

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 16, 2017

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MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:00 am

12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

HOLYDAYS

Vigil: 7:30 pm

Day: 8:00 am

10:00 am

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 4:00 pm

RECTORY

(718) 763-2330 (Telephone)
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Website: www.mqhchurch.net
Email: mqhchurch@aol.com
Facebook: "Mary Queen of Heaven Church"

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday:
9:00 am - 12 Noon,
1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday:
10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sunday: Closed

MS. MARY BELLONE, *Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Academy*
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Love Lives Here

A Touch of Heaven in Brooklyn - Serving God's People for 88 Years: 1927-2015

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,

Matthew today uses the image of the seed to teach us about the power behind the Word of God. The sower is God, and the seed he spreads so liberally is Jesus and his teachings about life in the kingdom of God. He wishes that Word to reach everyone, to spread to the ends of the earth.

Whether the seed takes root depends on the quality of the soil where it is sown. The power of the seed is constant, for it is the power of God and his word does not return without having achieved its purpose. But the type of soil varies, not only among persons, but within each of us. At times God's Word meets deaf ears and a hard heart; we remain unmoved by it. At other times we respond positively at first, but the response is shallow; it cannot withstand troubles or testing. Other messages are overwhelmed by the concerns or attractions of daily life, the things that really command our attention.

But there are also those blessed moments when we hear and are truly moved, when the power of the Word, the power of the Spirit of God, brings about a transformation that is truly life-changing. The grace of God finds a receptive soul and the result is beyond all expectation.

A farmer works hard to prepare his land, so that seed and sun and rain can produce an abundant harvest. We too need to prepare our souls before we come to Mass or open the Bible, so that the Spirit of God can speak to us with his effective power.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom Leach*

CHURCH ATTIRE

Summer, with its heat and humidity, tends to bring about a relaxation in our dress. Please remember that on Sunday we gather as a family before God, and come to church appropriately and neatly dressed. It is a way of showing reverence and an awareness of the sacredness of our act of worship.



All new and returning families are welcomed to *Mary Queen of Heaven Parish* and are encouraged to become actively involved in parish societies and activities.



Please register at the Rectory Office during office hours or via our website www.mqhchurch.net.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Weekly Tithing Collections for July 9th: \$6,040.00
Attendance: 668

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

July 30, Sunday	* <i>Filipino Mass & Fellowship</i> – 3:00 pm–6:00 pm, Church/Parish Hall
August 6, Sunday	* <i>Rosary Society Mass</i> – 12:00 pm Church * <i>French Creole Mass</i> – 2:00 pm, Church
August 12, Saturday	* <i>Our Lady of Fatima -100Anniversary</i> – Continuation of devotion prayers, 10:00 am, Parish Center Chapel
August 13, Sunday	* <i>Holy Name Society Mass</i> – 12:00 pm, Church,

RECURRING EVENTS/MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Baptisms	Last Sunday of the month, 1 pm. An appointment must be made with one of the priests or the deacon.
Bereavement Support Group	Call the Rectory Office (718-763-2330) for referral.
Charismatic Prayer Group	Every Friday of each month 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.
Cub Scouts	Every Friday, 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm, Parish Hall
Girl Scouts	Most Sundays, 11:00 am-1:00 pm, Parish Center Teen Room. Kindergarten-Grade 12. For more info.: Jeanne Cirone 917-601-3460, jmcirone@gmail.com
Haitian Choir	Rehearsal, Every Saturday, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Church
Holy Name Society	Monday after the 2 nd Sunday, 8:00 pm, Parish Center
La Legion de Marie	First and Third Sunday of each month, 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Second Saturday of each month, 3:00 pm-5:00 pm Committee Members in the Parish Center.
Line Dancing	Wednesdays, Parish Hall, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm, \$8 per person
Prayer Group Cenacle	Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Parish Center
Rosary Society	First Sunday of each month, 1:00 pm-3:00pm, Parish Hall
Seniors	Every Wednesday, 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm, Parish Hall. <i>All seniors are invited.</i>
Youth Group	First & Third Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Parish Center Youth Room

