

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

1395 East 56th Street • Brooklyn • NY • 11234

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 29, 2018

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
Pastor

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Parochial Vicar

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St. Vincent DePaul Society
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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)
(718) 763-6592 (Fax)

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 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,

Today our young people from the academy and from religious education are asking to be considered as candidates for the sacrament of confirmation in the fall of 2019. They will commit to a program that will prepare them to receive the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. The elements of that promise are realities each one of us here at MQH should be living, so that we can give our young members a positive example of faith in Jesus Christ and a supportive community to sustain them on their spiritual journey.

That includes praising God together in the assembly each Sunday, learning the truths of Jesus Christ and proclaiming them boldly, like Saint Paul, living out the truths of the faith in loving deeds, and “remaining” united in Christ through all the challenging events that may arise.

To bear the good fruit of a loving Christian life we may need to accept some “pruning” at the hand of God, the Vinedresser. As in all gardening, pruning, or cutting back, eliminates the “dead wood” so that the living branches can produce even more. The Lord helps us to let go of the useless things in our lives so that we can deepen our relationship with Jesus and “have life more abundantly”.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Fr. 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. You may also submit any updates to your address and contact information to the Rectory Office.
You are encouraged to use your tithing envelopes.

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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Weekly Tithing Collections for April 22nd: \$7,201.00
Attendance: 712

<i>SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE</i>	
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
May 11, Friday	*Our Lady of the Cape – 6:00 pm, Church
May 20 – May 23 Sunday-Wednesday	*Parish Mission – May 20, 7:30 pm, May 21-23, 8:30 am and 7:30 pm, Church

<i>RECURRING EVENTS/MEETINGS AT A GLANCE</i>	
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

<i>DEVOTIONS AT A GLANCE</i>	
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 28TH & APRIL 29TH**

GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts will be meeting on **Sunday** at 11:30 am in the Parish Center Teen Room.



CUB SCOUTS BAKE SALE

The Cub Scouts will be having a Bake Sale after all of the Masses **this weekend**.

FILIPINO MASS AND FELLOWSHIP

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

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 this weekend.**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT
MASS**

will be held at the 10:00 am Mass on **Sunday**.



MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH

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
"A Gentleman in Moscow"

by Amor Towles for discussion on **Wednesday, May 16th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room.



The book for **June 20th** is
"A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" by Betty Smith.

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.

OUR LADY OF THE CAPE

Join us in church for Marian Devotions and Mass with Our Lady of the Cape on **Friday, May 11**, 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm.
Celebrant: Fr. Wedner Berard



**CONTINUING OUR 90TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION WITH A PARISH MISSION**

Stop the Presses! Mark your calendars!! Exciting News!!! Our community is having a Parish Mission starting **Sunday evening, May 20th** and ending **Wednesday evening May 23th**, in church.

Catholic Lay Evangelist, Bill Wegner, of Good News international is conducting the mission. The theme is **Journey with Jesus**.

This will be a great time to be encouraged in our faith. The thrust of the mission is to bring us into a closer walk with our Lord Jesus. It will be a special time of renewal for our entire community.

Plan to be there...and bring a friend!

• **Sunday, May 20, 7:30 pm**

• **Monday, May 21-Wednesday May 23,
8:30 am and 7:30 pm.**

Different talks will be given at 8:30 am and 7:30 pm.



2000 HAIL MARYS

Saturday, May 19th at in the Parish Center Chapel from 7:30 am until 4:30 pm.

**AROUND
TOWN**

Our Lady of Grace Church

430 Avenue W Brooklyn, NY 11223, is hosting a concert with Daniel Rodriguez and Frank Rendo on **Friday, May 4th** at 7:00 pm. Tickets: \$20.00. Contact the Rectory Office at 718-627-2020. Parking behind the church. Wheelchair ramp access.

St. Thomas Aquinas Church

1550 Hendrickson Street Brooklyn, NY 11234. The Rosary Society of St. Thomas Aquinas is sponsoring a Marian Morning of Prayers and Reflection to pray the Rosary and sing hymns to Mary in English, Spanish and Creole. **Saturday, May 19th**. 8:30 am Mass, 9:00 am Breakfast followed by a Multi-Lingual Living Rosary in English, Spanish and Creole.

