

MASSES FOR THE WEEKSATURDAY - April 28, 2018

5:00 pm: Frank & Anna Smaldino- Gregg & Mary Ann

SUNDAY- April 29

8:30 am: Misa Pro Populo

10:30 am:

1. Jennifer Anne Zupicich - Pagnozzi Family

2. Michael T. Liskiewicz - -Pagnozzi Family

Myron W. Liskiewicz -- Pagnozzi Family

12:30 pm: Roseanne LaSala-Barre -- Mom & Dad

Mon. - April 30- St. Pius V

8:30 am: Stephen D. Adams --- Patricia & Family

Tues. - May 1 - St. Joseph the Worker

8:30 am: Marie de Angelis --- Margaret Stamm

Wed. - May 2 - St. Athanasius

8:30am: Mary Malpeli -- Peselli Family

After the 8:30 am Mass - Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Thursday -- May 3 - St. Philip & St. James

8:30 am: Norma Bruce -- George Benczak

Friday - May 4

8:30 am: Henry & Agatha Stamm --Marie de Angelis

7:30 pm -- First Friday Devotions - RC

Saturday - May 5

8:30 am: 1. Donna & Sal Pastore -- Family

2. Joseph R. Tricarico --- Rosemarie Tricarico

3. Rosemarie Robinson --- Rosemarie Tricarico

5:00 pm: Anthony DiCicco --- Family

Sunday -May 6

8:30 am: Frank Mantel -- Barbara & Jack Goydas

10:30 am: Members of the Purgatorial Society

12:30 pm: Misa Pro Populo

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

*~ In Loving Memory of ~*

*Stephen D. Adams*

*requested by his Family*

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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

SUNDAY - APRIL 29, 2018

- Religious Education- S
- “Ed Malench” Memorial Blood Drive --  
SC-- 9:15 am - 1:45 pm

MONDAY- April 30

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

TUESDAY - May 1

- **BINGO - 7:30 pm --SC**

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

\*\*\*\*\* **HANDICAP ACCESS** \*\*\*\*\*

BINGO			
15	28	37	51 73
6	17	32	45 61
9	15	★	60 70
12	26	44	52 66
7	22	34	48 72

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

WEDNESDAY - May 2

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

THURSDAY - May 3

- Leisure Club -- 11 am -- SC
- Crafty People -- 7:30 pm -- SC
- Blue Knights-- 8 pm --MC

SATURDAY - May 5

- First Holy Communion -- 11 am

SUNDAY-May 6

- Religious Education - S
- May Crowning - at the 10:30 am Mass
- Communion Breakfast -SC- After the 10:30 am Mass. Flyers are at the doors of the Church for reservations. Please return the form with payment to the rectory.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AT AMERICAN MARTYRS

- Thurs. May 3 -- Crafty People - 7:30 pm -- SC
- Sun. May 13-Rel. Ed. Bagel Bkfst - last day of classes
- Mon. May 14- Rosary Day of Recollection-11 am- SC
- Sat. May 19 - Defensive Driving -- MC
- Fri./Sat. June 1 & 2 -- Broadway Revue -- SC
- Wed. June 6- AM Golf Outing- N. Shore Towers
- Sat. Sept. 29 - AM 70th Anniversary - 5 pm Mass



**Sunday Collections**

**Last Weekend - April 22, 2018**

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church - \$6,104.  
The Tablet- \$812.

**This Weekend - April 29, 2018**

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.  
Catholic Home Missions Appeal.

**Next Weekend - May 6, 2018**

My Weekly Offering for the Support of my Church.  
American Bishop's Overseas Appeal -- CRS, Migration & Refuge Services, Social Development & World Peace.

**\*\*\*\*\*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](http://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, Eugenia Arpino, Josephine Attard, Elsa Barbagallo, Roberto Barrientos, Mary Margaret Benza, Iride Bubek, Frances Burgess, Frank Carroll, Chang Family, William Christopher, Ralph Colamussi, Jessie Carlone, Tom Dana, Ramon Dickson, Carrie Enright, Jo Anne Failla, John Fazio, Diana Ferrante, Terry Flexer, Michael Gorry, Wilson Grullon, Ray Hippeli, Daniel Hoffner, John Horvat, Dr. Pamela Ierardi, Joe Kinney, William Krug, Cathy Losito, Mary & Ralph Marazzo, Aida Maravilla, Steve Mattaliano, Susan McConnell, Ed McGrath, Danny Montchal, Mary Fitzgerald Murray, Ed Myles, Estella Palucious, Sabato Pagnozzi, Walter Panas, Rosemary Parente, Sal Piazza, Lynn Pickett, Peg Pinto, Guillermo Ramirez, Maria Ramirez, Alexander Ramos, Amelia Reyes, Lily & Mike Rivera, Patrice Rohde, Arlene Scherne, Lee Servillo, Adam Singer, Mary Sweeney, Suzanne Szkalkiewicz, Lorraine Thomas, Rosemary Tricarico, Joan Wagner, Jesse Wagner, Ed Wilm, McCaila Young, 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.*



