

American Martyrs

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 31, 2022

But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for the one who stores up treasure for himself but is not rich in what matters to God." Luke 12: 20-21

Parish Clergy

Rev. Peter J. Rayder, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Stanley Galazin

Parish Staff

Ms. Patricia Adams, Business Manager
Mrs. Theresa Asche, Religious Education
Ms. Cynthia Macias, Youth Minister
Mr. Jose Espindola, Maintenance

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5pm
Sunday 8:30am - 10:30am - 12:30 pm

8:30am Weekday Daily Mass
Monday - Saturday in Main Church
Holy Days: 7:30pm Vigil, 8:30am & 7:30pm

Fr. John J. Murray
Knights of Columbus Council #14666

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Parish Website: www.amp.org

Religious Education Office
(718) 464 - 6411

American Martyrs Mission Statement

We, the diverse Catholic family of American Martyrs, are spiritually centered in the Word and the Eucharist. Our warm, welcoming community creates an atmosphere for a wonderful faith experience as we gather at the table of the Lord to help each other grow in Christ and live according to His teachings. Inspired by the faith and example of our patrons, the North Americans Martyrs, and the Blessed Mother, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we work together to spread the message of Jesus to all.

American Martyrs Celebrates the Sacraments

Penance

Every Saturday at 4:00pm—4:45pm (Also at anytime convenient upon request)

Baptisms

The second Saturday at 1pm and the last Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m.s. Parents must speak to Deacon Stan one month in advance before the scheduled date. Due to Corvid19 restrictions parents and sponsors are not required at this time to attend an instruction class.

Sacrament of the Sick Anointing of the Sick

This sacrament is available for any baptized Catholic who is seriously ill or suffering the effects of advanced age. Please call the rectory to make an appointment for a priest to come to the home, or call anytime for a sudden illness. If serious surgery is scheduled, call to arrange for the anointing before you enter the hospital. A communal celebration of this sacrament is celebrated annually.

Pastoral Care to the Homebound

We are concerned about parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, the Sacrament of Reconciliation or the Anointing of the Sick. If you are homebound, or if you know someone who is unable to come to Mass, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office at (718) 464-4582. Visits will be happily arranged for you.

Holy Matrimony


Call the Parish Office for information and appointment with a priest at least six months prior to the date you wish.

Be Vigilant of Child Abuse At All Times!

It is vitally important that we are constantly vigilant-that we always observe the behaviors of those who interact with children. And we must always communicate our concerns to the appropriate parties. Sometimes this means communicating our safety concerns to our children. And sometimes this means communicating our concerns about seemingly inappropriate behavior to those who are in a position to intervene. Parents must also listen carefully to their children and observe both their children's activities and the behavior of older children and adults who interact with them. When children exhibit dramatic behavioral changes, adults must find out what caused the changes. Being aware of what's happening with our children means talking to, listening to, and observing them-at every opportunity. For help or info call: Maryellen Quinn: Diocese of Brooklyn's Safe Environment Coordinator 718-965-7300

Traveling Madonna

The purpose of this Virgin Mary statue is to bring the graces of Fatima and Our Lady's message of peace and hope. For the past 9 years, the Rosary Society has been passing the statue of Mary through the parish. In this difficult time, as we pray for peace, anyone interested in joining the rotation, please call Margaret Reyes at 718 217-7110. In these unsettled times, praying the Rosary is important. Please join us on the first Sunday of the month at 10 o'clock to pray as a group. All welcome !



