

# Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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**CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN**

## 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 27, 2019

### PARISH STAFF

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*Respect Life Committee*

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*Ministry to the Homebound*

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*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

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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

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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,

Today we begin a celebration of "Catholic Schools Week" in the Church. The beauty of our Catholic schools, and I found this to be true at every level of my education, from kindergarten through my last year of graduate studies, is that our faith in Jesus Christ is able to permeate every aspect of our studies and of our relationships with one another. It is a way of demonstrating the truth that faith underlies every aspect of our lives.

In these difficult times, seemingly so opposed to our Christian values, our Catholic schools are the best vehicle available to us for handing on our Catholic culture to the next generation. For our non-Catholic children and their parents the beauty of our faith serves as a gentle invitation to join us.

Above all, what we are about in Catholic schools is forming disciples of Jesus Christ, believers who will grow into adults capable of assuming Jesus' own mission, which he describes in today's gospel. In the synagogue of his home town of Nazareth he announced the fulfillment of this prophecy of Isaiah in his own person: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." Our charge, as disciples of Jesus Christ, is to continue that mission.

May our children, anointed with the Holy Spirit in their Baptism and strengthened by that same Spirit in Confirmation, continue our Lord's work.

*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](mailto:angel-torresny@aol.com).

### 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 \$4,262.00 Attendance: 507**

### **SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE**

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

### **RECURRING EVENTS/MEETINGS AT A GLANCE**

<b>Baptisms</b>	Last Sunday of the month, 1 pm. An appointment must be made with one of the priests or the deacon.
<b>Bereavement Support Group</b>	Call the Rectory Office (718-763-2330) for referral.
<b>Boy Scouts</b>	Every Friday, 7:15 pm - 9:00 pm, Parish Center Teen Room
<b>Charismatic Prayer Group</b>	Every Friday of each month 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.
<b>Cub Scouts</b>	Every Friday, 6:45 pm - 8:15 pm, Parish Hall
<b>Girl Scouts</b>	Most Sundays, 11:30 am-1:30 pm, Parish Center Teen Room. Kindergarten-Grade 12. For more info.: Jeanne Cirone 917-601-3460, <a href="mailto:jmcirone@gmail.com">jmcirone@gmail.com</a>
<b>Haitian Choir</b>	Rehearsal, Every Saturday, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Church
<b>Holy Name Society</b>	Monday after the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday, 8:00 pm, Parish Center
<b>La Legion de Marie</b>	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.
<b>Line Dancing</b>	Wednesdays, Parish Hall, 6:30 pm-9:30 pm, \$8 per person
<b>Prayer Group Cenacle</b>	Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Parish Center
<b>Rosary Society</b>	First Sunday of each month, 1:00 pm-3:00pm, Parish Hall
<b>Seniors</b>	Every Wednesday, 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm, Parish Hall. <i>All seniors are invited.</i>
<b>Youth Group</b>	First & Third Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Parish Center Youth Room

### **DEVOTIONS AT A GLANCE**

<b>Exposition &amp; Benediction</b>	First Fridays, 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center Chapel
<b>Miraculous Medal Novena</b>	Mondays, Novena & Benediction following the 8:00 am Mass
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Monday to Friday, 7:45 am, Saturdays 8:45 am
<b>Rosary</b>	Monday to Friday after the 8:00 am Mass, Saturday after the 9:00 am Mass

THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday  
JANUARY 26<sup>ST</sup> & JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>

### GIRL SCOUTS

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



### ALTAR SERVER INSTALLATION

Join us on **Sunday** at the 12:00 Noon Mass for the installation of new Altar Servers.

### CUB SCOUTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Come and enjoy the Cub Scouts Pancake Breakfast to be held after all of the Masses on **Sunday**. Tickets will be sold at the door.

### MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 31<sup>ST</sup>

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

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>

**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 20<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

The book for **March 20<sup>th</sup>** is "**The Wonder**" by Emma Donoghue

AROUND  
TOWN

### YOUNG ADULT EVENT

St. Thomas Aquinas Young Adults host gatherings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month. They will host a mixer at 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Tavern on **Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** at 3622 Quentin Road in Brooklyn. All Young Adults are welcomed.

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Would you like to visit the Blue Army Shrine for Our Lady of Fatima in Washington, NJ on **Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**? If so, contact Frances Minerva at 718-444-8647 or mobile number 609-558-6860. Bus departs from St. Bernard Church, 2055 East 69<sup>th</sup> Street, at 8:00 am and returns at 4:00 pm. Round trip bus fare is \$40.00 per person, includes driver's tip. **Fee must be paid in advance by Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**. (No refunds). Please bring your lunch and refreshments.

