

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

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Faith Formation

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Marie Joseph Confirmation
xxx Children's Liturgy

School

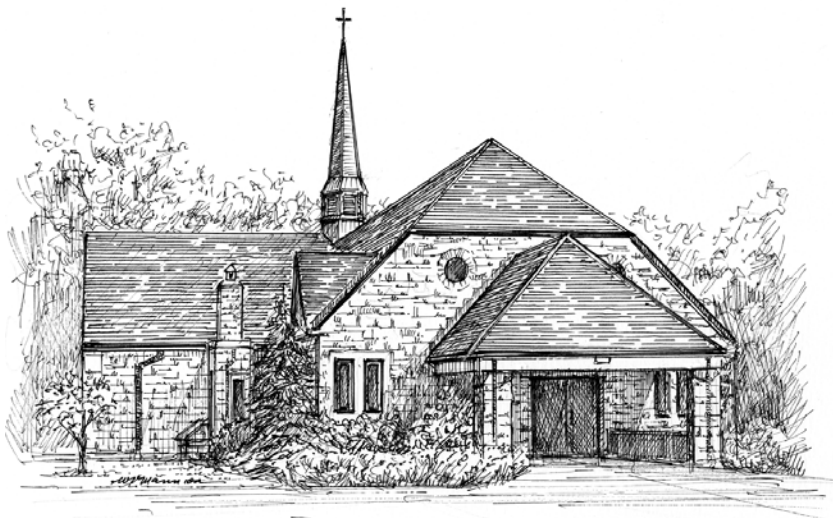
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Safe Environment coordinator

Marie Joseph.....651-771-8494
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July 28, 2024

The 17th 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.

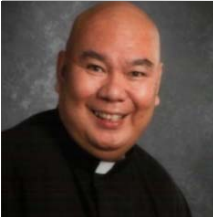




WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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 Sisters and Brothers,

WE are grateful to the Lord for the gift of the National Eucharistic Revival that set us on fire again to know and love the Eucharist and affirmed of his real presence in our everyday lives. It was inspiring to hear many touching stories of people’s experiences of Eucharistic presence on their lives. It was a once in a lifetime experience to witness such a very moving and faith strengthening gathering of more than 60,000 faithful believers, learning and praying together. It was a historic event in the life of the Catholic Church in the United States.

It is also timely that the gospel reading in next five weeks will focus on John chapter 6 that is known as the Bread of life discourse. It is one of the central passages in the bible that teaches us about the reality of the mystery of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. So let us walk through our belief of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus Christ beginning with this Sunday’s gospel reading.

These are our foundational test on our belief of the Eucharist and his real presence that is the source and summit of our Christian life and worship.

Let us begin with the famous story of the feeding of the five thousand, also known as the story of the multiplication of the loaves. John teaches us that this event is a sign pointing out to a greater reality, the feeding of the all souls in the sacrament of the Eucharist.

Five barley loaves of bread to feed five thousand people? He hear that Jesus gathered the loaves, prayed, gave thanks to the Father. In the Greek bible, to give thanks is “eucharistesas”. That is where we get the word Eucharist. Jesus performs the thanksgiving and then gives the bread to the people. There were extra bread of 12 baskets that came from the five barley loves

This reveals something significant to us. The Eucharist is coming from the one loaf from Jesus' table; it’s coming from the one sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. The same Eucharist that Christ gives to the apostles at the Last Supper is what he gives to us in every single mass. In the same way that the whole crowd is fed from these five loaves.

We shall endeavor to move forward to understand more about the Eucharist in the four Sundays coming.

Fr. Victor



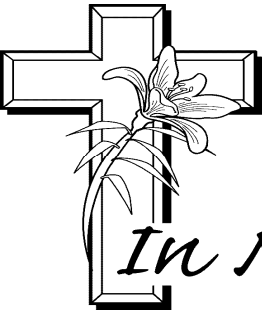
CHURCH FIRE UPDATE

We are a month and a half after the fire. All the damaged items have been removed from the basement. We are entering the reconstruction phase.

In Ludescher Hall the ceiling tiles have been replaced and a new window ordered. This room will be the quickest to rebuild. At a minimum it needs flooring and wall paint to be use-able.

The middle room, which took the most damage is a clean slate. If you have ideas for it, please submit to the parish office.

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We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Joan Bergeson and for the consolation of her family.

In Memoriam

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.

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

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 Pilgrimage** 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 auglie@usfamily.net or Ken Klutzke at rkkmail@comcast.net. 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 quicker 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
July 29—Aug.4

Monday	9:30am	Small Group—library
Tuesday	4:00pm	Organ repair—church
Wednesday	10:00am	Visitation
	11:00am	Funeral: Bergeson
Thursday	10:00am	Mass at nursing home
	10:30am	Small Group
	11:45am	Fatima Prayer & Rosary
	6:30pm	Small Group
Friday	9:00am	Quilters
	6:30pm	Small Group
	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & Bible Study
Saturday		
Sunday		18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Mary Frances Philbrook
Tuesday	7:15am	Don Deiman (living)
Wednesday	7:15am	John Leahy
	9:45am	Summer Vacation
Thursday	7:15am	Lori Lonetti
Friday	7:15am	Patricia Schreier (living)
Saturday	8:00am	Tom Lystad
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Francis Farrugia

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30pm	J. Dickson
Sun. 9:30am	G. Votel

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30pm	J. Therrien
Sun. 9:30am	D. Mordorski

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30pm	A. Bonghan	G. Revering
	P. Bonghan	M. Revering
Sun. 9:30am	Adult Servers & Izzy	

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.



Contributions for the week of July 17-23

Weekly Contribution: \$3589

Please remember St. Jerome in your will.



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Brethren, summer is not the "off season" for faith formation. Put aside the political news and use that time to enhance and update your knowledge of the faith with the Symbolon series. Login to your account on Formed and learn how to live an authentic Catholic life.

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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

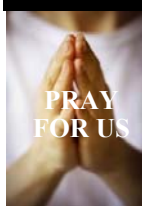


CONGRATULATIONS
Fr. Cletus



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 Laumeier, 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