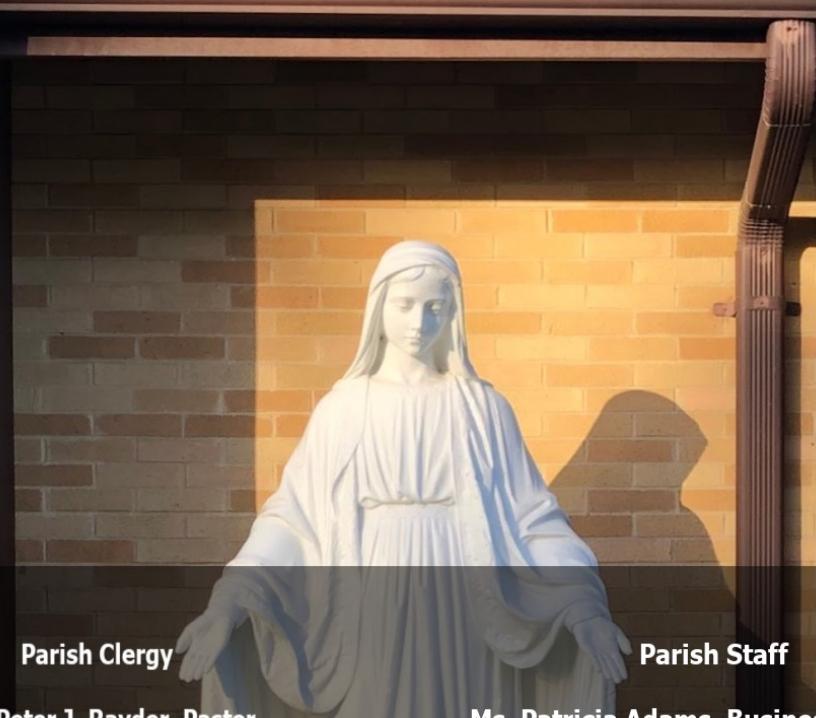


# American Martyrs

6th Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



## Parish Clergy

Rev. Peter J. Rayder, Pastor  
Rev. James W. King  
Rev. Mr. Stanley Galazin  
Rev. Msgr. John F. Keppler, P.E.

Weekend Assistant  
Rev. Emmanuel Nartey  
Rev. James Devine

## 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

## Parish Staff

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

Fr. John J. Murray  
Knights of Columbus Council #14666  
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Website: [www.amparish.org](http://www.amparish.org)

Pray for Life, Peace and Vocations

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## 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., except during Lent and Christmas Seasons. 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

News from The American Martyrs Columbiettes  
"A Catholic Organization for Women"

We warmly invite ladies age 18 + Up  
To Join Our Awesome Council  
For info please call Deneille Loprete @ 917-414-3753

### Join the American Martyrs

Fr. John J. Murray

Knights of Columbus Council 14666

Email: KofCAM14666@gmail.com

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# *Remember in your Prayers the Sick of American Martyrs*

Michael Arriaga, Roberto Barrientos, Iride Bubek, Rose and Jessie Carlone, Bill Carrar, Frank Carroll, Diana Ferrante, Michael Gorry, Jack Kopcinski, Mary Modica, Frank Mollo, Lorraine Rensch, John Sheridan, Jr., Arlene Scherne, Marie Scuderi, Paulette Wilson, Irene McGrath, Frances Burgess, Maria Criscuolo, Chistine Biondi, Rosemary Mollo, Ramon Dickson, Thomas Lafleur, Luis D. Vargas, C.J. Marino, Mary Carroll, Eleanor Kelly, Thomas Holloran, Pauline Purcha, Tara McGraw, Msgr. John Keppler, Fr. Peter Rayder, Joseph Zicari, Dawn Brieante, George Adamonis, Bill Krug, Edward Thompson, John Sheridan, Sr.

