

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

1395 East 56th Street • Brooklyn • NY • 11234

CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 24, 2019

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
Pastor

REV. IKENNA OKAGBUE
Parochial Vicar

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Ministry of Consolation

MS. CAROL POLANISH
St. Vincent DePaul Society
Respect Life Committee

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,

These are powerful readings this Sunday, Moses is drawn into an encounter with the living God, and he begins to learn about this God. God reveals not the name Moses requests, but that he is life itself; he gives life; he creates. And this God has a very special relationship with the children of Israel; he is the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob.” And for them, in Moses’ time, he will hear their pleas and be their Redeemer from slavery.

Despite their experience of the exodus from Egypt and of God’s providential care for his people in their years of wandering, many did not benefit from those blessings, but drifted from God and died. Paul wants us to remember our many blessings and learn from their example to remain faithful to God and to Jesus Christ.

Luke takes up the primary call of Lent to “Repent” lest we too perish. Our time on earth is limited, so the time to turn back and be reconciled with God is now. “Now”, as St. Paul proclaimed to us on Ash Wednesday, “is the acceptable time. Now is the day of salvation”.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL MOBILE DEVICES WHILE IN CHURCH.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Tithing Collections for 3/17/19: \$6,179.00
Attendance: 719**

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

March 31, Sunday	* <i>Confirmation Commitment Ceremony</i> – Church, 10:00 am * <i>Filipino Mass & Fellowship</i> – Church/Parish Hall, 3:00 pm
April 7, Sunday	* <i>Rosary Society Mass & 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
April 13, 14, Saturday, Sunday	* PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Masses 5:00 pm, 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon * <i>Holy Name Society Mass</i> – 12:00 pm, Church, Holy Name Society Meeting: April 15, 8:00 pm * <i>French Creole Mass</i> – 2:00 pm, Church

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
MARCH 23RD & MARCH 24TH



GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts will be selling cookies after Masses on Saturday and Sunday in the church vestibule.



MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH

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 “Radium Girls” by Kate Moore for discussion on **Wednesday, April 24th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.



The book for **May 15th** is “The Grapes of Wrath” by John Steinbeck



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

The amount of time, talent and treasure we decide to share with others, our parish and the diocese, the poor and all those who need our help usually corresponds to how well we understand and accept that all we are, have and can do is an underserved gift from God. Living in Faith and doing the good works of our Lord, as a way of life, flows like a river from hearts that gained this wisdom.”

Please support the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal with Faith and Good works.

ACA STATUS AS OF 3/18/19:

Our Diocesan Goal: \$59,231.00

Number of pledges: 34

Amount pledged: \$15,920.00

Amount received: \$6,602.00

AROUND
TOWN

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES

The Flatbush YMCA, 1401 Flatbush Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11210, will be offering free English classes Monday through Thursday. Morning Session: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Evening Session: 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. By train: 2 or 5 to Flatbush Avenue/Brooklyn College. **Registration: Tuesday, April 2nd and Wednesday, April 3rd.** Class Schedule: Spring Cycle—April 8th - June 17th. For more information, please contact Beatrice and Victoria at 718-469-8100 ext. 4316.



MQH GIFT SHOP

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

MQH LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross in Church

After the 8:00 am Mass (English), 7:00 pm (French/Creole)

•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

•Reconciliation Monday (Confessions):

April 15th 3:00 pm-9:00 pm

•Holy Thursday: April 18th

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Mass of the Last Supper: 7:30 pm, Solemn Adoration: 9:00 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: 3:00 pm, Stations of the Cross: 4:30 pm

•Holy Saturday: April 20th

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

EASTER SUNDAY: April 21ST

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



FILIPINO MASS & FELLOWSHIP

Join us for the Filipino Mass on **Sunday, March 31st** at 3:00 pm. Fellowship will follow in the Parish Hall after Mass.



FOOD PANTRY

During this season of Lent, why not consider donating to the MQH St. Vincent DePaul Society? They can use your help in the way of

*donations to the food pantry

*monetary donations to help support the monthly food purchases or for the benefit of our recipients

*prayers for the dedicated volunteers of the SVDP Society and our recipients

We welcome “non-expired” cereal, rice, pasta, instant mashed potatoes, canned tuna, canned vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, crackers...there’s so much more.

