

# **American Martyrs**

## **January 4, 2026 The Epiphany of the Lord**

### **Pastoral Staff**

**Rev. Sean M. Suckiel, Pastor**  
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### **Parish Staff**

**Mrs. Theresa Asche**  
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### **America Martyrs RC Church**

**79-43 Bell Blvd.**  
**Oakland Gardens, NY 11364**  
**Rectory: 718 + 464 + 4582**  
**Religious Education 718 + 464 + 6411**

### **Holy Family R.C. Church**

**175-20 74th Avenue**  
**Fresh Meadows, NY 11366**  
**718 + 969 + 2448**



**American Martyrs**  
**8:30am Weekdays**

**4pm Saturday Vigil**  
**Sunday 9am + 11:30am**  
**Saturday Confession 3pm -3:45pm**

**Holy Family**  
**8:30am Weekdays**

**5pm Saturday Vigil**  
**Sunday 7:30am + 10:30am**  
**12 noon + 5pm**  
**Saturday Confession 4pm**

### 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.

### Pastors Advisory Board/Parish Council

Theresa Asche  
Anne Caruso  
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### Christ is Our Peace

'From the Child of Bethlehem, we implore peace and consolation' for those suffering from crisis and conflict worldwide

Pope Leo XIV in First Christmas 'Urbi et Orbi' Message



The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the mission of American Martyrs and the daily work of the Diocese of Brooklyn in ways no one parish can accomplish alone.

All donations over our goal will be returned to American Martyrs

**2025 Annual Catholic Appeal**  
**Jubilee of Hope,**  
**Renewal of Faith and Charity!**

Updated December 30, 2025

Goal: \$64,455  
Pledged: \$142,015.00  
Paid: \$140,117.70  
Donors: 149 Families



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

Msgr. John Keppler, Elizabeth Coppola, Denis Keane, Anne Kingston, Martin Thaila, Vijay Devassy, Anita Mascoli, John Buglione, John Sheridan Jr., Vincent Sheridan, Gloria Saavedra, Jack Goydas, Michael G. McLoone, Gloria Valdez, Stephen Feit, Patrick Kearney, Roberto + Raquel Barrientos, Kalyan Sham, Gracinda Silva, Anna Bischoff, Vita Mazzola, Vincent Martin, James Pagano, Jesus Fernandez, Natalia Bianco, Jack Bradley, Dr. Mirian Lumbreras Rick San Severino, James Jagiello, Susan Miller, Mike Tremonte, Kathy McInerney, Mary Thompson, Carol Fetchick, Joann Ballesteros and Aileen Galazin

(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 January 4, 2026**

**9am**

*American Martyrs Purgatorial Society*

**11:30am**

*Estrella Chan (Requested by Elena Cruz)*

*William P. Karasini (Requested by the family)*

*Denis Morrissey (Requested by Ed + Dan Pearce)*

**Monday 8:30am**

*Murray Gadell (Requested by Denice + John Tully)*

**Tuesday 8:30am**

*John Buzzone (Requested by the Ballesteros)*

**Wednesday 8:30am**

*John Buzzone (Requested by Nancy + Ray)*

**Thursday 8:30am**

*John Buzzone (Requested by Nancy + Ray)*

**Friday 8:30am**

*Stanley Ruzalski (Requested by Rita + Bobby)*

**Saturday 8:30am**

*Michael Perillo (Requested by Pat Merola)*

**Saturday 4:pm**

*Richard Howrilka (Requested by his wife)*



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...

**Rose A. Logerfo**

**The Gifts of Bread + Wine**

**In loving memory of  
Jocelyn Bastien**

*Requested by the Volmar Family*



**The Gifts of Altar Sanctuary Candles  
John Buzzone**

*Requested by Fr. Peter*

**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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Daniel Wolf, USAF  
SFC Sheldon Warren  
Rubayet Molla**

**January 4, 2026  
Epiphany of the Lord**

**"Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts."  
Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a  
priest, deacon, religious sister or brother?**

**Do you have a Vocation?  
For more information Contact the Vocation Office  
(718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.**





## Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the moment when Christ is revealed not only to Israel, but to all nations. The Magi, guided by a star, travel a long and uncertain road in search of truth, and they find it not in a palace, but in a child.

Epiphany reminds us that God still reveals Himself today, often quietly, unexpectedly, and in ways we do not immediately recognize. Like the Magi, we are invited to remain attentive, to follow the light we are given, and to allow our encounter with Christ to change us.

