



80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Second Sunday of Lent - March 12, 2017



# Sacred Heart of Jesus Roman Catholic Church

## PARISH CLERGY

**Rev. Fr. Hilaire Belizaire**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Fr. Franklin Ezeorah**  
*Parochial Vicar*

**Rev. Fr. Joseph R. Bruno**  
*In residence*

**Deacon Francois G. Cajoux**  
**Deacon Paul Dorsinville**

**Deacon Roy Dudley**  
**Deacon Marcus Mordan**  
*(Retired)*

## PARISH ADMINISTRATION

**Mrs. Mary Harris**  
*Business Manager*

## LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY

**Mr. Antoine Chery**  
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## RECTORY HOURS

9 AM - 12PM, 1PM - 5PM (M- F)

## FAITH FORMATION

**Sr. Vilma Orejola, FLP**  
*Director*

**Ms. Mona Martin**  
*Religious Education Coordinator*

**Mrs. Yvonne Russell-Smith**

*Principal, SH Academy*



## MASSES

**Monday to Saturday**  
9:00 AM in the Chapel

**Saturday Vigil**  
5:00 PM in the Church

## Sunday

English Mass  
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM  
Creole Mass 12:45 PM

## Holy Days

English Mass 9:00 AM  
Bilingual Mass 7:30 PM

## Eucharistic Adoration

Saturdays at 4:00 pm in the Church  
Every 1st Friday after the 9 AM Mass

## Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Church, Cambria Heights is a diverse, vibrant, family united in faith. Drawing from our rich cultural backgrounds, we proclaim Christ as Lord, celebrate His living presence in the Sacraments, and serve others in his name.

# LENTEN CALENDAR

**March 17 – Friday** - 6:30 PM Children's Stations of the Cross  
- 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Adult/bilingual)

**March 20 -21 - Monday to Wednesday -7pm** -Lenten Retreat (English)

**March 24 – Friday** - 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Adult/bilingual)

**March 27-29 – Monday to Wednesday** - Lenten Retreat (Creole)

**March 31 – Friday** - 7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Adult/bilingual)

**April 1 - Saturday - 6:30pm** - Seder Meal

**April 7 – Friday** - First Friday: Eucharistic Adoration

Following 9am Mass till 6:30pm

6:30 PM Children's Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross (Adult/bilingual)

**April 9 – Palm Sunday**

**April 10 – Holy Monday** - Reconciliation Monday

10am - 12 noon at the Chapel

7:30pm - 9pm at the Chapel

**April 13 – Holy Thursday** - 7:30 pm – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

**April 14 – Good Friday** - 12 Noon – Living Stations of the Cross  
3:00 pm (English) and 7:30 PM (Creole) Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

**April 15 – Holy Saturday** - Easter Vigil begins at 8:00 pm

**April 16 – Easter Sunday**

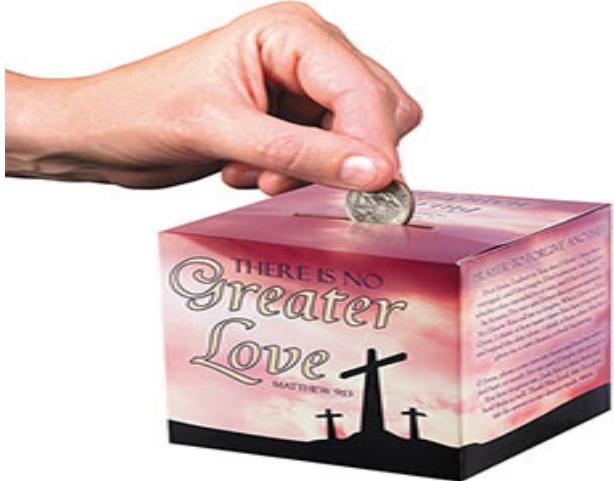
## LENTEN REGULATIONS ON FAST AND ABSTINENCE

**Abstinence** – All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday & the Fridays of Lent.

**Fasting** - All the faithful between the ages of 18 & 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

**Solemnity of St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** This year March 19 is the Third Sunday of Lent; therefore, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, will be celebrated on Monday, March 20, 2017.

## Lent is a season for PRAYER, FASTING & ALMSGIVING



**Pick up a Lenten Box  
in gratitude to God for his LOVE to us!**

Drop your savings from your FASTING in this box  
and bring it back to the church on or before  
April 13th.

