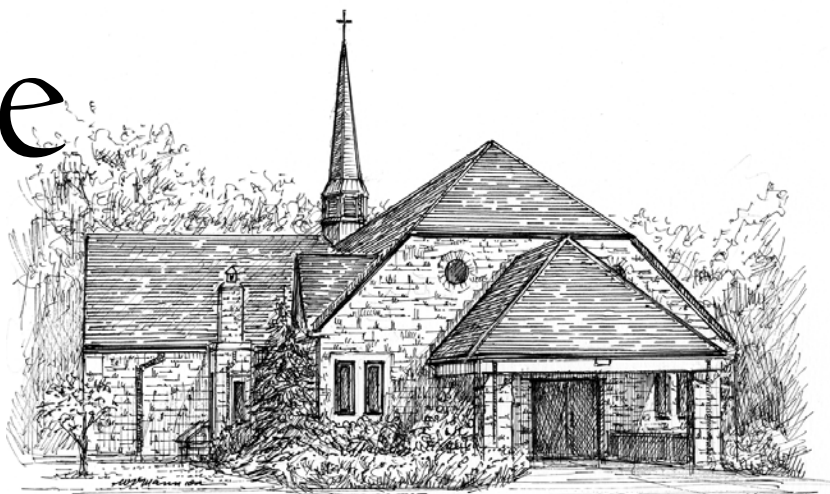


CHURCH OF
St. Jerome

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

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 Fax 651-771-3466
 Website www.stjerome-church.org
 Email.....secretary@stjerome-church.org
 FB..... www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic
 School. 651-771-8494
 Fax 651-771-3466
 Website www.stjermeschool.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

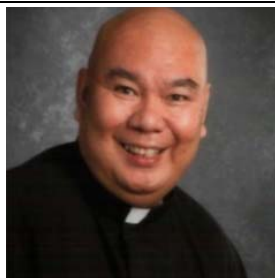
JANUARY 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AS JOHN THE BAPTIST WATCHED
 JESUS WALK BY, HE SAID,
"Behold, the Lamb of God."
JOHN 1:36

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,
 Now that the guidelines for church activities are a little bit eased we are now open to resume some of our activities, of course, making sure we can gather safely. We shall consider going back to communion during mass. Looks like we are the only church

around the area that has not gone back to communion during mass. We shall also consider allowing at least one altar server to minister during the mass. We shall call on those who joined us last year in a spiritual study program to resume where we left off. We are as well planning some activities to support everyone in our spiritual journey and formation. These are all currently planned and will be announced soon. Let us continue our prayer for God's blessing in our community's effort to overcome our health crisis. Also let us continue to observe use of face mask, social distance and washing of hands.

We hear from the gospel story this Sunday Jesus inviting his followers to "come and see". The invitation implies that discipleship is about learning, remaining and abiding with him. Faith is not only believing but also staying in close proximity with Jesus, being in intimacy with Jesus. Some people will believe in Jesus but they won't remain with him. They will accept his teachings but will not stay with him. We have to believe and remain in Jesus at the same time.

Our parish will journey to remain with, learn from and stay close to Jesus. That is discipleship. By the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit may we all journey to form ourselves to love him.

Fr. Victor



FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
 will burn this week in prayer for
 Lori Lonetti

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
- Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

Today I would like to tell you about our **Outreach Program** and invite you to participate, if you are not participating already.

Our 1st through 8th graders correspond with friends of St. Jerome School every couple of months. These are friends who may be parishioners, alumni, parents of teachers or me, neighbors and others who have some connection to our school or parish.

Our students write a note or postcard, or send a picture especially around the holidays and special times of the year. Often, our Outreach friends write back to the students. That is really fun! Our young people, these days, are not used to receiving mail. I happen to love getting mail and I try to be a good letter writer, so I am enthusiastic about our Outreach Program.



Would you like to be added to the Outreach roster, or do you know someone who is feeling especially lonely right now? Please call the school office: 651-771-8494. We'll need names and addresses. Connecting between generations is a wonderful way to promote the virtues of respect and gratitude.

Peace and blessings,
 Anne Gattman
 Principal



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.



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.

FISH FRY MEETING—Jan. 26 6pm



Please join us for our 2021 Parish Fish Fry planning meeting. The meeting will be on Tuesday, January 26th at 6:00 PM in the school library. Due to COVID, we are planning for a Pre-order Drive Up Fish Fry with a modified

menu. Anyone interested in this year's Fish Fry is encouraged to attend this meeting. Hope to see you there.

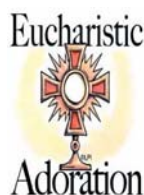
MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

2020 has been incredibly difficult on all of us and marriages have suffered! Commit to 2021 being the year you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the February 13-14 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651.454.3238.

If you have any questions, please call Mary Jackson at 651.454.3238.

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!

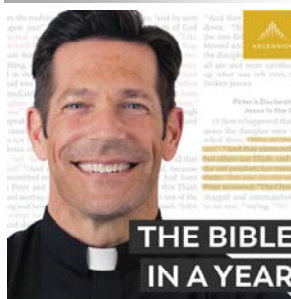
Watch anytime – courtesy of St. Joseph, New Hope
 COVID-19 has created an unprecedented upheaval in the American culture, with over 245,000 fatalities, skyrocketing unemployment, and countless changes to education, daily routines, and social interaction. As more data becomes available, the pandemic's 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.

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

Bible in a Year—you can still start



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

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
Jan. 18-24

Monday	Martin Luther King Day No School
Tuesday	No School—Teacher in-service
Wednesday	6:00pm Confirmation
Thursday	4:30pm Finance meeting
Friday	
Saturday	2:30pm confessions
Sunday	3rd Sunday in Ordinary time

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Candy Wegerson (liv)
Tuesday	7:15am	Gerald & Evelyn Virnig
Wednesday	7:15am	Jim Evelyn Wendt (liv)
	9:45am	Maddie Van Havermaet
Thursday	7:15am	Bill & Dolores Gleason
Friday	7:15am	Pat Schreier (liv)
	1:15pm	No School Mass
Saturday	8:00am	Francis Walrath
	4:30pm	Shirley Taugner
Sunday	9:30am	Members of the Parish

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm S. & K. Yackel
Sun. 9:30 am E. Schoenecker & T. Zappa

LECTORS:

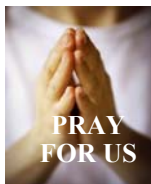
Sat. 4:30 pm M. Ahles
Sun. 9:30 am T. Zappa



Contributions for the week of
Jan. 5-11

Weekly Contribution: \$4764
Baby fund: \$156

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