

February 9, 2025
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
American Martyrs

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Peter J. Rayder, Pastor
Deacon Stan Galazin
Very Rev. Francis K. Asagba (in residence)

Parish Staff

Mrs. Theresa Asche
Director of Religious Education
Mrs. Patricia Adams
Office/Business
Mr. Jose Espindola
Parish Grounds

America Martyrs RC Church
79-43 Bell Blvd.
Oakland Gardens, NY 11364

Rectory: 718 + 464 + 4582
Religious Education 718 + 464 + 6411

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil at 4pm
Sunday 9am + 11:30am

Monday - Friday at 8:30am
Saturday Prayer Service at 8:30am

Holy Days
7:30pm Vigil + 8:30am + 7:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 3pm - 3:45pm
Or Call Rectory for Appointment

Rectory Office Hours
Monday - Thursday: 9am - 12noon and 1pm - 4pm
Friday - Saturday 9am - 12noon and 1pm - 3pm

Website: www.amparish.org
Email: Americanmartyrs@aol.com



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 an 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 3pm—3:45pm (Also at anytime convenient upon request)

Baptisms

Parents must speak to Deacon Stan one month in advance before the scheduled date.

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

Pastors Advisory Board/Parish Council

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2024 ACA

The 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the Mission of American Martyrs and the daily work of The Church in Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone.

All donations over American Martyrs goal to the ACA comes back to our parish to help meet our needs

ACA UPDATES FEBRUARY 3 2025

Parish Goal: \$66,706
Pledged: \$156,137
Paid: \$155,497
Pledges 161



**“I have neither silver nor gold,
but I bring with me the most precious thing given to me: Jesus Christ.”
Pope Francis**

Remember in your Prayers the Sick of American Martyrs

Msgr. John Keppler, Rosalinda Apostadero, Elizabeth Coppola, Jen Flynn Limberg, Denis Keane, James + Anne Kingston, Elsie & Frank Paukowits, Martin Thaila, Vijay Devassy, Anita Mascoli, John Buglione, John Sheridan Jr., Tom Holloran, Arlene Scherne, Vincent Sheridan, Jessie Carlone, Jackson Monchal, Gloria Saavedra, Jack Goydas, John Bennett, Michael G. McLoone, Dave Tavella, Gloria Valdez, Patrick Kearney, Tom Dana, Roberto + Raquel Barrientos, Kalyan Sham, Mike Tramonte, Alexa Kropf, Dr. Renato Gega, Dr. Gilda Versales, Gracinda Silva, Anna Bischoff, Robert Galazin, Stephen Feit, Richard San Severino, Jeremiah J. Doran, Vita Mazzola, Steven Troutman and Baby Charlie B. Woods

(THE SICK WILL STAY ON LIST FOR 3 WEEKS AND THEN BE REMOVED UNLESS THERE IS A REQUEST FOR THE PERSON TO REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST FOR ANOTHER 3 WEEKS)

Mass Intentions Week of February 9th + February 15th

9am

Antemio Santiago (Requested by Delia)

11:30am

Jack Bills (Requested by AnnMarie)

Henriette Camelle Celestin (Requested by the Family)

Natacha JoanMarie Celestin (Requested by the Family)

Monday 8:30am

*Memory of Agnes Walsh on her Birthday
(Requested by Buzzone Family)*

Tuesday 8:30am

Irene McGrath (Requested by Nilda Vargas)

Wednesday 8:30am

Gloria Flores (Requested by her Family)

Thursday 8:30am

Agnes Walsh (Requested by Maureen Henry)

Friday 8:30am

Joan Vargas (Requested by Nilda Vargas)

Saturday 8:30am Communion/Prayer Service

*Msgr. Martin T. Geraghty + Msgr. George Deas
(Requested by Galazin Family)*

Saturday 4pm

Carine Bonostro (Requested by her Family)



**There is an appointed time
for everything, and a time for
every affair under the heavens,
A time to live and a time to die...**

