February 23, 2025 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

American Martyrs

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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

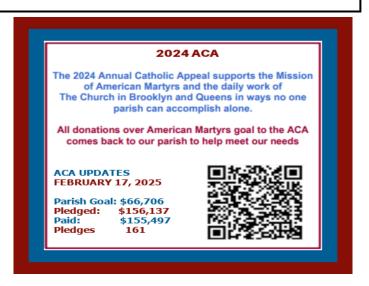
Call the Parish Office for information and appointment with a priest at least six months prior to the date you wish.

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

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"Never Hesitate to hold out your hand; never hesitate to accept the outstretched hand of another." *Pope John XXIII*



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 <u>UNLESS. THERE IS A REQUEST FOR THE PERSON TO REMAIN ON THE PRAYER LIST FOR ANOTHER 3 WEEKS)</u>

Mass Intentions Week of February 23rd + March 1st 9am

Agnes Walsh (Requested by Vinny Trignano + Diana Iorio)

11:30am

Robert Tscherne (Requested by Barbara)

Ludwig Ulzheimer (Requested by the Family)

Carol Vicari (Requested by the Demetrios Jangaptris)

Monday 8:30am

Robert Louis (Requested by his Family)

Tuesday 8:30am

John O'Brien (Requested by AM Catholic War Veterans)

Wednesday 8:30am

Marie Radino (Requested by her neice Joanne)

Thursday 8:30am

Doreena Pepe (Requested by Anne Marie Sanfier)

Friday 8:30am

Orlando Contreras (Requested by Hele Fernandez)

Saturday 8:30am Communion/Prayer Service

Rev. John J. Murray + Msgr. Neil Mahoney (Requested the Galazin Family)

Saturday 4pm

Deceased of the Smaldino + Granieri families (Requested by Mary Ann + Gregg)



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...

Franco Ventrella
Reverend Angelo Pezzullo
Anthony W. Tumasulo

The Gifts of Bread + Wine In loving memory of







The Gifts of Altar Sanctuary Candles Charles + Karen + William

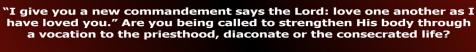
(Requested by Mary)

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

February 23 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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, a few weeks ago the Diocese of Brooklyn celebrated Catholic Schools Week. Catholic Schools Week is a celebration of education, faith, values and tradition. The Diocese also give thanks to the outstanding Religious Education Programs at each individual parish. The late Bishop Thomas Murphy of Seattle, Washington once said: "Catholic Religious Education has the mission of providing coming generations reasons for hoping and living rooted in religious values that make a difference. To know one's faith is not enough. One needs to live it out in the world in which we live today."

Catholic Religious Education has the mission of loving this world back into life. We are deeply blessed with an outstanding Religious Education Program. Thank you very much to our staff of Mrs. Theresa Asche, Deacon Stan and Mary Galazin and the countless volunteers that give so freely of their time and talent to teach your children the ways of the faith.

Thank you to our students. We are proud of you and may your joy, enthusiasm, kindness, faith and willingness to learn only grow in wisdom and grace before God.

Last, but not least, our parents deserve high praises and thanks. Your daily sacrifices are boundless for your children and so much of what you do is taken for granted. However, American Martyrs recognizes and celebrates your dedication and incredible sacrifices. You are doing a terrific job. To all parents, Thank You!

Learning about our Catholic faith tradition and strong education together calls us to greatness in the Lord. Through the eyes of Christ, we are challenged to see the world differently. Catholic Education is a celebration of life. We also celebrate, in particular, our children and teachers. May I take a moment to honor all our teachers. American Martyr's School of Religious Education is blessed with a volunteer faculty who truly know the meaning of the word sacrifice. It is so easy for children to take parents and teachers for granted. However, I do not take our faculty for granted and may we take a moment and tell our administration and our faculty "Thank you!" Truly "unsung heroes!"

The following story says it best... ... What Teachers Make

The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, decided to explain the problem with education. He argued, "What's a kid going to learn from someone who decided their best option in life was to become a teacher? He reminded the other dinner guests what everyone says about teachers: "Those who can, do. Those who can't, teach." To stress his point, he said to another guest, "You're a teacher, Mary, be honest. What do you make?" She paused for a second, and then began. "Well, I make children work harder than they ever thought they could — I make a C+ feel like the Congressional Medal of Honor — I make children sit through 40 minutes of class time when their parents can't make them sit for five minutes without an I-Pod, Cell Phone, Game Cube or movie rental.

