

# ST. JEROME R.C. CHURCH

Brooklyn, New York 11226



THIS IS MY  
BELOVED SON,  
WITH WHOM I AM  
WELL PLEASED;  
listen to him.

MATTHEW 17:5

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 1, 2026

### SCHEDULE OF MASSES / HORAIRE DES MESSES/ HORARIO DE MISAS

#### SUNDAY/ DIMANCHE/ DOMINGO

*Upper Church*

7:30 AM ~ Creole

9:45 AM ~ English

11:30 AM ~ Spanish

1:15 PM ~ Creole

#### WEEKDAYS/ JOURS DE LA SEMAINE/ DÍAS DE LA SEMANA

*Lower Church*

7:30 AM Monday ~ Friday: English

9:00 AM Monday ~ Saturday: Creole

#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/ ADORATION EUCHARISTIQUE/ ADORACIÓN EUCARÍSTICA

Every Friday after the 9:00 AM Mass with benediction at Noon.

#### PASTORAL STAFF

**Fr. Hilaire Belizaire**, Pastor

**Fr. Jean-Augustin Francois**,  
Parochial Vicar

**Mother Vilma D. Orejola, FLP**,  
Director of Faith Formation

**Cindy Balliram**, Business Manager

**Fabiola Edmond**, Parish Secretary

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#### PARISH OFFICE / PARISH CENTER

455 East 29th St. Brooklyn, NY 11226

#### Monday, Wednesday & Friday:

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

\*Closed for lunch 1:00 PM-2:00PM\*

2:00 PM – 7:30 PM

#### Tuesday & Thursday:

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

\*Closed for lunch 1:00 PM-2:00PM\*

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

#### BAPTISM/ BAUTISMO/ BAPTÊME

Baptism registration takes place

Monday to Friday from during office hours.

#### CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIONES

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# PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS DE MESSE PAROISSIALES  
INTENCIONES DE LA MISA PARROQUIAL

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Deuxième dimanche de Carême  
Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma



*My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

One of the most widely read and highly acclaimed religious books for over twenty years, *God of Surprises*, takes readers on a spiritual journey of discovery and change. Jesuit Gerard Hughes encourages you and me to realize the truth of Jesus' words—"The Kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field"—and suggests ways to find that treasure within ourselves.

We cannot know their inner lives, but we can know for sure that three holy leaders of the early Church, namely the apostles Peter, James and John got a personal invitation from their Master to know Him as "the God of surprises." As Matthew calmly declares, in a matter-of-fact tone: "He was transfigured before them." Forced to avert their eyes, the three men were shocked and in awe. They saw, for a brief time, what we all desire to see for eternity: the Divine Face of Christ.

It is a good thing for us to know, this showing of Christ's divinity. That is so because in this life we are marked men and women, marked, that is, with Christ's favor, that often looks like disfavor when it comes into our lives disguised as pain.

Let us face facts. Our God is a demanding Person. Never asking us to endure hurt and pain that is beyond our strength to do so but suffering any way you care to define it. He has that right. He has made wonderful promises to us if we obey and accept the troubles that are sent our way to test us. He wants us to succeed. And we will. If we remember the transfiguration.

The man Abraham, featured in our First Reading today, certainly learned that God is a God of Surprises. Here he was, at age 75, long past the time to put his feet up and enjoy his grandchildren, when God asks him to pull up stakes, march to a new and strange land, and only set up his tent when he reaches the new landscape.

Abraham, Peter, James, and John all belong to a long line of persons lovingly created to give God glory that includes you and me, are asked to love deeply and "walk humbly with our God." When it is time for us also to see Him "as He is" He has promised us we will be happily surprised.

### VOCATION / VOCACIÓN – 3/1/2026

"God has called us with a holy calling...according to His own purpose and grace." If you think God is offering you the grace of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (718) 827-2454 or email: [vocations@diobrook.org](mailto:vocations@diobrook.org).

### ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

MINISTERES DES ENFANTS DE CHŒUR / MINISTERIO DE MONAGUILLOS

"*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.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2026

- 7:30 AM **MESSE CRÉOLE**  
Action de grace a Dieu pour Rodney  
Cherubin nan okasyon anivèsè nesans li
- 9:45 AM **ENGLISH MASS**  
Birthday Blessings for Andre Alexandre  
Junior
- 11:30 AM **MISA ESPANOL**  
For the people of the Parish
- 1:15 PM **MESSE CRÉOLE**  
Repos de l'ame de Fleurisca Lexius

## MONDAY, MARCH 2ND, 2026

- 7:30 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS
- 9:00 AM Repos de l'ame de Marriane Pyrron Hudson

## TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD, 2026

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

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH, 2026

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

## THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2026

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

## FRIDAY, MARCH 6TH, 2026

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

## SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH, 2026

- 9:00 AM NO MASS INTENTIONS

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### MASS INTENTIONS / INTENTIONS DE MESSE / INTENCIONES DE LA MISA

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.

### Monthly Intentions for 2026

Les Intentions du mois / Intenciones mensuales



### March: *For disarmament and peace*

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

# MASS ATTENDANCE

Attendance de la Messe / Atendieron a Misa

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2026

<u>Mass Time:</u>	<u>Number Of attendees:</u>
7:30 AM CREOLE MASS	231
9:45 AM ENGLISH MASS	159
11:30 AM SPANISH MASS	71
1:15 PM CREOLE MASS	146

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK / LECTURES DE LA SEMAINE/ LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

**Monday, March 2, 2026**--- Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday, March 3, 2026** --- Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday, March 4, 2026** --- Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday, March 5, 2026** --- Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 16:19-31

**Friday, March 6, 2026** --- Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday, March 7, 2026** --- Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sunday, March 8, 2026** --- Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK ESPECIALLY

VEUILLEZ PRIER POUR LES MALADES, EN PARTICULIER / POR FAVOR, RECEN POR LOS ENFERMOS, ESPECIALMENTE.

Yvrose Auguste, Giselle Beausoleil, Agatha Bristow, Georgette Charles, Umatile Pierre, George Farid Puzo, Herma Farrell, Jean Harbin, Ghenane Herbert, Andre Innocent, Amina Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. Nayel Birotte, Denese Reddie-Fraser, T Perard, and Rosalind Wahab

## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

INSCRIPTION À LA FORMATION À LA FOI/  
INSCRIPCIÓN PARA LA FORMACIÓN EN LA FE

Registration for Religious Education is ongoing. All 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. 1<sup>st</sup> communion will be celebrated in 2nd grade after the child receives 2 years of formation. The sacrament of Confirmation receives in 8th grade. For more information, please contact Mother Vilma, our Faith Formation Director, at 718-462-0223.



## STATIONS of the CROSS

Please join your parish family for the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:30 PM in the Upper Church

Chak Vandredi nan sezon Karèm nap gen Chemen'd Kwa a 7:30 diswa nan Legliz Anwo a. Tout moun envite vin pran rout Kalvè ak Jezi, dekwa pou selebre kè kontan rezireksyon-l nan fèt Pak la

Únase a su familia parroquial para el Vía Crucis todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma a las 7:30 PM en la Iglesia Superior.

## Donations For Easter Flowers



The Parish is in need of donations to purchase Easter flowers for the Altars of the Upper and Lower Churches for the Easter season. Please bring your donations to Mass or to the Parish office in an envelope marked Easter flower donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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

Robert Junior. Exorthe



## ST. JEROME R.C. CHURCH

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Anniversary  
CELEBRATION

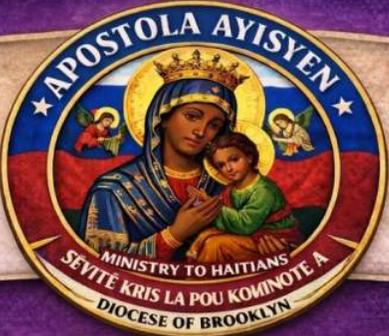
FEAST DAY MASS  
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2026

PARISH JUBILEE GALA  
SEPTEMBER, 2027

SAVE THE DATE

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**TRI-LINGUAL  
GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE  
CROSS PROCESSION**  
AROUND HOLY CROSS CEMETERY  
**APRIL 3, 2026**  
10:00AM - 1:00PM  
Gather at 10:00AM Brooklyn & Tilden Avenues

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
Walk the Cross with Jesus to end the Sin of Racism  
Mache ak Kwa Kris la pou fini peche rasis la  
Camina la Cruz con Jesús para poner fin  
al pecado del racismo



April 3, 2026 Gather at 10:00AM Brooklyn & Tilden Avenues

## Lenten Litany of Fasting and Feasting During Lent, let us...



**FAST** from judging others; **FEAST** on the Christ within them. **FAST** from emphasis on difference; **FEAST** on the unity of life. **FAST** from apparent darkness; **FEAST** on the reality of light. **FAST** from thoughts of illness; **FEAST** on the healing power of God. **FAST** from words that pollute; **FEAST** on phrases that purify.

