



ST. JEROME R.C. CHURCH

HAPPY FEAST DAY OF ST. JEROME !

Feast Day Mass Schedule

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Upper Church

7:30 AM - English

9:00 AM - Creole

7:30 PM - Trilingual ~ Celebrant ~ Bishop Chappetto



¡Feliz fiesta de San Jerónimo!

Bonne fête de Saint Jérôme !

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PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace a Dieu pour Marie Micheline
Colin Joseph nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li.
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**
Birthday Blessings for Patricia Prosper
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**
For the people of the Parish
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Deliverance et Liberation pour
Etienne Theagene

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Joseph et
Antoinette Francois nan okasyon 46eme
anivèsè mariaj yo

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Alberto Gonzalez Tang
- 9:00 AM Action de grace en l'honneur de St. Jerome
pour Marie Claude Gabriel

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Roosevelt
Cherubin nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 2025

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 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.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



"Woe to the complacent in Zion!" warns Amos. We could say, "Woe to the complacent," period. To be complacent is to be pleased with the status quo, focused on self, without any regard for others. When an election does not go as we expect, we blame complacency. When change in an organization does not occur, complacency. When we are complacent, we are full of ourselves, too lazy to get up and do something, period.

The rich man ignored Lazarus. He was complacent. He was the center of his life and isn't even named. He asks Abraham to send someone to his brothers to motivate them. Abraham states that they have what they need and won't "be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Those words are still true. We have Jesus yet resist calls from Pope Leo to welcome immigrants and refugees and to care for people living in poverty or prison. We resist calls to care for the unborn, provide equal treatment to all, regardless of our differences, or discuss what might stem violence.

What is the antidote to complacency? "Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith love, patience, and gentleness" (1 Timothy 6:11). St. Francis de Sales calls these the "little virtues." When we pursue them, we look up at God and out beyond ourselves. The "little virtues" call us to pay attention to details. So does Pope Leo: "A community that cherishes the little details of love, whose members care for one

another and create an open and evangelizing environment, is a place where the risen Lord is present, sanctifying it in accordance with the Father's plan." (Evangelii Gaudium, 144) Live the "little virtues," avoid complacency, and love as Jesus loved.

Ever-attentive God, we live always in your presence. You are aware of our inmost thoughts. Free us when we are so imprisoned by our own needs that we lose sight of the needs of our sisters, brothers, city, nation, church, and world. Help us to pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness so that all people might experience your loving care.

Fr. Hilaire Belizaire, Pastor

Fr. Jean-Augustin Francois, Parochial Vicar
Mother Vilma D. Orejola, FLP, Director of Faith Formation

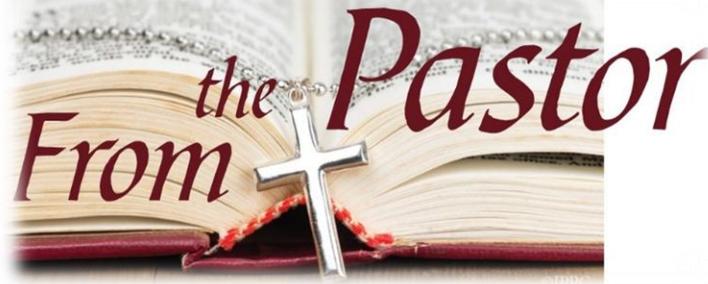
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Monday through Friday:
9:00AM – 1:00 PM
2:00 PM – 4:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday: Closed



Dear Beloved Parishioners,

As we gather in celebration of the Feast of St. Jerome, we are reminded of his deep devotion to the Word of God and his tireless efforts to share the Scriptures with the world. St. Jerome's example of faithfulness and scholarship challenges us to continually seek a deeper understanding of God's Word, to live it in our daily lives, and to be the light of Christ to others.

This year, as we honor St. Jerome, we also look forward with great joy to the Jubilee Year 2025, a Year of Hope. Our theme, "*We Are Pilgrims of Hope*," reminds us that, as we journey through life, we are not alone. God is with us, guiding us along the way, and offering us His boundless hope. We walk together as a parish community, rooted in faith, strengthened by love, and eager to share this hope with the world.

Next year marks a very special milestone in the life of our church: the 125th anniversary of our beloved St. Jerome's Church. For 124 years, this sacred building has been a home of prayer, worship, and fellowship. It has witnessed countless moments of grace, both for individuals and for our community as a whole. As we prepare to celebrate this significant anniversary, let us reflect on the legacy of faith that has shaped us and look ahead to the future with hearts full of gratitude and anticipation.

