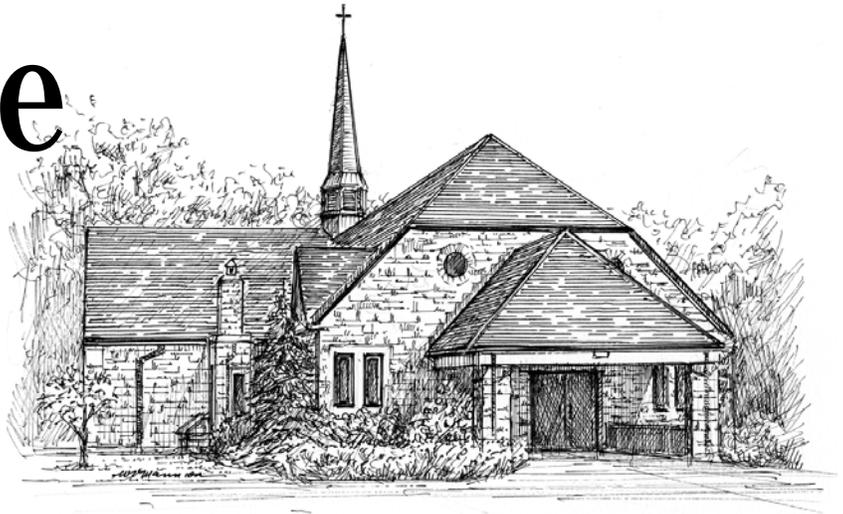


CHURCH OF
St. Jerome

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 3:30 to 4:00 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

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FIRST SUNDAY OF

Advent

NOVEMBER 27, 2022

“You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

MATTHEW 24:44

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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.

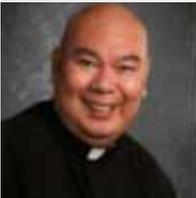


WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our church begins a new liturgical cycle with the season of Advent. These are the four Sundays leading to the celebration of Christmas, the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. We remember and celebrate with anticipation and excitement the coming of Jesus

Christ into the world. It is a call to prepare ourselves, most essentially, spiritually, for his first and looking forward, to his second coming. Let us reflect on a theme for advent: Opening our hearts to the light that has and is to come again.

On this first week of advent let us open to the light of hope. Against all odds, the day will come that all people will seek God and his teaching. Time will come that after all the drudgery of this world the hearts of so many will thirst God and God's word of truth and justice will restore the world to peace and righteousness. We remember the birth of Jesus Christ and look forward to his second coming to restore everything to himself. Hearts are so distracted and absorbed into the pleasures and wiles of this world.

WE need to prepare for his eventual coming back. We need to tread moving forward. Let us begin anew or continue ahead in our pilgrimage, our "camino". Let keep moving with a life of "wakefulness". We must avoid the detours, of stopping by and "hanging out" because it can derail us of our way and weaken our wakefulness.

IN our parish we have many expressions of setting our hearts in the journey and opening to the light of Christ. We will again set up our tree for giving and our tree of good deeds

May each one's presence in our journey of faith help us keep ourselves on track and help each one to keep the light of hope burning till we are all restored in God's dwelling.

Fr. Victor



This year the parish will sponsor 7 families from the Ramsey County Family Sponsorship program. Each family receives:

- 1 clothing item per child
- 1 toy item per child
- 1 parent gift
- 1 grocery gift certificate

We are doing a **virtual giving tree**. Please donate the money to pay for a gift or two. We have a family who will purchase the gifts and then we will host a gift wrapping afternoon. Please place your donation in the basket in the back of the church or send to the parish office. 380 Roselawn Ave E, Maplewood MN 55117 marked "giving tree".

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER—Mrs. Gattman

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

Be the light!

Shine like light in the world as you hold onto the word of life. Phil 2: 15-16

Talk of Thanksgiving brightens up these days. Around school, staff are sharing recipes and ideas for things to do with their families. We're scheming up some fun things to do with both the teachers and children because we are grateful.

We are grateful for our warm school and the people who work here and those who support us. **We are also grateful for Fr. Vic!** Priests have very busy days, and yet, whenever Fr. Vic sees the children he stops to check in with them. This year, Fr. Vic is visiting one class a month. He has also undertaken training a crew for altar serving. Father recently led a discussion of the Eucharist and Adoration with our faculty.

Our school will be holding Advent Prayer Services on Monday mornings in the connecting hallway. We'll be thinking about how to "come out of darkness into the light" by bringing Christ's light to one another.

Here's Fr. Vic with our 3rd grade:



I hope you enjoyed a blessed Thanksgiving. Happy Advent! Shine brightly!

Peace upon your days,
Anne Gattman



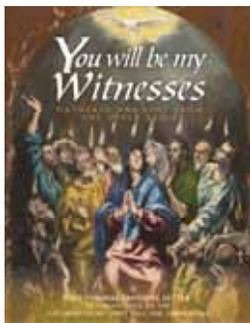
FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Fr. Ken Ludescher



We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Hekele and for the consolation of her family.

In Memoriam

SYNOD



Archbishop Hebda Releases the Synod Pastoral Letter

After three years of listening, preparation and engagement with laity, consecrated women and men, and clergy across the archdiocese, Archbishop Hebda released his pastoral letter the weekend of

November 19-20. This pastoral letter outlines his vision and Synod Priorities for our local church, informed through feedback from the Synod process.

Read the letter now at
archspm.org/synodletter.



LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH



Families are welcome to help with lighting the candles on the Advent Wreath at the weekend liturgies during Advent, which begins this weekend. If you are interested, please sign up on the board at the entrance of the church.