COLUMBIETTES

"A Catholic Organization for Women"

News from The American Martyrs Columbiettes

We warmly invite ladies age 18+ Up
To join our awesome council

For more information please call Anne Caruso 347+626+9802

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Remember in your Prayers the Sick of American Martyrs

Michael Arriaga, Roberto Barrientos, Rose and Jessie Carlone, Bill Carrar, Frank Carroll, Diana Ferrante, Michael Gorry, Jack Kopcinski, Mary Modica, Frank Mollo, Lorraine Rensch, John Sheridan, Jr., Marie Scuderi, Paulette Wilson, Irene McGrath, Frances Burgess, Maria Criscuolo, Chistine Biondi, Rosemary Mollo, Ramon Dickson, Luis D. Vargas, C.J. Marino, Mary Carroll, Eleanor Kelly, Thomas Holloran, Pauline Purcha, Tara McGraw, Msgr. John Keppler, Joseph Zicari, Dawn Brigante, George Adamonis, Caroline Bonacci, Germaine DeVier, Anthonine Charles, Chuck Levitt, Fr. Jim Cunningham, Anna + Erwin Bischoff, Jimmy O'Neil, Deniel Borfitz, Robert Durfey, Dr. Frank Amico and Rudy Mazzocchi

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

July 31, 2022 - August 6, 2022

Sunday

8:30am

For the Faithful of American Martyrs

10:30am

Arlene Scherne (requested by Goydas Family)

Michael DiMarco (requested by family)

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12:30pm

William A. Krug (requested by Victor Flores)

Monday

Christopher Scarfi (requested by Ray Fortune)

Tuesday

Fr. Peter (requested by Nilda)

Wednesday

Blanca S. Baquero (requested by Family)

Thursday

Anne Garelick (requested by the Lanzetti Family)

Friday

Millie Diprossino (requested by Nancy + Angelo Marchi)

Saturday

8:30am: For the faithful of American Martyrs

5:00pm

Gladys Alonzo (requested by her family)



The gifts of Bread and Wine
are offered in Thanksgiving for
The St. Vincent de Paul Society of
American Martyrs

**REMEMBER THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
OF AMERICAN MARTYRS**

Patricia Anne Vaccaro

William A. Krug

Fr. Gregory Stankus



God shall wipe all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away. Rev. 21:4

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Rev. LT. Mark Bristol, USN

PO3 John Schaefer - USCG

TAO Sean Reiley—USN

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

LORD, hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. And give us peace.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
Our Lord and Savior. Amen



This weeks sanctuary candle
In Thanksgiving for
Fr. Dominic, Fr. Jim Devine
and Msgr. Edward Doran

The Collection for July 24, 2022

Online Giving: \$1,477.50

Collection: \$4161.00

Total: \$5,638.50

Damien House Mission Appeal: \$2,640.00

American Martyrs Blog...Brought to you by Greg, Mike and Mike2

Today's Gospel reading is meant to shake us up a bit I think. In the reading, Jesus is asked to settle an inheritance problem between two brothers. In response, Jesus warns against greed and tells the parable of the rich man who has such an abundance of crop, that he is challenged as to what to do with it. He decides that it is best to tear down his old barns and build new, larger ones where all the grain can be safely stored providing him with comfort for many years to come. While this seems a bit greedy a solution, it isn't too surprising. How many of us would have decided to do the same thing?

Unfortunately for the rich man, God has other plans (as usual). The man loses his life that very night and all of his worrying about storing up more grain, more wealth, is in vain. It is out of his control.

In reading a reflection by Jack Shea (The Spiritual Wisdom of the Gospels for Christian Preachers and Teachers, Year C), I was struck by his thought that being "rich toward God" is like, "letting the grain grow right through your body without ever thinking of a barn." What a powerful image! We are to be so aware of God's grace and abundance, that we realize that it is all gift. We are to be stewards of all God's gifts of abundance. That is a constant challenge for us. How can we let the grain "grow through us?"

One way is to work at serving others with joy, looking to others needs rather than concentrating on our irritations. We are called to be the hands of God here on earth and that is no easy task. Serving others calls for commitment and time. It calls for the willingness to be the Martha's who do what they do because they are Mary's at the same time, serving because of a deep relationship with God.

This September American Martyrs will begin seeking dedicated people to serve as liturgical ministers. We will have a simple Ministry Fair after the 10:30 Mass (date to be determined,) you will be able to meet representatives of the different liturgical ministries and sign up to help. We will be seeking people for the following ministries: Altar Boys and Altar Girls, Weekday Adult Altar Servers, lectors; Eucharistic ministers; ushers; hospitality and greeters; and environment. Look for descriptions of these ministries in the weeks ahead.

