

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church
10-08 49th Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101
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St. Joseph Center/Religious Education
10-15 49th Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11101
917-832-6104
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Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. Christopher J. Turczany

Director of Music

Dr. Justin Bischof

Director of Religious Education

Giovanna Varlese

Director of Maintenance

Ray Rychalski

Administrative Assistant

Marie Gabrielle Diharce

Schedule of Masses

Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm

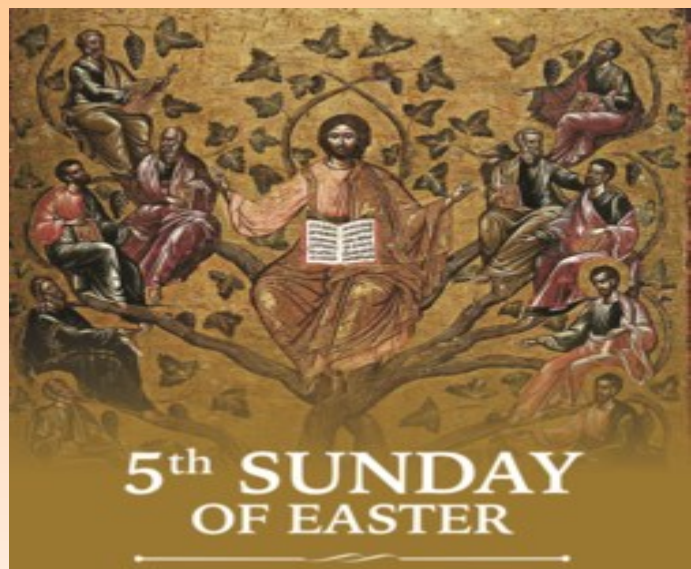
Sunday 9:30 am and 12:00 pm

Monday-Thursday: 12:15 pm

National Holidays: Mass at 9:00 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:40 pm

Anointing of the Sick: First Saturday of the month at the 5:00 pm evening Mass.



April 28, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

RCI Program:

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic, or are you a baptized Catholic seeking to complete the Sacraments Initiation?

For an application or any questions, please send an email to dre.stmarylic@gmail.com

or call 917-832-6104.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Baptism:

4th Saturday of the month at 1:00 pm. For courtesy please arrive fifteen minutes earlier.

Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor.

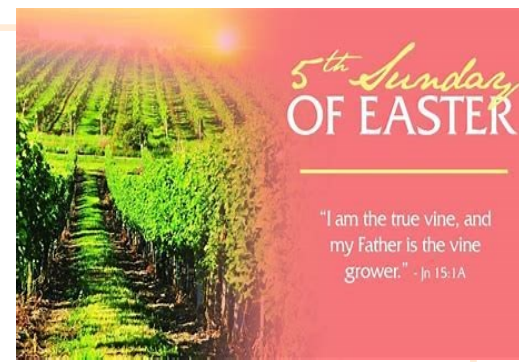
Weddings:

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance in prior to the wedding date. Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor. All couples are required to attend the online Pre-Cana and present the certificate when completed.

Funerals: Monday through Saturday

April 28, 2024
Fifth Easter Sunday

“I am the vine, you are the branches, we hear Jesus tell his disciples in today’s Gospel. We are those branches now. Connected to the vine, that is the Lord, we are expected to bear fruit. What fruit do we bear? Let us contemplate that question as we prepare to celebrate Mass today. May listening to God’s word and sharing in the Eucharist nourish in the Eucharist nourish us as we strive to bear good fruit to for the Lord.



Intentions For the Week

Saturday, April 27, 2024

5:00 pm Stephen Piervincenti

Sunday, April 28, 2024

9:30 am Vinh Tran
Vy Tran

12:00pm Lois Phillips

Monday, April 29, 2024

12:15pm Loretta Luizer “Living”

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

12:15pm Kerry Ann Roeder

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

11:00am Blessed Sacrament

12:15pm Michael T. O’Brien

Thursday May 2, 2024

12:15pm Roberto A. Armada

Friday, May 3, 2024

NO MASS

Saturday, May 4, 2024

5:00 pm Bob Ulino
Halo Diaz

Statistics April 13, 2024 and April 14, 2024

4/20-5:00 pm 60
4/21-9:30 am 130
4/21-12:00 pm 142

Total Count 332

1st Collection \$ 1,577.80

2nd Collection \$ 679

Pray for the sick,

Jean Willison, Michelle Yashita, Pat Gamble, Camille Sollis, Maria Vessillo, Teresa Ortiz, Joe Sullivan, Martha Catel, Jimmy O’Neil, Robert Keegan, Joan Pacheco, Madelaine Sullivan, Mary Roedner, Moussa Traore, Rosanna Lara Lugo, Barbara McCrath

