

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - July 28

5:00 pm: Edward Malench --- Suzanne

SUNDAY -- July 298:30 am: **Misa Pro Populo**

10:30 am: 1. Stephen Mattaliano --- Emily Howell

2. Peter Cardarelli --- Mary

3. Rita Boras --- AM Leisure Club

12:30 pm: Francis Family ---- Anthony &amp; Maria LaSala

Mon. - July 30- St. Peter Chrysologus

8:30 am: Louise Kato-Lin ( Living ) - Misuzu Kato

Tues. - July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

8:30 am: Mary Schab -- Mary Ann &amp; Patrick

Wed. - August 1 - St. Alphonsus Liguori8:30am: Louise Jugenheimer -- Julienne Amoroso  
After the 8:30 am Mass - Novena to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help.Thursday - August 2 - St. Eusebius of Vercelli

8:30 am: Fitzsimmons Family -- Family

Friday -- August 3

8:30 am: Theresa Kavaliauskas -- - Charles and Family

Saturday - August 4 - St. John Vianney

8:30 am: 1. Marie Scherne - Barbara &amp; Jack Goydas

2. Marianne Seufert --- Ellie Foresta

3, Denise Palombo --- Ginelle &amp; Danielle

5:00 pm: Joan Dziedzic --- Tomczyk Family

Sunday- August 5

8:30 am: Edward &amp; Agatha Borst -- E.O.

10:30 am: Members of the Purgatorial Society

12:30 pm: **Misa Pro Populo**

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*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered this week:**~ For the Sick & Homebound of  
American Martyrs Parish ~**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  
RC-Kateri (Rectory) Chapel BR--Board RoomMONDAY- July 30

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

TUESDAY - July 31

- **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. - August 1

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

THURSDAY - August 2

- Leisure Club -- 11 am -- SC
- Blue Knights - 8 pm - MC

SATURDAY - August 4

- **Rectory Office Closed**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Wed. Aug. 15 - The Assumption - Holy Day of Obligation - Masses 8:30 am, & 7:30 pm -CH
- Wed. Aug. 22 --Atlantic City - Leisure Club
- Sat. Aug 25 - CWV -SC -after 8:30 am Mass
- Sat. Sept. 29 - AM 70th Anniversary - 5 pm Mass
- 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.

As faithful Catholics, we have an obligation to be good citizens in our community. Our responsibility to serve others comes from the Lord, who called us to love our neighbor. Our society becomes a better place as a result of our service and concern for our neighbors. We must show the world that it is *love* that motivates us to help and protect people in need.

Sunday CollectionsLast Weekend - July 22, 2018

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church-  
Contributions will be reported next week.

This Weekend - July 29, 2018

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.  
Youth Ministry.

Next Weekend - August 5, 2018

My Monthly 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, Joan Cerrone, Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Jessie Carlone, Ramon Dickson, Eva Ditatanto, Carrie Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry, Wilson Grullon, Ray Hippeli, Daniel Hoffner, John Horvat, Dr. Pamela Ierardi, Joe Kinney, William Krug, Cathy Losito, Mary & Ralph Marazzo, Aida Maravilla, Susan McConnell, Ed McGrath, Danny Montchal, Mary Fitzgerald Murray, Ed Myles, Estella Palucious, Sabato Pagnozzi, 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, Elfrieda Sommers, Mary Sweeney, Suzanne Szalkiewicz, Lorraine Thomas, 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.*

70th ANNIVERSARY GALA

The American Martyrs 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala will be on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston. The gala will follow a 5 p.m. Anniversary Mass at American Martyrs Church. Anyone interested in purchasing tickets at \$90 each should contact Jovie Chorzepa at [jovie212@yahoo.com](mailto:jovie212@yahoo.com) or Theresa Asche at 718-428-5308. *No tickets will be sold at the door. We look forward to celebrating with you!*

Saturday, August 4-- Feast Day of St. John Vianney

**St. John Vianney is the patron Saint of Parish Priests.**

St. John Vianney was known as the "Cure of Ars" who was a compassionate spiritual counselor who heard confessions of people from all over the world for sixteen hours each day. He was beloved by crowds but retained a childlike simplicity, and he remains the living image of the Priest after the heart of Christ.

