

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING OVER 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 26, 2020

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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 over 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,

People who encountered Jesus often found themselves amazed at the power he revealed in his words. He spoke and illnesses were cured, demons left the possessed, storms were stilled. He taught and they noticed he was not like other rabbis, because he spoke to them from his own authority. In this Sunday's gospel Jesus calls four fishermen and they leave everything, their family and their work and their possessions, in order to follow him who had left his family and trade, and carried nothing with him on his mission to save.

We see that there is great power in his words, the Word of God; it has the power to transform lives! The Word of God, Hebrews tells us, is alive and active; it retains its ability to reach the core of our being even now. Really listening to it when it is proclaimed, and reading and reflecting on it can change one's life.

Today, the "Sunday of the Word of God", the Holy Father urges us to show reverence for God's Word, which we will do by blessing our bibles at Mass. He also encourages us to read the scripture regularly, even daily. We have included with the brochure on enthronement a description of the process of "lectio divina" (reading, meditation, prayer, contemplation, and action), an ancient treasure of our Church.

Let us make some time every day to sit alone with the Word of God contained in our bibles and let God speak directly to our hearts.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*

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.



**NATIONAL CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS WEEK**
begins Sunday, January 26st.

MQH GIFT SHOP





Visit our MQH gift shop for your gift and personal needs. Our gift shop is open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.

***UPDATE TO DEVOTIONS AT A GLANCE –
EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION***

Beginning Friday, February 7th, Exposition and Benedic-
tion will be held from 9:00 am until 11:00 am in the
Church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
January 19th Attendance: 503

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

February 3, Monday	*Blessing of Throats – During the 8:00 am Mass, Church	
February 17, Monday	*Rector's Office Closed In Honor of President's Day	
February 26, Wednesday	*Ash Wednesday – Ashes will be distributed at 8am Mass, 3:00 pm Service and 7:30 pm Mass	

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 Rector's 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

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

THIS WEEKEND—Saturday & Sunday
JANUARY 25TH & JANUARY 26TH

GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts will be meeting on **Sunday** at 11:30 am in the Parish Center Teen Room.



CUB SCOUTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

See you at the Cub Scouts Pancake Breakfast to be held on **Sunday**, starting at 9:00 am in the Parish Hall.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31ST

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 "*Half of a Yellow Sun*" by C. N. Adichie for discussion on February 19th, 2020.

The book for March 18th, 2020 is "*Brideshead Revisited*" by Evelyn Waugh

MIDWOOD CATHOLIC ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

Midwood Catholic Academy, 1501 Hendrickson Street between Flatlands Avenue and Avenue P., will have an Open House on **January 28th, and 30th 2020** from 9:00 am-11:30 am. For more information, call 718-377-1800.

SPRING FLING CARD PARTY

Friday, April 3rd, 7:00 pm (Door opens at 6:30 pm), Tickets \$25 (\$30 at the door). 100s of Raffles. Please call 718-377-1800 for more information.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE—2/3/2020

Blessing of Throats will be done during the 8:00 am Mass.

CENSUS 2020

#GetCountedNYC #NewYorkCityCounts

Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens is partnering with NYC Census to make sure everyone is represented so that Brooklyn and Queens can receive the political and financial benefits that we truly deserve. Correct census results allow our communities to receive funds that shape our local healthcare, housing, education, transportation, employment and public policy. Every ten years, the U.S. Government works to count **every person** living in the United States regardless of their immigration status. The U.S. Constitution **requires** that everyone living in the United States is counted every 10 years.

What questions will be asked?

• Household size on Census Day (April 1, 2020). • Familial relationship of household members. • Whether you rent or own your home. • Demographic information (such as sex, age, race, and ethnicity). *The Census will NOT ask about social security numbers, politics, bank/credit card information, or for money.* • Available in multiple languages.

What we send in the mail?

On or between March 12 - 20 • An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.) March 16 - 24 • A reminder letter. March 26 - April 3 • A reminder postcard, if you haven't responded yet. April 8 - 16 • A reminder letter and paper questionnaire. April 20 - 27 • A final reminder postcard before we follow up in person.

