

PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2016

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 17TH, 2016

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH ó MESSE CRÉOLE
Repos de l'âme de Luc Estime - par ses enfants

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH ó ENGLISH MASS
In thanksgiving to God - by Anne Alexis and family

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH ó MISA ESPANOL
No Mass Intentions

11:00 AM UPPER CHURCH ó ENGLISH MASS
No Mass Intentions

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH ó MESSE CRÉOLE
Remerciement á Dieu-anniversaire de naissance de Madeleine Dussap - par Madeleine Dussap

MONDAY, APRIL 18TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grace á Dieu-anniversaire de naissance de Emily Aime ó par sa grand-mère, Marie Claire Aime

TUESDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grace á Dieu-anniversaire de naissance de Ange Mitchell Montlouis - par sa mère, Micheline

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grâce á Dieu-anniversaire de naissance de Jimmy Aime - par sa mère, Marie Claire Aime

SATURDAY, APRIL 23RD, 2016

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

Readings for the Week of April 18th, 2016

Monday: ACTS 11:1-18/JN 10:1-10

Tuesday: ACTS 11:19-26/JN 10:22-30

Wednesday: ACTS 12:24-13:5A/JN 12:44-50

Thursday: ACTS 13:13-25/JN 13:16-20

Friday: ACTS 13:26-33/JN 14:1-6

Saturday: ACTS 13:44-52/JN 14:7-14

Sunday: ACTS 14:21-27/REV 21:1-5A/
JN 13:31-33A, 34-35

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, SPECIALLY:

Kathiana Bijou, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Joeneil Exantus, Sò ur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Jean Stephan Fontaine, Cecil Gilbert, Jeanne D'arc Guirand, Michelle Jadotte, Germaine Jean-Baptiste, Jeanine and Paulette Jeanty, Luisa Jimenez, Vilma Johnson, Ivianne Levine, Christopher Louis, Eletha Marques, Glen Millien, Miraclea Pierre, Sam Riera, Josette Roche, Iciline Smith, Bianca St. Vil, Robert T., Pierre Theodule, Rose Marie Vilsaint

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY DEPARTED ESPECIALLY:

Previlus Jacques

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I once visited a parish where Ið served as director of music for eight years. After the morning Mass, while talking with a parishioner, I broke into laughter. The principle came from her office and said: ðI heard your laugh and knew you were back.ö When we have been close to others, we know their voices, laughs, and presence and do what we can to reconnect. Such was the intimacy Jesus describes in today's Gospel. Such is the intimacy Jesus seeks with all who believe in him.

The Jewish leaders in Antioch were not as inclusive in how they understood God's love as Paul and Barnabas were. They could not or would not accept that Christ was a light to the Gentiles and offered salvation to all. Because they narrowly defined who belonged and who did not, they could not or would not accept people who heard and followed Jesus's voice outside their narrow definition. They had Paul and Barnabas expelled because the leaders were not ready to believe that God could call anyone other than their own kind.

This has been true throughout history. Our narrow definition of who can hear the voice of God, Christ, or the Spirit has persecuted people who believe differently than we do. We start crusades and holocausts, build walls, and even kill those who refuse to convert to a certain faith. The Body of Christ has been divided by narrow definitions of ðtruth.ö God's love is much more inclusive. John's vision pictures a great multitude from every nation, race, people, and tongue before God's throne. We might be surprised by who stands next to us before the throne of the Lamb because they knew him intimately, heard his voice, and followed. If God is that welcoming, can we be any less?

God, our shepherd, open our ears to recognize your voice and follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Open our eyes to see you where we least expect.

YOUR WEEKLY GIFT TO GOD

Sunday, April 10th:

**Offering
Envelopes**



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| Regular Contributions \$ | 7,860 |
| Weekly budget | 10,525 |
| Difference | -2,665 |
| Number of Registered Parishioners | 2,000 |
| Number of Envelopes Used | 420 |
| *Parishioners who need to use envelopes | 1,580 |

Nine parishioners caught up with their donations.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal
Strengthening the Church at Home

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place next week. One way that this appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, because educating each seminarian costs \$35-40K per year. Your support is needed for these young men so that they might go back and serve their parishes. Please **strengthen the Church at home** by making a generous gift to next week's appeal.

Mass of Hope and Healing

All are invited to attend a Mass of Hope and Healing on **Thursday, April 21st at 7pm** at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs located at 110-16 Queens Boulevard in Forest Hills. Bishop DiMarzio will be the main celebrant. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at 6:30pm. This Mass is sponsored by Survivors of Sexual Abuse by Members of the Clergy and the Diocese of Brooklyn.

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.

PRIMARY ELECTION VOTE 2016

On **April 19th**, the polls will be opened from **6:00am-9:00pm**. Please make it a priority to vote if you are a registered voter. It is a sacred and civic duty for all US Citizens to vote. **VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!**

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.

Remember to shop through

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St Jerome's receives a donation every time you shop!

*With praise and thanksgiving to God,
Father Hugues Berrette
cordially invites you to join him in
celebrating his*

25th anniversary in the priesthood.

*A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated
in the Upper Church, on*

Sunday, April 24th, 2016 at 4:00pm.

*Following the Mass, a reception will be
held at Glen Terrace located at
5313 Avenue N.*

A donation of \$100 is requested.

Your presence will be a blessing.

Annual Diocesan Wedding Celebration

The annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary celebration will take place on **Saturday, April 23rd at 11am** at Saints Simon & Jude Church located at 185 Van Sicklen Street in Brooklyn. All couples who have celebrated their marriages in the Catholic Church are invited to attend. Special recognition will be given to couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th and 75th Anniversary. Couples who wish to attend must register at the rectory. All registered couples will receive a personalized certificate signed by **Bishop Cisneros**. Light refreshments will follow the Mass. If you have any questions, please contact Martha Hernandez at **(718) 281-9540**.

Annual Diocesan Migration Day

During the Year of Mercy, Catholic Migration Services will be celebrating 45 Years of welcoming the stranger. The Annual Migration Day Mass will be held on **Saturday, April 30th at 1pm** at the Co-Cathedral of Saint Joseph located at 856 Pacific Street in Brooklyn.

Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem

During the weekend of **April 30th-May 1st**, our brothers and sisters representing the Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have something authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. Visit their website: www.landofpeace.org and www.bcfmission.com.

St. Joseph's College Pilgrimage to Ireland

June 21-29, 2016

Travel with St. Joseph's College faculty members:

Sister Grace Rowland, CSJ and

Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM

For a detailed brochure call Sister Grace at

(631) 654-0199 or email growland@sjcny.edu.