

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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Website www.stjerome-church.org
Email..... secretary@stjerome-church.org
FB www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic
School. 651-771-8494
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Website www.stjermeschool.org
Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023

Pastoral Staff

Fr. Victor Valencia.....Pastor

Administrative Staff

Joanne LambParish Secretary

Music

Mary Beth Hess Music Director

Faith Formation

xxxReligious Ed Coordinator
Marie Joseph Confirmation
xxx Children's Liturgy

School

Anne Gattman Principal
Grace ZappaPreschool Director
Sue CostelloSchool Secretary
Nay Paw School Secretary

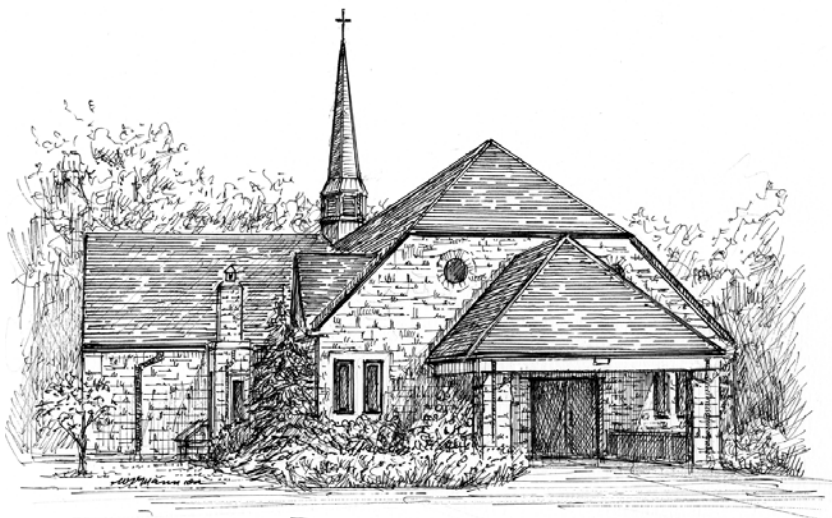
Maintenance

xxxxx Supervisor

Safe Environment coordinator

Marie Joseph.....651-771-8494

Victim Assistance Hotline.....651-291-4475



October 6, 2024

The 27th 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,
This week begins a journey of catechetical instruction and formation for our parish community. Our CCD formation is done every Sunday after our Eucharistic celebration until noon. We live out our prophetic role in spreading the word of God and inculcating the Christian values that Jesus has taught. We are ever grateful to our volunteer faith formators for sharing their time and faith to our children. Let us always pray for them and for our children. May the Spirit of Jesus live always in their hearts.

We have recently begun our adult faith formation in a bible study of the Acts of the Apostles. It is a 24 session bible study and will culminate with a pilgrimage tour to Turkey and Greece tracing the footsteps on St. Paul in Ephesus, Thessalonica and Corinth. It is not yet late to join if you wish to know more about the bible and the growth of the early church. You may wish to join the pilgrimage only. Please check for a flier/brochure about the trip in the church. Let us pray that God will always bless all the faith enriching initiatives of our church community.

We also begin the work of repairs and upgrades of our church facilities. Repairs and renovations have begun at the lower level of the church. As our insurance company covers for the damage done by the fire, we are responsible for the upgrades and new improvements. We are looking as well in improvements in our worship space which, hopefully, we can announce next week when more details will be available.

The scripture readings this weekend talk about marriage and divorce. Here are some very important lessons from the bible: 1. It is God's plan for marriage to be a lifelong and faithful union of a man and a woman. 2. Jesus is teaching the indissolubility of marriage therefore divorcing a legitimate spouse is a form of adultery. Jesus is fond of children. They are a blessing. Children are transparent, pure in their love and honest. They have the qualities we need in a marriage covenant relationship. They are free from the addictions of the things of this world that destroy the goodness of man and pervert the mind and heart. They are simple in their relationships and trust is so pure.

We were once children and we have the qualities of a child in our heart. It is important that we rediscover that "gold" in our hearts.

Fr. Victor

PRINCIPAL CORNER

Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,



At St. Jerome School we get to find that perfect "sweet spot" between holding high expectations of students and supporting them in their efforts.

Ultimately, we hope students will be motivated by a desire to know the truth, and by curiosity to understand their worlds. This was evident to me when a group of 2nd graders followed a monarch butterfly on the playground. They were full of fascination. Moments like this allow us the chance to say, "Wow, look at the beauty that God has created!" and "If you are interested in butterflies, you might want to consider being a scientist." And "This would make a beautiful painting, see if you can capture it with your pencil."

School isn't and can't always be easy. In addition to teaching students, our job is to help them develop the stamina and drive to hang in there when something is hard. Fortunately, we have an amazing crew of kind and dedicated educators who lend huge amounts of support while holding each and every student to their very best efforts.

Like the monarch that migrates 1000s of miles each year, we are also called to do hard things. Hopefully, in most cases the effort is well worth it.

Rake a Thon is October 25, 2024. Hopefully, the leaves will have begun to turn and fall by then. It seems later this year.

Do you live nearby and want to have your yard raked? Contact Joanne at the parish office (651-771-1209). Rake-a-thon is Friday, October 25.

Peace and blessings,
Anne Gattman

FR. LUESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Al Spangenberg



We are looking for a part time Director of Faith Formation.

See the Parish Website for details

SCRIP

A Big Thank You to all Scrip shoppers!