**Deacon Paul C. Dorsinville
Franco Ventrella**

***The Gifts of Bread + Wine
In loving memory of
Paul F. Radacinski
(Requested by his Family)***



***The Gifts of Altar Sanctuary Candles
Charles + Karen + William
(Requested by Mary)***



PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

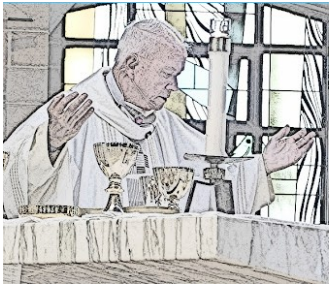
Rev. LT. Mark Bristol, USN,
PO3 John Schaefer - USCG
TAO Sean Reiley—USN
Raymond Esquilin, CW4
Lisa Johnston,
WO 1 Crystal Robles
2nd Lt. Daniel Wolf, USAF
SFC Sheldon Warren

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 9, 2025
World Marriage Day**

**"They left everything and followed Jesus." If you sense that Christ
may be calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life,
contact the Vocation Office (718) 827-2454 or
email: vocations@diobrook.org**



This Could be you



My Side of the Altar

Dear People of God, the cold February winds here remind us that spring is still off in the distance. The winds howl and we long for warmer days and bright sunshine. The same image can be applied to our lives. At times, our hearts are restless and the waters of our life are choppy. The winds howl and we wonder if we will ever find joy and light at the end of the tunnel. We also go through times in our life when the waters and wind of life are calm. Both in the turbulent times and calm days of our journey the Lord Jesus is with us. Are we open to His presence? The following story is a keeper! Read..... Reflect.....and pass it on. ...

Can You Sleep While the Wind Blows?

Years ago, a farmer owned land along the Atlantic seacoast. He constantly advertised for hired hands. Most people were reluctant to work on farms along the Atlantic. They dreaded the awful storms that raged across the Atlantic, wreaking havoc on the buildings and crops.

As the farmer interviewed applicants for the job, he received a steady stream of refusals. Finally, a short, thin man, well past middle age, approached the farmer. "Are you a good farm hand?" the farmer asked him. "Well, I can sleep when the wind blows," answered the little man. Although puzzled by this answer, the farmer, desperate for help, hired him.

The little man worked well around the farm, busy from dawn to dusk, and the farmer felt satisfied with the man's work.

Then one night the wind howled loudly in from offshore. Jumping out of bed, the farmer grabbed a lantern and rushed next door to the hired hand's sleeping quarters. He shook the little man and yelled, "Get up! A storm is coming! Tie things down before they blow away!" The little man rolled over in bed and said firmly, "No sir. I told you, I can sleep when the wind blows."

Enraged by the response, the farmer was tempted to fire him on the spot. Instead, he hurried outside to prepare for the storm. To his amazement, he discovered that all the haystacks had been covered with tarpaulins. The cows were in the barn, the chickens were in the coops, and the doors were barred. The shutters were tightly secured. Everything was tied down. Nothing could blow away. The farmer then understood what his hired hand meant, so he returned to his bed to also sleep while the wind blew.

Can we sleep when the wind blows through our life and the waters of life are choppy and turbulent? We secure ourselves against the storms of life by grounding ourselves in God. We may not have all the answers, but are we able to trust, surrender and let the hand of God touch us with His peace during the storms of our lives? In the arms of God sleep well when the wind blows!

On the lighter side, enjoy some of the wit and wisdom of Will Rogers. Laughter is wonderful medicine these slow days of February.

- * Never miss a good chance to shut up.
- * If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
- * The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back in your pocket.
- * Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
- * If you're riding ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
- * Lettin' the cat out of the bag is a whole lot easier 'n puttin' it back.
- * Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.
- * The older we get, the fewer things seems worth waiting in line for.
- * Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me. I want people to know WHY I look this way.
- * I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.
- * When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to your youth, think of Algebra.
- * Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf.

