**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd, 2019**

5:00 PM Repose of the souls Marie Emila Michel

 & Jacques Junior Oscar – by Sandra Oscar

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 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

 Thanksgiving to God for Favor granted –

 by Ingrid Collin

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

 For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’âme de Christiane Aristide –

 par sa fille

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’ame de Anthony Pradel

 Francois – par Marie Fernande Francois **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 2019**

7:30 AM Thanksgiving to God for favor granted –

 by Maguie Louis

9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu a l’occasion

 de l’anniversaire de naissance de Soeur

 Maguie Louis – par Soeur Marcelle et

 les Filles de Marie

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th, 2019**

**7**:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Jean Arthur –

by Jean Arthur

9:00 AM En memoire de Renaud Thomas –

 par son epouse

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repose des ames de Hugo et Katia

 St. Victor- par Marie Jacqueline Saint Victor

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 2019**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos des ames de Mecene et

 Simone Nazaire – par Norma Nazaire

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th, 2019**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos des âmes des défunts des

 familles Royal et Joseph- par Soeur

 Juvenia Joseph

**Readings for the Week of November 4th, 2019**

**Monday**: Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday:** Rom 12:5-16ab; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24

**Wednesday**: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10

**Friday:** Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8

**Saturday**: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Sunday**: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16—3:5; Lk 20:27-38 or Lk 20:27, 34-38

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, SPECIALLY:**

Agatha Bristow, Barbara Carrington, Luis Culajay, Patricia Cummings, Rita Darius, Emory Emanus, Christine Frederick, Cecil Gilbert, Josephine Jones, Francius Joseph, Sylfise Joseph, Ivianne Levine,Sister Marcelle Fils-Aime, Genevieve Raphael. Rita Tuzinowski.

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

Anne Joseph

thirty-first sunday in ordinary time

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

 There is a common discussion among people in which some claim that some people's sins are so great they do not deserve God's mercy. Only the "innocent" could

be forgiven. I certainly understand where that view might originate, but I offer that the God we meet in scripture has "mercy on all" and "overlook[s] people's sins that they may repent" (Wisdom 11:23). God rebukes sinners to "abandon their wickedness and believe" (Wisdom 12:2). God seeks out the guilty as well as the innocent. Jesus' encounter with Zacchaeus confirms this. People grumbled when Jesus says to Zacchaeus, "Today I must stay at your house" (Luke 19:5). But Jesus came "to seek and to save what was lost" (Luke 19:10). There are people who have a list of those they consider beyond forgiveness.

 However, our readings make clear that one's innocence or guilt does not determine one's value to God. Jesus came "to seek and to save what was lost."

Whether my sin is great or small, I am lost at times, maybe even extremely lost. And I am awed when God's mercy is offered to me, yet I can resist God's generosity when mercy is offered to someone I deem unworthy. The truth is, none of us would be worthy without the all-inclusive reach of God's unconditional love made visible in Jesus Christ. When we go to great lengths to meet God, like climbing a sycamore tree, we can hear Jesus say, "I must stay at your house." Maybe hearing these or similar words addressed to us will elicit an offer of amends as strong and thorough as that proffered by Zacchaeus. Maybe we’ll will hear, "Today salvation has come to this house," expanding our understanding of God's love.

 Gracious and merciful God, you sent your Son, Jesus, to seek and to save what was lost. You continue to reach out to me where I feel most lost or unlovable. Help me climb the tree of doubt to see your face and encounter you as surely did Zacchaeus, and when you invite yourself to my house, let me welcome you

with open arms.

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

**Sunday, October 27th:**

 **Regular Contributions** $ 6,227

**** Weekly budget** 10,525

 **Difference -4,298**

**Second Maintenance $888**

 Number of Registered Parishioners2,000

Number of Envelopes Used245

\*Parishioners who need to use envelopes 1,755

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

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**Sisters of Saint Elisabeth Convent Visit**

The Sisters of Saint Elisabeth Convent would like to invite you to have a look at handmade religious articles and souvenirs made by the Sisters of Saint Elisabeth Convent (Belarus) who will visit St. Jerome Church on **November 12, 2019 (Tuesday) after 7:30 am mass as well as after 9:00 am mass**, so please bring money!

**The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns Retreat**

The Vicariate of Black Catholic Concerns (Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens) invites you to a two day Black Catholic History Month Celebration. This year’s theme is *Put on the Whole Armor of God*. The event will take place on **Saturday, November 16th, 2019** **from 10am-3pm** which is a retreat and workshop for adults and youth (**13-18**), tickets are **$35** and includes lunch. While Sunday, **November 17th, 2019** at **4pm** will honor several individuals who demonstrate what the month is all about. The retreat will be held at **St. Therese of Lisieux R.C Church (4402 Avenue D, Brooklyn, NY 11203)** and will be led by Fr. Chester P. Smith, SVD.

**For more information, call Elreta Fowler: (718)-774-3806 or email blackcatholicconcern@diobrook.org**

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**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.

**Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner**

St. Jerome requests the honor of your presence at their **Annual thanksgiving Dinner** on **Saturday, November,** **30th** from **1:00pm-6:00pm** **in the Gymnasium/ Cafeteria.** All are welcome!

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**Church’s Website**

Please visit the church’s website at

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

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 **Military Services**

The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), has officially kicked off its 2019 National Collection campaign. This collection will support pastoral care and ministry to Catholic families stationed worldwide in the U.S. Military, and Catholic patients in Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Center throughout the country and in Guam and Puerto Rico. So, please be generous in next weekend’s collection.

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**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

ST. JEROME ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

**DATE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2019**

PLACE: GLEN TERRACE

5313 AVENUE N. (off Utica Avenue)

COCKTAILS: 8:00pm – 9:00pm

DINNER/DANCING: 9:00pm – 1:00am

Donation: Adults: $100.00;

Children 12 years and under: $60.00

For tickets call: **(718) 462-0223**

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**The Pope's Monthly Intentions For 2019**

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

November-Evangelization: Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

 **Organ Fest**
Are you a church musician – or merely a fan of great organ music? Join Saint Joseph's Seminary for a day dedicated to celebrating and enjoying the "king of instruments" – the pipe organ on **Saturday, November 23, 2019 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM** ! You’ll hear from Jared Lamenzo, director of music at the Basilica of Old St. Patrick's Cathedral; enjoy breakout sessions with some of New York's finest Catholic musicians; have the chance to participate in a roundtable discussion with representatives of three of the world’s most renowned organ builders; and enjoy an "all-star" concert on the Seminary's 41-rank Casavant Frères pipe organ.

Tickets are **$20-35** can be purchased at nyliturgy.org/organfest.

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**Mass for Haiti**

Please come join the parish of **Our Lady of Refuge (2020 Foster Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11210)** on **Saturday, November 9th,2019 at 12pm** to pray for relief in Haiti. Currently, Haiti is experiencing much political unrest and to many, things seem hopeless. Help us fight this notion through prayer and community.

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