## **Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK**



**Sunday, May 22**  
**8:30am: Misa Pro Populo**

**10:30am: Bridget McGovern** (requested by Lawrence)  
**Mary Doocey** (requested by Sally, FrankLiam)  
**Celia Cox** (requested by Sally, FrankLiam)

**12:30pm: Guillermo Ballesteros**  
(requested by the Ballesteros family)

**Monday, May 23**  
**Dominick & Michael Carbone** (requested by sister and aunt)

**Tuesday, May 24**  
**Brendan D. Barry** (requested by Members of the Fr. John J. Murray Knights of Columbus)

**Wednesday, May 25**  
**Demetrio Santarini**  
(requested by family)

**7:30pm Vigil for Ascension Thursday**  
**Mary Calogero** (Requested by Roberta & Robert Andreoli)

**Ascension Thursday, May 26**  
**8:30am James Blando** (requested by family)  
**7:30pm: Charles J. Rayder**

**Friday, May 27**  
**Mary Meehan** (Maureen)

**Saturday, May 28**  
**8:30am : Catholic War Veterans**  
**5:00pm: Fredrick Scheriber**  
( requested by Carl & Margaret)



**This weeks sanctuary candle  
is in memory of  
Maria T. Flexer with love  
Valerie & Steve**



**REMEMBER THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED  
OF AMERICAN MARTYRS**



*Ernst Edel and  
The Souls of those murdered in Buffalo*

*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**

**The Collection for May 15, 2022**

**E-Giving: \$1,137.50  
Collection: \$3,961  
Total: \$5,098.50**

## **Bits and Pieces from Mike and Mike: "Building a House's Deck... ...One Nail at a Time!"**

Dear People of God... ...Could you imagine...

### **...If God had Voicemail**

We have all learned to live with "voicemail" as a necessary part of modern life. But have you wondered, what if God decided to install voice mail? Imagine praying and hearing this: "Thank you for calling My Father's House. Please select one of the following options:"

**Press 1 for Requests**

**Press 2 for Thanksgiving**

**Press 3 for Complaints**

**Press 4 for All Other Inquiries**

I'm sorry but all of our angels are busy helping other sinners right now. However, your prayer is important to us and will be answered in the order it was received, so please stay on the line.

If you would like to speak to:

**God, Press.....1**

**Jesus, Press.....2**

**The Holy Spirit, Press.....3**

Press 4 If you would like to hear King David sing a Psalm while you are holding.

Press 5 To find out if a loved one has been assigned to heaven, then enter his or her social security number, then press the pound key. If you get a negative response, try area code 666

For reservations at "My Father's House," please enter J-O-H-N, followed by 3-1-6.

For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth and Noah's Ark, please wait until you arrive here.

Our computers show that you have already prayed once today. Please hang up and try again tomorrow. This office is closed for the weekend to observe a religious holiday. Please pray again Monday after 9:30am. If you need emergency assistance when this office is closed, contact your local pastor.

*THANK GOD, GOD DOESN'T HAVE VOICEMAIL AND THAT GOD LISTENS WHEN WE PRAY!!!!!!*

**God Bless as we journey together,**

**Fr. Peter**

**Rectory Office Hours Mon—Thurs 9am –12 noon & 1pm—4pm  
Saturday's 9am—12 Noon All Other Hours by Appointment**



**American Martyrs Goal: \$66,708**

**As of May 16, 2022**

**Pledged: \$99,300**

**Received: \$82,241.66**

**Number of Pledges: 115**

# 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**



**Kateri Chapel is Open for Prayer  
Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm**



### Congratulations to St. Francis Prep Students

*The following merit recognition for their academic performance having received an average of 90% or above to achieve Honor Roll status.*

Katie Caruso  
Leilani Correa  
Joseph Garcia  
Nate Gross  
Gretchen Lotze  
Taylor Massiasacosta  
Madison Riese  
Annabella Senra  
Patricia Tabor

Aaron Chou  
Olivia Dibenedetto  
Sarah Gonzalez  
Grace Hughes  
Amanda Martini  
Abigail Ochoa  
Dakota Salzberg  
Nathaniel Shoule  
Derek Tyska

### Sixth Sunday of Easter -- May 22, 2022

“Those who love Me will keep my word.” Is your love for the Lord leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).



**Meanwhile at Bishop Kellenberg HS**  
Dawson Willis also has made the  
Honor Roll

### Floater and Smitty

**Catholic Vocabulary List Update by Floater & Smitty**  
This information is for Catholics only. It must not be divulged to non-Catholics. The less they know about our rituals and top-secret code words, the better off they are.

