

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
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Parochial Vicar

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Respect Life Committee

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

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Email: mqhchurch@aol.com
Facebook: "Mary Queen of Heaven Church"

SUMMER

OFFICE HOURS

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

Saturday:
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

MS. MARY BELLONE, *Mary Queen of Heaven Catholic Academy*
Principal, (718) 763-2360, www.mqhca.org

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,

I have good news to report to you! Even while I was away on vacation I kept an eye on the weekly reports from the office of the Bishop's Annual Catholic Appeal, and I saw our contributions steadily increasing. Today I can congratulate you for we have surpassed our goal of \$62,348 by almost \$2,000 in pledges.

After we have given the Diocese \$4,200 more on our pledges, every penny donated will come to the parish. This is quite a turn-around for us, because in the last two campaigns I was required to take money from our reserves to meet the assigned goal.

My hope was to involve everyone in the campaign this year. We didn't achieve that, but I did see more donors involved (250 so far), than in any other year I have been with you.

And so from me a very sincere "Thank you" to those who heard our Bishop's appeal for help in ministering to the needy of this diocese in the name of Jesus Christ, and to all of you who support Mary Queen of Heaven so faithfully.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Fr. Tom Leach*

PARISHIONER IN NEED—MARTHA TORRES

Martha has been an active parishioner here at Mary Queen of Heaven and has also served as a minister of Holy Communion for many years. Martha has been in kidney failure for the past three (3) years and is now in dire need of a kidney transplant. She is hopeful that a generous parishioner will heed the call and be willing to donate a kidney for her transplant.

If the Lord moves you to be a donor or you know someone who might be interested in giving the gift of life, please contact Lauren Syed, Transplant Coordinator at New York Presbyterian Hospital at 212-305-8597.

If you need further information, feel free to email Martha at angeltorresny@aol.com.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Today's special second collection is for The Catholic University of America, **the national university of the Catholic Church**. In 1887 the University was founded by the bishops of this country and chartered by Pope Leo XIII. Nearly **one third of all of the U.S. Bishops**, archbishops, and cardinals in our country are alumni, along with over 12,000 priests and religious from around the world, including some from your diocese. Through its 12 schools and 23 research centers located in the nation's capital, every year the University provides an education grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition to almost 7000 students.

This weekend, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Thank you for your generosity.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

September 22, Saturday	*Flea Market – 8:30 am-4:30 pm,
October 19, Friday	*Healing Mass – 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, Church
October 21, Sunday	*Afternoon at the Races – 1:00 pm-4:00 pm, Parish Hall

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

NOTE: Some ministries do not meet in the summer.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

**Weekly Tithing Collections for September 2nd: \$7,060.00
Attendance: 616**

THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
SEPTEMBER 8TH & SEPTEMBER 9TH

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MASS

The Holy Name Society Mass will be held on **Sunday** at 12 Noon in the Church.

THE ROSARY SOCIETY

A Welcome Back Meeting will be held on Sunday, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm in the Parish Hall. *New Members are Always Welcomed!*

FRENCH/CREOLE MASS

The French/Creole Mass will be held on **Sunday** at 2:00 pm in the Church.

MISSION APPEAL

On **September 15, 16 weekend**, a representative of the Congregation of the Handmaids of the Divine Redeemer will be here to make the Summer Mission Appeal. Please be generous in helping them with their mission.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: 8:00 pm, Parish Center

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

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

GIRL SCOUTS

The first meeting for the Girl Scouts will be on **Sunday, September 23rd** at 11:30 am in the Parish Center Teen Room. Those interested in finding out more about the Girl Scouts may join us in the meeting.



SENIORS

The first meeting for the Seniors will be on **Wednesday, September 12th** at 1:15 pm in the Parish Hall.
All Seniors are welcomed.

CALLING ALTAR SERVERS

5th graders and up in our school, and in public school, are eligible, and are encouraged, to become Altar Servers.



Practice Day and Time: Every Thursday at 4:00 pm in the Church. Please meet with Fr. Ikenna for Parent's Permission Slip and other information.

JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS



The Book Club is currently reading *"The Underground Railroad"* by Colson Whitehead for discussion on **Wednesday, September 12th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center Lounge Room.

The book for **October 17th** is *"Manhattan Beach"* by Jennifer Egan

A NEW RCIA GROUP IS FORMING

" As you know, the Rite of Christian initiation has been extended in the Brooklyn Diocese to last almost two years. Our four catechumens, who began their journey last fall, will continue to prepare to receive sacraments at the Easter Vigil of 2019 (on April 20th). "



" We are ready to begin with another group in mid October; it will meet in the Parish Center on Tuesday Nights. If you are an older teen-ager or an adult interested in joining the Catholic Church, or if you have not received communion and/or confirmation, please contact Father Tom to schedule an interview. "

TRIP TO THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Saturday, October 27, 2018

The Diocese of Brooklyn will host a Marian Pilgrimage to The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Led by Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio. Buses will leave St. Bernard Church at 6:00 am and should arrive back before 10:00 pm. Cost: \$55.00 per person. For reservations, please call St. Bernard Rectory Office at 718-763-5533.

