

CHURCH OF
St. Jerome

380 E. Roselawn Avenue
 Maplewood, MN 55117

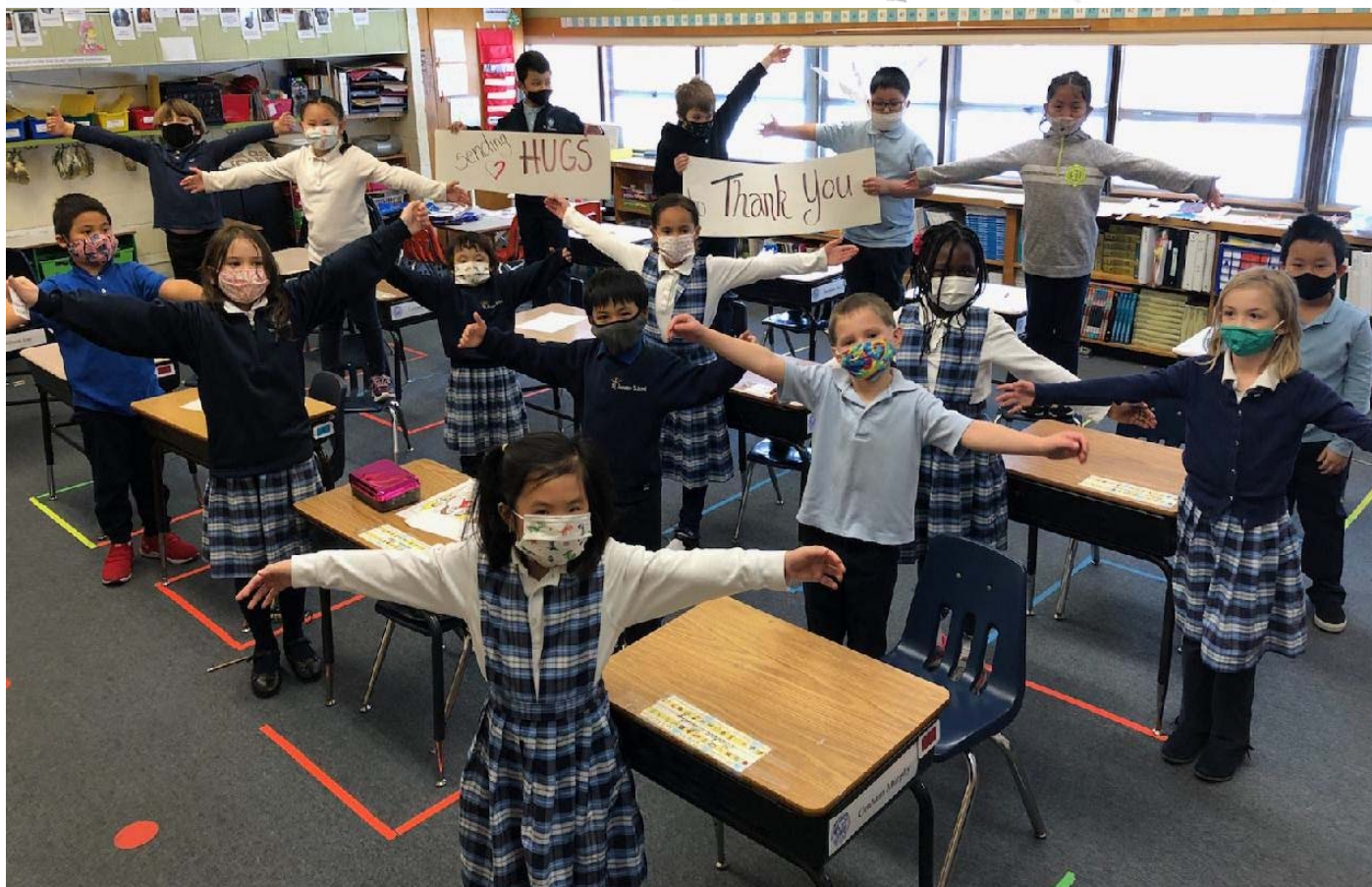


Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM
 Sunday 9:30 AM

Weekday Masses

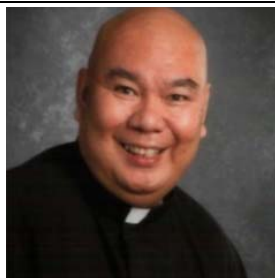
Mon. thru Fri..... 7:15 AM
 Wed. (Sep.-May) All School 9:45 AM
 Saturday 8:00 AM



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 Website www.stjerome-church.org
 Email.....secretary@stjerome-church.org
 FB..... www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic
 School. 651-771-8494
 Website www.stjermeschool.org
 Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023
 Pastoral Staff
 Fr. Victor Valencia Pastor
 School
 Anne Gattman..... Principal

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,
 This is a good Sunday to reflect on our common call to respond to God's invitation to come and follow him and become "fishers of men". We remember the story of Jonah, Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John who were invited

by God to become God's instruments to gather His people back to his fold by repentance and believing in the word of God. Jesus called his disciples to be part of his work to bring back together the scattered people of God.

