

C H U R C H O F

380 E. Roselawn Avenue  
Maplewood, MN 55117

# St. Jerome

### 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

### Contact Information

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### 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  
Grace Zappa .....Preschool Director  
Sue Costello .....School Secretary  
Nay Paw ..... School Secretary

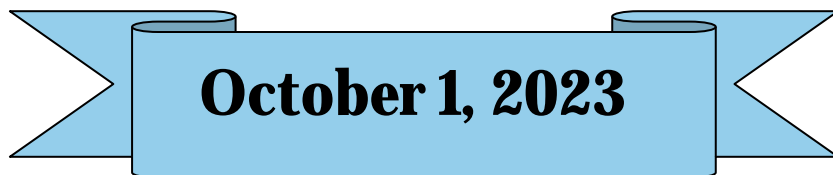
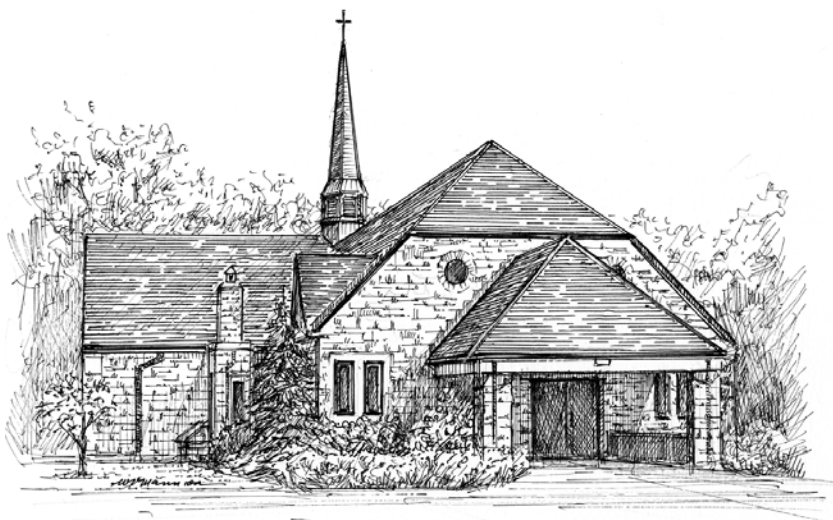
### Maintenance

Bob Hoisington ..... Supervisor

### Safe Environment coordinator

Marie Joseph.....651-771-8494

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



## 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.

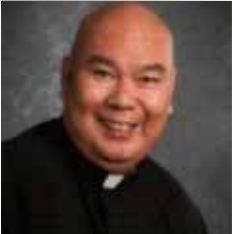




**WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME**

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,  
We cannot fathom the depth of the mercy of God which is again the theme of the gospel message this Sunday. The good news of Jesus Christ is about the forgiveness of sins, the healing of wounded souls, the reconciliation of man to rightful relationships and freedom from sin that leads to eternal life.

Jesus commanded his apostles to preach the good news of salvation and the healing of the sick. We are to shout out the steadfast love of God and mercy. Even when we have always sinned our God always extends a reconciling hand. There is no sin that God cannot forgive for as long as we are willing to turn away from it and embrace God’s mercy. There are many parables that emphasize the mercy of God.

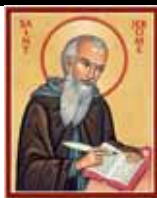
All of us have sinned against God. Let us be honest about it. Yet we cannot let our sins define who we are nor see others according to their transgressions. Let us always remember the mercy of God in the parables. God sees us with his lens of love and so let us also see each other with the lens of love. We need to learn to see people as children of God and do not let our transgressions overshadow that.

The parable of the two sons teach us that although we might have lived a life of sin, refusing to acknowledge and follow him, God’s open hands of mercy is always available. Jesus said that sinners are entering the kingdom of God when they open their hearts to the mercy of God, humbly accept their faults and willing to change their lives.

It is therefore important to repent for our sins and in humility turn away from sins.

