

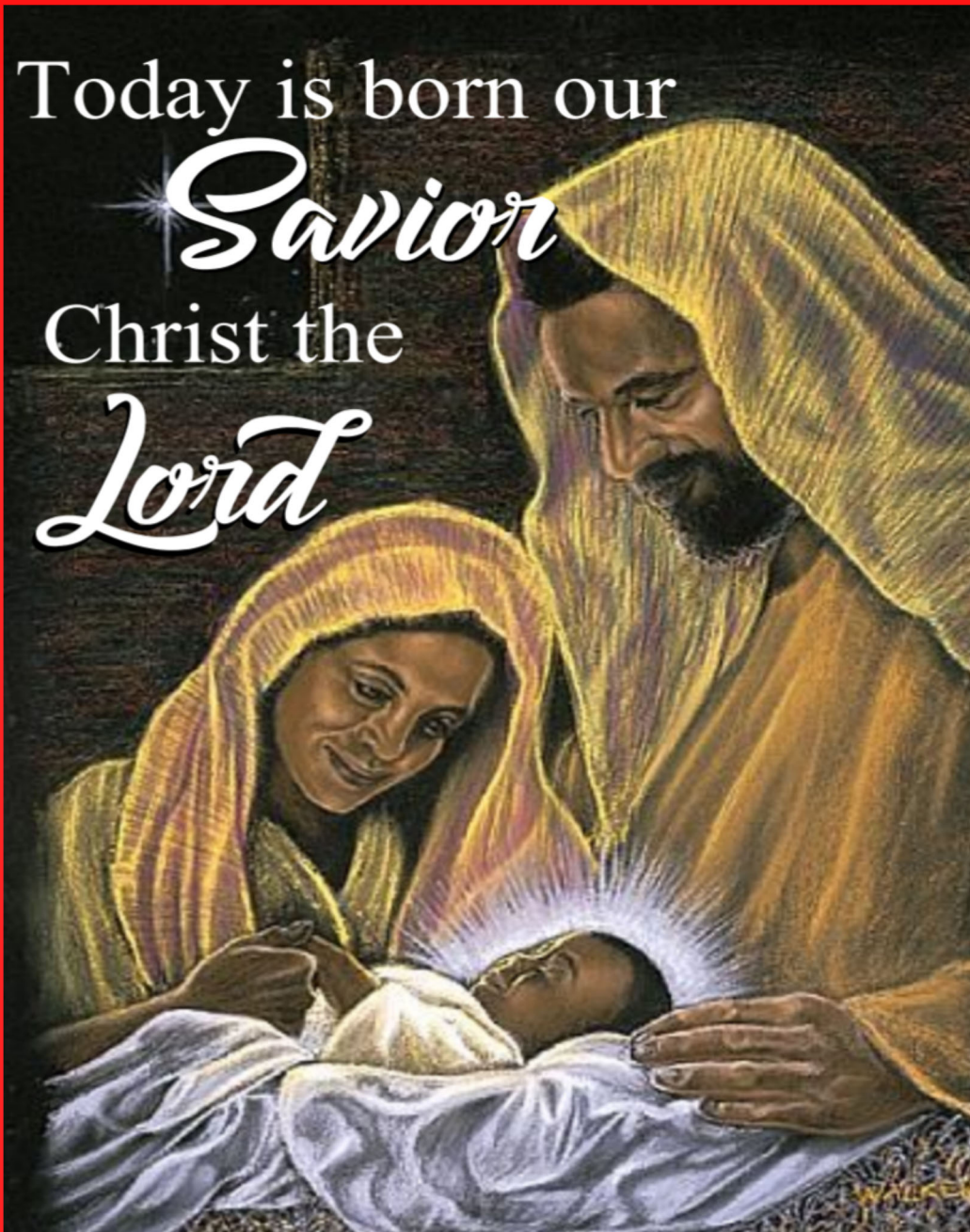
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Today is born our

*Savior*

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**Merry Christmas!**

*Nnukwu añuri Ekeresimesi! \* Feliz Navidad!*

*E ku odun Keresimesi! \* Maligayang Pasko!*

# Pastor's Christmas Message

Dear Parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus,

What a wonderful time of the year it is as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! This is indeed the most joyful time of the year - the first moment when the depth of God's unconditional love is made visible in the most concrete of ways. What greater cause for joy can be found in this life than to be a sharer in Jesus' life, to walk at his side, to sit at his feet, and to feel his touch?

We live in a world of tremendous challenge for the Christian. Presently, our brothers and sisters around the World are going through unprecedented persecutions. This world continues to look to some "leader" to step up and make a difference, and bring the peace needed. In the midst of all our current challenges and concerns, the love of God the Father is made manifest to us in the wonderful gift of His Son, Jesus. With the angels in Bethlehem, our faith moves us to sing: "Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth!" We recognize that true peace on earth flows from our recognition and praise of God in our lives.