When we serve each other, we let the grain grow through us. We do not worry about inconsequential things but in putting the comfort of someone else first. We do not hoard for ourselves. Instead we give freely to all.

God bless, and continue enjoying the summer, and remember...

...LGM... ...Let's Go Mets

Fr. Peter



American Martyrs Goal: \$66,708
As of July 25, 2022
Pledged: \$127,415
Received: \$111,944.90
Number of Pledges: 157

Annual Catholic Appeal 2022
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

SUMMER RECTORY HOURS FOR AUGUST

Monday - Thursday 9am + 4pm

Closed on Friday and Saturday (Meetings by Appointment Only)

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY CALL RECTORY AND LEAVE A MESSAGE ON VOICE MAIL

American Martyrs Church Religious Education
REGISTRATION FORM

CHILD'S NAME: _____
LAST FIRST

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: _____

HOME PHONE#: _____ CELL#: _____

PLEASE CHECK OFF THE BOX IF ANY INFORMATION HAS CHANGED

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ SEX: _____

MOTHER'S "MAIDEN" NAME: _____

FATHER'S NAME: _____

GUARDIAN (IF APPLICABLE): _____

E-MAIL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

GRADE IN SEPTEMBER: _____ SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____

SACRAMENT INFORMATION:

BAPTISM DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ PARISH: _____

HAS YOUR CHILD RECEIVED FIRST COMMUNION YES NO

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ PARISH: _____

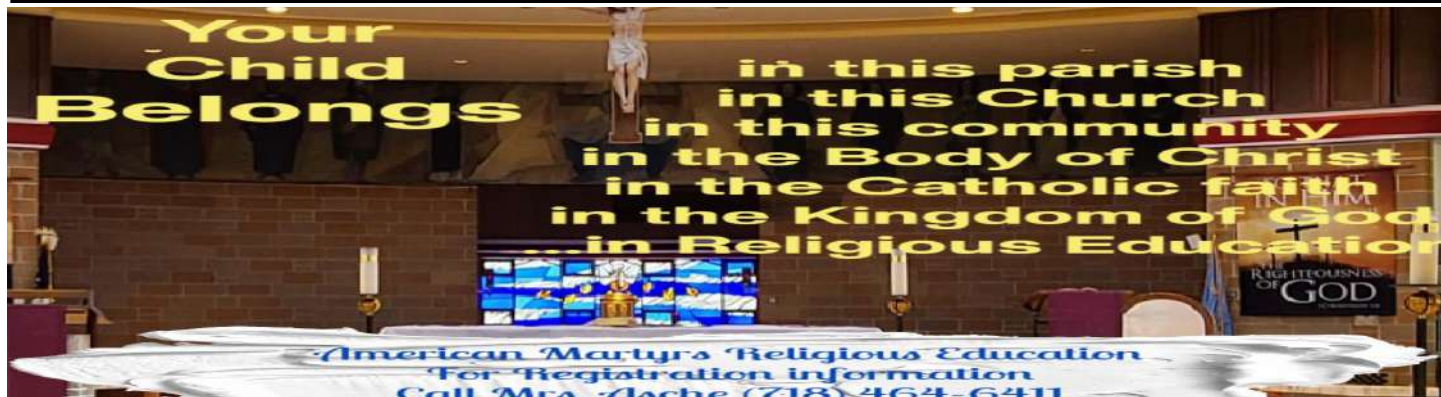
HAS YOUR CHILD RECEIVED FIRST PENANCE: YES NO

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ PARISH: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS (LEARNING DISABILITIES): _____

