

# St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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## Parish Staff

### **Pastor**

Rev. Christopher J. Turczany

### **Director of Music**

Parker Ramsay

### **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.

## **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 27, 2024**

### **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](mailto: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.

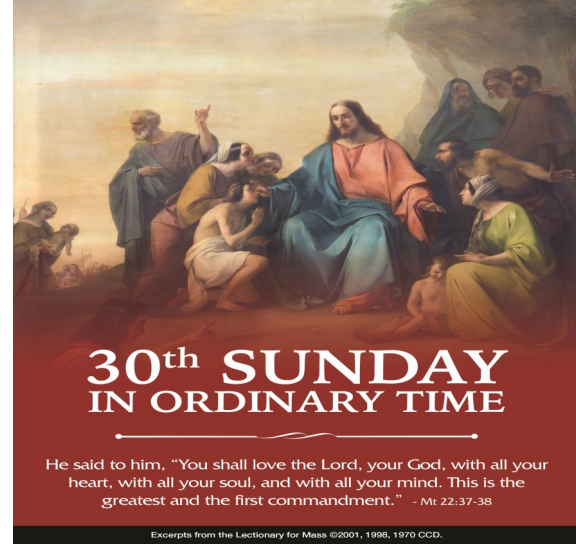
### **Weddings:**

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

**October 27, 2024**  
**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

This week will feature two parades of sorts. On Halloween, we'll see a parade of children dressed in costumes going from door to door. On All Saints Day, we sing of a parade of saints who "go marching." In today's first reading, another parade: "the remnant of Israel" whom the LORD gathers from all over the world. As we celebrate Mass today, let us praise a God who gathers us together, ready to march to our promised land, to the eternal kingdom.



**Mass Intentions For The Week**

**Saturday October 26, 2024**

5:00 pm Primo Iapoce

**Sunday October 27, 2024**

9:30 am Antonio Spina

12:00pm John McVernon

**Monday October 28, 2024**

12:15 pm Billy Marsh

**Tuesday October 29, 2024**

12:15 pm Lobo Baredt

**Wednesday October 30, 2024**

11-12pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12:15 pm Vincent Marino

**Thursday October 31, 2024**

12:15pm Ketty, Jean Marie Tita

**Friday November 1, 2024**

12:15pm Holy Day of Obligation  
**All Saints Day**

Thomas Francis Roeder

**Saturday November 2, 2024**

12:15pm **All Souls Day**

5:00 pm Peter Marchette

**Statistics October 19, and October 20, 2024**

Count 5:00pm/\$85  
9:30 am/\$160  
12:00pm/ \$173  
**\$418**

**1st Collection \$ 1,540**  
**2nd Collection \$ 354 Mission Sunday**

**Pray for the sick**

Teresa Ortiz, Joe Sullivan, Martha Catel, Jimmy O'Neil, Robert Keegan, Joan Pacheco, Madelaine Sullivan, Tina Stare, Angela Iorio,

**Pray for the Deceased**

Joseph Vessillo, Nicholas Correa, Ines Cano, Salvatore Caiaccia, Elizabeth Crumish DeMartine, Emily Loiacono, Joan O'Brien, Anthony Walsh Jr., Father Ray Schmidt, Catherine Hogan, Diane Hulser-Brue

**Purgatorial Intentions**

Tom DeQuattro, Felino Francisco Alamani, Dorothy, Marinelli, Anna Mangino, Anthony DeFelica, Evarito Sipin, Frank Carrado, Yolanda Sipin, Genevive Roeder, Pasqual Cafiero, Robert Rohan, Tommaso Valese, Leonardo Antonio, Donna Vova, Vincenza Rios, Mildred Schifano

## Join Our Religious Education Sunday School Team! Volunteer Teachers / Aides Needed

Are you passionate about making a difference in the lives of children? Do you have a love for teaching and sharing your faith? Our Sunday school program is looking for dedicated volunteers to join our team!

### Why Volunteer?

**Inspire Young Minds:** Help children learn and grow in their faith.

**Build Community:** Connect with other volunteers and families in our church.

**Share Your Talents:** Use your gifts and creativity to make learning fun and engaging.

### Responsibilities:

Prepare and teach engaging lessons based on provided curriculum.

Create a welcoming and supportive environment for all students.

