

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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Website www.stjeromeschool.org
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Pastoral Staff

Fr. Victor Valencia.....Pastor

Administrative Staff

Joanne LambParish Secretary

Music

Mary Beth Hess Music Director

Faith Formation

xxxReligious Ed Coordinator
Florence Amenia Confirmation
xxx Children's Liturgy

School

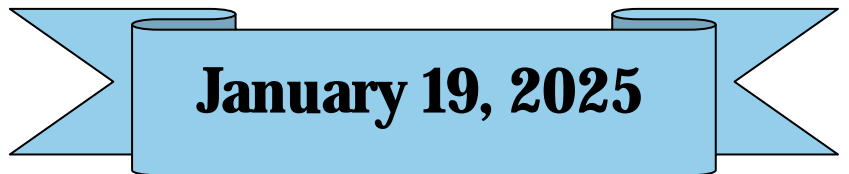
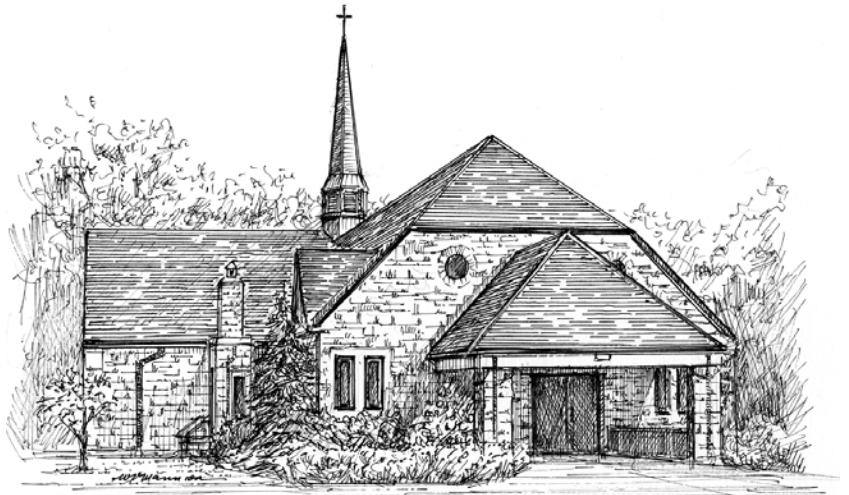
Anne Gattman Principal
Grace ZappaPreschool Director
Sue CostelloSchool Secretary
Nay Paw School Secretary

Maintenance

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

Safe Environment coordinator

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

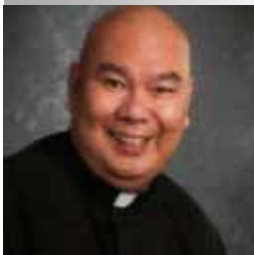




WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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 Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis has declared this year to be a Jubilee Year. It began on Christmas eve of 2024 and will end on the Feast of the Epiphany 2026. It is a special year in our church tradition where the focus of forgiveness, reconciliation, restoration and renewal of faith. It is marked with

opportunities for receiving the sacrament of reconciliation and many ways by which we can come back to God and reestablish a right relationship with him and with our brothers and sisters. In the bible, a jubilee year was a year of liberation and land redistribution, the freeing of slaves and the forgiveness of debts. It happened every 50 years. It can be found in the book of Leviticus.

Our church practice of the Jubilee year happens every 25 years. It is a time of deep reflection, repentance, seeking forgiveness, restoration of broken relationships and healing. It is a time for an increased focus on forgiveness, charity, pilgrimages, special indulgences and healing prayers.

What an opportune it is when our world today is so broken we need healing from our woundedness due to many transgressions. There is a lot of reconstruction, restoration and healing from all kinds of relationships. As a parish let us make use of this year to bring our selves and others to a stronger relationship with God and with our world.

Jesus performs this particular miracle of the wine in Cana, as the first of his signs. The message is that Jesus is the bridegroom. "He is going to redeem us through his love. The cross is going to be an act of love and that's what's going to cover a "multitude of sins" (as Peter says), 'Love covers a multitude of sins'. So it is the divine love of the divine bridegroom that's going to cover our sins. But it's not time for that just yet. He's just getting started with his ministry, so he performs a sign that points forward to what he's going to accomplish, and many of his disciples begin to believe in him."

Fr. Victor

NEW DIRECTORY IN 2025



Sign up now to have your picture taken for the new directory. Sign up on the parish website, or call the Parish Office.

PRINCIPAL CORNER

Pancake Breakfast



SJ Parishioners, Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 26, and we will be hosting (with the awesome help of the Men's' Club) a Pancake Breakfast after the 9:30 Mass. Our students will be helping with Mass at the 4:30 and 9:30 Masses. This is an opportunity for us to thank you for your support of our school: prayers, financial and service. Our parishioners help us in so many ways, and we are grateful!

Please mark your calendars and we hope to see you!

Looking ahead:

St. Jerome School will be hiring a part time paraprofessional for the 2025-26 school year. This person will serve as our Latino Family Liaison, so Spanish fluency is a requirement. If you are interested in this 20 hour/week position, please contact Mrs. Gattman (agattman@stjeromeschool.org)

La Escuela St. Jerome estará contratando a un paraprofesional a tiempo parcial para el año escolar 2025-26.

