

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - April 15, 2017

7:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

SUNDAY - April 16, 2017 - Easter

8:30 am: Ruggieri Family --- Family

- 10:30 am: 1. John F. (Jack) Bills -- AnnMarie
 2. Moscato Family --- Marianne & John Pinto
 3. Theresa Kavaliauskas --- Family

12:30 pm: Joan Shanahan Kearney --- Family

Monday- April 17

8:30 am: Theresa Luczak -- Donna & Steve

Tues. - April 18

8:30 am: Special Intention --- Jean

Wed. - April 19

8:30am: Mandares Dornagon --- Family

Thursday - April 20

8:30 am: Jovita Galvez Tabor--Christopher Tabor

Friday - April 21

8:30 am: Francesca & Rosario Castorina - Falanga Family

Saturday - April 22

- 8:30 am: 1. John David Moffa (Living) -Great Aunts
 2. Tim Sykes ---Michelle Forgenie
 3. Bill Grimm --- Frank & Michelle Pagano

5 pm: Frank & Anna Smaldino --- Gregg & MaryAnn

Sunday - April 23, 2017

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

- 10:30 am: 1. Theresa Kavaliauskas --- Family
 2. John F. Stewart --- Asche Family
 3. Stephen D. Adams --- Patricia & Family

12:30 pm: Frank Whitmore --- Wife

*The Gifts of Bread and Wine and Alter Candles are
 offered this week for:*

*~ The Ruggieri Family ~
 requested by the Ruggieri Family*

*The Sanctuary Lamp is offered this week for:
 ~ Joan Shanahan Kearney ~
 requested by her Family*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CH-Church, SC-Sullivan Center, S-School, SA-School
 Auditorium, MC-- Murray Center, KC-Kateri (Rectory)
 Chapel ---BR--Board Room

Sunday- April 16 - Happy Easter!

- NO Religious Education

MONDAY - April 17

- Alcoholics Anonymous (Beginners Mts.) 7-8 pm - SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous (Open Mtg.) 8:30 - 9:30 pm-SC

TUESDAY - April 18

- **BINGO - SC -7:30 PM**

Total Prizes: \$3,000. Early Bird 7:15 PM.

***** HANDICAP ACCESS *****

Please join us! We are grateful for all of our volunteers.

WEDNESDAY - April 19

- Alcoholics Anonymous - big book - 7 pm-SC
- Alcoholics Anonymous - C - 8:30 pm -SC

THURSDAY - April 20

- Leisure Club
- Knights of Columbus - 7:45 pm -MC

FRIDAY - April 21

- White Elephant table collection - 7 pm-8 pm -SC

SATURDAY - April 22

- White Elephant table collection 9 am -3 pm -SC
- Greenway Clean-Way - 9 am

SUNDAY- April 23 - Divine Mercy Sunday

- Religious Education- S
- **CWV GARAGE SALE - 9 am - 3 pm -SC**

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Fri. April 21-White Elephant collection 7pm-8pm-SC
- Sat. April 22-White Elephant collection -9am-3pm-SC
- Sun. April 23 - CWV -Garage Sale - SC
- Mon. April 24 - Catholic Medley -7:30 pm - MC
- Sun. April 30 - Blood Drive -- SC
- Sun. May 7 - Communion Breakfast - 11:30 am - SC
- Sat. May 20 - International Night - 6 pm - SC
- Wed. June 7-Golf - North Shore Towers -1 pm
- Sat. June 3 - Defensive Driving - 9 am - 3:30pm-MC
- June. 9/10 - Broadway Revue - SC - 8 pm

Please visit our new website at:
Americanmartyrs-queens.org



Sunday CollectionsLast Weekend --April, 9, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church - \$8,304.

This Weekend - April 16, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.
My Easter Gift to my Church.

Next Weekend - April 23, 2017

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.
St. John Vianney Fund - help support a home for our
retired Priests. Please be as generous as possible.

