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Evergreen Park, Illinois

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Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

*Jesus said to Thomas,
"Have you come to
believe because you
have seen me?
Blessed are those
who have not seen
and have believed."*

John 20:29

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April 24, 2022

Fr. Marty's Musings



We are jubilant for the Easter miracle and the Lord's generous mercy. Too often we ourselves can be miserly with forgiveness. When we offer forgiveness, we free up ourselves. The stewing anger that we hold in often chains us more than it burdens those who have hurt us.

Mercy and forgiveness are important in our faith and worship. We begin each Mass proclaiming God's mercy. The proclamations "Kyrie Eleison" and "Christe eleison," or "Lord have mercy" and "Christ have mercy," respectively, state our trust in a merciful Lord. We stress the breadth of God's mercy rather than the burdens of our sins. Today we celebrate God's mercy with the Gospel commission to his disciples: "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them."

During the season of Easter, we will be using the Sprinkling Rite in place of the Penitential Act. We recall the renewal and grace of Baptism is the supreme example of God's love. Christ in his loving mercy washes away our sins.



The holy water in stoups by the church doors remind us of our Baptism. The Sign of the Cross repeats the words used when baptismal water was poured. In this Easter season, as we have renewed our baptismal promises, let us make the Sign of the Cross and the use of holy water a conscious prayer.

Throughout the year we keep a stainless-steel receptacle for holy water near the St. Joseph Lot entrance. You are welcome to help yourselves to holy water to bring home (you need to bring your own small bottle).



I write this as I prepare for a Pastors in Transition Retreat at Joseph and Mary Retreat House in Mundelein. By the time you read this, I will have finished the retreat, but please keep me and the other priests and parishes going through the changes of Renew My Church. And please keep vocations for Holy Orders in your prayers.

Let us be generous with Easter joy. We are an Easter community that needs to stick together. I thank you for your generosity to Queen of Martyrs, and hope to see people back in greater numbers. GiveCentral is a helpful tool for stewardship and support. Check out:

<http://queenofmartyrschurch.com/online-giving/>

Fr. Marty Marren



Prayer of Divine Mercy

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion—inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.



Stewardship

Sharing your talents, time and treasure.

Queen of Martyrs Sunday Comparison—April 10, 2022

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Amount Needed	\$7,500	\$307,500
Amount Collected	\$6,850	\$283,687
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(650)	\$(23,813)
Number of Weekly Envelopes.....		155

Due to an early bulletin deadline the collection data for the weekend of **April 17, 2022**

could not be included in this week's bulletin. It will be published in an upcoming bulletin.

Thank you for your support and generosity!

Please consider increasing your weekly contribution to decrease our deficit. Your sacrifice is appreciated.



Queen of Martyrs and St. Bernadette's Divine Mercy Celebration April 24th, 2022



Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction with the Divine Mercy prayers will be taking place **today** in **Queen of Martyrs Church at 2:30 p.m. sharp.**

The **Message of Divine Mercy** is that God is Love and Mercy itself and He wants no one to escape that Merciful Love. Our Lord wants us to turn to Him with complete trust.

A **plenary indulgence** (the forgiveness of all temporal punishment resulting from sins that have already been confessed) is granted on the Feast of Divine Mercy to all the faithful *who go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and "in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. 'Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!')."*



Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel
10240 S. St. Louis

Monday—2:30—6:30 p.m.
Tuesday—2:30—6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays and Weekends **CLOSED**
Thursday—2:30—6:30 p.m.
Friday—2:30—6:30 p.m.

Benediction will be held on the first Monday of each month.

We offer a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Grandparents on the **last Tuesday of each month from 1:30—2:30 p.m.** in our Chapel.

Please join us as we pray together for our grandchildren, young and old, to grow in God's Love and become all that He created them to be! The hour includes group prayer and time for private adoration.

Our next Grandparent's Holy Hour will take place **April 26.**



Queen of Martyrs Parish Outreach

Sandwich Schedule for Adult Members at 9:00 a.m. in the Convent on the following **Wednesdays:**

2022
April 27
May 11 & 25

"Lord, we pray for the power to be gentle, the strength to be forgiving, the patience to be understanding, and the endurance to accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right. May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil and the power of love to overcome hatred. We pray for the vision to see and the faith to believe in a world freed from violence, where fear shall no longer lead people to commit injustice. Amen." (Week of Prayer for World Peace, 1978) Let us take a few minutes of prayer for those in eastern Europe who are valiantly fighting for their freedom and beliefs.