After meeting the Child, Scripture tells us the Magi “returned to their country by another way.” An encounter with Jesus always changes our direction. It invites us to see differently, to live more generously, and to walk forward with renewed faith.

As we continue this Christmas season, may we ask for the grace to recognize Christ’s presence in our lives and to respond with hearts open to transformation.

With prayerful best wishes for the New Year,

Rev. Sean M. Suckiel

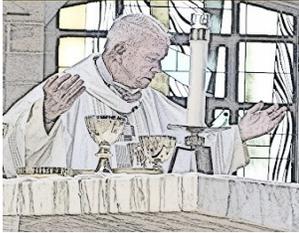
### ***The Epiphany of the Lord Little Drummer Boy***



Did you know that the only reason we say that there were three wise men is that they brought three gifts? The Bible never says their number or their names. The gifts tell us about the givers. And these special gifts--gold, frankincense, and myrrh--tell us much.

When one king visited or sent an ambassador to another, he would give a gift of gold to show that he acknowledged the kingship of the other. So the first gift of the wise men tells us they recognized Jesus as King. The second gift is a type of incense, which was used in Jesus time to worship God. So this gift shows the wise men paying homage to Jesus' divinity. The gift of myrrh is oil used to anoint the dying. It reminds us of Jesus suffering and death on the cross. So what gifts do we have for Jesus? Maybe we can take a hint from the wise men. If we acknowledge Jesus as king, maybe a better gift than gold would be to pledge our obedience to him. Each day we can promise to live our vocation as best we can, to love those around us, and forgive those who hurt us. A better way than burning incense to pay homage to Jesus' divinity is to take time to pray throughout the day. Some people are able to attend daily Mass, others spend time in adoration before the Eucharist, or even a few minutes of their lunch break to say the rosary.

As for the gift of myrrh, we can give Jesus the crosses we bear each day. When we accept suffering in our lives, especially that caused by our sins, we give ourselves to Jesus as he gave himself for us on the cross. The song "Little Drummer Boy" reminds us that the best gift is not necessarily the most expensive. Instead, it is the simple gift that only we can give. Let Epiphany remind us to offer our lives to Jesus each day.



## *My Side of the Altar*

Dear People of God,

I pray your Christmas was filled with Christ, joy, laughter, stories, great food, gift giving — and some rest starting this weekend! Despite the hustle and bustle, our Christmas Season is both an opportunity to celebrate the birth of Jesus and become ever more aware of God's presence in our lives. How? We succeed by realizing in life all is gift and that the key to happiness is making our life a gift to others through compassion, care and forgiveness always in the name of the Lord Jesus.

On this The Epiphany of the Lord, I share with you the following story — a wonderful way to balance our lives and families as we together open the curtain on a New Year.

### **Seven Wonders of the World**

A group of geography students studied the Seven Wonders of the World. At the end of that section, the students were asked to list what they considered to be the Seven Wonders of the World. Though there was some disagreement, the following got the most votes:

1. *Egypt's Great Pyramids*
2. *Taj Mahal*
3. *Grand Canyon*
4. *Panama Canal*
5. *Empire State Building*
6. *St. Peter's Basilica*
7. *China's Great Wall*

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one student, a quiet girl, hadn't turned in her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The quiet girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there are so many." The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help." The girl hesitated, then read, "I think the Seven Wonders of the World are—"

1. *To touch*
  2. *To taste*
  3. *To see*
  4. *To hear*
- She hesitated a little, and then,*
5. *To run*
  6. *To laugh*
  7. *And to love, pray and forgive.*

It is far too easy for us to look at the exploits of people and refer to them as "wonders" while we overlook things that are truly wonderful — wonderful gifts from God to be shared with our sisters and brothers.

*A Blessed, Joyous and Healthy 2026, Fr. Peter*

**PS... Only 37 Days Till Pitchers + Catchers**

### **Collection for Sunday December 21, 2025**

Online \$1,458.00  
 In-Pew \$6,151.00  
 Total \$5,617.00

Poor Box: \$339.00  
 Votive Candles: \$220.00  
 Christmas Gift to American Martyrs: \$1,420.00

### **Collection for December 25, 2025**

In-Pew \$6,151.00  
 Catholic Charities \$  
 Christmas Offering to Parish \$

### **Collection for Sunday December 28, 2025**

Online: \$1,323.00 In Pew: \$ Total: \$

Poor Box: \$195.00

Votive Candles: \$278.00



## **The Epiphany of the Lord Sunday, January 4, 2026**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 60:1-6  
Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13  
Every nation on earth shall worship the Lord.

