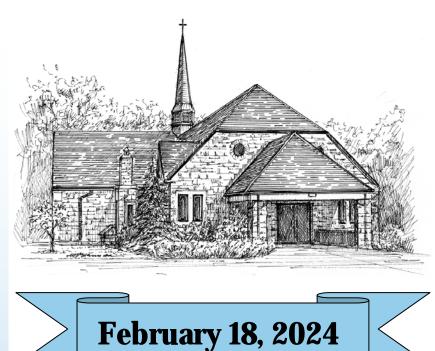
# CHURCHOF 380 E. Roselawn Avenue Maplewood, MN 55117

### Weekend Masses Saturday ......4:30 PM 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 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** Website ......www.stjerome-church.org Email.....secretary@stjerome-church.org FB ...... www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic Website .....www.stjeromeschool.org 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



# 1st Sunday Of Lent

# 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.



# **1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**



# 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.



Let us encounter Jesus during this season of Lent. 75 of our parish members will begin the journey to deepen their faith through our parish small groups. We welcome them all to this unique experience of encountering Jesus and

discovering more about our faith. Many groups are open to anyone who will join in the journey. Everyone is always welcome anytime.

OCIA stands for Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a process of entrance into the Catholic faith community. This year we have four candidates that are desiring to journey through a process of becoming full members of the Catholic Church. During this season of Lent, they will endeavor to study the Creed of our church and understand it. During the Easter Vigil Mass they will receive the sacraments of initiation: reconciliation, communion and confirmation. As a faith community, let us pray that the Holy Spirit bless, sanctify and strengthen their resolve to become full members of our catholic church.

Yes, Lent is a forty day season of prayer, fasting, penance and almsgiving. It is a time for spiritual rejuvenation, strengthening and purifying. Jesus Christ stayed in the dessert for forty days strengthening himself for his coming life and ministry. The number 40 has a very significant meaning in the scriptures: preparation and formation. IN the dessert the Israelites we being formed for forty years getting ready to enter the promised land. Jesus prepared his disciples for forty days before he commissioned them and ascended to heaven.

Our Lenten practices are meant to help us shape our hearts and form our moral will. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are means of working towards interior conversion. We aim to get closer to God and these practices can help us overcome our selfish desires.

Let us encounter Jesus during this lent.

Fr. Victor

# **FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER-MRS. GATTMAN

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

God gives us so many things to marvel at in this world. Helping children grow in awe and wonder is a huge goal of ours here at St. Jerome School.

Today I share photos of our 5<sup>th</sup> grade during *frog dissection*. We are fortunate to participate in the Science with Scientists program offered by Minndependent (a group that supports private and independent schools). Throughout the program our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders have completed activities related to measurement, volcanoes, landforms, and states of matter. All of the lessons are hands on, interactive and very engaging and they are taught by real live scientists who work within science fields in our community. It has been fabulous for our students!

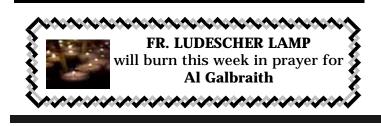


Look at Robyn's face!



Do you know anyone looking for a school that is on fire for learning AND inspires wonder and awe? Please send them our way! We're enrolling for next year, and it's the perfect time to apply for Tuition Assistance. We have a few openings at each grade level.

Peace and blessings, Anne Gattman Principal





Only Jesus possesses the power to speak the words of interior purity. Please join in supporting our Catholic Services Appeal, so that together we can help more souls hear these soul-reviving words.

# OCIA Candidates:

## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Please pray for the following individuals as they prepare to fully enter the Catholic Church at Easter.

> Randi Berglund Jim Gattman Alyssa Hess Sarah Ison



Congratulations to Brielle Ananaya Daughter of Jan Esan and Jocelyn Ananayo

She was baptized on February 11, 2024

# FISH FRY MEETING- Feb. 18 @10:30



There will be a fish fry meeting after the 9:30 mass in Ludescher Hall. ALL are invited. Please come and find out how you can help with the fish fry.



We are looking for new volunteers. 4 of the 6 fish fry committee members are stepping down. Please consider taking on a

lead role. We need 4 new people. These people do most of the planning, ordering and pickup of the fish, ordering and pick up of the paper products, putting the ad in the paper, tracking orders etc.