Collaborate with other volunteers and staff to plan activities and events.

Ensure the safety and well-being of all children in your care.



### Qualifications:

A love for working with children.

Patience, kindness, and a positive attitude.

Willingness to learn and follow the Sunday school curriculum.

### Time Commitment:

Sunday mornings from 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM.

Occasional planning meetings and training sessions.

### Classes for All Ages:

We offer Religious Education Classes for children of all ages, from little ones to teenagers.

### How to Apply:

If you're interested in volunteering or want to learn more, please contact Giovanna Varlese at 917-832-6104 (office)

Email: [DRE.StMaryLIC@gmail.com](mailto:DRE.StMaryLIC@gmail.com) or Scan QR Code

We can't wait to welcome you to our team!

**Make a lasting impact in the lives of our children. Volunteer with us today.** 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. AnualCatholicAppeal.org](http://www.AnualCatholicAppeal.org) or text **DONATE to 917-336-1255.**

**Invitation to Journey in Faith Registration**  
**Join Us for the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) Courses**  
**Sundays, October 22nd through Eastertide**

Are you curious about Catholicism, considering becoming Catholic, or simply want to deepen your faith journey? Join our OCIA courses where you can explore the rich traditions and teachings of the Catholic Church in a welcoming and supportive environment.

**What to Expect:**

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- **Engaging Classes:** Learn about Catholic beliefs, practices, and the journey of faith.
- **Community:** Meet others on a similar journey and build friendships within our parish community.
- **Spiritual Growth:** Deepen your relationship with God and discover how faith can enrich your life.

**Who Should Attend:**

- **Seekers:** Individuals interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.
- **Catechumens and Candidates:** Those preparing to become Catholic through Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- **Catholics Seeking Formation:** Individuals who wish to deepen their understanding of Catholic teachings and practices.

**Schedule: Start Date:** Sunday, October 22nd

- **Time:** 1 pm – 2:30 pm
- **Location:** St Joseph Center 1015 49<sup>th</sup> Avenue Long Island City, NY 11101
- **Contact Information:** For more information and to register, please contact Giovanna Varlese at [DRE.StMaryLIC@gmail.com](mailto:DRE.StMaryLIC@gmail.com) or Scan QR code



**We look forward to journeying with you towards a deeper understanding and experience of the Catholic faith!**



## **Carlo Acutis – The First Millennial Saint**

Carlo Acutis, born May 3, 1991, fully embraced the gift of life. Known as a computer whiz, he also liked to play soccer, video games, and the saxophone. He enjoyed watching his favorite police dramas and making short films with his star cast of cats and dogs. He had many friends and enjoyed spending time with them.

Yet Carlo was a little “different” at school, in the pizzerias, and on the soccer field. What set Carlo apart was his constant pursuit of holiness. In addition to his hobbies, he spent time teaching catechism classes and serving in soup kitchens. Carlo loved to attend daily Mass and frequent Eucharistic adoration. The Word of God and the Eucharist were the center of his life. Carlo’s unwavering devotion to the Eucharist inspired him to tell the story of Eucharistic miracles through a website he created just for fun. He wanted to deepen his own knowledge of these phenomena, to strengthen his devotion to Jesus, and to invite others to grow in love for the Eucharist. The website subsequently caught the attention of people across the globe, introducing countless people to Eucharistic miracles.

Carlo died from a sudden and violent illness in 2006 at the age of fifteen. In less than a decade, his story spread across Italy and around the world. After Pope Francis declared him venerable in 2018, his beatification was celebrated in Assisi on October 10, 2020. The next step will be canonization, making him the first millennial saint.

**Carlo Acutis: The First Millennial Saint**

**Paperback – April 30, 2021**

# All Saints' Day: History and traditions

*First-grader Angelina Wuerz, dressed as St. Angela, giggles as she and her classmates at St. Patrick School in Smithtown, N.Y., process from the school to an All Saints' Day Mass in the parish church Nov. 1, 2019. There are many ways children can celebrate All Saints' Day, from*



**Paul Sanz**

**Catholic News Service**

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***The author of the Letter to the Hebrews wrote, “Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith” (12:1-2).***

This passage is a beautiful description of the communion of saints, something so fundamental to the Christian faith that all Christians express their belief in it when reciting the Apostles' Creed.