With deep joy and gratitude, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and blessed New Year. I also want to thank you for being a source of hope, peace and joy in our parish. Please know that my prayers are with you and your families at this special time of the year.

Let's be ready and let's make sure He is born today in our hearts!

Peace and Joy this Christmas and always,

Fr. Hilaire



Chers paroissiens du Sacré-Cœur de Jésus,

Quelle merveilleuse époque de l'année où nous célébrons la naissance de notre Seigneur et Sauveur, Jésus-Christ! C'est en effet la période la plus joyeuse de l'année - le premier moment où la profondeur de l'amour inconditionnel de Dieu est rendue visible de la manière la plus concrète. Quelle plus grande cause de joie peut-on trouver dans cette vie que de participer à la vie de Jésus, marcher à ses côtés, s'asseoir à ses pieds et de sentir sa présence.

Nous vivons dans un monde d'énormes défis pour le chrétien. Actuellement, nos frères et sœurs du monde entier connaissent des persécutions sans précédent. Ce monde continue à chercher encore un «leader» pouvant changer sa situation, faire la différence, et apporter la paix nécessaire. Au milieu de tous nos défis et préoccupations, l'amour de Dieu le Père nous est manifesté dans le don gratuit de Son Fils, Jésus. Avec les anges à Bethléem, notre foi nous pousse à chanter: "Gloire à Dieu au plus haut des cieux et paix sur la terre aux hommes qu'il aime". Nous savons que la vraie paix sur terre découle de notre reconnaissance et de nos louanges de Dieu dans nos vies.

C'est avec joie et gratitude que je profite de cette occasion de Noël pour vous souhaiter, ainsi qu'à vos proches, un joyeux Noël et une nouvelle année bénie, et aussi vous remercier d'être une source de paix et de joie, et d'espérance dans notre communauté paroissiale. Soyez rassurés de mes prières pour vous et vos familles en cette saison de grâce.

Soyons prêts et faisons en sorte qu'il soit né aujourd'hui dans nos cœurs!

Paix et joie ce Noël et toujours,

Père Hilaire



# CHRISTMAS SEASON MASS SCHEDULE

## CHRISTMAS EVE

**11:00 PM Caroling followed**  
by Midnight Masses in  
Creole and English

## *CHRISTMAS DAY*

**Monday, December 25th**  
**11:00 AM Bilingual Mass**

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

**Saturday, December 30th - 5 :00 PM Vigil Mass**

**Sunday, December 31st**

**8:00 AM English Mass; 10:00 AM English Mass :**  
**12:45 PM Creole Mass**

## *NEW YEAR'S EVE*

**9:00 PM to 10:00 PM – Holy Hour**

**10:00 PM to 11:55 PM – Bilingual Mass**

**WE BRING IN THE NEW YEAR AT**  
**MIDNIGHT**

**followed by fellowship and dancing in auditorium**

## *NEW YEAR'S DAY*

**Monday, January 1st, 2018**

***Solemnity of the Mother of God***

**11:00 AM Bilingual Mass**

## FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

**Saturday, January 6th**

**5:00 PM Vigil Mass**

**Sunday, January 7th**

**8:00 AM English Mass**

**10:00 AM English Mass**

**12:45 PM Creole Mass**

## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

**(End of Christmas Season)**

**Monday, January 8th**

**9:00AM Mass (Church)**





## Bread and Wine

Offered by  
**Marie Geffrard**



Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]  
During the Night: Is 9:1-6;  
Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14  
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12;  
Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10;  
Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59;  
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17;  
Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;  
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 – 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8;  
Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3;  
Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9;  
Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or  
Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19;  
Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

## **POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION for December 2017**



### **The Elderly**

**That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.**

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, December 23, 2017

5:00 pm

Sunday, December 24, 2017

8:00 am

10:00 am Megan Netus (B)

12:45 pm Katiana Charles (In Thanksgiving)

Esther Delatour (D)

Monday, December 25, 2017

12:00am Kim Shillingford (B)

9:00 am Andy E. Joseph (B)

Tuesday, December 26, 2017

9:00 am Suzie Canal (In Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, December 27, 2017

9:00 am Beatrice Rouzier (D)

Christianne L'espinaisse (D)

Thursday, December 28, 2017

9:00 am For the Deceased Members  
of the Ligonde Family

Friday, December 29, 2017

9:00 am Chinweta Onualu (In Thanksgiving)

Louise Lauture (In Thanksgiving)

