

St. Jerome R.C. Church

2900 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11226



July 27, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday:

9:00AM – 1:00 PM

2:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Schedule of Masses

SUNDAY

Upper Church

7:30 AM ~ Creole
9:45 AM ~ English
11:15 AM ~ Spanish
1:00 PM ~ Creole

WEEKDAYS

Lower Church

8:30 AM ~ Monday ~ Creole
8:30 AM ~ Tuesday ~ English
8:30 AM ~ Wednesday ~ English/Creole
8:30 AM ~ Thursday ~ English
8:30 AM ~ Friday ~ Creole

BAPTISM/ BAUTISMO/ BAPTÊME

Baptism registration takes place Monday to Friday from during office hours.

CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIONES

Saturday, Samedi, Sabado 4:00 PM- 4:45 PM in the Lower Church or by appointment.

MARRIAGE/ MATRIMONIO/ MARIAGE

Call 6 months in advance - Llame 6 meses antes de la fecha - Appelez 6 mois à l'avance.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday after the 8:30 AM Mass with benediction at Noon.

PRAYER GROUPS

- **English:** Legion of Mary meets on Saturdays at 10:30AM in the Rectory
- **Haitian:** Charismatique chaque Mercredi a partir de 7:00 heures du soir au sous-sol de l'Eglise
- **Haitian:** Legion de Marie pour les Haitiens a 8:30 AM et 4:00 PM chaque Samedi dans la cafeteria.

ACTIVE GROUPS

- Troupe Éclat meets on Saturday at 6:00 PM in the Rectory
- Témoins du Christ meets on Sunday after the 1:00 PM Mass in the Rectory
- Les Jeunes disciples de Jesus meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month in the cafeteria after the 1:00 PM Mass
- Feu D'amour meets on the 2nd Sunday of the Month after the 1:00 PM Mass in the cafeteria
- Choeur d'Homme meets on Tuesdays from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Rectory Basement
- Ushers meet on the 4th Sunday of every 2 months at 3:30pm in the convent.
- Grande Chorale choir meets on Saturdays from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM in the Lower Church.

OTHER MINISTRIES

- RCIA English meets every Tuesday at 7:30 PM online
- RCIA Spanish meets on Sundays after Mass
- RCIA pour les Haitiens vous pouvez contacter le Rectory 718-462-0223
- Altar Servers meet on Saturday at 11:00 AM in the Upper Church
- English Bible Group Contact 718-462-0223

PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JULY 27TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace a Dieu pour ses bienfaits pour Mitzy Jastrome et ses enfant
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**
Thanksgiving to God for Sister Cecilia
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**
Por el descanso del alma de Marta Betty Acuña
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace anniversaire, de naissance de Marie Anne Yolette Thelemaque

MONDAY, JULY 28TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Action de grace a Dieu anniversaire de naissance de Patrick Blain

TUESDAY, JULY 29TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Melaiette Joseph

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Melaiette Joseph

THURSDAY, JULY 31ST, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Patrick Daniel

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Melaiette Joseph

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Nouns and verbs are the playthings of grammarians. You might better call them “tools” for their teaching. The word “bargain” can be both noun and verb. It is also a theme running through our First and Third Reading. As a noun, “bargain” can be that bright shiny object in the Home Depot, or Macy’s or Amazon.com catalog that suddenly appears with a lower price tag than a former one you saw. “Bargain” as a verb is that clever, if not sometime deceptive type of plea process whereby one person wants a different decision from another person and uses an appealing item of enticement to get it.

In our First Reading from the Book of Genesis, Moses is depicted as the master bargainer with no less a personage than God Himself. He keeps lowering the number of good men needed to stay the Lord’s hand from destroying Sodom. A patient, lenient God eventually “gives in.” I hardly believe the ancient author of the book is recommending that method of prayer to God. Rather let it be his intent to underscore the appeal that good people have to the God who made us. They atone, as it were, for the rest of us, who so often squander our use of free will.

The Gospel gives us The Lord’s Prayer, as its formal title implies. The prayer brings forth the idea of “bargain” as both noun and verb. As a noun, we could certainly agree to what a “bargain” this prayer is! It gives us the perfect pattern for all our other prayers, especially private ones. We should then begin with adoration and praise of God and only then add in our petition(s). Do you see the rudeness in jumping right in to asking for what we want from the Lord?

“Bargain” as a verb is implied in the Lord’s Prayer. It comes with our plea to be forgiven. We offer God our promise to forgive those who have “trespassed against us” before we ever ask for our own forgiveness. Humility marks this perfect prayer. It has the right words for any occasion.

Speaking of the right words, we have a comment on that from our American author Mark Twain, the man who gave us Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. He once said: “The difference between the right word and the almost-right word is the difference between lightning and the lightning bug.”

God love you and give you His peace.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

To better serve you as a parishioner, we kindly ask that you register your family with the parish. To register, please visit the rectory during office hours and complete a registration form.

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.