Baptismal Preparation

Baptismal Preparation Classes are offered on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. You must call the Rectory at 708-423-8110 to register for the class by the **Monday** prior.

Our next class is Wednesday, May 4, 2022

50/50 Raffle
Results for 04/11/22

On Monday, April 11th, Envelope No. 1696 was drawn. There was **NO** winner. The total amount of the prize pot was \$24,150.00.

Due to an early bulletin deadline the 50/50 data for April 18th could not be included in this week's bulletin. It will be published in an upcoming bulletin.

To be eligible for the raffle, you must use two separate envelopes for the current week. In your regular weekly envelope, your contribution **must** be at least \$5.00; and you **must** use the corresponding week's 50/50 envelope with a \$5.00 contribution in that envelope. **To be included in the weekly 50/50 drawing, envelopes must be in the rectory office by 8:30 A.M. on the Monday morning immediately after the weekend.**

Good luck next week!

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Total Parishioners Pledged:..... 283
Total Pledges:.....\$494,713.00
Balance as of 02/28/2022 in
TO TEACH WHO CHRIST IS Account:.....\$16,715.28

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Confirmation Practice 4/25 6pm

Random Fun Continues 4/27

*Faith Formation Class Resumes
4/30 and 5/14*

First Communion Practice 5/2

First Holy Communion 5/7

Confirmation 5/13

Contact Tina O'Shea at:
QMFaithformation@gmail.com or
QMartyrsYM@gmail.com

"Spring Has Sprung" In Queen of Martyrs Preschool



The students are very happy that we are finally in the Season of Spring! Mrs. Bujanski's Three Year Old Preschooler's have been discussing interesting facts about rainbows. They participated in a STEM project using pipe cleaners and Play-Doh to create colorful rainbows. The children were also learning about the letter Rr, and all the things that begin with that letter, including the word rainbow. They were so excited to bring their rainbow "Rr" projects home to show their families!

Ms. Smerz and Mrs. Bischoff's 4-Year Old Full Day Pre-School took advantage of the beautiful spring weather and went outside to play a few games of "Duck, Duck, Goose"! The children loved being out in the fresh air! As part of their Science curriculum the Preschoolers are observing caterpillars that have settled into their chrysalis's and soon will be butterflies. They are so excited to follow this unique metamorphosis of nature. The preschoolers have been learning about plants and what they need to grow. They planted blue grass seed and are watering their small pots that are on the window ledge. The children are hoping for lots of sunshine so that they can watch their seeds grow into grass!

The Preschooler's have been discussing many facts about Spring. They are recognizing that the days are longer and the temperature is beginning to rise. The students have noticed that flowers are beginning to poke through the earth, the trees are blossoming, and the birds are singing. What a wonderful time of renewal and awakening!





While They Serve...

We pray for our Parishioners and the Relatives of Parishioners who are serving in the Military and protecting us...

Martin Beemsterboer; Matthew Beemsterboer; Ted Bos; Captain David Jackson Jr.; Major Daniel R. Johnson; Colton Kielbasa; Lance Corporal Patrick J Kinnerk; SPC Sean Martin; Sgt. First Class Wayne Mutnansky; Lt. John Mutnansky; Captain Chris O'Neil; Sergeant Clifford Oskvarek; NFO Matthew Sebok; Colonel Ellen Shannon-Ball; Kevin Smith; Capt. Martin J. Springer and Sgt. Steven Surdynski

If you would like us to pray for a Parishioner or a Relative of a Parishioner serving in the Military, please email the rectory at jmissey@queenofmartyrschurch.com or call at 708-423-8110.

If your relative is NO LONGER serving, please call the Rectory office so we can remove them from our list.

—Thank you

Book Drive



Message from Sister Carol

There is a pause in the Book Sale for a short time. Please hold books from the period of April 18th through May 5th. Reception at Mercy Circle will not accept books during that time due to holiday and family visits. Also please no damaged books, magazines or plastic or cardboard boxes. Bags only. You have all been so generous allowing our ministries to receive more than \$1,500 in total. My prayers of gratitude to all donors!

