

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

PARISH STAFF

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MS. CAROL ANN SALAMONE
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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

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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,

Whether we stand to benefit from his forgiveness (like the younger son) or resent how freely it is offered to others (like the elder son), all of us will have to admit that we are amazed at the lengths to which this Father (or mother in the second parable) will go for his child.

As a matter of fact, this father is the prodigal; he is extravagant lavish in his love and forgiveness. He actively searches for the one who is lost and is waiting, watching when he does return home. He cuts his son's well-rehearsed apology short to get him washed and robed royally. And he orders a feast to express his joy at having him back. You can almost hear Jesus saying, "See what great love the Father has for you."

That was Paul's discovery on the road to Damascus. When he realized that in persecuting Jesus' disciples he had been in direct opposition to the will of God, he was overwhelmed to realize that God had forgiven his sin and selected him to be his Apostle to the Gentiles. Paul was a changed man, his life now totally at the service of the risen Lord. He was convinced that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost, (but) I have been mercifully treated."

That is the "good news": we are all sinners, but by God we are "mercifully treated." Every Sunday he comes to dine with us sinners in the Eucharist, and to share his great joy.

The parable left the older brother at the door of the banquet room. Will he/we enter or remain outside?

*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.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

September 21, Saturday	*Fr. Michael Falce—Concelebrating Mass - 5:00 pm, Church. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.
September 22, Sunday	*MQH Alumni Open House & Mass - 11:00 am, School, 2:00 pm Mass, Church. Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.
September 29, Sunday	*Filipino Mass & Fellowship – Church/Parish Hall, 3:00 pm

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
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, 12:00 pm - 3:00 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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
September 8th Attendance: 720

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL MOBILE DEVICES.

**THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
SEPTEMBER 14TH & SEPTEMBER 15TH**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Welcome Back! to our Religious Education students for their first class for the 2019-2020 school year. Thank You to our Catechists who will be honored this Catechetical Sunday, at the 10:00 am Mass, for sharing their faith with the children of our parish. **We also welcome Sr. Mary Jane Rolston, OP, the new Director of the Religious Education program at MQH.**



MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall
PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

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 **“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.

FAITH FORMATION CORNER

CONFIRMATION: Grade 8 – Confirmation candidates have been notified by mail. If you did not receive your letter, please call the Religious Education Office at 718-763-2590. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on **Thursday, October 24th** at 4:00 pm with Bishop Massa. **Practice for Students: Thursday, October 17th** at 4:30 pm in the Church **Practice for Students & Sponsors** (or a Parent if the sponsor can not attend): **Thursday, October 17th** at 6:30 pm in Church.



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. For more information, please contact Fr. Tom at 718-763-2330 or Sr. Mary Jane, Director of Faith Formation, at 718-763-2590.



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.

THRIVE NYC—FREE MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING

Where: MQH Parish Hall
When: **Saturday, October 19th** from 8:30 am until 4:30 pm
RSVP: <https://maryqueenofheaven.timetap.com>

Call Carlene Pierre 347-396-6235 for more information.
- Identity signs and symptoms of anxiety, depression and other mental illnesses
- Learn how to respond if you see these signs in your colleagues, friends and loved ones
- Receive a certificate for becoming trained in Mental Health First Aid training which is good for three years
For more information visit www.nyc.gov/mhfa

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.

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

An opportunity is open or those who want to render their services as Altar Servers in our parish. Anybody from the 5th grade and up is eligible. Students in the public school are encouraged to be part of this group of service. **Practice: Every Thursday** at 4:30 pm in the Church Please meet with Fr. Ikenna to obtain a Parent’s Permission slip and other information.



TRIDUUM TO HONOR ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA

Location: St. Edmund Church, 1902 Avenue T, Brooklyn, NY
Dates: **Saturday, Sunday & Monday, September 21st, 22nd, 23rd** at 7:30 pm. For more information call 718-743-0102.

KWANIS FUNDRAISER

Joseph Ruggiero, a member of the Holy Name Society and parishioner of Mary Queen of Heaven, will be installed as Governor for NYS District of Kiwanis on **Saturday, October 5th** at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Grace Church, 385 Avenue W Brooklyn, NY. Free parking. Food by LaVilla & Dolce Vita. Basket Raffles & 50/50. \$75 per person/\$700 for a table of 10. For more information call Mike Rizzotto at 347-244-6169 or John LaGreca at 718-873-6442.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14, 1 Tm 1:12-17, Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

8:00 am	Adelio Abia—Birthday in Heaven	Requested by: Helen Abia
10:00 am	Richard Friedlander	Myriam Limage
12:00 pm	Marie Alma Boursiquot	The Boursiquot Family

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

Feast of Sts. Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop Martyrs

Readings: 1 Tm 2:1-8, Lk 7:1-10

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

Weekday

Feast of St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: 1 Tm 3:1-13, Lk 7:11-17

8:00 am	Resie Pavrette & Family Deliverance	Requested by: Resie Pavrette
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

Weekday

Readings: 1 Tm 3:14-16, Lk 7:31-35

8:00 am	Joseph Casanova	Requested by: Connie & Bill Main
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

Weekday

Feast of St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr

Readings: 1 Tm 4:12-16, Lk 7:36-50

8:00 am	In Thanksgiving	Requested by: Maryse Corrielius
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

Feast of Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs

Readings: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3

8:00 am	Marie Eva Charles (Living)	Requested by: Marie Eva Charles
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13, Mt 9:9-13

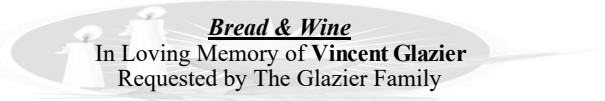
9:00 am	Manelie Augustin (Living) —Birthday Blessing	Requested by: Suzelle Augustin
5:00 pm	Nancy Cincotta	Mary Beth & Terrence Dillon
	Jeanne Archelus & Claude Limage	Myriam Limage

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Am 8:4-7, 1 Tm 2:1-8, Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

8:00 am	Living & Deceased Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society	Requested by: St. Vincent de Paul
10:00 am	Manouchka Monteau (Living) - Birthday Blessing	Manouchka Monteau
12:00 pm	Henri Augustin	Suzelle Augustin



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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| Mama Adama | Richard Kompa |
| Regina Aguyi | Jerome Leonard |
| Dr. Emma Amobi | Liz Mbamah |
| Charles Amobi | Beatrice's Mother |
| Grace Amobi | Sr. Chienola Nwazuoby |
| Charles Badami | Lady Cecilia Okafor |
| Michael Badami | Mama James Okafor |
| Doug Bontempo | Mama Justin Okafor |
| Kay Brown | Chioma Okoko |
| Terrence Carter | Jim & Pat O'Reilly |
| Ning Casatelli | Carol Polish |
| Eileen Cook | Monica Powell |
| Joseph Cooke | Helen Rodriguez |
| Patrick Daniel | Irene Santise |
| Josephine DeLuca | Louise Schiavone |
| Grace Devlin | Margaret Staten |
| Charles DeBenedetto | Vincent Soriano |
| Marybeth Dillon | Achalla State |
| Thomas DiPietro | Martha Torres |
| Charlene Dominique | Oby Udorgi |
| Mama Emma | All the sick in Africa without health care |
| Robert Erhard | |
| Karen Gallagher | |

*****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.

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.

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.

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



Rest in Peace

to all of our deceased relatives and friends and deceased members of the parish including **Miquel Smith**