

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 15, 2018

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
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MS. CAROL ANN SALAMONE
Ministry to the Homebound

MS. HELEN JAMES
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

(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 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 worshipping 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,

Once again this Sunday we see Jesus working very hard to convince his confused followers that it is really he, standing before them. “Look”, he says, “see my wounds. Touch them. “Do you have anything to eat here?” Jesus, who they know dies and whose body was left in the sealed tomb, is physically present in front of the eleven and the other disciples.

So, why do they have questions? Why are they so slow to believe? Jesus makes a point of reminding them that he told them that this would happen. And before that, the Scriptures, the law and the prophets and the psalms had testified that the servant of God had to suffer and rise, so that repentance for the forgiveness of sins—the very reason Jesus came into this world—could be preached to the nations.

So, why do we have questions? Why do we allow ourselves to be troubled? What will it take to convince us that God’s love for us is unconditional, always faithful, that Jesus is truly risen from the dead and always present to us, and that we can rest securely in the Lord’s gift of Easter peace?

*In the Good Shepherd,
Fr. Tom Leach*

CALLED TO HELP

A parishioner feels called to offer her assistance to families that have members who have special needs. If you wish to contact this parishioner, please call the Rectory Office during office hours.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA) 2018

The Lord calls us to care for one another and the church. It is up to us to answer that call in the ways we know how. You can answer the call of Jesus who asks us to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, visit the sick and imprisoned, honor our mother and father, celebrate the Eucharist and educate and make disciples of all nations through your donation to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal.

The In-Pew Solicitation will be conducted in church the weekend of April 28th, 29th.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
*Weekly Tithing Collections for April 8th:\$6,830.00
Attendance: 719*

<i>SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE</i>	
April 22, Sunday	* Clothing Drive – 8:00 am-12:00 Noon, In front of the church <div style="float: right; text-align: right;">  </div>
April 28, 29, Saturday, Sunday	* Defensive Driving Class – 4/28/18 10:00 am-4:00 pm, Parish Hall * Cub Scouts Bake Sale – After all weekend Masses, Church Vestibule * Filipino Mass and Fellowship 4/29/18, 3:00 pm, Church/Parish Hall
May 6, Sunday	* Rosary Society Mass & Meeting – 12:00 pm Mass followed by meeting, Church/Parish Hall. New Members are Always Welcomed! * La Legion De Marie – 1:15 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.
Boy Scouts	Every Friday, 7:15 pm - 9:00 pm, Parish Center Teen Room
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, 11:30 am-1:30 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
APRIL 14TH & APRIL 15TH**

GIRL SCOUTS



The Girl Scouts will be selling cookies in the church vestibule after all of the Masses this weekend, **April 14th and 15th**.



LA LEGION DE MARIE

La Legion de Marie will meet on **Sunday** at 1:15 pm in the Parish Center.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH

CUB SCOUTS MEETING: 6:45 pm, Parish Hall

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

BOY SCOUTS MEETING: 7:15 pm, Parish Center Teen Room

JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS



The Book Club is currently reading **"The Reporter Who Knew Too Much"** by Mark Shaw for discussion on **Wednesday, April 18th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room



The book for **May 16th** is **"A Gentleman in Moscow"** by Amor Towles

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Father Robert Lauder will be the speaker at the Rosary Society meeting after the 12:00 Noon Mass in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, May 6th**. All are welcome to attend.

SVDP CLOTHING DRIVE

The St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive Truck will be in front of Mary Queen of Heaven Church to collect donated clothing on **Sunday, April 22th** from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm.



CUB SCOUTS BAKE SALE

The Cub Scouts will be having a Bake Sale after all of the Masses on **Saturday, April 28th and Sunday, April 29th**.



ANNUAL DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

will take place on **Saturday, June 9th** at Immaculate Conception Center, 7200 Douglaston Parkway Douglaston, NY 11362. All couples married in the Catholic Church are invited to attend with their families. Special recognition will be given to couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th and 75th Anniversary. All registered couples will receive a personalized certificate and those couples in attendance will have their picture taken with the Bishop. Light refreshments after Mass. \$35 per couple. To register, couples are asked to contact Martha Hernandez at 718-281-9540 or mhernandez@diobrook.org.

6 HOUR NYSDMV APPROVED COURSE

In cooperation with Northeast Road Safety, MQH presents a 6-Hour NYSDMV approved point and insurance reduction course (Defensive Driving Course). Sponsored by American Safety, Inc.

Benefits:

1. Successful completion of the course provides a 10% reduction in liability and collision insurance rates for 3 consecutive years. (Individual completing the course must be the principal operator of the insured vehicle in order to be eligible for reduction).
2. Reduction of 4 moving violation points from your driver's license record.
3. Refreshes your knowledge of driving with time-tested safe driving tips and an overview of New State vehicle and traffic laws.

Class includes several movies and breaks.

