CHURCHOF 380 E. Roselawn Avenue Maplewood, MN 55117 St. Jerone

Weekend Masses Saturday4:30 PM Sunday9:30 AM Weekday Masses Mon. thru Fri......7:15 AM Wed. (Sep.-May) All School...... 9:45 AM Saturday8:00 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** Websitewww.stjerome-church.org Email.....secretary@stjerome-church.org FB www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic Websitewww.stjeromeschool.org Pastoral Staff Fr. Victor Valencia.....Pastor Administrative Staff Joanne LambParish Secretary Music Mary Beth Hess Music Director Faith Formation xxx.....Religious Ed Coordinator Marie Joseph Confirmation xxxChildren's Liturgy School Anne Gattman Principal Grace ZappaPreschool Director Sue CostelloSchool Secretary Nay Paw School Secretary Maintenance Chris Robinson Supervisor Safe Environment coordinator Marie Joseph......651-771-8494 Victim Assistance Hotline......651-291-4475



August 4, 2024

The 18th 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.



18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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 Sisters and Brothers,

We now enter into the second of five Sundays where we shall reflect on the very heart and summit of our faith: The Eucharist.

While we amaze at the miraculous multi-

plication of loaves, of ordinary bread, it somehow tells us that our God feeds us and will give us the true bread that endures to eternal life. It is Christ himself who is going to give it. He is the new Moses who will bring the manna from heaven, the Eucharist. We need to believe in him.

Let us enter into the mystery of the Eucharist and into the mystery of the identity of Jesus who is the true manna from heaven. The manna or bread of Moses came from God the Father. Thus the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. That bread is Jesus.

Like the Israelites during the time of Moses we so desire that bread that will last not just for 40 years but forever. And Jesus declares "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he believes in me shall never thirst.". Jesus is the messiah who has come down from heaven. He is the divine Messiah who has heavenly origin. Jesus feeds and quenches our hungry and thirsting souls.

It will always be a call to choose the bread of God instead of the earthly food. We always face the tension of our earthly struggle of our dual reality. Yet our God is a patient and compassionate God who sees and understands our reality. The bread is a gift from God, a nourishment for the weary soul. Let us embrace and receive it with love, gratitude and growing faith.

It is meaningful to think that our parish has initiated a food packing activity to share with those who need nourishment. Let it be an occasion for us to reflect on physical hunger and transition it to reflect on spiritual hunger. Our participation in this initiative can be an expression of gratuitous response to the Eucharistic offering of Jesus by packing food for the hungry. Fr. Victor



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

St. Jerome Church is looking for more

altar servers. Anyone male or female, 4th grade and older, including adults, can be an altar server.

Become more involved in the Mass. Learn more about your faith and religion. Earn points and awards. Go on field trips, like bowling, swimming, baseball games.





GREECE & TURKEY—Feb 4-15, 2025

Journey to Greece and Turkey in the footsteps of St. Paul with Fr. Victor.

I invite you to join St. Jerome Parish on a spiritual journey tracing the steps of St. Paul in Ephesus in Turkey and Corinth in Greece as well as many other biblical places. We endeavor to visit biblical places significant in the story of the journey of St. Paul and the growth of the early Church. These places and many others are significant to our faith and life journey. We shall rediscover how the churches were built in those places and how those early Christians lived.



Information packets are in the entrance of the church. Land only: \$3099, Group airfare from MSP Questions: 402-315-1435, info@kingdomtours.us

EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

"The devotion to the Eucharist is the most noble because it has God as its object; it is the most profitable for salvation because It gives us the Author of Grace; it is the sweetest because the Lord is Sweetness Itself." (Pope St Pius X)



The Adoration Chapel is open 8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday. Please stop in for a visit with Jesus in the Eucharist.

Thank you to the person who recently committed to an additional hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Permanent adorers are needed Mondays at 7 pm. If you would like to commit to an hour, or if you have questions, please call Lorraine at 651-772-2997.

AUGUST 4, 2024

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT-Aug. 6



National Night Out is less than a month away. Please join us on Tuesday, August 6th for a night time of fun and an opportunity to socialize with your neighbors and fellow parishioners. St Jerome's will be serving hot dogs, chips, along with orange and root beer floats. There will be bubbles (which were a big hit

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last year) and games for the kids, plus we have invited the Maplewood Police and Fire Departments to visit us and allow us to check out their cool vehicles. We would love to have volunteers to help set up tables, grill the hot dogs, hand out the food, and make and serve the floats. Volunteering is a fun way to meet people and it is great to see the children enjoying themselves. Please let the parish office know if you are willing to help out on this night of fun and being a good neighbor. Last year we had about 120 people show and we hope to top that number this year. Please let the parish office know by July 19th if you can help out and what area you would like to volunteer in. Thank you.

SMALL GROUPS

Do you want to know what 89 people in and around St Jerome's are doing?

They are experiencing all the wonderful things happening in our parish small groups. St Jerome's currently has 10 small groups for people of all ages. We have groups for young adults, young families, Spanish speakers, those employed in healthcare, those who like science, the Filipino community, retired folks, and the list goes on. This means we have about 9 participants in each group. Our group leaders would love to have more people in their group. See the parish website for more information.

Archdiocesan Synod Formation Year 2 Started July 1st

This year's main topic is the Mass and the Eucharist. This year's theme merges with the **National Eucharistic Pil-grimage** program.