The Brian Gewirtz Memorial Foundation

will be hosting a Card Party on **Sunday, May 20th** from 2:00 pm until 6:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus, Baron DeKalb, 3000 Emmons Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11235. \$35.00 per person includes luncheon buffet, soda and cake.

Email bgmfoundation@yahoo.com for more information.

Excerpt of Foundation History: *Brian went missing from his home after taking a walk on 2/17/15. He was discovered 4/2/15, his life tragically cut short just before his 21st birthday in May. His friends and family wish to honor the life he led by establishing the Brian Gewirtz Memorial Foundation.*

Excerpt of Mission Statement: *We are a public charity dedicated to disability awareness, whether physical, mental, emotional or developmental. Our mission is to bring attention to disability awareness through education and stop the stigmas associated with various disabilities... We hope to increase these opportunities through scholarships and donations to help the disabled reach their goals... The funds will be allocated for scholarships, as well as donations to other larger non-profits for the benefit of the disabled.*

**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 29, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 9:26-31, 1Jn 3:18-24, Jn 15:1-8

8:00 am **Lelio Etienne**
10:00 am **Jennie Lamicella**
12:00 pm **Sean McAllister**

Requested by:
Danielle Louis
Carol Polish
Pat Branley

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018

Easter Weekday

Feast of St. Pius V, Pope

Readings: Acts 14:5-18, Jn 14:21-26

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

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

Easter Weekday

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

Readings: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a or, for the Memorial, Gn 1:26—2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-58

8:00 am **Agatha & Hilton Williams**

Requested by:
The Noel Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

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

Readings: Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8

8:00 am **Msgr. John Burns-
Anniversary of Ordination**

Requested by:
Sisters of St. Dominic

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018

Feast of Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-8, Jn 14:6-14

8:00 am **Helena O'Hara**

Requested by:
The O'Hara Family

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 15:22-31, Jn 15:12-17

8:00 am **Jean Avanzato**
9:00 am **Purgatorial Mass**

Requested by:
The O'Hara & Avanzato
Families

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2018

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 16:1-10, Jn 15:18-21

9:00 am **Sean McAllister**
5:00 pm **Marie Croom –
7th Anniversary**

Requested by:
Clare Cranston
Douglas Bontempo

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48, Jn 15:9-17

8:00 am **Special Intentions**
10:00 am **Joan Paduano**
12:00 pm **The Rosary Society**

Requested by:
Cub Scouts 505
The Rosary Society



REST IN PEACE:

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

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

**Dante D'Egidio, Margaret Clare Gillen,
Patricia Joseph, Lillian McCarthy,
Scott Pakow, Rachel Rivera, Vivian Russo,
Teresa Walsh-King**

Bread & Wine

In Loving Memory of — **Msgr. Burns**
Requested by: Dolores Fleck

Altar Candles

In Loving Memory of — **Joe Devlin**
Requested by: Grace Devlin

Tabernacle Candle

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Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of — **Msgr. Burns**
Requested by: Dolores Fleck

Bells

In Loving Memory of — **Sean McAllister**
Requested by: Mary Moss

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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| Mama Adama | Barbara Giannettino |
| Regina Aguyi | Bob Harsen |
| Charles Badami | Harold & Terry Joy |
| Michael Badami | Dominick Mottola |
| Berlinda | Mary Moss |
| Nick Berlingieri | Lady Cecilia Okafor |
| Beatrice's Mother | Mama James Okafor |
| Brother Paul Chikobi | Mama Justin Okafor |
| Josephine DeLuca | Chioma Otoko |
| Zackery DeLuca | Carol Polish |
| Thomas DiPietro | Mary Russo |
| Mama Emma | Ronald Russo |
| Vivian Endall | Louise Schiavone |
| Eric | Achalla State |
| Virginia Finger | Jerome Sergeant |
| Steven Forezza | Lucille Votto |
| Anthony Galati | Chinello Uwazoba |
| Rosalie Galati | 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 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 Mary Queen of Heaven when you are completing your Estate Planning and your Will.