

St. Jerome R.C. Church

2900 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11226



November 16, 2025

Thirty-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, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Repos de l'âme de Camitha Charles
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**
Birthday Blessings for Neomi Thomas
- 11:15 AM **MISA ESPANOL**
For the people of the Parish
- 1:00 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**
Action de grace a Dieu pour ses bienfaits pour Yolène Jean

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Marie Yolene Innocent

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH, 2025

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH, 2025

- 7:30 AM In loving memory of Don K. Reed
- 9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Marie José Marcel nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH, 2025

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST, 2025

- 7:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Madeline Royal
- 9:00 AM Action de grace a Dieu pour Cecilia Duchaine

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.

Readings for the Week – November 16, 2025

Monday 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Lk 18:35-43 **Tuesday** 2 Mc 6:18-31 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Lk 19:1-10 **Wednesday** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 Lk 19:11-28 **Thursday** 1 Mc 2:15-29 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Lk 19:41-44 **Friday** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd Lk 19:45-48 **Saturday** 1 Mc 6:1-13 Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19 Lk 20:27-40 **Sunday** 2 Sm 5:1-3 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



There is always delight taken in the line: "We hear that some are... not keeping busy but minding the business of others" (2 Thessalonians 3:11). Or as some other translations read: "acting like busy bodies." That is so human. We mind everyone else's business but our own. We look for signs of catastrophe, like those in Malachi and Luke, but we are blind to what might truly be harmful to us. We become anxious and worried about things we cannot change, rather than focusing on those things over which we have some influence.

The readings the last two Sundays of the liturgical year speak about the end-times. They can sound catastrophic. Today's Gospel Acclamation verse offers some good advice: "Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." Raise your heads. Turn your eyes toward the sun of justice with its healing rays. Turn your hearts to the Son of Justice, Jesus Christ, who comes not to destroy us, but to rule the world with equity. Imitate him, as Paul did, and you will be secure no matter what comes.

If we are busy about God's business known through prophets like Malachi, or God's Son, Jesus Christ, or preachers like Paul, we may still experience opposition, but we will not be destroyed. We will work until the Lord returns, whether at the end of all time or the end of our time on earth. We will be an example for those who experience injustice, oppression, fear, or doubt. Busy about God's business, the Son of Justice will heal our hurts, calm our fears, and set the world on fire with the healing warmth of God's everlasting love. Make your bodies busy by imitating Jesus Christ.

Son of Justice, Jesus Christ, you offer healing of our hurts, security in times of trouble, and hope in the face of despair and death. Raise us up to keep our eyes on you. Fill us with an awareness of your Spirit to help us become who you mean us to be and set the world on fire.

VOCATION

"By your endurance you will gain your souls." Are you being invited to gain your soul and the souls of countless others for Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: vocations@diobrook.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO HAVE RECENTLY DEPARTED ESPECIALLY:

Antonine Terlonge



MASS ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 2025

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	314
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	144
11:15 AM SPANISH MASS	89
1:00 PM CREOLE MASS	205



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS SCHEDULE

On Thanksgiving Day, **Thursday, November 27th**. We invite you to join us for a **Trilingual Mass at 9:00AM in the Upper Church**. Please note that this will be the only Mass held that day.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)

Pope Leo has inspired all of us to joyfully and creatively find ways to bring the Good News to the poor. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) was founded in 1970 by the Catholic Bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. CCHD supports projects that help build healthy, sustainable futures for those living on the margins of our community. Please be generous in today's collection.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2025

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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 \$56,926.50 we have received \$34,417.25 so far, with a remaining balance of \$22,509.25.**

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.

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. 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

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.

Monthly Intentions for 2025

November: *For the prevention of suicide*



Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

A decorative border at the top of the Giving Tree section featuring a string of colorful lights in red, green, blue, and yellow.

The Giving TREE

A green Christmas tree with a gold star on top. The tree is decorated with several gift tags that have names written on them: Tarson, Hope, Lam, Amant, Sage, Mike, Nolas, Kogio, and Bobbi. At the base of the tree are three wrapped gifts in yellow, blue, and red.

Dear Parishioners,
As we enter this season of giving and thanksgiving, we kindly ask for your generosity in supporting the children in our Diocese. The Giving Tree is once again displayed in both the Upper and Lower Churches, with tags for children of different ages provided to us by Catholic Charities. We kindly ask that you please take a tag or two and purchase gifts for the children. Please do not wrap the gift, but place it in a gift bag with the tag and leave it under the Giving Tree.

All gifts must be donated by December 15th. Thank you for your kindness and support.

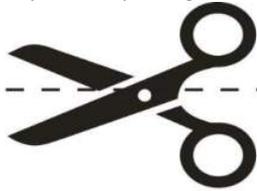


HELP US HELP THOSE IN NEED! As we enter this season of gratitude and giving, we invite you to help us share our blessings with those in need this Thanksgiving.

If you are able, please consider donating non-expired dry foods, canned goods, and other items, or making a monetary or voucher donation to the parish Thanksgiving drive. If you know of a family that could benefit from this support, we encourage you to reach out. You can call the office or write their information on the cut-out box and bring it to the office.

We will distribute the collected food on **Tuesday, November 18th**.

Thank you for your generosity!