Monthly Intentions for 2025

JULY: For Formation In Discernment



Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

VOCATION

“Give us this day our daily bread.” Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, JULY 20TH, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	292
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	100
11:15 AM SPANISH MASS	100
1:00 PM CREOLE MASS	193

Readings for the Week – July 27TH, 2025

Monday Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Mt 13:31-35 **Tuesday** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 **Wednesday** Ex 34:29-35 Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 Mt 13:44-46 **Thursday** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 Mt 13:47-53 **Friday** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab Mt 13:54-58 **Saturday** Lv 25:1, 8-17 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 Mt 14:1-12 **Sunday** Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Lk 12:13-21

Catholic Appeal 2025



This year, we ask you to be a witness of faith and a messenger of hope. By participating in the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, you are answering God's call to be an instrument of His love.

Our parish goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is \$48,400. Every dollar raised beyond this amount will come directly back to support our parish. We thank those who have made a pledge to support the appeal. We invite everyone to consider making a pledge or a one-time gift. Remember that the well-being of the church is the responsibility of all of us together. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our parish community.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

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. They will receive the sacraments when they are ready in 2nd grade for First Communion, and in 8th grade for Confirmation. Please contact Mrs. Rosey Gilbert, the faith formation director, the rectory via phone at 718-462-0223 or email at faithformation@stjeromechurch.org. You can also register online at: www.givecentral.org/stjb-ff Any youth or adults who have not received the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation, or who was Baptized but has never received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation should register in the RCIC or RCIA. Please Contact Mrs. Rosey Gilbert or the rectory for more information.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION

TRIDUUM OF PRAYER

Join us for three nights of prayer and reflection as we prepare our hearts spiritually.

Tuesday, August 12
Wednesday, August 13
Thursday, August 14

At 7:00 PM in the Upper Church

FEAST DAY MASS

FRIDAY **15** AUGUST

8:30 AM
7:30 PM

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YOUTH MINISTRY REGISTRATION



We invite all young members of the parish to join the St. Jerome Youth Ministry. This is an excellent opportunity to connect with peers who are eager to deepen their faith, engage in church activities, participate in community outreach, and build meaningful friendships. We also encourage parents to inspire their children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews to get involved. We look forward to seeing them take active roles in our church community. For more information or to register, please contact Ms. Woodlyn Sance, the youth minister, at 718-462-0223.

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.

Last week, Father Hilaire hosted a gathering to thank our Parish catechists for their dedication and hard work. We are deeply grateful for your faithful 'yes' in teaching our children the sacraments. Your love and commitment help guide them closer to Christ. May God continue to bless and strengthen you in this meaningful ministry.

Thank You!



PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

- Yvrose Auguste
- Giselle Beausoleil
- Agatha Bristow
- Georgette Charles
- Melroy Daniel
- 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
- Rosalind Wahab

College Pastoral, FM Committee Fund Raiser

On Sunday, **August 3rd, 2025** the College Pastoral, FM Committee will host their Annual Fund Raiser in the Church yard of St. Jerome from **8:00am -5:00pm**. There will be various good items on sale, entertainments, raffle, etc. Parishioners, please come out to support. For more information, please contact: Adeline Sanon: 718-284-0339 or Anne Marie Fils Aime: 347-741-7980



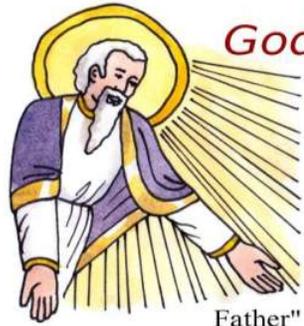
Pou prepare nou pou nouvo Ane pastoral sa ki pral komanse a Septanm, n-ap envite tout pawasyen, timoun, jèn, granmoun, pou disène pandan ete-a nan ki ministè nou santi granmet la ap rele nou pou sèvi Li nan legliz Li-a. Tanpri vizite sit pawas la, pou familiarizé nou ak tout ministè yo e lidè yo. Tout ministè yo ede nou aprofondi lafwa nou, pataje talan nou, touche lavi youn lot. Genyen plas pou tout moun san distenksyon nan legliz la. Na weekend 20-21 Septanm, nap ge yon "Ministry Fair" kote tout moun ap gen chans enskri nan ministè nou ta vle sèvi-a.

En preparación para el nuevo año pastoral en septiembre, invitamos a todos los feligreses, niños, jóvenes y adultos, a discernir durante el verano en qué ministerio litúrgico u otros ministerios el Señor los llama a servir. Visiten el sitio web de la parroquia para familiarizarse con los diversos ministerios de la iglesia y sus líderes. Cada ministerio ofrece una oportunidad única para profundizar su fe, compartir sus talentos y tener un impacto significativo en la vida de los demás. Ya sea que les apasione la música, apoyar a los necesitados, dar la bienvenida a nuevos miembros o ayudar con las tareas litúrgicas, hay un lugar para ustedes. Habrá una Feria de Ministerios el fin de semana del 13 y 14 de septiembre para inscribirse en el ministerio de su elección.