This collection will go to the needy.

**"As you do it to the least of these who are my  
brothers and sisters you have done it unto me."**

-Matthew 25:35

## Daily Mass Readings

Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday:	Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, March 11, 2017**

5:00 pm Norma Constantine (D)

**Sunday, March 12, 2017**

8:00 am For The People Of The Parish  
10:00 am For The People Of The Parish  
12:45pm Ovard Calixte &  
Mac Arthur Calixte (B)

**Monday, March 13, 2017**

9:00 am Guy Blanchard (D)

**Tuesday, March 14, 2017**

9:00 am For The People Of The Parish

**Wednesday, March 15, 2017**

9:00 am Elizabeth Marie Willams (D)  
Sabrina Pierre Paul (B)

**Thursday, March 16, 2017**

9:00 am For The People Of The Parish

**Friday, March 17, 2017**

9:00 am Veronique Byas (Thanksgiving)

**Saturday, March 18, 2017**

9:00 am Parnhell Jean Poix (D)

## PRAYER LIST

Deacon Roy Dudly, Deacon Marcus Mordan, Myriam St Louis Juste, Yolande Pierre, Hubert Mills, Mythe Ste Rose, Irma Ali, Saintecile Joseph, Sade Jean-Raymond, Jahlil Nahser, Brenda Alleyne, Elliot Haynes, Ann Gutman, Candie Olmstead, Augustina Pitt, Gloria John, Clarence Hoggard, Lela Moton, Narque and Patrick Jean, Carolyn Keller, Carolin Edith, Steve Ste Rose, Raymonde Bertrand, Carmene Muscad, Genevieve Morin, Marie Kernisant, Cecilie Campayne, Monarque Jean, Ucile Pierre-Louis, Kingsley Joachim, Denise Briggs, Marie Yolaine José, Clelie Fougère Cauvin, Wilford Shillingford, Alain Beaubrun, Stephon Ducasse, Josette Numa, Janet Greene, Gilberte Clérrier, Claudette Perrin, Patricia Donellan, Murat Raymond, Jean Halle & Margaret John. May God restore their physical & spiritual health.

# PARISH

# LENTEN



ENGLISH  
**March**  
**20 - 22**  
**Mon-Wed**

Theme: “**My grace  
is all you need.”**  
(2 Cor. 12:9)



**Rev. Fr. C. Marcellus Augiste**  
a Diocesan priest from the Diocese of Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica was ordained on the 18th August 1985. He holds a bachelors in theology; a Masters in Pastoral Ministry and is presently completing a Doctorate of Ministry at Barry University, Miami, Florida.

Prior to his pursuing studies he served as, Diocesan Youth Coordinator, Episcopal Vicar, member of the Council of Priests and the Diocesan Personal Board and pastor of a 5-village parish community. He is a past president and secretary of the Diocesan Clergy of the Province of Castries.

A very energetic and enthusiastic preacher he is able to captive his congregation using his own unique style of preaching with an emphasis on biblical evidence that support our Catholic teachings. He brings into ministry a wealth of experience that he has acquired over the past thirty plus years as an ordained minister.

A proponent for the Truth of the Faith, and a defender of the erroneous attacks on the Church, he preaches fearlessly an unadulterated message handed down by Christ through the apostles.

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**27 - 29**  
**Mars**  
**Lundi-Vendredi**

Thème: “**Ma grâce  
te suffit.”**

(2 Cor. 12:9)

**Rev. Fr. Francky Desir**



P. Francky a été ordonné prêtre en 2003 pour l'Archidiocèse de Port-au-Prince, Haïti. Il est le curé de la paroisse Notre-Dame d'Altagrace de Delmas à Port-au-Prince et coordonateur de la Pastorale Mariale.

## **THE WORD IS A GIFT. OTHER PERSONS ARE A GIFT'**

### **2. Sin blinds us**

The parable is unsparing in its description of the contradictions associated with the rich man (cf. v. 19). Unlike poor Lazarus, he does not have a name; he is simply called “a rich man”. His opulence was seen in his extravagant and expensive robes. Purple cloth was even more precious than silver and gold, and was thus reserved to divinities (cf. *Jer* 10:9) and kings (cf. *Jg* 8:26), while fine linen gave one an almost sacred character. The man was clearly ostentatious about his wealth, and in the habit of displaying it daily: “He feasted sumptuously every day” (v. 19). In him we can catch a dramatic glimpse of the corruption of sin, which progresses in three successive stages: love of money, vanity and pride (cf. *Homily*, 20 September 2013).