Keep smiling and GO CHIEFS, Fr. Peter

February 3

Online \$1,030.50 In-Pew \$6,683.00

Total \$7,713.50

Poor Box: \$68.00 Votive Candles: \$138.00 California Wild Fire Church Assistance: \$186.00 (Total: \$3747.00)



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February 9, 2025

First Reading: *Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8*

Isaiah describes his vision and call from the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 138:1-5,7-8*

A song of thanks to God who saves us

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

Paul reminds the Corinthians of the gospel that he announced to them.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 5:1-11*

The fishermen (Simon, James, and John) leave their fishing boats and follow Jesus.

Background on the Gospel

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins his ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepares to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter. We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord"—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.

**This weekends second collection is our Heating Fuel Collection! We want to keep American Martyrs comfortable during the year.
Thank You in Advance for your Generosity...**



Do you have any idea of American Martyrs' Monthly Con-Edison Bill?

December 2024 was \$5,435.49

January 2025 is \$7,080.79

I know all of you pay a hefty price to Con-Edison, but....Wow

American Martyrs Catholic War Veterans would like to thank our parishioners for their support of our Drive for the Troops campaign. We were able to send 59 boxes to our troops overseas and use the \$1,273 towards shipping We appreciate your support in allowing us to carry out our mission. May God bless you always.





**St Patrick's Day Party
American Martyrs (Sullivan Centre)**

**5pm Saturday March 8, 2025
Irish buffet, Music, Step Dancers, Raffles & BYOB**

**NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR
RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW**



**CALL or TEXT 631 505 1312 or
Email KofCAM14666@gmail.com**



**\$45 (ages 21 and older)
\$30 (ages 15- 20)
\$25 (ages 7-14)**

**If you leave payment at the Rectory, include this stub with check
payable to Knights of Columbus
For ZELLE or VENMO info call 631 505 1312**

NAME: _____ PHONE _____

Number of Leprechauns attending _____

\$45 tickets _____

\$30 tickets _____

\$25 tickets _____

**Tickets are not issued. You will be added to a guest list
Visit our website KofCAM.weebly.com Join the Knights**

TOY STORY

**Family Movie Night at American Martyrs
7pm on Wednesday, February 19
(President's Week)**

In The Sullivan Center

**UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE IS FREE
SENIORS OVER 90 FREE WITH A LETTER
FROM YOUR GREAT GRANDMOTHER
EVERYONE ELSE IS FREE AS WELL**





St. Francis Hospital Outreach Bus

Free Health Screenings

Includes a brief cardiac history, blood pressure and a simple blood test for cholesterol and diabetes for adults 18 and older.

We also provide patient education and referrals.

No appointment is required.

American Martyrs

79-43 Bell Boulevard, Bayside, NY 11364

Friday, March 14, 2025

10:00am-2:00pm

(Last screening at 1:45pm)



Volunteers Needed to Participate in Corporal Work of Mercy **Feed the Hungry**



Saint Marguerite d'Youville
Foundress of the Grey Nuns

Marguerite's Pantry at Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2538 80th St, East Elmhurst, NY www.margueritespantry.org

Saturday morning February 8th from 9:00AM until 1:30PM

Future Saturday dates 2025: March 8th, April 12th, May 10th, June 14th, July 19th

*For more information contact us at kofc14666fm@gmail.com www.kofcam.weebly.com

Come Pray with Us

Helpers of God's Precious Infants

<http://www.helpersbrooklynny.org/>

Upcoming Prayer Vigils - 2025

****each prayer vigil is followed by a Rosary procession and prayer outside of a local abortion provider**

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.