Pray for the Deceased

Joseph Vessillo
Christopher A. Polizzi, Nicholas Correa, Ines Cano, Sal Caiaccia, Emily Loiaccono, William F. Marsh, Antonio Natale, Antonio Magri, Stella Bonilla, Albert Setford, Rosa D’Amato

Purgatorial Intentions

Anthony DeFelica, Evarito Sipin, Frank Carrado, Yolanda Sipin, Genevive Roeder, Pasqual Cafiero, Robert Rohan, Tommaso Valese, Leonardo Antonio, Donna Vova, Vincenza Rios, Mildred Schifano

April 28, 2024 to May 5, 2024

Bread and Wine :

Roberto A. Armada



Armada, Antolijao, DePano and Santos

Join us in Indianapolis!

Diocese of Brooklyn

July 17-21, 2024

Diocesan Pilgrimage Led by Bishop Robert Brennan



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Congress**

Travel Arrangements by
Peter's Way Tours
516-605-1551



**Annual Catholic
Appeal 2024**
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

This week begins the **2024 Annual Catholic Appeal**.
We encourage everyone to view the 2024 ACA Video online at
www.CFBQ.org/ACAVideo

Your contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal make a significant impact, aiding individuals in Brooklyn and Queens in ways beyond the capacity of any single parish.

Let us pray for the success of the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal, envisioning a triumph that not only empowers us to extend love to those in need but also enables our hearts to respond to Jesus, who calls us to be in Communion, Participation and Mission.

We invite you to stand with St Mary Roman Catholic Church in supporting the **2024 Annual Catholic Appeal**.

To donate, visit **www.AnnualCatholicAppeal.org** or text **DONATE** to **917-336-1255**.

A reflection for the fifth Sunday of Easter



John W. Farrell reflects on the readings for April 28, 2024.

This chapter is considered part of what scholars call the “farewell discourses” in the Gospel of John: Jesus’ last words to his disciples before the last supper, and his arrest and passion.

Jesus said to his disciples: “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and every one that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit.” What’s interesting about this is that “vine” was a common image for God’s people, going back, for example, to the book of Isaiah in the Hebrew Bible. But here it suggests immediately thoughts of spring. Of planting. Cutting and pruning. Applied to ourselves, as Jesus’s disciples, it sounds painful, destructive, as nature is. But in this case, I think it is the care and attention of God the father that is foremost in Jesus’ message to his disciples:

“You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me.”

This is fundamentally relational. It’s no longer possible for the individual disciples to be considered in is *“I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned.”* We can’t help focusing on the almost apocalyptic nature of the statement. And in another passage of the gospel, we recall when Jesus cursed the fig tree because it offered no fruit. But at its root, this passage in the Gospel of John is about being part of something greater than just yourself.

“If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.” Here Jesus is describing his relationship both to his father and to his disciples. But the relational view holds when we step further back and remember Jesus and his relation to the Father and the Holy Spirit in the concept of the trinity. It too is fundamentally relational. This is a striking way for Jesus to prompt his disciples to keep the commandments, which he does in the passage immediately after today’s readings. And in the end, it’s in keeping his commandments that our fruit is ultimately born on this vine of Christ. Relation: one must realize they are always directly connected to Jesus, and through him, to his father

DONATE BLOOD AT OUR
ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE



When: Sunday May 19, 2024

Time: 8:00am to 2:00pm

Where: Parish Hall

More information to follow from our sponsor "The LIC/Astoria Lions Club"

St Mary's Religious Education Program
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We encourage parents to attend **every Sunday Mass at 9:30 a.m.** alongside their children. Following the Mass, we invite parents to let their **kids explore and grow in faith** by attending our **Catholic faith classes for all ages**, which commence **at 10:30 a.m.**

If you have any questions, please reach out to: **Giovanna Varlese at 917-832-6104 or email at DRE.StMaryLIC@gmail.com**

May Christ Bless you and your family abundantly,
Giovanna Varlese, Director



Stations of the Cross Performance

Stations of the Cross will be performed by the Religious Education Program on **Sunday, March 17 at 10:30 a.m.**

In the Church Basement (Parish Hall).