The Archdiocesan goals for Year 2 are:

1.Reinforce the Year 1 small group ministry (with some references to the theme of the Mass and the Eucharist). 2.Educate on the beauty, form, and meaning of the Mass, with special emphasis on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist

Prayerful liturgies with active participation [Bring each Parish "ALIVE" again by re-introducing parish customs from the past and introducing new customs.]

Watch for further information and inform the Parish office of customs (old or new) that you might want to see. Check out the small group information on the Parish Website and consider visiting/joining a small group.

If you have questions, feel free to email Anita Kennedy at <u>auglie@usfamily.net</u> or Ken Klutzke at <u>rkkmail@comcast.net.</u> We would be happy to provide you with further information. Your Synod Evangelization Team

SCRIP

Thanks to all of you SCRIP physical gift card shoppers, St Jerome's earned close to \$250 during our June sale. With our physical gift card sales and online Scrip orders, we made



\$2600 in "free money" for St Jerome last year, and are on track to earning that or even more this year. It is so incredibly easy to use a gift card. If you eat at Panera, Olive Garden, Outback or Chili's, the church receives 8% or more back on the card purchase. If you spent \$50 at Outback for dinner for two, you would make \$5 for the church. You can use the gift card to tip as well. If you buy prescriptions at Walgreens, CVS or Walmart, you can buy a gift card for those stores and earn money for church. People who have bought SCRIP online have told me it is so easy to use, and they feel good knowing they are earning money for church from places they normally go to anyway. Please give it a try. If you have any questions, please email me at auglie@usfamily.net. Anita Kennedy

HARVEST PACK— Aug. 14



Harvest Pack is almost here! Harvest Pack is back for its 4th straight year at St Jerome's on Wednesday, August 14th from 6 to 8 pm. This year, our plan is to pack 20,000 meals for our food insufficient sisters and brothers in other lands. If we do so, that means we will have

purchased and served over 80,000 meals in four years. The cost of each meal is 30 cents, and that goes a long way towards feeding the hungry with a healthy and vitamin enriched rice meal. In order to accomplish this, we need your help. We will be looking for donations to pay for the food to make the meals, and then we need your caring hands to help package the meals. This only takes about 2 hours of your time and before you know it, the work is done and the food is boxed and ready to go to the warehouse until it is shipped to its destination. We would love to have 100 people helping us at this event. Please ask your friends, family members, and neighbors to come as well. The more help we have, the guicker the work gets done. For those who like to use their muscles, we will also be looking for help from 4 to 6 pm to unload the Harvest Pack truck and set up the gym for the food packing. We will soon be having Sign-Up Genius on the parish website for you to sign up as well as a sign-up board at church or you can call the parish office to sign up. A donation page will also be on the parish website. If you would prefer to donate without using the website, please make out a check to St Jerome and put it in an envelope marked Harvest Pack in the collection basket. Any gift you can make is greatly appreciated. Looking forward to a great night with you and Harvest Pack.



PARISH EVENT CALENDAR Aug. 5-11

Monday	9:30am Small Group—library	
Tuesday	6:00pm National Night Out	
Wednesday	10:00am Visitation	
	11:00am Funeral: Haider	
Thursday	6:30pm Parish Council	
Friday	St. Jerome Anniversary (1940)	
•	9:30am Small Group	
	6:30pm Spanish Rosary & Bible Study	
Saturday	, , ,	
Sunday	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday Tuesday	7:15am	Don & Cathy Deiman (living) Abe Cardinal (living)
Wednesday		Zoe Odhiambo (living) Summer Vacation
Thursday		Nancy Valento
Friday	7:15am	Mary Heller (living)
Saturday	8:00am	Jerry Lonetti
	4:30pm	Gene Lamberta
Sunday	9:30am	Members of the Parish

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat.	4:30pm	J. Zielinski
Sun.	9:30am	T. Zappa

LECTORS:

Sat.	4:30pm	C. Guise
Sun.	9:30am	T. Zappa

ALTAR SERVERS:

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

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS



If you need low gluten hosts, please tell an usher at least 10 min before mass starts so that the priest can be told.

Weekly Offering

Contributions for the week of July 24– 30

Weekly Contribution: \$5070.00

Please remember St. Jerome in your will.



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"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching? You will discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation.

Lectio: Eucharist with Dr. Brant Pitre

Acclaimed author and teacher Dr. Brant Pitre digs down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS (June, July, August) Closed on Monday and Friday Open 9:30-1:30 Tues—Thurs.

FR. CLETUS—Birthday July 24, Anniv. Aug. 1

CONGRATULATIONS Fr. Cletus



Birthday: July 24 Anniversary of Ordination Aug. 1 53 years as a priest.

Send cards to: 1276 Birch Pond Trl White Bear Lake, MN 55110



Fr. Cletus Basekela, Tim Bertsch, Phil Brady, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Karen Geretschlaeger, Sr. Clarice Gierzak, Mary Gross, Mary Heller, Clarice Holthaus, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Janis Horski, Patricia Johnson, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold,

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, Nancy Miller, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Enrico Pirri, Shannon Presler, Terri Quitter, Patrick Roth, Rick Peiffer, Theresa Richardson, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, Greg Votel, Holly Walkner, Danica Weller, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel



PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Jack Butler Grace Wegleitner Eric Dickson