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6  
Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 2:1-12  
The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.

### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

### **Epiphany of the Lord**

In our celebration of the Epiphany, two interwoven themes are present in the readings today. God is beginning something new, and God gathers all of humanity to participate. For Isaiah, God's bright light, manifested in the people of Israel, attracts and summons people from many nations to Jerusalem. In the letter to the Ephesians, God's grace makes the Gentiles co-heirs and co-partners in the gospel. Matthew tells the story of the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel through the birth of Jesus, and simultaneously leading foreigners to share in these same promises. With the birth of Jesus, God chose a particular people, in a particular time and place, to enter most directly into the human story.

Today's readings teach that God did this in order to gather all people, all cultures, into unity with God. Like the magi, we are drawn into a journey toward God, becoming co-partners in God's work.

#### **JOURNEY OF TRANSFORMATION**

Tradition, poetry, and literature have long reflected upon the story of the magi. The journey of the magi indeed resonates with journeys in our own lives. The journey is a search for a king, for what or who is of primary importance in life. The seekers lose direction and encounter obstacles and dangers. Searching for a king, the magi first come upon a false king, Herod. The reappearance of the star shows them the true path and leads to the true king. For Matthew, the journey culminates in the magi's worship of Jesus. They discover a king not clothed in grandeur, but wrapped in humility and simplicity. They begin to re-imagine what true royal power really is. Transformed by the journey, they embrace the humble king, Jesus.

#### **INSIDERS AND OUTSIDERS**

An epiphany is a manifestation, a revelation of what was hidden, and often a challenge to change. For Matthew's community, the story of the magi challenged these new Christians, from both Jewish and Gentile origin. The insiders, those rooted in the Jewish scriptures and traditions, might be uncomfortable with the magi, and with God working within Gentile culture to draw them toward God. The outsiders, the Gentiles, would rejoice that God calls them from within their own roots. But they knew that they too were called to their own journey of transformation.

Who are insiders and outsiders today? Some might see strangers as threats to accustomed ways of honoring and serving God. Others might believe that they themselves are too distant, concluding that they cannot be accepted in Christian community, and perhaps tune out God's activity in their lives. Still others might think that belief in Christ serves as another dividing line between people, preventing them from seeing all persons as God's children. The story of the Epiphany reminds us that classifying insiders and outsiders is an illusion, a falsehood arising from a separation from God. When we are united with God, we can only see others as sisters and brothers. Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



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January 23,  
2026

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per person

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6:00 AM

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SPECIAL GUEST  
BISHOP ROBERT BRENNAN



Fr. Chris Bethge  
Vocation Director

SUNDAY, | 25<sup>th</sup> | 2026

11:30 am Mass | 12:30 pm Lunch and Conversation

An opportunity for young men to learn more about the priesthood.



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# *A Journey to Divine Mercy with St. Faustina*

American Martyrs cordially invites you to ***A Journey to Divine Mercy with St. Faustina***, in video and discussion format.

Our focus this year will be on prayer. Not the type of prayer you may be familiar with but the type of prayer that called the Saints to the depths of contemplative communion with our Lord:

- *“Prayer is still a little-known means; however, it is the most effective way to re-establish peace in our souls because it allows us to get ever closer to God’s love.”*  
**St. Maximilian Kolbe**



- *“When it is well done, it moves the Divine Heart and makes Him always more inclined to grant our requests.”* **St. Padre Pio**
- *“Great is the power of prayer – a queen, as one might say, has free access always to the King, and able to obtain whatever she asks.”*  
**St. Theresia of Lisieux**
- *“Give me a man of prayer and he will be capable of everything. He may say with the apostle, ‘I can do all things in him who strengthens me.’”* **St. Vincent de Paul**
- *“For whatever the virtue you see, pray. And pray in this way” by reading in the Book of Life, that is, in the life of the One who is God and man, Jesus Christ.”* **St. Angela of Foligno**

**TIME:** Sessions are held every third Tuesday of the month and weekly during Lent. Refreshments are available.

**LOCATION:** American Martyrs RC Church, 79-43 Bell Blvd  
Oakland Gardens, NY 11364 in the Fr. John J. Murray Center (rectory side door)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** or if you are not a regular attendee, please call Annabelle Villegas 347-871-8644 or email [AgapeLove@latinodirect.com](mailto:AgapeLove@latinodirect.com) to confirm there have been no changes to the schedule.

