks payable to American Martyrs Church.

Any questions? (347) 421 - 7676 or email JoeGT60@gmail.com

TURN IN THIS STUB WITH YOUR CASH, OR CHECK PAYABLE TO AMERICAN MARTYRS CHURCH by April 30

Father Murray Parish Breakfast Sunday May 7, 2017 11:30 A.M.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Age 13 and older number of tix _____ at \$15 = _____

Age 7 to 12 number of tix _____ at \$7 = _____

6 and under number of tix _____ Free = _____

Please try to sit me with: _____

WAY OF THE CROSS OVER THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE

On Good Friday, April 14, 2017, Communion and Liberation will sponsor the Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge. Participants will congregate for the first station at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn, at 10:00 am. After a station on the Brooklyn Bridge, the procession will follow the cross to a third station at City Hall Park in Manhattan, and a fourth station near Ground Zero. The final station will be at St. Peter's Church, on Barclay Street, concluding at 1:30 pm. At each station, there will be readings from the Passion, a meditation, a reflection and hymns. All are invited. For more information, please call Communion and Liberation at (212) 337-3580 or visit its website at www.wocbrooklynbridge.org.

Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.

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

Catholic Widow/Widowers of Queens - St. Kevin's School
Mon. April 10 -7 pm. 718-296-4642

St. Josaphats' Flea Market 210 St. & 35 Ave. Bayside, NY-
Sunday, April 2, 2017 9AM-4PM
Kitchen open for light breakfast, lunch & Polish meats & bakery items for sale. VENDORS WANTED! Call 718-224-3052.

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 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.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

~ *Live in Faith Give in Love* ~

Annual Appeal Goal for 2017: \$61,392.
Amount Pledged: \$41,790.
Amount Received: \$28,583.
Donors: 56

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.