*****NOTE:** Please make all checks payable to:
American Martyrs Church.

If you are unable to attend Mass for a few Sundays, please use
your "Catch Up" envelope for your contributions.

We need you & your financial support!

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE: It's a convenient and secure
way to make your regular Sunday contributions and there's no cost
to you to set up your account on line. Just go to:

e-giving.org/americanmartyrschurch and follow the instructions.

**Please remember the Roman Catholic Church of
American Martyrs in your will and estate planning.**

Please Pray for our Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized:

Paula Abel, Jackie Arriaga, Alex Aponte, Marge Aquino, Josephine
Attard, Roberto Barrientos, Gilda Bavaro, Cecilia Bello, Mary
Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Owen Canavan, Frank Carroll,
Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Carrie
Enright, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry,
Mary Grecco, Wilson Grullon, Daniel Hoffner, John Horvat, Dr.
Pamela Ierardi, Joseph Kinney, Bill Krug, Gabriella Losasso, Cathy
Losito, Adoracion Luna, Mary & Ralph Marazzo, Aida Maravilla,
Susan McConnell, Donna McIsaac, Danny Montchal, Mary
Fitzgerald Murray, Pat North, Walter Panas, Sal Piazza, Lynn Pickt,
Peg Pinto, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Alexander Ramos,
Lorraine Rensch, Gloria Ricioppi, Lily & Mike Rivera, Patrice
Rohde, Lydia Roldan, Lee Servillo, Adam Singer, George Stellakis,
Mary Sweeney, Suzanne Szalkiewicz, John Tymon, Joan Wagner,
McCaila Young, Fred Uy, Jacqueline Zeller, Genevieve Zenka,
Fireman & 9/11 Survivor - Michael Arriaga. **If you would like
to add a name to our sick list, please call the Rectory
office.**

**Also, please pray for the men and women of our
Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad.**

Nothing is more powerful than the power of prayer.

AFTERNOON TEA -- THANK YOU!

To all the Ladies who attended our Tea, Thank You! The hats
were great! Thank you also to all those who worked. Your
efforts made the day a success! See you next year.

Reminder --- Day of Recollection - May 8.

+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +

Rev. Thomas F. Kehoe

Sofia Sarmiento

Eternal Rest grant unto them Lord. May perpetual light
shine upon them. May they rest in peace; and may their
souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in
peace. ~ Amen

Queens Deanery #5 Facebook Page

Join Queens Deanery #5 on Facebook where you will
learn more about the upcoming spiritual events in the
parishes of our Deanery, as well as find all of the weekly
bulletins, contact information, Mass schedules and so
much more. Just visit Queens Deanery #5 on Facebook
and "like" the page to receive updates, or visit us on the
web at:

www.queensdeanery5.org.

[Facebook.com/Queens Deanery 5](https://www.facebook.com/QueensDeanery5)

Americanmartyrs-queens.org.

Knights of Columbus

Parish men - What is in YOUR heart? Please
consider joining our Father John J. Murray Knights of
Columbus Council 14666. Open to ALL Catholic men 18
years and older who wish to share in the Charity,
Fraternity, and Unity of Christ with Brother Knights. We
meet at 7:45 every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month in the
Murray Center (rectory basement). We have a red shirt
waiting for YOU!

Greenway Clean-way Day

**on the Vanderbilt Motor Parkway
(aka "the bicycle path")**



**If you enjoy walking, jogging, biking, hopping, skipping, or
jumping along the wonderful Greenway that we all share,
then please join us on**

Saturday, April 22nd (Earth Day), 2017 at 9:00AM

**to do our small part to keep the Greenway a Clean-way.
Invite your neighbors, bring your children, and come have
some fun with us. Community service participation letters
will be provided to any youth who request it.**

*We provide garbage bags/gloves, all we need is
YOU. Meet on Greenway at one of these locations:

- 1) Dead End-bottom of 209th St.
- 2) Bell Blvd. overpass
- 3) Springfield Blvd. overpass
- 4) Kingsbury Ave. & Grand Central Pkwy. service
road (end of Alley Pond apts)

Sponsored by: The Father John J. Murray Knights of
Columbus Council at American Martyrs Church, Bayside,
Queens and the NYC Partnership for Parks *For more
information contact us at kofc14666fm@gmail.com

REFLECTION

It is Easter! Today is a day of great joy for us as Catholics. The joy is reflected all around us in the way that people are dressed, in the way they approach Mass on this day. The key for us today is to carry that joy away from Mass to our celebrations and our lives.



