**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28th, 2018**

5:00 PM Repose of the souls of all deceased

 Members of the Joseph Family -by

 Gloria Joseph

**SUNDAY, APRIL 29th, 2018**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Action de Grace á Dieu pour Stephania

 Vallerie David- par Mirlande David

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 No Mass Intentions

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

 For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Action de Grace a Dieu pour ses bienfaits-

 par Marie Antoinette Jean Denis

**MONDAY, APRIL 30th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, MAY 1st, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 2nd, 2018**

7:30 AM In loving memory of Vibert Vernon King -

 by Tessa King-Shepherd

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, MAY 3rd, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**FRIDAY, MAY 4th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Marie Andrélie Jean

 Calixte - par sa fille, Jacqueline Saint Victor

**SATURDAY, MAY 5th, 2018**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**Readings for the Week of April 30th, 2018**

Monday: ACTS 14:5-18/JN 14:21-26

Tuesday: ACTS 14:19-28/JN 14:27-31A

Wednesday: ACTS 15:1-6/JN 15:1-8

Thursday: 1 COR 15:1-8/JN 14:6-14

Friday: ACTS 15:22-31/JN 15:12-17

Saturday: ACTS 16:1-10/JN 15:18-21

Sunday: ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 JN 4:7-10/

 JN 15:9-17

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

Agatha Bristow, Barbara Carrington, Patricia Cummings, Whouls Dupiton, Emory Emanus, Brother Buteau Estiègle, Marie Fenelus, Ginette Fenelus, Christine Frederick, Sœur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Cecil Gilbert, Michelle Jadotte, Vilma Johnson, Josephine Jones, Ivianne Levine, Lucinda Lopez, Christopher Louis, Miraclea Pierre, Bianca St. Vil

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

Jean Pierre, Marie St. Jean

fifth sunday of easter



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The word “remain” fills today’s readings: *remain* on the vine, in Jesus, and allow his words to *remain* in us. One meaning of remain is to stay in the same place or with the same person or group. We stay on the vine by staying with Jesus and those who belong to him. In that way we invite his words to stay within us. In “understanding the word”, we learned that “to remain” entails an intimate, reciprocal, and enduring relationship with Jesus. Our relationship with him will bear the fruit of living his commandments, so others can see that we remain in him and he remains in us.

Saul, the persecutor, had an encounter in which Jesus invited Saul to stay with him and Jesus to remain in Saul. It wasn’t until they saw change in Saul that the early church moved from fearing him to trusting him. Barnabas was the witness who invited them to open their eyes. Saul’s words and actions bore fruit of his and Jesus’ new relationship.

 For Jesus’ words to remain in us, we need to make time to read, listen to, and reflect on them. Let them prune away whatever does not reflect Jesus’ way. When Jesus remains in us and we remain in him, our words and deeds bear his fruit. St. Francis de Sales taught that it’s not enough to carry the Lord on our tongue, speaking God’s praise, or in our hearts, sharing our love and affection for God. We must carry the Lord in our arms by good works. Without those works, the other two ways of carrying the Lord do not amount to much. Remain in Christ today. Stay with him. Show that his words remain in you. Carry him in your arms by your good works.

 Jesus, you are the vine and we are the branches. Help me remain in you by taking time each day to deepen my relationship with you. Stay with me and empower me to live your commands and bear your fruit.

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

**Sunday, April 22nd:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 7,001

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference -3,524**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used425

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,575

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

**A Prayer for Families**

We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own incarnate Son, to become part of a family, so that, as he lived its life, he would experience its worries and its joys. We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over this family, so that in the strength of your grace its members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home, bear witness in this world to your glory. We ask this thought Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal**

***Strengthening the Church at Home***

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place this weekend. One way that this appeal works to support home mission dioceses in the United States is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, because educating each seminarian costs $35-40K per year. Your support is needed for these young men so that they might go back and serve their parishes. Please **strengthen the Church at home** by making a generous gift to today’s appeal.

**Catholic Relief Services Collection**

Next weekend, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless. How will you help?

**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.

**“Answer the Call” Reception**

Fr. Yvon, Fr. Rigaud and The Pastoral Council

request the honor of your presence for fellowship

at a special reception on

Sunday, April 29th at 5pm

in the School Cafeteria

to share the impact

you have on the people and ministry

of the Diocese of Brooklyn.

**Annual Catholic Appeal**

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. Our goal this year is **$41,113**. We ask all parishioners to contribute towards the Catholic Appeal. Your donation supports the many needs of our Diocese. More information will be shared in the coming weeks. Our In-Pew Sundays will be on **April 28th-29th.**

**La Vierge Pélerine de la Basilique Notre Dame du Cap-Traveling Our Lady of the Cap**

The statute of Our Lady of the Cap will be at St. Jerome on **Saturday, May 19th** at 7:30pm in the Upper Church..

**St. Jerome European Cruise**

Join your fellow parishioners in an unforgettable cruise aboard the Celebrity Cruise Line “Constellation” from May 12-21, 2019. This cruise will travel to Barcelona, Spain; Monte Carlo, Monaco, Nice, France; Sicily and Rome, Italy; Corfu, Greece; Montenegro; Zadar, Croatia and return to Venice, Italy. Rates include round trip airfare from JFK, accommodations, meals, nightly entertainment, Jacuzzi, swimming pool and daily Mass with Fr. Yvon. Rates per person: $2,918-inside double, $3,765-ocean view double, $4,492-balcony double, $2,882-inside triple, $3,532-ocean view triple, $4,032-balcony triple. Pick up a flyer in the church for more information. Checks should be written to Enna International Travel. For reservations, call Deacon Carlos Culajay at (347) 203-3121, Therese E. Obas at (718) 909-2547 or Arlene Roopchand at (917) 647-0355.

**MASS INTENTIONS & BREAD AND WINE OFFERINGS**

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.

**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:

**-English**: every Tuesday of May

**-Spanish:** every Friday of May

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