

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 25, 2019

PARISH STAFF

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MS. CAROL ANN SALAMONE
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MS. HELEN JAMES
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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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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday:
9:00 am - 12 Noon
1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday:
10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Love Lives Here

A Touch of Heaven in Brooklyn - Serving God's People for 90 Years: 1927-2019

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 think we all wonder at times how many people will be saved. Estimates vary widely. Will it be “only a few people”, 144,000 out of all the people who have lived and are still to come (as one religion holds)? Will everyone be saved by the mercy of God, because God desires the salvation of all?

The gospel doesn't give us an answer, instead Jesus throws the question back to us and says, in effect, “you work at your salvation. Don't let others enter in, while you find yourself left out”.

Some “will not be strong enough.” So Hebrews recommends discipline, the process that helps children mature into adults, that “strengthens your drooping hands and your weak knees”.

God wants to gather not only all his children from the nations to which they have been scattered, but “nations of every language”. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the Kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last” (Luke 12, 29-30).

Have the prudence to accept the Lord's discipline; become strong enough to enter the kingdom.

*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.



We thank **Fr. Martin Asiedu-Peprah** for his service here at Mary Queen of Heaven this summer.



Fr. Martin's last Mass at MQH for the summer will be on **Thursday, August 29th**.



**THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED ON
SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST,
RE-OPENING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD 2019.**

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

September 1, Sunday	* <i>Rosary Society Mass</i> – 12:00 pm, Church * <i>La Legion De Marie</i> – 1:00 pm, Church
September 2, Monday	<i>Rectory Office is closed in celebration of Labor Day</i>
September 8, Sunday	* <i>Holy Name Society Mass</i> – 12:00 pm, Church, followed by refreshments in the Parish Center * <i>Rosary Society</i> - Installation of new officers and new members. Meeting to follow. Church/Parish Hall * <i>French Creole Mass</i> – 2:00 pm, Church

RECURRING EVENTS/MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Baptisms	Last Sunday of the month, 1:00 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 * <i>Closed for the summer.</i>
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 * <i>Closed for the summer.</i>
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 * <i>Closed for the summer.</i>
Prayer Group	Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Parish Center
Rosary Society	First Sunday of each month, 1:00 pm-3:00pm, Parish Hall * <i>Closed for the summer.</i>
Seniors	Every Wednesday, 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm, Parish Hall. <i>All seniors are invited.</i> * <i>Closed for the summer.</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

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
August 18th Attendance: 653**

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

**THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
AUGUST 24TH & AUGUST 25TH**



Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope!

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30TH

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Center Chapel

JOIN IN OUR READING AND DISCUSSIONS



The Book Club is currently reading
“*Steve Jobs*” by Walter Isaacson.
for discussion on **September 18th** at 7:30 pm
in the Parish Center.

The book for **October 16th** is
“*American Duchess*” by Karen Harper.



Are You Someone, or Do You Know
Someone, who:

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been Baptized?
- Was Baptized Catholic as a child but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Parish offers you an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our Faith. Sessions focus on the teachings of the church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter Season. There are separate classes for Adults or Youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your Faith story in a warm accepting environment. For more information, please contact Fr. Tom at 718-763-2330 or Sr. Mary Jane, Director of Faith Formation, at 718-763-2590.

PILGRIMAGES

Hosted by Dcn. Jean Baptiste Boursiquot.

Pick up flyers from the Church or Rectory Office.

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



**Annual Catholic
Appeal 2019**
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Please support the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal with Faith and Good Works

ACA STATUS AS OF 8/19/19:

Our Diocesan Goal: \$59,231.00

Number of pledges: 222

Amount pledged: \$65,000

Amount received: \$54,592.00

**FAITH FORMATION /
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



- A Catechists and Assistants meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 8th** at 8:15 am in the Parish Center.
- Faith Formation/Religious Education classes begin **Sunday, September 15th** at 8:15 am. Gather in the school cafeteria to meet Catechists and Assistants. Classes end at 9:45 am followed by 10:00 am Mass. At this Mass, we will celebrate “Catechetical Sunday” to recognize and thank those from the Parish who have graciously volunteered their time to share their faith with the children of the parish.

Parents are reminded that Religious Education is an ongoing process, and the children are expected to return each year until they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration Packets are available online www.mqhchurch.net. Click on the *Get Involved In Your Faith / Faith Formation* tabs to download the forms. Completed packets can be returned to the Rectory Office. All returned packets must include the Registration Fee. Children registering for the first time must include a copy of their Baptismal Certificate along with the packet and the fee.

For more information, please call 718-763-2590.

