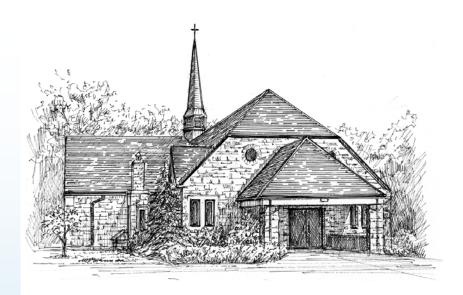
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| Weekend Masses |
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| Saturday4:30 PM |
| Sunday 9:30 AM |
| Weekday Masses |
| Mon. thru Fri |
| Wed. (SepMay) All School9:45 AM |
| Saturday8:00 AM |
| Holy Days 7:15 AM & 5:30 PM |
| Eucharistic Adoration |
| Monday 5:00 AM to Friday 8:00 AM |
| Baptisms by appointment |
| Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment or |
| Saturday3:30 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 |
| Contact Information |
| Parish Office |
| Fax651-771-3466 |
| Websitewww.stjerome-church.org |
| Email secretary@stjerome-church.org |
| FB www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic |
| School |
| Fax651-771-3466 |
| Websitewww.stjeromeschool.org |
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| Fr. Victor ValenciaPastor |
| Administrative Staff |
| Joanne LambParish Secretary |
| Music |
| Mary Beth Hess Music Director |
| Faith Formation |
| Religious Ed Coordinator |
| Marie JosephConfirmation |
| Pat BirkeyChildren's Liturgy |
| School |
| Anne Gattman Principal |
| Grace ZappaPreschool Director |
| Sue CostelloSchool Secretary |
| Nay Paw School Secretary |
| Maintenance |
| Bob HoisingtonSupervisor |
| Safe Environment coordinator |
| Marie Joseph651-771-8494 |
| Victim Assistance Hotline651-291-4475 |
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August 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 par-

ish. 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,

This week we have a very beautiful story of Jesus and his encounter with a Canaanite woman teaching us a lesson on patience and perseverance. There is also a lesson about universal salvation for those who have faith in Jesus Christ. You would love to imagine the interac-

tion between Jesus and the Canaanite woman, both persistent with their positions. Jesus knew clearly about his mission to unite the lost tribe of Israel. The Canaanite woman recognized the history of her people and nation, gentile and perverse yet at the same time strong and steady in her faith. Maybe feeling undeserving of any grace, she begged for mercy. Maybe even feeling unworthy, before the Lord she prostrated and worshiped. She was persistent even in the silence of Jesus and assertive even with the seemingly hurting words of Jesus.

In the seemingly no response from Jesus, he did not send her away. Nonetheless he recognized the faith of the persistent prayer of the woman who manifested faith in him. Jesus knew that soon the gentiles will be converted and will all come to God's temple to worship. Jesus was testing the faith of the gentile (Canaanite) woman.

He withheld the gift asked for not to reject nor condemn her but to test her. The woman is an example to us of humility, persistence and faith. If we really want the Lord to answer our prayers we need to be persistent and humble. We need not to pray once and give up. We need to entreat him, be persistent, be patient and trust that the Lord hears us and knows what is best for us and all will work together in his plan for those whom he loves.



A Saturday afternoon of fun and games with our Altar Servers in appreciation for their commitment to serve the Lord. Kudos too, to the ladies that minster to our Altar Servers!!!

Know that God loves us and desires that all of us will be saved. Let us ready our hearts to be worthy of that gift and know that he loves us.

Fr. Victor



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER—Mrs. Gattman

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,





Many of you enjoy the Back to School shopping and have been very generous to our St. Jerome School children in the past. If you would like to help again this year, we would be very grateful.

Here is a list of the items we need the most:

Graph Paper Notebooks

Graph paper

Dry Erase (EXPO) markers: thick and thin

Water Bottles

Backpacks

Highlighters

Pencil pouches/boxes

Pink Erasers

Wide ruled notebooks

Pocket folders

Pencil sharpeners

½ inch 3-Ring Binders with clear outside cover pocket

2 inch Heavy Duty 3 ring binders

We are fortunate that friends at St. Ambrose, in Woodbury, also collected supplies for our students. It is wonderful to have all of you praying for our school, and helping us out in so many wonderful ways. Thank you!

God works in his own time...I'm working on trusting God's timing, and being patient and hopeful as we still look for a 2^{nd} grade teacher. Please share the word. Thank you!

2nd Grade Teacher

 2^{nd} grade is a wonderful age to teach because children are still so in love with school and they are very eager to learn. In our Catholic school it is a year of sacraments: First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Teaching the whole child, academics, virtue and the beauty of our faith is very rewarding. The ideal candidate would have experience as a teacher, but we welcome new grads to apply. We have a supportive and fun teaching crew, and there are many opportunities for continued professional development. Contact agattman@stjeromeschool.org with questions or interest.

Peace to you and yours, Anne Gattman



WE NEED YOUR HELP

BOOYA BOUTIQUE

Attention all crafty and talented parishioners.

The Festival Booya Boutique needs your handiwork. Donations should be worth \$15 or less and include items such as embroidered dish towels and pillowcases, knitted hats, scarves, mittens, baby clothes and blankets, doll clothes, holiday decorations, crocheted items, wooden crafts, and canned jams, jellies, and vegetables. Or put your handstand minds to work to come up with other creations. We will be asking that donations be dropped at church as the festival draws near.



JAR GAME

Please start collecting items for the jar game. Only plastic jars please.

SILENT AUCTION

Get creative making baskets. Donate gift cards. They are a wonderful bidding item.



CHERRY TREE

Start picking up those super close-out deals to donate to the Kids or Adult Cherry Tree.

