**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15th, 2016**

5:00 PM No Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16th, 2016**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’âme de Luc Estime - par ses

 enfants

9:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 In loving memory of Ms. Eileen Darius - by

 her daughter, Rosey Gilbert and family

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

No Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17th, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18th, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19th, 2016**

7:30 AM Birthday blessings for Ansie Pierre - by her

 children

9:00 AM Repos des âmes de Mr. and Mme. Amazan

 Badette - par leur fille, Elsa Yvrose Pierre

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 2016**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21st, 2016**

7:30 AM Repose of the soul of Gerard Duverglas - by

 the Duverglas Family

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22nd, 2016**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

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

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

**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, Ann-Marie Millien, 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

****twenty-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our readings today call us to persistent perseverance. The judge in the gospel parable neither “feared God nor respected any human being.” However, a persistent widow elicits a just decision from him. Whether her claim was just or not, her perseverance had a profound impact on him. He feared how she might respond if he did not answer her. Her personal persistent perseverance was powerful.

The reading from exodus paints the picture of Moses’ persistent prayer as having a positive effect on the Israelites’ battle. “As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had a better of the fight.” Did you notice that Moses needed the help of Aaron and Hur to persevere in holding up his hands in prayer? Personal persistent perseverance is not enough. We need the support of the community to persevere when we are tempted to stop or we do not have the strength to persist on our own.

Our second reading charges us to “be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient.” We can be tempted to doubt the words of scripture at times. We can be tempted to stop praying when prayer is not answered as quickly as we would like or in the way that we would like. However, as the example of the tortoise teaches us, “Slow and steady wins the race.” Persevere in prayer. Persist in turning to God in prayer. Personal persistent perseverance with the support of the Body of Christ will make a real difference in our lives.

Faithful God, you never cease to love us even when we turn away from you or doubt your word. Give us the persistence of the widow, the perseverance of Moses, and the inspiration of scripture to patiently persevere and persist in trusting you and your merciful love.

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

**Sunday, October 9th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 5,432

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference 5,093**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used331

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,669

Four parishioners caught up with their donations

**Collection for Mission Sunday**

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. Every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow - as new dioceses are formed, as new seminaries are opened because of the growing number of young men hearing Christ's call to follow Him as priests, as areas devastated by war or natural disaster are rebuilt, and as other areas, long suppressed, are opening up to hear the message of Christ and His Church. That is why the involvement and commitment of Catholics from around the world is so urgently needed. Please be generous in today’s second collection.

**Diocese of Brooklyn-Marian Pilgrimage-Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**

Join Bishop DiMarzio in a Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on Friday, October 28-Saturday, October 29, 2016. Cost per person: quad-$255, triple-$265, double-$285, single-$365. Travel package includes: motor coach transportation, 2 days accommodations by the Marriot, dinner, breakfast, guided tour of Washington, DC, visit to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and taxes/tip to hotel and wait staff. To register, contact the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at **(718) 965-7313**.

**Devotions to Mary**

The month of October 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 the **Legion of Mary** during rosary and devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary **every Tuesday of October at 7:30pm in the Lower Church. All are invited.**

**Readings for the Week of October 17th, 2016**

Monday: EPH 2:1-10/LK 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 TM 4:10-17B/LK 10:1-9

Wednesday: EPH 3:2-12/LK 12:39-48

Thursday: EPH 3:14-21/LK 12:49-53

Friday: EPH 4:1-6/LK 12:54-59

Saturday: EPH 4:7-16/LK 13:1-9

Sunday: SIR 35:12-14, 16-18/2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18/

 LK 18:9-14

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

ST. JEROME ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

**DATE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH, 2016**

PLACE: SIRICO’S

8023 13th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11228

COCKTAILS: 8:00pm – 9:00pm

DINNER/DANCING: 9:00pm – 1:00am

Donation: Adults: $100.00;

Children 12 years and under: $56.00

For tickets contact:

**The Rectory: (718) 462-0223**

The Raffle will be drawn at this function.

**Breast Cancer Walk 2016**

The Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk will take place on **Sunday, October 16th, 2016** in Prospect Park-The Nethermead (Lincoln Rd & Ocean Ave). Registration begins at **8am**. For more information about the walk, please contact Jincy Thomas-Varkey at (**914) 288-2021**.

**Bereavement Training Workshop**

The Catholic Charities’-Bereavement Services invites you to a “Journey with the Lord” workshop on **Saturday, November 12** from 10am to 12pm at the Immaculate Conception Center is Douglaston. Fr. Jean Yvon Pierre will be the guest speaker. Breakfast will be served, but seating is limited and registration is required. To register, please call **(718) 722-6214 or (718) 722-6113**.

**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, 2016 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. Joseph High School**

St. Joseph High School is pleased to announce their new tuition assistance program, the Success Program. This program targets students wanting to attend Catholic high school, but whose families are unable to afford the expense. The scholarship funding will lower the cost of tuition to only $2,000 per academic year (down from $6,300) and is an incredible opportunity. For more information, call **(718) 624-3618**. The school is located at **80 Willoughby Street** in Brooklyn, NY.

**Xavier High School Open House**

Xavier High School invites all 8th graders and their parents to its Open Night on **Saturday, October 22nd**  from **1pm** to **4pm** at **30 West 16th Street in Manhattan**. For more information, call **Mr. Steven Noga** at **(212) 924-7900**.