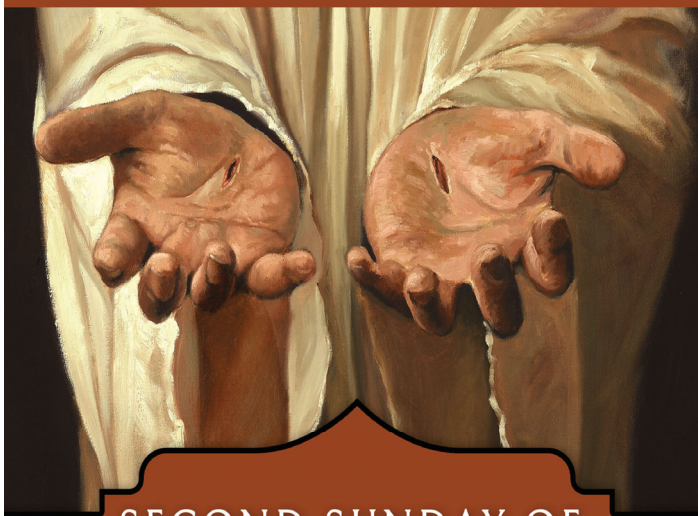


Mary Queen of Heaven Church

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



SECOND SUNDAY OF

Easter

(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)
APRIL 11, 2021

Jesus said to Thomas,
"Have you come to believe because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29

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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,

This is "Divine Mercy Sunday" and today's scripture readings are particularly beautiful as we see love and forgiveness streaming from our Lord on the night of his resurrection. Jesus ministers both to the community and to the individual, providing for each just what they need to move on in their faith journey.


Into a locked room the Master comes to his apostles, who are imprisoned by their fear and guilt. He breathes the Holy Spirit upon them and wishes them peace, "Shalom" (twice!), and they realize they have been forgiven for their cowardly behavior and reconciled once again with their Lord. And now forgiven, they are being sent to bring the mercy of God to others. They are restored and again trusted with an important mission.

Thomas was missing from the group that Sunday and he doubted the news the others shared with him, "We have seen the Lord", just as the disciples had disbelieved Mary Magdalen when she announced that she had beheld him earlier that Easter morning. Thomas wants proof, something that will convince his eyes and hands. And Jesus provides it: the wounds of his crucifixion. He gives Thomas individual attention and receives the greatest statement of faith in this gospel: "My Lord and my God."

It is important that each one of us disciples of Jesus Christ has a very strong faith life which we develop on our own. It is just as important that we are part of a community with whom we share our faith, finding support and encouragement from others, and contributing our gifts to the group. None of us is meant to struggle through this life alone, but to allow the graces that God lavishes on us to flow through us to the other members of the Body of Christ, his Church.

On this last day of the Octave of Easter: Happy Easter. May you enjoy God's precious Easter gift of peace.

*In the Good Shepherd,
Father Tom*

	I am You are We are the CHURCH together
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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA) 2021
As of 4/6/2021

Our Diocesan Goal: \$62,690.00, 71 pledged \$31,565.00
The Diocese received \$17,936.00



DIVINE MERCY

From the diary of a young Polish nun, a special devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving

and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone — especially the greatest sinners.

The message and devotion to Jesus as **The Divine Mercy** is based on the writings of **Saint Faustina Kowalska**, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message of mercy is that God loves us — all of us — no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. It is a message we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC.

A — Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B — Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C — Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

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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.

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.

Mario & Linda A.
Charlie Battaglia
Yolanda Camacho
Joanne & Kathryn Kearney
Ita & Bull Kulbit
Lorraine, Gregg & Laura

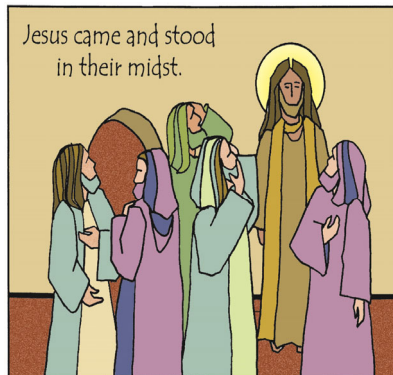
Barbara & Jake Maynor
Melvin
Joan & Bob Mutone
Mike Piccininni
Ron Roaldsen



REST IN PEACE

To all of the
deceased

members of the parish and our relatives and friends including
**Rose Cetoute,
Barbara Fisher**



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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 Polanish	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

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 4:23-31, Jn 3:1-8

8:00 am	People of the Parish	
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TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

Easter Weekday

St. Martin I, Pope & Martyr

Readings: Acts 4:32-37, Jn 3:7b-15

8:00 am	Michael Giannettino-Anniversary	Ida & Barbara Giannettino
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 5:17-26, Jn 3:16-21

8:00 am	Irene Santise—1st Anniversary	Sr. Ann Martha
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THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 5:27-33, Jn 3:31-36

8:00 am	Sabine Limage	Her Mom
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FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 5:34-42, Jn 6:1-15

8:00 am	Healing for John Paul & Andrew	Nana
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SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 2021

Easter Weekday

Readings: Acts 6:1-7, Jn 6:16-21

9:00 am	Grace & Carl Lipari	Anne Dunlop
5:00 pm	Andre Balbosa	Mitzi & Family
	Dcn. Anwar Iqbal	Mitzi & Family
	Annie Cummins	Marie Blake

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19, 1 Jn 2:1-5a, Lk 24:35-48

8:00 am	Ricardo Percy (Living) - Birthday Blessing	Marie Percy
	Dorothy & Joseph Barnes	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Barnes
10:00 am	Hector Hodge	Anna Hodge & Family
12:00 pm	Mary Gatto	Peter & Mary Casatelli

Memorials Special Intentions



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