A saint is someone who is in heaven — it is as simple as that. While “saint” as a title is reserved to those whose lives the Church has thoroughly investigated (typically through whose intercession two miracles can be demonstrated to have occurred), the term applies to anyone in heaven.

Everyone from your saintly grandmother to the martyrs facing death for Christ: They are all part of the communion of saints. The Church commemorates all these saints on All Saints' Day.

The history of the feast reveals a great deal about the Church's understanding of the communion of saints.

All Saints' Day was not always a solemnity observed by the universal church, and is not celebrated everywhere on Nov. 1. The feast originated in the earliest centuries of the Church, when Christians commemorated the many martyrs who died at the hands of their Roman persecutors.

Because there were so many martyrs, they could not each have their own feast day; but they were seen as such important witnesses that the Christians did not want to leave any of them out.

As a result, a single commemoration for “all the martyrs” was observed each spring, which celebrated those who did not have their own unique feast.

This is the earliest observance we know about of something similar to All Saints' Day. Many of the Eastern Catholic churches still commemorate All Saints' Day in the spring.

After Christianity was legalized throughout the Roman Empire in 313 and the violent and bloody persecutions came to an end, it was common to commemorate the martyrs in various areas around the empire.

We even see this referred to in the writings of the saints, with St. Ephrem (d. 373) and St. John Chrysostom (d. 407) making reference to a commemoration of all saints.

This practice spread far throughout the Mediterranean and beyond, with commemorations of all saints showing up in Antioch, Rome, England, Salzburg and more.



The Pantheon is pictured in the evening in Rome Feb. 29, 2020. In the seventh century, Pope Boniface IV dedicated the Roman Pantheon — formerly a shrine to the Roman gods — as a Christian church of the Blessed Virgin and all the martyrs. CNS photo/ Paul Haring

In the early seventh century, Pope Boniface IV dedicated the Roman Pantheon — formerly a shrine to all the gods of Roman mythology — as a Christian church of the Blessed Virgin and all the martyrs

Pope Gregory III consecrated a chapel at St. Peter's Basilica to all the saints, as well, with an anniversary date of Nov. 1.

Rome adopted Nov. 1 as the date of the feast of All Saints in the eighth century, and in the ninth century Pope Gregory IV extended that observance to the whole of the Latin Church.

Now, centuries later, All Saints' Day is a holy day of obligation and recognized as one of the most important feasts on the liturgical calendar. However, the celebration of Halloween typically overshadows the commemoration of All Saints' Day.

Most of us realize that Halloween is in reality the vigil of All Saints' ("Allhallows Eve" or "Hallow E'en"), but All Saints' Day itself has become a bit of an afterthought.

It shouldn't be this way! The saints are our friends, our intercessors, our brothers and sisters in Christ. They care deeply for us, and their lives are recognized by the Church as exemplary, as models to follow.

So how can we celebrate this wonderful feast of All Saints' Day?

Whether you are commemorating individually or in a group or a family, there are many ways to observe this solemnity. The most obvious is: Go to Mass! It is a holy day of obligation, and there is no more appropriate way to commemorate the saintly lives of those who have gone before us than the eucharistic sacrifice.

It is also good to do other liturgical or prayerful things to mark the day: Pray the Divine Office for All Saints' Day; read the lives of the saints; watch a movie about a saint; pray the litany of saints; think back to your confirmation saint and study that saint's life.

Similarly, if any of your children share the name of a saint, learn about that saint together: Read about the saint and pray together, asking for the saint's intercession.

There are also a number of creative and fun games that can be played to help celebrate All Saints' Day. Try putting on a play of the life of a saint (many Halloween costumes can be repurposed to be saints costumes). There are books for all ages, coloring books and even comic books featuring the saints.

All Saints' Day is the perfect time to pray to all these holy men and women, asking for their intercession for the conversion of sinners, so that we might all become saints.



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**Annual Catholic Appeal 2024**  
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**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church Pledged the Amount \$ 23,947.72 For "The Annual Catholic Appeal 2024"**

- ⇒ Goal: \$16,785
- ⇒ Pledged: \$23,947.72
- ⇒ Received: \$2,917.25



**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**

In person AA Meetings held in St. Mary's Church Basement, 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



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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 their 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:** May God bless you and your family abundantly.

Yours in Christ, Giovanna Varlese, Director.

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