All Welcome



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St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
Pledged the Amount \$ 16,785
For "The Annual Catholic Appeal 2024"

- ⇒ Goal: \$16,785
- ⇒ Pledged: \$5,506
- ⇒ Received: \$3,421



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS gather Mondays at 7:00 pm

Wednesday meetings take place via Zoom at 7:30 pm

For more information, please visit the website:

Licgroupsaa@gmail.com

Live Hotline from 9:00 am-2:00 am at 212-647-1680

Monday-Sunday

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth
St. Mary Parish Choir
Sunday Mass at 12:00 pm
Rehearsal in the Church 11:15 am - 11:40 am

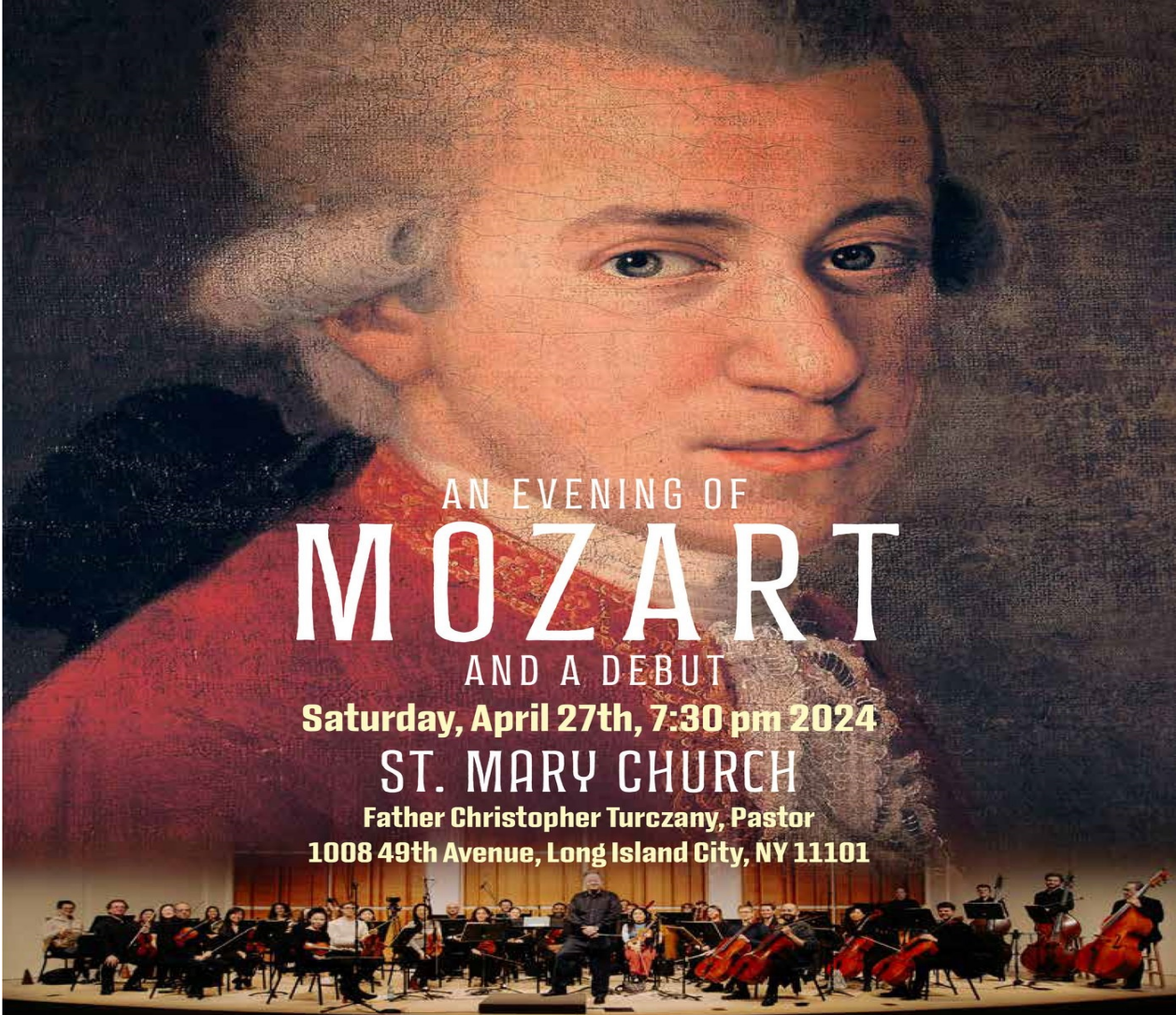


Our Parish Choir helps lead the congregation in song (along with our Cantor) at the Sunday Noon Mass every week.

Do you like to sing? If so, we would like to hear from you!

There is a painless and quick audition with Dr. Bischof our Director of Music to sing through a hymn and discuss the Parish Choir commitment.

To sign up for an audition, please contact Dr. Justin Bischof at **646-206-7638** or **justin@justinbischof.com**.



AN EVENING OF
MOZART

AND A DEBUT

Saturday, April 27th, 7:30 pm 2024

ST. MARY CHURCH

Father Christopher Turczany, Pastor

1008 49th Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101



**Piano Concerto No. 12 K. 414 (Movt. 1)
Mozart Requiem K. 626**

**MOO MODUS OPERANDI ORCHESTRA
THE MODUS SINGERS**

Aydan Ferrao, piano (MOO Debut)

Justin Bischof, conductor



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