

# St. Jerome R.C. Church

2900 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11226



October 12, 2025

Twenty-Eighth 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month in the cafeteria after the 1:00 PM Mass
- Feu D'amour meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, OCTOBER 12TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**  
Repos de l'ame de Luc Estime et de Marie Gracieuse Zephyr
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**  
Birthday Blessings for Xiamara Farquhar
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**  
For the people of the Parish
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**  
Action de grace a Dieu pour Maggy Presumé Nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **Repose of the soul of Eugenia Hernandez**
- 9:00 AM **Action de grace en l'honneur de Notre Dame Du Fatima pour Michael Jean**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **NO MASS INTENTIONS**
- 9:00 AM **Action de grace a Dieu pour Michael Jean Nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **NO MASS INTENTIONS**
- 9:00 AM **Repos de l'ame de Victor Dupoux**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **NO MASS INTENTIONS**
- 9:00 AM **Action de grace a Dieu pour Familia Bien-Aime Nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **NO MASS INTENTIONS**
- 9:00 AM **Repos de l'ame de Victor Dupoux**

## 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.

## Readings for the Week – October 12, 2025

**Monday** Rom 1:1-7 Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Lk 11:29-32 **Tuesday** Rom 1:16-25 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Lk 11:37-41 **Wednesday** Rom 2:1-11 Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 Lk 11:42-46 **Thursday** Rom 3:21-30 Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab Lk 11:47-54 **Friday** Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11 Lk 12:1-7 **Saturday** 2 Tm 4:10-17b Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Lk 10:1-9 **Sunday** Ex 17:8-13 Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Tm 3:14—4:2 Lk 18:1-8

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*



Who do you think of as an outsider whose deep faith surprises you? When Christian churches were attacked in Egypt, Muslims formed a human chain to protect their Christian sisters and brothers. Some people still discount their courageous acts of support. However, people put their lives on the line to support children of God whom they often view as enemies. Christians have done the same for Muslims. Faith can surprise us and open our eyes to see God where we least expect.

Such was the case with Naaman and the Samaritan leper. Both are foreigners. Naaman was a Gentile. The Samaritans were enemies to the Jewish people. Resistant at first, Naaman is so moved by his healing that he approaches Elisha to make a thanksgiving offering. Elisha would not accept the gift, for God had healed Naaman, not Elisha. But Naaman is determined and makes an offering to worship the God of Israel. Surprise!

The Samaritan is the only healed leper to return, glorify God, and fall at Jesus' feet in thanksgiving. Jesus affirms his faith. We know not why the others did not return or whether they returned later. We do know that the foreigner, the enemy, did return. Surprise!

Many people like to determine who the insider is and who the outsider is. Many seem more entitled than grateful. May our minds and hearts be open to be surprised at who models faith in God's saving love. May we be grateful wherever we see the gift of faith in God manifested. Like the word of God, faith cannot be chained by who we consider in or out.

There's a wideness in your mercy, O God, and we benefit from the breadth of your saving love. All creation shares in your generosity. Make us grateful for signs of faith wherever we find them. Jesus is faithful to us; help us remain faithful to him. Help us show our gratitude for your love by the wideness of mercy that we extend to others.

## VOCATION

“Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” How will you respond in gratitude to the mercy the Lord has shown you? Consider giving thanks as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 8272454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto: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.

# MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	300
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	127
11:15 AM SPANISH MASS	101
1:00 PM CREOLE MASS	259

## Monthly Intentions for 2025

**October: For collaboration between different religious traditions**



Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



The Rectory office will be **closed on Monday, October 13th, 2025**, in observance of the Columbus Day Holiday.

## 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 \$56,136.50 we have received \$31,965.25 so far, with a remaining balance of \$24,171.75.**

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.

## 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](mailto:faithformation@stjeromercchurch.org)

## October: Month of the Rosary



*“O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.”*

## Collection for World Mission Sunday

Next weekend, Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, is the National Collection for Mission Sunday. Please be generous.

