**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH, 2017**

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2017**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’âme de Christiane Aristide - par

 sa fille

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 No Mass Intentions

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

 No Mass Intentions

11:00 AM UPPER CHURCH – ENGLISH MASS

 No Mass Intentions

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Remerciement à Dieu- anniversaire de

 naissance de Tanise Destin - par son amie,

 Marlene Romain

**MONDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Marie Elsie Dorcely -

 par sa soeur, Linda Dubois et famille

**THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement a Dieu pour les bienfaits -

 par Marie K. Dominique Boursiquot

**FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH, 2017**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement à Dieu pour ses bienfaits

 pour Cavanes Grand Pierre - par sa mère,

 Dona Grand Pierre

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH, 2017**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**Bread and Wine Offering**

The bread and wine, this week, are being offered in thanksgiving to God for healing of Rose-Marie Chervil as requested by Rose-Marie Chervil.

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

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. Francis de Sales said that those who go, stay and those who stay, go. A part of those who have touched our lives remains when they move on. Part of us stays with them when they go on their way, for good and for ill.

 Peter, James, and John glimpse Jesus’ glory on the Transfiguration mount. The presence of Elijah and Moses and the voice of God clarify that Jesus is the promised Son of Man. They have a glimpse of Resurrection glory. They want to stay in this positive experience. Who wouldn’t? And although Jesus returns them to daily life, they are changed. That glimpse remains with them and probably helped them through some tough times. I wonder how often they returned to that mountain in their minds and hearts.

 God asks Abram, an old man, to take his kin to a land promised but unknown. He trusts God’s promises and goes. I wonder how often he hearkened back to the home that he, Sarah, and their kin left. His deep faith and trust in God remained with him on the way.

 Lent invites us to leave life as we have known it and embrace the way of the gospel more fully. Life’s journey includes times of blessing and times of hardship. We can sometimes wish we had remained as we were. Our journey will take the best of life with us and open us to the healing, hope, and light the gospel offers. Are we willing to leave the familiar, like Peter, James, John, and Abram to find Christ in daily life, whether easy or difficult? What goes along with us on the journey and what do we leave behind?

 Holy God, baptism has made us your beloved daughters and sons. Free us to answer your call, wherever it leads. Help us to put our trust in you on the peaks and in the valleys of life.

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

**Sunday, March 5th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 7,858.00

**** Weekly budget** 10,525.00

 **Difference -2,667.00**

**Black & Indian Missions** $660.00

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used390

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,420

Fifteen 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.**

**Stations of the Cross**

Please join your parish family on **Friday, March 17th,** and on every Friday of Lent:

* **Stations of the Cross**: Upper Church: 7 PM
* **Le Chemin de la Croix**: Lower Church: 7 PM
* **El camino de la cruz**: Upper Church: 8 PM

Please note that those age 14 and up, who are of sound body, are called to **observe the tradition of** **abstinence from meat on each of the Fridays of Lent.**

**Black and Indian Mission Collection**

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Black and Indian Mission Collection, which exists to help communities build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God.

**Donation Statements**

We greatly appreciate your generosity to our parish over the past year. If your total contribution for 2016 is **$300.00** or more**,** please call the rectory office Monday-Saturday between the hours of 9:30am-12noon at (**718) 462-0223** to request a donation statement.

**Cristo Rey Brooklyn High School**

**Cristo Rey Brooklyn High School** offers a great Catholic, college prep education and paid internships for students at a **low tuition**. We are currently accepting 9th grade application. Students & parents interested in applying to Cristo Rey Brooklyn High School for September, should call Ms. Marie M. Bathelmy, Director of Admissions, at **(718) 455-3555** or visit: [**www.cristoreybrooklyn.org**](http://www.cristoreybrooklyn.org). Please call Ms. Bathelmy to schedule an appointment.

**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.

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

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

**An Evening Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, you have given your followers an example of gentleness and humility, a task that is easy, a burden that is light. Accept the prayers and work of this day, and give us rest that will strengthen us to render more faithful service to you who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

**Annual Catholic Appeal**

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. Our In-Pew Sunday will be **March 25th-26th.**

**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**.

**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.

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?**

In order to better serve you as our parishioners, we are asking you to register your family. Please do not assume because you attend Mass here you are registered in the Parish. Are you on our mailing list? Are you receiving envelopes? If not, it would be very embarrassing to us, to you and to your family when someone calls to make wedding plans, to have an infant baptized, or if you need a certificate of sponsor for baptism or confirmation. We will be unable to honor your request because we have no record of your registration as a parishioner. To register, stop by the rectory during business hours and fill out a registration form.

**Readings for the Week of March 13th, 2017**

Monday: DN 9:4B-10/LK 6:36-38

Tuesday: IS 1:10, 16-20/MT 23:1-12

Wednesday: JER 18:18-20/MT 20:17-28

Thursday: JER 17:5-10/LK 16:19-31

Friday: GN 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A/

 MT 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: MI 7:14-15, 18-20/LK 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: EX 17:3-7/ROM 5:1-2, 5-8/JN 4:5-42