Esta persona servirá como nuestro Enlace Familiar Latino, por lo que se requiere fluidez en español. Si está interesado en este puesto de 20 horas/semana, comuníquese con la Sra. Gattman.

Gattman. agattman@stjeromeschool.org

WATCHMEN—Jan. 21 at St. John's



The next meeting of the Catholic Watchmen will be on Tuesday, January 21, at 6:30 PM in the Lower Church, following the Rosary at 6:00 PM. All men and their sons are welcome to attend. Our speaker will be Ian McCoy, with his talk entitled: "How to Give a 3 Minute Testimony." Dinner will be a Soup buffet including St. Jerome's Booya, Sub sandwiches, crackers, chips, snacks, desserts and beverages. All men including their sons/grandsons are invited and encouraged to attend.

Contact Jim DeBilzan at 651-503-8043 for further details.

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 accepted. For more information call our office at 651-777-1311 or see our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com



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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Dear friends at St Jerome, I am writing to you on behalf of Today's Harvest – Maplewood, a free food market dedicated to providing nutritious food to all individuals and families in need. As the demand for our services continues to grow, we find ourselves in urgent need of volunteers to help us fulfill our mission.

Food insecurity is a pressing issue in our community, and together, we can make a tangible difference in the lives of those who are struggling. We are reaching out to your congregation in hopes of inspiring compassionate hearts to join us in our efforts. Our free market operates Monday – Friday from 12:00 -6:00pm (with volunteer shifts starting at 10am – 6pm) and Saturdays from 10:00am – 1:00pm (volunteer shifts starting at 8:00am – 1:00pm). We rely heavily on volunteers to help with sorting, stocking, and distributing food, as well as assisting with community outreach.

Volunteering individually or as a group at the market is a rewarding experience that not only impacts the lives of those we serve but also allows members of your church congregation to come together in fellowship and service. We believe that each act of kindness counts, and together we can create a powerful ripple effect in our community. Thank you for considering this opportunity to partner with us in addressing food insecurity in our area. We greatly appreciate any support your church can provide, whether that be through volunteering, donations, or spreading the word about our food shelf.

If you have any questions or would like to talk further, please feel free to contact me at 651-300-0662 or leanna@opencupboard.org. We look forward to the possibility of working together and making a difference in our community.

With gratitude,
Leanna Miller,
Volunteer Manager
Open Cupboard | Today's Harvest
8264 4th Street North, Oakdale, MN 55128
Email: leanna@opencupboard.org



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.

Please contact me at auglie@usfamily.net to get started. Otherwise, log on to 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

BABY SHOWER—Feb. 16

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

February 16 at 11am

St. Jerome is hosting a baby shower for the Women's Life Care Center.



Can you help plan this event?
Please call the parish office.

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.



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.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
Jan. 20-26

Monday	Martin Luther King Day Parish office closed 9:30am Bible Study 9:30am Small Group 6:30pm Bible Study
Tuesday	6:30pm Watchmen mtg (St. John's)
Wednesday	4:15pm Finance meeting 6:30pm Handbell choir
Thursday	10:00am Rosary at Nursing home 1:30am Small Group 6:30pm Small Group
Friday	9:00am Quilters for a Cause 9:30am Small Group
Saturday	
Sunday	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Catholic School's week Pancake breakfast in school after mass 10:30am Religion classes 1:30pm Bible Study

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Communion Service
Tuesday	7:15am	Charlotte Alm
Wednesday	7:15am	Donna Ellison
	9:45am	Richard Odeen
Thursday	7:15am	Louise Maus
Friday	7:15am	Marlyss Petersen
Saturday	8:00am	Fr. Tom Fitzgerald
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Nancy Valento

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat.	4:30 pm	J. Zielinski
Sun.	9:30 am	J. Schroeder

LECTORS:

Sat.	4:30 pm	S. Maldonado
Sun.	9:30 am	T. Zappa

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	O. Olberding	W. Heurung
Sun. 9:30 am	M. Revering	G. Revering
	R. Vigonte	A. Vigonte
	G. Murphy	



Contributions for the week of
Jan. 8-14, 2025

Weekly Contribution: \$9,979.16

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



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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.

EUCCHARIST 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.



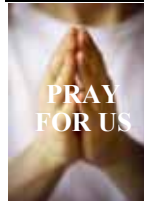
SMALL GROUPS

St. Jerome has many small groups. Please see the web site for a calendar of meeting times and descriptions of each group. Join a small group today, it's a great way to start off the year.

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, Pat Durkin, Nora Ettl, Karen Geretschlaeger, Clarice Gierzak, Mary Gross, Clarice Holthaus, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Janis Horski, Patricia Johnson, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Von Kern, Mary Kishish, Kevin Klutzke, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeayer, Steve Lauinger, Andrew Lenze, Morgan Lenze, Fr. Ken Ludescher, Nancy Masson, Vern & Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, Brian Michalitsch, Nancy Miller, Nolan Mulaney, 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 Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, George Valento, 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