On this Feast Day of St. Jerome, I wish each of you a joyful and blessed celebration. May his zeal for the Word of God inspire us to deepen our commitment to prayer, study, and service. Just as St. Jerome devoted his life to bringing God's Word to others, may we, too, carry the message of hope and salvation to those we encounter. Let us remember that the Scriptures are not merely words on a page, but the living, breathing voice of God calling us to ever greater love and unity.

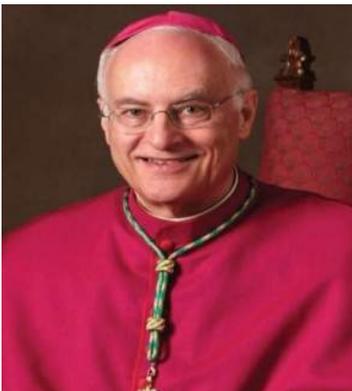
As we journey together through this Jubilee Year of Hope, let us continue to support one another with compassion, uplift each other in prayer, and rejoice in the blessings that come from being part of this vibrant and faithful community.

Happy Feast Day of St. Jerome to you all! May his prayers and example guide us on our pilgrimage of hope as we prepare for the coming Jubilee of our Church.

With love and blessings,

Father Hilaire Belizaire

Pastor



We are delighted to welcome Most Rev. Raymond F. Chappetto, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Brooklyn, to our parish as the Celebrant of the 7:30 PM Mass in honor of the Feast of St. Jerome on Tuesday, September 30th.

We are truly grateful that Bishop Chappetto has joined us for this special celebration. Thank you, Bishop, for your presence, your prayers, and your continued dedication to the people of God. May the Lord bless you always.

MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, 2025

| <u>Mass Time:</u> | <u>Number Of attendees:</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 7:30 AM CREOLE MASS | 288 |
| 9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS | 113 |
| 11:15 AM SPANISH MASS | 95 |
| 1:00 PM CREOLE MASS | 230 |

Readings for the Week – September 28, 2025

Monday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 Jn 1:47-51 Tuesday Zec 8:20-23 Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday Neh 2:1-8 Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Lk 9:57-62 Thursday Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 18:1-5, 10 Friday Bar 1:15-22 Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 Lk 10:13-16 Saturday Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 Lk 10:17-24 Sunday Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10

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 \$53,386.50 we have received \$27,998.25 so far, with a remaining balance of \$26,388.25.**

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 Sunday, October 5th, 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.

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

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor—Memorial September 30th



Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Jerome as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the love of You he showed through his many years of devoted service to Your Church.

Saint Jerome, God gave you a unique calling and used you to provide the Church with a foundational understanding of the Scriptures. Your dedication to prayer, asceticism, and study clearly shows your love for God and His Church. Please pray for us, that we will come to the same depth of love for the Scriptures as you did so that we will also come to the same love of God that you had. Saint Jerome, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

<https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical->

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.

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

Our Parish School of Religion is now in session, beginning with the 9:45 AM Mass and ending at 12:30 PM. All children in Grades 1 through 8 who attend public school must be registered. Parents who have not yet registered their children are encouraged to do so as soon as possible, as we are still accepting registrations. First Communion is celebrated in 2nd grade after two years of preparation, and Confirmation in 8th grade. Youth and adults needing Baptism, Communion, or Confirmation are invited to join our OCIC or OCIA programs. For more information, please contact Mother Vilma, our Faith Formation Director, at 718-462-0223 or faithformation@stjeromercchurch.org

VOCATION

“Fight the good fight of the faith.” Is your faith in Christ leading you to grow in holiness as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.



Ministries

Sunday October 5th is Stewardship Sunday: we invite all parishioners—children, youth, and adults—to discern in which liturgical or other ministries the Lord may be calling them to serve. We encourage you to visit the parish website to learn more about the various ministries in the church and their leaders.

Each ministry provides a unique opportunity to deepen your faith, share your gifts, and make a meaningful impact on the lives of others. Whether you are passionate about music, supporting those in need, welcoming new members, or assisting with liturgical duties, there is a place for you.

Join us at the Ministry Fair on **Sunday, October 5th**, in the School's Gymnasium, to sign up for the ministry of your choice.

