

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 Thursday 6:00 PM

### 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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Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023

### 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

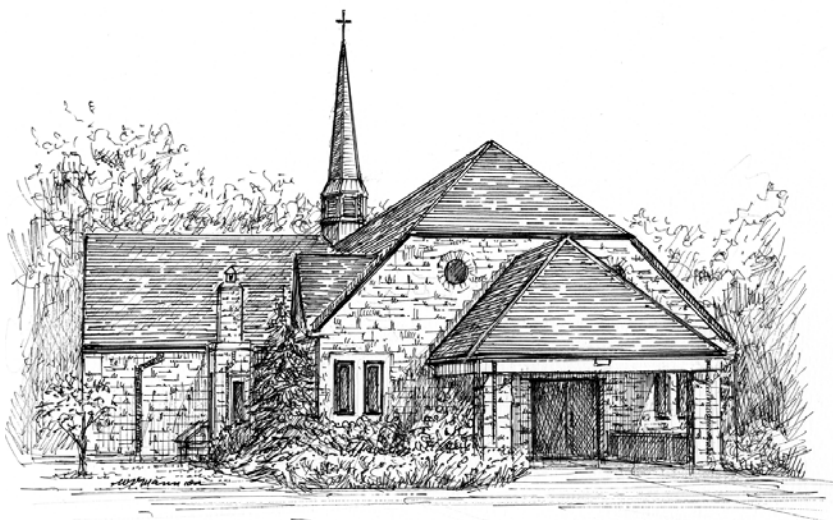
Anne Gattman ..... Principal  
Grace Zappa .....Preschool Director  
Sue Costello .....School Secretary  
Nay Paw ..... School Secretary

### Maintenance

Bob Hoisington ..... Supervisor

### Safe Environment coordinator

Marie Joseph.....651-771-8494  
Victim Assistance Hotline.....651-291-4475



**January 14, 2024**

**2nd 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 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,

If I were to have it my way, I would like to call this weekend “vocation weekend”. We hear in the scriptures this weekend about the call of Samuel and of the apostles. Those stories are also our stories of how God calls us to be his followers.

Like Samuel we listen to God’s call. We desire to hear his word and understand them. The disciples did the same. God constantly invites us, personally, to seek him in love by his word. Like Samuel and the apostles, we thirst for his word and to see where the Lord stays and constantly seek him.

But for us to hear, he must have our ears open to his word, our hearts open to follow him in our way of life and to trust in the Lord’s guiding hand and his promise that he will always abide with us. We must be ready to respond to where he wants us to go.

Let us continue to journey in discipleship in the Eucharist and in his word. The Lord may be calling and inviting us to ways unfamiliar to us. Truly desiring for his word, let us trust in his ways and follow his directions in our lives.

Discerning with our Archbishop as our leader, we endeavor to continue with our journey through the small faith groups. Looks like the Lord is guiding us towards the sharing of our faith and learning from others. WE can stay with the Lord, listening to his word, open to the testimony of others and sharing ours. That is how we can also bring others to the Lord. This is quite an unfamiliar way for us but we trust in the Lord. WE are invited to listen to his invitations through the small faith groups and become a part of it. God works in mysterious ways so let us get excited about how the Lord leads and trust in his ways. We all need to open our hearts.

We shall endeavor to make available small groups where you can be a part by signing up. Again, the Lord is calling.

Like in the responsorial psalm let us say: “Behold I come . . . to do your will O God.”

Fr. Victor

## PRINCIPAL’S CORNER—MRS. GATTMAN

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,  
Last Sunday, our church celebrated Epiphany and the end of the Christmas season. Some of our families celebrated Ethiopian Christmas on January 7. It was great to hear about their family traditions. One 3<sup>rd</sup>



grader was describing the food they ate and all of our mouths were watering.

As we enter Ordinary Time in our Church, our school also enters into a long period of consistent, uninterrupted learning. This is often my favorite time of year because between now and Easter we have the chance to really dig in with the students and make meaningful gains. Ordinary Time, as people of faith, is a time to practice those things that strengthen our relationship with God...prayer, service, and close attention to God’s word. Ordinary time in our school is a time to practice those habits that make us strong teachers and students...prayer, preparation, deep knowledge of content, and attention to details, as well as the big picture.