- Saturday January 25th - 8:00 AM mass-Our Lady of Sorrows, 104-11 37th Ave, Corona
- Saturday February 15th - 7:30 AM mass-St Catherine of Genoa, 520 Linden Ave, Brooklyn
- Saturday March 15th - 7:30 AM mass- Our Lady of the Cenacle, 136-06 87th Ave, Richmond Hill
 - Saturday April 12th - 8:00 AM mass-St Charles Borromeo, 31 Sidney Pl, Brooklyn
- Saturday May 31st - 7:30 AM mass-Presentation of the BVM, 88-19 Parsons Blvd, Jamaica
- Saturday June 28th - 8:00 AM mass-Our Lady of Sorrows, 104-11 37th Ave, Corona



You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations. You are called to work and pray against abortion.

— Pope John Paul II —

Respect Life Ministry at American Martyrs

<https://kofcam.weebly.com/respect-life.html>



**JOIN THE HOLY FAMILY SECULAR
FRANCISCAN FRATERNITY**
For a Spiritual Pilgrimage to
Padre Pio National Centre

DATE

April 5, 2025 (Saturday)

DEPARTURE

6:45 AM at Holy Family Parish
175-20 74th Ave Fresh Meadows, NY 11366

We are excited to invite you to embark on a transformative **pilgrimage** with us to Padre Pio Centre. This journey offers a unique opportunity for spiritual renewal, prayer, reflection, and connection with fellow pilgrims. Whether you are seeking to deepen your faith, explore sacred sites, or simply experience the peace of a pilgrimage, this trip promises to be an unforgettable experience.

COST

\$95.00

NOTE THAT THIS FEE IS NON -
REFUNDABLE

INCLUDES

**BUS FARE, HOT
LUNCH, DONATIONS**

**BUS SEATING ON
FIRST COME FIRST
SERVE**

CONTACTS

SONIA CUCHAPIN

917-518-5212

MICHAEL RENNA

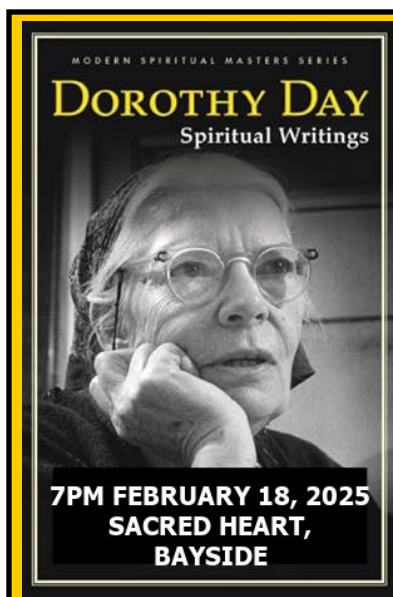
718-343-6242

HIGHLIGHTS

**MASS, ROSARY,
GUIDED TOUR**

ADDRESS

111 Barto Road
Barto, Pennsylvania
19504



Dorothy Day: A Pilgrim of Hope
A Presentation by Kevin Ahern, Ph.D.
Professor of Religious Studies,
Manhattan University

Sacred Heart Church
215-35 38th Avenue
Bayside, NY 11361

7PM February 18, 2025

Admission is free! Sponsored by Deanery #5
All are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.
For more information contact: Sacred Heart Church: 718 428-2200
or visit website at sacredheartbayside-queens.org

Holy Family Mass Schedule



www.holyfamilyfm.org
175-20 74th Avenue Fresh Meadows, N.Y. 11366
(P): 718-969-2448 (F): 718-591-6166 (E): rectory@holyfamilyfm.org

8:30am Monday - Saturday
Sunday Schedule

5pm Vigil Mass 7:30am + 9am + 10:30am + 12 Noon + 5pm



Tuition Assistance for Catholic Elementary Schools 2025 - 2026 School Year

Applications for Tuition Assistance for Catholic Elementary Schools (Grades K through 8) in the Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens For the 2025 + 2026 Academic Year is now open.

For more information, go to: www.futursineducation.org/ or call
Diocesan Futures in Education Office at 718 + 965 + 7340

Heart to Heart Ministry: An Extra Tablespoon of Love!

A Tambourine of Hope and a Cup of Faith!

A Special Women's Brunch Retreat
There will be a Donation Basket.

