**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 2018**

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 2018**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de l’âme de Christiane Aristide – par sa fille

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

Repose of the souls of Aldemor

Monuma et Etienne Jean Baptiste

par Marie Laurenceau

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

Por el eterno descanso del alma de

Valentina Córdoba, pedida por su familia

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Action de grâce anniversaire de naissance de Yvette Docteur - par ses enfants

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de toutes les ames du purgatoire –

par Bernadette Louis

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’âme de Ghislaine D’Apollon

-par une amie

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, 2018**

**7**:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 2018**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, 2018**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos des âmes de Georgette et Francisco

Vincent – par leur fille Nicole Vincent

**Readings for the Week of November 5th, 2018**

Monday: PHIL 2:1-4/ LK 14:12-14

Tuesday: PHIL 2:5-11/LK 14:15-24

Wednesday: PHIL 2:12-18/LK 14:25-33

Thursday: PHIL 3:3-8A/ LK 15:1-10

Friday: EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 COR 3:9C-11, 16-17/JN 2:13-22

Saturday: PHIL 4:10-19/LK 16:9-15

Sunday: 1 KGS 17:10-16/HEB 9:24-28/MK 12:38-44/MK 12:41-44

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

Mireille Arty, Agatha, Bridgitte Brenor, Bristow, Barbara Carrington, Agathe Charlotin, Patricia Cummings, Rita Darius, E. Delucia, Emery Emanus, Christine Frederick, Sœur Marcelle Fils-Aimé, Cecil Gilbert, Michelle Jadotte, Vilma Johnson, Paul Joseph, Josephine Jones, Ivianne Levine, Barbara Maxamin, Deacon Paul Norman, Miraclea Pierre, Bianca St. Vil

thirty-first sunday in ordinary time

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The poet Elizabeth Barrett Browning asked: “How do I love thee?” Jesus answers a similar question with the *Shema*, “Hear, O Israel! The Lord of our God is Lord alone! Therefore, you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart…soul…strength.” Then he adds: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” How do I love you, God? I love you by loving my neighbor in concrete ways. Who is my neighbor? Throughout the Gospels, Jesus includes one’s enemy, someone foreign to me, those different from me, those I envy, covet, take for granted, or might abuse. How do I love you, God? By loving all God’s people, that is, everyone, for God is Creator of all.

Love can be simple, like making a phone call, sending a card, writing an e-mail, or making a visit. Love can take a bit more work, like helping a sister or brother with chores, doing errands for someone, making a meal for those who are incapacitated, or helping at a local shelter. Love can take a lot of work, like being the first to say, “I’m sorry,” working to reconcile with someone who has hurt us, welcoming an immigrant into our neighborhood, or standing up when another human being is publicly ridiculed or discriminated against. I know that when I have not loved my neighbor, I feel regret or shame for what I have done and what I have failed to do. Moses tells us to hear *and observe* God’s statutes and commandments in order to grow, prosper, and become the people God calls us to be. How do I love you, God? By loving all your people, in word and in deed.

God, our Lord, you love us so much that you became human and reached out to us, even when we had ignored your prophets. You continue to reach out to us after the death of your Son. Widen the space of our hearts to love you as generously, by the ways we love our sisters and brothers with the same love you show us.

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

**Sunday, October 28th:**

**Regular Contributions** $ 5,283

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

**Difference -5,242**

**Second Maintenance $723**

Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used225

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,775

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

**From the Pastor’s Desk:**

Dear Members and Friends of St Jerome’s Church,

I am overjoyed at seeing so many of you to the Mass of Thanksgiving at the occasion of my 60th birthday and 33rd year in the service of our Blessed Lord and the reception that follows thereafter. I would like to thank my family and my friends who travelled many many miles to celebrate this event with me. I thank Fr. Saint Martin Estiverne, Parochial Vicar, my brother priests, deacons and their families for gracing us with their presence. I would like to express my gratitude to the Members of the choir under the direction of Mr. Ronald Merisier, Parish Organist, Deacon Culajay, his spouse, Rosa, and the Spanish Community for decorating the Church so beautifully, the lectors, altar servers, Members of the Hospitality Ministry, the Members of the various parish committees and groups for their aggregate effort in making my Thanksgiving Mass and birthday party a joyous and memorable event. Your hard work and creativity were beyond my expectations. Please know that your continued support and prayers are very much appreciated and are important to me. In addition I would like to thank the members the parish at large for their kindness and generosity to me. I would like to thank in a special way the Master of Ceremony, Mr. Pierre Richard, the DJs, Ronald and Maximilien, and all those kind words expressed on my behalf at the reception. Echoing our Blessed Mother I can say “My soul magnifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior….” or “To God be the Glory”

I cannot neglect to offer thanks to the owners and staff of Immaculee Bakery who worked tirelessly in preparing the lavish banquet for the reception, and for decorating the school gymnasium so beautifully with the assistance of the dedicated members of the parish team responsible for this event. Anite “Chapo Ba”

Our parish family is blessed with many gifted parishioners who willingly give their time and talents to the service of the Church. Let us continue to journey together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we seek to build a stronger and more vibrant parish family.

Yours in the joy of Christ's service,

Father Jean Yvon Pierre

Pastor

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

ST. JEROME ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

**DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2018**

PLACE: SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

TIME: 8:00pm – 1:00am

Donation: Adults: $70.00;

Children 12 years and under: $45.00 For tickets call: **(718) 462-0223**

The Raffle will be drawn at this function.

**Update of Annual Catholic Appeal-2018**

It is a pleasure to announce to you that the Church has met the diocesan goal of $41,113, the total amount of pledges of our parish. We thank you wholeheartedly for

your contribution toward the appeal. Our parishioners have pledged $62,874 and presently about $45,441 have been paid toward the pledge. I encourage you to continue paying your pledges in order to support our Church. Your generous contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal above the $41,113 will be used toward the renovation of the convent.

**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.

**Spiritual Care Volunteer Training 2018**

The Department of Spiritual Care at The Brooklyn Hospital Center will host a spiritual care training program, to teach skills for providing spiritual care to persons who are ill or hospitalized. The program will be held on **Saturday,** **November10th and 17th from 9am-4pm**. For more information, contact Chaplain Sarah Spieldenner at **(718) 250-8572**.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Church’s WebsiteParish Vocation CommitteeMeeting**

“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 here 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!

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