## **Pope Francis: MESSAGE FOR LENT 2017**

The Apostle Paul tells us that “the love of money is the root of all evils” (*1 Tim* 6:10). It is the main cause of corruption and a source of envy, strife and suspicion. Money can come to dominate us, even to the point of becoming a tyrannical idol (cf. *Evangelii Gaudium*, 55). Instead of being an instrument at our service for doing good and showing solidarity towards others, money can chain us and the entire world to a selfish logic that leaves no room for love and hinders peace.

The parable then shows that the rich man’s greed makes him vain. His personality finds expression in appearances, in showing others what he can do. But his appearance masks an interior emptiness. His life is a prisoner to outward appearances, to the most superficial and fleeting aspects of existence (cf. *ibid.*, 62).

The lowest rung of this moral degradation is pride. The rich man dresses like a king and acts like a god, forgetting that he is merely mortal. For those corrupted by love of riches, nothing exists beyond their own ego. Those around them do not come into their line of sight. The result of attachment to money is a sort of blindness. The rich man does not see the poor man who is starving, hurting, lying at his door.

Looking at this character, we can understand why the Gospel so bluntly condemns the love of money: “No one can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or be attached to the first and despise the second. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money” (*Mt* 6:24).

### **3. The Word is a gift**

The Gospel of the rich man and Lazarus helps us to make a good preparation for the approach of Easter. The liturgy of Ash Wednesday invites us to an experience quite similar to that of the rich man. When the priest imposes the ashes on our heads, he repeats the words: “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return”. As it turned out, the rich man and the poor man both died, and the greater part of the parable takes place in the afterlife. The two characters suddenly discover that “we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it” (*1 Tim* 6:7).

We too see what happens in the afterlife. There the rich man speaks at length with Abraham, whom he calls “father” (*Lk* 16:24.27), as a sign that he belongs to God’s people. This detail makes his life appear all the more contradictory, for until this moment there had been no mention of his relation to God. In fact, there was no place for God in his life. His only god was himself.

The rich man recognizes Lazarus only amid the torments of the afterlife. He wants the poor man to alleviate his suffering with a drop of water. What he asks of Lazarus is similar to what he could have done but never did. Abraham tells him: “During your life you had your fill of good things, just as Lazarus had his fill of bad. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony” (v. 25). In the afterlife, a kind of fairness is restored and life’s evils are balanced by good.

The parable goes on to offer a message for all Christians. The rich man asks Abraham to send Lazarus to warn his brothers, who are still alive. But Abraham answers: “They have Moses and the prophets, let them listen to them” (v. 29). Countering the rich man’s objections, he adds: “If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead” (v. 31).

The rich man’s real problem thus comes to the fore. At the root of all his ills was *the failure to heed God’s word*. As a result, he no longer loved God and grew to despise his neighbor. The word of God is alive and powerful, capable of converting hearts and leading them back to God. When we close our heart to the gift of God’s word, we end up closing our heart to the gift of our brothers and sisters.

Dear friends, Lent is the favorable season for renewing our encounter with Christ, living in his word, in the sacraments and in our neighbor. The Lord, who overcame the deceptions of the Tempter during the forty days in the desert, shows us the path we must take. May the Holy Spirit lead us on a true journey of conversion, so that we can rediscover the gift of God’s word, be purified of the sin that blinds us, and serve Christ present in our brothers and sisters in need. I encourage all the faithful to express this spiritual renewal also by sharing in the Lenten Campaigns promoted by many Church organizations in different parts of the world, and thus to favor the culture of encounter in our one human family.

Let us pray for one another so that, by sharing in the victory of Christ, we may open our doors to the weak and poor. Then we will be able to experience and share to the full the joy of Easter.



# Passover Seder Meal

An opportunity to understand the meaning of each part of the Passover Meal which Jesus celebrated on Holy Thursday and share in the typical food.