It is our mission as God's disciples to work to bring back our brothers and sisters to God's fold and call them to repent and be reconciled back to God and to listen and believe in his word.

It may seem to look like it is an insurmountable task if we think of it individually. As a church this is OUR mission and OUR work, collectively speaking. We are in this together and we journey together. It may seem like we are not the right person for this job. We are like the apostles who on their own, individually, are not the competent for the mission.

We remember that this is first and foremost the mission and work of Jesus Christ. WE are his instruments. With God's grace all things will fall into place not on our own power but by God's.

We will fulfill our mission WITH God. Without him we can do nothing.

This week we affirm our mission as a church. We are to put our hearts into our work knowing that it is only possible with God's grace. Paraphrasing Mother Theresa, she once said: We are not called to be successful. We are called to be faithful (to God and the mission.)

Fr. Victor



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35
- Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
- Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
- Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
- Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
- Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,



Catholic Schools Week is a week to be thankful for the opportunity to learn and grow within a Catholic school. It is also when we, the adults who work at the school, are grateful for living our vocations in a Catholic school.

Someone new to our school community recently said, **"You can feel Jesus in this school!"** Is there anything better to be said of a Catholic school? This Catholic school is available to our students, families and staff members because of YOUR commitment to educating the children of the parish (and beyond) in our faith. Here are a few of the ways that I believe we can feel Jesus in our school:

- ~ Frequent prayer and petition, including a prayer box brought to the altar at each school mass;
- ~ The kind, friendly and hospitable faces you meet at the front desk;
- ~ Staff members taking on duties and tasks, like translating, courtyard care, and committee work, beyond the scopes of their job descriptions...for the common good;
- ~ Joy and smiles and kindness, even able to be felt from behind a mask;
- ~ Priority given to virtue and forming children to act and live virtuously, as Christ would want; and
- ~ Lifting up all that is beautiful and good and true from God. Living in awe of God's goodness.

This weekend we are not able to thank you at a pancake breakfast (darn covid!) but we do hope you know that we appreciate and value the support, prayers and effort you provide to make St. Jerome School a thriving place for students to learn.

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.

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

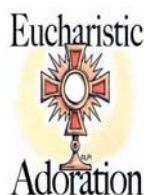
menu. Anyone interested in this year's Fish Fry is encouraged to attend this meeting. Hope to see you there.

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, 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. If you are able to help with any of these hours or have questions, please call Lorraine 772-2997.



FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Shirley Taugner

FRATELLI TUTTI

January 26–May 25, five-part series, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom

The Center for Mission is hosting a five-part series of presentations and discussions to dive into this very important encyclical from Pope Francis. This online series will feature specially selected speakers to lead us to discern how Fratelli Tutti can influence and enrich our lives. This series is open to all. Visit centerformission.org/whats-new/ to sign up! Contact Adam Fitzpatrick for more information at Fitzpatricka@archspm.org, or 651.291.4410.



WRITING CONTEST

Submissions accepted through February 17

<https://centerformission.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Writing-Contest-2021.pdf>

The annual Writing Contest has begun! This contest encourages students in schools and parishes to dive further into their Catholicism by answering a specific question. "How are you living out the Church's mission to share God's love during the COVID-19 pandemic?" During this unusual year, students are considering how they are sharing God's love during the pandemic. Students are judged for creativity and communications effectiveness compared to their peers in one of four grade levels. If you have questions, contact Janine Ricker at rickerj@archspm.org or 651.291.4504.

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. 25-31

Monday *Catholic Schools Week*
Tuesday 6:00pm Fish Fry Mtg, (library)
 6:30pm Liturgy Committee (zoom)
Wednesday 6:00pm Confirmation
Thursday
Friday
Saturday 2:30pm confessions
Sunday 4th Sunday in Ordinary time

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 7:15am Rinehart Family
Tuesday 7:15am Linda Rogers
Wednesday 7:15am Fr. Cyperin Weaver (living)
 9:45am Julie Coddington
Thursday 7:15am Allison Feldkamp
Friday 7:15am Ron Valento
 1:15pm Ed & Barb Joseph
Saturday 8:00am Jane Rinehart (living)
 4:30pm Rose Duchaine (living)
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 **A. Gattman & B. Murphy**
Sun. 9:30 am **R. Klutzke & C. Anyanwu**

LECTORS:

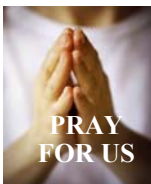
Sat. 4:30 pm **R. Klutzke**
Sun. 9:30 am **K. Faschingbauer**



Contributions for the week of
Jan. 12-18

Weekly Contribution: \$7871
Baby fund: \$165

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