

PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH, 2024

5:00 PM For the people of the Parish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH, 2024

7:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Repos de toutes les ames du purgatoire
-par Germaine Bellamy

10:00 AM UPPER CHURCH– ENGLISH MASS

In loving memory of Lawrence Darius
-by his daughter, Rosey Gilbert

11:00 AM LOWER CHURCH – MISA ESPANOL

For the people of the Parish

1:00 PM UPPER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Remerciement a Dieu, anniversaire de naissance
de Erla Thelemaque -par, Rosette Jean

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Jean Robert Bissainthe

-par Alberte Cadet

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 2024

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21ST, 2024

8:00 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS

We invite all parishioners to consider requesting a daily Mass for their intentions. The Mass is the highest form of thanksgiving. Whether you are marking an anniversary, offering gratitude for healing or blessings, or praying for your dearly departed, it is always a beautiful way to do so within the Mass. The Mass book for the rest of 2024 is still open. Please visit the rectory to request a Mass intention.

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



In today's Gospel Luke situates John the Baptizer in a specific historical place, the region of the Jordan. John preaches at a specific time, the fifteenth year of the reigns of Tiberius, Pontius, Herod, Philip, and Lysanias, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas. Luke is specific because God sent the Lord, the Messiah, at a particular and specific time in human history.

And the Messiah's work was specific. He would set things right: raising valleys, lowering mountains, and making crooked or winding paths smooth so that the saving love of God could be accessible to all. The One whose coming John announced began to fulfill the promise voiced in Baruch, gathering all God's children back to Jerusalem, the city of peace. There will God's all-inclusive mercy reconcile any who have gone astray. There will God restore justice, that is, right relationship with God and all creation.

That promise continues to be fulfilled in our day. Baptism unites us with Christ Jesus. We committed to doing our part to complete the work of fulfillment begun by Jesus in his day and time. When we live Jesus clearly, his coming is made known and we prepare the way of the Lord in our specific moment of history.

We are not generics. Think of yourself as a brand name, for we have been branded with the name Christian. Look within and find Christ there. Look around and see where his reconciling love is needed. Make that love visible in your body. Then all flesh can see the salvation of God, present here and now and for years to come.

Merciful God, you promise to be with us in all times, in all places, and through all life's situations. Open our eyes to see you in our midst. Remove whatever keeps us from living in ways that help others to see your saving love made flesh, Jesus Christ, in this Advent season.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2024

December: For pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

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.

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

Readings for the Week –December 15TH, 2024

Monday Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 Mt 21:23-27 **Tuesday** Gn 49:2, 8-10 Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17 **Wednesday** Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1:18-25 **Thursday** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Lk 1:5-25 **Friday** Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 1:26-38 **Saturday** Sgs 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Lk 1:39-45 **Sunday** Mi 5:1-4a Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 Heb 10:5-10 Lk 1:39-45



Donations for Christmas Flowers

The Parish is in need of donations to purchase flowers for the Altar for the Christmas season. Please bring your donations to Mass in the envelope marked Christmas flowers. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

VOCATION

“All were questioning in their hearts.” Are you considering a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

	<p>Please Join "TEMOINS DU CHRIST" Annual CHRISTMAS CONCERT WORSHIP CHRIST THE NEWBORN KING Sunday, December 22, 2024 6:30 pm St. Jerome RC Church 2900 Newkirk Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11226 (bet. Nostrand and Newkirk Aves) Donations \$20</p>	
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ST. JEROME'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

"Worship Christ the New Born King"

Join your fellow Parishioners for a Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 22, 2024 @ 6:30pm in the Upper Church**. Donation is \$20.00. RSVP by calling, 929-842-2686 or via E-mail Temoinsduchrist@yahoo.com

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

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 weddings, Mass, or obtaining a Sacramental sponsor certificate. To register, please visit the rectory during office hours and complete a registration form.

The Giving TREE

Dear Parishioners,
As we enter this season of giving and thanksgiving, we kindly ask for your generosity in supporting the children in our Diocese. The Jesse Tree is once again displayed in both the upper and lower Churches, with tags for children of different ages provided to us by Catholic Charities. We kindly ask that you please take a tag or two and purchase gifts for the children.
Please do not wrap the gift, but place it in a gift bag with the tag and leave it under the Jesse Tree.
All gifts must be donated by December 16th.
Thank you for your kindness and support.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS DAY MASS SCHEDULE



Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24th

8pm – English Christmas Carols

9pm – Mass -Eng Spanish

11pm- Creole Chant de Noel

Suivie par la Messe de Minuit

Upper church

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25th

10:00am –Mass - English & Spanish:

12pm (Midi) Messe an Creole:

Upper Church

New Year's Eve – Tuesday, December 31st

8pm-Adoration in Eng & Span

9pm – Mass -Eng & Spanish

11pm- Heure Sainte

Suivie par la Messe de Minuit

Upper church

New Year's Day- Wednesday, January 1st

10:00am –Mass - English & Spanish:

12:00pm (Midi) Messe an Creole:

Upper Church



Painting the Way to Jesus



In today's Gospel reading we hear about the people being filled with expectation for the coming of the Messiah. Saint John the Baptist told the people how to prepare for his coming- by doing good and repenting of their sins.