**Saturday April 1, 2017  
@ 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm**

Sacred Heart Academy Auditorium

**Donation: Adult - \$20 Child/ren - \$10**

So that we can prepare the meal properly, **ALL GUESTS MUST RSVP no later than March 27th.**  
Please fill out the bottom portion of this invitation and drop off to Sr. Vilma in the Rectory or you may call 718-528-0577 for reservation.

## **I WILL ATTEND THE PASSOVER SEDER MEAL**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. \_\_\_\_\_

### **300 CLUB DRAWING**

Numbers for the 300 club drawing scheduled are now being sold. Please reserve your number today. Each number is \$80. The grand prizes are \$800, \$1,800, & \$8,000. There will also be numerous other smaller prizes. You can see a member of the committee after mass.

### **DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE**

We are encouraging every ministry in the parish to participate in the upcoming Divine Mercy Pilgrimage at Eden Hill Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts sponsored by “Groupe Miséricorde”  
**on Saturday, April 22nd, 2017.**  
Buses leave in front of the Church at 6 AM.  
There's a participation fee of \$55.  
For more information please contact  
Evelyne at 347-682-3644 or  
Marie Louise at 718-527-3108 or  
Mike Mekako at 917-593-5108

### **Sacred Heart Church 10-Day European Vacation !!! October 1-11, 2017**

**Rome, Barcelona, Marseille, Savona**

**4 Nights Hotel in Rome & 5 nights Cruise  
to Barcelona, Marseille, Savona**

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## **CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT**



### **Baptism**

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in English on the 2nd Saturday at 1:00 PM, and in Creole on the 4th Saturday at 1:00 PM. If you are planning to have your child baptized in the parish, please call the rectory.

### **Reconciliation/Confession**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered on Saturdays at 4:00 PM in church, or by appointment in the rectory.

### **Matrimony**

If you are planning to get married, please schedule an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months before the anticipated wedding date. If you are not in a valid marriage (a marriage not celebrated in church by a priest or deacon), please call or write the rectory for an appointment to see a priest.

### **Communion for the Homebound**

Anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness may receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis. Please call the rectory.

## **UPCOMING BAPTISM SCHEDULES**

### ***Creole Baptism Celebration***

Saturday, April 29 - 1:00 PM

### ***Baptism Preparation:***

(for Parents) Thursday, April 20, 7:30 pm

(for Parents & Godparents) Thursday, April 27, 7:30 pm

### ***English Baptism Celebration***

Saturday, May 13, 2017 - 1:00 PM

### ***Baptism Preparation:***

(for Parents) Thursday, May 4th - 7:30 pm

(for Parents & Godparents) Thursday, May 11th -7:30 pm

Please call the rectory to register.

## **Rite D'initiation Chretienne Pour Adultes**

Êtes-vous membre d'une église différente? N'avez-vous pas été baptisé? Voulez-vous devenir Catholique? Jésus vous appelle à un cheminement spirituel. Veuillez vous rejoindre à nous chaque mercredi soir à 7 heures pour le Rite d'Initiation Chrétienne pour adultes. Pour plus d'information, appeler le diacre François ou le diacre Paul.

### **Gwoup Konsolasyon**

Pou konsole moun ki pèdi yon moun chè nan fanmi yo. Gwoup Konslasyon an kapab ede w. Rankontre nou chak dènye Jedi nan mwa a nan basement presbitè a 7è di swa.

### **Ministry of Consolation**

A group of caring, compassionate volunteers assist families in planning the funeral liturgy of their loved ones. For further information please contact the rectory or Angela DePeaza at 718.525.4311.

### **Bereavement**

We invite the bereaved to join us for reassurance and support on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in Father Nolan's Unity Room.

### **Facility**

Wish to reserve a room for your next function?

Please call Fritz Kernizan at 718-406-5277.

### **Annual Capital Appeal**

This campaign supports specific needs in the diocese and in our parish. This year, our parish goal is \$48,551. We have only received \$25,689 in pledges. Please consider making a pledge to the ACA 2016. For we budget on the rebates. To make a pledge please contact the rectory at 718-528-0577.

### **Generations of Faith**

If you have already submitted your pledge card for the Campaign, please send all future payments directly to the Generations of Faith office at: Generations of Faith: Diocese of Brooklyn, **P.O. Box 7356 Berlin, CT 06037**