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## MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAYS

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 8 am

10 am

12 Noon

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday: 8 am

Saturday: 9 am

#### HOLYDAYS

Vigil: 7:30 pm

Day: 8 am

10 am

#### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4 pm

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#### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday:

9 am—12 Noon, 1 pm—4 pm

Wednesday-Friday:

9 am—12 Noon, 1 pm—8 pm

Saturday: 10 am—6 pm

Sunday: CLOSED

## LOVE LIVES HERE

All are welcomed at Mary Queen of Heaven. Meet us in church or watch us live at the 8:00 am Mass or watch the saved 8:00 am Mass broadcast at a later time, at your convenience, on our website ([maryqueenofheaven-brooklyn.org](http://maryqueenofheaven-brooklyn.org)) or on Facebook (search for Mary Queen of Heaven Church).



### HELP SUSTAIN OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

As our parish relies heavily on cash and envelope tithing, please help us sustain our spiritual home by enrolling in electronic giving.

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**Our Mission:** We, the parish community of Mary Queen of Heaven, are called to live and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to all with whom we come into contact. We are committed to being a vibrant and welcoming community of faith by worshiping God through prayer and sacrament, teaching and sharing our faith, and serving others as Jesus did. We seek to become a faith community that invites people of all races and cultures to become part of our parish family.

## **THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE**

Dear Parishioners,

The gospel for this Sunday contains important advice for all of us. It is part of Jesus' discourse on order in the Church, and is sandwiched between the parable of the lost sheep and the answer to Peter's question about how often a disciple must forgive and the parable of the unforgiving servant. So Jesus is modeling how we should deal with someone who has gone astray.

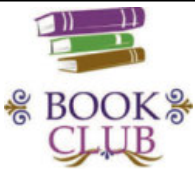
I would highlight two things in this passage. The first is that we ought to go right to the person who has offended us or the community and discuss it with the person in private. The scriptures make it clear that we have a responsibility for those who have put themselves in danger. Yes, we are our brother's keeper! We are expected to warn them of the consequences of their actions, and to do so privately in order to avoid embarrassment or undo publicity. Only if we are not heard should we take the problem to a higher authority.

Secondly – and this is crucial – the offenders have put themselves outside the community like “a Gentile or a tax collector”. But how did Jesus treat such people? He went after them to bring them back to the fold. He did not turn his back on them; he sought them out to bring them back to the flock. After all, he came for the “lost sheep of the house of Israel”. He came that we might experience the power of forgiveness.

*In the Good Shepherd,  
Father Tom*

### **"Grandparents"**

Grandparents have ears that  
really listen,  
Arms that always hug and hold,  
Love that's never-ending,  
And a heart that's made of  
gold.  
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**OUR BOOK CLUB**  
will meet in the Parish Center  
**Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00 pm**  
for a discussion of  
*The Measure* by Nikki Erlick

### **MQH GIFT SHOP**

Open after each Mass on  
Saturday evenings and Sundays.



### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA) - 9/5/2023**

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,690.00  
Donors so far: 135 Pledged: \$61,777  
The Diocese received so far: \$50,408

### **FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF MQH CHURCH**

MASS ATTENDANCE: 9/3/2023:  
Church=473 Website=6 Facebook=172

## **IN TRIBUTE TO 9/11 —THE GOD OF LOVE**

As we think of the lives that are lost,  
Regarded as nothing at all,  
The heartache and agony of those that are left,  
The devastation of the fall

The children left without a Mum  
To embrace them when they cry,  
The many alone without a daddy  
To tuck them in bed at night

The parents also left to grieve  
For the children they have lost,  
Husbands and wives also weep  
Paying an unbelievable cost

There is hope, a glimpse of light  
Amidst these darkened days,  
Our Lord Jesus, who loves us so much  
And hears when we kneel to pray

He can bring healing to the hurting heart  
And comfort to those who weep  
He is the strength that we can receive,  
For His love is ever so deep

Still, we're left wondering how this happened

And why all this needless grief  
So many questions remain unanswered,  
We just need to have faith and believe

That our loving God is still in control,  
Though the remnants of terror remain  
The broken lives and shattered dreams;  
The unspoken anguish and pain

He knows full well how we are feeling;  
He identifies grief with us  
We can be sure that He loves us so,  
For He is a God of love.

