

St. Jerome R.C. Church

2900 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11226



August 24, 2025

Twenty-First 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 ~ English

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, AUGUST 24TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace a Dieu pour Samentha José
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**
For the people of the Parish
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**
Por el descanso del alma de Marta Betty Acuña
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Repos de l'ame de Marie Julie

MONDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Remerciement a Dieu en l'honneur de l'enfant Jesus de Prauge pour Chantal Doreus

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Marie Paul

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Marie Rose Fleurette Thomas

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repose of the soul of Bernadette Dufour

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29TH, 2025

- 8:30 AM Repos de l'ame de Eveline Franois

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.

VOCATION

“Make straight paths for your feet.” Will your path of holiness be as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY DEPARTED ESPECIALLY:

Marie Rose Fleurette Thomas



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Life lessons, like the Lord’s lessons, often cause pain at first. But if we heed what they teach us, they eventually bear fruit. We’ve all heard the saying, “*This will hurt me more than you.*” I have found that to be true, because discipline can widen the space of our hearts and make us more inclusive—just as God is portrayed in Isaiah and Luke. People of all languages and nations will come to Jerusalem. Our job is to step aside, release our prejudices and presumptions, and allow God to work. Then we become instruments He uses to gather the nations.

It’s not enough to say we are God’s people or that we know Jesus. We must live God’s ways. We must give the Gospel flesh in our lives. To maintain and grow our relationship with God, we need the daily discipline of being with Christ—learning from Him and loving like Him. Then we will have what we need to go out to all the world and share His Good News. Keep regular contact with Jesus. That discipline will reveal that we are more than friends with God—we are daughters and sons of an incredibly merciful and welcoming Father.

Steadfast and faithful God, Your mercy is beyond our imagination, and Your welcome exceeds any limit we try to place on it. Help me embrace the discipline of making time for You every day, even when it is difficult, so that I may go out into all the world and proclaim Your Good News.

Readings for the Week – August 24th, 2025

Monday 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Mt 23:13-22 **Tuesday** 1 Thes 2:1-8 Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 Mt 23:23-26 **Wednesday** 1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Mt 23:27-32 **Thursday** 1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 Mt 24:42-51 **Friday** 1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mk 6:17-29 **Saturday** 1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 Mt 25:14-30 **Sunday** Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14

Monthly Intentions for 2025

AUGUST: For mutual coexistence



Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	323
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	103
11:15 AM SPANISH MASS	100
1:00 PM CREOLE MASS	224



Annual Catholic
Appeal 2025

Catholic Appeal 2025

Thank you to everyone who has already pledged to support the Annual Catholic Appeal 2025. **Our parish goal is \$48,400. As of now, we have a total pledge of \$49,549.00 we have received \$24,352 so far, with a remaining balance of \$25,196.50.**

Please take a moment to view the thermometer display in the church to see our progress. We encourage everyone to consider making a pledge or a one-time donation. Once we reach our goal, any funds collected beyond \$48,400 will directly benefit our parish, helping us strengthen our community and continue vital ministries.

Your support is essential to ensure the ongoing wellbeing of our parish, the support of our priests, and the work of the Diocese. We humbly ask everyone to consider making a pledge or a one-time donation. Please see our ushers or stop by the rectory office to collect an envelope. Our aim is for 100 percent participation. Remember, the wellbeing of our parish is a shared responsibility for all of us.

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@stjeromercchurch.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.

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.

PROTECTING ALL CHILDREN SAFE ENVIRONMENT

St. Jerome R.C. Church complies with all Safe Environment mandates set forth by the Diocese of Brooklyn and the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. All employees and volunteers who have contact with children must attend a Virtus session, sign a code of conduct and submit to a background search. If you need to register for a Virtus session, please contact Mrs. Rosey Gilbert or online at www.virtusonline.org. The Diocese of Brooklyn wishes to do everything possible to see that all people, particularly children, are safe in all pastoral settings. Excuses and rationalizations for such criminal actions will not be accepted. To report sexual abuse involving diocesan personnel, priest, deacons, teachers, ushers (adult & youth), altar servers, employees or volunteers at schools or parishes please call the Diocese of Brooklyn toll-free, confidential reporting number 1-888-634-4499.

PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

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



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FEAST OF ST. JEROME

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DURING MASS

SUNDAY, SEPT 21 -
MONDAY, SEPT 29



TRIDUUM
UPPER CHURCH
7:30 PM

THURSDAY, SEPT 25
FRIDAY, SEPT 26
SATURDAY, SEPT 27



FEAST DAY MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025
IN THE UPPER CHURCH
8:30 AM
7:30 PM
CELEBRANT: BISHOP CHAPETTO

PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE YOUR PARISH ENVELOPES

All parishioners are encouraged to register and to use their offering envelopes as a sign of commitment. If you are not registered, we cannot issue testimonial letters in connection with sponsorship for the sacraments of Baptism, and Confirmation.

We can give character references for positions, schools etc. only to those who have been registered for at least 3 months. Please register at the rectory office if you are new to the parish.

Please also inform us of any change of address. Also, if you are a registered parishioners and NOT receiving the envelopes, PLEASE call the Parish Offices. If you do receive the envelopes, PLEASE USE THEM.

It is important

-  Your Gift to Your God
-  For proving that you attend church
-  For support of your church
-  For tax purposes
-  To be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation



Being Punished...

In today's second reading, Saint Paul wrote to the Hebrews about being disciplined by God. When we are young God wants our parents to make sure we behave well. When we don't behave He wants them to discipline us so that we will learn to be good.



Our parents don't punish us just because they are angry at us; they do it because they really love us and want us to learn to be better. Saint Paul says that the Lord disciplines the people that He loves.



Being punished is a painful thing, but we will be happy once we have learned our lesson and become a better person. Saint Paul says, "make a straight path for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed." He means that

when you are punished, you should stop doing the wrong thing so that you won't be hurt worse from the punishment, but will get better instead. So the next time you are disciplined or punished, remember that God is allowing it to help you become a better person. If you can, even thank God for giving you the chance to make up for your sin and learn a good lesson!



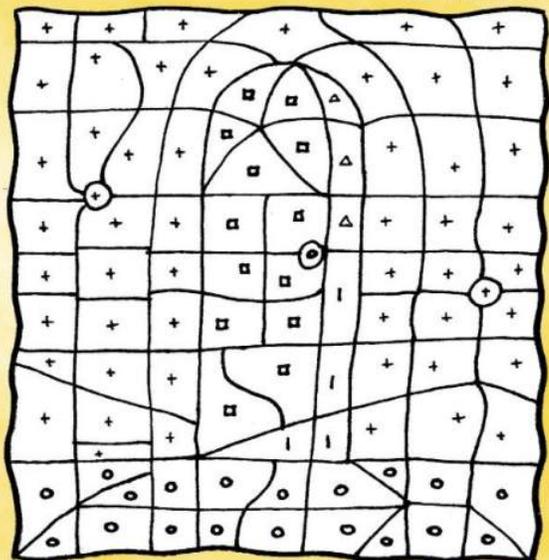
Inside: Some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.
 Picture on front: the narrow door.

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The Kids' Bulletin

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 24th, 2025

Luke 13:22-30



What was the way that Jesus told the people to enter the Kingdom of Heaven by?

Colour in the spaces using the code to find out.

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| △ Blue | ■ Brown | + White |
| ! Green | ● Grey | |

Saint Jerome R.C. Church
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22nd Annual
PRAYER
Breakfast



THEME:

WE ARE PILGRIMS OF HOPE

13th
Sept 2025
Sat

9:30a.m. - 1:30p.m.

*Donation: Adult \$25.00
Children 12 and under \$15.00*

Guest Speaker:
Msgr. Pierre Andre Pierre

Saint Jerome School Gymnasium
East 29th Street between Newkirk & Foster Avenues

For tickets/information:

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