**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th, 2017**

5:00 PM No Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8th, 2017**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Remerciement à Dieu pour tous ses

 bienfaits - par Immacula Gouin et famille

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 For the People of the Parish

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

 For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM UPPER CHURCH – ENGLISH MASS

 For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 For the People of the Parish

**MONDAY, JANUARY 9th, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement à Dieu pour tous ses

 bienfaits - par Serge Dubois

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 10th, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement à Dieu pour tous ses

 bienfaits - par Germaine Bellamy

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11th, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 12th, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 13th, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Luckner Vivien - par

 Therese Dorval

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th, 2017**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**Readings for the Week of January 9th, 2017**

Monday: IS 42:1-4, 6-7/MT 3:13-17

Tuesday: HEB 2:5-12/MK 1:21-28

Wednesday: HEB 2:14-18/MK 1:29-39

Thursday: HEB 3:7-14/MK 1:40-45

Friday: HEB 4:1-5, 11/MK 2:1-12

Saturday: HEB 4:12-16/MK 2:13-17

Sunday: IS 49:3, 5-6/1 COR 1:1-3/JN 1:29-34

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

Marie Guerda Andre, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, Emory Emanus, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Marie Fenelus, Christina Frederic, Sœur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Cecil Gilbert, Michelle Jadotte, Vilma Johnson, Josephine Jones, Ivianne Levine, Christopher Louis, Miraclea Pierre, Elizabeth Smith, Iciline Smith, Ashley St. Fort, Cassandra St. Fort, Edith St. Fort, Bianca St. Vil

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Epiphany celebrates the appearance of a star that led three foreign magi to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. An epiphany can also be a sudden, intuitive perception or insight into the meaning of something, usually initiated by some simple or commonplace occurrence or experience. New stars are common occurrences. The magi chose to follow this new star and were changed. I have had epiphanies through common experiences like talking with someone, engaging in everyday tasks, and enjoying nature’s beauty. What about you?

The feast of the Epiphany celebrates God’s all-inclusive love. Any limits we try to place on it do not hold. The magi were Gentile, not Jews. Yet they listened to God in dreams, paid homage to Jesus, and gave Jesus gifts befitting a monarch. Isaiah tells Jerusalem, the center for Israelite faith, that God’s glory would shine upon her and all nations. Paul tells the Ephesians that “the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise of Jesus Christ through the gospel” (Ephesians 3:6). The early church struggled with the fact that God was not limited by the experience and expectations of the Jewish Christians. Many tend to limit where God works, with whom, and how. Today’s feast offers the essential insight that we cannot limit God’s love. That insight is challenging, when someone I judge unworthy shows me how to live my faith, or when someone of another faith tradition lives God’s love in ways that I fail, like the Muslims who stood hand-in-hand around a church to protect their Christian sisters and brothers. Epiphanies comes in many forms. The feast of the Epiphany asks us to open our eyes to see God’s presence where we might least expect.

We prayed, “Lord, every nation on earth will adore you,” yet we can resist your presence in those whom we fear or misunderstand. Open our eyes to see you wherever and in whomever you make yourself known so that we can do you homage by offering the gifts of our acceptance and belief.

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

**Sunday, December 25th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 8,320

 **Christmas Offering** 2,205

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference 0**

**Maintenance collection $1,018**

**Education $525**

 **Catholic Charities $790**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used434

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,566

Eleven parishioners caught up with their donations**.**

\***Give to God with love by placing your gift inside the offering envelopes. May God continue to bless you.**

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

**Sunday, January 1st:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 8,090

 **Mary Mother of God** 1,111

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference -1,324**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used438

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,562

Twelve parishioners caught up with their donations**.**

\***Give to God with love by placing your gift inside the offering envelopes. May God continue to bless you.**

**Memorial Mass**

A memorial Mass for the victims of the 2010 earthquake in Haiti will be celebrated on Thursday, January 12th at 7:30pm in the Upper Church. Fr. Borno St. Charles will be the main celebrant. All are welcome.

**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, casion, 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.

**Missionary Discipleship-Online Seminary**

Join Catholic Distance University’s Allan F. Wright for a 3-week online seminar offered January 23-February 13. Explore the Holy Father’s call and challenge to Catholics to live out our relationship with Jesus through the lens of a missionary in our everyday lives. Learn how every baptized Catholic can answer their call in their homes, families, Church and ministries to better know Christ and make him known to others. Enroll today for just $30 at htttps://cdu.catalog.instructure.com/ to register, use promo code CDU15BROOKLYN. This course is offered for 10 Living and Leading by Faith credit hours.

**Collection for the Diocesan Mission**

This weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Diocesan Mission. Your gift to the Collection will be used by Bishop DiMarzio to support appeals from various missions throughout the world. The support you give today will fund formation programs and provide opportunities for years to come. Please support the Diocesan Mission and be generous in this weekend’s second Collection.

**St. Catherine of Genoa-St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Academy**

St. Catherine of Genoa-St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Academy is located on the corner of Avenue D and East 45th Street. The academy offers a welcoming, safe, faith-filled environment where children from grades Pre-K to 8 can learn and grow to their potential. Call the academy at **(718) 629-9330** for additional information. Financial aid is available.

**Dominican College**

**An Information session** will be held on **Wednesday, January 11th** from **5:30pm-7:30pm** in the Hennessy Center for all interested in Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees. For more information, call **845-359-7800**. The school is located at 470 Western Highway in Orangeburg, N.Y.

**St. Joseph Retreat Center-Maturing in God Series**

*Aging…the Opportunity of a Lifetime*, a course developed by Dr. Richard Johnson, will be held on Thursday, January 19th from 1pm-3pm at St. Joseph Retreat Center in Staten Island. During this course, you will discover the keys to maturing in the way God intended; changing your attitudes, seeking love everywhere, accepting your true self, letting go of anger, forgiving yourself and others and so much more. For more information, call (718) 720-1097.

**New York Encounter**

New York Encounter (NYE) is an annual three-day public cultural festival in the heart of New York City.

Organized by members of the Catholic movement Communion and Liberation and by the Crossroads Cultural Center, NYE strives to witness to the new life and knowledge generated by the faith, following Pope Benedict's claim that "the intelligence of faith has to become the intelligence of reality." This festival will take place **January 13-15, 2017** at the Metropolitan Pavillon located at 215 West 18th Street (between 6th and 7th Avenues). This year’s theme is: ***Reality Has Never Betrayed Me***. For a full schedule of events, visit [**http://www.newyorkencounter.org**](http://www.newyorkencounter.org/program/) or call (**646) 571-2341**.