

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 3, 2019

PARISH STAFF

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

MS. HELEN JAMES
Parish Social 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: 1927-2018

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 are all shocked at how quickly the mood changes in today's gospel account, at how Jesus' neighbors go from amazement at his insight one moment to an almost homicidal rage the next.

What happened? Once they began to wonder about his authority, Jesus reminded them of the problems Elijah and Elisha had with their countrymen, but how they did work miracles among the gentiles. He would do the same. That supposed insult was the turning point.

Don't we react the same way; don't we praise preachers with whom we agree and criticize those who challenge us? Do we really listen to those who make us uncomfortable?

A prophet, like Jeremiah, speaks the truth from God. Thus, a prophet will make people quite uncomfortable. A wise person will listen and change his/her ways; the fool tries to silence or do away with the prophet.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father 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 angel-torresny@aol.com.



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 submit any updates to your address and contact information to the Rectory Office.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to have a print out of your contribution statements from Mary Queen of Heaven for Tax Year 2018, please call ahead to the Rectory Office. A statement will then be printed for you to pick up.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Tithing Collections for \$5,848.00 Attendance: 863**

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

February 10, Sunday	* Holy Name Society Mass – 12:00 pm, Church, Holy Name Society Valentine Meeting: February 11, 8:00 pm * French Creole Mass – 2:00 pm, Church
March 2, Saturday	* Mardi Gras Party – Parish Volunteers – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall
March 3, Sunday	* Rosary Society Mass & Meeting – 12:00 pm Mass followed by meeting, Church/Parish Hall. <i>New Members are Always Welcomed!</i> * La Legion de Marie – 1:15 pm, Church
March 16, Saturday	* St. Patrick / St. Joseph Dance – 7:00 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

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
FEBRUARY 2ND & FEBRUARY 3RD

GIRL SCOUTS

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



THE ROSARY SOCIETY MASS

will be held at 12:00 Noon on **Sunday** followed by a meeting in the Parish Hall.

LA LEGION DE MARIE

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

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



Blessing of Throats will be done after all of the Masses on **Saturday and Sunday**.

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The blessing of throats traces back to the 8th century. ... St. Blaise was bishop of Sebaste in Cappadocia, and was martyred by beheading about A.D. 316. Not much more can be affirmed of him with any degree of historical accuracy, but legends about him are numerous. One day--so goes the legend--Blaise met a poor woman whose only pig had been snatched up in the fangs of a wolf but at the command of the bishop the wolf restored the pig alive to its owner. The woman did not forget the favor, for later, when the bishop was languishing in prison, she brought him tapers to dispel the darkness and gloom. To this story may be attributed the practice of using lighted candles in bestowing the blessing of St. Blaise. While in prison he performed a wonderful cure on a boy who had a fishbone lodged in his throat and who was in danger of choking to death. From this account we have the longtime custom of invoking the Saint for all kinds of throat trouble.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Center

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

CUB SCOUTS: 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 "*Wait Till Next Year*" by Doris Kearns Goodwin for discussion on **Wednesday, February 20th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

The book for **March 20th** is "*The Wonder*" by Emma Donoghue

AROUND TOWN

YOUNG ADULT EVENT

St. Thomas Aquinas Young Adults host gatherings on the 2nd Saturday of each month. The group attends the 5:30 pm Mass at St. Thomas Aquinas before the gatherings. They will host a mixer at 7:00 pm at 3rd and 7th Tavern, 3622 Quentin Road in Brooklyn, on **Saturday, February 9th**. All Young Adults are welcomed.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Today we celebrate World Day for Consecrated Life. We recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church through vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Some, like our **Dominican sisters Sr. Margaret Schmit, Sr. Regina Corde, Sr. Ann Martha Ondreicka, and Sr. Bernadette Izzo, as well as Sr. Fran Picone, RSM**, join a religious congregation as sisters, brothers or religious priests. Some join a secular institute. Others remain single and make a profession to God through the local bishop and are known as consecrated virgins. May the light of Christ shine brightly through men and women who choose the consecrated life to live out their baptismal commitment, especially those who serve in the Diocese of Brooklyn now or who have been part of our history.