In preparation for the new pastoral year in September, we invite all parishioners. Children, youth, and adults to discern during the Summer in which liturgical ministry or other ministries the Lord is calling them to serve. Visit the parish website to familiarize yourself with the various ministries in the church and its leaders.

Each ministry offers a unique opportunity to deepen your faith, share your talents, and make a meaningful impact on the lives of others. Whether you're passionate about music, supporting those in need, welcoming new members, or helping with liturgical duties, there's a place for you. **There will be a Ministry Fair on the weekend of September 13-14** to sign up for the ministry of your choice





God Gives us What We Need

In today's Gospel reading, the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, so He taught them the "Our Father."

In the first part of the "Our Father" we give glory to God by praising Him, and in the second part we ask Him for the things we need. First we ask for our daily bread. This can be asking both for the things like food that our bodies need, and for the spiritual things as well, especially Holy Communion. Next we ask for forgiveness for our sins and for God to keep us away from temptation and evil.

Jesus said that if a father on earth would give his children the things they need, then God, Who is our Father in Heaven, will certainly give us what we need. All He wants us to do is show that we trust in Him by asking Him.

Make sure you say the "Our Father" every day to praise God our Father and ask Him for everything you need.



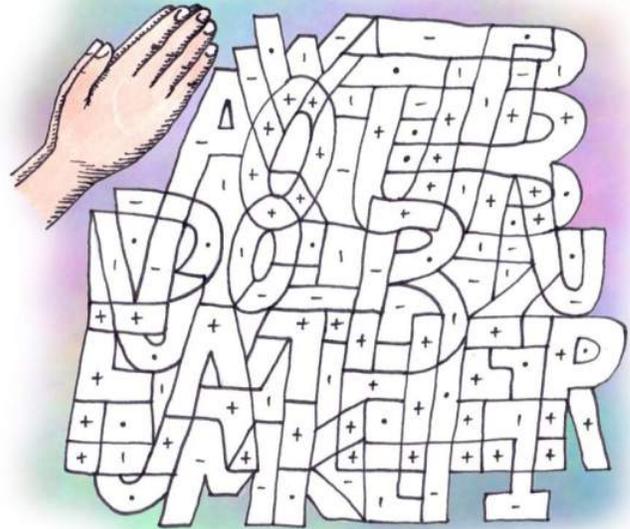
Answers to "The Lord's Prayer" Puzzle: Father, Heaven, name, kingdom, Give, daily, bread, forgive, we, trespass, us, lead, deliver, evil. "Ask and it will be given you."

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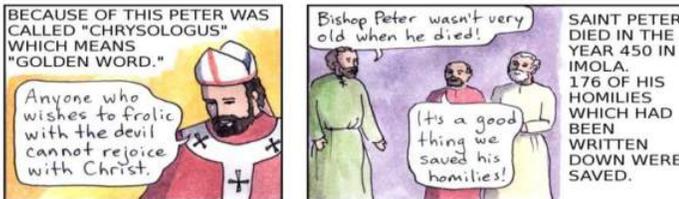
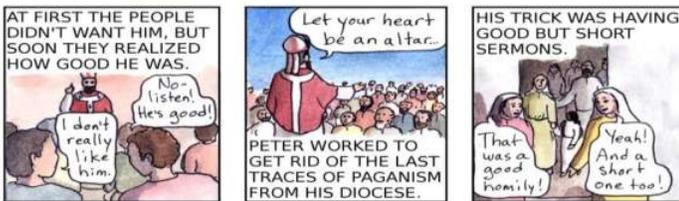
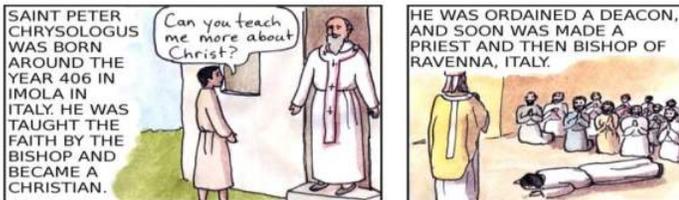
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Luke 11:1-13



Jesus taught His disciples a prayer that we still use today. We often call it by its first two words. To find out what they are, colour in ONLY the spaces with crosses. (+)

Saint Peter Chrysologus July 30



SAINT PETER CHRYSOLOGUS DREW PEOPLE CLOSER TO GOD WITH HIS PREACHING. HE HELPED PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE BIBLE BETTER AND SHOWED HERETICS WHERE THEY WERE MAKING MISTAKES. WE SHOULD PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS TO BE ABLE TO PREACH WELL AND BRING US CLOSER TO GOD TOO.

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The Lord's Prayer

Fill in the blanks to complete the "Our Father."
Use the letters from the numbered boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

Our _____, who art in
_____, hallowed be thy
_____. Thy _____ come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
_____ us this day our _____
_____ and _____ us our
trespasses as _____ forgive those who
_____ against _____ and
_____ us not into temptation but
_____ us from _____.



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