**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, MAY 20TH, 2017**

5:00 PM No Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, MAY 21st, 2017**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de l’ame de Brenord Leger - par

Eronidas Leger et Francy Voltaire

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

In thanksgiving to God and the Holy Family

by Laughton and Paula Miller

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

Por el Descanso eterno del alma de Adolfo

Arita - de Ireni Artiga

11:00 AM UPPER CHURCH – ENGLISH MASS

For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de l’âme de Solanges Louis - par son

fils, Stenly

**MONDAY, MAY 22nd, 2017**

7:30 AM Repose of the soul Frederic Weinstein by

his wife, Suzanne Weinstein and sister, Norma

9:00 AM Action de grace à Dieu-anniversaire de

naissance de Marjorie Lambert - par

Marjorie Lambert

**TUESDAY, MAY 23rd, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, MAY 25TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement à L’Enfant Jesus de Prague -

par Chantal Doréus

7:30 PM Trilingual Mass

**FRIDAY, MAY 26TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos des âmes de tous mes parents

defunts - par Bernadette Louis

**SATURDAY, MAY 27TH, 2017**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**Readings for the Week of May 22nd, 2017**

Monday: ACTS 16:11-15/JN 15:26—16:4A

Tuesday: ACTS 16:22-34/JN 16:5-11

Wednesday: ACTS 17:15, 22—18:1/JN 16:12-15

Thursday: ACTS 1:1-11/EPH 1:17-23/MT 28:16-20

Friday: ACTS 18:9-18/JN 16:20-23

Saturday: ACTS 18:23-28/JN 16:23B-28

Sunday: ACTS 1:12-14/1 PT 4:13-16/JN 17:1-11A

**Please Pray For The Sick, specially:**

Marie Guerda Andre, Jaime L. Bruneus, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, Suzette Da Luz, Yourcile T. Deriphonse, Emory Emanus, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Marie Fenelus, Ginette Fenelus, Christina Frederic, Sœur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Cecil Gilbert, Michelle Jadotte, Paulette Jeanty, Vilma Johnson, Josephine Jones, Juliette Josma, Ivianne Levine, Lucinda Lopez, Christopher Louis, Andre R. Milord, Miraclea Pierre, Iciline Smith, Ashley St. Fort, Cassandra St. Fort, Edith St. Fort, Bianca St. Vil

****SIXTH sunday of EASTER

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Jesus is the Father, the disciples are in him, and he is in them. Sounds like a puzzle. We put it together by keeping his commandments. To keep is to act. We often say, “Actions speak louder than words.” When we live the commandments, our actions make that known. The same Spirit that connects Jesus with the Father is the promised Advocate who connects God with us and us with one another. That same Spirit was given to those in Samaria when the apostles laid hands on them. That same Spirit helped Peter’s audience keep their consciences clear because of their good conduct in Christ. That same spirit helps our actions speak louder than words.

We were baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. The gift of the Spirit was deepened within us in confirmation. How do people know that the Spirit is within us? We manifest the gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. When our actions make clear that the Spirit of God guides us, people see that we remain in Jesus Christ and he remains in us.

St. Francis de Sales taught that human beings love by doing good. The wisdom, counsel, understanding, and knowledge of the Holy Spirit give us courage to do good and live Jesus’ command to love. Withdraw into your heart this week. Turn to our Advocate, the Holy Spirit. Reflect on the gifts of the Spirit and ask for the courage to act on them. Then love as Jesus loved. Your actions will show that he remains in you and you remain in him. Actions speak louder than words.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill my heart this day. Guide my mind to know how I can do the good that will make your presence known in my actions, so people see that you remain in me and I remain in you.

**Bread and Wine Offering**

The bread and wine, this month, are being offered in thanksgiving to God as requested by Josefina Melo and Luis Manon.

****solemnity of the ascension of the lord

In both Ascension accounts Jesus invites the disciples to reflect on who they are and to act accordingly. On the Ascension mount Jesus gives them a pep talk and command: You are my disciples. All power has been given me. Know that I am with you always so trust yourselves. Make disciples of others as I made disciples of you. On Mt. Olivet Jesus invites trust and makes a promise. Wait. Pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit. You will receive power to be my witness to the ends of the earth. They need time in prayer to become confident of their discipleship through the power of the Holy Spirit.

At baptism we joined the Church, the body of which Christ is head. We belong to him. May the power of the Spirit enlighten our hearts to believe we are Christ’s and give us strengthen to act on that belief. The Ascension invites us to take time for prayer so that we can deepen our awareness that the Holy Spirit is within us. Rooted in this knowledge, believe more deeply. Then act on that faith. Live Jesus clearly to make disciples of those we meet. Look for and be that presence always in all ways, too.

Jesus, you promise to be with us always, in all ways, even to the ends of the earth. Thank you for your trust in us. Help me to trust in you more fully so that the power of the Holy Spirit can help me witness your presence in my life.

**YOUR** **WEEKLY GIFT TO GOD**

**Sunday, May 14th:**

**Regular Contributions** $ 6,369

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

**Difference -4,156**

**Catholic Communication Campaign $670.00**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used424

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,576

Nine parishioners caught up with their donations.



The Rectory office will be closed on **Thursday, May 25th, 2017** for the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord.

**Church’s Website**

Please visit the church’s website at [*www.stjeromercchurch.org*](http://www.stjeromercchurch.org/)*.*

Remember to shop through **WWW.SHOP.COM/STJEROMECHURCH.**

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

**Feast of The Ascension of the Lord**

This coming Thursday is the great Feast of the Ascension. It is a feast of obligation meaning that all Catholics are mandated to attend Mass on that day. The Ascension Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, May 25th, 2017 at 7:30 pm in the Upper Church.**

**Haitian-Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass**

A Mass will be held on **Wednesday, May 31st** at **7:30 pm** in the **Lower Church in Creole**.

**Haitian Mother’s Day Concert**

The Young Disciples of Jesus invite you to the Haitian Mother’s Concert on **Sunday,** **May 28th** at **6 pm** in the **Upper Church.** **Tickets are $20 and will be sold after each Mass.**

**Annual Catholic Appeal 2017**

The 2017 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. Those who 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.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage**

Join Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio on a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions from August 30th-September 8th, 2017. For a brochure call, the Catholic Tour at **(855) 564-1008**.

**Devotions To Mary**

****The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. We take this time to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. Please join your parish community on the following days at 7:30pm in the Lower Church:

**-Spanish**: every Monday of May

**-English**: every Tuesday of May

**-Haitian:** we invite you to pray the rosary at home

**St. Jerome Southern Caribbean Cruise**

Join your fellow parishioners in an unforgettable cruise aboard the Norwegian “GEM” from November 11-21, 2017. This cruise will leave from NYC and travel to San Juan, St. Thomas, St. Maarten, and Tortola. Rates include accommodations, meals, nightly entertainment, casino, Jacuzzi, swimming pool, gym and daily Mass with Fr. Yvon. Rates based on double occupancy per person: $1,302-inside, $1,482-ocean view and $1,948-balcony. Pick up a flyer in the church for more information. For reservations, call Ann Marie Millien at (917) 750-6413 or Therese E. Obas at (718) 909-2547.

**\*\*All parishioners who have made reservations for the cruise, please stop the by rectory office during business hours to pick up your receipts.\*\***