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

**6pm Sullivan Center**

**Kick-Off is 6pm**

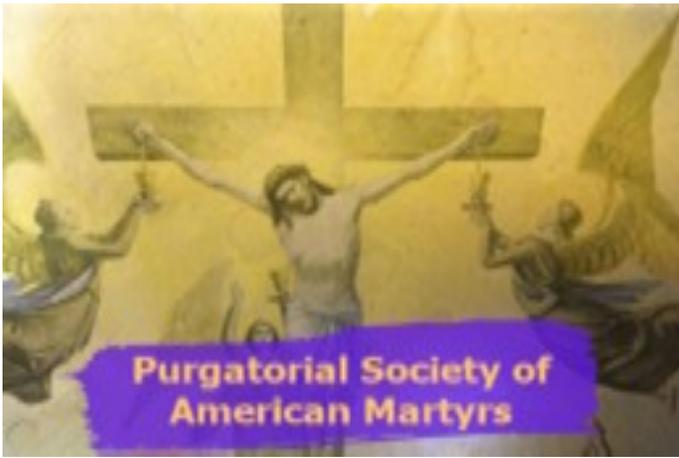


**+ Hero + Snacks +**

**+ Water + Soda +**

**BYOB**

**We Need A Head Count in order to Order Food  
Call Rectory before Wednesday February 4**



***Purgatorial Society Enrollment in January 2026***

**Anna + Frank Smaldino**  
*(Enrolled by Mary Ann + Gregg)*

**Catherine + Fred Schreiber**  
*(Enrolled by Mary Ann + Gregg)*

**Deceased Members of the Smaldino + Granieri Families**  
*(Enrolled by Mary Ann + Gregg)*

**Virginia + Joseph Laraia**  
*(Enrolled by Joanne Laraia)*

*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.*

**Out of respect & courtesy for our Liturgy and for your fellow parishioners, we ask that you please SILENCE your cell phones in church.**



***Thank you!***

**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.**

**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. 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 you may call: Maryellen Quinn,  
 Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator  
 718-965-7300***



Tired of doing the same "Old-Thing?"

Join the Leisure Club and We Can Do the Same "Old-Thing" Together!

We Meet on Thursdays from 11am - 3pm  
 in the Sullivan Center  
*(Sullivan Center is Heated, Air Conditioned & Handicap Accessible)*

***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.



# Defensive Driving Course

*"You Can't Afford to Miss it"*



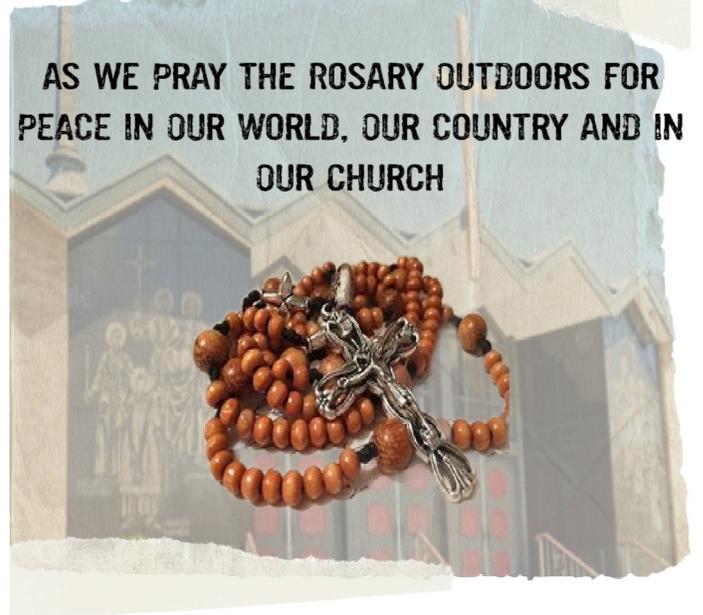
*American Martyrs Murray Hall - Saturday, January 24, 2026 - 9am - 3:30pm  
Call for more information (631) 360 - 9720*



Saint Michael the Archangel,  
defend us in battle.  
Be our protection against  
the wickedness and snares  
of the devil.  
May God rebuke him,  
we humbly pray;  
and do Thou,  
O Prince of the Heavenly Host -  
by the Power of God -  
cast into hell, satan and  
all the evil spirits,  
who prowl about the world  
seeking the ruin of souls.  
*Amen.*  
- Pope Leo XIII

**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**

## Epiphany House Blessing

Using blessed chalk,  
mark the current year and the initials of the  
Magi above the outside doorways to your home.  
Place a cross in between each of the letters.  
It should look something like this.

