

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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A TOUCH OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN
CELEBRATING OVER 90 YEARS OF HEAVEN IN BROOKLYN

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • JANUARY 24, 2021

Jesus came to Galilee
proclaiming the gospel of God:
"This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and

believe
in the
gospel."

MARK 1:14-15



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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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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

All are welcomed at Mary Queen of Heaven. During this difficult time, and with a required reduction in church attendance, we are able to have 100 people at Mass, socially distanced and wearing face coverings. Meet us in church or watch us live-streamed on our website (maryqueenofheaven-brooklyn.org) or on Facebook (search for Mary Queen of Heaven Church).



HELP SUSTAIN OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

As resilient as we are, COVID-19 has exposed some underlying financial vulnerabilities, especially considering that our parish relies heavily on cash and envelope tithing. Please help us sustain our spiritual home by enrolling in electronic giving.

Please scan the code to get started!

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,

Right at the beginning of his gospel St. Mark gives us a summary of Jesus' teaching. It comes as a surprise, because at first hearing you would imagine John the Baptist was speaking: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Jesus begins by sharing "good news": God has heard the cries of his people, and he is intervening to save them. This is the **fullness** of time, a time like none other in history. It will be a new creation, a new deliverance, a new exodus.

The very **kingdom of God** is at hand, is here, in his person. Jesus will instruct us and model for us the way of life God has marked out for us. God will then assume his rightful place in the center of the lives of his people; he will be their King, their Lord.

This, of course, will demand a commitment from us. To "**repent**" is to turn the direction of one's whole life around. We will have to sacrifice some good things that previously were very important to us, and we will have to remove obstacles that have been blocking our way to God in order for us to "follow him."

The sacrifice, however, is more than worth it. Whether we leave everything immediately, like Simon and Andrew, and James and John, or detach ourselves gradually, the usual manner of growth in discipleship, the prize we will gain is priceless; it is God, Life itself.

Are you ready to go with this Master and make him your Lord?

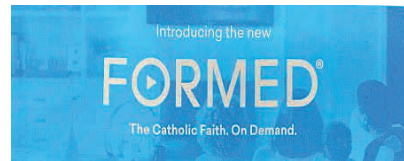
*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*



All new and returning families are welcomed to
Mary Queen of Heaven Parish.

Please register at the Rectory Office during office hours or via our website www.mqhchurch.net. You may also submit any updates to your address and contact information to the Rectory Office. You are encouraged to use your tithing envelopes.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.
January 17, 2021 - Attendance in Church: 284



**Catholic Content.
All in One Place.**

Mary Queen of Heaven Parish is now utilizing FORMED. One site with access to entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks, and ebooks. Through your internet browser enter FORMED.org or access "Formed" via the app store on your mobile phone.

It is easy to get started:

- Go to FORMED.org/signup
- Enter our parish zip code (11234) or name to select our parish
- Enter your name and email

FORMED offers us a series called "Lectio", which includes 14 talks on the Gospel of St. Mark, the gospel we will be hearing on the Sundays of this year. These can be listened to slowly and prayerfully.

Lesson 3 is entitled "Come follow after me," and discipleship is the underlying theme of these early weeks.



to those who supported our
Virtual Card Party this weekend.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY STOCK THE SHELVES

Please help stock the shelves of the Food Pantry by bringing in "non-expired" canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, rice, cereals, dry and wet beans to Mass. Monetary donations are gladly accepted as well. Make checks payable to the "MQH St. Vincent de Paul Society".



LOOKING AHEAD

Ash Wednesday — February 17, 2021

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 28, 2021

Holy Thursday — April 1, 2021

Good Friday — April 2, 2021

Holy Saturday — April 3, 2021

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 4, 2021

FAITH FORMATION



First Sacraments of
Penance and Holy
Communion/Eucharist

Parents/Guardians, please plan to attend **Session 2, Wednesday, February 10, 2021 from 7:00 pm until 8:00 pm** in Mary Queen of Heaven Church with your children. Kindly wear your face covering. We will sit 6 ft. apart. The main topic is: Jesus calls us to be His followers. This is part of the proximate preparation for both Sacraments. We will have a Prayer Service and discussion. Attendance will be taken as this is very important for you, your family and parish. If you have any questions, please call Sr. Mary Jane.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Come and see. Are you searching for a Church to call your own? Do you struggle with questions about life death, suffering, hope, forgiveness, love God? Sessions exploring these and other issues in relation to our Catholic Faith are being held. Ask about inquiry meetings by contacting the Parish Priests, Deacon or Sr. Mary Jane.



SICK LIST—

You must call into the Rectory Office **on Mondays only, 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 the names will be removed.

Linda A.	Faith Matthew
Frank & Teresa Arcuri	Helen Matthew
Michael Atulu	Barbara Maynor
Mario Avvenire	Kenny Mintzes & Family
Teresa & Joe Burns	Connie & Luke Napodano
Rose Caruana	Cecilia Okafor
Charlie	Mama James Okafor
Grace Devlin	Mama Justina Okafor
Thomas DiPietro	Tamare Orilus
Joanne Kearney	Carol Polanish
Bill Kulbit	Jane Quinn
Jerome Leonard	Ron Roaldsen
Cody Leung	Virginia Stank
William Main	
Kalina Malina	

REST IN PEACE



To all of the deceased members of the parish and our relatives and friends including **Martha Torres**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ecumenical Sunday

Readings: *Jon 3:1-5, 10, 1 Cor 7:29-31, Mk 1:14-20*

8:00 am	Roseland Louis-27th Birthday	The Louis Family
	Rick Lewallen	Elizabeth Fields
	Sr. Margaret Schmit & Sr. Regina Corde	Dianne
10:00 am	Rose Gianturco	Jean & Margaret
12:00 pm	Dianne Scott (Living)	Helen James & Pamela Perkins

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021

Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

Readings: *Acts 22:3-16, Mk 16:15-18*

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021

Feast of Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

Readings: *2 Tim 1:1-8, Mk 3:31-35*

8:00 am **Pazendeno Barrameda** Luz Barrameda

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021

Weekday

Feast of St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder

Readings: *Heb 10:11-18, Mk 4:1-20*

8:00 am **Mary Anne Izzo Germino** Sr. Bernadette Izzo

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021

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

Readings: *Heb 10:19-25, Mk 4:21-25*

8:00 am **In Thanksgiving to Our Lord Jesus Christ** Marie Noel

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021

Weekday

Readings: *Heb 10:32-39, Mk 4:26-34*

8:00 am **Sister Regina— Birthday Blessings** Lydia Smartt

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021

Weekday,

Readings: *Heb 11:1-2, 8-19, Mk 4:35-41*

9:00 am	John Russo	Sr. Bernadette & Sr. Ann Martha
5:00 pm	Jeff D'Meza	Evelyne D'Meza

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

National Catholic Schools Week Begins

Readings: *Dt 18:15-20, 1 Cor 7:32-35, Mk 1:21-28*

8:00 am	Leclerc Vertus	Martine Joseph
10:00 am	Eugene Kennish	Maria Rosa
	Martha Torres	Anthony Patrizio
12:00 pm	Claire Jeudy	Joseph Jeudy

Memorial Masses: Special Intention

MQH GIFT SHOP

We encourage you to purchase goods from our gift shop which is open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.

