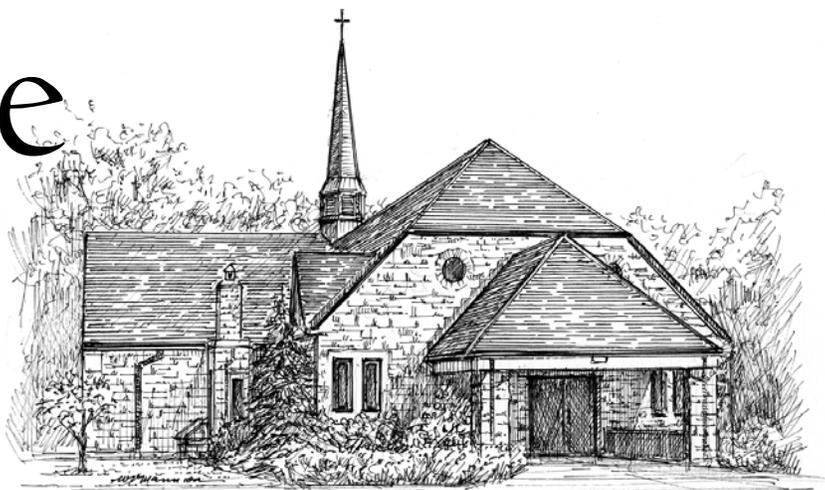


# CHURCH OF St. Jerome

380 E. Roselawn Avenue  
Maplewood, MN 55117



## Weekend Masses

Saturday ..... 4:30 PM  
Sunday ..... 9:30 AM

## Weekday Masses

Mon. thru Fri..... 7:15 AM  
Wed. (Sep.-May) All School ..... 9:45 AM  
Saturday ..... 8:00 AM  
Holy Days ..... 7:15 AM & 5:30 PM

## Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 5:00 AM to Friday 8:00 AM

## Baptisms By appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation *by appointment* or  
Saturday ..... 2:30 to 3:30 PM

Marriage (*available to parishioners of 6 months or greater*). Arrangements must be made at least 9 months before proposed marriage date.

Anointing of the Sick, as announced/requested

## Contact Information

Parish Office ..... 651-771-1209  
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FB..... [www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic](http://www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic)  
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Fax ..... 651-771-3466  
Website ..... [www.stjeromeschool.org](http://www.stjeromeschool.org)  
Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023

## Pastoral Staff

Fr. Victor Valencia ..... Pastor

## Administrative Staff

Joanne Lamb..... Parish Secretary

## Music

Mary Beth Hess ..... Music Director

## Faith Formation

..... Religious Ed Coordinator  
Marie Joseph..... Confirmation  
Pat Birkey ..... Children's Liturgy

## School

Anne Gattman..... Principal  
Bella Eckert ..... School Secretary  
Nancy McGraw..... School Secretary  
Staci Meyers..... School Secretary

## Maintenance

Bob Hoisington..... Supervisor

Victim Assistance Hotline.....651-291-4475

A VOICE CAME FROM THE HEAVENS, "YOU ARE MY BELOVED SON; WITH YOU I AM WELL PLEASED."

Mark 1:11

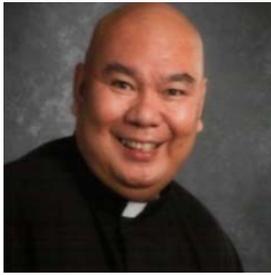
**January**  
**10**  
**2021**

**THE**  
**BAPTISM**  
**OF**  
**THE**  
**LORD**

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The people of St. Jerome Church are a Catholic parish community united in the love and grace of Jesus Christ; to celebrate the sacraments and our faith, to proclaim and teach the Gospel values of Christ and His Church, to nurture our faith community, and to respond to the needs of those in and beyond our parish through worship and service.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

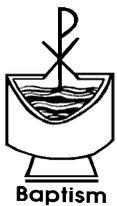
*With this celebration of the baptism of Jesus we shall conclude our Christmas season. A good introduction to the journey through the ordinary life of Jesus and in our ordinary life as well, is a reflection on the meaning of the baptism of Jesus and ours. To many of us we understand the baptism as a public revelation of the identity of Jesus. Actually there is more than just that. How many of us would think that his baptism was an anticipation of his cross? Jesus did not need to be baptized yet we insisted in being baptized into the baptism of John. Remember that the baptism of John is a baptism of repentance and the cleansing from our sins. What does that mean for Jesus and his mission? Let us please store those questions in our hearts and like our mother Mary, let us ponder on what it means to us.*