For more information on all of our Census related activities, please contact: QUEENS: Josefa Castro, 718.726.9720, josefa.castro@ccbq.org, BROOKLYN: John Gonzalez, 718.722.6121, john.gonzalez@ccbq.org, 191 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 718.722.6000, www.ccbq.org

"We urge for all people to be counted in the Census, regardless of their citizenship... Our society, rooted in the strength of the family, cannot risk missing this opportunity to give children and parents the tools they need to succeed." – USCCB

FAMILY BIBLE CHALLENGE

Encounter Scripture, Encounter Christ. Engage your family with Sacred Scripture. Fall in love with Jesus through the power of the Good News found in the bible. Sign up at familybiblechallenge.org for your weekly reflections and quizzes! Receive an email each Sunday identifying a new passage to read as a family, reflect upon and discuss. Receive trivia questions each Wednesday that can be answered online.

FAITH FORMATION



•First Penance/First Holy Communion Meeting

A meeting for parents whose children are preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Penance in March and First Holy Communion in May of this year will be held on **Sunday, February 9th** from 8:30 am until 9:30 am in the Parish Hall. As this preparation is very important, attendance will be taken.

•Special Needs Religious Education Program???

Is there a need for special needs classes in our Parish Religious Education program? To help assess and develop a special needs program, we are asking for feedback from you. We ask only the parent/guardian that is interested to contact Sr. Mary Jane at 718-763-2590 and to provide the following information:

1. Name, school and grade level of the child/ren,
2. Name, address and phone number of Parent/Guardian
3. Preferred day and time for classes (i.e. during the week at 3:30 pm or on Sundays at 8:00 am)

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program allows you to focus on the teachings of the Church and prepare you 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 at 718-763-2590.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

National Catholic Schools Week Begins

Readings: *Is 8:23-9:3, Mt 4:12-23*

8:00 am	Marietta Oriental	Requested by:
10:00 am	Rev. Emanuel Franklyn	Elouse Choisy
		Brian Franklyn
12:00 pm	Nessa Finlay Mulligan	Pat Branley

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

Weekday

Feast of St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder

Readings: *2 Sm 5:1-7, 10, Mk 3:22-30*

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Readings: *2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19, Mk 3:31-35*

8:00 am	The Odenat Family	Requested by:
		Mary-Cassandra Odenat

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2020

Weekday

Readings: *2 Sm 7:4:17, Mk 4:1-20*

8:00 am	Sr. Regina Corde	Requested by:

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020

Weekday

Readings: *2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29, Mk 14:21-25*

8:00 am	Msgr. John Burns	Requested by:
		Mary-Cassandra Odenat

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

Feast of St. John Bosco, Priest

Readings: *2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17, Mk 4:26-34*

8:00 am **Special Intention**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020

Weekday

Readings: *2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17, Mk 4:35-41*

9:00 am		Requested by:
5:00 pm	Special Intention Carmine Opramolla	Mary & Michael Whalen

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Readings: *Mal 3:1-4, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32*

World Day of Consecrated Life

8:00 am	Nadia Vincent	Requested by:
10:00 am	Concetta D'Amore	Evelyn D'Meza
		Eleanor Saturno
12:00 pm	Nessa Finlay Mulligan	Pat Branley
	The Rosary Society	The Rosary Society



Rest in Peace

to all of the deceased members of the parish and our deceased relatives and friends including:
Walter J. Mapes

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.



Special Intentions

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Abby	Connie Main
Mama Adama	Kalina Malina
Frank & Teresa Arcuri	Helen Matthew
Mario & Linda Avvenire	Kenny Mintze & Family
Charles Badami	Sister Danny's Mother
Michael Badami	Dominick Mottola
Desmond Benimoff	Connie & Luke Napadano
Doug Bontempo	James O'Reilly
Teresa & Joe Burns	Carol Polanish
Baby Christ Carter	Teresa Poncio
Terrence Carter	Vincent Poncio
Ed Connaughton	Helen Rodriguez
Eileen Cook	Ron Russo
Josephine DeLuca	Irene Santise
Grace Devlin	Louise Schiavone
Thomas DiPietro	Vincent Soriano
Charlene Dominique	Patricia Thomas
Mama Emma	Martha Torres
Robert Erhard	Valerie Venezia
Francine G.	Wilbert Watts
The Greco Twins	
Joanne Kearney	
Gloria Landorno	
Baby Adonise Mark Thomas	
Louis	

*****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."**

"Reform your lives! The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? 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.