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### **RECURRING EVENTS/MEETINGS AT A GLANCE**

<b>Charismatic</b>	Every Friday of each month, 7:00 pm on Zoom
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	(First Fridays after the 8:00 am Mass until 10:30 am.) <b>RESUMES 10/6/2023</b>
<b>Adult Choir</b>	Rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:30 pm, Church
<b>Haitian Choir</b>	Rehearsals, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Church
<b>Holy Name Society</b>	Mondays after the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 7:30 pm, Parish Center
<b>La Legion de Marie</b>	First and Third Saturday of each month, 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Fourth Saturday of each month, 3:00 pm-5:00 pm Committee Members in the Parish Center.
<b>Rosary</b>	Rosary and refreshments, Every Wednesday after the 8:00
<b>Rosary Society</b>	First Sunday of each month, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm, Parish
<b>Seniors</b>	Wednesdays, 12:00 pm-3:00 pm, Parish Center
<b>St. Martha's Guild</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month, 7:15 pm, Parish Center
<b>Youth Ministry</b>	Fridays, 7:00 pm-8:30 pm, Parish Center

## FAITH FORMATION



Classes begin in the School Building, 3rd Floor, Sunday, September 17 from 8:30 am until 9:45 am (doors open at 8:15 am), followed by 10:00 am Mass.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Life has many storms—distressful relationships, jobs, poor health, situations where we feel our powerlessness. If you know of someone unbaptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is searching for strength and understanding to weather such squalls, invite them to seek the perspective the Catholic church offers. Please see one of the priests at the Rectory Office, or Sr. Mary Jane.

### TEEN CLUB



All teens are invited to join the Teen Club **Friday evenings from 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm** in the Parish Center Basement Meeting Room. All are welcome.

Please bring a friend. Contact Sr. Mary Jane for more information.

### SICK LIST

To add a name to the sick list, you must call into the Rectory Office **on Mondays only, before 3:00 pm**. The name will appear on the list for 4 weeks.

Samantha Bellouny	Ed Houston
Douglas Bontempo	JoAnn Kompa
Kristin Bouzada	Richard Kompa
Carol	Patricia Green
Theresa & Jack Cedarstrom	Chong Lee
Louis Coppola	Sera Lee
Sal Coppola	Anita Lichtman
David DeLuca	Joseph Martino
Josephine DeLuca	Veronica Matthews
Doreen	Alicia Maxwell
Larry Fritcher	Dorothy Riccardi
Joyce Garguilo	Dolores Stormo
Ida Giannettino	Albina & Joel Vasta

### REST IN PEACE



to all of the deceased members of the parish and our relatives and friends.

### VOCATIONS

"Where two or three are gathered in My name..." The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).



### WALKING UP THE GIFTS AT MASS

If you have scheduled a Mass Intention and wish to walk up the gifts to the altar during Mass, please inform one of the ushers, **BEFORE** Mass.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

*TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

**Readings:** Ez 33:7-9, Rom 13:8-10, Mt 18:15-20

8:00 am **Anthony Spezio—  
Birthday Remembrance**  
10:00 am **Frank & Theresa Spezio—  
Wedding Anniversary  
Remembrance**  
12:00 pm **The Holy Name Society**  
2:00 pm **Suzelle Augustin—  
In Thanksgiving**

Requested by  
Jean Spezio

Jean Spezio

The Holy Name Society  
Suzelle Augustin

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

*Weekday*

**Readings:** Col 1:24—2:3, Lk 6:6-11

8:00 am **People of the Parish**

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

*Weekday*

*Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary*

**Readings:** Col 2:6-15, Lk 6:12-19



8:00 am **Christina Ukachukwu—  
In Thanksgiving**

Requested by  
**Christina Ukachukwu**

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

*Feast of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

**Readings:** Col 3:1-11, Lk 6:20-26

8:00 am **Carline Constant &  
Anthony Constant—  
In Thanksgiving**

Requested by  
**Carline Constant**

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023

*Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

**Readings:** Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17

8:00 am **Paolo D'Amore &  
Margaret Demeter**

Requested by  
Eleanor Saturno

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

*Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows*

**Readings:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14, Jn 19:25-27

8:00 am **Rachel & Albert Rosa—  
In Remembrance**

Requested by  
Maria Rosa

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

*Feast of Sts. Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

**Readings:** 1 Tm 1:15-17, Lk 6:43-49

9:00 am **Healing for John Paul &  
Andrew**

Requested by  
Stephanie Puleo

5:00 pm **-Mona Sparks Duverne  
-Anna Walsh  
-Andrew Gonsavos**

Marthe Charlestin  
Kathy Lauria  
Jean Spezio

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

*TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

**Readings:** Sir 27:30—28:7, Rom 14:7-9, Mt 18:21-35

8:00 am **-Lucy & Sal D'Esposito  
-Lory Zozobrado— In  
Thanksgiving**  
10:00 am **Cira & Carmine Tropeano  
Benefactors of the St.**  
12:00 pm **Vincent de Paul Society—  
In Thanksgiving**

Requested by  
The Duciti Family  
Lory Zozobrado

The Tropeano Family

St. Vincent de Paul  
Society

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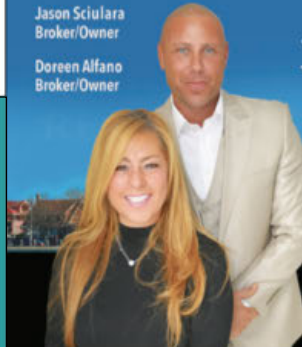
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