**PEW:** A medieval torture device still found in Catholic churches.

**PROCESSION:** The ceremonial formation at the beginning of Mass consisting of altar servers, the celebrant, and late parishioners looking for seats.

**RECESSIONAL:** The ceremonial procession at the conclusion of Mass led by parishioners trying to beat the crowd to the parking lot.

**RELICS:** People who have been going to Mass for so long, they actually know when to sit, kneel, and stand.

**TEN COMMANDMENTS:** The most important Top Ten list not given by David Letterman.

**USHERS:** The only people in the parish who don't know the seating capacity of a pew.

**Curley Shuffle:** When the Ushers collect the weekly offering many parishioners do the Shuffle reaching into their pockets.

### American Martyrs Celebrates The Sacrament of Baptisms

We will now offer the second Saturday at 1pm as well as the last Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. (except during Lent and Christmas Seasons.) Parents must speak to Deacon Stan one month in advance before the scheduled date. Due to Covid19 restrictions parents and sponsors are not required at this time to attend an instruction class.

### ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 26 (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)



### MASS SCHEDULE VIGIL WEDNESDAY

**7:30PM  
THURSDAY  
8:30AM & 7:30PM**

### American Martyrs Catholic War Veterans Memorial Service

**Sunday May 29, 2022  
After 10:30 Mass**

JOIN US FOR A COMPLIMENTARY SEMINAR AND MEAL!

Your Life. Your Legacy.  
Plan to make it right.



When you plan ahead, you can design every detail of your own final tribute and provide your loved ones with true peace of mind.

Join us to learn about the many benefits of making your final arrangements in advance.

**BEN'S KOSHER RESTAURANT**

211-37 26th Avenue  
Bayside, New York 11360

Tuesday - May 24, 2022 @ 11:30 AM

To Reserve Your Seating Please Call 718-357-6100

Or Email: [Marie.Pemberton@sci-us.com](mailto:Marie.Pemberton@sci-us.com) OR  
[Robert.Hogan@dignitymemorial.com](mailto:Robert.Hogan@dignitymemorial.com)

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**PARISH CALENDAR JULY 2022 -- AUGUST 2023**

All Parish organizations and other groups using the Sullivan Center, Murray Center, Church, Rectory Chapel or School for parish functions are required to submit a written calendar of dates, times and locations to Pat at the Rectory by June 30.

Hopefully, we will be able to resume a normal calendar of events.

**HAVE SOME SPARE TIME?**



**HERE ARE A FEW WAYS TO SPEND THE TIME...**

**Douglaston Community Theatre presents "Social Security"**

*a play starring Cathy Chimenti – this weekend and next.* If you think Mike Chimenti our beloved leader of song is a ham (his words not mine) wait until you see his wife and her hilarious performance in this fun and funny night out. See the attached flyer for more details.

**Father-Daughter Night - Saturday 6/18 6:00-8:00 PM:**

Parish and CYO fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, uncles, male guardians – celebrate Father's Day Eve and bring your daughter(s) of all ages for a fun night of Wingo (aka bingo), prizes, pizza, and refreshments in the Sullivan Center. Appropriate social distancing measures will be taken. 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.

**Pro-Life Mass & Prayer Vigil - Saturday morning 5/28:**

Please consider attending the Helpers of God's Precious Infants ([helpersbrooklynny.org](http://helpersbrooklynny.org)) Pro-Life mass Saturday morning at **8:00 AM** at Our Lady of Sorrows (104-11 37<sup>th</sup> Ave) in Corona. After the mass, if you choose to participate, there is the opportunity to walk 10-15 blocks as we peacefully pray the Rosary together outside of a nearby abortion clinic. This is not a demonstration nor protest, just peaceful prayer. Prayer is our greatest tool as Catholics as we do our part to protect and advocate for the unborn so, please invite a friend or family member to attend as well.

**American Martyrs  
Catholic War Veterans**

The red poppy symbolizes the blood shed during battle!  
The funds raised by CWV are held in a trust, to be used to provide financial assistance and support to veterans.

**Please Support the American Martyrs CWV this Memorial Day**