

PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2025

5:00 PM For the people of the Parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND, 2025

7:30 AM LOWER CHURCH – MESSE CRÉOLE

Action de grace anniversaire de naissance de Altigracia Henry

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

For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2025

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Miranda David et ses enfants

TUESDAY, MARCH 4TH, 2025

7:30 PM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Edith Hyacinth et ses enfants

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2025

7:30 AM Thanksgiving and blessings to God for those who are in need -By Duverglas Gladys

9:00 AM Action de grcae anniversaire de naissance de Marie Rose Fleurette Thomas

THURSDAY, MARCH 6TH, 2025

7:30 AM No Mass Intentions

9:00 AM No Mass Intentions

FRIDAY, MARCH 7TH, 2025

7:30 AM Repose of the soul of Francois Compas

9:00 AM Action de grace anniversaire de naissance de Jerome Duquella Thomas

SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2025

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're celebrating an anniversary, expressing gratitude for healing or blessings, or praying for loved ones who have passed. It

is always a meaningful way to honor these intentions within the Mass.



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



The desire to approach the Lord is a grace. We must ask for this grace constantly. All of us desire a humble heart, a glowing heart, a heart that is pure. But we do not necessarily desire the means towards conversion, purification, and imitation. We want Christ but without the Cross. The cross includes the thorn stuck in my eye. It blocks my vision. It distorts the way I see myself, others and God. The Lord told his disciples, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into the pit?" Who will be the first to remove the splinter? Who will be the first to remove the beam? I cannot be a disciple. I cannot be a follower. I cannot be a Christian until I have removed the obstacles that distort the way I see my life, my world, my neighbor and my God.

Life is a blessing! Life is good! Life can be lived as long as it is a gift, an offering to the world. If your love is rejected, then your love must be purified. Learn from the Master, who taught his disciples how to give without recompense and you shall live a life worthy of the Master.

Holy God, you have spoken your Word to us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. Help me learn from his use of words to remove whatever blinds me or keeps me self-centered and to see as you see in order to produce the fruit of healing and life-giving love that Jesus speaks to us.

VOCATION

"Shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life." Are you called to belong to Christ alone as a priest, deacon or through the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2025



March: For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
5:00PM VIGIL MASS	31
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	293
11:00AM SPANISH MASS	80
12:00PM BILINGUAL MASS	417

Black and Indian Mission Collection

The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help communities build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. Every year, it is the amazing generosity of Catholics faithful just like you who enable the Black and Indian Mission Office to support the important priorities. Please give generously in next week's Collection.

Readings for the Week – March 2ND, 2025

Monday Sir 17:20-24 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 10:17-27
 Tuesday Sir 35:1-12 Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14, 23 Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 9:22-25
 Friday Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15
 Saturday Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 5:27-32
 Sunday Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15
 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK ESPECIALLY

The sick of *Our Parish* need your prayers.



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

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.

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.



Wednesday, March 5th is Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be distributed during the following Masses.

7:30 AM- English Mass in the Lower Church
 9:00 AM- Creole Mass in the Lower Church
 7:30 PM – Trilingual Mass in the Upper Church



STATIONS of the CROSS

Every Friday of Lent, we will celebrate the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm in 3 Languages in the Upper Church.

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

DONATION STATEMENTS

We greatly appreciate your generosity to our parish over the past year. Please call the rectory office at **718-462-0223** if your total contribution for 2024 is **\$250** or more to request a donation statement. We are thankful to you for all that you do.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2025

DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Each year, **St. Jerome R.C. Church** partners with the Diocese of Brooklyn in the *Annual Catholic Appeal*, which funds essential Catholic programs across Brooklyn and Queens. This initiative profoundly impacts countless individuals and families in our communities while benefiting our parish. Through the *Annual Catholic Appeal*, we support vital programs that no single parish could sustain on its own.

Why is your participation important?

As disciples of Jesus at **St. Jerome R.C. Church**, we recognize that our commitment to our parish extends to the diocese, which unites us with the broader Catholic community as one body in Christ.

When one part of the body is absent, the whole body feels the impact, making it harder to thrive. In the same way, your participation in this Appeal—beyond your regular Sunday offering—directly affects **St. Jerome R.C. Church's** ability to carry out Christ's mission while ensuring we receive the essential support that connects us to the larger Catholic Church.

We invite you to stand with us as a Church united in communion and charity across Brooklyn and Queens by making a pledge to the *Annual Catholic Appeal* today at AnnualCatholicAppeal.org or by texting **DONATE** to **917-336-1255**.

The Annual Catholic Appeal aims to raise a minimum of \$8 million to fund essential programs and ministries across the Diocese while supporting the local initiatives of parishes like ours.