With your kindness and generosity during this Lenten season you will be helping to “stock the shelves” for the next few months and offset costs for the perishable foods purchased for our recipients.

MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

The following students achieved academic honors for the second marking period (11/10/18-1/31/19) at St. Edmunds Preparatory H.S.

Kareema Green/11th Grade/1st Honors,

Juan Recio/12th grade/2nd Honors, Kayla

Saintelus/9th grade/2nd Honors, Arden

Saintelus/11th grade/1st Honors, Lordnel Saint-

Jean/12th grade/2nd Honors, Jayden Studevan-

McKenzie/11th grade/2nd Honors, James Wilson

III/11th grade/1st Honors

Mary Bellone, Principal

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15, 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12, Lk 13:1-9

8:00 am **Benefactors of the St. Vincent dePaul Society**
10:00 am **John Pierce**
12:00 pm **John McDonald**

Requested by:
St. Vincent dePaul Society
The Harsen Family
Pat & Jim O'Reilly

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019

The Annunciation of the Lord

Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8-10, Heb 10:4-10, Lk 1:26-38

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Dn 3:25, 34-43, Mt 18:21-35

8:00 am **Resia Pavrette (Living)**

Requested by:
Resia Pavrette

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9, Mt 5:17-19

8:00 am **Jean Bernard (Living) Birthday Blessing**

Requested by:
Evelyn

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Jer 7:23-28, Lk 11:14-23

8:00 am **Diane Ondreicka**

Requested by:
Elvira Anselmo

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2019

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Hos 14:2-10, Mk 12:28-34

8:00 am **Michael Giannettino**

Requested by:
Barbara & Ida Giannettino

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Hos 6:1-6, Lk 18:9-14

9:00 am **Celnde Lambert**
5:00 pm **John Andrezzi, Sr. Joseph Villanueva - Birthday in Heaven Rosemarie Toussaint**

Requested by:
Edwin Renaud
Mildred Andrezzi
E.V.

Mary & Sasha Toussaint

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: Jos 5:9a, 10-12, 2 Cor 5:17-21, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32,

8:00 am **Larry Gabriel Pierre (Living) - Birthday John Andrezzi, Sr.**

10:00 am **Eva Garcia Frank Spezio - Birthday Remembrance**
12:00 pm **Alma & Dcn. Jean Baptist Boursiquot - 60th Wedding Anniversary**

Requested by:
Marie Pierre

Mildred Andrezzi & Family
Alicia Marino
Jean Spezio

Children & Grandchildren



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 Honor of **Suzelle Augustin—Special Intentions**

Requested: Suzelle Augustin

Altar Candles

In Loving Memory of **Mr. & Mrs. Sal D'Esposito**

Requested: Daughter

Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of **Gloria B. Varban—**

1st Birthday in Heaven

Requested: Mother & Granddaughter

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Frank & Teresa Arcuri	Ita & Bill Kulbit
Nick Berlingieri	L.A.
Robert & Rosie Billotti	Laurie & Lennie Leeds
Doug Bontempo	Steven Marcopolos
Teresa & Joe Burns	Mariano
Jamaal Carryl	Naomi Martinez
Kareem Carryl	Barbara Maynor
Keith Carryl	Kenny Mintzes & Family
Mitzi Carryl	Mary Moss
Josephine DeLuca	Dominick Mottola
Zackery DeLuca	Mary Nicola
Jacques Desravines	Carol Polanish
Thomas Di Pietro	Mary Russo
Charlene Dominique	Delta Robinson
Ann Gabriel	Helen Rodriguez
Minnie Hannon	Vincent Soriano
H. Hargraves	Virginia Stank
Joanne & Kathryn Kearney	Glenn & Marie Stawicki
John Keyes	Fran & Teresa
Tishana King	Clare Vincent
Fred Klink	Carol Zummo

*****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 Deaconate, 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. Please also remember our Saints' Shrines and Votive Candle Offerings in Church.