

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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CELEBRATING OVER 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 16, 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

RECTORY

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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,


On Tuesday evening Paul Curiale and the board of the Mill Basin Civic Association recognized the skills and the faithfulness of the many volunteers, of all ages, who staff our food pantry. Each one of them was cited by the State Senate and Assembly, City Council and Millennium Development.

I too want to commend them for this wonderful work of charity, and I also want to thank the many parishioners, neighbors, and groups who stock the shelves of the pantry or donate to assist their work. This is a true community effort, "something beautiful for God" and neighbor.

At that meeting we were reminded how important it is that everyone be counted in the 2020 Census; the numbers effect our representation and funding. Ten years ago New York City suffered because so many people ignored the process. You can respond from March 12 to April 1 by answering 10 questions on-line, or by mail after that date. You need not have anyone visit your home.

Help yourself and help all of us by registering everyone in your household in the 2020 census.

*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.

- Please register at the Rectory Office during office hours or via our website www.mqhchurch.net.
- You are encouraged to use your tithing envelopes.
- If you move or change your phone number, please contact the Rectory Office to update your information.

MSGR. JAMIE J. GIGANTIELLO
25th Jubilee



Join Msgr. Jamie as he celebrates a Mass of Thanksgiving for the 25th Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination. **Sunday, May 17th** at 10:00 am at the Annunciation of the B.V.M. Church, 259 North 5th Street Brooklyn, NY 11211. A reception and light refreshments will follow Mass. All are welcome!!!

If you would like to attend a reception later in the afternoon at Russo's on the Bay, 1:00 pm until 6:00 pm, \$100 per person, please contact one of the individuals listed below for more details and to make arrangements:

Mary Casatelli at mimishoush@aol.com,
Edwin Delaney at edwindelaney6@aol.com
Jean Spezio at 718-253-6014 or at the Mary Queen of Heaven Gift Shop

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
February 9th Attendance: 698

SPECIAL EVENTS AT A GLANCE

February 17, Monday	* Rectory Office Closed In Honor of Presidents' Day	
February 24 thru. 29, Monday-Saturday	* Start of the Spring Faith Formation Group Sharing for Lent	
February 26, Wednesday	* Ash Wednesday – Ashes will be distributed at 8:00 am 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 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	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, 9:00 am to 11:00 am in the Church
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
 FEBRUARY 15TH & FEBRUARY 16TH

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our parish this weekend. Many of you know the Little Sisters of the Poor in their ministry with the elderly poor. The sisters depend on your generosity to help them provide a safe and comfortable home for the elderly men and women in the Queen of Peace Residence in Queens Village. The residents are surrounded with love, respect, peace and security until their death.

The sisters will receive your donations at the doors of the church. Please be as generous as you can.

LA LEGION DE MARIE

La Legion de Marie will meet on **Sunday** at 1:15 pm in the Parish Center.

MEETINGS—REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

YOUTH GROUP: 7:00 pm, Parish Hall

PRAYER GROUP CENACLE: 7:30 pm, Parish Center

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21TH

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.

MQH GIFT SHOP

Our gift shop is open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.



MIDWOOD CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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.



FAITH FORMATION
Mini-Retreat Attention Parents/Guardians whose children are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist for the first time this May 2020. There will be a "mini-retreat" **Saturday, February 29th** from 10:00 am until 11:30 am, 1st floor, Parish Center in preparation for these celebrations.

Parents/guardians are invited and welcome to attend, if possible. Please mark your calendars and plan ahead. Attendance will be taken.



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.

SPRING FAITH SHARING

Enhance your spiritual experiences during this Lenten season. **Sign up for our faith sharing groups February 15th and 16th, after each Mass, in the church vestibule.** Groups will begin to meet during the week of February 23rd in the Parish Center to explore the Gospel of St. Matthew over the next six weeks.

DAY	DATE	TIME	FACILATOR
Monday	Feb. 24	7:30 pm	Marybeth & Terrence Dillon
Wednesday	Feb. 26	7:30 pm	Exzera Gaskin
Thursday	Feb. 27	9:15 am	Sr. Mary Jane Rolston
Friday	Feb. 28	9:30 am	William Glenn
Saturday	Feb. 29	11:00 am	Gloria Fields

MQH ST. PATRICK / ST. JOSEPH DANCE



Saturday, March 14th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Donation: \$30.00 per person.