We need one family or person for each of the weekend masses.

ADVENT CANDLE—1st week — HOPE

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love, and our minds are searching for the lights of your Word. Increase our longing for Christ our Savior and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen



We know you all are thinking about Advent. Here are a few faith and knowledge builders on the Formed website. For the grownup's; Advent

Through the Centuries, Advent Daily Reflections, Advent Rethinking the Season, Journey Through Advent with Bishop Barron. For the children; Making Advent Great for Kids, Adore" a lesson for each week of Advent, Brother Francis Daily Advent videos for children.

Don't forget the very popular, This Week On Formed and The Search. Finally, hover over the help tab at the top of the home page. Pull down to Leaders Resources. Hover over the Videos and Webinars and pull down to Tutorial videos. There you will find some great how-to videos.

To subscribe

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
4. Find **St Jerome Catholic Church** by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



"The Eucharist is connected with the Passion. If Jesus had not established the Eucharist we would have forgotten the crucifixion. It would have faded into the past and we would have forgotten that Jesus loved us. There is a saying that to be far away from the eyes is to be far away from the heart. To make sure that we do not forget, Jesus gave us the Eucharist as a memorial of His love." (Mother Teresa)

The Chapel is opened during daylight hours Monday through Thursday. Feel free to stop in for a visit with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Permanent weekly adorers are needed Mondays at 7 pm and Thursdays at 4 pm. If you would like to sign up for an hour, or if you have questions, please call Lorraine at 772-2997.

CHRISTMAS TEA—details

Sunday, Dec 4 at 2:00pm.



Tickets will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 6-12. There will be a limited number of tickets. Tickets will be sold after the weekend is week.

Reservations must be made by Nov 28.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Terri Zappa at 651-271-4383 or tzappa1953@gmail.com.

BOOYA



We have frozen booya for sale.

For sale in the Parish office.
\$16 quart, \$32 half gallon, \$64 gallon



2023 Calendars are in.

They are free to pick up at the entrance of the church.

SCRIP—buy for the holidays



Now that our physical gift card sale is over, it doesn't mean that you can't continue to purchase physical SCRIP cards anytime. Do you know that by downloading the



Raise Right app through either the Apple Store or Google Play Store, you can order physical gift cards and have them sent to your home. There is a fee attached (sometimes as low as a dollar) for this service, but the gift cards come to your door, which comes in handy in the winter. You can set up your account either on your computer or through the app on your phone. **The enrollment code for St Jerome's which you need to start your account is B89AB59714377.** You will need this code to set up your account just once, and then you will be set. If you have any questions on how to make purchases this way, please email me at auglic@usfamily.net. I will be happy to help you out. Thank you for your support of St. Jerome's church with every purchase of SCRIP. Anita Kennedy

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
Nov. 28-Dec. 4

Monday	
Tuesday	10:00am Visitation 11:00am Funeral
Wednesday	5:30pm Music Rehearsal 6:00pm Confirmation
Thursday	10:00am Mass at nursing home 11:45am Fatima prayer group
Friday	9:00am Quilters for a Cause
Saturday	4:30pm Altar Server Award Mass
Sunday	2nd Sunday of Advent 2:00pm Christmas Tea

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Carl Weber
Tuesday	7:15am	Jean Schreier (living)
Wednesday	7:15am	Rinehart Family
	9:45am	Anne Gattman (living)
Thursday	7:15am	Ron & Tommy Valento
Friday	7:15am	Pat Schreier (living)
Saturday	8:00am	Frank Wegleitner
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Bob Trusler

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	K. Yackel
Sun. 9:30 am	T. Zappa

LECTORS:

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

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat.4:30 pm	L. Anyanwu	S. Anyanwu
	J. Weakley	
Sun.9:30 am	Adult Servers	

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
This weekend

We will have a second collection this weekend, Nov. 26/27 to support organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people in communities across the United States.



SCAN ME

GIVE HERE:

Scan this QR Code to donate Weekly Offerings or any donation direct via our secure online site



Are you homebound? Would you like communion brought to you? Please call the parish office to make arrangements. 651-771-1209

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday:	Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12



HOLIDAY BAKE SALE
Saturday/Sunday
Dec. 10/11



BAKERS—WE NEED YOU!

We need special Christmas cookies for this event.:



PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Sunday, Dec. 11th,
9:00 - 12:00.
Free Will Offering.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December—Adopt a family
- December 4th—Christmas Tea 2pm
- December 8th—Immaculate Conception:
Mass: 7:15am, 9:45am, 5:30pm
- December 10-11—Christmas bake sale
- December 11—Pancake breakfast
- December 14—Penance Service 6:30pm
- December 21—School Concert 2pm & 6pm
- December 24—Christmas Eve Mass 4:30pm and 10pm,
- December 25—Christmas Day Mass 9:30am
- December/January—Veterans Coat Drive



PRAY FOR US

Sue Connolly, Patricia Cokley, Cathy Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Marilyn Galbraith, Jackie Geretschlaeger, Karen Geretschlaeger, Mary Gross, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Catherine Henry, Anne Holthaus Clarice Holthaus, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Lily Kehler, Mary Laumeyer, Steve Lauinger, Fr. Ken Ludescher, RoseMarie Manders, Nancy Masson, Vern & Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, Brian Michalitsch, Butch Mudgett, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Shannon Presler, Ann Rinehart, Patrick Roth, Danny Rothbauer, David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Ava Swift, Tony Swift, Ted Testen, Joyce Theilhorn, George & Nancy Valento, Greg Votel, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel



PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE
MEN AND WOMEN

Jack Butler
Grace Wegleitner