"You want to know what I make." She paused again and looked at each and every person at the table. "I make kids wonder — I make them question — I make them pray — I make them learn about God and the sacredness of life and all God's creation — I make them apologize and mean it — I make them learn about Jesus and the ways of our faith — I make them have respect and take responsibility for their actions — I teach them to write and then I make them write — I make them read, read — I make them "show all their work" in math — I make my classroom a place where all my students feel safe.

Finally, I make them understand that if they use the gifts they were given, pray often, work hard, and follow their hearts, they can succeed in life." Mary paused one last time and then continued, "Then, when people try to judge me by what I make, I can hold my head up high and pay no attention." Mary said "You want to know what I make? I MAKE A DIFFERENCE. What do you make?"

In closing, I would like to plant this seed: A faith-based, Religious education roots our lives in the Jesus story and should permeate all the areas of our life. Our young children need to know respect, respect for their volunteer teachers and respect for their faith. May our lives always reflect Gospel values as we connect the mystery of God with our daily living to our young children. Parent please stop this week and take the time to point out to your children how they should act as faith-filled children of God! God knows the children need to know so I guess the problem is that the parents who need to teach their children this sacred message never come to Church to even read this simple bulletin message! Sad, very sad.

This week is a great time to give thanks for this great gift of Religious Education, which makes a difference. Thank you to all who make this gift possible. May God's grace and peace be yours.



Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, 2025

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9,12-13,22-23 David does not kill Saul.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-4,8,10,12-13
A song in praise of God's mercy

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

As we bear the image of Adam, so we will bear the image of the one from heaven.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 6:27-38*Jesus teaches his disciples to be merciful as God is merciful.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the <u>Beatitudes</u>. Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

Cead Mile Failte (Gaelic for: 100,000 welcomes!)

Make American Martyrs your home. We are delighted to welcome you to Mass today, whether you are visiting, visiting our parish or looking for a parish to join. Through your presence and active participation, we can offer rich, spiritual renewal every day. There are many ways to get involved. Join one of our ministries or attend an upcoming event featured in today's bulletin. Or become a new member of our Faith Community – all are welcome! Just call the rectory to register as a new parishioner (our phone number is (718) 464-4582.)

PLEASE BE MINDFUL!

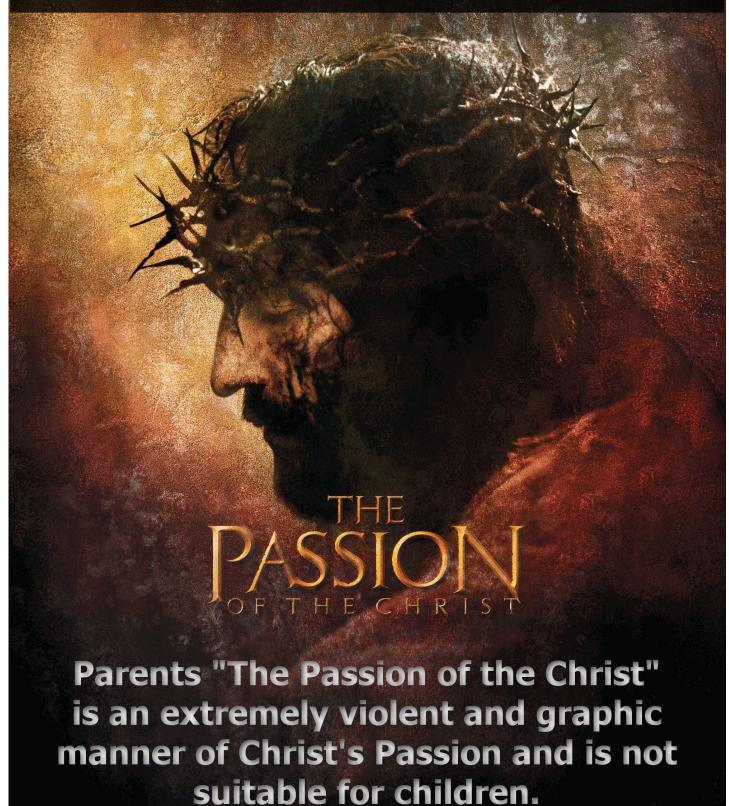
When entering American Martyrs please be mindful that many people are praying. If you wish to greet someone do so in quiet tones so as not to disturb another's prayer time.

