

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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



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EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

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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).

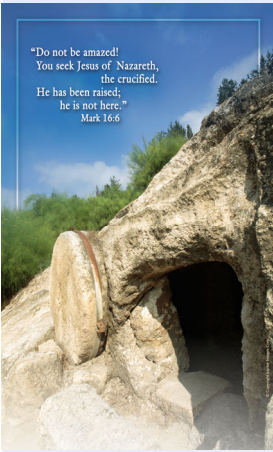


HELP SUSTAIN OUR SPIRITUAL HOME

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.



"Do not be amazed!
You seek Jesus of Nazareth,
the crucified.
He has been raised;
he is not here."
Mark 16:6

THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

Dear Parishioners,

As St. John best models for us the behavior one would expect from a beloved disciple during the time of his Master's suffering, resting his head on the Lord's breast during the Last Supper and standing with Mary at the foot of the

cross, so too does he lead the way for us on Easter morning. Of all those who peered into the empty tomb and saw just Jesus' burial cloths left behind, John alone understood its significance, for he tells us "he saw and believed."

While thousands today will see our churches decorated with bright banners and spring flowers, will hear joyful songs, and will profess their belief, how many will grasp the meaning of the earth-shaking event that we commemorate? Every Sunday we profess to believe that "on the third day" Jesus, crucified, dead, and buried, "rose again from the dead" and that we will experience "the resurrection of the body and life everlasting."

This is the most significant news in all of history! By rising Jesus defeated our ancient enemies, sin, suffering, and death. By reconciling his apostles and commissioning them to forgive sins in his name on that first Easter night, he extended the fruit of that victory to us. He changed the world; he gave us hope.

Christ is risen! Happy Easter! Peace and joy to all!

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*



HAPPY EASTER!

Easter is the greatest feast in the Christian calendar. On this Sunday, Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

For Catholics, Easter Sunday comes at the end of 40 day(s) of **prayer, fasting,** and almsgiving known as **Lent.** Through spiritual struggle and self-denial, we have prepared ourselves to die spiritually with Christ on **Good Friday,** the day of His Crucifixion, so that we can rise again with Him in new life on Easter....

The Fulfillment of Our Faith

Easter is a day of celebration because it represents the fulfillment of our faith as Christians. St. Paul wrote that, unless Christ rose from the dead, our faith is in vain (1 Corinthians 15:17). Through his death, Christ saved mankind from bondage to sin, and He destroyed the hold that death has on all of us; but it is His Resurrection that gives us the promise of new life, both in this world and the next.

The Coming of the Kingdom

That new life began on Easter Sunday. In the **Our Father,** we pray that "Thy Kingdom come, on earth as it is in Heaven." And Christ told His disciples that some of them would not die until they saw the Kingdom of God "coming in power" (Mark 9:1). The early Christian Fathers saw Easter as the fulfillment of that promise. With the resurrection of Christ, God's Kingdom is established on earth, in the form of the Church.

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SVDP CLOTHING DRIVE



The St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive Truck will be in front of Mary Queen of Heaven church to collect donated clothing on **Sunday, April 25** from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm.

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



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA) 2021
As of 3/22/2021

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,690.00, 55 pledged \$29,285.00
The Diocese received \$13,815.36

FAITH FORMATION



UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 4/21/21, 7:00-8:00 pm

First Penance/Holy Communion Meeting— Church. Parent/Guardian and student must attend

Saturday, 4/24/21, 10-11:30 am

Confirmation “mini” retreat— in Msgr. Burns Parish Center. Please bring a canned food item for the Parish Food Pantry as the donation part of Confirmation Community Service.

Saturday, 5/1/21, 1:00 pm

First Communion Practice in the Church. *One parent must attend.

Saturday, 5/8/21, 11:00 am

First Communion Ceremony in the Church

Saturday, 5/19/21, 7:00-8:00 pm

Confirmation Meeting Parents/Guardians with Students & Sponsors, if possible. Sponsors will be affirmed.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Many people have said that what drew them to the Catholic Church was the Eucharist. As we reflect on recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread, think for a moment whether there is someone you could invite to Mass and to explore what else the Catholic Faith might hold for them. For information, please contact the Priests of the Parish and/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.

Charlie Battaglia	Melvin
Yolanda Camacho	Ron Roaldsen
Helen Matthew	



REST IN PEACE

To all of the deceased members of the parish and our relatives and friends.

CRS RICE BOWL - HAPPY EASTER!

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we rejoice because Christ is risen! Our Lenten journey with **CRS Rice Bowl** challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs. **Please bring in your CRS Rice Bowl donations by Next Sunday, April 11, 2021 or donate online at crsricebowl.org/give.**



SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43, Col 3:1-4, Jn 20:1-9

8:00 am	Christopher Bristol & Nicole Fenelon,	Huguette Fenelon
10:00 am	Frank Lamicella Dexter Joseph-1st Anniversary in Heaven The Louis Family-In Thanksgiving	Carol Polish Alicia Marino & the Joseph Family Marie Louis
12:00 pm	The Rosary Society, Carol Polish	The Rosary Society

MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021

Monday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:14,22-33, Mt 28:8-15

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 2:36-41, Jn 20:11-18

8:00 am **Suzelle Augustin (Living)** Suzelle Augustin

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 3:1-10, Lk 24:13-35

8:00 am **Marie Charles (Living) - In Thanksgiving** Marie Charles

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 3:11-26, Lk 24:35-48

8:00 am **Gertrude Hand— Anniversary** Loretta Risley

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021

Friday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 4:1-12, Jn 21:1-14

8:00 am **Dianne (Living) - Birthday Blessing** Her children

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Readings: Acts 4:13-21, Mk 16:9-15

9:00 am	In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother	Geri Baez
5:00 pm	Ricardo Bolido	Mr. & Mrs. Roberto Furatero & Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

Readings: Acts 4:32-35, 1 Jn 5:1-6, Jn 20:19-31

8:00 am	Carol Polish	Members of the MQH Food Pantry
10:00 am	Patsy Franklyn	The Franklyn Family
12:00 pm	The Holy Name Society	The Holy Name Society
2:00 PM	In Honor of the Divine Mercy	Evelyn

Bread and Wine

In Memory of **Marie Cham**
Requested by: Huguette Fenelon

Tabernacle Candles

In Memory of the **Deceased Members of the Louis Family**
Requested by: The Louis Family



MQH GIFT SHOP Visit our gift shop open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.