**Parish Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2024**

5:00 PM   For the People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28Th, 2024**

7:30 AM     LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Action de grace anniversaire de naissance de

 Samaya José – par sa grande-mère, Martha José

10:00 AM   UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

 For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM   LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

     For the People of the Parish

1:00 PM      UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

 Repos de l’ame de Apalius Menard

 -par Apaly Ali Menard

**MONDAY, APRIL 29TH 2024**

7:30 AM    No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM  No Mass Intentions

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30TH 2024**

7:30 AM     No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM  - Repos de l’ame de Apalius Menard

 –par Apaly Ali Menard

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST, 2024**

7:30 AM    Birthday Blessings for Mia Polizzotto

 -by her parents

9:00 AM  Remerciement a Dieu en l’honneur de St.

 Jacques et St. Phillip -par Yvela Nathan

**THURSDAY, MAY 2ND, 2024**

7:30 AM    No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM  -Remerciement a Dieu anniversaire de naissance

 de Miriette Innocent – par sa Famille

**FRIDAY, MAY 3RD 2024**

7:30 AM     No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l’ame de Deacon Magloire Marcel

 -par son E pouse, Marie Josette

**SATURDAY, MAY 4TH, 2024**

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.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK ESPECIALLY**

Yvrose Auguste, Giselle Beausoleil, Agatha Bristow, Georgette Charles, Umatile Pierre, George Farid Puzo, Herma Farrell, Jean Harbin, Andre Innocent, Amina Joseph, Elisa Quashie-Lawrence, Fleurisca Lexius, Dennese Reddie-Fraser, Rosalind Wahab

**The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2024**

**APRIL: *For the role of women***

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*My Brothers and Sisters in Christ*,

 The *Baltimore Catechism* asked: “Why did God make us?” The answer is that we are made to know, love, and serve God in this world and to be happy with God forever in the next. This answer gives a nod to this world, but is also focused on the next. Yet our faith is incarnational. As St. Athanasius expressed it, God became human that we might become divine. This changes our focus. God’s dwelling place is *with* the human race, with us. God makes all things new, including this world. We are instruments of that newness. We help to bring it about by living Jesus’ command to love one another as he has loved us, totally. To persevere in faith means living that command.

 Love is more than what greeting cards might suggest. It is not simply about feeling good. Jesus’ love goes deeper. His love calls us to see all people with God’s eyes, even those people we would rather ignore. It means being willing to put the other first, when necessary, as God put us first. As Philippians 2:6 tells us: “Though in the form of God, Jesus did not deem equality with God something to be grasped.” He emptied himself to become as we are. Loving as Jesus loves requires us to do the same.

 The movie *Wonder* is about Auggie and his family, all of whom live with Auggie’s Teacher Collins syndrome. The family puts Auggie first. Each family member sacrifices something for him. That sacrificial love transforms Auggie, their family, his school, and his classmates. That process is painful and freeing. We know, love, and serve God by living the sacrificial love of Jesus, which makes us and our world new. God dwells with us now. The joy of Christ’s love creates a new earth and leads us to a new vision of heaven.

 Loving God, you became one with us that we might become one with you and with one another. May your love for us, made uniquely visible in Jesus, teach us how to love one another as he did, so you can make all things new.

**VOCATION**

“He had spoken out boldly in the name of Jesus.” How will you manifest your discipleship? Consider living the Lord’s new commandment of love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org

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

Sunday, April 21st:

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 **Regular Contribution $5,318**

**Online Offerings 242**

 **Weekly budget** -10,525

 **Difference -4,965**

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

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

The 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal is underway. The goal for this year will be announced soon. We ask all parishioners to contribute towards the Catholic Appeal. Your donation supports the many needs of our Diocese. More information will be shared in the coming weeks. Our In-Pew Sundays will be April 21st and April 28th.

**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)

**UPCOMING SACRAMENTS**

The parish will be celebrating the Sacraments of …

* The Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday May 5th during the 10:00 AM Mass
* The Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, June 15th at 5:00 PM

We humbly ask the entire congregation to keep these young candidates in their prayers as they ready themselves for these Sacraments. All are warmly welcomed to join us in celebrating these joyous occasions

**INTERNATIONAL CUISINE DAY**

Members of the Parish Fundraising Committee cordially invite you to an international Cuisine Day on **Saturday, June 8th, 2024 from 2:00pm-7:00pm.** This event will take place in the church yard**.** The price is **$30 for adults and $20 for children 12yrs and under**. This event is for all ages. Come and experience another culture through delicious food and music.

**ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?**

To better serve you as a parishioner, we kindly request that you register your family. Please do not assume that attending Mass here automatically registers you in the Parish. To facilitate baptism requests, arrange a wedding Mass, and other services, registration in the parish is necessary. To register, kindly visit the rectory during business hours and complete a registration form.

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

classes for the preparation of adults to become members of the Catholic Church Family has begun. St Jerome's Church welcomes all non-Catholic adults who are currently attending church and are interested in becoming members of our family. Please call the rectory during business hours at 646-664-6738 to register.

**POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried… But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.

**Readings for the Week –April 28th,2024**

**Monday**Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26
**Tuesday**Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 Jn 14:27-31a
**Wednesday**Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 Jn 15:1-8
**Thursday**Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11
**Friday**1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Jn 14:6-14
**Saturday**Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 Jn 15:18-21
**Sunday**Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17