“The collection we take up on World Mission Sunday is not just financial; it is a living sign of our communion with the global Church. It supports the formation of seminarians, religious sisters, and catechists; the building of chapels, schools, and clinics; and the ongoing evangelization of peoples who may be hearing the Gospel for the first time.”

## ALL SAINTS DAY

**On Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, All Saints Day, Masses will be celebrated at 7:30am and 9:00am in the Upper Church.

## ALL SOUL'S DAY

**On Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, we will gather to honor and pray for all those who have passed away. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones on an All Souls' Day envelope along with your donation, or stop by the rectory to offer Mass intentions.

**Mass Schedule is as follows:**

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



## 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 Birotte |
| - Georgette Charles  | - Fleurisca Lexius           |
| - Melroy Daniel      | - Dennese Reddie-Fraser      |
| - Umatile Pierre     | - T Perard                   |
| - George Farid Puzo  | - Rosalind Wahab             |
| - Herma Farrell      | - Sister Carmelle Nerette    |
| - Jean Harbin        |                              |
| - Ghenane Herbert    |                              |

# Parish Ministry Fair Recap – Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025



On Sunday, October 5th, our parish hosted a vibrant Ministry Fair, offering parishioners the chance to explore ways to get involved in service, spiritual growth, and fellowship. Volunteers and ministry leaders were on hand to share information and invite new members to join.

A standout moment was the "Meet Your Ministry" session, where leaders shared inspiring stories and highlighted opportunities to contribute. The event fostered new connections and enthusiasm for deepening involvement in our church community.

Thank you to all who volunteered and participated—we look forward to the positive impact this event will have in our parish!

## 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.

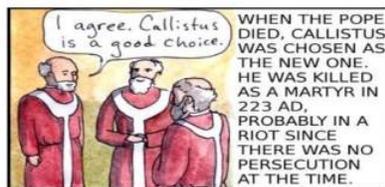
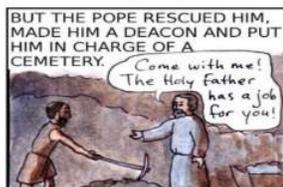
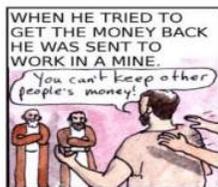
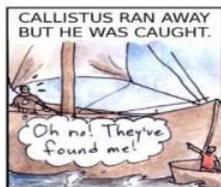
### It is important

- ✚ 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



Troup Eclat is excited to invite you to celebrate an incredible milestone—their 30th Anniversary Gala! Join them on Friday, November 21st, at the beautiful Leonard Palazzo for an unforgettable evening of music, memories, and joy. Tickets are available at \$150 per person, and spaces are limited, so make sure to reserve your spot soon. To secure your tickets, simply reach out to any member of the Troup Eclat Choir.

## Pope Saint Callistus I October 14



SAINT CALLISTUS SAID THAT BAD SINNERS WHO HAD GONE TO CONFESSION AND DONE PENANCE COULD RETURN TO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH. SOME PEOPLE DISAGREED WITH HIM, BUT THE CHURCH STILL TEACHES WHAT HE SAID. HOW CAN YOU GIVE HOPE TO PEOPLE THAT HAVE SINNED?

thekidsbulletin@gmail.com

## True or False? Jesus Cures the Ten Lepers

How well do you know the story of Jesus and the Lepers?

1. When Jesus was walking to Jerusalem, he met ten lepers. True or false?
2. The lepers came right up to Jesus and touched Him. True or false?
3. Jesus didn't touch them; all He said was, "Go show yourselves to the priests." True or false?
4. Half of the lepers were healed and half weren't. True or false?
5. All of them came back to thank Jesus. True or false?
6. Only one man came back to thank Jesus, and he was a foreigner. True or false?
7. Jesus said, "Your faith has saved you." True or false?



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