Saturday, December 30, 2017

9:00 am

## **PRAYER LIST**

Bryan Block, Jean Lareche, Florence Boutin, Shelly-Ann Bruce, Myrn Alexandre, Lorianne Causis, Deacon Roy Dudley, Myriam St Louis Juste, Yolande Pierre, Mythe Ste Rose, Irma Ali, Sade Jean-Raymond, Jahlil Nahser, Brenda Alleyne, Elliot Haynes, Candie Olmstead, Augustina Pitt, Gloria John, Clarence Hoggard, Lela Moton, Patrick Jean, Carolyn Keller, Carolin Edith, Steve Ste Rose, Raymonde Bertrand, Carmene Muscad, Genevieve Morin, Marie Kernisant, Cecilie Campaigne, Monarque Jean, Ucile Pierre-Louis, Kingsley Joachim, Denise Briggs, Clelie Fougère Cauvin, Wilford Shillingford, Alain Beaubrun, Josette Numa, Janet Greene, Gilberte Clérier, Claudette Perrin, Patricia Donellan, Murat Raymond, Mary Osewa, Fr. Felix Akpabio, Fr. Sylvester Adekoya, Jean Hall, Margaret John, Keisha Roc and Marie Q. Roc. May God restore their physical & spiritual health. Amen.



*A PRAYER FOR THE  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

*Mother Mary, pray for us, that we might be inspired by the way you received your life and God's. Draw us close to your Son, that we might trust Him with our lives, as He learned to trust His Father by His trust in you. Amen.*

**CHRISTMAS WITHOUT JESUS IS JUST AN EMPTY FEAST,  
POPE FRANCIS SAYS ON HIS BIRTHDAY (DEC. 18, 2017)**

**“If we remove Jesus,  
what is left of Christmas?  
*Just an empty feast.*”**

Do not take Jesus out of Christmas! Jesus is the core of Christmas, Jesus is the real Christmas! Get it?” he said, addressing children who came from Rome’s local churches to attend the traditional blessing of the statues of Baby Jesus, whom the Pope described as being “born poor and fragile among us, to give us his love.”

*Pope Francis General Audience, December 18, 2017*



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Rev. Joseph Bruno, In Residence*

**Deacon Paul C. Dorsinville, Deacon Francois G. Cajoux, Deacon Roy A. Dudley**

**EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES: Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM**

**Weekends: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 AM; 10:00 AM 12:45 PM (Kreyol)**

# Feast of Epiphany

## PARISH CHILDREN'S PARTY

January 7, 2018 at 3:30 pm - Auditorium

## SAVE THE DATE FOR PARISH MARRIAGE DAY

**Saturday, February 10th is Parish Marriage Day.** The group Service and Solidarity is organizing the day to honor all married couples in the parish. The day will begin with mass at 9 am in church. Couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage vows. After mass, the celebration will continue in auditorium with brunch and presentation. All couples who were married in church are asked to call the rectory and leave your full names, and the number of years of marriage to prepare a certificate. Tickets are \$40 per couple.



## The Bishop Francis Xavier Ford, M.M. Guild

*Supporting the cause for Beatification and Canonization of the Servant of God*

### **Bishop Francis Xavier Ford, M.M.**

Maryknoll Missioner, Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America

Born in Brooklyn, New York

January 11, 1892

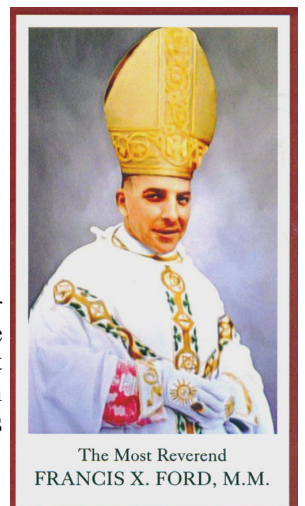
First Seminarian of Maryknoll

Ordained...December 5, 1917

Consecrated Bishop...December 5, 1935

Died in Prison in China...February 21, 1952

Last December 3, 2017, the diocese had a special mass to launch the process of canonization of our own bishop Francis Xavier Ford from Brooklyn who became a missionary in China. To support the cause of his canonization, a guild is being created. If you would like to have more information about the guild and how to become a member, there is a form in the back of the church that you can use. The bottom part of the form can be detached, filled out, and returned to the address provided.



The Most Reverend  
FRANCIS X. FORD, M.M.



## **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**

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

Saturday, January 13th, 2018 - 1:00 PM

#### **Baptism Preparation:**

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

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

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

Saturday, January 27, 2018 1:00 PM

#### **Baptism Preparation:**

(for Parents) Thursday, January 18th - 7:30 pm

**(for Parents & Godparents) Thursday, January 25th- 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 Konsolasyon an kapab ede w. Rankontre nou chak dènye Jedi nan mwa a nan basement pres-bità 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 Catholic 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 \$45,556.00 in pledges. Please consider making a pledge to the ACA 2017. 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**