DEVOTIONS AT A GLANCE

Exposition & Benediction	First Fridays, 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center Chapel
Miraculous Medal Novena	Mondays, Novena & Benediction following the 8:00 am Mass
Morning Prayer	Monday to Friday, 7:45 am, Saturdays 8:45 am
Rosary	Monday to Friday after the 8:00 am Mass, Saturday after the 9:00 am Mass

**THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
JULY 15TH & JULY 16TH**

A Summer Prayer

Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...
Lord, help me to rest awhile
in the cooling shade of your presence.
Slow down my restless heart and fill me
with gentle compassion for all your
people. Amen.
- Author unknown

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MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, JULY 20TH

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, JULY 21TH

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Center Chapel

JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS



BOOK CLUB

The Book Club is currently reading
“*A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman
for discussion on
Wednesday, July 19th at
7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room

FILIPINO MASS AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us for the Filipino Mass on **Sunday, July 30th** at 3:00 pm. Fellowship will follow after Mass in the Parish Hall.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)-As of 7/11/17

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,348.00.
Out of 1,577 registered ACA members
184 have pledged \$42,110.00 (67.54% of the goal)
Out of this pledged amount, the Diocese has
received \$35,497.50 (56.93% of the goal).

REMINDER:

*The Annual Catholic Appeal for 2017 ends on December 31st.
All pledges must be received by this date.*

Please prayerfully consider helping MQH to meet our goal.



MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN GIFT SHOP

Purchase personal and special occasion gift needs. **Open after each Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday.**

50/50 RAFFLE

Envelopes for the July 50/50 Raffle are available in church and in your monthly tithing envelope package can be returned in the collection basket or at the Rectory Office. One chance is \$20.00. The more people who are in it, the more money you will receive when you win it!



to the winner of June's 50/50 Raffle of \$1,180.00: **Marie Solange Simon**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA
100TH ANNIVERSARY**



During this special 100th anniversary celebration, consider making a commitment to one or more of these requests made by Our Lady during her apparitions in Fatima: Pray the Rosary Daily, Offer Sacrifice for Sinners, Consecration and Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Join us in the Parish Center Chapel to continue our Saturday devotion prayers from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm on: **August 12th, September 9th.** On **Friday, October 13th** devotion will be from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm. On **Saturday, October 14th,** join us for our Annual Rosary Rally (details to follow).



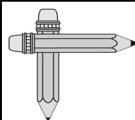
**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
FOOD PANTRY**

Please help us to “stock the shelves” of the MQH Food Pantry. Please bring “non-expired” canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, rice, cereals, dry and wet beans. Please place your donations in the food barrels at the back of the church.
Thank you for your help.



PARISH CALENDAR 2017—2018

To all organizations and ministries, please submit your requests to reserve dates and spaces for your events/meetings to the Rectory Office, attention Mary-Cassandra, or via mqhchurch@aol.com, with the subject “Parish Calendar”. **You must submit your events/meetings request even if they usually occur each year on a regular basis. Please submit your dates by 8/30/2017.**



SCHOOL OF RELIGION

The School of Religion Office is closed for the summer and will re-open on **Wednesday, September 6th at 9:30 am.** Religious Education is an on-going process and all students should re-register for the next school term. New students are welcome as well. Registration information and forms can be found on the Church website at www.mqhchurch.net and in the Rectory Office. **The new school term will begin on Sunday, September 24th at 8:15 am.** Children should be in the school basement a few minutes earlier. Children will not be assigned to a class until all paperwork is completed and returned to us.

Mrs. Mary Casatelli, Principal

**MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC
ACADEMY NEWS**

SPREAD THE WORD!

For every new family you refer to MQHCA, and they register and attend, you will receive one free month's tuition! Registration is on-going all summer. Call 718-763-2360 for a tour.

