

# Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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## THE 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

### PARISH STAFF

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Respect Life Committee*

MS. CAROL ANN SALAMONE  
*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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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 90 Years: 1927-2017*

*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,

Last Sunday we heard Jesus praise Simon bar Jonah for his faith and name him “Rock”, the future solid foundation of a growing group of disciples. Today, in the very same exchange, the Lord calls him “Satan”, his adversary! Why? What did Peter do?

He did precisely what most of us do when someone close to us predicts illness or death: he said it wouldn't happen, he wouldn't let it happen, Jesus, however, realized that he was being tempted to abandon the course his Father's service would demand of him. This was very much like the testing he endured in the desert after his baptism.

Our human way of reasoning tells us that if we do what God asks of us, God should bless, prosper, and protect us from evil. The gospel insists that the route to blessing is through humility, the way to glory passes through rejection, suffering, and death (the cross), and that is true for everyone.

A realistic look at life will tell us that everyone encounters misfortune, setbacks, and suffering here on earth. What makes a difference is how we suffer. People are willing to embrace hardship, if it helps someone they really love. Are we willing to suffer for love of him who first carried the cross for love of us?

*In the Good Shepherd,  
Fr. Tom Leach*

**THANK YOU TO FR. ASIEDU-PEPRAH**

We thank Fr. Martin for sharing his ministry with the parishioners of Mary Queen of Heaven. Fr. Martin was with us for the summer and has now returned to Africa.



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 August 27<sup>th</sup>: \$5,544.00  
Attendance: 570

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

**SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

September 4, Monday	*Rectory Office Closed in celebration of Labor Day	
September 9, Saturday	*Our Lady of Fatima 100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Continuation of devotion prayers, 10:00 am, Parish Center Chapel	
September 10, Sunday	*Holy Name Society Mass – 12:00 pm, Church, *French Creole Mass – 2:00 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 <sup>nd</sup> 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  
SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> & SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**THE ROSARY SOCIETY MASS**

will be held at 12:00 Noon on **Sunday** followed by a meeting in the Parish Hall. *New Members are Always Welcomed!*

**LA LEGION DE MARIE**

will meet on **Sunday** at 1:15 pm in the Parish Center.



to those who received the  
**Sacrament of Baptism in August:**  
Milani Skylar Austin

**MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

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

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**CUB SCOUTS MEETING/REGISTRATION:**

6:30 pm, Parish Hall

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

**JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS**



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

**Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** at  
7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room

The book for **Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** is  
**Killers of the Flower Moon** by David Grann



**CATHOLIC DAY AT CITIFIELD**

Join the NY Mets and the Diocese of Brooklyn for Catholic Day on **Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** at Citifield.

The day includes a mass in the morning from 9:45 am until 11:15 am. Following the mass there will be fun, food and games provided by DeSales Media Group in the Marina East Parking Lot. Prior to the game against the Cincinnati Reds, beginning at 4:00 pm, the Diocese of Brooklyn will be providing entertainment on the Mets Plaza. Ticket prices: Baseline Box-\$66, Bud Light Landing-\$45, Prom Reserved-\$34. Parking for the day will be the standard game day rate of \$25.

For more information or to purchase group tickets of 15 or more, please call Young Choi at 718-559-3027 or email [ychoi@nymets.com](mailto:ychoi@nymets.com). For tickets you may also visit [mets.com/CatholicNight](http://mets.com/CatholicNight).

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)-As of 8/24/17**

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,348.00

Out of 1,570 registered ACA members  
196 have pledged \$42,845.00 (68.72% of the goal)  
Out of this pledged amount, the Diocese has  
received \$38,738.50 (62.13% of the goal)

Have you, or has someone you know, thought about becoming a Catholic? Did you miss your First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation? Do you want to learn more about your faith?



The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a comprehensive program of formation in the Catholic faith that leads to the reception of sacraments.

