

C H U R C H O F

# St. Jerome

380 E. Roselawn Avenue  
Maplewood, MN 55117

**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**

Parish Office ..... 651-771-1209  
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FB ..... [www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic](http://www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic)  
School. .... 651-771-8494  
Fax ..... 651-771-3466  
Website ..... [www.stjermeschool.org](http://www.stjermeschool.org)  
Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023

**Pastoral Staff**

Fr. Victor Valencia.....Pastor

**Administrative Staff**

Joanne Lamb .....Parish Secretary

**Music**

Mary Beth Hess ..... Music Director

**Faith Formation**

xxx .....Religious Ed Coordinator  
Florence Amenia ..... Confirmation  
xxx ..... Children's Liturgy

**School**

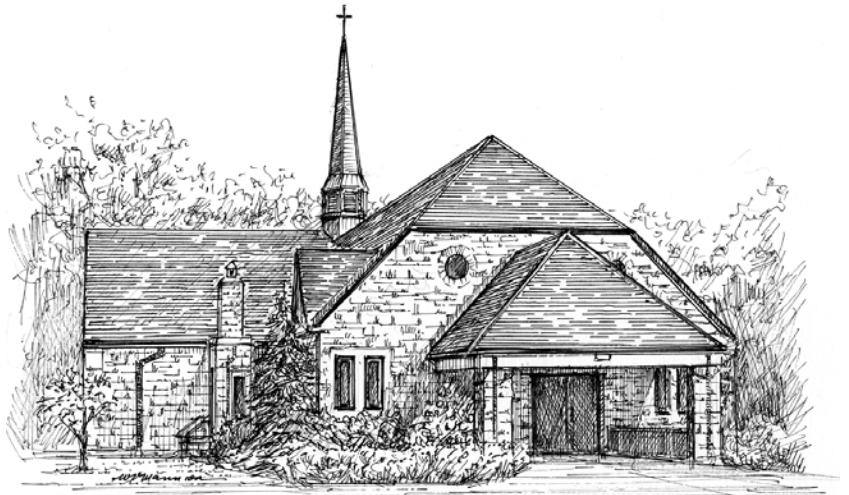
Anne Gattman ..... Principal  
Grace Zappa .....Preschool Director  
Sue Costello .....School Secretary  
Nay Paw ..... School Secretary

**Maintenance**

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

**Safe Environment coordinator**

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



**January 12, 2025**



*The Baptism*  
OF THE LORD



**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 close our Christmas season remembering the story of the baptism of Jesus. We now move to the ordinary season and begin to look into the public ministry of Jesus.

Our Christmas celebrations have been wonderful and full of lessons for daily living. The liturgies were well planned and the music ministers did a wonderful job of setting us into a prayerful mood and encouraged us to sing along. The altar servers even added to the solemnity of the rites. The beautiful Christmas decorations did bring out the spirit of joy and thanksgiving, of love and peace. The hospitality ministers made our people feel welcome. Our Lectors' proclamation of the word sets us to the spirit of our celebrations and Eucharistic ministers helped the flow of communion go very smoothly especially during the Christmas vigil mass. Overall our worship gathering was so alive because of all who prayerfully participated, shared their talents and joined in our liturgies. The presence of each one and the sharing of your gifts and talents is what makes our season truly meaningful and beautiful. Thank you for your presence and shared gifts.

The Jubilee year is here! The Pope has declared a Special Year of hope, amidst a world of worsening poverty and war. Pope Francis opened the holy door at St. Peter's basilica and passing through it symbolizes an entry into a journey of life in Christ marked with a journey of conversion. The Holy Father has decided that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee, something which happens every 25 or 50 years. The theme is "Pilgrims of Hope".

According to biblical tradition a jubilee year, is a special year when debts are forgiven, slaves are freed, and land is returned to its original owners, signifying a time of renewal and restoration, with the concept rooted in the Book of Leviticus 25. IN our Catholic tradition, it is a period of special grace and forgiveness, often declared by the Pope to mark significant events, where people can receive indulgences for their sins more readily.

Fr. Victor



*We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Edward Haider and for the consolation of his family.*

*In Memoriam*

**PRINCIPAL CORNER**

We are thrilled to welcome our students, teachers, and families back to school after a joyful Christmas and New Year's holiday. It's always exciting to begin a new year together, and we look forward to all that January has in store!

A special welcome back goes out to Mrs. Gateman, Ms. Joseph, and other members of our SJS team who recently returned from their mission trip to Thailand. During their time abroad, they worked alongside our Karen community and had the opportunity to meet with families, offer support, and deepen the bonds that unite us across continents. Their experiences and the stories they bring back are a reminder of the powerful impact of faith, service, and global connection.

As we move into the heart of winter, let us continue to grow as a community, embracing the values of learning, compassion, and faith that make SJS such a special place. Here's to a great January and a bright start to 2025!

- Craig Fiedler







# Winter Games!

ST. JEROME SCHOOL

Thinking about where your family would like to be for the 2025-2026 school year? St. Jerome School is currently accepting applications for enrollment in all grades! Financial Assistance is also available.

Join us for our Winter Games Open House on **Thursday, January 30 from 6:30-8:00pm.** Games, pizza, and prizes available! It's going to be a GREAT time! Bring a friend ~ if they enroll, you will receive a uniform voucher.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Zappa or Mr. Fielder at 651-771-8494.

