

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER / SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY APRIL 28, 2019

PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH
Pastor

REV. IKENNA OKAGBUE
Parochial Vicar

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BOURSIQUOT
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MS. KATHLEEN LAURIA
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)
(718) 763-6592 (Fax)

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*
Principal, (718) 763-2360, www.mqhca.org

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,

On this "Divine Mercy Sunday" we find Jesus appearing to his apostles, recognizable by the distinctive wounds of his passion, and bearing his followers a very precious Easter gift: "Peace" through forgiveness.

John pictures this event as a new creation; Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit upon them as God breathed life into Adam. And the apostles truly are renewed; no longer blocked by their failures and fears, and enlivened by the power of God's Spirit, they will leave the locked upper room and preach confidently in the public squares. They will preach repentance and the forgiveness of sins. Recipients of God's grace and mercy, the Lord sends them to extend mercy to all.

They are new men; they are no longer saddened and burdened by their failures. Forgiven, they are enthused for this mission of mercy. God's gifts of forgiveness and renewal is available to all of us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

*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 angeltorresny@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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
Tithing Collections for 4/21/19: \$7,273.00
Attendance: 1474

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



MQH GIFT SHOP

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

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

May 4, Saturday	*First Communion Ceremony 11:00 am, Church
May 5, Sunday	*Rosary Society Mass & Meeting 12:00 pm Mass followed by meeting, Church/Parish Hall. New Members are Always Welcomed! *La Legion De Marie – 1:15 pm, Church
May 12, Sunday	*May Crowning – 10:00 am, Church *Holy Name Society Mass – 12:00 pm, Church, Holy Name Society Meeting: May 13, 8:00 pm *French Creole Mass – 2:00 pm, Church
May 16, Thursday	*MQHCA Concert – 6:00 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
APRIL 27TH & APRIL 28TH

CELEBRATING DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Please join us in this celebration as we gather together to sing and praise God on **Sunday** from 1:00 pm until 3:30 pm in the church. Includes: Opening Prayer, Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration, Rosary, Prayer & Song, Message of Divine Mercy, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Closing Benediction



SVDP CLOTHING DRIVE

The St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive Truck will be in front of Mary Queen of Heaven church to collect donated clothing on **Sunday** from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MAY 1ST

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, MAY 3RD

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

Congratulations!

To all of our students who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Communion on **Saturday, May 4th** at 11:00 am in the Church.

JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS



The Book Club is currently reading "*The Grapes of Wrath*" by Kate Moore for discussion on **Wednesday, May 15th** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.



The book for **June 19th** is "*If Beale Street Could Talk*" by James Baldwin



Annual Catholic Appeal 2019
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

We must show charity towards the sick, who are in greater need of help. Let us take them some small gift if they are poor, or at least, let us go and wait on them and comfort them. —St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori. Please support the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal with Faith and Good Works

ACA STATUS AS OF 4/22/19:

Our Diocesan Goal: \$59,231.00 Number of pledges: 111
Amount pledged: \$39,494.00 Amount received: \$23,219.00



DIVINE MERCY

From the diary of a young Polish nun, a special devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone — especially the greatest sinners.

The message and devotion to Jesus as **The Divine Mercy** is based on the writings of **Saint Faustina Kowalska**, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us — no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A — Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B — Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C — Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

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MARY QUEEN OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC ACADEMY

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Shanata Pantaleon on winning the Mill Basin Civic Award. Shanata is in the eighth grade and received this award for leadership, community spirit and service to the school. In the near future, Shanata hopes to become a lawyer. We wish her the best.

Our students are practicing for the Spring Concert on Friday, May 16th at 6:00 pm. Save the date. Join us for a night filled with songs and dance.