Thanks to all of you physical and online gift card shoppers, we made \$500 profit in September because of your purchasing gift cards! That is one month alone and that is so wonderful. This “free money” to the parish can help defray the cost of our remodeling the lower church. Could you imagine if more of our parishioners would buy gift cards how much we would make for the church? It is so easy to do whether you purchase during our physical card sale or purchase online, or it you want, I can place your order online for you (paper cards) and you can drop off your payment to the church office or in the collection basket. Would you like to learn how? Please email me at auglie@usfamily.net and I will be happy to help you out. I currently have a number of parishioners that each earn the church \$200 a year or more just from buying Scrip. That is like putting in an extra \$4 to \$5 in the collection basket every week. How helpful would that be if we could get a number of parishioners doing this. Please give it a try! Thank you, Anita Kennedy

FIRST SATURDAY CHOIR.

Fourth graders through adults are welcome and encouraged to sing with the Contemporary Group at the Saturday 4:30 Mass the **FIRST SATURDAY** of the month. Simply come to the church at 3:30 for rehearsal, and then sing at Mass:

Saturday - October 5, November 2, December 7
Questions?
Email Mary Beth Hess - Music Director
sistermb@comcast.net



The Church of St. Jerome and St. Jerome School are hiring for a full-time (part time may be a possibility)
Maintenance Supervisor

Oversee the safety, cleanliness and security of the SJ Campus. If you are interested please contact Joanne in the parish office: 651-771-1209 or Anne in the school office: 651-771-8494.

ACTs BIBLE STUDY & TRIP TO GREECE



The “ACTS: The Spread of the Kingdom” bible study by Jeff Cavins has begun. Classes will be in Ludescher Hall: **Sunday at 2:30 – 4:00 PM; Monday at 9:30 – 11:00 AM; or Monday at 6:30 – 8PM.** Come join us if you can. You can register at the class if you have not already done so. Also note that this class will prepare you for the February 4 – 15 Pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey.

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



It's that time of year again -- Rake-a-thon!

St. Jerome School students will be raking in their Annual Rake-a-thon on Friday, October 25th. Students, teachers and parents walk to nearby parishioner and neighbors' homes to rake leaves. It is our way to serve and say, "Thank you," to the parish for your support!

Rake-a-Thon money benefits our students in many ways, from technology to textbooks, from sports programs to art supplies. The eighth graders agree the "most awesome" benefit is the field trip opportunities!

Pledge a student today! We will have a special collection next weekend, Oct. 12-13

If you are a senior citizen, or have a neighbor who is, and live in a residential home within a mile of St. Jerome's School, we would love to rake your yard. – *for student safety, no homes with dogs please.*

Please call the Parish office.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
October 7– 13

Monday	9:30am	Bible Study
	9:30am	Small Group
	6:30pm	Bible Study
Tuesday	6:00pm	Small Group
Wednesday		
Thursday	10:00am	Rosary at nursing home
	6:30pm	Parish Council Mtg.
Friday	9:30am	Small group
	11:00am	Quilters for a Cause
	6:30pm	Small Group
	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & Bible Study
Saturday	9:00am	Lector Breakfast
Sunday		28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
		<i>Pie Tasting after Mass</i>
	10:30am	Religious education
	2:30pm	Bible Study

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Joyce Haider
Tuesday	7:15am	John Becker
Wednesday	7:15am	Jony Rubic
	9:45am	Roy Rueb
Thursday	7:15am	Lori Lonetti
Friday	7:15am	Patricia Schreiber (living)
Saturday	8:00am	Bruce Weber (living)
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Leonard Pistek

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30pm	K. Yackel
Sun. 9:30am	B. Cardinal

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30pm	C. Geis
Sun. 9:30am	D. Mordorski

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30pm	M. Revering	P. Bonghan
	A. Bonghan	G. Revering
Sun. 9:30am	G. Murphy	A. Vigonte
	R. Bigonte	



Contributions for the week of
September 18– Oct 1

Weekly Contribution: \$3,533

Please remember St. Jerome in your will.



GIVE HERE:
Scan this QR Code to
donate Weekly Offerings or
any donation direct via our
secure online site

New Small Group

New Group-*The Chosen*-
Tuesday Evenings-6:30 to 8 pm

Have you heard about the wonderful series, *The Chosen*? It is a beautifully acted series about the life of Christ. There are 8 episodes each season of *The Chosen*, and our plan is to watch one episode a group followed by a short discussion afterwards. Please join your host, Jeanette Weldon starting Tuesday, October 8th in Ludescher Hall beginning at 630 pm. Our group will be finished by 8 pm and the group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. We will start with prayer, view the episode, discuss what we saw, offer intercessions and then end in prayer. If you are interested, please email Anita Kennedy at auglie@usfamily.net to sign up, or you can call the parish office to be signed up. We hope to see you on October 8th!

EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is open 8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday. Please stop in for a visit with Jesus in the Eucharist. A permanent adorer is needed Thursday at 4 pm If you would like to commit to an hour, or if you have questions, please call Lorraine at 651-772-2997.



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.

Religion Sign-up



**For registration and
more information**

- **Classes start Sunday October 6**



Fr. Cletus Basekela, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Nora Ettl, 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, Von Kern, Kevin Klutzke, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeyer, Steve Lauinger, Andrew Lenze, Morgan Lenze, 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, Don Schwantes, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Stolla, Joyce Theilhorn, Greg Votel, Danica Weller, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE
MEN AND WOMEN



Jack Butler
Grace Wegleitner
Eric Dickson