## **PARISH MASS INTENTIONS**

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2024

5:00 PM For the people of the Parish

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2024

7:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE Remerciement a Dieu, anniversaire de naissance de Jean Solange Nelzy

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH- ENGLISH MASS Thanksgiving to God, Birthday Blessings for Patricia Prosper

11:00 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL For the people of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE Remerciement a Dieu en l'honneur de Notre Dame de la Mercy -par la famille Toussaint J.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2024

7:30 AM For the Parishioners of St. Jerome

9:00 AM Pour les fideles de la paroise de St. Jerome

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2024**

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Denise Agnes Rolande LaForest -par Fabienne Lamarque

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions 9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions 9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions 9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH, 2024**

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Charite Simon -par Kathleen Philogen

#### **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**

"Whoever is not against us is for us." Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: <a href="mailto:vocations@diobrook.org">vocations@diobrook.org</a>

#### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ

Today's readings draw our attention to the action of God's Spirit, whether in friends, foes, or ourselves. Jesus says, "Whoever is not against us is for us" (Mark 9:40). If someone does good rather than evil, embodying the values of Jesus, we can recognize God's Spirit at work there. You may find a model for how to live out Jesus' teachings more clearly in your own life. Rash judgment or overreaction, like that of the disciples, often blinds us to these models, especially when someone doesn't fit our expectations.

Consider the image of a Muslim in the Middle East who surrounded Christian churches to protect them. Think of those who hid our Jewish sisters and brothers in an attempt to save them from the Holocaust. Reflect on the first responders, from all faiths and none, who entered crumbling buildings on 9/11. These individuals embodied the way of Jesus, regardless of their faith, culture, or way of life. Like Eldad and Medad, they manifest the Spirit of God and are with us, even if they aren't part of our "camp."

Would that all people of faith clearly manifested the Spirit! Would that more people were willing to be surprised by God's presence! St. James reminds us that we are called to respond to the cries of the least, the last, and the lost, to care for others as deeply as we care for ourselves. Too often, self-centeredness, hasty divisions of who's in and who's out, fear of change, and habitual sin can fill our hearts. When we are full of these things, there is little room to see God everywhere.

Make space. Cut off or pluck out whatever takes God's place, whatever limits us. Emptied, turn to God for eyes that can see the Spirit, especially where we least expect it. Whoever is not against us is for us.

Faithful God, Creator of all, all creation is your work of art. Help me to see your Spirit in all people I encounter, even where the spark of your Spirit seems faint. Remove whatever obstructs my ability to live out Jesus' teachings, so that your light might shine brighter today.

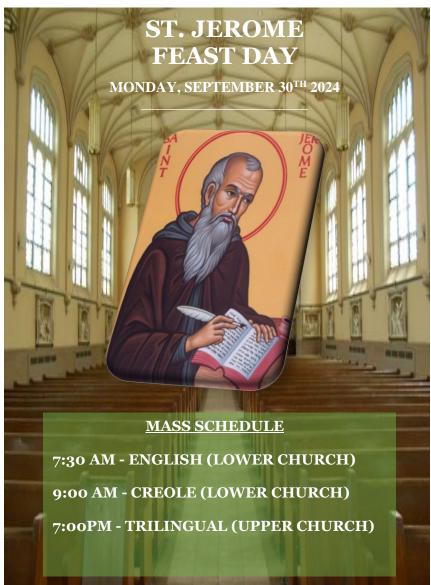
#### Readings for the Week –September 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

Monday Jb 1:6-22 Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8 Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 Mt 18:1-5, 10 Thursday Jb 19:21-27 Ps 27:7-8A, 8B-9ABC, 13-14 Lk 10:1-12 Friday Jb 38:1, 12-21 40:3-5 Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab Lk 10:13-16 Saturday Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 Lk 10:17-24 Sunday Gn 2:18-24 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Heb 2:9-11 Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

### **MASS ATTENDANCE**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2024

Mass Time:	Number Of attendees:
5:00PM VIGIL MASS	40
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	291
10:00AM ENGLISH MASS	112
11:00AM SPANISH MASS	108
1:00PM CREOLE MASS	230



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK ESPECIALLY

Yvrose Auguste, Giselle Beausoleil, Agatha Bristow, Georgette Charles, Umatile Pierre, George Farid Puzo, Herma Farrell, Jean Harbin, Ghenane Herbert, Andre Innocent, Amina Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Nayel Birotte, Fleurisca Lexius, Dennese Reddie-Fraser, T Perard, and Rosalind Wahab

#### FEAST OF ST. JEROME SPIRITUAL CONCERT

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

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



**LOCATION:** ST. JEROME UPPER

CHURCH TICKETS: \$20.00

Please contact 718-462-0223 for more information.

# Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor—Memorial September 30<sup>th</sup>



Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Jerome as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed through his many years of devoted service to Your Church.



Saint Jerome, God gave you a unique calling and used you to provide the Church with a foundational understanding of the Scriptures. Your dedication to prayer, asceticism, and study clearly shows your love for God and His Church. Please pray for me, that I will come to the same depth of love for the Scriptures as you did so that I will also come to the same love of God that you had. Saint Jerome, pray for me, Jesus, I trust in You.

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#### 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.