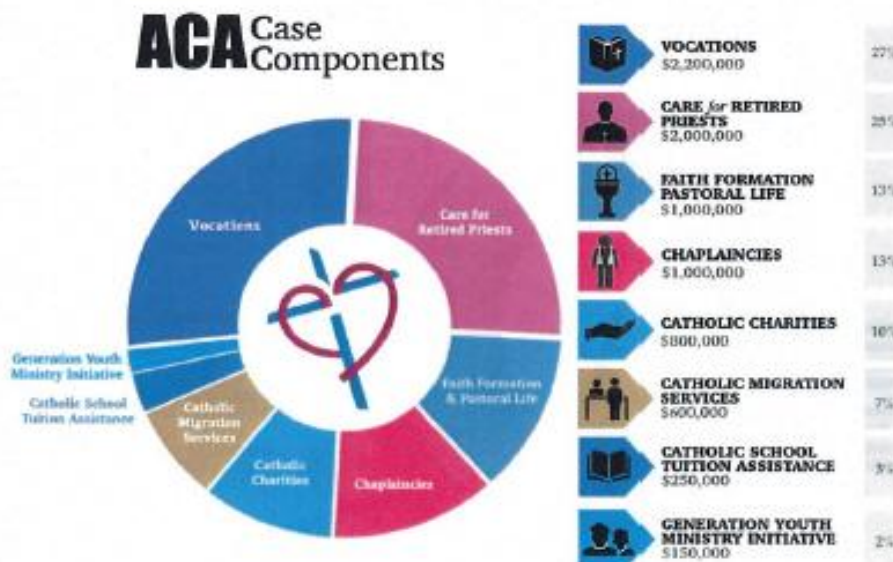
At **St. Jerome R.C. Church**, our goal is **\$48,400**.

Once we surpass this goal, 100% of the additional funds raised will be returned directly to our parish.

If you have any questions about the Annual Catholic Appeal or would like to schedule an appointment to make a contribution, please contact the Parish Office at **(718) 462-0223**.

**Jubilee of Hope,
Renewal of Faith
and Charity**

What does the Annual Catholic Appeal Support?



Ash Wednesday

This Wednesday is the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday. Lent is a special time when we prepare ourselves for Good Friday and Easter Sunday.



If you go to Mass on Ash Wednesday, the priest will make a little cross on your forehead with ashes. The ashes remind us that people were made from the dust of the ground and that some day we will die and go back into the ground.

It is good for us to remember that we will die one day. It helps us realize that God put us here and that we need Him all the time. If we remember how much we need God then we will think of Him more and love Him more.



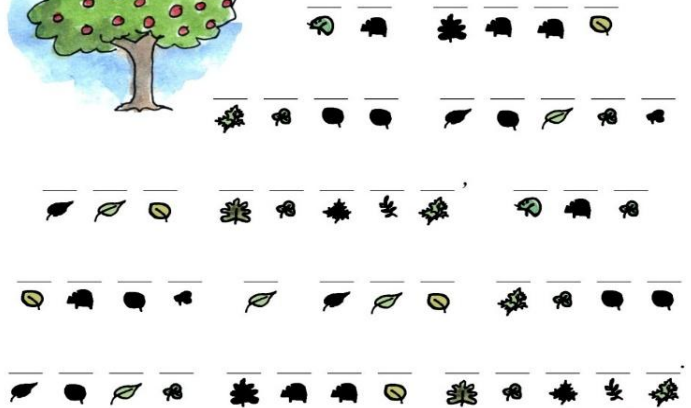
What is something you can do this Lent to remind yourself every day that you need God?

Answers to Front Page: No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Answers to Psalm 92: Unscramble: thanks, name, love, night, palm, grow, house, God, fruit, green, rock

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The Kids' Bulletin

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2nd, 2025



In today's Gospel reading Jesus told a parable about trees. What did He say? Use the code to find out!



A B D E F G I N O R S T U

Saint Katharine Drexel March 3

KATHARINE DREXEL WAS BORN TO A RICH FAMILY IN PHILADELPHIA IN 1858. HER PARENTS WERE KIND TO THE POOR AND KATHARINE RECEIVED A GOOD EDUCATION.

KATHARINE READ ABOUT THE HARD LIVES OF THE NATIVES AND WANTED TO HELP THEM.

These poor people are not treated fairly!

ONCE SHE ASKED THE POPE TO SEND THEM MISSIONARIES...

Why don't you become a missionary, Katharine?

Philadelphia Public Ledger
MISS DREXEL GIVES UP SEVEN MILLION

KATHARINE DECIDED TO BECOME A NUN AND USE HER MONEY TO HELP THE POOR.

SHE AND HER GROUP OF NUNS STARTED SCHOOLS FOR BLACK PEOPLE AND NATIVES.

SHE BEGAN FIFTY MISSIONS FOR THE NATIVES AND STARTED A UNIVERSITY FOR BLACK PEOPLE.

I never thought I'd be able to go to school!

WHEN SHE WAS 77, MOTHER KATHARINE HAD A HEART ATTACK. SHE SPENT ALMOST 20 YEARS IN RETIREMENT BEFORE SHE DIED IN 1955.

ST. KATHARINE GAVE UP A HUGE FORTUNE AND COMFORTABLE LIFE TO HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE IN HER COUNTRY. WOULD YOU DO THAT IF YOU HAD MILLIONS OF DOLLARS? OUR LORD SAYS IT IS HARD FOR THE RICH TO ENTER HEAVEN, BUT SAINT KATHARINE SHOWS THAT THEY CAN CHOOSE TO BE HOLY TOO.

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Psalm 92 Unscramble

Unscramble the missing words to complete today's Psalm!

It is good to give _____ (KNSHTA) to the Lord,
to sing praises to thy _____ (MNAE), O Most High;
to declare thy steadfast _____ (OVLE) in the morning,
and thy faithfulness by _____ (HGNTI).
The righteous flourish like the _____ (LMAP) tree, and _____ (ORGW) like a cedar in Lebanon.
They are planted in the _____ (UOESH) of the Lord, they flourish in the courts of our _____ (DGO).
They still bring forth _____ (UFIRT) in old age, they are ever full of sap and _____ (ERGNE) to show that the Lord is upright, he is my _____ (KCRO) and there is no unrighteousness in him.