**FAST** from discontent; **FEAST** on gratitude. **FAST** from anger; **FEAST** on patience. **FAST** from pessimism; **FEAST** on optimism.

**FAST** from complaining; **FEAST** on appreciation. **FAST** from worry; **FEAST** on trust in God's Care.

**FAST** from unrelenting pressure; **FEAST** on unceasing prayer. **FAST** from facts that depress; **FEAST** on verities that uplift. **FAST** from lethargy; **FEAST** on enthusiasm. **FAST** from thoughts that weaken; **FEAST** on promises that inspire. **FAST** from shadows of sorrow; **FEAST** on the sunlight of serenity.

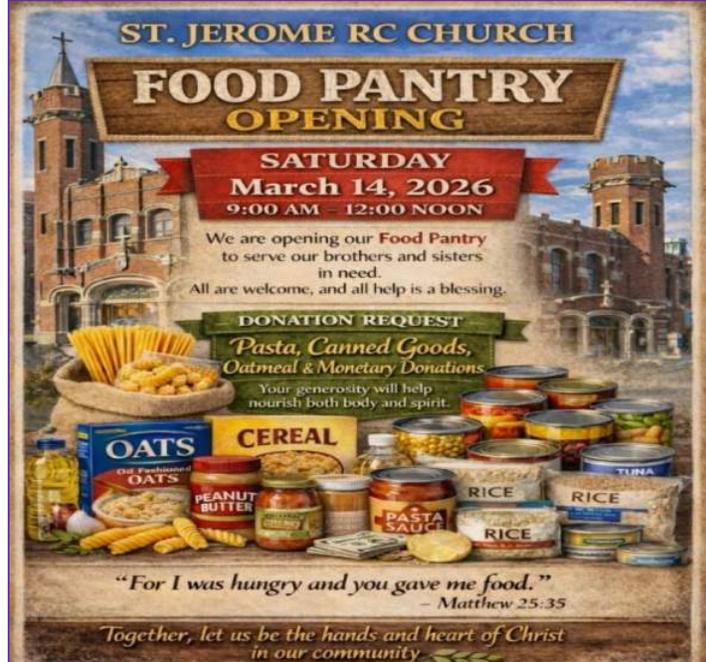
**FAST** from problems that overwhelm; **FEAST** on prayer that undergirds. **FAST** from bitterness; **FEAST** on forgiveness.

**FAST** from self-concern; **FEAST** on compassion for others. **FAST** from personal anxiety; **FEAST** on eternal truth. **FAST** from discouragements; **FEAST** on hope.

<https://www.tumblr.com/globalworship/78905620684/lenten-prayer-fast-from-feast-on>

## 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 Mother Vilma D. Orejola or online at [www.virtusonline.org](http://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.



**ST. JEROME RC CHURCH**  
**FOOD PANTRY**  
**OPENING**

**SATURDAY**  
**March 14, 2026**  
9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON

We are opening our Food Pantry to serve our brothers and sisters in need. All are welcome, and all help is a blessing.

**DONATION REQUEST**  
Pasta, Canned Goods,  
Oatmeal & Monetary Donations  
Your generosity will help nourish both body and spirit.

*"For I was hungry and you gave me food."*  
- Matthew 25:35

Together, let us be the hands and heart of Christ in our community

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# Lenten Retreat

*Retriè Karièm / Retiro de Cuaresma*

***"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." Psalm 51:10***

## **CREOLE / KREYÒL**

Wednesday, 3/18, Thursday, 3/19, & Friday, 3/20, at 7:00 PM

## **ENGLISH**

Saturday, 3/21 at 3 PM

## **SPANISH / ESPAÑOL**

Sunday, 3/22 after the 11:30 AM Mass

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