

# Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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## 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 23, 2017

### PARISH STAFF

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*Ministry to the Homebound*

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*Immigration Resource Ministry*

### 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

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Website: [www.mqhchurch.net](http://www.mqhchurch.net)  
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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*  
*Principal, (718) 763-2360, [www.mqhschool.net](http://www.mqhschool.net)*

*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,

I suppose we have all met people so large and evidently strong that they did not have to prove their power to anyone. Instead they were able to live as the proverbial "gentle giants," surprisingly mild people.

Jesus had great inner power, yet never used it for himself. In that he mirrored God his Father, whom the readings tell us is just, but also lenient, clement, kind, and patient with us his children. The parables advise us to be patient with God and one another in the face of what we believe is evil. Why?

First of all, the parables indicate that God can bring good out of apparent evil, and abundance out of littleness. Secondly, our judgement of what is good (wheat) and what is evil (weeds) can be quite faulty. We don't see clearly, truly, as God does. And finally, God himself is patient as he waits for a response of repentance from us sinners.

This Saturday we observed Mary Magdalen's day as a Feast and recognized her as an Apostle. Who could have seen in this woman, possessed by "seven devils," the love and loyalty that the gentleness of Jesus would evoke from her? Only Jesus, only God could.

God has not finished with his kingdom; it is still growing, still increasing. What he asks of us is to trust that he will prevail, and to show mercy and patience to others so that he might be merciful and patient with us.

*In the Good Shepherd,  
Father Tom Leach*



**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](http://www.mqhchurch.net).**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.**  
 Weekly Tithing Collections for July 16<sup>th</sup>: \$5,679.00  
 Attendance: 638

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL MOBILE DEVICES WHILE IN CHURCH.**

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

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

DEVOTIONS AT A GLANCE	
<b>Exposition &amp; Benediction</b>	First Fridays, 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center Chapel
<b>Miraculous Medal Novena</b>	Mondays, Novena & Benediction following the 8:00 am Mass
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Monday to Friday, 7:45 am, Saturdays 8:45 am
<b>Rosary</b>	Monday to Friday after the 8:00 am Mass, Saturday after the 9:00 am Mass

**THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday  
JULY 22<sup>ND</sup> & JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>**

**PARENTS DAY—SUNDAY, JULY 23<sup>RD</sup>**



*"Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land the LORD your God is giving you."*

*Exodus 20:12*

**MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK**

**THURSDAY, JULY 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**PRAYER GROUP CENACLE:** 7:30 pm, Parish Center

**FRIDAY, JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS**



**BOOK CLUB**

The Book Club is currently reading  
*"The Girl Who Came Home"*  
by Hazel Gaynor  
for discussion on

**Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** at  
7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room

The book for **Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** is  
*Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann

**FILIPINO MASS AND FELLOWSHIP**

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

**DIocese OF BROOKLYN TRI-CITY  
VALLEYCATS AT BROOKLYN CYCLONES**

**Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 7:00 pm. Field Box Seats \$10.00. Catholic Valedictorians honored before the game. Auxiliary Bishop Raymond Chappetto throws out the first pitch. Jose Reyes Sliding Bobblehead given to the first 5,000 fans.

Use code: BKDIOCESE at [BROOKLYNCYCLONES.COM/OFFER](http://BROOKLYNCYCLONES.COM/OFFER) or for more information call 718-37-Bklyn.

**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).



**MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN GIFT SHOP**

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

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**



During this special 100<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>.** On **Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** devotion will be from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm. On **Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>,** join us for our Annual Rosary Rally (details to follow).



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

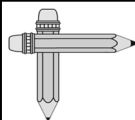
Please help us to "stock the shelves" of the MQH Food Pantry. Please bring "non-expired" canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, rice, cereals, dry and wet beans. Please place your donations in the food barrels at the back of the church.

*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](mailto: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 6<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.mqhchurch.net) and in the Rectory Office. **The new school term will begin on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 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 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	<b>Rose Gianturco</b>	Requested by: The Fuschetto Family
10:00 am	<b>Rose Gianturco—Birthday in Heaven</b>	Jean Spezio
	<b>Marie Bernadette Charles (Living) - Birthday Blessing</b>	The Charles Family
	<b>Jacqueline Forbes</b>	Kamala Roper
12:00 pm	<b>The Giacobbe Family &amp; Mark &amp; Michael Farone</b>	Rachel Giacobbe

**MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017**

Weekday

Feast of St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

**Readings:** Ex 14:5-18, Mt 12:38-42

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

**TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2017**

Feast of St. James, Apostle

**Readings:** 2 Cor 4:7-15, Mt 20:20-28

8:00 am	<b>Martin Lastra</b>	Requested by: Stephanie & Dom Puleo
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**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2017**

Feast of Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Readings:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15, Mt 13:1-9

8:00 am	<b>Anese Georges</b>	Requested by: Marie Louis
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**THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2017**

Weekday

**Readings:** Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b, Mt 13:10-17

8:00 am	<b>Kenneth Joseph</b>	Requested by: The Joseph Family
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**FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2017**

Weekday

**Readings:** Ex 20:1-17, Mt 13:18-23

8:00 am	<b>Irenie Phanor Alexandre</b>	Joyce Alexandre
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**SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2017**

Feast of St. Martha

**Readings:** Ex 24:3-8, Mt 13:24-30

9:00 am	<b>Renato Sandoval—Happy Birthday in Heaven</b>	Requested by: Opie Sandoval
5:00 pm	<b>George, Louis &amp; James Fleck</b>	Eileen Bellard

**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017**

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Readings:** 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12, Rom 8:28-30, Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

8:00 am	<b>Camilla Pintacrona</b>	Requested by: The Family
10:00 am	<b>Elaine Atwood</b>	Marybeth & Terry Dillon
12:00 pm	<b>Louis Fleck</b>	Mary Moss, Grace Devlin



**REST IN PEACE**

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

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

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING ASSISTANCE:** Dr. Stephen Misuraca, a licensed psychologist, has offered to work with any of our parishioners (Adults, Children, Couples) in need of his services. Please call 718-641-1307.



**Memorials  
Special Intentions**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**



Adelio Abia	Betty Mitchel
Regina Aguyi	Norma Morales
Margarite Alvarez	Mary Moss
John Amante	Lady Cecilia Okafor
Maureen Arthur	Justina Okafor
Charles Badami	James Okafor
Michael Badami	James O'Reilly
Annette Ball	Rina Pannone
Belinda	Lucy Perez
Nick Berlingieri	Carol Polish
John Connolly	Dorothy Pantaleo
Linda Corona	Magdalena Rodriguez
Josephine Deluca	Theresa Ponessa
Thomas DiPietro	Ernest Rossi
Domenick D'Orazio	Ronald Russo
Jerome S. Ezeadum	Margaret Rossi
Anthony Galati	Jerome Sergeant
Rosalie Galati	Phyllis Sergeant Andrews
Barbara Giannettino	Louise Schiavone
Harold & Terry	Julie Taylor
Gloria Landorno	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 Dcn. Jean Baptiste at least 9 months before your wedding. Access [www.pre-cana.org](http://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](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).



**MASS INTENTIONS, MEMORIAL MASSES, SHRINES**

Please remember to stop by the Rectory Office during office hours to schedule your Mass Intentions and Memorial Masses. Please also remember our Saints' Shrines and Votive Candle Offerings.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

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