## NEW DIRECTORY IN 2025



Sign up now to have your picture taken for the new directory. Sign up on the parish website.

## BOOYA—Frozen quarts for SALE \$16

BOOYA



Need something to eat on these cold January days?

We have BOOYA for sale.

For sale in the Parish office. Get it before its gone.



## MEN'S SILENT RETREAT—Feb. 13-16



Come to a place where you can hear the voice of the Lord in the quiet and peaceful setting of Lake DeMontreville. Join us for a three-day men's silent retreat at the DeMontreville Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo, Minnesota. The retreat begins Thursday evening February 13, 2025, and ends Sunday evening February 16, 2025. Free-will donations are accept-

ed. For more information call our office at 651-777-1311 or see our website [www.demontrevilleretreat.com](http://www.demontrevilleretreat.com)

## CONTRIBUTE ELECTRONICALLY!

You are strongly encouraged to make use of our automatic withdrawal option to make it easier to continually support St Jerome. It is safe, convenient, and reliable way of making your stewardship contributions. Only the amount you authorize will be deducted once a month on the 15th. Contact the parish office for a form.



Looking for a New Year's resolution for 2025?

Why don't you resolve to give SCRIP/RaiseRight a try. It is easy and it is an incredible fundraiser for our church. If you buy gas or groceries or go out to eat, then SCRIP is for you.

Let's say you shop at Cub, and spend \$100 a week. If you used a SCRIP gift card from Cub for your shopping, you would make \$208 a year for the church. Do you go to Olive Garden? Let's say you go there once a month and spend \$50 each time. That is \$48 dollars a year you make for St Jerome's, just eating out at a restaurant you would normally go to.



I love Bath and Body Works at the malls. Between candles, soaps, fragrances and buying gifts for friends or our fall festival or school auction, I spend about \$400 a year there. Since Bath and Body Works is so generous in their percent back to the church using SCRIP, I make between \$48 to \$60 for St Jerome's on that alone. If you would do these three things I just listed, **you** would make \$300 for the church by yourself in one year. Just think, If 10 families did this, they would make \$3000 for church and if 30 families did this, \$9000. Get the picture?

Flying out for your winter trip? You can buy Delta airlines SCRIP. If your ticket is \$300 and you get a gift card and simply plug in the gift card code when paying for your ticket, you will earn \$12 right there. It is just like putting in your credit card number when you purchase your ticket.

Please contact me at [auglie@usfamily.net](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net) to get started. Otherwise, log on to [RaiseRight.com](http://RaiseRight.com) and the site walks you through the steps to get started. You will need one thing and that is the enrollment code for St Jerome's. It is B89AB59714377. Give it a try, there is nothing to lose and St Jerome's would have everything to gain.

Thank you! Anita Kennedy



**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR**  
Jan. 13-19

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Handbell choir</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Rosary at Nursing home</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Liturgy Committee</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Spanish Rosary &amp; Bible study</b>
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Religion classes</b>
	<b>1:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Communion Service</b>
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<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Luis Tabique Siojo</b>
	<b>9:45am</b>	<b>Richard Odeen</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Jerry &amp; Lori Lonetti</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Marilyss Petersen</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	
	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Pat Hermes</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Members of the Parish</b>

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

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

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	J. Dickson
Sun. 9:30 am	C. Anyanwu

**LECTORS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	K. Faschingbauer
Sun. 9:30 am	R. Klutzke

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	L. Anyanwu	P. Bonghan
	A. Bonghan	S. Anyanwu
Sun. 9:30 am	Z. Odhiambo	M. Murphy
	C. Zorobi	R. Odhiambo



**Contributions for the week of**  
**Jan. 1- 7, 2025**

Weekly Contribution: \$5355.35

*Please consider adding the Church of St. Jerome to your will.*

**CHURCH RENOVATIONS**

The second collections for the months of December were to raise money to pay for the renovations to our church building.

You can still donate. 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.

**AS OF JANUARY 5: WE HAVE COLLECTED**  
**\$122,091**



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3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
4. Find **St Jerome Catholic Church** by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!



So, have you had an epiphany recently? Epiphany: a moment when you suddenly feel that you understand, or suddenly become conscious of, something that is very important to you. If not, I strongly suggest that you login to your Formed account and go to "This Week on Formed" and look for the resource below.

**Living Faith with Fr. Columba Jordan, CFR**

Living Faith is a five-part video series is for those who want to move from the crowds to truly being a disciple of Jesus. Presented by Fr Columba Jordan CFR, each week focuses on an essential aspect of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus — prayer, the sacraments, ongoing formation, Catholic community, and personal apostolate.

**EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

The Adoration Chapel is open  
**8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday.**  
A PERMANENT ADORER IS NEEDED Thursday at 4 pm. If you could help with this hour, or if you have questions, please call Lorraine at 651-772-2997.



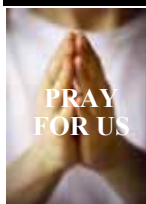
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**GIVE HERE:**  
Scan this QR Code to  
donate Weekly Offerings or  
any donation direct via our  
secure online site

**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.



PRAY FOR US

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, Mary Kishish, Kevin Klutzke, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeier, 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