### SPRING FEST RAFFLE NIGHT

St. Columba Church will be hosting their annual card party on **Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** with lots of wonderful prizes plus a Pot-Of-Gold drawing. Doors open at 6:30 pm, Msgr. Jolly Hall, 2245 Kimball Street between Avenues U & V. \$25.00 per person includes Chips, Pretzels, Cookies, Soda, Coffee and Tea. No one under the age of 18 admitted. Reserve your table. Call Rose 718-627-4247 or Mary 718-339-0692.

### MOH GIFT SHOP



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

### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Blessing of Throats will be done after all of the Masses on **Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** and **Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**.



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The blessing of throats traces back to the 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

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### PILGRIMAGES

Hosted by Dcn. Jean Baptiste Boursiquot.  
Pick up flyers from the Church or Rectory Office.

**\*July 23—August 1, 2019.** Visiting Haifa, Tiberias, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem. \$3,659 per person from New York

**\*July 6—16, 2020.** Visiting Prague, Budapest, Vienna, Munich, includes the Passion Play of Oberammergau. \$3,899 per person from New York.

### ALTAR SERVER INSTALLATION

5<sup>th</sup> 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.**

### MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

*This week begins Catholic Schools week.*

Scholarship Awards

**Miranda Clarke** has received a \$5,000.00 scholarship to Bishop Kearney High School and **Jasmine Jeune** won the Presidential Scholarship at Bishop Kearney for a total of \$3,500.00.

*Congratulations! We are so proud!*

*Mary Bellone, Principal*

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2019**

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Readings:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, 1 Cor 12:12-30, Lk 1:1-4; 4; 14-21  
National Catholic Schools Week Begins

8:00 am	<b>Alred McAuley Osmond Hypolite</b>	Requested by: Cynthia McAuley Cynthia McAuley
10:00 am	<b>Marie Louis St. Fleur (Living) - Action of Grace</b>	Marie Louis St. Fleur
12:00 pm	<b>Maureen Arthur</b>	Joan Cleary & Janet McHugh

**MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2019**

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

**Readings:** Heb 9:15, 24-28, Mk 3:22-30

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

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019**

Weekday

**Readings:** Heb 10:1-10, Mk 3:31-35

8:00 am **Maureen Arthur**

Requested by:  
Susan Kompa

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2019**

Weekday

**Readings:** Heb 10:11-18, Mk 4:1-20

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

Requested by:  
Eleanor Saturno

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2019**

Feast of St. John Bosco, Priest

**Readings:** Heb 10:19-25, Mk 4:21-25

8:00 am **Robert & Ellen Dunlop**

Requested by:  
Anne Dunlop

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2019**

Weekday

**Readings:** Heb 10:32-39, Mk 4:26-34

8:00 am **Special Intentions**

9:00 am **Purgatorial Society Mass**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2019**

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

**Readings:** Mal 3:1-4, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

9:00 am **Raymonde Charles - (Living)**  
5:00 pm **Phillip Truisi**

Requested by:  
Raymonde Charles  
Mary & Michael Whalen

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

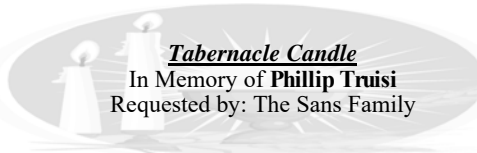


**Rest in Peace:** to all of our deceased relatives and friends and deceased members of the parish.

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



Please remember to stop by 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.



**Tabernacle Candle**

In Memory of **Phillip Truisi**  
Requested by: The Sans Family

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Mama Adama	Liz Mbamah
Dr. Emma Amobi	Thelma Madeam
Charles Amobi	Sister Mercy
Grace Amobi	Mercy's Brother
Regina Aguyi	Mercy's Sister
Beatrice's Mother	Kenny Mintzes & Family
Nick Berlingieri	Betty Mitchel
Anthia Bispham	Mary Moss
Doug Bontempo	Domenick Mottola
Tracy Thorne Brown	Mary Nicola
Angela Calcaterra	Lady Cecilia Okafor
Eric Carew, Jr.	Mama James Okafor
Jamaal Carryl	Mama Justin Okafor
Kareem Carryl	Chioma Okoko
Keith Carryl	Orel's Husband
Mitzi Carryl	PHR
Brother Paul Chikobi	Michael Piccininni
Darren Craig	Carol Polish
Josephine Deluca	Helen Rodriguez
Zackery DeLuca	Frank Rotelli
Jacques Desravines	Mary Russo
Thomas DiPietro	Opie Sandoval
Charlene Dominique	Jerome Sergeant
Mama Emma	Vincent Soriano
Denise Fields	Achalla State
Barbara Giannettino	Bill Taylor
GWM	Oby Udorgi
Ed Houston	Muriel Taylor
Kathryn & Joanne Kearney	Sylvia Thomas
John Keyes	Elana Thorne
Jerome Leonard	Chinello Uwazoba

**\*\*\*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).

**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.