At first the people thought that John the Baptist might be the Messiah. But Saint John was only a messenger. We can think of him as a sign-post pointing the way to Jesus. People came to see and hear him, and he showed them the way to God.



How can you be like Saint John the Baptist and show other people the way to Jesus?

Answers to Crossword Puzzle:
Across: 1: Peace 3: shall 5: thanksgiving 9: near 11: all
13: sisters 15: Christ Down: 1: petition 2: again 4: have 6: kindness 7: guard 8: God 10: your 12: Lord 14: it 15: to

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The Kids' Bulletin

Third Sunday of Advent
December 15th, 2024

TO UNTIE THE LONG
OF HIS SANDALS.
I AM NOT WORTHY
TO UNSHOE MY FEET
FOR YOU TO PASS OVER
THEY MIGHT BE DAMAGED
BY YOUR SANDALS.



Luke 3:10-18

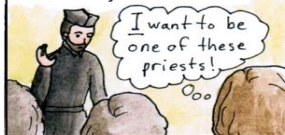
God sent Saint John the Baptist to prepare the people for the coming of Jesus. What did he say when some of the people thought that he might be the saviour? Look in the mirror to find out!

Saint Peter Canisius December 21

PETER CANISIUS WAS BORN IN HOLLAND IN 1521. HE STUDIED IN COLOGNE, GERMANY, AND RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE WHEN HE WAS 19.



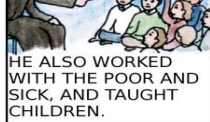
WHEN HE WENT TO A RETREAT LED BY BLESSED PETER FABER, HE DECIDED TO BECOME A JESUIT PRIEST.



FR. PETER WAS A GREAT PREACHER, AND BROUGHT THE UNIVERSITIES BACK FROM PROTESTANTISM.



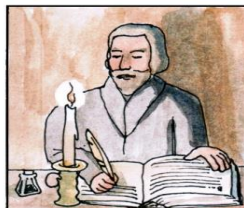
Who made the world?



HE WAS SENT TO THE COUNCIL OF TRENT, A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE POPE AND BISHOPS.



AFTERWARD HE HAD TO SMUGGLE THE DOCUMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL INTO PROTESTANT GERMANY.

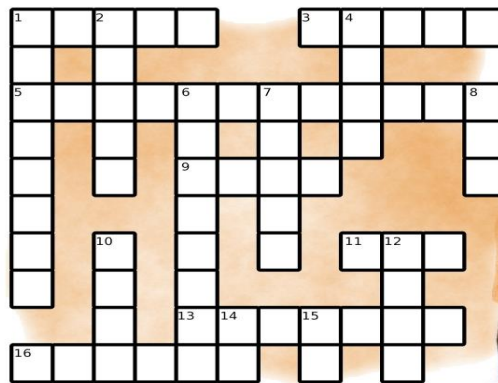


SAINT PETER WAS COMMISSIONED TO WRITE A CATECHISM, A BOOK EXPLAINING THE FAITH FOR THE PEOPLE. HE DIED AT AGE 76.

SAINT PETER CANISIUS KNEW IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO UNDERSTAND THE CHURCH'S TEACHINGS. AFTER HE WROTE THE CATECHISM, HE WROTE ANOTHER- FOR CHILDREN. NO MATTER HOW OLD YOU ARE, YOU SHOULD TRY TO LEARN ALL YOU CAN ABOUT GOD. HOW CAN YOU DO THAT?

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Philippians 4 Cross-Word



Fill in the blanks with the words at the bottom and fit them into the puzzle. a=across d=down



Brothers and _____ (13a): Rejoice in the _____ (12d) always. I _____ (3a) say _____ (14d) _____ (2d): rejoice! Your _____ (6d) should be known _____ (15d) all. The Lord is _____ (9a). _____ (4d) no anxiety at _____ (11a), but in everything, by prayer and _____ (1d), with _____ (5a), make _____ (10d) requests known to _____ (8d). Then the _____ (1a) of God that surpasses all understanding will _____ (7d) your hearts and minds in _____ (16a) Jesus.

GOD SHALL TO LORD YOUR
CHRIST ALL KINDNESS SISTERS
THANKSGIVING PEACE IT PETITION
NEAR AGAIN GUARD HAVE