**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, August 1st , 2020**

5:00 PM For the people of the parish

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2nd, 2020**

7:45 AM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

En memoire de Christiane Aristide –

par sa fille

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

No Mass Intentions

10:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

Por el Eterno Descanso de el alma de

Silvestre Cordova En sus dos anos de

fallecido – pedido por su familia

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

For the people of the parish

**MONDAY, AUGUST 3rd, 2020**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 2020**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5th, 2020**

7:30 AM Repose of the soul of Sister Marcelle Fils-

Aime

9:00 AM Deliverance et liberation pour les ames des

défunts de la la famille Cadestin – par la

famille cadestin

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 2020**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grace anniversaire de naissance

de Sherly Frederic – par Sherly Frederic

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 2020**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 8th, 2020**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’ame de Sandra Balan – par les

familles Balan et Franck

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**Readings for the Week of August 3rd, 2020**

**Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36**

**Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14**

**Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28**

**Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9**

**Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28**

**Saturday: Hab 1:12—2:4; Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 17:14-20**

**Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33**

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

Agatha Bristow,SariliaCernier,Josephine Patricia Cummings, Rita Darius, Emery Emanus, Elysee, Christine Frederick, Cecil Gilbert, Marc Jean, Josephine Jones, Sylfise Joseph, Ivianne Levine,Sister Marie ElzaVallery, , Rita Tuzinowski, Stephen Victor

****EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Gospel miracles are sometimes difficult for us modern people to believe in (of course, scripture indicates that they were difficult for people in Jesus’ day as well). So we attempt to find ways to make them fit more easily into our worldview, to say that they are not really miracles, but rather inspiring stories that teach a moral lesson.

One sometimes hears the stories of the feeding of the multitudes found in the Gospels explained in the terms of a “miracles of sharing.” That is, the seemingly miraculous event is explained with the claim that the people in the crowd actually had brought food with them, but were unwilling to share it with others. When they saw the five loaves and two fish being shared so generously, they were inspired to share their own food and by the means of this “miracle” there was plenty of food for everybody.

This would be an inspiring story of what human beings are capable of, but it is not the story that the Gospels recount. The focus of the stories of the feeding of the crowds is not on what human beings are capable of, but on what God is capable of. The story is not about our generosity, but about God’s. The story is about how God in Christ can do for us what we are incapable of doing for ourselves, no matter how inspired we might feel. As the first reading reminds us, in the end only God can quench our thirst and satisfy our hunger. This is echoed in the second reading as well: it is the love of God given to us in Christ that allows us to “conquer overwhelmingly” the challenges that face us in life and in death. This is the miracle and mystery to which all the other miracles point, and which we accept in faith.

Almighty God, I know you continue to work marvels and wonders in our world today, for you alone have the power to save. Amen.

**Dear parishioners**,

It is with great joy that I am announcing the reopening of the parish office. This will be effective **Monday August 3rd, 2020.** However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there will be new guidelines and office hours. The office will be **open Monday-Friday 9:30am-4:45pm**, and **closed on Saturday and Sunday**. Screenings will take place on the steps of the rectory office, this includes: taking temperatures and questionnaire. **A mask is required for entrance**. Due to a limitation of space we can only take one person at a time. You are encouraged to call the office at **(718)-462-0223** to make an appointment. If you are there for mass intentions aside from coming in, you are encouraged to mail it in or drop it in our mail slot. English/Creole Baptism registration takes place on Mondays and Fridays 10:30am to 11:30am, and Spanish Baptism registration takes place on Thursdays 10:30am-11:30am. **YOU MUST CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT**. We look forward to seeing you.

- Your Pastor,

**Fr. Jean Pierre Yvon**

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions For 2020**

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.

**August-** **The Maritime World**

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

**UPDATING YOUR PARISH FILE**

Also, we **need** to update your information in order to better communicate with you during this crisis. Please text your full name and e-mail address at **347-293-3824** so we can update our files.

**Alternative Offerings**

Your generosity is what allows us to sustain our parish during this time. Please consider mailing your envelopes or using our convenient electronic giving method. You can access our E-giving page at https://givecentral.org/stjbrooklyn .

Or simply text the word **SUNDAY** to

**917-905-2031**. Parishioners are also permitted to drop their offerings using the rectory mail slot.

**Sacraments of Initiations**

As our parish returns to a sense of normalcy, it’s important that we remember these upcoming dates.

Communion August 1st 11:00 am

Confirmation August 29th- 11:00am

**Returning to Mass Video**

As we return to mass, it is imperative that we are aware of the new normal. To do so we request that all parishioners review this video in which Bishop DiMarzio addresses this new normal.

**English**: https://vimeo.com/430806908

**Spanish**: https://vimeo.com/430805591

**Creole:** https://vimeo.com/432497004

**Resuming Masses**

**As masses resume it’s important to keep in mind that Social distancing** will be strictly enforced- The Church have a limit of 25% capacity **of 90 PEOPLE.** I have listed below a brief outline from the diocese regarding the new regulations for Mass during the pandemic:

* **A face mask is required to enter the church** and it must remain on except when consuming the host after receiving communion from the priest**.**
* **no entrance processions**
* **No Choir is allowed**. Only one organist and a cantor
* **No missals, nor song sheets to be distributed**
* **No Handshake at the sign of Peace.**
* **Holy communion by hand only.**
* **No reception of the Precious Blood of Christ**
* **The Mass schedules remain the same.**

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass remains in effect until further notice.  As such, the Diocese urges anyone who feels sick in any way to stay home. Mass will continue to be broadcast live on the Diocesan cable channel, NET-TV, and streamed online.  NET-TV is available in the New York City market on Spectrum, channel 97; Optimum, channel 30; and Fios by Verizon, channel 48.

* "We have endured a period of great challenge, especially here in our Diocese in Brooklyn and Queens, but the Lord was with us all the way. Now in just over a week,

Please do your very best to observe these guidelines which will remain in effect until further notice from the diocese.

**Church’s Website**

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

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