Prayer for Vocations

Source of all life, we offer you our praise and thanks for creating us out of your abundant love.

You sent your Son, Jesus, to teach us and show us the way to live.

You summon us to proclaim the good News of Jesus' power to heal.

You call each of us to holiness.

Strengthen our commitment to prayer and service.

Bless our Church with men and women who dedicate their lives to you in consecrated life.

May we, your people, proclaim the Gospel whether it is convenient or inconvenient.

We trust that you will empower us through the gift of your Holy Spirit.

Amen

UNBOUND MINISTRIES

Next weekend, please welcome Rev. Mark Lane C.O. who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 18 developing countries. To learn more, call 800-875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.or.

GUILD OF MARY

Are you willing to pray every day for vocations. If, so, please consider becoming a member of the parish's Guild of Mary Mother of Vocations. Please see Father Tom or Father Ikenna and they will induct you into the guild.

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY



We are proud of the following eight grade students for receiving scholarships for Bishop Loughlin:

**Tyler Henry \$2,500, Kai Littles \$2,500
Nyla Searles \$2,500**

Stay tuned for information on additional scholarships earned by our students.

Mary Bellone, Principal

MOH GIFT SHOP



Remember to shop our gift shop, open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19, 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13, Lk 4:21-30

8:00 am	Helen Socrates-Abia (Living) - Birthday Blessing	Requested by: Helen Socrates-Abia
10:00 am	Bill Murray - Happy Birthday in Heaven	Thomasina Murray
12:00 pm	The Rosary Society, Maureen Arthur	The Rosary Society

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Heb 11:32-40, Mk 5:1-20

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019

Feast of St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

Readings: Heb 12:1-4, Mk 5:21-43

8:00 am **Mary Samoes**

Requested by:
Anne Dunlop

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019

Feast of St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Readings: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15, Mk 6:1-6

8:00 am **Lydia Smartt (Living) - Birthday Blessing**

Requested by:
Lydia Smartt

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24, Mk 6:7-13

8:00 am **William O'Hara - 16th Anniversary in Heaven**

Requested by:
The O'Hara Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2019

Weekday

Feast of St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Readings: Heb 13:1-8, Mk 6:14-29

8:00 am **Anna Sullivan - Anniversary**

Requested by:
Loretta Risley

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21, Mk 6:30-34

9:00 am **Rosalie "Roselise" Louis-Jacques**

Requested by:
Edwin Peraud

5:00 pm **Anthony Truisi**

The Whalen Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8, 1 Cor 15:11 or 15:3-8, 11, Lk 5:1-11

8:00 am **Special Intentions**

Requested by:

10:00 am **Rev. EC Franklyn**

Brian Franklyn

12:00 pm **The Holy Name Society**

The Holy Name Society



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.

Bread & Wine
In Memory of **Maria Prikul**
Requested by: Rita, Children & Grandchildren

Altar Candles
In Memory of **Anthony Truisi**
Requested by: The Sans Family

Altar Flowers
In Memory of **Charles & Augustin Families**
Requested by: Suzelle Augustin

Altar Flowers
In Memory of **Anthony Truisi**
Requested by: Louis Truisi

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Doug Bontempo	Victor Maggio
Kareem Carryl	Betty Mitchel
Keith Carryl	Mary Moss
Mitzi Carryl	Domenick Mottola
Darren Craig	PHR
Josephine DeLuca	Carol Polish
Zackery DeLuca	Helen Rodriguez
Jacque Desravines	Vincent Soriano
GWM	Carol Zummo
John Keyes	

*****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.

GIFTS AT MASS

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.

MASS INTENTIONS, MEMORIAL MASSES



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

SHRINES, VOTIVE CANDLES

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

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENTS

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