# PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2024

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

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2024

- 7:30 AM LOWER CHURCH MESSE CRÉOLE Repos de l'ame de Christiane Aristide -par sa fille
- 10:00 AM ÚPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS In loving memory of Rita Darius -by her sister Rosey Gilbert and family
- 11:00 AM LOWER CHURCH MISA ESPANOL Fort he people of the Parish
- 1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH MESSE CRÉOLE Fort he people of the Parish

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2024

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

### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2024**

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

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2024

7:30 AM In loving memory of Frederick Carrington,
-by his children Frederick Jr., Anthony &Brandon
9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Marjorie Blot

-par sa famille

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2024**

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

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2024

- 7:30 AM No Mass Intentions
- 9:00 AM Remerciement en l'honneur de Sacred Coeur de Jésus par Frantz M. Fohann Jean Baptiste

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 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 makes the deaf hear and the mute speak." Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: <u>vocations@diobrook.org</u>

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel, Jesus' behavior might seem a bit shocking to us- sticking his fingers in the mute man's ears, touching his tongue with spit, using "magic words" like "ephphatha". It certainly looks more like sorcery than medicine, and we can readily understand why the witnesses ignored Jesus' command not to tell anyone about it. This was all rather sensational. Clearly a powerful wonder-worker had arrived in their midst.

While we can see why people wouldn't keep quiet, we can also see why Jesus wished that they would; he did not want his acts of healing and other miracles to be seen as signs of his magical powers, as people inevitably would. Rather, he wanted them to be seen in light of what the prophet Isaiah says: "Here is your God; he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he will save you" (35:4). The mighty acts of Jesus are streams of salvation bursting forth in the desert of human alienation from God. They are signs that, with Jesus, salvation of God has arrived.

Jesus did not want to be burdened with the trappings of human status and power. He knows, as the Letter of James puts it, that "God chose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom that he promised to those who love him." Yet in rejecting human ideas of him as powerful, magical healer, he in fact claims something much greater for himself: He is the one who brings us God's saving power.

Lord Jesus, you touch the ears and mouth of the deaf and mute and command them to be opened. Help us to hear the challenge of your gospel and to proclaim it to all whom we meet. Amen.

### Readings for the Week –September 8<sup>Th</sup>, 2024

Monday 1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 Lk 6:6-11 **Tuesday** 1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Lk 6:12-19 Wednesday 1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17 Lk 6:20-26 Thursday 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Ps 23-24 139:1B-3. 13-14AB. Lk 6:27-38 Friday 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12 Lk 6:39-42 Saturday Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17 Sunday Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

#### **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, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024

Mass Time:	Number Of attendees:
5:00PM VIGIL MASS	20
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	271
10:00AM ENGLISH MASS	93
11:00AM SPANISH MASS	67
1:00PM CREOLE MASS	165

#### **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 with the second collection this week-end.

#### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024



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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 commenced **on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 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 for more information.

### World Day for Grandparents and Elderly Sunday, September 8, 2024

The just shall flourish like the palm tree, shall grow like a cedar of Lebanon. Planted in the house of the Lord, they shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall bear fruit even in old

age, always vigorous and sturdy, as they proclaim: "The Lord is just; our rock, in whom there is no wrong." (Psalm 92:13-16)



#### 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: <u>faithformation@stjeromercchurch.org</u> to make an appointment to register. You can also register online at: <u>www.givecentral.org/stjb-ff</u>



#### 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, Dennese Reddie-Fraser,T Perard, and Rosalind Wahab

All praise and glory are yours, Lord our God, for you have called us to serve you in love. Bless those who are sick., so that they may bear their illnesses in union with your son's obedient suffering. Restore them to health, and lead them to glory. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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# 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!

#### 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

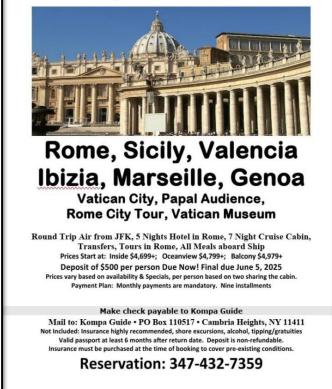
#### LOCATION: ST. JEROME UPPER CHURCH TICKETS: \$20.00

Please contact 718-462-0223 for more information.



## **Father Hilaire Belizaire**

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



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^{nd}* – Annual Temoins du Christ Christmas Concert

## Jesus Gives the Gift of Hearing



Being able to hear is a wonderful gift from God. Imagine what it would be like if you couldn't hear anything! In today's Gospel reading, the people begged Jesus to heal a deaf man. What do you think it was like for that man

when suddenly he could hear everything that was going on around him?

God has given us the gift of hearing to be able to talk with and listen to other people, and to appreciate the sounds of creation. We use this gift to hear God's Word at Mass and when we are being taught.



Think of all the things that we can do because we can hear: we can listen to and play music, we can sing and talk with people, we can hear birds and



wind in the trees, and we can also be warned of things like barking dogs, or cars coming. Did you ever thank God for the gift of hearing? Thank Him today!

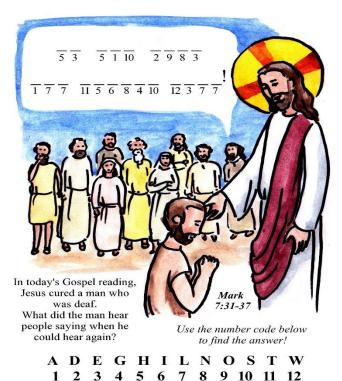
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## Saint Peter Claver September 9



# The Kids' Bulletin

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 8th, 2024



Our Lady's Birthday

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See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS in the puzzle. Use the left over letters to fill in the blanks at the end.



On September 8th we celebrate Mary's BIRTHDAY. She was CHOSEN by God to be the MOTHER of JESUS before she was even BORN. To PREPARE Mary to receive His SON, God made her PURE and WITHOUT SIN right from the first moment of her life.

JOACHIM and ANN were HOLY JEWS who were WAITING for the MESSIAH to come. God chose them to be the FATHER and mother of MARY, who would become the mother of CHRIST.