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PHONE NUMBER: _____

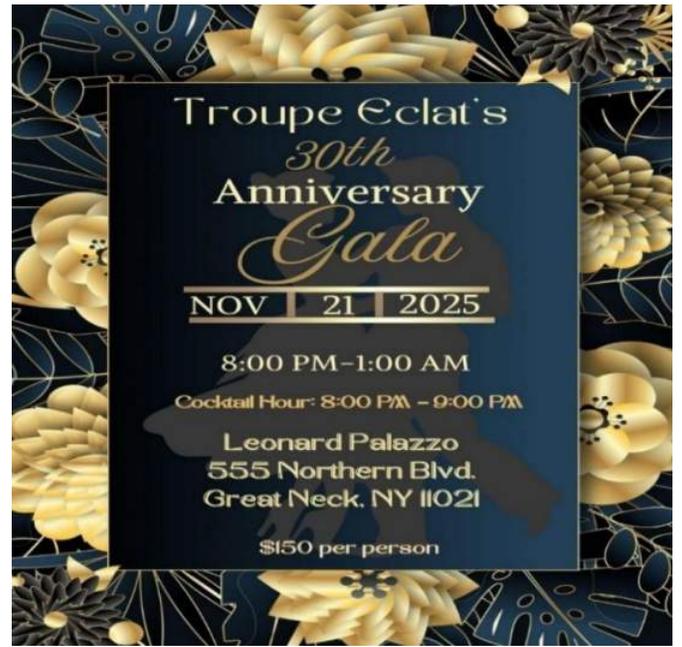
HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE IN THE HOUSEHOLD? _____

Food distribution will take place on Tuesday, November 18th, during office hours only.

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 | |



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.

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

God is With Us to the End

God will give me strength!



Jesus tells the people in today's Gospel reading some of the things that will happen before the end of the world. He says that some people will be arrested and have to speak about Him in front of the leaders and rulers of the people, but He will protect them.

Jesus doesn't want us to worry about what is going to happen at the end of the world, but He wants us to be ready for it when it comes. He also wants us to be ready for the end of our lives, because we don't know when that's going to happen either.



Do you find it kind of scary thinking about the end of the world or dying? Well, you don't need to be afraid about it! Jesus will give us all the strength we need for whatever happens. All we have to do is trust in Him!

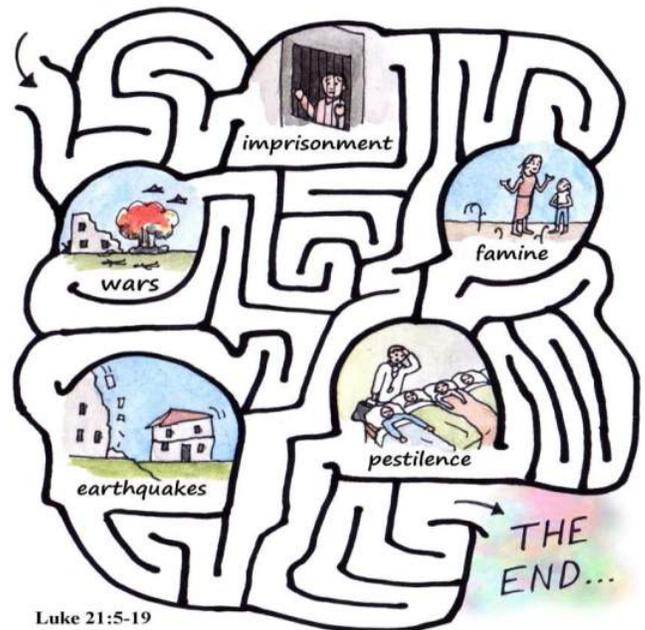


Answers to Cross-Word Puzzle:
Across: 2.dwell 4.roar 6.comes 8.Lord 9.fills 11.the 12.sound 13.those
Down: 1.trumpets 3.who 5.praise 7.melody 8.lyre 10.sing

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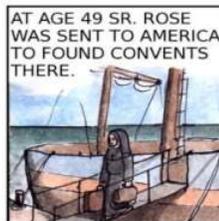
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Luke 21:5-19

In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the people some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world. You'll find them as you go through the maze!

Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne November 18



SAINT ROSE WAS VERY CHARITABLE. SHE HELPED PRIESTS HIDE DURING THE FRENCH REVOLUTION, AND STARTED FREE SCHOOLS FOR GIRLS IN AMERICA. WHEN SHE COULDN'T DO ANY MORE TO HELP THE CHILDREN SHE PRAYED FOR THEM. THE NATIVES CALLED HER "WOMAN-WHO-PRAYS-ALWAYS." SHE DIED AT AGE 83.

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Psalm 98 Cross-Word

Use the words in the list to fill in the blanks in today's Psalm, and then fit them into the puzzle.

- LYRE
- THOSE
- THE
- DWELL
- WHO
- MELODY
- LORD
- COMES
- SOUND
- FILLS
- PRAISES
- ROAR
- TRUMPETS
- SING



Sing _____ 5D to the Lord with the lyre, with the _____ 8D and the sound of _____ 7D!
With _____ 1D and the _____ 12A of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the _____ 8A!

Let the sea _____ 4A, and all that _____ 9A it; the world and _____ 13A _____ 3D _____ 2A in it!
Let the floods clap their hands;

let the hills _____ 10D for joy together before the Lord, for he _____ 6A to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness, and _____ 11A peoples with equity.

A=Across
D=Down

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