**BLOOD DRIVE -- SUNDAY, April 29**

I gave my blood...Christ gave His.  
I gave a pint... He gave all.  
The needle is small and sharp...  
The nails were large and dull.  
The table soft, relaxing...  
The Cross rough, painful.  
The nurses kind and gentle...  
The soldiers cruel and mean.  
The crowd applauds my sacrifice...  
"They that passed by reviled Him."  
Mine is A-positive...His is positively for all.  
Mine, at best, will prolong a life for awhile...  
His, without doubt, saved all...forever! ~ by Bill Goff



From 9:15 am to 1:45 pm American Martyrs will host The Edward Malench Memorial Blood Drive in the Sullivan Center. Please make every effort to donate a pint of blood to save a life!

**50/50 RAFFLE**

After the last Sunday in April (29th) we will no longer continue the 50/50 Fund Raiser (yellow envelope) which was included in your mailed envelope packets. Thanks for playing!

**Reunion of American Martyrs Graduates**

Come join us at the dinner dance celebration of American Martyrs 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at the Immaculate Conception Center in Douglaston. Great time to connect with former classmates and enjoy reminiscing!  
For more information please email:

[maureens@jwhampton.com](mailto:maureens@jwhampton.com).

**CRAFTY PEOPLE**

Our next Crafty People meeting will be on **Thursday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., in Sullivan Center.** At this meeting, we'll be making crocheted mug cozies. For this craft, you will need one or two skeins of acrylic worsted weight yarn in one or two colors of your choosing. Also, bring a crochet hook in size H or I, a pair of scissors, and your favorite coffee mug (one that is not tapered will work best, but we'll work with what you bring). If you have a large button (about an inch in diameter; with holes, not a shank) that will go with your yarn, you can bring that, too, but I will have neutral colored buttons if you don't have one. As always, if anyone is interested in becoming a new Crafty Person, please e-mail [amcraftypeople@ymail.com](mailto:amcraftypeople@ymail.com).

## REFLECTION

St. John captures the essence of what kind of love is expected from us toward our neighbor and those in need as he opens our Second Reading with **“Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.”** Jesus made that point several times in His own teachings. It follows the old adage that “Actions speak louder than words.”



We have pointed out numerous times that being a good steward requires action. It may be easy for us come to an understanding of what it means to love one another; and additionally, we may speak of doing it; but the true measure is what we do, how we live our lives.

The best examples of stewardship of that we may be aware in our parishes and community involve what we see and experience in others. That is the most effective way to be taught and it is the best way to teach others. **Do it and live it.**

That is John’s point is it not? He continues his instructions in the Second Reading by saying, **“We should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another as He commanded us.”** The Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik Ibsen, who had a great appreciation for the written word, once stated, “A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed.”

The point of Jesus’ Parable of the Two Sons (Mt 21) in which one son says he will do his father’s will but does not while the other says he will not obey, but repents and does what his father asked, is quite clear **that deeds mean more than intentions.**

~ thecatholicsteward.com

## ROSARY SOCIETY ANNUAL DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Please join us on **Monday, May 14**, for our Annual Day of Recollection. We will begin with a **Mass at 11 am.** Our guest speaker will be Sr. Evelyn Eckhardt, D.W. A lunch will be provided, so please call Carol at 718631-0896, Diana at 718-740-0643, or Barbara at 718-465-0585. If you have a favorite dessert, please bring it. We will also collect baby items for Bridge to Life. Dues of \$10 are due. All Ladies Welcome. Come Join us!



Also, thank you to all who attend and helped out at the “Ladies Tea”.

Please do not bring food or drinks into Church.