**20+C+B+26**

After completing the above markings,  
pray the following prayer:

May all who come to our home this year  
rejoice to find Christ living among us;  
and may we seek and serve,  
in everyone we meet,  
that same Jesus who is Lord of all people  
forever and ever. Amen.

The legendary names of the three Magi are:  
**Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.**  
(KMB in Czech)

The initials C-M-B also stand for the Latin words  
"Christus Mansionem Benedicat" which means:

**"May Christ bless this dwelling."**

The markings over the doors should be left all year round  
as a sign that yours is a Christian home.



**Bishop Ray's Blog**

Finding Meaning in Each Day

**Blog Address: [www.bishopraymondchappetblog.com/](http://www.bishopraymondchappetblog.com/)**

## ***The Mitten Drive is Back!***



**We are again collecting gently-used or new Mittens, Gloves, Scarves and Hats for children and adults. There will be boxes at the entrances of our Church starting December 17 thru January.**

**These items will be donated each week to a Salvation Army family shelter to help those in need of warm clothing.**

### **WE PRAY THE ROSARY**



**Every morning after the 8:30 am Mass  
Our Lady of the Rosary Pray for Us**



***The gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh remind us to give Christ our most precious gifts.***

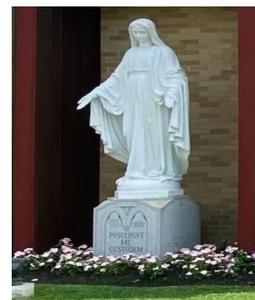
**Did You Know... ....From 9am - 3pm Monday - Friday  
The Kateri Chapel is Open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

#### ***Traveling Madonna within our Parish of American Martyrs Rosary Society***

The purpose of this Virgin Mary statue is to bring the graces of Fatima and Our Lady's message of peace and hope. The Rosary Society has been passing the statue of Mary through the parish. In this difficult time, as we pray for peace, anyone interested 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 to host the statue!**



**Schedule for the Lectors and  
Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
SATURDAY/SUNDAY JANUARY 11/12**

**Lectors**

**4pm Vigil:** Anne Marie Wright

**9am:** Getulio Cury

**11:30am:** Stephen Barry

**Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**4pm:** Donna Sosna + Stephen Sica

Mary Ann + Gregg Schreiber

**9am:** Juan Mendez + Michael Shoule

Theresa Asche + Katie Caruso + Anne Caruso

**11:30am:** Bernie Liu + Valerie Day

Johanna Zafferese + Diana Iorio

**Acolyte/Altar Servicers Schedule  
SATURDAY/SUNDAY JANUARY 11/12**

**Saturday 4pm Vigil**

Brooke + Madison + Julianna

**Sunday 9AM**

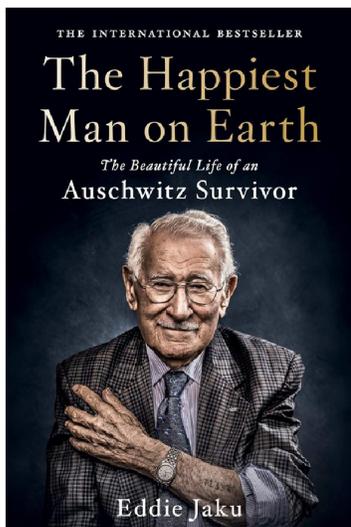
Leo + Adrian + Jose

**Sunday 11:30AM**

Katarina + Edward + Vladimir

Next Meeting for the Book Club  
Will Take Place in the Murray Center  
Monday January 12, 2026 at 7pm

The Book to Read is...



**Rosary Society  
Altar Linen Schedule**



January 4: Nancy Hill

January 11: Mary Galazin

January 18: Carol Fortune

January 25: Nancy Marchi

If you are unable to do a week 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  
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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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For more information call Anne Caruso 347 - 626 - 9802  
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**Thoughts of Floater and Smitty**

**Floater:** They had free episodes of Bonanza at the hotel where we stayed. It was the Best Western ever!

**Smitty:** My neighbor, the pyromaniac, has begun dating a woman who's an arsonist. They seem like the perfect match.

**Floater:** I arrived early at the restaurant last night and the owner asked if I'd mind waiting a bit, I said "sure, no problem." He said "Great," take these drinks to table number 9!

