**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19th 2016**

5:00 PM No Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20th, 2016**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de l’ame de Louis Bellamy - par sa

fille, Germaine Bellamy

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

For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de l’âme de Micheline Theodore -

par ses enfants

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos des âmes du purgatoire - par Ethel

Marie Jean

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Bernadette Belizaire -

par sa fille Loneze Puzo

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25th, 2016**

7:30 AM Thanksgiving to God for Sharon Taylor

and family

9:00 AM Repos des âmes de mes parents defunts -

par Bernadette Louis

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26th, 2016**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’ame de Andrée Alma Vallès -

par ses enfants

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

Marie Guerda Andre, Carmen Avilés, Maria Avilés, Ramon Avilés, M. Bonhomme, Jean-Baptiste Celestin, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, C. Curry, Lourdes Divers, Emory Emanus, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Altagrace Excellent, Marie Fenelus, Sœur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, G. Estime Gabriel, Cecil Gilbert, Edward Holmes, Wallace Holmes, Wavely Holmes, Michelle Jadotte, Jeannine Jeanty, Jeffarly Jeanty, Paulette Jeanty, F. M. Jean-Baptiste, Luisa Jimenez, Vilma Johnson, Josephine Jones, Judith Heurtelou, Ivianne Levine, Etzer Lindor, Christopher Louis, Paul Jourdan, Jerry Mathieu, Glen Millien, Roberto Moulton, Miraclea Pierre, Sam Riera, Barbara and Hollis Sandy, Rosa Maria Santos, Iciline Smith, Ashley St. Fort, Cassandra St. Fort, Edith St. Fort, Bianca St. Vil

***PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY DEPARTED ESPECIALLY:***

Jean Robert Bertrand

The Solemnity Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We celebrate a king whose throne is the cross, an instrument of capital punishment. Jesus died as a criminal, although he had done nothing wrong. He seemed powerless and yet promised, “today you will be with me in Paradise.” Christ, our King, reconciled “all things…making peace by the blood of his cross.” Christ the King models how contradictions can co-exist, if not reconcile. He was both fully human and fully divine. He was a leader who came to serve, not be served. Humbling himself, he was exalted. He found deep faith in sinners. He took on every human limitation, with the exception of sin, and was freed to the point of being raised up. He embraced death to give us life. He was of the line of David, the runt of his brothers whom God anointed king of Israel.

We often try to negate the realities that he embraced: limitation, humility, service, weakness, powerlessness, sin, and death. The irony is that when we face and embrace these realities, as Jesus did, we find new life even when others reject and ridicule us as they did Jesus. One criminal turns to Jesus. The other criminal joins the soldiers in jeering at and rebuking him. We have a choice. We can ask Jesus to help us put together life’s contradiction in ways that free us, or we can jeer at and rebuke him, too. A teaching of St. Francis de Sales reminds us that nothing is so strong as gentleness and nothing so gentle as real strength. Gentle King, give us your strength and help us live with and even reconcile life’s seeming contradictions.

Father, we thank you for becoming one with us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ the King. You reconciled humanity and divinity in him. Help us follow Christ the King by reconciling the contradictions of our lives and deepening our union with you.

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

**Sunday, November 13th:**

**Regular Contributions** $ 6,102

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

**Difference 4,423**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used410

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,590

Twelve parishioners caught up with their donations

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Please be aware that the rectory office will be closed

this coming **Thursday,** **November 24th and Friday, November 25th** in observance of the Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

**Thanksgiving Mass**

St. Jerome’s **Thanksgiving Mass** will take hold on **Wednesday, November 23rd,** at **7:30pm** in the **Upper Church**. Make every effort to attend this Mass of thanks and praise.

**Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive**

We are collecting canned goods, produce, dry foods, and you got it: **turkeys!** Drop off canned goods and dry foods in the beautifully decorated boxes in the Upper and Lower Churches. Drop off turkey and produce donations at the Rectory. Not sure what to bring? Use this rule of thumb: don’t bring it to the church, if you wouldn’t feed it to your family! Let’s make Thanksgiving special for those in need by sharing the blessings we’ve received of the Lord’s merciful hand and keeping the “giving” alive in Thanksgiving.

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**

Pope Francis has inspired all of us to joyfully and creatively find ways to bring the Good News to the poor. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) was founded in 1970 by the Catholic Bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. CCHD supports projects that help build healthy, sustainable futures for those living on the margins of our community. Please give generously to **this** weekend’s collection.

**Up-Dating the Sick List**

Please help us to keep the sick list up-to-date by calling the rectory office to add or remove a name. On **December 4th, 2016,** we will purge the sick list and start a new one. This list will be updated twice a year.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

A Mass for the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** will be heldon **Thursday, December 8th** at **7:30pm** in the **Upper Church**.

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

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

**Deanery Youth Advent Retreat**

All youth are invited to an “Encountering Jesus during Advent” retreat on **Saturday, December 3rd** from 10am to 3pm in the Lower Church at St. Jerome. The guest speaker will be Fr. Jun Hee (Peter) Lee. Come to pray and reflect on Advent with other youth in the deanery. Lunch will be served. For more information, see Fr. Rigaud.

**MASS INTENTIONS & BREAD AND WINE OFFERINGS**

Mass Intentions and Bread and Wine offerings are still available for the remaining months of 2016. 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. The 2017 Mass Book will be available on **Monday, December 5th**.

**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, all you need to do is stop by the rectory during business hours and fill out a registration form.

**RAFFLE WINNING NUMBERS**

**Congratulations to the individuals who hold the following winning tickets of the 2016 Raffle**:

1st Prize Ticket # 16695

2nd Prize, Ticket #16195

3rd Prize, Ticket #2296

**Futures In Education**

Join Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio and Futures In Education in support of Catholic Schools at the **Spirit of Christmas Concert** at **Lincoln Center** starring the New York Tenors-Andy Cooney, Christopher Macchio and Daniel Rodriguez as well as The Voice of Italy 2014 winner, Sr. Cristina Scuccia on **Monday, December 12th at 8pm**. For tickets contact Lincoln Center at (**212) 721-6500**.

**Readings for the Week of November 21st, 2016**

Monday: RV 14:1-3, 4B-5/LK 21:1-4

Tuesday: RV 14:14-19/LK 21:5-11

Wednesday: RV 15:1-4/LK 21:12-19

Thursday: RV 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9A/LK 21:20-28

Friday: RV 20:1-4, 11—21:2/LK 21:29-33

Saturday: RV 22:1-7/LK 21:34-36

Sunday: IS 2:1-5/ROM 13:11-14/MT 24:37-44