Guest Christian Musician Alverlis

Saturday, February 15, 2025 9:30am - Noon
Sullivan Center of American Martyrs



Please R.S.V.P.
Sister Ave Clark, O.P.
Heart to Heart Ministry
151-58 17th Road
Whitestone, NY 11357

Or Call Sister Ave Clark at 718-428-2471

PLEASE BE MINDFUL!

When entering American Martyrs please be mindful that many people are praying. If you wish to greet someone do so in quiet tones so as not to disturb another's prayer time.



PILGRIMS OF HOPE TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God,

we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires. --James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co

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FREE SPEECH AND HEARING EVALUATIONS

St. John's University Speech and Hearing Center
will be offering free speech and hearing evaluations from February 3, 2025
through May 1, 2025
Call the center at 718 + 990 + 6480
to schedule an appointment or for more information.

CHOOSING SIDES

My great concern is not whether God is on our side;
my great concern is to be on God's side. --Abraham Lincoln

12 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT YOUR PASTOR

Pastors are not spirit beings. They are humans. It would help if you know a few of these things about them.

1. Your Pastor can fall sick.
2. Your Pastor gets tired.
3. Your Pastor feels frustrated sometimes.
4. Your Pastor needs care.
5. Your Pastor needs a miracle too sometimes.
6. Your Pastor has needs.
7. Your Pastor is not flawless.
8. Your Pastor needs prayers.
9. Your Pastor needs someone to stand by them in times of trouble.
10. Your Pastor can make mistakes.
11. Your Pastor is called and anointed by God. But he is NOT God.
12. Your Pastor does not have all the answers.



"Nonetheless, I'd appreciate it if you'd stop upsetting folks by asking 'Is that your *final* donation?' "

**Schedule for the Lectors and
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**
SATURDAY/SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15/16

Lectors

4pm Vigil: Anne Marie Wright

9am: Huguette Valmar

11:30am: Gertulio Cury

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4pm: Mary Ann & Gregg Schreiber +
Barbara Froehlich + Lillian Santos

9am: Berta + Orlando Hernandez + Theresa Asche + Valerie Day

11:30am: Diana Ioria + Terry Marchia

Acolyte/Altar Servicers Schedule
SATURDAY/SUNDAY FEBURARY 15/16

Saturday 4pm VIGIL

Landon Madrazo + Sophia Madrazo + Brooke Hodnett

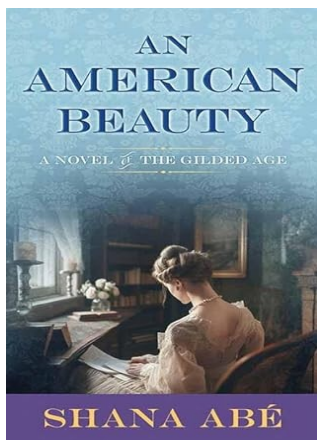
Sunday 9AM

Omar Gonzales + Adrian DeLos Santos + Leo Mera

Sunday 11:30AM

Katarina Binec + Edward Binec + Jose Ortega

**Next Meeting of the Book of the Month Club
Will Take Place in the Murray Center on
Monday Evening March 10 at 7pm**



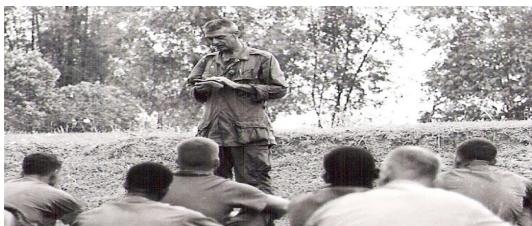
The Book of the Month is
An American Beauty: A Novel of the Gilded Age
By Shana Abe

**Rosary Societys
Altar Linen Schedule**



February 9: Mary Galazin
February 16: Carol Fortune
February 23: Nancy Marchi
March 2: Nancy Hill
March 9: Mary Galazin
March 16: Carol Fortune
March 23: Nancy Marchi
March 30: Nancy Hill
April 6: Mary Galazin

If you are unable to do a week please call
Carol 718 + 631 + 0896



Father Vincent Capodanno

May God who has offered healing and strength through the hands of the His only Son, Our Lord, and through Christ's many servants grant me the favor of His healing hand through the intercession of His servant, **Father Vincent Capodanno**, priest, missionary, and chaplain, who always sought to heal and comfort the wounded and dying on the field of battle.