Dimanch 5 Oktòb se Dimanch 'Stewardship': Tan, Talan, ak Trezò. Legliz la ap mande nou tout pou-n itilize Tan, Talan, ak Trezò nou pou bati legliz la.

Aprè mès la, nap envite tout moun nan gymnazyòm nan pou Ekspozisyon Ministè nou yo, sa-n rele an anglè "Ministry Fair". Tout group ak ministè nan pawas la ap gen yon tab pou dekore e prezante ministè li. E nou men nou pral pase nan chak tab pou al enfome nou de group yo, travay yap fè, e lè yo reyini. Konsa nou a chwazi pou enskri nan group nou ta renmen sèvi-a.

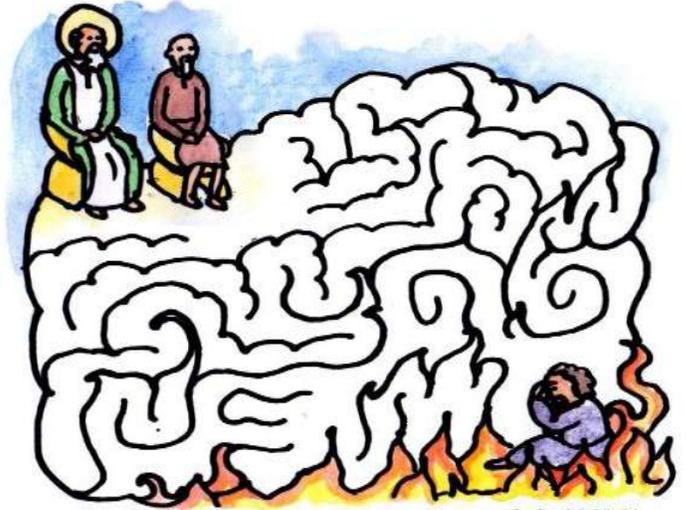
El domingo 5 de octubre es el Domingo de la Corresponsabilidad: invitamos a todos los feligreses — niños, jóvenes y adultos— a discernir en qué ministerios litúrgicos o de otro tipo el Señor los llama a servir. Los animamos a visitar el sitio web de la parroquia para obtener más información sobre los diversos ministerios de la iglesia y sus líderes.

Cada ministerio ofrece una oportunidad única para profundizar su fe, compartir sus dones 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.

Acompáñenos a la Feria de Ministerios el domingo 5 de octubre en el Gimnasio de la Escuela para inscribirse en el ministerio de su elección.

The Kids' Bulletin

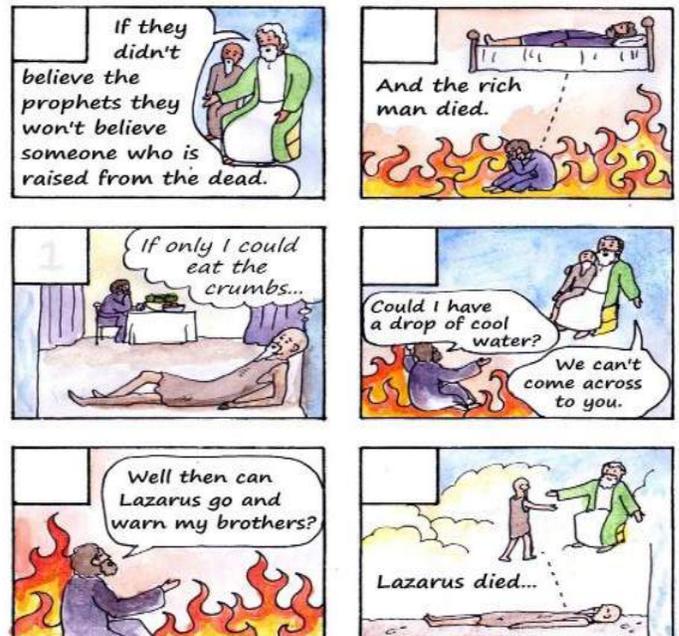
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 28th, 2025



Luke 16:19-31

In Jesus' parable, the rich man asks Abraham to send Lazarus to him with a drop of cool water. But can Lazarus cross between Heaven and Hell? See if the maze will let him cross.

Sort-the-Pictures Lazarus and the Rich Man



In this story are Lazarus, the rich man, and Abraham. The pictures are not in order, though. Can you put the numbers from 1 to 6 in the corners to show their proper order?

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