

St. Jerome R.C. Church

2900 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11226



September 7, 2025
Twenty-Third 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

7:30 AM Monday ~ Friday: English
9:00 AM Monday ~ Friday: Creole

BAPTISM/ BAUTISMO/ BAPTÊME

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

CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIONES

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 9:00 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, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Repos de l'âme de Christiane Aristide
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**
In loving memory of Rita Darius
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**
For the people of the Parish
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace en l'honneur de Notre Dame
D'Altagrace et du perpetuel secours pour
Yves Affricot

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER, 8TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Action de grace, anniversaire de naissance
de Sonia Celestin

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Action de grace, anniversaire de naissance
de Danise Semelfort

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Mother Vilma
- 9:00 AM Repos de l'ame Marjorie Blot Kerssaint

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2025

- 7:30 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.

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.

VOCATION

"None of you can become My disciple if you do not give up all your possessions." 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: vocations@diobrook.org.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our three readings today can be read as an answer to this question that every baptized person must ask himself/herself: what does it mean to be a disciple of Christ?

The book of Wisdom starts from an obvious observation: the will of God is inaccessible to us by our mind alone. He is the Most High, the all-powerful creator, who escapes our thoughts. However, in the Old Testament, the Wise became aware that he received in him the Holy Spirit of God who guides him and leads him on the paths of Wisdom. The Almighty does not leave man alone with his stammering thoughts, but he has given him Wisdom and the Holy Spirit to make his paths straight. The wills and thoughts of God are given to him by the Scriptures. The Law, the Torah constitutes the source of this Wisdom of God. He who listens to the Law becomes "the Wise" who allows himself to be guided by the Holy Spirit. In fact, listening to the Holy Spirit and receiving it in our lives is done through the constant study of the Law and the Prophets. Communion with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God, takes place through the study and reading of the Word of God. This is true in the Old Testament, and it remains true for the new.

In the New Testament, this Word becomes flesh in the person of Christ. It is he who becomes this path of truth and life that guides us and leads us through the ravines of death and slavery. For to follow Christ is also, says Paul to Philemon, to go through the cross and death to oneself. Philemon is baptized, Christ lives in him, but Onesimus, Philemon's boss has not realized that his baptized slave has become his brother in Christ. In Christ Onesimus has become the beloved brother of Philemon. This one is no longer his slave but his brother and Paul will even say in the rest of the letter, the very face of Christ for Philemon. Should he continue to treat Christ as a slave? Paul is satisfied with questions, but the answer is not in doubt. To be baptized is indeed to change one's life and to consider every other baptized as a beloved brother, like Christ himself! This letter to Philemon took a long time to take effect and still today, do we consider the other as a brother in Christ?

Paul stands clearly in today's gospel reading. Christ must be the cornerstone of our whole life, even before our family ties and even our own life. Christ must be the foundation of all baptized life. By accepting to put him first, by accepting to follow him in the cross, in death to ourselves, we are sure to be his disciples. Let us never forget that to go through death and the death of the cross is to access life and resurrection. And in this life we find our family: father, mother, wife, children and even our own life. You have to give to receive, you have to die to live. But not just any gift, nor just any death, that of Christ himself. We must renounce everything to follow Christ and receive in full the life, freedom and family of the sons of God.

MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	260
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	91
11:15 AM SPANISH MASS	97
1:00 PM CREOLE MASS	220



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 \$53,136.50 we have received \$25,980.75 so far, with a remaining balance of \$27,155.75.**

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.

On the first Sunday of October, we will launch again the ACA 2025 with a distribution of ACA envelope for everyone who didn't have a chance to sign the pledge card last time to do so, or give a one-time donation. We call upon everyone, particularly, the various groups of the parish, choirs, lectors, ushers, eucharistic ministers, Legion of Mary, and so on, to join us in this operation. Even if you have nothing to give, you can still participate in praying for the success of the appeal. "Where your treasure is, there is your heart." Let us unite ourselves to build up our church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE
RECENTLY DEPARTED ESPECIALLY:**

Jean Rene Millien



Monthly Intentions for 2025

SEPTEMBER: *For our relationship with all of creation*

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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 the parish office 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 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.

Readings for the Week – September 7, 2025

Monday Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Ps 13:6ab, 6c Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 **Tuesday** Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Lk 6:12-19 **Wednesday** Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab Lk 6:20-26 **Thursday** Col 3:12-17 Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 6:27-38 **Friday** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 Lk 6:39-42 **Saturday** 1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7 Lk 6:43-49 **Sunday** Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

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FEAST OF ST. JEROME

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DURING MASS

SUNDAY, SEPT 21 -
MONDAY, SEPT 29



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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

PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

- 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	

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




ST. JEROME'S
CHURCH

125TH

Anniversary
CELEBRATION

SEPTEMBER, 2026

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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

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

For tickets/information:

Rectory 718.462.0223, Arlene 917.647.0355, Yanick 347.683.3869, Alberto 347.512.8217,
Yolette 917.361.4213

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Msgr. Pierre Andre Pierre

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