We hear about similar joy in today's Gospel from St. John. When Mary of Magdala goes to the tomb and discovers it empty, she does not walk leisurely back to tell the others. She runs, filled with excitement and with the same joy we must feel. Joy is contagious. That is what we need to spread when we go forth on this glorious day.

Easter for us should be an encounter with the Risen Lord. We are to share the Good News. That is what Mary of Magdala does. Perhaps we have a difficult time talking about the joy we feel at Easter and at other times in the Church. We should not be hesitant; sharing the joy is part of being a disciple of Christ; it is what makes us an "Easter people."

All of the Gospels tell of the Resurrection of Christ. They may differ in some details, but they all agree that Christ is Risen. When His Apostles go forth to spread the Good News, they speak of His Resurrection, not the empty tomb. That is what we need to do, what we need to share — the Easter joy of being a Catholic and a Christian.

~ the catholicsteward.com

GENERATIONS OF FAITH-CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Amount Pledged: \$1,242,365.

Total Paid on Pledges: \$530,803.



Amount returned to American Martyrs:

\$220,602. Number of Parishioners participating: 309

Work on the Church roof and pointing will commence in the Spring of 2017. Total projected cost of the project is \$725,000. For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges.

ATLANTIC CITY -- LEISURE CLUB

On Wednesday, April 19, we are planning a trip to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City. We will leave from the parking lot at 9:15 am returning about 9:15 pm. The cost is \$35. For information and reservations, please call Rosemarie at 718-479-9479.

Save the Date

American Martyrs 5th Annual Golf Outing –
Wednesday, June 7th – North Shore Towers Golf
Course – 1 PM shotgun start. Details to follow.

BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, April 30, SC - 9:15 am to 1:45 pm
Edward Malench Memorial - Sponsored by the
Knights of Columbus.

Please donate a pint to save a life !

CWV Indoor Garage Sale-- Sunday- April 23

**Come join us for our 13th Annual
Garage Sale to be held in the
Sullivan Center on Sunday April 23**



from 9 am to 3 pm. Free Admission. Coffee, bagels and snacks will be available. If you would like to rent a table, (\$40) please call Frank Pagano @ 718-217-2326 for contract information.

"White Elephant" table collection will be in the Sullivan Center, **Friday, April 21, 7 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, April 22, 9 am - 3 pm.** NO clothing please.

Help our Troops by helping our Vets.

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

American Martyrs Church

Father John J. Murray Communion Breakfast

Sunday May 7, 2017 in the Sullivan Center

After the 10:30 Mass

Honoring Monsignor E. Bottino

Speaker Father George Cowan

Delicious hot breakfast – Eggs, Bacon, Pancakes, French toast, Coffee, Juice, etc.

*****Prizes to be raffled!!!!*****

Buy your tickets NOW! Buy your tickets NOW! Buy your tickets NOW!

Age 13 and older = \$15 per person Age 7 to 12 = \$7 per person Age 6 and under - Free

Tickets sold after masses prior to the event and OR

Complete the stub below and leave it at rectory WITH PAYMENT.

You can pay by cash, or make checks payable to American Martyrs Church.

Any questions? (347) 421 - 7676 or email JoeGT60@gmail.com

TURN IN THIS STUB WITH YOUR CASH, OR CHECK PAYABLE TO AMERICAN MARTYRS CHURCH by April 30

Father Murray Parish Breakfast Sunday May 7, 2017 11:30 A.M.

