

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.stjermeschool.org
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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
Rich Gahm Children's Liturgy

School

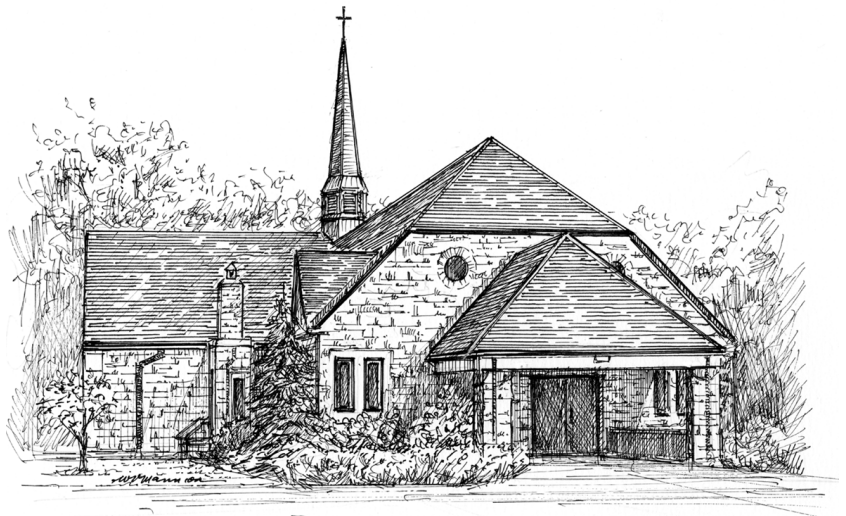
Anne Gattman Principal
Grace ZappaPreschool Director
Sue CostelloSchool Secretary
Nay Paw School Secretary

Maintenance

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

Safe Environment coordinator

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



November 3, 2024

The 31st 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 moving along smoothly in our renovations of the lower level of the church. Part of the project is restoring what was damaged and making some improvements and updates, a part of it is also renovating space, rearranging and providing structures

to make the space more efficient and useful. Many comments were considered before decisions were made. Many expressed the interest to make the lower level more welcoming, warm and inviting. Some expressed to make the space more efficient and can be used for multiple ministry activities. The value of the sense of community in big celebrations were also mentioned. These feedbacks were considered in the design of the renovation project.

Thus the following changes were made: the bride's room is completely walled. It will double as the music ministry office at the same time. All music files and instruments will be stored at this room. All cabinets at the middle part of the basement will be at the east walls. It will be used to store all quilts' materials. The door that separates the middle portion from the Ludescher hall will be widened double its size. It will be sliding doors. When funds are available, accordion dividers will be installed to divide the middle room into two or four smaller rooms to accommodate CCD classes and small group meetings. Cabinets with a counter top will also be made at the north walls of the Ludescher hall to store Faith formation materials and table decorations.

All these are planned in response to the voices of many that expressed their suggestions and from a prayerful reflection of what is good to uplift the sense of community and efficiency to serve the needs of the parish.

St. Jerome is gifted with members who would come together to support the many faith formative and community building endeavors of the parish. We are not rich and with God's blessings are never lacking. There are portions in our faith journey when we have to face big and difficult challenges. Our church facility is aging and soon we will need to face the fact that we have to renovate and improve. In fact, we are facing that reality right now.

We are proud of who we are. With God, we are courageous and resolute that we will overcome these challenges. We are not discouraged, rather hopeful and expectant that this challenges will bring us closer to one another and an opportunity to experience God's presence and hand in our lives.

Once again, let us come together and support our parish endeavors.

Fr. Victor

PRINCIPAL CORNER



The St. Jerome School Rake-a-Thon has been a tradition for a long time. It still has great value as a way to practice service, be together as a community and enjoy God's beautiful fall days. Mr. James DeRocker sent this picture of the SJS

Lions who raked his yard. This was a hard working crew! Thanks for supporting our Rake-a-Thon, and for your continued prayers for our students, their families and our staff.

Mr. Rick Gahm has accepted the position of Maintenance Director. He will be working about 30 hours or so per week. Rick joins our fabulous team of Mr. Mike Schrier and Mr. Greg Johnson. Stop in and say hello!

Peace and blessings,
Anne Gattman

Wednesday, Nov. 20



Your gift supports our **teaching specialists** who provide essential Reading & Language Intervention programs for our students.

GOAL: \$125,000!



PASTORAL COUNCIL

NOMINATIONS

Would you be interested in helping to shape the future of St. Jerome? The parish council is seeking nominees for three new members on the parish council. Members selected will serve a three year term. If you are interested, please consider nominating yourself or another parishioner. Nomination slips are also in the pews and can be put in the collection basket.

NOVEMBER 5



Monday, November 11
4:15-6:45 in the library.



Please call the school office to register: 651-771-8494.

There is no cost.