Fr. Victor

**CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF ST. JEROME**



St. Jerome was born in Dalmatia in about 340 A.D. In Rome, where he was baptized at the age of 18, he studied his faith and the living languages of his era, especially Latin, Greek, Hebrew, and Aramaic. After years of study, Jerome set out for Palestine, where he spent some years in seclusion and prayer. He was ordained in 380, and then settled in Bethlehem where he devoted himself to the task of translating the Old and New Testaments from Hebrew and Greek into Latin. This Vulgate Edition was welcomed by his contemporaries, for Latin was then the universal language. St. Jerome died in Bethlehem in 420. He was later named Confessor (one who has given heroic testimony to the faith) and Doctor of the Church (a writer known for his brilliant exposition and skillful defense of doctrine).

**PRINCIPAL’S CORNER—Mrs. Gattman**

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,  
This past week we celebrated the Feast of St. Jerome at our school Mass. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade helped with Mass and we happily celebrated afterwards with donuts. We will be introducing a new Lion Mascot at Rake-a-thon on October 27. Right now we are in the process of naming the Lion. Staff and faculty are submitting ideas and then the students will vote on the top 3 choices by putting coins in a jar. So far the leaders are Jerry, Mercy and Lawrence. I’ll keep you posted!

Speaking of Rake-a-Thon, we kicked it off on Thursday. You may have a student ask you to sponsor him/her. If you are within walking distance of school, and you’d like your yard raked, please contact Joanne Lamb at 651-771-1209 or our school office at 651-771-8494.

Here are a few pictures of our SJS students in action. We have two main goals: deepen knowledge and love of God, and excel academically in all areas. Our students are making great growth and progress.

Evelyn, Kindergarten painting



Fall Art



Robyn and Zephan rocking 5th grade math.



Blessings,  
Anne Gattman

We have a couple of openings in our handbell choir. Would you consider ringing this season? We typically rehearse Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 8:00 and play at about 5 Masses during the season, October through May. Give it some prayerful consideration 😊 It’s pretty fun,





We will enjoy an evening of music as we count our blessings at St. Jerome, and dedicate our “new” organ. We will be joined by a couple of guest musicians.

The concert will be followed by a light meal in Ludescher Hall.

ALL ARE WELCOME to attend this FREE event. Brings your friends, families and neighbors.

**ROSARY PROCESSION—Oct. 6**



Candlelight Rosary Procession  
 Friday, October 6, 6:30 p.m.,  
 Minnesota State Capital, Saint Paul  
 Join in praying the rosary as we process from the State Capitol to the Cathedral of Saint Paul. Gather at the Minnesota State Capitol approach at 6:30 p.m. The procession will begin at 7 p.m. Marian prayers, Eucharistic Adoration, and Benediction will take place at the Cathedral with Archbishop Hebda presiding. The First Class Relics of Saint Therese of Lisieux and her parents will also be available for public viewing. For more information visit [minnesotarosaryprocessions.org](http://minnesotarosaryprocessions.org).

**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY—Oct. 7**

**DID YOU KNOW?**



The rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass here at St. Jerome. Please join us Saturday, October 7 for 8:00 morning Mass and rosary in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Coffee and treats to follow.

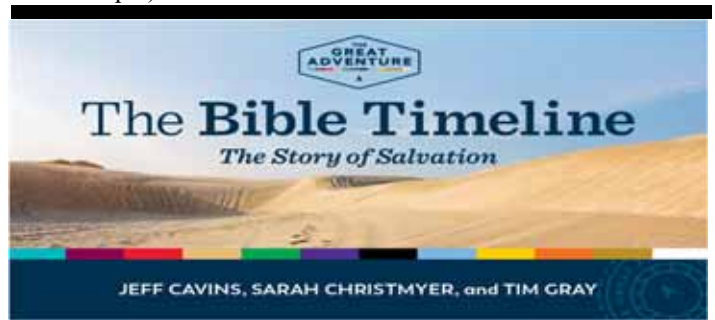


*We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Betty Skok and for the consolation of her family.*

