

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 3, 2019

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
Pastor

REV. IKENNA OKAGBUE
Parochial Vicar

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Ministry of Consolation

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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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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 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,

This Wednesday the Church will invite us all to find a quiet spot where we can enter with Jesus into the “desert” and focus on the basic elements of our faith. We will hear the ancient call to “Repent” and live out the gospel. We will enter Lent once again.

The tradition of the Church has always directed us to three ways of arriving at a personal renewal and new life in Jesus Christ. The first is prayer. Lent is the perfect time to attend daily Mass, or join the community for morning prayer, or at least reflect each day on the readings for the Lenten Masses—a way of making Lent a retreat.

A second path is fasting, sacrifice. Giving things up is a familiar Lenten practice. It allow us to offer more time to God and more of our bounty to others.

The third route is that of charity, almsgiving. Our prayer and our sacrifice should avail others, not just ourselves. The goal of our Lenten journey is to find ourselves loving God and neighbor with a greater intensity by Easter.

*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.



MOH GIFT SHOP

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Tithing Collections for 2/24/19: \$4,339.00
Attendance: 606

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

March 16, Saturday	* <i>St. Patrick / St. Joseph Dance</i> – 7:00 pm, Parish Hall
March 23, 24, Saturday, Sunday	* <i>Girl Scout Cookie Booth Sale</i> – After all of the Masses, Church Vestibule
March 31, Sunday	* <i>Filipino Mass & Reception</i> – Church/Parish Hall, 3:00 pm

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
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
MARCH 2ND & MARCH 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 pm 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.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH

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 Wonder*" by Emma Donoghue for discussion on **Wednesday, March 20th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

The book for **April 24th** is "*Radium Girls*" by Kate Moore



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal supports the daily work of our Church throughout Brooklyn and Queens in ways no one parish can accomplish alone by supporting the following ministries: Catholic Charities; Hospital, College and Prison Chaplains; Diocesan Vocations Office; Catholic Migration Services; Parish Assistance Program; Office of Faith Formation; Bishop Mugavero Residence for infirmed clergy; Futures in Education Scholarship Foundation

Please remain assured that your gift to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* cannot be used in the settlement of abuse claims or for anything other than their above listed intended purpose.

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

MQHCA congratulates the 8th grade students on receiving their rings on Wednesday, February 27th at the 10:30 am Mass. Students in Grades 5-7 attended the Mass to wish the 8th grade great success. Congratulations to the students and parents on this great accomplishment.

Mary Bellone, Principal

MQH ST. PATRICK / ST. JOSEPH DANCE



Saturday, March 16th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Donation: \$30.00 per person.

Includes: Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Irish Soda Bread, Pastries, Snacks, Beer, Soda, Coffee, Tea and **PLENTY OF FUN!**

Tickets available for purchase in the Rectory Office during office hours.

Tickets will also be on sale in the vestibule on the weekends of March 2th and 3rd, and 9th and 10th.

MARCH 6TH (ASH WEDNESDAY)

8:00 am Mass, 10:00 am School Mass, 3:00 pm Liturgy of the Word, 7:30 pm Mass

MQH LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS IN THE CHURCH

- After the 8:00 am Mass—English
- 7:00 pm—French/Creole

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:

April 13th Mass: 5:00 pm

April 14th Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon

Holy Thursday: April 18th

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Mass of the Last Supper: 7:30 pm, Church will be open for prayer until 11:00 pm

Good Friday: April 19th

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Stations of the Cross: 10:00 am—French/Creole, 12:00 pm—English, Solemn Liturgy at 3:00 pm, 4:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday: April 20th

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Easter Vigil: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of

the Lord: April 20th

Masses 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence: All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting: All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive, are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

Easter Duty: After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year. By special indult, in the US, the period of fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent, March 10 to the celebration of Pentecost, June 9.