SCRIP

A "Get the most you can get for St. Jerome's by using the gift cards for your everyday necessities. My needs are groceries and gas so I buy a RELOADABLE Cub and a RELOADABLE Speedway for gas. Use just like your bank debit card at Cub and insert in the pay slot at Speedway, and share with your spouse when he/she does the shopping. No need to write each purchase in your bank register when you use the gift cards. Love that! Then you register yourself on Raiseright, the web site, on your phone, iPad, computer, whatever you use, and you can reload from the site. One check written for groceries and gas to Anita when I reload, and that's it! Just a little effort with Scrip and St. Jerome's benefits from my everyday needs!"



CHURCH RENOVATIONS

We will be having second collections the months of November and December to raise money to pay for the renovations to our church building.

In your church envelope packets are envelopes labeled **Building Fund**. Use those envelopes to help fund our renovations. There are extra envelopes at the entrance of the church.

ORDER YOUR BETTY'S PIES



Order your pie by Nov. 15.
Pick up pies Nov. 25,

Order sheets can be found on the web site or at the entrance of the church.

NO DUMPING IN THE RAVINE



In preparation for our annual rake-a-thon, we have noticed people are dumping personal yard waste and tree debris in our ravine. Our ravine is not for public use. If you have been dumping yard waster here, please stop and take your yard waste to one of the many Ramsey county yard waste sites.

Poverty and hunger are persistent issues in our state. Did you know?

- Approximately 9% of people of all ages (and about 11% of children under the age of 18) live in poverty in Minnesota. Poverty affects health. People living in poverty have a greater risk for things like asthma attacks, hospitalizations, childhood lead poisoning, and cardiovascular disease.
- Poverty also impacts food insecurity.
- 537,890 people in Minnesota face hunger-- of them 183,480 are children.
- Minnesota ranks 7th worst in the nation for the share of residents with access to healthy foods.
- 447,000 residents a month are enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).
- There were more than 7.5 million food shelf visits in Minnesota in 2023.

60+ seniors are the fastest growing group of citizens visiting food shelves.

Please be generous in our food drive this year!

GREECE & TURKEY—Feb 4-15, 2025



**TIME IS RUNNING OUT.
SIGN UP TODAY.**

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

FROZEN BOOYA

BOOYA



FROZEN BOOYA FOR SALE
Stop by the parish office to get yours

CHURCH DECORATOR NEEDED



Angela, our talented church decorator, is stepping down in January. We are looking for someone to take over. She would like to train you over the Christmas season. This person, with help from others, keeps flowers in the church, changes banners and decorates the altar. Please contact the parish office if interested.

CHRISTMAS TEA—Dec. 8



December 8th at 11:00am
Ludescher Hall
Tickets will be on sale after weekend masses in November.



FOOD DRIVE: Month of November

Help us FEED OUR NEIGHBORS with a financial donation or a donation of non-perishable food.

The Franciscan Brothers would like **pasta and pasta sauce**.

The school would like:
cereal, ramen, mac and cheese, pasta, black beans, corn, peanut butter, jelly,

**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
November 4-10**

Monday	9:30am	Bible Study
	9:30am	Small Group
	6:30pm	Bible Study
Tuesday	VOTE	
	7:00pm	Men's Club
Wednesday	6:30pm	Hand Bells
Thursday	10:00am	Mass at nursing home
	10:30am	Sm. Group
	11:45am	Fatima prayer group
	6:30pm	Sm. Group
Friday	9:30am	Sm. Group
	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & Bible Study
Saturday		
Sunday	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	10:30am	Religious education
	2:30pm	Bible Study

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Joyce Haider
Tuesday	7:15am	Fr. James Zappa
Wednesday	7:15am	Audrey Schultz
	9:45am	Barbara Ann Mesaros
Thursday	7:15am	Lori Lonetti
Friday	7:15am	
Saturday	8:00am	Nancy Valento
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	George Valento & Sandy Rooney (living)

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat.	4:30pm	M. Monte
Sun.	9:30am	T. Zappa

LECTORS:

Sat.	4:30pm	K. Faschingbauer
Sun.	9:30am	S. Cardinal

ALTAR SERVERS:

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



**Contributions for the week of
Oct. 16-23, 2024**

Weekly Contribution: \$3606

Please remember St. Jerome in your will.



FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Fr. James Zappa

New Small Group



New Group-The Chosen-
Tuesday Evenings-6:30 to 8 pm
(2nd & 4th Tuesdays)
Friday Afternoon 1:30 to 3:00pm
(1st and 3rd Fridays)

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. 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.

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



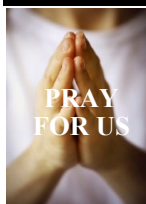
If you need low gluten hosts, please tell an usher at least 10 min before mass starts so that the priest can be told.



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Fr. Cletus Basekela, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Nora Ettl, Karen Geretschlaeger, Sr. Clarice Gierzak, Mary Gross, Clarice Holthaus, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Janis Horski, Patricia Johnson, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Lily Kehler, Von Kern, 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 Qitter, Patrick Roth, Rick Peiffer, Theresa Richardson, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Don Schwantes, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Storla, 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