

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

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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

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Heaven Church"

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,

Wednesday will mark eighteen years since our country was victimized by the terrorist attacks here in New York City, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania. Eighteen years, and the memories of those events seem as clear as if it were only yesterday—memories of the destruction and the aftermath, memories of those struck down, relatives, neighbors, and friends, and memories of the heroics of the first responders.

In September 2001 we compiled a list of more than 75 victims connected to parishioners of Our Lady of Grace. I believe it was the same elsewhere: everyone was affected; no one has forgotten. Our lives changed that day.

Since 9/11/01 we have seen an increase in acts of terrorism worldwide and an ever-escalating number of mass shootings here in the United States. Violence is all too common in our daily news reports, and intolerance in our debates.

At this time of year we remember and we pray. In our observances and our prayers for the many victims of 9/11 let us pray also for a softening of hearts, that despite our differences people may be able to live in peace, as God intends.

*Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*

GRANDPARENTS' DAY POEM Grandparents' Day, September 8th, 2019

Grandparents

Few can bring the warmth
We can find in their embrace,
And little more is needed to
bring love.
Than the smile on their
face.

They've a supply of precious stories,
Yet they've time to wipe a
tear,
Or give us reasons to make
us laugh,
They grow more precious
through the years.

I believe that God sent us
Grandparents
As our legacy from above,
To share the moments of
our life,
As extra measures of His
love.

*Unknown Author
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"THAT DAY" POEM September 11th

It is a day in history
We'll never forget
And a day that we'll cry for
And that you can bet

And it is a day that we lost
Thousands of lives
Our family and friends
And husbands and wives

And it is a day we will honor
Those brave who had dared
To go into those Towers
Because they had cared

And it is a day we will fight
To the very end
To make sure that it never
Happens again

And it is a day we will pray
For the loved ones who perished
Who we so dearly loved
And always have cherished

And it is a day we'll request
If it's not too much
That, that spot at ground zero
"Never Be Touched"

*by Billy Nardozzi
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SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

September 15, Sunday	*Catechetical Sunday/Catechist Recognition & Sunday School Opening Day - 8:15 am, School, 10:00 am, Church
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

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 1st Attendance: 575**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL MOBILE DEVICES.

THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
SEPTEMBER 7TH & SEPTEMBER 8TH

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MASS

The Holy Name Society Mass will be held on **Sunday** at 12 Noon in the Church.

FRENCH/CREOLE MASS

The French/Creole Mass will be held on **Sunday** at 2:00 pm in the Church.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: 8:00 pm, Parish Center

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

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.

MQH SENIORS

You are invited to join the fun with the MQH Seniors beginning **Wednesday, September 11th** from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Play cards, Pokeno and participate in 50/50 raffles. Light refreshments provided.



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.

TACHS EXAM

The Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools (TACHS) will be administered to grade 8 students in the Diocese of Brooklyn on **Saturday, November 9th**. **The last day to register is October 21st**. Information about the exam and student handbooks are available. See Sr. Mary Jane or call 718-253-2590.

**FAITH FORMATION /
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



- 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.

**2019-2020 OPEN ENROLLMENT
GRADES 1-7**

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. 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, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Wis 9:13-18b, Phlm 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33

8:00 am **Suzelle Augustin**
10:00 am **Special Intentions**
12:00 pm **The Holy Name Society**
John Keyes
2:00 pm **Special Intentions**

Requested by:
Suzelle Augustin

The Holy Name Society

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

Feast of St. Peter Claver, Priest

Readings: Col 1:24-2:3, Lk 6:6-11

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Col 2:6-15, Lk 6:12-19

8:00 am **Sal & Rose Lamicella**

Requested by:
Carol Polanish

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2019

Weekday

Readings: Col 3:1-11, Lk 6:20-26

8:00 am **Theresa & Frank Spezio—**
Anniversary Remembrance

Requested by:
Jean Spezio

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

Weekday

Feast The Most Holy Name of Mary

Readings: Col 3:12-17, Lk 6:27-38

8:00 am **Hyacinth & Dudley Rose**

Requested by:
Hyacinth Rose

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019

Feast John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14, Lk 6:39-42

8:00 am **Anthony Spezio—Birthday**
Remembrance

Requested by:
Jean Spezio

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 2019

Feast of The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Readings: Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17

9:00 am **Ellen & Robert Dunlop**
5:00 pm **Helena O'Hara—Birthday**
Remembrance

Requested by:
Anne Dunlop
The O'Hara Family

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

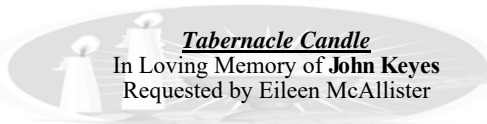
8:00 am **Adelio Abia—Birthday in**
Heaven
10:00 am **Richard Friedlander**
12:00 pm **Marie Alma Boursiquot**

Requested by:
Helen Abia
Myriam Limage
The Boursiquot Family



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.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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| Mama Adama | Connie Main |
| Regina Aguyi | Liz Mbamah |
| Dr. Emma Amobi | Betty Mitchel |
| Charles Amobi | Dominick Mottola |
| Grace Amobi | Beatrice's Mother |
| Charles Badami | Sr. Chienola Nwazuoby |
| Michael Badami | Lady Cecilia Okafor |
| Doug Bontempo | Mama James Okafor |
| Kay Brown | Mama Justin Okafor |
| Angela Calcaterra | Chioma Okoko |
| Sal Caruso | Jim & Pat O'Reilly |
| Ning Casatelli | Carol Polanish |
| Eileen Cook | Teresa Ponzio |
| Joseph Cooke | Monica Powell |
| David DeLuca | Helen Rodriguez |
| Josephine DeLuca | Irene Santise |
| Marybeth Dillon | Louise Schiavone |
| Thomas DiPietro | Margaret Staten |
| Charlene Dominique | Vincent Soriano |
| Mama Emma | Achalla State |
| Robert Erhard | Martha Torres |
| Josh Freeman | Oby Udorgi |
| Rosalie Galati | Theresa Rose Wunder |
| Rachael Giacobbe | All the sick in Africa without
health care |
| Richard Kompa | |
| Jerome Leonard | |

*****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 re-
moved. 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 ob-
tain Pre-Cana information.

VOCATIONS
Anyone seeking information regarding the Priesthood, Permanent
Deaconate, Religious Life or to serve in our Parish as a Lay Minis-
ter, 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 consecrat-
ed 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.