SPECIAL MEDICAL NEEDS: _____

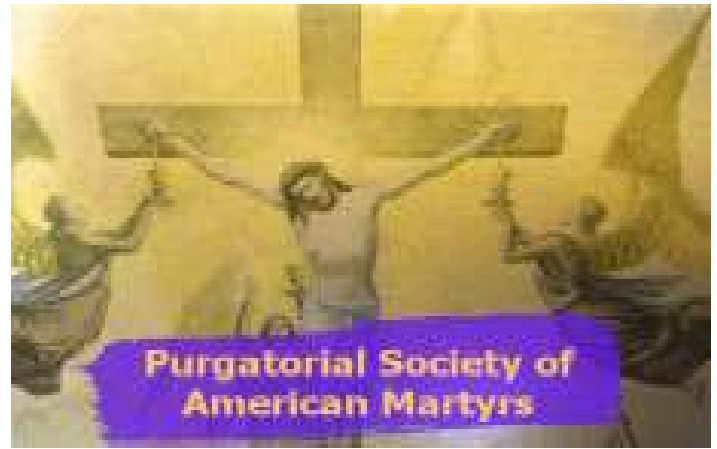
**PLEASE PROVIDE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH CHILD
ATTENDING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



Purgatorial Society
New Members enrolled for August

Larry McElroy

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 10:30am Mass.. The stipend to enroll a loved one is \$25.00 . The names of those enrolled for the first month will be published in our bulletin.



SUMMER CHURCH ATTIRE



**American Martyrs is
Air Conditioned for your comfort.**

**Summer month we tend
toward a more relaxed way
of life as well as dress.**

**Please be conscious of
proper attire for Church**

**Going To Mass Should Be the Reason For
Missing Everything Else On The Lord's Day**



Looking to Help???
Bridge to Life Needs Diapers!

Pampers®



Please Leave Diapers @ Entrance to American Martyrs

"I'm going to live to be 450 years old, unless I die first"

Dr. William Buzzone



**American Martyrs'
Welcomes with Great Joy
Giselle Ava Peguero
Daughter of Cristobal + Maneca**

FLOATER & SMITTY Sitting in the Summer Sun

Floater: Does anyone know if you need a current license to drive an electric car?

Smitty: My wife just left me due to my narcolepsy, but I'm not going to lose any sleep over it.

Floater: I missed my catnap today! I slept right through it.

Smitty: What if a dog brings back the ball because he thinks we like throwing it?

Floater: I once took a stuffed dog to the Antiques Roadshow. The chap said, "This is very rare, do you know what it would fetch if it was in good condition?" I replied, "Dunno, sticks I suppose?"

Smitty: Wimbledon tickets on sale first come first served. You can get them on line or over the net

Floater: If you lose your money then Serves you right.

Smitty: I once stole a calendar. I got 12 months for it.

Floater: My wife gets really angry when I mess with her red wine So I added some fruit and lemonadeNow she's sangria than ever

Smitty: The man who invented the 'knock knock' joke has won a NO-bell peace prize

Floater: I do weight training , I wait for a train everyday

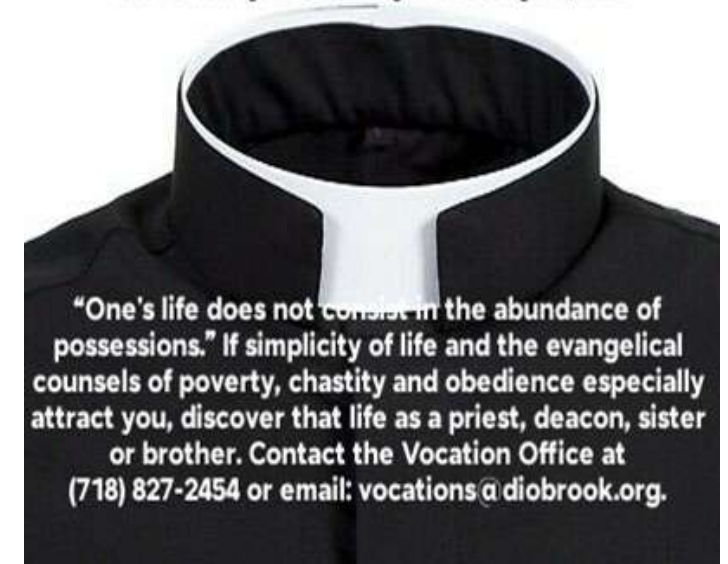


American Martyrs Celebrates The Sacrament of Baptisms

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"One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.