Easter blessings!



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Oak Lawn Community High School is partnering with the Young Hearts for Life®(YH4L) Cardiac Screening Program, a not for profit organization, to offer free electrocardiograms (ECGs) to the high school students on April 28, 2022.

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Over 90 adult volunteers per shift are needed to help complete ECG testing for the students during the school day. Volunteers are required to attend a volunteer training program during the evening on April 27th. Thank you for taking time to help us screen our students! We know your time is valuable and we are truly grateful! Oak Lawn Community High School.

Click here now: <https://signup.com/go/jvxoXHc>

Bible Study on Mondays

Fr. Mathieu and Fr. Marty invite you to gather for Bible Study. We meet on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room. We are studying 1 Samuel from the Old Testament. Please bring a Bible. Catholic Bibles include *New American Bible*, *New Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition*, and *New Jerusalem Bible*.



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Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY	Apr. 25, 2022—St. Mark
6:30 AM—	Communion Service
8:30 AM—	Dennis Pietrini
TUESDAY —	Apr. 26, 2022
6:30 AM—	Communion Service
8:30 AM—	Patrick Gordon Anna Kovacs
WEDNESDAY —	Apr. 27, 2022
6:30 AM—	Communion Service
8:30 AM—	Parishioners of Queen of Martyrs
THURSDAY —	Apr. 28, 2022— <i>St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort</i>
6:30 AM—	Communion Service
8:30 AM—	Harry Fanning
FRIDAY —	Apr. 29, 2022—St. Catherine of Siena
6:30 AM—	Communion Service
8:30 AM—	John Hector
SATURDAY —	Apr. 30, 2022— <i>St. Pius V</i>
8:30 AM—	Parishioners of Queen of Martyrs
4:00 PM—	Don DiFilippo Stefania Pietrowski
SUNDAY —	May 1, 2022—3rd Sunday of Easter
8:30 AM —	Casey, Mark & Matthew Maciasz Alex Andrick Fr. William Gubbins
10:30 AM—	Albert A. Demma William Manning Edward Ryan



Schedule for the weekend of April 30—May 1, 2022

Mass	Celebrant
Saturday 4:00 p.m.	Fr. Kevin Mullins
Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Fr. Mathieu Herve Mboudou
Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Fr. Marty Marren

* Subject to change

**Please Pray for Our Sick Relatives and Friends**

Prayer is a powerful prescription for whatever ails you. Please remember our sick in your prayers:

Mary Pat Anders	Johnny Esposito	Helen Esposito Melloni
Crispin Bofinger	Patrick Ferguson	Jacqueline Olsen
Whitney Davis	Bobby Kiehne	Debbie Synowiec

May They Rest in Peace

Katherine Sivak
Rita Lusk
Josette Otten

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Registration of New Parishioners / Moving:

Please register at the Rectory at your earliest opportunity.
 If you are a parishioner and are moving, please notify the Rectory of your departure or of a new address in the parish.

COORDINATOR OF FAITH FORMATION

Tina O'Shea
 Religious Education Program—QMfaithformation@gmail.com
 Youth Ministry—QMartyrsYM@gmail.com

SCHOOL

Kenneth Koll—Interim Principal
 3550 W. 103rd Street
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 708-422-1540 FAX 422-1811
 Website: www.qmschool.com

EXTENDED CARE PROGRAM

Carolyn McDonough, Coordinator — 708-423-8120

SCHEDULE OF MASSES:

Anticipated Mass on Saturday: 4:00 P.M.
 Sunday: 8:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M.
 Holy Day: Masses 6:30 A.M., 8:30 A.M.
 Evening Mass Check the bulletin
 Weekdays: Eucharistic Service Mon.—Fri. 6:30 A.M.
 Morning Mass Mon.— Sat. 8:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Please call the office for registration.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Pre-marriage instructions required. Arrangements must be made by the engaged couple, in person, at the Rectory six months prior to the wedding.

OUTREACH (Formerly St. Vincent de Paul Society):

For membership info or assistance call the Rectory.
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MINISTRY OF CARE

Jane Dunne, Coordinator — 708-499-9808

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