*Let us remember that by our baptism we are also baptized into his death. This is important for us to reflect on this because this puts us into perspective and meaning in our journey in faith. It gives us a deeper meaning to why we do what we do in our catholic life.*

*With the lessons learned and hearts formed from the experience of 2020 we move forward to 2021 to be shaped and be deepened further. The lesson about the baptism of Jesus gives us a better understanding and deeper meaning of our baptism. Putting these all together let us take one step at a time and see where the spirit will lead us.*

*Happy new beginnings and God bless our faith journey through 2021.*

Fr. Victor



### CONGRATULATIONS to HENRY WANG

Son of Kuwaki and Kalaya Wang  
Who was baptized on January 5, 2021

Baptism

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20  
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28  
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39  
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45  
 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12  
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17  
 Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10;  
 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

Our St. Jerome School community is focusing on the virtue of *gratitude* during the month of January. We teach the virtue, look for the virtue in others and strive to live the virtue in our daily lives. Focusing on becoming more virtuous is a far more meaningful endeavor than trying to earn stickers or stars. The virtues deeply learned and practiced in childhood will make us all kinder and more humble human beings.

We are using a program called, *Virtues in Practice*, published by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia of Nashville. Each month we highlight a new virtue and three saints that lived lives steeped in that virtue. We are all saints in the making. Sharing these stories with our students can have lasting impact on their faith and personal development.



Thomas Merton, the well known Trappist monk, wrote: "To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything He has given us - and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And that is what makes all the difference."

Grateful for YOU and your support of our school,  
Anne Gattman  
Principal

faithful + beginnings

St. Jerome School

**NOW ENROLLING FOR PRESCHOOL, 2021-2022**

Do you have a 3 or 4 year old at home, or child who will be 3 in September of 2021? Now is the time to enroll for preschool at St. Jerome! We offer half-day, full-day, and extended day (wrap-around care) programs for preschool children ages 3-5. Children can attend 2, 3, or 5 days a week. Our teachers are rich in experience and early childhood backgrounds and create a nurturing and loving environment that enables children to thrive; growing in self-development, emotional regulation, academics, friendship, and faith. For more information or to schedule a visit, please call Ms. Cardinal, Preschool Director, at 651-771-1023 or email [gcardinal@stjeromeschool.org](mailto:gcardinal@stjeromeschool.org).



**WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME**

The Church of St. Jerome would like to welcome all visitors and anyone who has recently moved into our community. We invite you to become members of our parish. If you are interested in joining our parish or have any questions, please contact the parish office at 771-1209.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**



For our service project for Catholic Schools Week this year, we are going to do a baby drive and then make care packages to donate to the Woodbury Options Women's Clinic. The school is asking parishioners to help with some of the larger stuff. We will

be collecting money to buy larger items like highchairs. They would also like new baby items especially size 5 diapers. There will be a box in the entrance of the church for donations of NEW baby items and a basket for monetary donations.

**QUILTERS FOR A CAUSE**

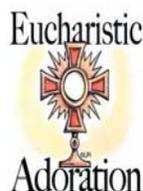


Our quilters have been busy the last year even during the Covid pandemic. We completed almost 300 quilts. Most of the work was done at home by the quilters and then dropped off at church during what would have

been our normal quilting day, the first Friday of the month. Several of our usual donation outlets (including HealthEast Hospitals and Ramsey County Nursing Service) were not accepting donations because of the pandemic. We found a few new outlets – Women's Life Care Center in Little Canada took 50 for their holiday party for residents. We donated 12 to the three Giving Tree Families and surprised a few shut-in parishioners with a little care from the parish. We have quite a stock pile that will hopefully be able to good homes in the not too distant future. Since we began in October Of 2002 we have donated almost 2600 quilts to those that need a little comfort.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Permanent adorers are needed for Mon. 9 a.m., and Thurs. 12 noon and 2 p.m. If you are able to help with any of these hours or have questions, please call Lorraine 772-2997.



**WEEKEND SANTIZER**



Would you like a job sanitizing the church? It is about an hour after every weekend mass/event. Please call the parish office if you can help.