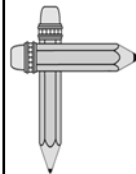
MQH FLEA MARKET

Love a good bargain? Want to earn a little cash? Come out and join us!

Saturday, September 22nd from 8:30 am-4:30 pm in the Parking Lot and Parish Hall (entrance from 56st Street)
Vendors Needed! \$25.00 per table (provided).

Sell new and gently used items.
Contact: Evelyne @ 516-782-1471 or Carmelle @347-761-6313 to reserve your table.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION



The School of Religion Office is now open and registration for the 2018 / 2019 School Year continues.

The first day of school is Sunday, September 30th. Please register prior to this date.

Mrs. Mary Casatelli, Principal

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS

Welcome Back to all MQHCA students.

Mrs. Mary Bellone, Principal

AROUND TOWN

TRIDUUM IN HONOR OF ST. PIO OF PIETRELICINA

Three days of prayer and reconciliation with the Lord. **Friday, September 21—Sunday 23** at 7:30 pm at St. Edmund, 1902 Avenue T, 718-743-0102.

DISCO PARTY

St. Thomas Aquinas is having a Disco Party on **Saturday, September 29th** at 7:00 pm in the Msgr. King Hall, 1551 Hendrickson Street between Flatlands Avenue and Avenue P. \$40 per ticket. Please call 718-253-4404 for tickets.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Is 35:4-7a, Jas 2:1-5, Mk 7:31-37*

8:00 am **Adelio Abia**
10:00 am **Helena O'Hara-
Birthday Blessing**
12:00 pm **The Holy Name
Society,
Edward P. McMillan**
2:00 pm **Special Intentions**

Requested by:
Socrates & Abia Families
The O'Hara Family

The Holy Name
Society

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

Weekday

Readings: *1 Cor 5:1-8, Lk 6:6-11*

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

Weekday

Readings: *1 Cor 6:1-11, Lk 6:12-19*

8:00 am **Hyacinth Rose
(Living) - Birthday
Thanksgiving**

Requested:
Hyacinth Rose

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

Weekday

Feast of Most Holy Name of Mary

Readings: *1 Cor 7:25-31, Lk 6:20-26*

8:00 am **Frank & Theresa
Spezio-Wedding
Anniversary**

Requested by:
Jean Spezio

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018

Feast of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: *1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13, Lk 6:27-38*

8:00 am **Henri Augustin**

Requested by:
Suzelle Augustin

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Readings: *Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17*

8:00 am **Paul D'Amore**

Requested by:
Eleanor Saturno

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2018

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

Readings: *1 Cor 10:14-22, Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35*

9:00 am **Ellen & Robert
Dunlop**

Requested by:
Anne Dunlop

5:00 pm **Concetta D'Amore** Gary & Kim Aglieri

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Is 50:5-9a, Jas 2:14-18, Mk 8:27-35*

8:00 am **Adelaida Mendoza-
1st Anniversary**
10:00 am **Steven Garavuso**
Eugenie Desravines
12:00 pm **Barbara Joan Cor-
julo**

Requested by:
Lory Zozobrado

The Tropeano Family
The Family
Pat Branley

Bread & Wine

In Loving Memory of **Bronislaw Prikul**

Requestor: Children & Grandchildren

Altar Flowers

In Loving Memory of **Adelio Abia**

Requestor: Socrates & Abia Families

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Regina Aguyi	Mona Lewis
Mama Adama	Thelma Madeam
Charles Amodi	Mariano
Grace Amodi	Kenny Mintzes & Family
Dr. Emma Amobi	Mary Moss
Anqetas's wife	Lizzy Mbamah
Frank & Teresa Arcuri	Lady Cecilia Okafor
Beatrice's Mother	Laurie, Theresa, Helen, & Anne
Nick Berlingieri	Mama James Okafor
Tracy Thorne Brown	Mama Justin Okafor
Teressa & Joe Burns	Chioma Okoko
Angela Calcaterra	James O'Reilly
Eric Carew, Jr.	Orelia's Husband
Brother Paul Chikobi	Anna Pietrowski
Josephine DeLuca	Carol Polish
Zackery DeLuca	Virginia S.
Thomas DiPietro	Jerome Sergeant
Charlene Dominique	Vincent Soriano
Mama Emma	Achalla State
Denise Fields	Bill Taylor
Francine G	Muriel Taylor
Marlyn Gerdard	Sylvia Thomas
Barbara Giannettino	Elana Thorne
Kathryn & Joanne Kearney	Ody Udorji
L.A.	Chinello Uwazoba
Jerome Stephen Leonard	Herminio Valenzuela
Mariano	All of the sick in Africa

*****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.**



Rest in Peace: to all of our deceased relatives and friends and deceased members of the parish and the community at large including all of those who lost their lives on September 11.

9/11: Reflections and Remembrances: A People Changed by 9/11

"The years have gone by, but the memories remain for all who were involved in that one single day and its aftermath that changed the lives of so many and of our nation." -Monsignor Robert J. Romano