**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2023**

5:00 PM   For the People of the Parish

**SUNDAY,** **SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2023**

7:30 AM     LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’âme de Christiane Aristide

 par sa fille

10:00 AM   UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

      In loving memory of Rita Darius

 by Rosey Gilbert and family

11:00 AM   LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

      For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM      UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 For the People of the Parish

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2023**

7:30 AM    Repose of the soul of Lourdes Divers

 by her daughter; Rose Marie Georges

9:00 AM  No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2023**

7:30 AM   No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM  No Mass Intentions

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2023**

7:30 AM    No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM   No Mass Intentions

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2023**

7:30 AM    No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM   No Mass Intentions

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2023**

7:30 AM    Birthday blessings for Erickson Louis

 By his mother; Dominique Louis

9:00 AM    No Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2023**

8:00 AM   No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM   No Mass Intentions

**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.

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2023**

***SEPTEMBER: For People Living on the Margins***

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

***PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK ESPECIALLY***

Yvrose Auguste, Giselle Beausoleil, Agatha Bristow, Georgette Charles, Lydia Christien, Kenneth Culajay, George Farid Puzo, Herma Farrell, Jean Harbin, Andre Innocent, Amina Joseph, Bob Johnson, Elisa Quashie Lawrence, Fleurisca Lexius, Jennifer Mitchell, Denesse Reddi-Fraser, Rosalind Wahab

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

 Are you familiar with the principle of subsidiarity? First go to the lowest level needed to settle a conflict. Go first to your brother or sister. If that settles it, all is well. If not, move up to the next level of authority. If that does not settle the situation, take witnesses to ensure fairness to you and your opponent. If that does not bring resolution, invoke the entire community. If that doesn’t work, treat the person like an outsider. Treating someone like a Gentile or tax collector can mean ignoring and mistreating the person. Faithful Jews thought of Gentiles and sinners as unworthy of respect. Others apply Jesus’ teaching about loving one’s neighbor, even one’s enemy, love to the outsider: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” In other words, even tough love includes basic respect.

 Tough love sets boundaries that can separate someone from the community until the person chooses to change. It’s their choice. That’s Ezekiel’s message: Tell the wicked one what needs to change. They must make the choice. If we speak, we have done our part. If we do not speak out, then we will be held responsible for the actions of the wicked.

 St. Catherine of Siena said, “Speak the truth in love.” That’s how God treats us, even when we turn away from God. Speak from the desire that the other will change, not to destroy them. This requires inner subsidiarity to God’s spirit within us. It also requires being caring rather than judgmental—again, like God treats us. Speak in the way that you would want someone to speak to you. Love your neighbor as yourself. Seek not to do evil to your neighbor and thus fulfill the law.

 Holy God, you call us to love our sisters and brothers as ourselves. That can be difficult in the face of conflict or rejection. Keep me from being judgmental. Help me find ways to say difficult things to others in the way that I would like to hear them said to me.

**Vocation**

“Where two or three are gathered in My name …” The community who gathers in Christ needs leadership. Might He be inviting you to consider a vocation to the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org

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****OUR** **WEEKLY GIFT TO GOD\***

 **Sunday, September 3rd:**

**Regular Contributions** $ $5,080

 **Online Offerings 695**

 **Weekly budget** -10,525

 **Difference -$4,750**

**Catholic University $414**

\***Give to God with love by placing your gift inside the offering envelopes. May God continue to bless you.**

**FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION**

Registration for Religious Education is ongoing. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at 646-664-6738 or via email: stjeromeff@outlook.com to make an appointment to register. You can also register online at: [www.givecentral.org/stjb-ff](http://www.givecentral.org/stjb-ff)

Please make every effort to register your child for Religious Education classes by August 31, 2023. School will begin on Sunday, September10, 2023.

**Collection for The Catholic University of America**

Thank you for your generosity in the Collection for The Catholic University of America. Your donation helps provide an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 8,000 students.

**Collection for The Catholic Education/St. Elizabeth**

Next weekend, September 17th, we will take a second collection to support the Catholic Education/St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Trust Fund. Please be generous.



**Diocesan Eucharistic Congress led by Bishop Brennan**

Encounter Christ’s Real Presence in the Eucharist on a Pilgrimage with Bishop Brennan! The National Eucharistic Revival will culminate in the National Eucharistic Congress taking place July 17 – 21, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Tickets are limited. Enroll today! For more detailed information, please contact the rectory office at

718-462-0223

**RCIA-Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults**

New RCIA classes for the preparation of adults to become members of the Catholic Church Family begin on Tuesday, September 05, 2023. St Jerome's Church welcomes all non-Catholic adults who are currently attending church and are interested in becoming members of our family; adults who are Catholics but have not completed their Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist; adults who have not been baptized; and also, adults who have a great desire to learn more about the faith. All are welcome. Please call the rectory during business hours at 646-664-6738 to register.

**St. Jerome Pilgrimage to**

**Egypt, The Holy Land and Jordan**

**May 1, 2024 to May 15, 2024**

Join your fellow parishioners in an unforgettable pilgrimage trip to Egypt, The Holy Land and Jordan under the spiritual direction of our pastor, Reverend Jean Yvon Pierre. **$4,899 from New York**

**Single Room Supplement- $899**

Pick up a flyer in the church for more information. For reservations, call the Rectory Office at (718)462-0223. You may conveniently register online @ www.AdriaticPilgrimages.com

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**TWENTIETH ANNUAL PRAYER BREAKFAST**

**DATE:** SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2023

9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Special Guest Speaker:

**Rev. Kieran Udeze**

**LOCATION:** St. Jerome School Gymnasium

Admission- Adults: $25.00;

Children under 12 years: $15.00

**SAVE THE DATES!**

***Saturday, September 23rd***: Annual prayer breakfast

***Sunday, September 24th***: Spanish retreat

***Monday, September 25th***: English retreat

***Tuesday and Wednesday September,***

***26th & 27th***: Creole retreat

***Saturday, September 30th***: St. Jerome’s Feast day

***Saturday, October 7th***: Diocesan Eucharistic revival

***Friday, November 10th***: Annual dinner dance

***Tuesday, December 12th***: Our lady of Guadalupe feast

**ST. JEROME R.C. CHURCH ANNUAL DINNER DANCE**

**DATE:** FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH, 2023

**PLACE:** GLEN TERRACE

5313 AVENUE N. (off Utica Avenue)

**COCKTAILS:** 8:00pm – 9:00pm

**DINNER/DANCING & RAFFLE:** 9:00pm – 1:00am

Donation: Adults: $150.00

Children 12 years and under: $100.00

For tickets call: (718) 462-0223

**Readings for the Week –September 10th 2023**

Monday: Col1:24–2:3 Ps 62:6-7, 9 Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7 Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

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