Ms. Mary Bellone, Principal

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Is 55:10-11, Rom 8:18-23, Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9*

8:00 am **Special Intentions**
10:00 am **Special Intentions**
12:00 pm **Rose Gianturco**

Requested by:
Betty, Connie, Evelyn, Jean & Joyce

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017

Weekday

Readings: *Ex 1:8-14,22, Mt 10:34—11:1*

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

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017

Feast of St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Readings: *Ex 2:1-15a, Mt 11:20-24*

8:00 am **Sal Cirnigliaro**

Requested by:
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Puleo

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017

Weekday

Readings: *Ex 3:1-6, 9-12, Mt 11:25-27*

8:00 am **Shaun Noel & Family (Living)**

Requested by:
Pearl Noel

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017

Weekday

Feast of St. Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

Readings: *Ex 3:13-20, Mt 11:28-30*

8:00 am **Elisa Saulina**

Requested by:
Grace & Joe Adragna

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2017

Weekday

Feast of St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Readings: *Ex 11:10—12:14, Mt 12:1-8*

8:00 am **Rosemary Hogg**

Ellen McAllister

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2017

Feast of St. Mary Magdalene

Readings: *Ex 12:37-42, Jn 20:1-2, 11-18*

9:00 am **In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart**
5:00 pm **Vincenzo Mingione**

Requested by:
Margaret Cirillo
Mary & Michael Whalen

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2017

SIXTEEN SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Wis 12:13, 16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30*

8:00 am **Rose Gianturco**
10:00 am **Rose Gianturco—Birthday in Heaven**
Marie Bernadette Charles (Living) - Birthday Blessing
Jacqueline Forbes
12:00 pm **The Giacobbe Family & Mark & Michael Farone**

Requested by:
The Fuschetto Family
Jean Spezio
The Charles Family
Kamala Roper
Rachel Giacobbe

Bread and Wine

In Loving Memory of Rose Gianturco

Requested by: *Ellen, Fran, Mary, Rose, Teresa*

Altar Candles

In Loving Memory of Rose Gianturco

Requested by: *Anita, Ann, Chris, Irene, Janet*

Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of Theresa Spezio—Anniversary

Requested by: *Jean Spezio*

Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of Carol Jones Chiaino—

2nd Anniversary in Heaven

Requested by: *Bob Chiaino*

Altar Flowers

In Loving Memory of Carol Jones Chiaino—

2nd Anniversary in Heaven

Requested by: *Bob Chiaino*

Bells

In Loving Memory of Rose Gianturco—

Requested by: *Barbara, Ada, Eleanor, Marla, Theresa*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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| Adelio Abia | Betty Mitchel |
| Margarite Alvarez | Norma Morales |
| John Amante | Mary Moss |
| Maureen Arthur | James O'Reilly |
| Charles Badami | Rina Pannone |
| Michael Badami | Lucy Perez |
| Annette Ball | Carol Polanish |
| Belinda | Theresa Ponessa |
| Nick Berlingieri | Dorothy Pantaleo |
| John Connolly | Magdalena Rodriguez |
| Linda Corona | Ernest Rossi |
| Josephine Deluca | Ronald Russo |
| Thomas DiPietro | Margaret Rossi |
| Domenick D'Orazio | Jerome Sergeant |
| Anthony Galati | Phyllis Sergeant Andrews |
| Rosalie Galati | Louise Schiavone |
| Barbara Giannettino | Julie Taylor |
| Harold & Terry | Judy Tropeano |
| Howard Litvack | Lucille Votto |
| Fred Lopez | Baby Theresa Rose Wunder |
| Diana Lovelace | Marie Young |
| Gloria Mele | |

*****SICK LIST*****

You must call into the Rectory Office **only on Mondays before 3:00 pm** to add a name to the Sick List. The name will then appear on the list for 4 weeks, after which time it will be removed. You must call again to the Rectory Office **only on Mondays before 3:00 pm** to have the name re-added to the list.

SICK CALLS WILL BE MADE AT ANY TIME

Please call the Rectory Office to arrange a communion call to the sick, elderly or a pastoral visit to a hospitalized loved one.

MARRIAGES

Please speak with Fr. Tom, Fr. Ikenna or Den. Jean Baptiste at least 9 months before your wedding. Access www.pre-cana.org to obtain Pre-Cana information.

VOCATIONS

Anyone seeking information regarding the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate, Religious Life or to serve in our Parish as a Lay Minister, please speak with Fr. Tom. **“By your endurance you will gain your souls.”** Are you being invited to gain your soul and the souls of countless others for Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



REST IN PEACE

to all of our deceased relatives and friends and deceased members of the parish including **Marc Cararo, Mary McDonnell**

Please remember Mary Queen of Heaven when you are completing your Estate Planning and your Will.