At the end of the month, we will celebrate Catholic Schools Week. We kick it off with mass on Saturday, 1/27 at 4:30 and Sunday, 1/28 at 9:30. We invite you to a Pancake Breakfast following the 9:30 Mass. Please join us to celebrate our St. Jerome School and to give us an opportunity to thank you for your prayers and support.

Peace and blessings,  
Anne Gattman  
Principal



## YOUNG ADULT NIGHT—ages 18-30

### BOARD GAME NIGHT

2nd and 4th Tuesdays of  
January thru March,  
starting Jan. 9



Doors open 6:30 p.m.  
Games start at 7 p.m.

Young Adults (18+)



380 roselawn maplewood  
st jerome church, south door



All young adults are invited to join us for a night of board games. We will play in Ludescher hall. Bring a game if you have a favorite or got a new one for Christmas.

**NEXT DATE:**  
**Jan. 23**

## BOOYA—FROZEN QUARTS \$16

BOOYA



Need something to eat on these cold January days?

We have BOOYA for sale.



For sale in the Parish office.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK—Jan. 18



There will be the **Sacrament of Anointing for the Sick** this Thursday Jan. 18 after the 7:15am Mass. This sacrament is administered in case of serious illness, frailty of old age, and before a serious surgery; it is for healing of the body and spirit; and for forgiveness of sins.

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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](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net) to get started. Otherwise, log on to [RaiseRight.com](http://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.

### SMALL GROUPS

Small Groups in Lent: Come and See!

Please stop down after mass today and meet with our small group leaders. Take a look at the small groups being offered. Ask any questions you may have.



What better way to begin Lent than to spend more time with the Lord? With small groups, you can now do this in the company of others who want to do the same.

You will be able to sign up today or anytime between now and February 14th. We would welcome you to join us. Look on the parish website for more information as well as each week in the parish bulletin.

## 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](http://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 15-21

<b>Monday</b>	<i>Martin Luther King Birthday</i> School and Parish Office closed 9:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Bible Study
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30pm Watchmen mtg (St. Johns)
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00pm Music practice 6:30pm Synod—Ludescher hall
<b>Thursday</b>	7:15am Anointing of the Sick 10:00am Service at nursing home 6:30pm Liturgy Committee
<b>Friday</b>	6:30pm Spanish Rosary & Bible Study
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 10:30am CCD 2:30pm Bible Study

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	7:15am	Betty Skok
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:15am	Sr. Clarice (living)
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:15am	Jan Kohler
	9:45am	Sue Wiley & Roy Nadeau
<b>Thursday</b>	7:15am	Nancy Valento
<b>Friday</b>	7:15am	Rosemarie Manders
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00am	Ted Testen
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
<b>Sunday</b>	9:30am	Keith Champion

**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	M. Montie
Sun. 9:30 am	C. Anyanwu

**LECTORS:**

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

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	O. Olberding	M. Holzemer
	L. Anyanwu	
Sun. 9:30 am	C. Zorobi	Z. Odhiambo
	G. Revering	M. Murphy
	R. Odhiambo	

Weekly Offering



**Contributions for the week of Jan. 3-9**

Weekly Contribution: \$5632

Please consider adding the Church of St. Jerome to your will.



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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 quiet time of winter to align yourself with Jesus. The series below is a good place to start.

**Metanoia: A Journey With Christ Into Conversion**

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.

**EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

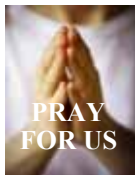
"You must propagate veneration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with all your might, for the devotion to the Holy Eucharist is the queen of all devotions." (Pope Benedict XV)



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. LUDESCHER LAMP**  
will burn this week in prayer for  
**Jane Rinehart**



**PRAY FOR US**  
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) Johnson, 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

**PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN**



Jack Butler  
Grace Wegleitner