

# PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST, 2024

5:00 PM Thanksgiving to God in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help -by Daniella Terlonge

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2024

7:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE  
Remerciement a Dieu anniversaire de naissance de Vero Dianne Momplaisir -par sa mère, Suzette D. Momplaisir

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS  
For the repose of the soul of Antoine Akakpo Vidah and Antoinette Akakpo Vidah

11:00 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL  
Por la sanidad de Dios Sobre Isidra Silva -por su familia

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE  
Pour Les Leoganais en l'honneur de St. Rose de Lima -Par Les Leoganais

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Remerciement a Dieu, anniversaire de naissance de Marie Helen Paul -par ses enfants

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Emmanuel Blot -par sa famille

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2024

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

### MASS INTENTIONS



We encourage all parishioners to consider requesting the daily Mass for their intentions. The Mass is the supreme act of thanksgiving. Whether you are celebrating an anniversary, or you want to give thanks for healing, blessings received, or pray for your beloved deceased, it is always good to do so in the context of Mass. The Mass book is open. Stop by the rectory to request a Mass intention.

### VOCATION

“He willed to give us birth.” Is your prayer attentive to the wisdom of Christ? Is He inviting you to follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org)

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*



Sometimes it seems as if Jesus is unconcerned with rule-keeping. He sometimes let's go of, and is even harshly critical of, those human rules that he thinks get in the way of focusing on what is essential in our relationship with God. At the same time, he shows great reverence for the Law given to Moses by God. He sees that the purpose of the Law is not to put God at a distance but rather to show that, as Moses says to the Israelites in the book of Deuteronomy, no nation “has gods so close to it as the Lord, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him.”

What is essential to remember with any religious rule or law is that, unlike civic rules or laws, it is only of ultimate value if it is linked with the proper inner disposition; we cannot honor God with our lips but not in our hearts. Whether I am particularly happy about it or not, what is important about traffic laws is that I obey them. But if I go to Mass or fast or give alms in a grudging fashion, what good does this do me? It leaves untransformed my heart, which is the source of evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, and so forth.

At the same time, our outward actions are important. The Letter of James says that we must be “doers of the word and not hearers only,” because our outward actions affect our inward feelings. Fulfilling our religious obligations, even when we aren't particularly “feeling it,” can be an important way in which we shape our dispositions. Just as with playing a sport or a musical instrument, the Christian life becomes more enjoyable and fulfilling with practice. So, our life in Christ requires a delicate balancing act in which outward behavior is important even though ultimately, it is the state of our heart that matters to God

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

Vivian Rodriguez

### 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, Mr. and Mrs. Nayel Birotte, Fleurisca Lexius, Isidra Silva, Dennese Reddie-Fraser, T Perard, Rosalind Wahab

### The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2024

#### *September: For the cry of the Earth*

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

# MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
5:00PM VIGIL MASS	40
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	280
10:00AM ENGLISH MASS	107
11:00AM SPANISH MASS	70
1:00PM CREOLE MASS	295

## Collection for The Catholic University of America

The revenue from this collection provides funding for academic scholarships at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in response to the commitment made by the bishops at its foundation in 1887. The Catholic University of America is the only U.S. University with Pontifical faculties. Students are enrolled from all 50 states and almost 100 countries in 12 schools. Please be generous in next weekend's second collection.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



Thank you to everyone who has already pledged to support the Annual Catholic Appeal 2024. This year, our parish's goal is to raise \$44,000 for the Diocese.

Once we reach our goal, any funds collected beyond \$44,000 will benefit our parish directly. We encourage everyone to consider making a pledge or a one-time donation. Remember, the well-being of our parish is a responsibility shared by each and every one of us.

## RCIA-Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults

New RCIA classes for the preparation of adults to become members of the Catholic Church Family will commence on **September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 7:30pm online, via zoom**. 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 received all the sacraments of initiation but have a great desire to learn more about the faith. All are welcome. Please call the rectory during office hours at 646-664-6738 to register.

## ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY



"Let the Children come to me," says the Lord. Altar Servers are needed: Parents with children who have already received First Communion are invited to volunteer their children for the ministry of Altar Server. Training will be provided. If interested, call the rectory at 718-462-0223 and leave names and phone number.

## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

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



The Rectory office will be closed on **Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024** in observance of the Labor Day Holiday

## MANDATORY VIRTUS TRAINING REQUIREMENT

All parish employees and volunteers must complete Virtus training or renew it every seven years. If your last certificate is from 2017 or earlier, you need to renew. New volunteers must also complete this training. St. Vincent Ferrer Church in Brooklyn, NY is hosting a session on **Saturday, September 7, 2024, at 1:00 PM**. Register online at [Virtus.org](http://Virtus.org). For questions, contact St. Vincent Ferrer's rectory at 718-859-9009.

## ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

In order to better serve you as a parishioner, we are asking you to register your family. Please do not assume because you attend Mass here you are registered in the Parish. To fulfill baptism requests, arrange a wedding Mass, or get a sacramental sponsor certificate, you must be registered. To register, you can stop by the rectory during office hours and fill out a registration form.


## ST. JEROME ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

*We are excited to invite you to our Annual Dinner Dance Fundraiser!*

 **DATE:** FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, 2024

 **PLACE:** GLEN TERRACE

5313 AVENUE N. (off Utica Avenue)

 **COCKTAILS:** 8:00pm – 9:00pm

**DINNER, DANCING & RAFFLE:** 9pm - 1am

**DONATION:** Adults: \$150.00

Children 12 years and under: \$100.00

**FOR TICKETS:** Call (718) 462-0223

*We look forward to an unforgettable night of fine dining, dancing, and exciting raffle prizes.  
Don't miss out on this special occasion!*

## Readings for the Week –September 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024

**Monday** 1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday** 1 Cor 2:10b-16 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13AB, 13CD-14 Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday** 1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday** 1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 5:1-11

**Friday** 1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday** 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 Lk 6:1-5

**Sunday** Is 35:4-7a Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37

## FEAST OF ST. JEROME PREP ACTIVITIES

### ANNUAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Time - 9:30 am - 1:00 pm  
Location - St. Jerome School Gymnasium  
Admission - Adults: \$25.00  
Children under 12 years: \$15.00

### SPANISH RETREAT

Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> right after the 11am Mass  
In the lower church

### ENGLISH RETREAT

Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>  
At 7pm in the upper church

### CREOLE RETREAT

Monday September 23<sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>  
At 7:30pm in the lower church

### ST. JEROME FAMILY FUN DAY

We are excited to invite all parishioners to our Family Fun Day! Join us for a day filled with joy, laughter, and community spirit. Mark your calendars for **September 28th from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the Church Yard** Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of fun activities, delicious food, and great fellowship. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners and enjoy a day of shared enjoyment. We look forward to seeing you there!

FAMILY FUN

### ST. JEROME PARISH SPIRITUAL CONCERT



You are invited to a trilingual fundraising concert celebrating the Feast of St. Jerome.

**DATE:** SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2024

**TIME:** 6:30 PM

**LOCATION:** ST. JEROME UPPER CHURCH

**TICKETS:** \$20.00

Please contact 718-462-0223 for more information.

### **ST. JEROME'S FEAST DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup> 2024**

**7:30 AM - Lower Church: English**

**9:00 AM - Lower Church: Creole**

**7:30 PM - Upper Church: Trilingual**



## Father Hilaire Belizaire

25 Years Priesthood Jubilee Celebration  
Once in a Lifetime Journey!  
September 15 – 28, 2025



**Rome, Sicily, Valencia  
Ibiza, Marseille, Genoa**  
Vatican City, Papal Audience,  
Rome City Tour, Vatican Museum

Round Trip Air from JFK, 5 Nights Hotel in Rome, 7 Night Cruise Cabin,  
Transfers, Tours in Rome, All Meals aboard Ship  
Prices Start at: Inside \$4,699+; Oceanview \$4,799+; Balcony \$4,979+  
Deposit of \$500 per person Due Now! Final due June 5, 2025  
Prices vary based on availability & Specials, per person based on two sharing the cabin.  
Payment Plan: Monthly payments are mandatory. Nine installments

Make check payable to Kompa Guide

Mail to: Kompa Guide • PO Box 110517 • Cambria Heights, NY 11411

Not Included: Insurance highly recommended, shore excursions, alcohol, tipping/gratuities

Valid passport at least 6 months after return date. Deposit is non-refundable.

Insurance must be purchased at the time of booking to cover pre-existing conditions.

**Reservation: 347-432-7359**

The Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome will open on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2024, to mark the beginning of the 2025 Jubilee Year. The Holy Door, also known as the Porta Sancta, is a special door that symbolizes the opening of the gates of mercy and is only opened during Jubilee Years, which occur every 25 years. On the first day of the Jubilee Year, the Pope will use a silver hammer to strike the brick wall and open the door to pilgrims.

