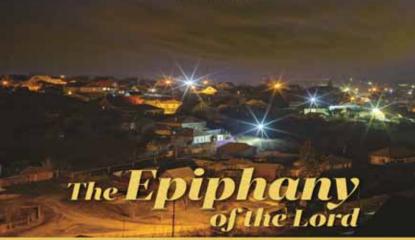
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And behold. the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them. until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

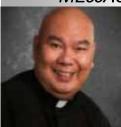


WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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,

Happy new year and happy new beginnings on the year 2024!

We have a new year to begin with as with continue to journey in faith at St. Jerome. In Jesus Christ, whose birthday we just remembered and celebrated, we

are always hopeful that the days ahead will bring new discoveries, new opportunities and new experiences to bring us closer to Him.

It is just fitting that every second Sunday after Christmas we celebrate the great feast of the Epiphany. Indeed, Christmas is the mystery of the divine revelation or unveiling of Christ, his kingship and divinity. The iconic Magi story coming from afar to the stable, a manger in Bethlehem, bringing him the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh boldly tells us of the kingship and divinity of the little child born with swaddling clothes.

It is important for us to be able to recognize Jesus as he comes into our lives. Those magi, actually, great philosophers and astrologers, men of wisdom and honor, advisers to kings saw the signs in the skies saw the birth of the King of the Jews. They searched for him and when they found him, they offered the child worthy gifts of a king.

It is important to take note that they endeavored on a journey to find and to honor the King of the Jews. It must have been so spiritually satisfying for them to finally meet and honor him. Like the kings, let us continue to endeavor into a journey of joyfully discovering Jesus Christ in our lives and in the lives of others. God, in his own mysterious ways will show us the way. There will be a guiding star. All we need to be is to be attuned to the many ways of the Lord in our lives.

I am taking a break this weekend to be with some family members who came all the way from my native home and country for a visit. May we all be blessed celebrating faith and family.

Fr. Victor

#### EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL RESOURCES

This national, three-year effort, led by Bishop Cozzens, is focused on reviving belief in the Real Presence in the Eucharist.

Learn more about the Revival at https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/



### **JANUARY 7, 2024**

# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER-MRS. GATTMAN

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

Happy New Year! We're back to school and looking forward to the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of our year. We sure enjoyed a beautiful Christmas concert. I've shared a few pictures below. Our students sang Christmas hymns in 7 different languages. Many of the cultures represented in our school community were highlighted at the concert. It was mighty amazing to listen to young voices singing in these languages, and to imagine how hard our music teacher, Ms. Emery, worked to learn each so



4<sup>th</sup> grade





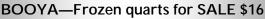
Kindergarten

Our Magnificent Ms. Emery

The concert highlighted, for me, what happen when children get to work with someone who is encouraging and enthusiastic. Ms. Emery is gifted in teaching children to sing and then bringing out their very best. We are blessed to have her here at St. Jerome School.

> Wishing you a blessed new year from the SJS School Community, Anne Gattman







Need something to eat on these cold January days? We have BOOYA for

sale.

For sale in the Parish office.

# SMALL GROUPS

Small Groups in Lent: Come and See!

Have you heard something about Archbishop Hebda's call to join a small group this Lent, but you're not sure what that means to you? Come and see! Next week-

end at all Masses we are talking about what options will be available at our parish, and sharing information on how you can sign up.

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#### New Year's resolution for 2024?

Why don't you resolve to give SCRIP/ RaiseRight a try. It is easy and it is an incredible fundraiser for our church. If you buy gas or groceries or go out to

eat, then SCRIP is for you. Please contact me at auglie@usfamily.net to get started. Otherwise, log on to RaiseRight.com and the site walks you through the steps to get started. You will need one thing and that is the enrollment code for St Jerome's. It is B89AB59714377. Give it a try, there is nothing to lose and St Jerome's would have everything to gain. Thank you! Anita Kennedy

#### **CONTRIBUTE ELECTRONICALLY!**

You are strongly encouraged to make use of our automatic withdrawal option to make it easier to continually support St Jerome. It is safe, convenient, and reliable way of making your stewardship contributions. Only the amount you authorize will be deducted once a month on the 15th. Contact the parish office for a form.

#### What kind of legacy will you leave?

A bequest is perhaps the easiest and most tangible way to leave a lasting legacy to the people and charitable organizations that mean the most to us. A bequest is a gift made through your will or trust.

There are several ways to make a bequest:

- Specific dollar amount
- Percentage of your estate
- Specific asset





# MEN'S SILENT RETREAT—Jan. 18-21

Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House invites you to a men's three-day silent retreat on the beautiful grounds of Lake DeMontreville guided by the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. The retreat begins Thursday evening January 18, 2024, and ends Sunday evening, January 21, 2023.

Free-will donations are accepted. For more information call our office at 651-777-1311 or see our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com.

# WATCHMEN—Jan. 16



CATHOLIC WATCHMEN The next meeting of the Catholic Watchmen will be on Tuesday, January 16, at 6:30 PM in the Lower Church.(St. John's) All men are welcome to attend. Dinner will be potatoes au gratin w/ ham, campground beans, snacks, desserts, and beverages. This month's speaker is Roger Vasko of the St. Joseph Business Guild. Come and hear how the St. Joseph Business Guild is set to help families and create a better, more resilient future for our children and grandchildren in our local church.

#### PARISH EVENT CALENDAR January 8-14

Monday	9:30am	Bible Study	
-	6:30pm	Bible Study	
Tuesday	6:30pm	Young Adult game night	
Wednesday	6:00pm	Music practice	
•	6:30pm	Synod—Ludescher hall	
Thursday	6:30pm	Parish Council	
Friday	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & Bible Study	
Saturday	•		
Sunday	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	10:30am CCD		
	2:30pm	Bible Study	
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#### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	9:30am	Geno Lamberta	
Tuesday	7:15am	Communion Service	
Wednesday	7:15am	William Hafner Sr.	
•	9:45am	Sue Wiley	
Thursday	7:15am	Nancy Valento	
Friday	7:15am	Patricia Schreier (liv)	
Saturday	8:00am	Betty Skok	
· · · · · <b>,</b>	4:30pm	Jane Rinehart (liv)	
Sunday	9:30am	Members of the Parish	
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#### LITURGICAL ROLES

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

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

	4:30 pm 9:30 am	J. Zeilinski B. Cardinal	
	<b>ORS:</b> 4:30 pm 9:30 am	J. Gattman D. Mordorski	
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Sun.9	:30 am	S. Anyanwu R. Vigonte G. Murphy	M. Revering A. Vigonte



Contributions for the week of Dec. 28– Jan. 2

Weekly Contribution: \$16,098

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Jesus Christ our Messiah did come. Now would be a perfect time to hear and apply the teachings of his public life. Login to your Formed account and use this quite time of winter to align yourself with Jesus. The series below is a good place to start. <u>Metanoia: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion</u> METANOIA - and believe in the Gospel. In the Gospel of

Mark, the first words of Jesus are an invitation to metanoia, to repent, to change, to be converted. Each of the 10 episodes explores areas of our life where conversion is so often necessary. Metanoia will examine topics such as who is Jesus, what must we do to inherit eternal life, and many other significant matters of faith.

#### **EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

"You must propagate veneration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with all your might, for the devotion to the Holy Eucharist is the queen of all devotions." (Pope Benedict XV)



Adorers are needed for Mondays at 9 am, Tuesdays at 8 am and 10 am, and Thursday at 12 noon. 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



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

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



Happy New Year

#### PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Jack Butler Grace Wegleitner