February 16

Online \$1,385.50 In-Pew \$5,739.00 Total \$7,124.50

Poor Box: \$104.00 Votive Candles: \$150.00

6:30pm Saturday March 1, 2025 Sullivan Center











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

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

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If you leave payment at the Rectory, include this stub with check payable to Knights of Columbus

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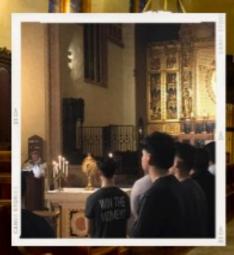
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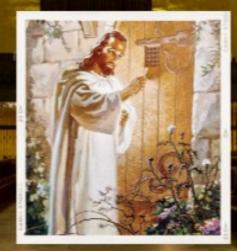
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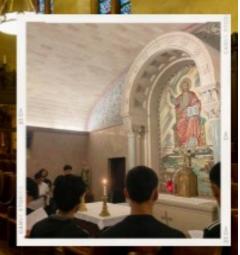


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"COURAGE IS CONTAGIOUS" MARCH 25, 2025



Fr Chris Alar, MIC Hosts EWTN "Living the Divine Mercy" Director, Association of Marian Helpers.

2025 WALK's. GUEST SPEAKER



Rebecca Kiessling International Pro-Life Speaker and Attorney, Conceived in Rape.

2025 WALK's. GRAND MARSHAL



Fr Fidelis Moscinski, CFR General Procurator, among the 23 pro-lifers who were unjustly prosecuted by Biden DOJ who unconstitutionally weaponized the FACE ACT. Pardoned by President Donald Trump Jan. 23, 2025 * LUNCH GUEST SPEAKER

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2025 INTERNATIONAL GIFT OF LIFE WALK-NYC

This year will be the 9th Annual pro-life walk in NYC. Every year we honor the vision of St. John Paul II when he designated March 25, as the International Day of the Pre-born Child. The mission of this Walk is claim the Personhood of all humans at the moment of conception. With that carries the recognition of the worth and dignity of every human being, from conception to natural, true death.

GRAND PRO-LIFE MARSHAL Rebecca

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Rebecca Kiessling has been an international pro-life speaker and adoption speaker since 1995, speaking for various pro-life organizations, including right to life groups, crisis pregnancy center fundraisers, 40 Days for Life events, rallies, churches, high schools, universities, Students for Life, women's conferences, attorney conferences, adoption events, etc., throughout North America, Europe, and Latin America about 50 - 75 times/vear, legislators across the U.S. Canada. times/year. legislators across the U.S., Canada, Europe and Latin America.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER, FR. CHRIS ALAR, MIC is a priest with the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception. Father Chris wrote and produced the popular "Divine Mercy 101" and "Explaining the Faith" DVD series. He is an international speaker and is a regular host and guest on EWTN.Watch his talks and programs on DivineMercyPlus.org.

RALLY & WALK LOCATION: 11AM RALLY

FOLEY SQUARE 148-152 WORTH STREET NYC, NY 10013

LUNCH@ CARRAGHER'S NYC

TIME: 1:30-4:30PM LOCATION: 17 John Street, NY, NY 10038

CALL (631) 487-7578 for BUS information*

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: ww.futursineducation.org/ or call Diocesan Futures in Education Office at 718 + 965 + 7340





American Martyrs Columbiettes Fr. John J. Murray Council 179-43 Bell Blvd., Bayside, NY 11364 The Columbiettes Annual Palm Cross Sale



Pre-orders with payments are available now through March 30th for \$16 each.*

Palm Crosses will be sold after Masses on April 5th and April 6th for \$20 each.

*Pre-orders must be picked up on April 5th or 6th after Masses at the parking lot entrance.

Any questions please call Margaret Reyes 718-581-8001 or email margaret.reyes2@verizon.net

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PRE-ORDER FORMS (Please print legibly.)

Please fill out the form below and return it in an envelope with your payment (cash or check).

Make check payable to: American Martyrs Columbiettes

Write on envelope: "Columbiettes Palm Cross Pre-order" and either drop off at the rectory or place in the collection basket by March 30th.

Name:	Phone:		
Email:	# of Crosses:	@ \$16.00 each	

Thank you for your support!