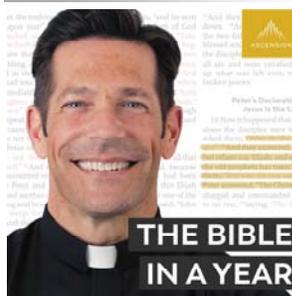
**WELLNESS MATTERS!**

**Watch anytime – courtesy of St. Joseph, New Hope**  
 COVID-19 has created an unprecedented upheaval in the American culture, with over 245,000 fatalities, skyrocketing unemployment, and countless changes to education, daily routines, and social interaction. As more data becomes available, the pandemic's effects now reflect its enormous toll on mental health and an exploding demand for new treatment options. Engage with a favorite psychologist and priest, Fr. Matthew Malek (LPCC) as he discusses mental health in COVID-19 times. The presentation is online and free to all at [stjosephparish.com/wellness](http://stjosephparish.com/wellness).

**HOW TO PRAY: 6 WEEK SERIES**

**Wednesdays, January 6-February 10, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom, hosted by St. Thomas More, St. Paul**  
 Join us in the New Year for our winter prayer series! Each week we will learn about a new form of prayer. Our time will include a talk by the presenter and, in some cases, time to practice the prayer form for the evening. There will also be time for sharing our experiences and responding to questions. You may join us for as many or as few sessions work with your schedule. [morecommunity.org/howtopray](http://morecommunity.org/howtopray)

**Bible in a Year**



**Ascension Press is offering a "Bible in a Year" Podcast study starting Jan 1, 2021.**

If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you.

Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast, hosted by Fr.

Mike Schmitz, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021.

Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- ✦ two to three scripture readings
- ✦ a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word.

Unlike any other Bible podcast, Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast for Catholics follows a reading plan inspired by the Great Adventure *Bible Timeline®* learning system, a groundbreaking approach to understanding Salvation History developed by renowned Catholic Bible teacher Jeff Cavins.

Tune in and live your daily life through the lens of God's word!

**You can sign up for this series at - [ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration](http://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration)**

**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR**  
**Jan. 11-17**

**Monday**  
**Tuesday**  
**Wednesday** 6:00pm Confirmation  
**Thursday** 6:30pm Parish Council  
**Friday**  
**Saturday** 2:30pm confessions  
**Sunday** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday** 7:15am Pat Kettler (liv)  
**Tuesday** 7:15am Stephanie & Chris Mazzitello (liv)  
**Wednesday** 7:15am Shannon & Jeff Roberts (liv)  
9:45am Barb Larson (liv)  
**Thursday** 7:15am Ron Valento  
**Friday** 7:15am Tayna & Matt Rooney (liv)  
1:15pm Doris Simonet (liv)  
**Saturday** 8:00am Jessica & Jerimiah Turner (liv)  
4:30pm Lori Lonetti (liv)  
**Sunday** 9:30am Members of the Parish

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

Schedules can also be found at  
[www.stjerome-church.org](http://www.stjerome-church.org) (calendars/schedules)

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

**Sat. 4:30 pm** A. Gattman & B. Murphy  
**Sun. 9:30 am** T. Schoenecker & T. Zappa

**LECTORS:**

**Sat. 4:30 pm** K. Faschingbauer  
**Sun. 9:30 am** S. Maldonado



**Contributions for the week of**  
**December 28-Jan 3**

Weekly Contribution: \$9,697  
Jan. 1: \$520

*Please consider adding the Church of St. Jerome to your will.*



Jacqueline Benjamin, Spencer Cardinal, Sue Connolly, Marilyn Cunningham, Cathy Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Clarice Holthaus, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Lily Kehler, Mary Klutzke, Mary Laumeyer, Fr. Ken Ludescher, Edward Lunzer, RoseMarie Manders, Philip Maus, Vern & Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, MaryAnn McMonigal, Brian Michlitsch, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Louise Nieters, Shannon Presler, Bernie Przybylski, Josh Richter, Patrick Roth, Danny Rothbauer, Cliff Sandmeyer, Rosa Santos, David Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Donald Seiberlich Jr., Mike Spangenberg, Ava Swift, Tony Swift, Ted Testen, George & Nancy Valento, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Theresa Wilkes, Delores Witschen, Lorraine Youngbauer