SWEEPSTAKE TICKETS

Sell those tickets. It advertises the Festival. Turn in your tickets before or at the Festival Mass on Saturday the 16th.





CAKES FOR CAKE WALK

We need lots of cakes for the cake walk. Please bring the to the school either Friday night or Saturday morning.



Lots of help is needed.

Set up Friday night starts at 4pm. Event runs: Saturday 11-3:00 Car show 12-4:00 & 5:30—8:00—food tent 1-4:00 kid games

Clean up Sunday morning. 10:30

Please sign up on the church website.



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!

Do you have a bucket list? You know, a list of things you want to do or experiences before you die. I wonder how many people put, "prepare to be in Heaven before I die" at the top of their bucket list? Our biggest goal is to be prepared to be in Heaven with God after we die. What is at stake if we do not meet this goal. We will experience total separation from God and eternal suffering. The four-part series "Eternal Rest" could give you greater peace, solace, and perspective.

Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well

We all have very real questions about death. What happens when we die? What does Scripture teach about death? How do we prepare for the life to come? In addition to watching the film series, visit <u>EternalRest.org</u> for practical resources, including 60+ videos of experts answering common questions about end-of-life issues.

Watch for registration and more information coming soon.



- Confirmation for grades 8 and up. Starts September 24.
- CCD for grades 1-4. Starts September 24
- New Bible study, Starting October 1
- RCIA



WE NEED TEACHERS! If you are willing to teach CCD or confirmation, please call or email the parish office.

THEOLOGY DAY— Sept. 1, Free

The Resurrection of the Dead, and the Life of the World to Come

Our faith tells us that with Christ's resurrection comes the promise that one day we, too, like him shall bodily arise. Yet, this belief in the resurrection also leaves us Christians with many questions: What will we look like in the life to come? Will we recognize our loved ones, and will they recognize us? What kind of existence can we expect? What is the difference between immortality, reincarnation, and resurrected life? How do judgment of the dead, hell, purgatory, and heaven fit into the picture? Drawing from Scripture and Tradition, Fr Michael Patella will discuss the Christian doctrine of the resurrection of the dead along with its implications for us now and in the hereafter.

Sept. 1, presentation from 9am -1pm, Emmaus Hall, Saint John's University, Collegeville. Synchronous. Free event. Lunch included. Registration is required:

www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, 320-363-3560 or theologyday@csbsju.edu.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR Aug. 21-27

Monday Tuesday Wednesday

4:15pm Finance meeting **Thursday** 6:30pm Liturgy committee

Friday Saturday Sunday

21th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:45am Baptism

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 7:15am Therese & Frank Wegleitner Tuesday 7:15am Don & Cathy Deiman (living) 7:15am Roger Beran Wednesday 9:45am No school mass (summer) **Dorothy & Achille Pirri and** Thursday 7:15am **Dick Peiffer** 7:15am Javon Kunkel Friday Saturday 8:00am bob & Audrev Burke

4:30pm **Betty Hekele**

9:30am **Members of the Parish** Sunday

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm B. Murphy Sun. 9:30 am T. Bertsch

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm J. Gattman Sun. 9:30 am S. Cardinal

ALTAR SERVERS:

O. Olberding Sat.4:30 pm M. Holzemer

W. Heurung

Sun.9:30 am M. Murphy G. Revering M. Revering

C. Zorobi



Contributions for the week of Aug 8-14

Weekly Contribution: \$5490

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SCRIP

Have travel plans? Don't forget you can buy Scrip online to purchase your airline tickets. Delta, Southwest and American Airlines all give back a minimum of 4% to St Jerome's if you purchase your airline



tickets using the e-gift certificates online. When it comes time to pay for your ticket, simply indicate you are paying by gift card and enter the gift card number for your payment The same goes for buying electronic cards for hotel stays. Marriott, Hilton, Sheraton and Best Western all give percentages back to St Jerome's if you pay for some or all of your hotel bill using electronic Scrip gift cards. If you take Uber rides locally or when you travel, you can buy electronic gift cards for that as well online. All I do is purchase the ecard online, and then add the amount I purchased to my Uber phone app. The next time I take an Uber ride, I use my gift card and the ride is paid for. Perhaps your adult children use Uber. It is a great gift for them when they travel or to use locally. St Jerome's benefits every time you purchase Scrip.

Won't you give it a try?

If you have any questions, please email me at auglie@usfamily.net and I will be GLAD to help! Anita Kennedy

EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

Adorers are needed for Wednesdays at 10am. The Adoration Chapel is open 8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday. Feel free to stop by for a visit with Jesus.



If you would like to commit to an hour, or if you have guestions, please call Lorraine at 772-2997.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

(June, July, August)

Closed on Monday and Friday Open 9:30-1:30 Tues—Thurs.



Fr. Cletus Basekela, Sue Connolly, Patricia Cokley, Don & Cathy Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Kathleen Faschingbauer, Karen Geretschlaeger, Sr. Clarice Gierzak, Mary Gross, Sharon Heffernan, John Heller, David Hendricks, Catherine Henry, Clarice Holthaus, Janis Horski, Richard (Les) Johnson,

Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Lily Kehler, Kevin Klutzke, Jan Kohler, Geno Lamberta, Mary Laumeyer, Steve Lauinger, Fr. Ken Ludescher, Nancy Masson, Vern & Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, Brian Michalitsch, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Shannon Presler, Terri Quitter, Shane Rawson, Patrick Roth, Danny Rothbauer, David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Ava Swift, Tony Swift, Ted Testen, Joyce Theilhorn, George Valento, Greg Votel, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel



PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Jack Butler **Grace Wegleitner**