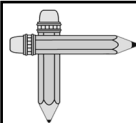
For information or to register for the group that will begin this Fall, call Father Tom at 718-763-2330.



**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. You may check our website, [mqhchurch.net](http://mqhchurch.net) under the Mass Times/Parish Calendar tabs to see your scheduled events.**



**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 our 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*

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

Join us in the Parish Center Chapel to continue our Saturday devotion prayers from 10:00 am until 12:30 pm on:

**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).



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017**

*TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

**Readings:** Jer 20:7-9, Rom 12:1-2, Mt 16:21-27

8:00 am **James & George Fleck**  
10:00 am **Marie Josephine Camille Delva**  
12:00 pm **The Rosary Society**

Requested by:  
Loretta Risley  
Daniel Delva & Family  
The Rosary Society

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017**

*Weekday, Labor Day*

**Readings:** 1 Thes 4:13-18, Lk 4:16-30

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

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017**

*Weekday*

**Readings:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11, Lk 4:31-37

8:00 am **Henri Augustin**

Requested by:  
Suzelle Augustin

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

*Weekday*

**Readings:** Col 1:1-8, Lk 4:38-44

8:00 am **Mary Cararo**

Requested by:  
Mary Manuppella

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017**

*Weekday*

**Readings:** Col 1:9-14, Lk 5:1-11

8:00 am **Sr. Ann Martha, Sr. Margaret-In Thanksgiving**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017**

*The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**Readings:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30, Mi 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

8:00 am **Suzelle Augustin (Living)**

Requested by:  
The Charles & Augustin Families

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2017**

*Feast of St. Peter Claver, Priest*

**Readings:** Col 1:21-23, Lk 6:1-5

9:00 am **George, Louis & James Fleck**  
5:00 pm **Frank & Theresa Spezio-Wedding Anniversary**  
**Carlisle Clarke**  
**Cookie Freese**

Requested by:  
Ann Dunlop  
Jean Spezio  
Mitzi Carryl  
Frank Freese

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017**

*TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

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

8:00 am **For the deceased of September 11, 2001**  
**William Watkins**  
10:00 am **Helena O'Hara—Birthday in Heaven**  
12:00 pm **The Holy Name Society**  
2:00 pm **Suzelle Augustin (Living)**

Requested by:  
Dominick Giannotti  
The O'Hara Family  
The Holy Name Society  
Suzelle Augustin

**AltarFlowers**  
*In Loving Memory of Raymond Charles*  
Requested by: Suzelle Augustin

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**



Adelio Abia  
John Amante  
Maureen Arthur  
Nick Berlingieri  
Alma Boursiquot  
John Connolly  
Lynda Corona  
Josephine Deluca  
Joe D'Allegrio  
Joe DeMao  
Eugenie Desravines  
Jacques Desravines  
Thomas DiPietro  
Domenick D'Orazio  
Joseph Ferrara  
Anthony Galati  
Joseph Galati  
Rosalie Galati  
Barbara Giannettino  
Norma James  
Marvin John  
Howard Litvack  
Theresa Mariano  
Gloria Mele  
Betty Mitchel  
Norma Moralez  
Mary Moss  
James O'Reilly  
Rina Pannone  
Carol Polanish  
Theresa Ponessa  
Laftus Purcell  
Ivette Reyes  
Mikayla Ricco  
Mary Russo  
Ronald Russo  
Theresa Spezio  
Joe Susino  
Julie Taylor  
Ronnie Taylor  
Jeanne Wiedemann  
Baby Theresa Rose Wunder

**\*\*\*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).

**MQH GIFT SHOP**



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

**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.**



**REST IN PEACE:** to all of our deceased relatives and friends and deceased members of the parish.

**MQH MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND**

The Ministry to the Homebound of our parish is a ministry that assists our homebound parishioners. Among the services being provided are friendly and special prayer, home visits or phone calls, running small errands, light house keeping and caregiver support. If you are interested in being a volunteer to this special outreach program, please contact the Rectory Office.