

# Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF

# Lent

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MARCH  
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2021

I will place my law within them  
and write it upon their hearts;  
I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 31:33

## PARISH STAFF

REV. THOMAS F. LEACH,  
*Pastor*

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## LAY MINISTRY LEADERS

MS. KATHLEEN LAURIA  
*Ministry of Consolation*

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*Ministry to the Homebound*

MS. HELEN JAMES  
*Parish Social Ministry*

## 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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@MQHRCCHURCH)

## 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](http://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,

Today we hear St. John's version of Jesus' "Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane". When Philip and Andrew present Jesus with some Greeks who have asked to see him, the Lord's response seems odd, but he is preoccupied with the suffering he will endure in a few days. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name."

Who wouldn't be terrified of scourging and crucifixion? There was still time to slip away from Jerusalem and, perhaps, lead a quiet life in Galilee, out of the public eye. Even when he was on the cross, the onlookers tempted him to come down and save himself, and then they would believe. Jesus certainly had the power to leave the cross, but he did not. Why?

His God-given mission was to save the world, not himself. His desire, his concern, was always to please the Father, not himself. So even though his soul was "sorrowful even to death," he found the courage to let go and surrender himself in prayer to his Father, "Abba, Father, all things are possible to you. Take this cup away from me, but not what I will but you will."

This is why St. Paul sees Jesus' radical obedience as the cause of our redemption, and why he said in Hebrews 5, "he learned obedience because of what he suffered; and ... was made perfect" - perfect obedience, perfect trust, and perfect love for the Father and for each of us.

*In the Good Shepherd,  
Father Tom*



To help prepare for the experience of Holy Week 2021, which will be limited by COVID restrictions, Father Tom will offer a period of reflection on St. Mark's account of the Lord's passion (chapters 14 and 15).

Join us in church at 1:00pm on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> or on our parish website or Facebook at your own convenience.

Please bring a copy of St. Mark's Gospels. You may want to take notes to assist you in reflecting during the week.

### **MOH LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE 2021**

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS IN THE CHURCH DURING LENT**

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

#### **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:**

**March 27<sup>th</sup>** Mass: 5:00 pm

**March 28<sup>th</sup>** Masses: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon

#### **Reconciliation Monday**

will, as usual, be observed on the Monday of Holy Week (March 29<sup>th</sup>). The priests will be available for private confessions in the reconciliation room from 3:00 in the afternoon until 9:00 at night. Please take advantage of this opportunity, as there will be **no** confessions heard on Holy Saturday afternoon (April 3<sup>rd</sup>).

#### **Holy Thursday: April 1<sup>st</sup>**

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

#### **Good Friday: April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Morning Prayer: 9:00 am,  
Stations of the Cross: 10:00 am—French/  
Creole, 12:00 pm—English,  
Solemn Liturgy at 3:00 pm,  
4:30 pm Stations of the Cross—English

#### **Holy Saturday: April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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



#### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord: April 4<sup>th</sup>**

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



### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA) 2021**

**As of 3/15/2021**

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,690.00,  
40 pledged \$24,010.00,  
the Diocese received \$11,038.00

MASS ATTENDANCE for March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021: 346  
Church= 325, Website= 21

## FAITH FORMATION



### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

#### Wednesday, 4/21/21, 7-8 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.



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.

Mario & Linda A.	Teresa Hamalak
Charlie Battaglia	Joanne & Kathryn Kearney
Yolanda Camacho	Helen Matthew
Rose Caruana	Connie & Luke Napodano
Thomas DiPietro	Ron Roaldsen



#### REST IN PEACE

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

#### LENTEEN RICE BOWL CHALLENGE

**COMMUNITY IN MADAGASCAR** Poor nutrition can lead to devastating long term consequences for individuals, communities and entire countries. That’s why communities must work together to ensure that all children have access to better food and nutrition. New planting and cooking techniques are helping many communities in Madagascar improve the health and wellbeing of their children. How does your community work together for the good of others? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.



#### SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021

*FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

**Readings:** Jer 31:31-34, Heb 5:7-9, Jn 12:20-33

8:00 am	<b>Fredo Percy (Living) - Birthday</b>	Marie Percy
10:00 am	<b>Josefa Dolores Dominguez</b>	The Almodovar Family
12:00 pm	<b>Ensley Luke Pierre</b>	Dcn. Jean Baptiste Boursiquot

#### MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021

*Lenten Weekday*

**Readings:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62, Jn 8:1-11

8:00 am	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
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#### TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

*Lenten Weekday*

*Feast of St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop*

**Readings:** Nm 21:4-9, Jn 8:21-30

8:00 am	<b>Katherine &amp; Edward Bradley</b>	Gallagher & Logan Families
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#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021

*Lenten Weekday*

**Readings:**

*Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95, Jn 8:31-42*

8:00 am	<b>Vaughan Wint– In Thanksgiving</b>	Vaughan Wint
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#### THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021

*THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD*

**Readings:** Is 7:10-14, 8:10, Heb 10:4-10, Lk 1:26-38

8:00 am	<b>Thomas Muscianisi</b>	Joan Muscianisi
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#### FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021

*Lenten Weekday*

**Readings:** Jer 20:10-13, Jn 10:31-42

8:00 am	<b>Raymonde Charles (Living) - In Thanksgiving</b>	Raymonde Charles
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#### SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2021

*Lenten Weekday*

**Readings:** Ez 37:21-28, Jn 11:45-56

9:00 am	<b>James Schurr</b>	The Cirillo Family
5:00 pm	<b>Special Intention</b>	

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

*PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD*

**Readings:** Mk 11:1-10, Is 50:4-7, Phil 2:6-11, Mk 14:1—15:47

8:00 am	<b>Josephine Gregan Emerilo Collazo</b>	Eileen Gregan The Pagan Family
10:00 am	<b>Ileln Franklyn</b>	The Franklyn Family
12:00 pm	<b>Alma &amp; Jean-Baptiste Boursiquot—60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary</b>	The Boursiquot Family

#### Bread and Wine

In Honor of **Suzelle Augustin**  
Requested by: **Suzelle Augustin**

#### Altar Candles

In Memory of **Gloria B. Varban**  
Requested by: **Maria & Laura DePalma**

#### MOH GIFT SHOP



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