*Sr. Mary Jane Rolston, OP
Director of Faith Formation*

MQH MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

assists our homebound parishioners. Services provided include friendly and special prayer, home visits or phone calls, running small errands, light housekeeping and care giver support. If you are interested in volunteering in this ministry, please attend a meeting on **Tuesday, September 10th** at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please contact the Rectory Office to sign-up for the meeting,

ALUMNI SUNDAY

All graduates of MQH School are invited back on **Sunday, September 22nd** for an open house at 11:00 am, and 2:00 pm Mass followed by light refreshments in the Parish Hall. RSVP to the Rectory Office at 718-763-2330.



**WOODLOCH SPONSORED BY
MQH SENIORS**



All adults are invited to attend a trip to Woodloch Pines in Hawley, PA from **Monday, October 28th through Friday, November 1st, 2019**, sponsored by the MQH Seniors. Woodloch is an exceptional four-season Poconos family resort nestled in a pristine mountain lake vacation setting in Hawley, PA. Activities include a Halloween hayride, a scenic boat ride on a lovely lake and nightly entertainment with live music. If you are interested in spending a delightful week away, please call Jerrilyn DeLuca at 347-424-2403 for further details.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2019

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Is 66:18-21, Heb 12:5-7, 11-13, Lk 13:22-30*

8:00 am	For Forgiveness and Thanksgiving in Honor of Infant Jesus	Requested by: Edvard & Suze Mathador
10:00 am	Alexander DiMieri	The DiMieri Family
12:00 pm	Marie Alma Boursiquot	MaryBeth & Terrence Dillon

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019

Weekday

Readings: *1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10, Mt 23:13-22*

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2019

Feast of Saint Monica

Readings: *1 Thes 2:1-8, Mt 23:23-26*

8:00 am	Rose & Enrico Giovanniello	Requested by: Joan Muscianisi
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2019

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

Readings: *1 Thes 2:9-13, Mt 23:27-32*

8:00 am	Henri Augustin	Requested by: Suzelle Augustin
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2019

Feast of The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Readings: *1 Thes 3:7-13, Mk 6:17-29*

8:00 am	Belizaire & Rimpel Families—In Thanksgiving	Requested by: Lourdes Christophe
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2019

Weekday

Readings: *1 Thes 4:1-8, Mt 25:1-13*

8:00 am	Healing—for Stephen	Requested by: Stephanie & Dominick Puleo
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2019

Weekday

Readings: *1 Thes 4:9-11, Mt 25:14-30*

9:00 am	Yolande Leblanc & Reynald Michel	Requested by: Marie Louis
5:00 pm	Milagros Bolido & Roland Cutting	Laurie Zozobrado Mitzi Brown-Carryl & Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: *Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29, Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a, Lk 14:1, 7-14*

8:00 am	Rose Giannettino—44th Anniversary	Requested by: Ida & Barbara Giannettino
10:00 am	Madaline Ansalone	MQH Seniors
12:00 pm	The Rosary Society	The Rosary Society

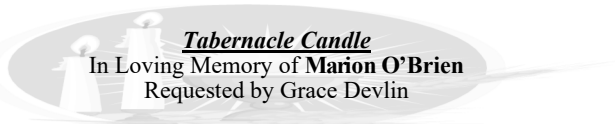


Rest in Peace

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.

PRESENTING THE GIFTS AT MASS: If you have scheduled a Mass Intention and wish to present the gifts at the altar during Mass, please inform one of the ushers, BEFORE Mass.



Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of **Marion O'Brien**
Requested by Grace Devlin

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Mama Adama	Bob Mintzes
Regina Aguyi	Kenny Mintzes & Family
Dr. Emma Amobi	Dominick Mottola
Charles Amobi	Beatrice's Mother
Grace Amobi	Connie & Luke Napodano
Charles Badami	Mary Nicola
Michael Badami	Sr. Chienola Nwazuoby
Desmond Benimoff	Lady Cecilia Okafor
Doug Bontempo	Mama James Okafor
Kay Brown	Mama Justin Okafor
Angela Calcaterra	Chioma Okoko
Sal Caruso	Frank Pannone
Ning Casatelli	Carol Polish
Eileen Cook	Teresa Ponzio
Santo Cuccia	Monica Powell
David DeLuca	Helen Rodriguez
Josephine DeLuca	Mary Russo
Marybeth Dillon	Ronald Russo
Thomas DiPietro	Irene Santise
Charlene Dominique	Louise Schiavone
Mama Emma	Margaret Staten
Robert Erhard	Vincent Soriano
Josh Freeman	Achalla State
Rosalie Galati	Martha Torres
Rachael Giacobbe	Oby Udorgi
Jerome Leonard	Theresa Rose Wunder
Connie Main	All the sick in Africa without health care
Liz Mbamah	
Betty Mitchel	

*****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.



MASS INTENTIONS, MEMORIAL MASSES

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

Please also remember our Saint Shrines and Votive Candle Offerings in Church.