# MEN'S RETREAT

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 February 29, 2024, and ends Sunday evening, March 3, 2024. Free-will donations are accepted. For more information call our office at 651-777 -1311 or see our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com.





**Celebrating 63 Years as a Priest** Monday February 19, 2024

> Fr. Ken Ludescher 1901 Desoto St. Apt. 116 Maplewood, MN 55117

# CATHOLIC WATCHMEN—Feb. 20

The next meeting of the Catholic Watchmen will be on Tuesday, February 20, at 6:30 PM in the Lower Church, following an optional Rosary at 6:00 PM. All men are welcome to attend. Dinner will be lasagna, salad, bread, snacks, desserts and beverages. Our speaker will be Don

Send cards to:



Rada with his talk titled "So That They All May Be One."



Have you signed up for a small group?

See the parish website for a list of groups and the times they meet.

Sign up on the parish website or call the parish office.



Men of Christ

Saturday, March 23, 2024 Church of St. Joseph, Rosemount 13900 Biscayne Ave W, Rosemount, MN 55068

> 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (doors open at 8:00 a.m. for reg tion booth entral



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For more information, please email flomos@archspm.org or 651.291.4488

### PARISH EVENT CALENDAR February 19-25

Monday	President's Day (no school, PO closed)		
-	9:30am	Bible Study	
	9:30am	Small group	
	6:30pm	Bible Study	
Tuesday	6:30pm	Watchmen mtg (St. John's)	
Wednesday	6:00pm	Music practice	
Thursday	5:30pm	Stations of the Cross	
-	6:00pm	Soup Supper	
	6:30pm	Small group	
Friday	3:00pm	Stations of the cross (students)	
-	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & Bible Study	
Saturday			
Sunday	2nd Sunday of Lent		
-	10:30am	CCD	
	2:30pm	Bible Study	
	2:30pm	OCIA	

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	7:15am	Geno Lamberta
Tuesday	7:15am	Ann Rinehart
Wednesday	7:15am	Roger Beran
-	9:45am	Ted Testen
Thursday	7:15am	Matthew Major
Friday	7:15am	Lori Lonetti
Saturday	8:00am	John Filipovich
-	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Helen Zappa
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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 T. Bertsch	
Sat.	<b>ORS:</b> 4:30 pm 9:30 am	C. Geis T. Zappa	
	<b>R SERVER</b> :30 pm	<b>S:</b> A. Bonghan W. Heurung	P. Bonghan
Sun.9	):30 am	Z. Odhiambo R. Odhiambo C. Zorobi	M. Murphy G. Revering



Contributions for the week of Feb. 7-13

Weekly Contribution: \$3,899.89

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### The Catholic Parent:

Do you ever feel like it's almost impossible to raise holy kids who love God (and sit still in Mass!) in our modern world? You're not alone. This six-episode series features real Catholic families like yours sharing their daily struggles and victories.

### **EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

"Yes, it is from the Eucharist that all of us receive the grace and strength for daily living-- to live real Christian lives, in the joy of knowing that God loves us, that Christ died for us, and that the Holy Spirit lives in us." (St. Pope John Paul II)



Thank you to the two people who recently committed to hours of adoration. Add a weekly hour of Adoration to your Lenten prayers. The Adoration Chapel is open 8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday.

Permanent adorers are needed Mondays at 9 am beginning March  $4^{\text{th}}$  and Tuesdays at 8 am and 10 am. If you would like to commit to an hour, or if you have questions, please call Lorraine at 772-2997



Join us this Thursday, Feb. 22 Stations are at 5:30. This week's Soup Supper will be hosted by the Finance Committee



Fr. Cletus Basekela, Joe Bibeau, Sue Connolly, Patricia Cokley, Cathy Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Kathleen Faschingbauer, Karen Geretschlaeger, Sr. Clarice Gierzak, Mary Gross, Clarice Holthaus, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Janis Horski, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kauf-

hold, Lily Kehler, Kevin Klutzke, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeyer, Steve Lauinger, 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, Rick Peiffer, 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