Mary Bellone, Principal



DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: St. Bernard will be conducting a Defensive Driving class for Automobile Insurance Reduction/Point Removal **Saturday, May 11th** at St. Bernard Catholic Academy 10:00 am. \$50.00 per person. Call Andrea 718-965-7375 x1601 for more information and to register. Proceeds benefit St. Bernard Academy.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: Join the day bus trip to the Blue Army Shrine for Our Lady of Fatima in Washington, NJ on **Monday, May 13th**. Please contact Frances Minerva at 718-444-8647 or mobile number 609-558-6860.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

Readings: Acts 5:12-16, Rv 9:11a, 12-13, 17-19, Jn 20:19-31

8:00 am **John Fennimore**

Requested by:
Marybeth & Terry
Dillon

10:00 am **Jennie Lamicella**

Carol Polanish

12:00 pm **Helena O'Hara-
5th Anniversary in Heaven**

The O'Hara Family

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2019

Feast of St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 4:23-31, Jn 3:1-8

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2019

Easter Weekday, Feast of St. Pius V, Pope

Readings: Acts 4:32-37, Jn 3:7b-15

8:00 am **Frances Barcelona**

Requested by:
Gary & Kim Aglieri

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2019

Easter Weekday

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

Readings: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21

8:00 am **Diane Ondreicka**

Requested by:
Dominican sisters

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019

Feast of St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Acts 5:27-33, Jn 3:31-36

8:00 am **Agatha & Hilton Williams,
Elaine & Anthony Noel**

Requested by:
The Noel Family

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019

Feast of Sts. Philip & James, Apostles

Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-8, Jn 14:6-14

8:00 am **Raymond Charles (Living)**
9:00 am **Purgatorial Mass**

Requested by:
Raymonde Charles

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 6:1-7, Jn 6:16-21

9:00 am **Erlinda Villanueva (Living)**
- Prayers for Good Health
5:00 pm **Marie Croom**

Requested by:
Erlinda Villanueva

Douglas Bontempo

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41, Rv 5:11-14, Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

8:00 am **Ann & John Fennimore**

Requested by:
Marybeth & Terry
Dillon

10:00 am **Patsy Franklyn**
12:00 pm **The Rosary Society**

Brian Franklyn
The Rosary Society



Rest in Peace

to all of our deceased relatives and friends and
deceased members of the parish including
Frances F. McMahon

Purgatorial Society

**Patty Cappiello, Sophia Castro,
Patricia Haworth, Regina Iovine,
Grace Lipari, Julienne McGrath,
Margaret Quinn, Silverio L. Vitiello,
Frances Zujkowski**

Bread & Wine

In Loving Memory of **Mary moss**

Requested: Carol Polanish

Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of **Joseph A. Devlin**

Requested: Grace Devlin

Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of **Dr. Glenn Nymn**

Requested: Children & Grandchildren

Bells

In Loving Memory of **Mary moss**

Requested: Carol Ann Salamone, Eileen Cook

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



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| Frank & Teresa Arcuri | Rachael Giacobbe |
| Charles Badami | Minerva Gorclon |
| Michael Badami | Minnie Hannon |
| Desmond Benimoff | Joanne & Kathryn Kearney |
| Nick Berlingieri | John Keyes |
| Robert & Rosie Billotti | Ita & Bill Kulbit |
| Doug Bontempo | L.A. |
| Rebecca Breitburg | Gloria Landorno |
| Teresa & Joe Burns | Laurie & Lennie Leeds |
| Jamaal Carryl | Mariano |
| Kareem Carryl | Barbara Maynor |
| Keith Carryl | Kenny Mintzes & Family |
| Mitzi Carryl | Dominick Mottola |
| Carol Chakwin | Carol Polanish |
| Christopher Chakwin | Monica Powell |
| Charlie Cogan | Helen Rodriguez |
| Angela Cosenza | Ronald Russo |
| Jeannette David | Louise Schiavone |
| Josephine DeLuca | Vincent Soriano |
| Zackery DeLuca | Virginia Stank |
| Jacques Desravines | Margaret Staten |
| Marybeth Dillon | Bill Taylor |
| Thomas Di Pietro | Fran & Teresa |
| Charlene Dominique | Theresa Rose Wunder |
| Frank Gagliano | Carol Zummo |
| Anthony Galati | |

*****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.

GUILD OF MARY, MOTHER OF VOCATIONS

The purpose is to encourage people to pray for vocations to this church ministry by saying a prayer for vocations each day. Please see Father Tom or Father Ikenna, and they will induct you into the guild.