Please pray for our Priests here at American Martyrs and the Priests throughout the world. Remember those Priests who have nourished and encouraged your faith on your journey.

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.**

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

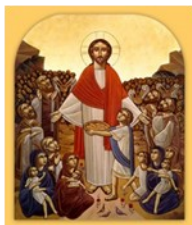
If there are any homebound parishioners who wish to receive the Eucharist from an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please contact the Rectory. (718-464-4582). We will make arrangements for a home visit.

The Weekday Rosary

The Rosary is recited weekday mornings after the 8:30 am Mass in the Rectory Chapel. Why not join us for this beautiful devotion honoring our Blessed Mother, and reflecting on the mysteries of her Son's saving love.

## REFLECTION

Today's Gospel reading recounts Jesus' miracle of feeding the multitude. In a miracle that anticipated Jesus' miracle of feeding the multitude, as reported in today's Gospel, Elisha commanded that a small amount of bread be served to 100 men, and Jesus promised that all would indeed be fed. Elisha trusted that promise, acted upon it, and saw the promise miraculously fulfilled. We, like most people, tend to forget the miracles our Lord can work in everyday life.



If we trust in God and live as good stewards, what we accomplish is, in its own way, a miracle. St. Paul beautifully sums up how our approach to living as Catholics and Christians should be. In today's Second Reading from his letter to the Ephesians, Paul urges us to live "with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit." Does that describe our parish community?

This cannot happen unless we have the same kind of trust that Elisha had, and which St. Paul had, as well. Paul also says in today's Second Reading, "**I urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received.**" This is stewardship at its core. We should not give of our time, talent and treasure because we want to earn God's love. He already loves us unconditionally.

Jesus knew full well what miracle He was about to perform, but He also saw this as a chance to teach His Apostles, and also show us the way. Philip and the others had already seen Jesus perform many miracles, and there should have been no question in his mind about the divine resources Jesus had at His disposal. Yet Philip hesitated. It is human nature to be doubtful. Yet, as with Elisha, they all ate, and there was much left over. Through this miracle, Jesus is teaching us to trust Him and to do the same in our lives. And, by committing ourselves to a stewardship way of life, we can see our own gifts multiplied. And perhaps even perform our own modern-day miracles.

~ thecatholicsteward.com

## 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.

## Evangelization- Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That Priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother Priests.

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: \$405,939.**

**Number of Parishioners participating: 312**

We are working on replacing the air-conditioning system in the Church and the Sullivan Center. The current system is over 30 years old and no longer functioning properly. ***Please be patient as this long overdue work progresses!***



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.

**The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
He answers all our needs.**

## + PURGATORIAL SOCIETY +

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.

**A great prophet has risen in our midst.  
God has visited His people.**

## Reunion of American Martyrs Graduates

Come join us at the dinner dance celebration of **American Martyrs 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> 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. RE-REGISTRATION

Religious Education re-registration has begun. **Please return your re-registration form with payment to the Rectory as soon as possible.**





**+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +**

**Victor M. Reyes**

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 \*\*\***

**St. John's - Free speech & hearing screenings -- 6/19 - 8/8**  
718-990-6480

**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.

**St. Vincent de Paul: 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: \$104,751.**  
**Amount Received: \$90,466.**  
**Donors: 239**

**You can make your gift online at:**

**AnnualCatholicAppeal.org**

Many companies have special *Matching Gift Programs*. You may be able to double your gift by contacting your company's Personnel/Human Resource office. For more information about **Matching Gift Opportunities**, call the ACA office at: **718-965-7375, ext. 1602.**

The work and services made possible through your donation to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone. Your donation is tax deductible.

We encourage all to watch the brief 2018 ACA Video online at: **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 -- LEISURE CLUB**

**On Wednesday, August 22, 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. All are welcome!**