Nan okazyon, 25èm anivèsè sasèdòs pè Hilaire e nan okazyon Ane Jibile 2025 laN, p. Hilaire ap envite tout pawasyen kote li sèvi kòm pè nan yon pelerinaj de 15 a 28 Septanm a Rome nan Vatican, kote nap gen chans genyen odyans avek pap la. Si ou enterese, wè Pè Hilaire oubyen rele Gina Faustin nan 347-432-7359. Pye kout, pran devan. Jou yo kouri vit.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** – Feast of Christ the King/ Evening Vespers

**Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**-Community Thanksgiving Dinner

**Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**: Our lady of Guadalupe feast

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Annual Temoins du Christ Christmas Concert



# Keeping Clean



In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the Pharisees that having your soul clean from sins is more important than keeping your body clean!

But that doesn't mean that we should be dirty! God wants us to keep our bodies and our souls clean.

We keep our bodies clean when we wash our hands or take a bath. Do you know how we keep our souls clean?



When someone does a big sin he or she needs to go to confession to get cleaned up. Confession cleans away our little sins too. Other things that take away small sins are going to Holy Communion, praying, and blessing ourselves with holy water.



Answers to True or False:  
1.false 2.true 3.true 4.true  
5.false 6.true 7.true

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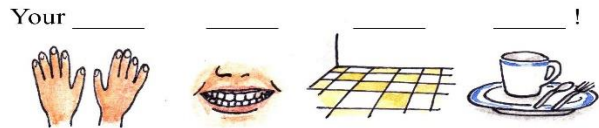
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September 1st, 2024



Mark 7:1-8,  
14-15, 21-23

The Jews knew that it was important to keep their bodies and their dishes clean. But Jesus told them that something else was more important. What was it?

Match the letters from the top pictures with the things they clean at the bottom of the page to find out what is the most important thing to keep clean!



## Saint Teresa of Calcutta September 5

AGNES GONXHA BOJAXHIU WAS BORN IN YUGOSLAVIA IN 1910. HER FATHER DIED WHEN SHE WAS 8. AT AGE 12 SHE KNEW GOD WANTED HER TO BE A MISSIONARY.

Lord, You want me to work for you, don't you?

WHEN SHE WAS 18 AGNES BECAME A NUN AND TOOK THE NAME TERESA. SHE TAUGHT AT A SCHOOL FOR RICH GIRLS IN INDIA.

ON A TRAIN WHEN SHE WAS 36, SR. TERESA FELT GOD CALL HER TO SERVE THE VERY POOR. I want you to serve Me in the poorest of the poor.

Today we will start learning how to read!

SHE GOT PERMISSION TO TAKE A NEW HABIT AND START A SCHOOL FOR POOR CHILDREN.

SOON OTHER WOMEN JOINED MOTHER TERESA TO HELP THE POOR AND DYING.

MOTHER TERESA KNEW THAT THEY COULD NOT CONTINUE WITHOUT TAKING TIME EVERY DAY TO TALK WITH JESUS.

Governments should also work to protect the poor and the unborn.

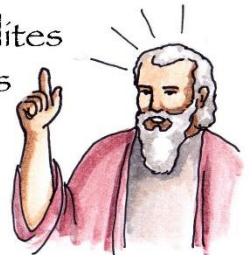
IN 1979 MOTHER TERESA WON THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE, BUT SHE STAYED HUMBLE AND USED EVERY CHANCE TO TELL THE RICH AND POWERFUL PEOPLE TO PROTECT THE POOR AND WEAK.

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1997. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO DEFEND AND HELP THOSE WHO CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND UNBORN CHILDREN. WE ALSO LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLE THAT WE NEED TO SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH JESUS EVERY DAY.

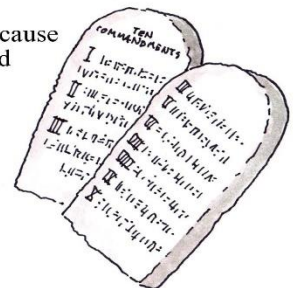
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## Moses Tells the Israelites to Follow God's Laws True or False

How much do you know about God's commandments for the Israelites? See if you know which of these are true and which are false:



- Moses only taught some of the people of Israel that they had to obey the commandments that God gave them. True or false?
- The people had to obey God's laws if they wanted to live in the land that He was giving them. True or false?
- Moses said that they were not allowed to add to God's law, nor take away from it. True or false?
- If the people obeyed God's commandments then all the other nations would see that they were wise. True or false?
- The laws that God gave the people of Israel were unfair. True or false?
- God gave His people laws because He cared for them and wanted what was best for them. True or false?
- We should obey God's commandments because they tell us how to live well. True or false?



Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