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Age 13 and older number of tickets _____ at \$15 = _____

Age 7 to 12 number of tickets _____ at \$7 = _____

6 and under number of tickets _____ Free = _____

Please try to sit me with: _____

ALLELUIA ~ REJOICE ~ HE IS RISEN!

Fr. Frank, Fr. Bruno, Fr. Cowan, Fr. Emmanuel,
Deacon Stan and the staff and volunteers of
American Martyrs Church
wish all our Parishioners and their families a
very Blessed Easter Season.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Please pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet during the
9 days from Good Friday to Divine Mercy Sunday.
This "Novena of Divine Mercy" was recommended to
St. Faustina for the remission of sins during these holy
days.

Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.

*** COMMUNITY NEWS ***

Catholic Charities - Bayside Senior Center-

221-15 Horace Harding Expy. 718-225-1144 Serves full meals
at 11:30 every day. Programs: Chair Yoga, Line Dancing, Tai
Chi, Exercise, Bingo, Computer, and more.

Sisters of the Handmaids of the Holy Child Jesus:

Will minister and care for the elderly in their own homes. Call
718-888-7708.

Family, Marriage and Individual Therapy- The Catholic
Counseling Center offers professional therapy by NYS licensed
therapists. 631-243-2503. Dr. George Giuliani. Or visit:
thecatholiccounselingcenter.com

Catholic Charities Home-base Program - assists those with
housing crisis, (i.e.-- rental arrears, utility shutoffs, etc.) Call
718-674-1000 for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul: donate your old car- running or not.
718-491-2525. The Society will give back \$75/\$200 to American
Martyrs. For anyone that has a neglected vehicle that they would
like to dispose of.

Al-Anon and Ala-teen Family Groups: if you've been affected
by or are concerned about someone else's drinking, you've come
to the right place! Hope, help, and happiness are attainable.
www.nycalanon.org -- 212-941-0094

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Home Delivered Meals:

Are you or someone you know 60+ years old, living in the North-
east Queens area and would benefit from a hot meal each day?
Call 718-357-4903 for more information.

Meals-on-Wheels -- Sub. Drivers needed on call--Mon - Sat. 4
hours per workday. 718-357-4903 #1 - Maria or Kathy

Alzheimer's Adult Day Program - Catholic Charities
Neighborhood Services. Mental and physical stimulation, a hot
lunch and door to door transportation. 718-358-3541. Weekly
caregiver support group.

Nar-Anon Never Alone: is a 12-step support group for anyone
affected by a loved one's use/abuse of drugs. 718-217-0364.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

~ *Live in Faith Give in Love* ~

Annual Appeal Goal for 2017: \$61,392.
Amount Pledged: \$45,285.
Amount Received: \$31,998.
Donors: 67

Pledge envelopes have been placed at all the
entrances to the Church. You can make a pledge
online by going to www.rcdobdonate.org, or
simply mail in the commitment form on the back of
the **Tablet** with the amount of your pledge. Some
companies have matching gift programs, so please
check to see if your place of employment partici-
pates. If you have not yet seen the video presenta-
tion, you may do so on our **website:**

americanmartyrs-queens.org.

**Remember, every dollar received over goal comes
back to the Parish.**

Thank you for all you do for American Martyrs.
~ Reverend Frank L. Schwarz, Pastor



2017 Annual Catholic Appeal Prayer

ACA Theme for 2017 --- Live in Faith - Give in Love

God our Creator, Giver of all good gifts,
we praise and glorify you.

Teach us to acknowledge always, and with enduring gratitude,
the many blessings your infinite love has showered upon us.
Widen our vision and enliven our generosity, as we seek to
support the pastoral and charitable works of our diocese in
Brooklyn and Queens.

All-loving Father, Fountain of Mercy, we honor and adore you.
Open our hearts to welcome the Holy Spirit, who enables us to
live in faith and give in love, so that the joy of the Gospel may
penetrate every heart in our local communities.

Open our eyes and stir up in us your compassion, so that all may
come to know your Son, Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the
life, now and forever.

Amen.