**American Martyrs Catholic War Veterans
Post 1772 ON GOING RECRUITMENT**

If you served in the United States Military PLEASE Consider joining our Post.
FOR MORE INFO CALL RAY 917-515-9102



Be Vigilant of Child Abuse at all times!

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The Presentation of The Gifts at Mass



Before Mass each day the gifts of bread and wine are placed at the break of American Martyrs. If you are at Mass and the mass is being celebrated in memory of a loved one please feel free to sit near the gifts and bring them to the altar, where they will become the Body and Blood of Christ. If you are at Mass and no one gets up to bring the gifts to the altar, please feel free to bring them to the altar yourself. This is a parish celebration and we are all parishioners.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every Day in the Kateri Chapel in Rectory

American Martyrs Rectory Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday
9am -12 noon + 1pm - 4pm**

**Friday and Saturday
9am - 12 noon + 1pm - 3pm**

After Hours by Appointment



MOVIES to watch with your **KIDS**



Are There Any Good Movies To Watch???

Movies, music, television, and the Internet are the main sources of entertainment for your children. There is a lot of inappropriate material that their eyes and ears can pick up, so talk with your children about what is appropriate entertainment for them. If you are worried about what your children could be seeing or hearing, take advantage of parental blockage systems on your cable and internet systems.

Use the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Movie Review website as your guide for what movies are appropriate.
www.catholicnews.com/movies

**BE A PART OF THE WORLD WIDE MOVEMENT
AND JOIN THE AMERICAN MARTYRS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FR. JOHN J. MURRAY COUNCIL #14666**

**AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY OUTDOORS FOR
PEACE IN OUR WORLD, OUR COUNTRY AND IN
OUR CHURCH**



**RAIN OR SHINE
EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6PM**

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
FR. JOHN J. MURRAY/AMERICAN MARTYRS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL # 14666



For more information Email: KofCAM14666@gmail.com
Website: KofCAM.Weebly.com

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COLUMBIETTES COUNCIL # 14666



For more information call Anne Caruso 347 - 626 - 9802
"A CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN"

Thoughts of Floater and Smitty

Floater: They couldn't get a surgeon to board a plane until 12am to perform a procedure. It was a Fly by Night operation.

Smitty: I'm so proud! I'm putting my 6 year old son to bed and he says, "Dad, I have kidneys. You have Dadneys!"

Floater: I gulped down a whole banana and now I'm not peeling very well.

Smitty: I put my grandma on speed dial. I call it instragram.

Floater: I was 4th in line at the DMV. They called 3 & 5, totally uncalled four

Smitty: My Chiropractor's office put out a bunch of old National Geographic! I realized they're just back issues.

Floater: When old people say, "Enjoy them while they are young!" They aren't talking about your children, they are talking about your knees and hip.

Smitty: The adult version of "head, shoulders, knees and toes" is "wallet, glasses, keys and phone!"

Floater: Today I broke my personal record for the most consecutive days lived.

Smitty: Ran out of Scott paper and now I'm using lettuce leaves.

Today was just a tip of the iceberg, tomorrow romaines to be seen

Floater: I'm at the age where if you text me at 10:15pm I'm texting you back at 5:15am

Smitty: Do you remember when your knees were named left and right instead of good and bad?

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





Please Leave Diapers @ Entrance to American Martyrs

AMERICAN MARTYRS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

3PM SATURDAY CONFESSIONS
4PM SATURDAY VIGIL

9AM SUNDAY
AND
11:30AM SUNDAY



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