Includes: Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Irish Soda Bread, Pastries, Snacks, Beer, Soda, Coffee, Tea and PLENTY OF FUN!

Irish Dancers.

Tickets available for purchase in the Rectory Office during office hours.

AROUND TOWN

SENIOR MEDICARE TALK

Senator Roxanne Persaud Senate District 19 and the AARP present Senior Medicare Talk **Thursday, February 20th**, 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm, Brooklyn Sports Club, 1540 Van Siclen Avenue Brooklyn. For more information and to reserve a seat, call the district office at 718-649-7653.

RADIO BINGO

at St. Brendan Parish, 1202 Avenue O Brooklyn, on **Sunday, February 23rd**. Adults Only. Doors open at 12:30 pm. Admission fee is \$40 per person or \$350 for a table of 10. For tickets please contact the Rectory Office at 718-339-2828.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOMEBASE

1900A Ralph Avenue, 718-514-8034. Services are now available in the community.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Sir 15:15-20, 1 Cor 2:6-10, Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

8:00 am **Rose Giannettino** Requested by:
Ida & Barbara
Giannettino
10:00 am **Special Intentions**
12:00 pm **Elisha Ruth George** Melissa Bourne

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2020

Weekday

Feast of the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

President's Day

Readings: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Weekday

Readings: Jas 1:12-18, Mk 8:14-21

8:00 am **Agatha & Hilton and
all deceased members
of the Noel Family** Requested by:
Pearl Noel

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020

Weekday

Readings: Jas 1:19-27, Mk 8:22-26

8:00 am **Charles P. Saturno, Jr.** Requested by:
Eleanor Saturno

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020

Weekday

Readings: Jas 2:1-9, Mk 8:27-33

8:00 am **Alande Gabriel Louis—
29th Birthday in
Thanksgiving (Living)** Requested by:
The Louis Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2020

Weekday

Feast of St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Readings: Jas 2:14-24, 26, Mk 8:34—9:1

8:00 am **In Thanksgiving to
God** Requested by:
Sandra Jeune

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2020

Feast of the Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

Readings: 1 Pt 5:1-4, Mt 16:13-19

9:00 am **Helen Marie Sentome** Requested by:
Susan Kompa
5:00 pm **Robert Anderson** Anita Anderson &
Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18, 1 Cor 3:16-23, Mt 5:38-48

8:00 am **Jean Bataille (Living) -
Birthday Blessing** Requested by:
Marthe Charlestin
10:00 am **Josette Trouillot Jean** Patrick Trouillot
12:00 pm **Nicolina Savona—
Happy Birthay in
Heaven** The Salamone Family



Special Intentions

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Abbey
Charles Achab
Mama Adama
Regina Aguyi
Charles Amobi
Dr. Emma Amobi
Grace Amobi
Vero Amobi
Mrs. Anitol
Beatrice's mother
Desmond Benimoff
Doug Bontempo
Ed Connaughton
Eileen Cook
Gabrielle Arthurton Crumb
Sister Danny's mother
Josephine DeLuca
Grace Devlin
Thomas DiPietro
Charlene Dominique
Mama Emma
Benedict Ezissi
Arne Fridstrom
Marlene Gifford
Marlyn Gifford
Jerome Leonard
Louis
Connie Main
Helen Matthew
Liz Mbamah
Sister Danny's Mother
Dominick Mottola
Sister Chienola Nwazoby
Ethel Nwoke
Lady Cecilia Okafor
Mama James Okafor
Mama Justin Okafor
Chioma Okoko
Carol Polanish
Helen Rodriguez
Ron Russo
Irene Santise
Vincent Soriano
Achalla State
Patricia Thomas
Martha Torres
Oby Udorgi
Valerie Venezia
Maria Vento
Baby Sophia Rose Vento
Wilbert Watts
Kosy Zeab

*****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."**

"It is loyalty to do His will." Are you considering following the will of God in the consecrated life or priesthood? 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.



Rest in Peace to all of the deceased members of the parish and our deceased relatives and friends.

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.