Reconciliation Monday: will be celebrated on April 15, the Monday of Holy Week. This initiative provides generous opportunity for the faithful to experience God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. After the age of reason, the faithful are bound to confess once a year grave sins which have not already been absolved.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2019

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Sir 27:4-7, 1 Cor 15:54-58, Lk 6:39-45

8:00 am **Paulette Charles,
Lherisson Maxime**
10:00 am **James Mitchel**
12:00 pm **The Rosary Society**

Requested by:
Daughter

Pat Branley
The Rosary Society

MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2019

Weekday

Feast of St. Casimir

Readings: Sir 17:20-24, Mk 10:17-27

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Sir 35:1-12, Mk 10:28-31

8:00 am **Nigel Rose (Living)**

Requested by:
Hyacinth Rose

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019

Ash Wednesday

Readings: Jl 2:12-18, 2 Cor 5:20-6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

8:00 am **Suzelle Augustin**
10:00 am **School Mass**
3:00 pm **Serv**
7:30 pm **Special Intention**

Requested by:
Suzelle Augustin

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019

Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Feast of Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs

Readings: Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25

8:00 am **Healings for John Paul &
Andrew (Living)**

Requested by:
Stephanie &
Domenick Puleo

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019

Friday after Ash Wednesday

Feast of St. John of God, Religious

Readings: Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15

8:00 am **Msgr. O'Toole**

Requested by:
Ida & Barbara
Giannettino

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2019

Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Feast of St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Readings: Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32

9:00 am **Raymonde Charles (Living)**
5:00 pm **The Rich Family
Mona DeGrammont
Stephen Joseph**

Requested by:
Raymonde Charles
Douglas Bontempo
Immacula
Bernice Joseph & Joan
Extavour

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Dt 26:4-10, Rom 10:8-13, Lk 4:1-13

8:00 am **Anese George & Benoit
Joseph**
10:00 am **Carmen Rodrigues**
12:00 pm **John Quatrono**
2:00 pm **In Thanksgiving to God**

Requested by:
Olande Louis

Martha & Angel Torres
Chris & Irene
Suzelle Augustin



Rest in Peace

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

Bread & Wine

In Honor of **Suzelle Augustin—Special Intentions**

Requested: Suzelle Augustin

Altar Candles

In Memory of **Paulette Charles & Iherisson Maxime**

Requested: Daughter

Tabernacle Candle

In Memory of **Paulette Charles & Iherisson Maxime**

Requested: Daughter

Altar Flowers

In Memory of **Paulette Charles & Iherisson Maxime**

Requested: Daughter

Bells

In Memory of **Paulette Charles & Iherisson Maxime**

Requested: Daughter

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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| Mama Adama | Laurie & Lennie Leeds |
| Regina Aguyi | Jerome Leonard |
| Charles Amobi | Liz Mbamah |
| Dr. Emma Amobi | Mariano |
| Grace Amobi | Steven Marcopolos |
| Frank & Teresa Arcuri | Naomi Martinez |
| Charles Badami | Barbara Maynor |
| Michael Badami | Sister Mercy |
| Desmond Benimoff | Mercy's Sister |
| Nick Berlingieri | Mercy's Brother |
| Robert & Rosie Billotti | Betty Mitchel |
| Doug Bontempo | Kenny Mintzes & Family |
| Teresa & Joe Burns | Mary Moss |
| Jamaal Carryl | Beatrice's mother |
| Kareem Carryl | Dominick Mottola |
| Keith Carryl | Lady Cecilia Okafor |
| Mitzi Carryl | Mama James Okafor |
| Brother Paul Chikobi | Mama Justin Okafor |
| Josephine Deluca | Chioma Okoko |
| Zackery DeLuca | Resia Pavrette |
| Jacque Desravines | Carol Polanish |
| MaryBeth Dillon | Helen Rodriguez |
| Thomas Di Pietro | Louise Schiavone |
| Charlene Dominique | Jennifer A. Seto |
| Mama Emma | Vincent Soriano |
| Marlene Gifford | Virginia Stank |
| Minnie Hannon | Achalla State |
| Orel's Husband | Margaret Staten |
| Joanne & Kathryn Kearney | Glenn & Marie Stawicki |
| John Keyes | Fran & Teresa |
| Fred Klink | Oby Udorgi |
| Ita & Bill Kulbit | Carol Zummo |
| L.A. | All the sick of the third world |

*****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.