**Smitty:** My best friend got engaged three times but never married. He had a couple near Mrs.

**Floater:** I recently found a round, black piece of plastic, with a hole in the middle and grooves on both sides. I picked it up and threw it. It flew for more than 300 yards. I'm sure that must have been a record.

**Smitty:** A man who was in court for stealing a bag took just three minutes to get sentenced. It was a briefcase.

**Floater:** My friend said I'm getting fatter. In my defensive, I've had a lot on my plate lately.

**Smitty:** Sometimes I talk to my self for no reason. Me too!

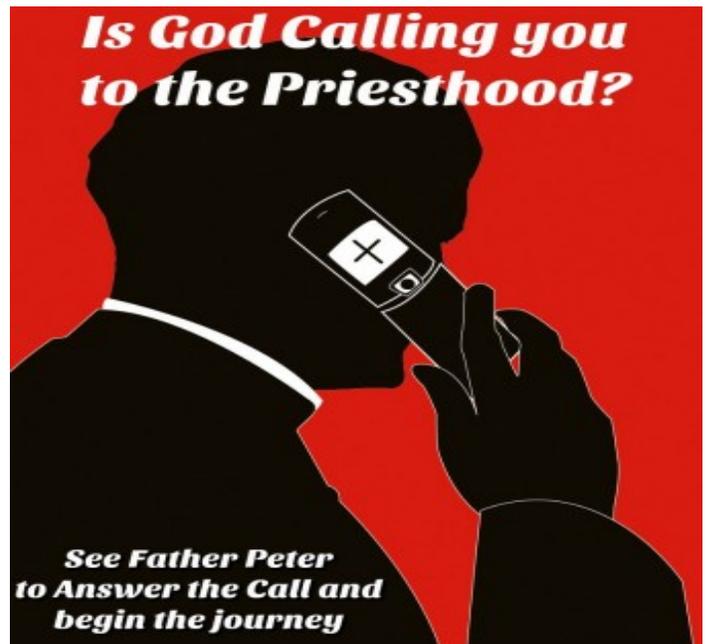
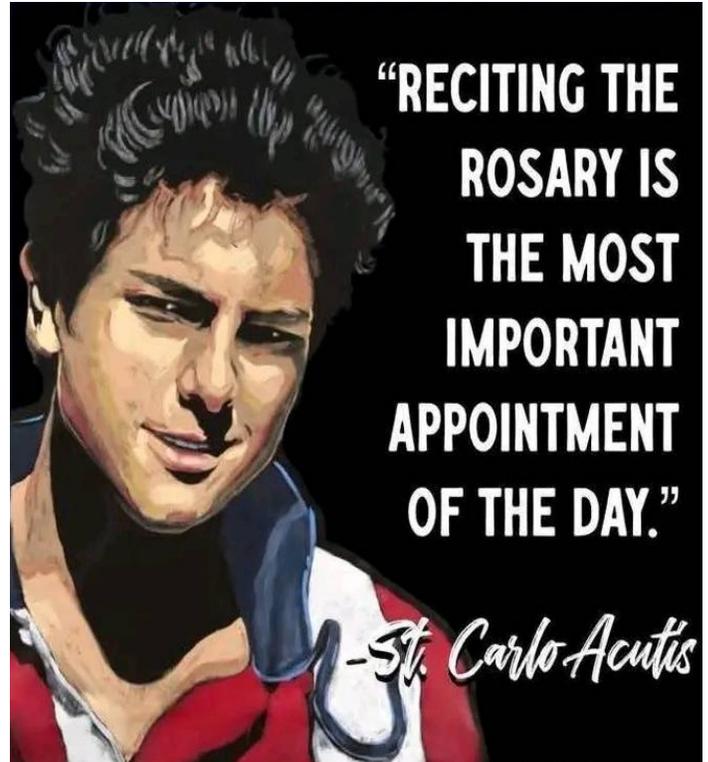
**Floater:** I drove 75 miles in the snow to get a part for my computer. It was a hard drive.

**Smitty:** I asked my doctor: should I have anesthesia? He said it wouldn't hurt.

**Floater:** Mom, I'm sorry for the dumb stuff I did as a kid. If it helps, you only know about half of what I did.

**Smitty:** The weather has been so changeable lately. Down to 0° then back up in 50°s yesterday. This morning back down in teens. Almost 70° by Christmas day. I think the weather may be bi-polar.

**Floater:** A man was injured while playing peek-a-boo. He's currently in the ICU.



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