

Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF

Lent



FEBRUARY
28
2021

From the cloud came a voice:
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Mark 9:7

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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,

These are difficult readings this Sunday. Who can listen to the story of “the binding of Isaac” and not be disturbed by it? How are we to understand what seems to be such a cruel test of loyalty, such a dilemma imposed on Abraham?

Biblical scholars have debated this issue for centuries, and still we are not satisfied by their solutions. The key for us on this Lenten Sunday is to recognize the connections provided by all three of the readings. The words heard by the three apostles on the mount of Transfiguration, “This is my beloved Son”, remind us that the similarity here is between Abraham and God. Like Abraham, who was willing to sacrifice his only son, whom he loved, on Mount Moriah, God offered his beloved Son on Calvary.

So we are not meant to see God as demanding human sacrifice -- in fact, the story is our indication that he forbids it -- but as the one who makes the sacrifice of the one who is most precious to him. Thus St. Paul’s question to the Romans (and, of course, to us): if God the Father did not withhold his only Son, would he withhold anything from us?

The mysteries we contemplate every Lent, suffering and redemption, are deep and of utmost importance. At the end of their “mountain top” experience the apostles found themselves alone with Jesus. Let us make time in these sacred days to go off and be alone with the Lord in prayer, so that we can “listen to him” and observe him. Perhaps we will be given the grace to understand the depth of God’s love for us and his mysterious ways of leading us through the sufferings and trials that we all endure in this life to the joy of the resurrection.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*



**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
- * If you already Signed Up, next time simply Sign In.

The FORMED site offers a brief (4 minutes) reflection on the scripture readings for each Mass of the Lenten season. You might find that watching each morning focuses and enriches our experience of Lent.

MOH LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE 2021

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS IN THE CHURCH

- After the 8:00 am Mass—English
- 7:00 pm—French/Creole

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:

March 27th Mass: 5:00 pm

March 28th Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon

Holy Thursday: April 1st

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Mass of the Last Supper: 7:30 pm, Solemn Adoration: 9:00 pm

Good Friday: April 2nd

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am,
Stations of the Cross: 10:00 am—French/Creole,
12:00 pm—English, Solemn Liturgy at 3:00 pm,
4:00 pm Stations of the Cross—English

Holy Saturday: April 3rd

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am, Easter Vigil: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord: April 4th

Masses 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm
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Lenten Regulations

Abstinence: All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting: All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive, are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

Easter Duty: After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year.



This week begins the 2021 *Annual Catholic Appeal*.

We encourage all to watch the brief 2021 ACA Video online at:
CFBQ.org/ACAVideo

The work and services made possible through your donation to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* help people in Brooklyn and Queens in ways that no one parish can alone.

Let us pray that the 2021 *Annual Catholic Appeal* will be successful in both allowing us to reach out in love to those in need, as well as uniting us together in Christ as one Church. I hope you will join me and St. Raphael in “proclaiming the gospel of God” by participating in the 2021 *Annual Catholic Appeal*.

**MASS ATTENDANCE for February 21st, 2021: 398
Church= 289 Website=18 Facebook=91**

FAITH FORMATION



UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday, 2/27/21, 10:00 am-11:30 am

First Communion Mini Retreat in the Parish Center

Sunday, 3/7/21, during class time

First Penance Practice Remote

Wednesday, 3/10/21, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm

Confirmation Commitment Ceremony in the Church. *Parent must attend, Sponsor should attend, if possible

Saturday, 3/13/21, 1:00 pm

First Penance Ceremony in the Church

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



Help bring to the Light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those you know, who have never been Baptized or who have been Baptized in a non-Catholic Church Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been Confirmed, to inquiry sessions. We can arrange to meet in the Msgr. Burns Center at a convenient time. For more information, please contact 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.

Thomas DiPietro	Helen Matthew
Faith Matthew	Ron Roaldsen

REST IN PEACE



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

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY
Anwar Iqbal, Bill & Connie Main,
Carol Polish, Noreen Thompson,
August Vitiello

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom 8:31b-34, Mk 9:2-10

8:00 am	Cleante Jean— Birthday Blessing	Cleante Jean
10:00 am	Marie Louise St. Fleur	Dcn. Jean Baptiste Boursiquot
12:00 pm	Connie & Bill Main	Members of the MQH Food Pantry

MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Dn 9:4b-10, Lk 6:36-38

8:00 am	People of the Parish
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TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Is 1:10, 16-20, Mt 23:1-12

8:00 am	Christopher Wint	Vaughn Wint
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

Lenten Weekday

Feast of St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Readings: Jer 18:18-20, Mt 20:17-28

8:00 am	Louise Santostefano	Ida & Barbara Giannettino
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THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021

Lenten Weekday

Feast of St. Casimir

Readings: Jer 17:5-10, Lk 16:19-31

8:00 am	Marie Charles (Living) - In Thanksgiving	Marie Charles
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FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021

Lenten Weekday

World Day of Prayer

Readings: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

8:00 am	The Purgatorial Society	The Purgatorial Society
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SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021

Lenten Weekday

Readings: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

9:00 am	Suzelle Augustin (Living) - Birthday Blessing	Suzelle Augustin
5:00 pm	Concetta D'Amore	Eleanor Saturno

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: Ex 20:1-17, 1 Cor 1:22-25, Jn 2:13-25

8:00 am	Gabrielle Arthurton Crumb Hector Hodge Mur Dioquino	MQH Choir MQH Choir Helen Socrates Abia
10:00 am	Marie St. Fleur	Members of the MQH Food Pantry
12:00 pm	The Rosary Society	The Rosary Society

Bread and Wine

In Memory of *Anwar Iqbal*
Requested by: The Odenat Family

MQH GIFT SHOP

Visit our gift shop which is open after each Mass on Saturday evenings and Sundays.