## GENERATIONS OF FAITH-CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

**Amount Pledged: \$1,240,000.**

**Total Paid on Pledges: \$797,762.**

**Amount returned to American Martyrs: \$270,375.**

**Number of Parishioners participating: 311**

We are working on replacing the air-conditioning system in the Church and the Sullivan Center. The current system is over 30 years old and no longer functioning properly. ***Please be patient as this long overdue work progresses!***



For those who have pledged, thank you for your faithfulness in fulfilling your pledges. It is due to your generosity that this work can be done.

## ANNUAL GOLF OUTING -NS TOWERS

### **American Martyrs 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing, Wednesday June 6<sup>th</sup>**

at North Shore Towers golf course. Lunch at noon, shotgun start at 1 PM, dinner to follow at Immaculate Conception Center - \$180 per person. Dinner only \$45. Donations appreciated!!! Please contact Maureen at [maureens@jwhampton.com](mailto:maureens@jwhampton.com) or 718-276-0301.

**Remain in Me as I remain in you,  
says the Lord.  
Whoever remains in Me will bear  
much fruit.**

## CWV Garage Sale - THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the Vendors, those who visited and those who donated to our Annual Garage Sale.



Our “White Elephant” table raised over \$1,000 for our Catholic War Veterans.

## MOTHER’S DAY MASS NOVENA

A Novena for **Mother’s Day** will begin **Sunday, May 13.** This is a beautiful way of remembering our Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Godmothers, Mothers-in-law, Step-Mothers, living or deceased, with a special Mass intention. Please return the envelope that you received in the mail, or **there are extra Mother’s Day Remembrance envelopes available at the front pews and on the Church tables.** You may return them in the collection basket, or the Rectory Office.



**+ REMEMBER THE DECEASED +**

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

**Please pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving in the U.S. and abroad:**  
**SPC Ruby Russo - US Army**  
**LCPL Christopher Keane - USMC**  
**SN John Schaefer - USCG**

If you know of any parishioner who is currently serving in the Armed forces and would like to be added to our prayer list, please call the Rectory. 718-464-4582.

**\*\*\* COMMUNITY NEWS \*\*\***

**Ozanam Hall of Queens Nursing Home**, Bayside, Served by the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm are looking for Volunteers to interact with Residents and staff. 9AM and 7PM. Please call Gail D. O'Donovan at 718-971-2020

**St. John's University Speech & Hearing** - Free Screenings - Until May, 3. - 718-990-6480

**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.

**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, Truck or Van - 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 contact: **SVDPAUTO@GMAIL.COM**

**IRS Tax Deduction - Free Towing - Any Condition.**

**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](http://www.nycalanon.org) -- 212-941-0094

**Catholic Charities Neighborhood Home Delivered Meals:** Are you or someone you know 60+ years old, living in the Northeast 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.

**2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*~ Answer The Call ~*



We thank those who have already made a pledge, and we ask that everyone *prayerfully* consider making a gift to the 2018 Appeal.

**Annual Appeal Goal for 2018: \$59,000.**  
**Amount Pledged: \$67,849.**  
**Amount Received: \$51,947.**  
**Donors: 155**

**You can make your gift online at:**  
**AnnualCatholicAppeal.org**

Many companies have special *Matching Gift Programs*. You may be able to double your gift by contacting your company's Personnel/Human Resource office.

**For more information about Matching Gift Opportunities, call the ACA office at:**  
**718-965-7375, ext. 1602.**

The work and services made possible through your donation to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone. Your donation is tax deductible.

We encourage all to watch the brief 2018 ACA Video online at: **CFBO.org/ACAVideo.**

**Remember, every dollar received over our goal comes back to American Martyrs Parish.**

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

**SAVE THE DATES!**

**Wednesday, JUNE 6 - American Martyrs**  
**Annual Golf Outing --- North Shore Towers**

**Saturday, SEPT. 29 - American Martyrs 70th Anniversary Gala -- 5 pm Mass at American Martyrs Church. Reception to follow at 6:30 at the Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston.**  
**\*\* (More information on all events to follow)**

**Habitat for Humanity**

Join Sister Grace Ann and others to learn about the mission of Habitat for Humanity, New York City and the work of the Queens Coalition. Meet people who have been helped and those who have helped. Learn how you can help! WHEN: **Monday April 30th** WHERE: Saint Kevin Parish Center -- Parking available. TIME: 7:30 pm QUESTIONS: Contact Becca Davis: **bdavis@habitatnyc.org**

