

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY - May 11, 2019

5:00 pm: Anna Smaldino-- Gregg & MaryAnn

SUNDAY-May 12-World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

- 10:30 am: 1. Elizabeth Guggieri --- Family
- 2. Syliah Volmar --- Family
- 3. Marianne Seufert --- Volmar Family

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Mon. - May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

Tues. - May 14 -St. Matthias

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

Wed. - May 15 - St. Isidore

8:30am: Mother's Day Novena

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

Thurs. - May 16

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

Fri. - May 17

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

Saturday - May 18 - St. John I

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

5:00 pm: Misa Pro Populo

Sun. - May 19

8:30 am: Mother's Day Novena

- 10:30 am: 1. John F. (Jack) Bills--- Ann Marie
- 2. Hedwig Sosna & Theresa Luczak --Donna & Steve
- 3. Aldo Cavazzoni & Frank Servillo -- Annie & Mary

12:30 pm: Nina & James Moffa -- Children

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine are offered for :
~ A Special Intention ~*

*The Altar Candles are offered for :
~ A Special Intention ~
Requested by Maria*

Mother's Day Remembrance envelopes available at the front pews and on the Church tables.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

SUNDAY - May 12- Happy Mother's Day!

- Rel. Ed. - Registration forms are available for 2019 -2020 at the doors of the Church



MONDAY - May 13

- Rosary Day of Recollection-11 am- CH & SC
- Bible Study - 7:30 pm -- MC
- Alcoholics Anonymous Beginners mtg. -7-8 pm-SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Open mtg.) 8:30-9:30pm-SC

TUESDAY - May 14

- RCIA - 7:30 pm -MC
 - BINGO -7:30 pm - SC
- Total prizes: \$3,00 - Early Bird- 7:15 pm
***** HANDICAP ACCESS *****



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

WED. - May 15

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

THURS. - May 16

- Leisure Club --11 am - 3 pm -- SC

SUNDAY - May 19

- Religious Ed. - Last day -SC
- Rev. Appiah from the Propagation of the Faith to speak at all Masses



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Sun. May 26- CWV Memorial Day Service
- Mon. June 3 - Golf Outing- North Shore Towers
- Fri/Sat. June 7 & 8- Broadway Revue - SC
- Sat. June 8 --AMAA Car Wash - 9 am - 3pm

PRAYING THE ROSARY

Please join Fr. Frank on Sunday, June 2, at 10 am, (before the 10:30 am Mass) to pray the Rosary. Fr. Frank and the Rosary Society welcomes all Parishioners to come pray the Rosary on the first Sunday of every month before the 10:30 am Mass.



Sunday Collections

Last Weekend - May 5, 2019

Monthly Offering for the Support of my Church- \$5,813.

This Weekend - May 12, 2019

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.
Mother's Day Mass Remembrance.

Next Weekend - May 19, 2019

Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.
 Propagation of the Faith - Rev. Anthony Appiah to speak at all Masses.

*******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: americanmartyrs-queens.org/ways-to-give 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:

Jackie Arriaga, Jack Agler, Alex Aponte, Janet Altieri, Joel Arapiles, Eugenia Arpino, Elsa Barbagallo, Roberto Barrientos, Mary Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Frances Burgess, Alice Cersosimo, Bill Corrar, Frank Carroll, Chang Family, William Christopher, Jessie Carlone, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Janette Gadell, Maria Geiger, Anne Gorry, Michale Gorry, Wilson Grullon, Daniel Hoffner, William Krug, Cathy Losito, Ralph Marazzo, Albert Madrazo, Aida Maravilla, Brian Mastrorocco, Susan McConnell, Peter Mesologites, Danny Montchal, Mary Fitzgerald Murray, Ed Myles, Sabato Pagnozzi, Walter Panas, Raymond Paprocky, Rosemary Parente, Kathleen Pastore, Sal Piazza, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Amelia Reyes, Steven Roach, Patrice Rohde, Kinsey Saleh, John Sheridan, Jr., Arlene Scherne, Marie Scuderi, Lee Servillo, Adam Singer, George & Gussie Stellakis, Shelia Still, Mary Sweeney, Rosemary Tricarico, Julio Villagran, Joan Wagner, Jesse Wagner, Jim Walsh, Theresa Walsh, 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.

PILGRIMAGE TO OBERAMMERGAU

THE PASSION PLAY

Visits to: Wurzburg, Rothenburg, Regensburg, Passau, Salzburg & Munich

MAY 12 - 21, 2020

Bishop Octavio Cisneros, Spiritual Director
 Rev. Frank Schwarz, Chaplain

For a Brochure call: Peter's Way Tours at:
516-605-1551 ext 17.

Or visit: Kaitlin@petersway.com.

Information is available at the Rectory Office

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.

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

GOLF OUTING

American Martyrs 7th Annual Golf Outing, June 3rd, North Shore Towers Golf Course. Sign in and lunch at noon, shotgun start at 1 PM. Dinner to follow at Anthony's Restaurant. Golf - \$185, dinner only \$45.



Donations welcomed.

Please email maureens@jwhampton.com.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS NOVENA

A Novena for **Mother's Day** begins **Sunday, May 12**. This is a beautiful way of remembering our Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Godmothers, Mothers-in-law, Step-Mothers, living or deceased, with a special Mass intention. Please return the envelope that you received in the mail, or **there are extra Mother's Day Remembrance envelopes available at the front pews and on the Church tables.** You may return them in the collection basket, or the Rectory Office.



PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR - COMPLIMENTARY MEAL at DONOVAN'S GRILL & TAVERN

Wed. May 22nd OR Thurs. May 23rd at 6:30 PM (Please select one date) As we know, making funeral arrangements after a loved one's recent passing can be one of the most difficult experiences in life. By pre-arranging your own funeral or a loved one's, the results will provide tremendous emotional, financial and long term benefits. Hosted by Frederick & Quinn-Fogarty Funeral Homes - 192-15 Northern Blvd. Flushing, NY 11358 / RSVP "a must" to Angela Eglezos or Nicole Esposito at (718) 357-6100 Donovan's, 214-16 41st Ave. Bayside, NY.



REFLECTION

Throughout the Easter season, our readings have given us glimpses into the life of the newborn Church and the bold witness of the early disciples in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen. These disciples were the first to live a stewardship way of life and their example is as relevant today as it was 2,000 years ago.



In the First Reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, we catch up with Paul and Barnabas in Antioch. While they certainly have some success in reaching many people there with the message of salvation, others are downright infuriated by their words and send them packing. Yet, we read that **“the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.”** Overall, it seems as if Paul and Barnabas had failed in Antioch. But this seeming failure has not robbed them of their joy. What’s more, they are filled to the brim with the abundant gifts of the Holy Spirit. How is this possible?

It is only possible because Paul and Barnabas saw themselves as nothing more and nothing less than stewards of Christ and His Good News. This realization brought them freedom — to offer themselves and their lives to others for the sake of the Gospel. The “results” of their efforts were up to God.

This Spirit-filled, joy-filled life is available to all of us, all these years later. **It can be achieved when we recognize, like Paul and Barnabas, that all we have and all we are is a gift from God, meant to be shared with others for His glory.** Of course, living as God’s stewards does not mean a life of ease or a life free of sacrifice. Sometimes the steward’s life involves great challenges, requiring all the strength and love one has to give. But in the end there is simply no more satisfying way to live.

~the catholicsteward.com

ROSARY SOCIETY

Please join us on **Monday, May 13 for our Annual Day of Recollection.** We will begin with a **Mass at 11am.** New members will be inducted. A lunch will be provide. Please call Carol at 718-631-0896, Diana at 718-7400643 or Barbara at 718-465-0585. If you have a favorite dessert, please bring it. We will collect bay items for Bridge to Life. All Ladies are welcome. Come join us! **All Parishioners are invited to join Fr. Frank and the Rosarians at 10 am, June 2, to pray the Rosary. The Rosarians will attend 10:30 am Mass together.**



2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

~ **FAITH & GOOD WORKS** ~

We thank those who have already made a pledge, and we ask that everyone *prayerfully* consider making a gift to the 2019 Appeal.



Annual Appeal Goal for 2019:	\$58,725.
Amount Pledged:	\$77,177.
Amount Received:	\$64,683.
Donors:	138

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.

Please visit: AnnualCatholicAppeal.org to watch the video. 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**

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

The National Safety Council will present its **Defensive Driving Course** for Insurance and Point Reduction at **American Martyrs on Saturday, June 15, 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.**



God of all creation, you make all things new. You are at once transfigured and transfiguring. Open our eyes to your presence in our lives. Wake us from the spiritual slumber that keeps You hidden from us. Make us new.

CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU!

Congratulations to **Mrs. Anne Marie Bills and Mr. & Mrs. Carl Reyes** for their well deserved nomination to receive the ***Distinguished Parishioner Award.*** This Diocesan Award is presented to lay members of our parish for their contribution, dedication and generosity to the life of the church in Brooklyn & Queens. Thank you for all you do for American Martyrs!

PARISH CALANDAR

All Parish organizations and other groups using the Sullivan Center, Murray Center, Board Room, Church, Rectory Chapel or School for parish functions are required to submit a written **calendar of dates, times and locations** to the Rectory by **May 31.**



+ 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:
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 *****

Cook Needed: Cook needed Monday through Thursday to prepare evening meal for the Sisters at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Convent. If interested please call Sr. Joanne at 518 451 0362.

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.

For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

~ Chaplet of Divine Mercy

GENERATIONS OF FAITH-Capital Campaign

Amount Pledged: \$1,238,949.
Total Paid on Pledges: \$947,245.
Amount returned to American Martyrs: \$554,910.



Number of Parishioners participating: 315
For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL - FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry is in need of some selected items: *Canned Juice, canned corn, string beans, & carrots; canned fruit, mac & cheese, cookies, canned soups, canned ravioli.* Thank you in advance for your help!

American Martyrs Society of St. Vincent de Paul-Food Pantry has been selected to be a part of the **Stop and Shop Community Bag Program**, which is designed to make it easy for customers to contribute to their local community while supporting the environment. For the month of **May 2019**, each time a \$2.50

reusable Community Bag is purchased at:

Stop and Shop
215 26th Avenue
Bayside, New York



American Martyrs Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Food Pantry will receive a \$1.00 donation.

FATHER-DAUGHTER NIGHT - SATURDAY JUNE 15 - 6:00-9:00 PM

Parish fathers - please save the date and bring your daughter(s) of all ages for a fun night of Wingo (aka bingo), prizes, pizza, and refreshments in the Sullivan Center.



Sponsored by the Father John J. Murray Knights of Columbus Council. While there is no cost for this father-daughter night of bonding, please go to:

<https://kofcam.weebly.com/contact-us.html> to **RSVP** with your name and your daughter(s) name(s) so we can get a rough head count in advance.

Thank you.

CAR WASH -- AMAA

The AMAA will hold a Car Wash on **Saturday, June 8**, from 9 am to 3 pm in the parking lot.



Donations \$10 ~ SUV's \$15

If you have any towels or cleaning supplies that you would like to donate, please drop them off at the Rectory.