PILGRIMS OF HOPE TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When the Roman Empire turned a favorable eye toward the once-persecuted Christians, among the effects was a population explosion in the baptismal font, as Christian sympathizers stepped from the shadows. With more and more people becoming Christians, laws were passed to protect Sunday as a work-free day. Soon, it became possible to celebrate Mass later in the morning, rather than the older custom of gathering before dawn to celebrate Eucharist. Amazingly, despite the increasing numbers of Christians, there was great resistance to adding to the number of worship events; the Eucharist that began as a few friends around a table soon was transformed into a more formal event with throngs crowding a large hall. All the Christians in a city or town

would gather around the bishop for the one Sunday Eucharist, and only when the crowds became unmanageable was there an impulse to divide the assembly by splitting off a new bishop and flock.

Now, sixteen hundred years later, many parishes see a need to trim or combine Mass schedules. This is often seen as tough surgery. Yet our forebears in the faith would see it as a gain: a filling up of the Eucharist with a large and vigorous assembly, a fullness of ministry, an opportunity to make the Church more fully visible and stronger for service. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY

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

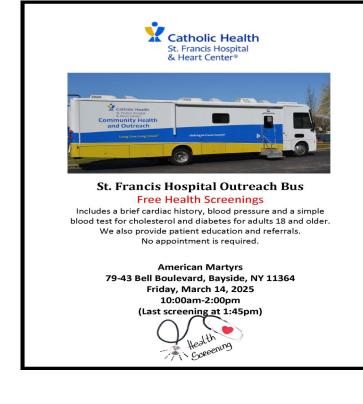
Call the center at 718 + 990 + 6480
to schedule an appointment or for more information.



DO NO HARM

We listen quite a while before we get to the punch line of the first reading today: even though it would be an easy thing to do, David will not harm the anointed one of the Lord. We, of course, know that Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed one of God, but the Bible uses this term for many different people. It is scriptures way of indicating who has been chosen by God for a special place and mission in salvation history.

In today's Gospel, Jesus presents a greatly enlarged list of those who, as children of God, we should not harm, but love instead: our enemies, those who curse us or do us harm, those who owe us money, the ungrateful, the wicked. The point of Jesus teaching is not to encourage these kinds of behaviors in others, but rather to form us in the image of our heavenly Father by increasing our opportunities to love unconditionally, expecting no return; to be merciful and forgiving, even when it would be easier not to. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.





"Mom said you probably ordered plenty, but knowing you, you've already eaten them all and need more."

Schedule for the Lectors and Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion SATURDAY/SUNDAY MARCH 1/2 Lectors

4pm Vigil: Nestor Diaz9am: Jillian Minarik11:30am: Diana Iorio

Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4pm: Mary Ann + Greg Schreiber Inis Diaz + Lillian Santos

9am: Theresa Asche + Michael Shoule Katie and Anne Carouse

11:30am: Bernie Liu + Johanna Zefferese Stephan Barry + Valerie Day

Acolyte/Altar Servicers Schedule SATURDAY/SUNDAY MARCH 1/2

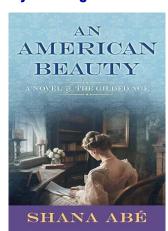
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Saturday 4pm VIGIL

Sunday 9AM

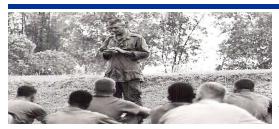
Sunday 11:30AM

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 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 April 13: Carol Fortune April 20: Nancy Marchi 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.



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

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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.





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Thoughts of Floater and Smitty

Floater: I once got sent out of class at school for being too sarcastic. The teacher yelled at me, "What would your parents say if I called them?!" I replied, "...hello?"

Smitty: When I'm doing math, I always wear my glasses

because it improves division.

Floater: Life is too short to argue. Just blame your brother for

everything and move on.

Smitty: Optometrists live long because they dilate.

Floater: My ex wife texted me, "wish you were here." She does

this every time she walks through a cemetery.

Smitty: The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so they can

tell when they're really in trouble

Floater: People are shocked when they find out I'm not a very

good electrician

Smitty: I just found out my friend has a secret life as a priest. It's

his altar ego!

Floater: My friend went bald years ago but still carries an old

comb with him. He just can't part with it.

Smitty: I've reached an age where my train of thought often

leaves the station without me

Floater: I didn't mean to gain weight. It happened by accident. **Smitty**: I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes, so, she hugged me.

Floater: Some questions just answer themselves. Like "Sit-Ups,

or Pizza



