**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12th, 2019**

5:00 PM No Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 13th, 2019**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’âme de Luc Estimé –

 par ses enfants

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 Good health for Salome Essomo

 Mpeza- by Sylvie Mallou’ou

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

 No Mass Intentions

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Remerciement a Dieu pour ses

 bienfaits – par Marie Lourdes Jules

**MONDAY, JANUARY 14th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 15th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Jean Charlotin –

 par son épouse et ses enfants

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 17th, 2019**

7:30 AM Successful surgery and speedy recovery

 for Johanne Johnson – by his spouse

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Jean Charlotin –

 par son épouse et ses enfants

**Friday January 18th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement a Dieu- anniversaire

 de naissance de Ketlene Bonne-Année **SATURDAY, JANUARY 19th, 2019**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM En mémoire de Jean Charlotin –

 par son épouse et ses enfants

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**Bread and Wine Offering**

The bread and wine, this week, is offered in thanksgiving to God as requested by Maira Josefina Mela and Luis Manon.

**Church’s Website**

**Please visit the church’s website at**

[**www.stjeromercchurch.org**](http://www.stjeromercchurch.org)

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**Readings for the Week of January 14th, 2019**

Monday: HEB 1:1-6/ MK 1:14-20

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 62:1-5/ 1 COR 12:4-11/ JN 2:1-11

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

Rita Darius, Christine Frederick, Cecil Gilbert. Barbra Maxamin

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

Jean Yvon Charles Marc,Ariane Charles,Germaine Gabin

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

****My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When an infant is clothed with the white baptismal garment, the priest or deacon prays: "You have become a new creation, and have clothed yourself in Christ. See in this white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity. With your family and friends to help you by word and example, bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." (Rite of Baptism for Children, 99). At Jesus' baptism a voice came from heaven: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Luke 3:16). He did not become a new creation, as we do. However, people had a new awareness of who he was, God's beloved Son. When we are baptized, we become God's adopted sons and daughters.

Baptism clothes us with Christ. We are to bring the Christian dignity of that garment unstained into everlasting life. Titus directs us in how to do that. We are to live "temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age" (Titus2:12b). That is, we are
to live with self-control, growing in biblical justice, that is, right relationship with God and one another. We are to be people of prayer and devotion or holiness,
to which every baptized person is called, no matter our state in life or lifestyle.
     By being holy, we fill the world with the comfort, tenderness, and care about which Isaiah speaks. The mountains, valleys, rough edges, and winding paths that can hinder us or make it difficult for us to trust God's ways are removed. And the glory of God is revealed when we find light in darkness, courage in fear, hope in
despair, and life in the various deaths each day can bring. With family and friends to help us, or by helping them, we see God's beloved presence in our midst.

Thank you, merciful God, for the gift of being baptized into Christ and becoming our daughters and sons. Help us live the ways of Jesus, whose outward sign we wore.

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

**Sunday, December 30th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 8,315

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference -2,210**

**Second Maintenance $1,214**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used405

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,595

Twenty-Two 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 6th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 8,154

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference -2,371**

**Diocesan Mission $835**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used410

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,590

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.**



Please be aware that the rectory office will be closed on **Monday, January 21st** in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

**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. You may request a maximum of 10 Mass intentions at once. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Church’s Website Parish Vocation Committee Meeting**

“ Bishop DiMarzio has asked that all parishes establish a Vocations Committee. The purpose of a Vocations Committee is to meet periodically to discuss prayer campaigns, distribute materials and other ways that we can support the members of our Parish who have been called by our Lord to the religious life, to marry or to serve in another way. If you would like to participate in such a committee at St. Jerome Parish, please contact the Rectory office at (718)-462-0223.” Thank you for your support and encouragement of vocations!

We look forward to working together with you this year!

[www.whatsmycalling.org](http://www.whatsmycalling.org) **or**

[www.brooklynpriests.org](http://www.brooklynpriests.org)

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**January is Poverty Awareness Month!**

During Poverty Awareness Month, join the U.S. Bishops, the [**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**](http://www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development/) and the Catholic community in the United States in taking up Pope Francis' challenge to live in solidarity with the poor!

Here are some ways to do it:

1. Through Baptism, we share in Christ’s prophetic mission as people of God “to bring glad tidings to the poor…proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free” (Lk 4:18). How can you live out your baptismal call to advocate for and with persons in poverty locally and globally?

2. The Gospel invites us to welcome our neighbors who are experiencing violence, persecution, or poverty. Visit ShareJourney.org and WeAreSaltandLight.org for help cultivating a spirit of encounter and welcoming towards people of diverse backgrounds

3. Our faith calls us to care for God’s creation and help poor countries and communities adapt to the effects of climate change. Read and reflect upon this story about the connection between poverty and climate change in Filipino community.

4. We are called to lift up and support those who are vulnerable as they seek change in their communities. A key element of breaking the cycle of poverty is empowering communities through subsidiarity and supporting their work through solidarity. Learn more about how you can impact poverty through CCHD

5. The Two Feet of Love in Action are two unique but complementary ways to fight poverty. Watch this video about how one foot is social justice— eliminating root causes of poverty, and the second is charitable works— responding to immediate needs. Search for a local organization you can join and learn about the current policies affecting persons in poverty.

6. Today begins the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated each year on January 18-25. The 2019 theme is “Justice and Only Justice You Shall Pursue” (Deuteronomy 16:18- 20). Created by the Christian community in Indonesia, it urges Christians to reflect on the ways that they are complicit in injustice

7. There are many ways to help raise awareness in our communities. One creative way is through the CCHD Creating on the Margins Contest. The 2019 contest theme is: “A Time to Heal Racism” inspired by the new pastoral letter against racism Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love. Learn about how you can get your local school and parish involved. Who can you invite to participate?

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