

PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND, 2016

5:00 PM Repose of the soul of Francisco Gergeres -
by Dickens Saintus

SUNDAY, APRIL 3RD, 2016

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH ó MESSE CRÉOLE
Repos des âmes de Mr. et Mme. Jérôme
Gédeon - par leur fille, Marie B. Joseph

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH ó ENGLISH MASS
Birthday blessings for Norma Inglis - by
Suzanne Weinstein

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH ó MISA ESPANOL
For the Special Intentions of Brijida Pilgrim

11:00 AM UPPER CHURCH ó ENGLISH MASS
For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH ó MESSE CRÉOLE
Remerciement à Dieu-anniversaire de
naissance de Sonia Lochard - par Sonia
Lochard

MONDAY, APRIL 4TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

TUESDAY, APRIL 5TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH, 2016

7:30 AM Repose of the souls of the faithful departed
- by the Duverglas Family

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

Offering of Bread and Wine

The Eucharistic Bread and Wine for this week are being offered in thanksgiving to the Risen Lord by Anna-Rose Tanis and family.

Readings for the Week of April 4th, 2016

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7B-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21
Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Rev 5:11-14/
Jn 21:1-19

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, SPECIALLY:

Kathiana Bijou, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Joeneil Exantus, Sò ur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Jeanne Døarc Guirand, Cecil Gilbert, Michelle Jadotte, Germaine Jean-Baptiste, Luisa Jimenez, Ivianne Levine, Christopher Louis, Glen Millien, Miraclea Pierre, Sam Riera, Josette Roche, Iciline Smith, Bianca St. Vil, Robert T., Pierre Theodule, Rose Marie Vilsaint

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Jesus breathed on them and said, òReceive the Holy Spirit.ö Breathe gently through your mouth. Now raise a hand to your mouth until you feel that breath. This gives you an idea about how close Jesus had to be for the disciples to feel the breath of the Spirit. The Spirit empowers the Church to forgive and proclaim God's love. Do you believe that power is ours? It comes by facing the wounds of our sin, hurt, and doubt. Had Thomas not doubted, he might not have been invited to touch Jesus's wounds. Often woundedness invites healing, sin invites forgiveness, and doubt invites deeper faith. If you believe this, live in ways that help others see Jesus, hear his voice, and feel his breath so they can touch him and be healed.

The wounded disciples became powerful witnesses. The shadow of Peter the denier could heal others as Jesus did. The fearful disciples leave the safety of the upper room to walk among the people and proclaim the mighty deeds of the Christ. Jesus sent them into the world as the Father sent him. Hearing his tender words òPeace be with youö they were no longer afraid and went out to witness the power of Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

We received the Holy Spirit at baptism. We were sealed in the Spirit at confirmation. In the sacrament of reconciliation we are told that God sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. Feel Jesus breathe the Spirit anew in you. Name your own sin and hear his invitation to touch his healing wounds. Believe and live in ways that help others feel Christ's merciful, loving, life-giving breath written on the pages of your own lives.

Almighty God, your love is everlasting. It took flesh in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son Jesus to heal the wounds of our sin, doubt, and fear. Touch me in ways today so that like Thomas I can proclaim, òMy Lord and my God,ö and help others feel your life-giving breath.

YOUR WEEKLY GIFT TO GOD

Sunday, March 20th:

Offering Envelopes



Regular Contributions \$	10,731
Weekly budget	10,525
Difference	+206
Number of Registered Parishioners	2,000
Number of Envelopes Used	515

*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,485
Sixteen parishioners caught up with their donations.

Thursday, March 24th -Sunday, March 27th:

Tridium Collection	\$ 11,571
Easter Gift	2,369
Holy Places Collection	910
Retired Priests Collection	1,015
Annual Stewardship Appeal	1,025

Number of Registered Parishioners	2,000
Number of Envelopes Used	525

*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,475
Thirteen parishioners caught up with their donations.

FR. YVON'S NOTE OF THANKS

CHRIST IS RISEN ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! On this 2nd week of Easter, I thank God for his blessings upon all of us during the Lenten Season, Holy Week, Tenebrae, Tridium and Easter Sunday. My heart was filled with joy to see many of you attending the Lenten retreat, receiving the sacraments and participating in the various liturgies and communion services during the past two weeks.

The Eucharistic celebrations went very well and this would not have been possible if it were not for the participation and contribution of many of you. I would like to thank the liturgical committee and many people for making Lent, Holy Week and Easter so special during my first year as your pastor. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our organists and choir members for their hard work and excellent performances. A special acknowledgment to Sister Juvenia Joseph and Rosa Culajay for making the sanctuary so beautiful for the Holy Thursday celebration. I thank the Altar Servers for serving with love and dignity at the Altar with special acknowledgment to Fr. Rigaud, their instructor who scheduled and prepared them to serve diligently. Also thank you to the ushers, lectors, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, our Sacristan, Harold Morris. A special thanks to Troupe Éclat for the spiritual concert. I would like to thank specially the RCIA team for their work in preparing the candidates for the Sacraments. I would like to thank all who have graced us with their presence during the last weeks. A special thanks to the money counters. I thank you once again for your generosity. Thank you to Deacon Marcel, Deacon Culajay and the other priests who visited to help us. I would like to thank my brother priest, Fr. Rigaud for his dedication, support and contribution.

Thanks and God bless you all for all that you do!

MASS INTENTIONS & BREAD AND WINE

OFFERINGS

A Mass intention or Bread and Wine offerings can be requested for a loved one (living or deceased), or for a friend, or in thanksgiving to God for favors granted etc.

TROUPE ÉCLAT'S ANNUAL EASTER CONCERT

Come and celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord and savior Jesus Christ with Troupe Éclat at its Annual Easter Concert on **Sunday, April 3rd at 6:30pm** at St. Jerome R.C. Church. Donation is \$20. For tickets, call **(347) 932-1165** or **(347) 866-6425**.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2016

The 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. Our goal this year is \$36,000. We ask all parishioners to contribute towards the Catholic Appeal. Your donation supports the many needs of our Diocese. Our In-Pew Sunday will be **April 24th**. Those that have not received a pledge card in the mail, please ask an usher for a card. As mandated by Jesus Christ, we are to care for our brothers and sisters.

Autism Awareness Month of April

Let us take this month of April, Autism Awareness Month, to challenge ourselves to learn more about the ways in which we can accommodate the needs of those in our community who experience autism so that they may participate more fully, and to seek out and celebrate the richness of the gifts they have to offer. If you have a family member who experience autism or know of parishioners with autism who many need certain accommodations or support to parish in parish life, please call 202.529.2933.

The National Shrine of The Divine Mercy

Join Bishop DiMarzio for a one day pilgrimage to The National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts on **June 18, 2016**. Buses will be leaving at 7am from St. Patrick's Church (9511 4th Ave) and St. Thomas of Aquinas Church (1550 Hendrickson Street) in Brooklyn. Pilgrims should pack lunch and snacks for the day. To reserve your place, please bring a check or money order for \$55 to the rectory.

The Catholic Relief Services Collection

This week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless. How will you help? **Next week, please give generously to The Catholic Relief Services Collection and Jesus in disguise.**

Formación Bíblica

La Parroquia de St. Columba los invita a un curso de formacion biblica comencando- 12:15pm - 4:00 pm:

-El Pentateuco Sábado 9 de Abril

-Libros Históricos Sábado 23 de Abril

-Libros Proféticos Sábado 7 de Mayo

-Libros Poéticos y Sapienciales Sábado 21 de Mayo

Para mayor informacion llamando al **(212) 244-4778**.