*In Memoriam*

**SYNOD UPDATE– 9/20 Small group training**

- Expanding the Synod Evangelization Team (SET) from “12 to 72” for Small Groups
  - Harvest is abundant; But Laborers are Few
  - St. Jerome going from “7 to about 18”
- Why begin with Small Groups.**
- See the Parish as a “Community of Communities” <the Small Groups>
  - History of Small Groups in Parishes
  - Small Groups known as Parish Evangelization Cells System (PECS)
  - In use in Florida, Spain, Italy, etc. Locally by St. Stephen-Holy Rosary, Minneapolis
  - We are used to Theology from Above (The Church)
  - This is seen as also Theology from Below (The People)



**BIBLE STUDY—Begins October 1 & 2**

This weekend we start the Jeff Cavins’ “The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation” bible study. This is a 24-week study. Each session will be 90 minutes in length with a 50-minute video and time for discussion.

Sundays beginning October 1st  
 2:30 to 4:00 PM

Mondays beginning October 2nd  
 8:30 to 10:00 AM or 6:30 to 8:00 PM

To top this off, if enough interest can be raised, a pilgrimage to the Holy Land we be planned for January of 2025 for the best weather concerns.

**PET BLESSING — Oct. 4 noon**

Fr. Victor will be blessing pets at the church entrance on Oct 4 at noon in celebration of the Holy Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.



**EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

“We, too, with our own eyes see only bread and wine, but we must see further and firmly believe that this is His most Holy Body and Blood, living and true.”  
 (St. Francis of Assisi)



Adorers are needed for Tuesdays at 9 am and Wednesdays at 10 am. 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 questions, please call Lorraine at 772-2997.*

**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR**  
October 2-8

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>	<b>Men's Club meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>	<b>Blessing of Animals</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Sm. Group leader training</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Mass at nursing Home</b>
	<b>11:45am</b>	<b>Fatima prayer group</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Spanish Rosary &amp; Bible Study</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Rosary, coffee &amp; treats</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
		<b>Coffee and Donuts</b>
	<b>2:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Clarence Parizek</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Charles &amp; Margaret John</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Ann Rinehart</b>
	<b>9:45am</b>	<b>Jerome Mailand</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Theresa Wilkes</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Dick Schreiber</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Ann Rinehart</b>
	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Members of the Parish</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Maria Schuh</b>

**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	S. Yackel
Sun. 9:30 am	J. Lamb

**LECTORS:**

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

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat.4:30 pm	P. Bonghan	A. Bonghan
	S. Anyanwu	W. Heurung
Sun.9:30 am	C. Zorobi	Z. Odhiambo
	A. Vigonte	R. Vigonte
	R. Revering	



**Contributions for the week of**  
**Sept. 19-25**

Weekly Contribution: \$3307

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How about a movie night? Here are two suggestions for you. The movie, "Mary of Nazareth" may add more understanding to your love for The Mother of Jesus. Second, "Padre Pio, miracle man." I know there many of you who have a devotion to Padre Pio. Here is an opportunity to learn more about him.

**Mary of Nazareth**

This full-length film vividly captures the essence of Mary's profound faith and trust in God amidst the great mysteries that she lived with as the Mother of the Messiah, as well as her compassionate humanity and concern for others.

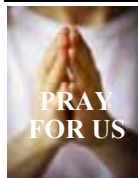
**Padre Pio: Miracle Man**

This movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life. This film contains some violence indicative of the life and times of the saint.

**SCRIP**



Would you like to order an electronic gift card from Scrip but don't have a computer or printer? I would be happy to order and print it for you if you spend \$50 or more. I can give it to you at mass on Sunday morning or drop it at the church office for you to pick up. I recommend electronic gift cards if you are going to restaurants, buying at Target or Walmart, Macy's or Kohl's. I would not recommend it for grocery stores or going to a gas station because those require a physical card. Restaurant electronic cards usually give 8% or 10% back. If you have people on your list who love Bath and Body Works, they give a whopping 12% sometimes up to 19%. You can reach me at [auglie@usfamily.net](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net) or call me/text at 651-587-0582 if you would like to do this. Every purchase you make earns free money for our church. Thank you for your support of this program and St. Jerome! Anita Kennedy



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**PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE**  
**MEN AND WOMEN**

Jack Butler  
Grace Wegleitner