#### **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.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, November 24th - Feast of Christ the King/ **Evening Vespers** 

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

Thursday, December 12th: Our lady of Guadalupe feast Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Annual Temoins du Christ **Christmas Concert** 

#### 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 Altar Servers 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

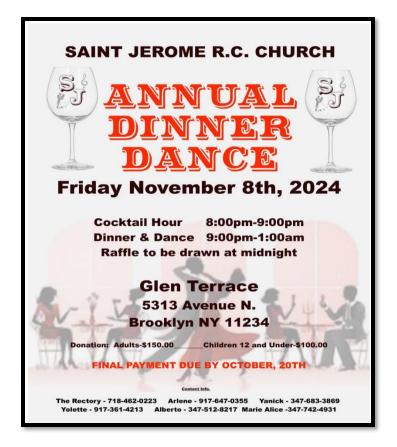
Registration for Religious Education is ongoing. All Children from 1st grade to 8th grade attending public School are to be registered in our parish religious education program to be educated in the faith. 1st communion will be celebrated in 2nd grade after the child receives 2 years of formation. The sacrament of Confirmation receives in 8th grade. Please contact Mrs. Rosey, the Faith Formation Director at 718-462-0223 or at faithformation@stjeromercchurch.org You can also register online at: www.givecentral.org/stjb-ff

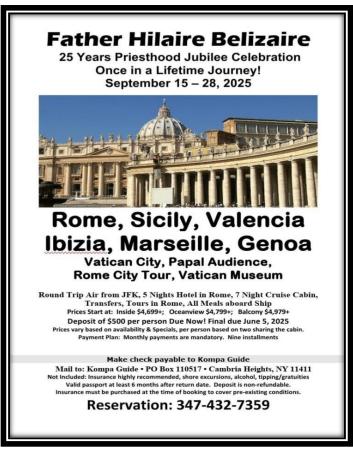
#### **RCIA-Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Registration for RCIA Classes is still open. St. Jerome's Church warmly invites all non-Catholic adults currently attending church who wish to join our community, as well as Catholic adults who have not yet completed their Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, those who have not been baptized, and adults who have received all initiation sacraments but want to deepen their understanding of the faith. Everyone is welcome. To register, please call the rectory during office hours at 718-462-0223.

#### ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

To better serve you as a parishioner, we kindly ask that you register your family with the parish. Attendance at Mass does not automatically imply registration. Registration is necessary for fulfilling baptism requests, arranging a wedding Mass, or obtaining a sacramental sponsor certificate. To register, please visit the rectory during office hours and complete a registration form.





If you are planning to join Fr. Hilaire to Italy, France, and Spain from September 15<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Please contact Gina Faustin at 347-432-7359

Guardian Angels

On October 2nd we celebrate the feast of the Guardian Angels. Did you STOP know that God has an angel YOU KNOW specially looking after you? STEAUNG God gave you a guardian angel IS A SIN! to help guard you against temptation and danger.

Angels are pure spirits. Even though we draw them like people with wings, they don't have bodies, so they don't take up space. They can see and understand much more than we can, and they know God much better than we do, too. They are very powerful and can help us very much.

We should try to talk to our Guardian Angel every day. Thank your angel for looking after you, and ask him to keep protecting you from evil. Here is a good prayer you can say every day:

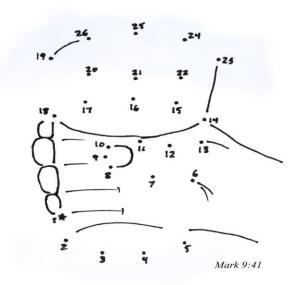
Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, Ever this day be at my side to light, to guard, to rule and guide. From sinful state O keep me free, and at death's hour my helper be. Amen.

Answer to Word-Find: (It is better) to suffer than to sin.

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## The Kids' Bulletin

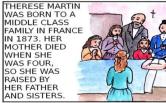
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 29th, 2024



What is it? Connect the dots to find out! Jesus says in today's Gospel reading that anyone who gives one to someone for His sake will receive their just reward.

# Saint Therese of Lisieux "The Little Flower"

October 1





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**BUT SOON** ST. THERESE BECAME VERY SICK AND HAD TO STAY IN
BED. SHE FELT
THAT GOD HAD ABANDONED HER, BUT SHE KEPT HER DIED AT AGE 24

BECAUSE SHE WAS A CLOISTERED NUN IN A CONVENT, SAINT THERESE KNEW THAT SHE COULD NOT DO ANY GREAT DEEDS FOR GOD. BUT SHE SAW ANOTHER WAY TO BECOME HOLY. BY THINKING OF HERSELF AS A LITTLE CHILD OF GOD AND DOING EVERY LITTLE THING FOR HIM, SHE BECAME A GREAT SAINT!

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# "If it causes you to sin" Word-Find

TWORMOTOS UBFCAUSES FEETHELLI OTYHANDFN OTERECIMO TEROTHNAT HRFWAETIN GKINGDOMT OORSLAMEI DIENTERDN

See if you can find all the words from this part of today's Gospel passage that are in CAPITALS.

Use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



...if your HAND causes you to SIN, cut it off; it is BETTER for you to enter life MAIMED than with two hands go INTO hell, to the unquenchable FIRE.

And if your FOOT causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life LAME than with two FEET to be THROWN into HELL.

And if your EYE CAUSES you to sin, pluck it out; it is better for you to ENTER the KINGDOM of GOD with one eye than with TWO eyes to be thrown into hell, where the WORM does not DIE and the fire is NOT QUENCHED.

It is better