Where: Parish Hall (entrance through the 56st Street lot)

When: **Saturday, April 28, 2018**

Time: 10:00 am until 4:00 pm

Fee: \$50.00

To pre-pay and reserve a seat please complete the forms available in church and submit to the Rectory Office. Same day registration is available if space allows. **Please arrive by 9:45 am on the class date.** All licensed New York State drivers are welcome.

American Safety's Course is approved by the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles for Point and Insurance Reduction.

AROUND TOWN

MIDWOOD CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Spring Fling Card Party **Friday, April 20th**. Msgr. King Hall, 1551 Hendrickson Street. 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30 pm. \$25.00 per person. \$30.00 at the door. Includes Coffee, Cake, Soda, Water, Ice Cream, Snacks, Goody Bags. For more information call 718-377-1800.

ST. BERNARD SPRING FLING RAFFLE RIOT

2055 East 69th Street. **Friday, April 20** at 7:00 pm. \$50.00 per person. Contact St. Bernard Rectory Office at 718-763- 5533.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH LADIES GUILD

Presents "Spring Fest Raffle Night", 2245 Kimball Street. **Friday, April 20th**. Doors open at 6:30 pm. \$25.00 per person. Includes Chips, Pretzels, Cookies, Soda, Coffee, Tea. No one under the age of 18 admitted. For reservations, call Rose at 718-627-4247

OUR LADY OF GRACE ACADEMY

385 Avenue W & East 3rd Street—"Music Through the Decades" 60s to 90s **Friday, April 20th**, 8:00 pm at Our Lady of Grace Academy Gym. \$60.00 per person. \$10 off for seniors 65plus. Dinner, Dessert, Dancing, BYOB. Raffles, Gift Baskets. Call office for tickets 718-375-2081.

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS

Want your child to love learning?

Enroll in Kindergarten at Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Academy. Scholarships available. To learn more, call 718-763-2360 or visit mqhca.org. Students of all faiths are welcome.

Ms. Mary Bellone, Principal

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19, 1 Jn 2:1-5a, Lk 24:35-48

8:00 am	Gladys, Rachel, Raphael & David Zila (Living) - In Thanksgiving	Requested by: Gladys Zila Maxime
10:00 am	Elaine & Vincent Tropeano	The Tropeano Family
	Margarita & Jose Alvarez (Living)	Magdalena Rodriguez
12:00 pm	Annette Pierre	Marybeth & Terry Dillon

MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 6:8-15, Jn 6:22-29

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 7:51—8:1a, Jn 6:30-35

8:00 am	Eileen Matthew—5 years in Heaven	Requested by: Dianne, Kristen & Family
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 8:1b-8, Jn 6:35-40

8:00 am	Martin Glenn	Requested by: Charismatic Prayer Group
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THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 8:26-40, Jn 6:44-51

8:00 am	Alicia & John Marino (Living) - In Thanksgiving	Requested by: Alicia & John Marino
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FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 9:1-20, Jn 6:52-59

8:00 am	For a healthy baby for Stephen & Natalie	Requested by: Stephanie Puleo
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SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2018

Easter Weekday

Feast of St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 9:31-42, Jn 6:60-69

9:00 am	Ricardo Percy (Living) - In Thanksgiving	Requested by: Marie Percy
5:00 pm	Daniel M & Ann Marie Lauria	Richard Lauria

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 4:8-12, 1 Jn 3:1-2, Jn 10:11-18

8:00 am	Helen Sentome	Requested by: Whitman & Sentome Families
10:00 am	Sean McAllister	Marianne Del Prete & Family
12:00 pm	Concetta D'Amore	Joseph & Maria Costanzo

Altar Candles
 In Thanksgiving—**Gladys Zila Maxime & Family**
 Requested by: Gladys Zila Maxime & Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Mama Adama	Harold & Terry Joy
Regina Aguyi	Dominick Mottola
Charles Badami	Mary Moss
Michael Badami	Felicia Nwaogu
Berlinda	Lady Cecilia Okafor
Nick Berlingieri	Mama James Okafor
Beatrice's Mother	Mama Justin Okafor
Brother Paul Chikobi	James O'Reilly
John Connolly	Chioma Otoko
Josephine Deluca	Carol Polish
Zackery DeLuca	Mary Russo
Thomas DiPietro	Ronald Russo
Charlene Dominique	Louise Schuavone
Mama Emma	Achalla State
Vivian Endall	Ruth Saunders
Virginia Finger	Jerome Sergeant
Anthony Galati	Oby Udorji
Rosalie Galati	Chinello Uwazoba
Barbara Giannettino	Veanne Wright
Bob Harsen	Theresa Rose Wunder
Leonard Jones	

*****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 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.

MOH 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.

Please remember to visit the Rectory Office during office hours to schedule your Mass Intentions and Memorial Masses.

Also remember our Saints' Shrines and Votive Candle Offerings in Church.

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

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

