

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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FB ..... [www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic](http://www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic)  
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Website ..... [www.stjeromeschool.org](http://www.stjeromeschool.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

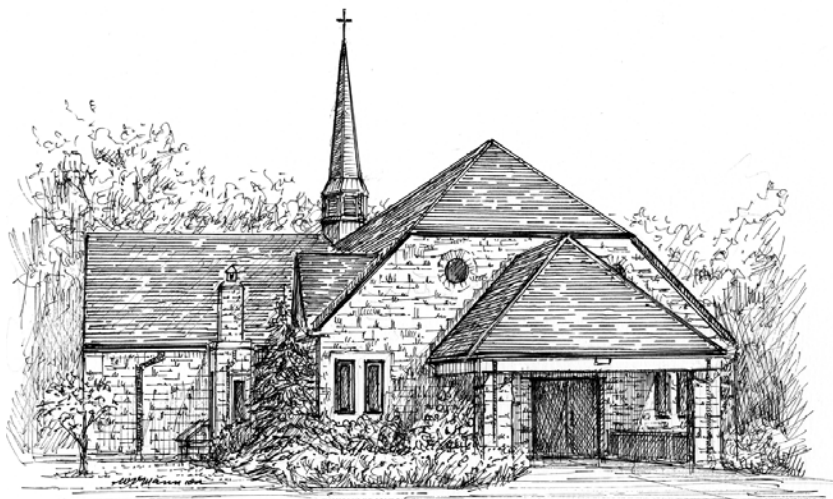
Anne Gattman ..... Principal  
Grace Zappa .....Preschool Director  
Sue Costello .....School Secretary  
Nay Paw ..... School Secretary

### Maintenance

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

### Safe Environment coordinator

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



**January 26, 2025**

**The 3rd 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.

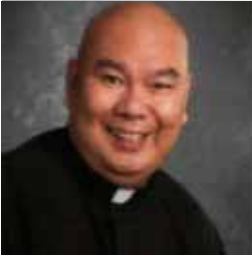




**WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME**

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 Brothers and Sisters,

This week is our celebration of our work of Catholic Education in our country. This is close to our heart because our one big expression of our mission is St. Jerome School. This school marks our participation of God’s mission to spread the good news of salvation. We

give thanks to God for all the good things that are happening at St. Jerome. We continue to pray for many blessings for our school. Let us also pray for all those who work in our school: the principal, Ms. Ann Gattman, our teachers and staff. They work to form our students to become Christlike and learned. Let us pray for our students that they use their God given talents to enrich their lives and respond to God’s call. Let us celebrate their families that is the most significant seed bed for values formation

This year happens to be a jubilee year. In the gospel passage this Sunday, Jesus mentions about the “acceptable year to the Lord”. Jesus is saying that the coming of the messiah is precisely the acceptable year, a year of joy and release. Jesus is saying that when the Messiah comes, his coming is going to be a great Jubilee year. A great year of release, when all debts (of sin) will be forgiven, and people will be set free from bondage; which, if you’ve been in debt, is a burden, and to be freed from it is a source of great joy and relief, a chance for moving forward and meaning living.

Jesus proclaimed that he is the messiah and with his coming and his work “in our hearing,” this scripture, about the Messiah, and the Jubilee, is fulfilled. He is revealing for the first time publicly, in a homily, that he himself is the Messiah, and that the time of the Messiah is now.

Let us joyfully celebrate Jesus and our participation in his mission in Catholic Education.

Fr. Victor

**NEW DIRECTORY IN 2025**



**Pictures are this week.  
Sign up today or miss out.  
Call the parish office for help.**

**PRINCIPAL CORNER**

**Happy Catholic Schools Week!** The Catholic Church has a long tradition of educating children in our faith and excellent academics. The parish of St. Jerome has had a school since 1951, and though it has changed over the years, as the demographics of the parish and neighborhood has changed, our parish school continues a strong tradition of education. Here at St. Jerome School we proudly serve students and families who very much need and appreciate the education that St. Jerome School provides. Our graduates head off to high school prepared academically and armed with the truth and values of our Catholic faith. This is an important mission of our parish, and we are grateful for the many ways you, our parishioners, show up for your school.



Please join us after 9:30 mass for a yummy pancake breakfast!  
Happy New Year!  
Anne Gattman, Principal



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](mailto:agattman@stjeromeschool.org))

*La Escuela St. Jerome estará contratando a un paraprofessional 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. [agattman@stjeromeschool.org](mailto:agattman@stjeromeschool.org)*

**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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](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

### 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. 27– Feb. 2

<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>10:00am</b>	<b>Visitation</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Funeral</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Handbell choir</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>Church Directory photos</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>School Open House</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Church Directory photos</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Spanish Rosary &amp; bible study</b>
	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Church Directory photos</b>
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>Catholic Service Appeal</b>
		<b>Coffee and Donuts</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>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Ed Haider</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Mark Burns</b>
	<b>9:45am</b>	<b>Sr. Clarice Gierzak (living)</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Bill Hafner</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Skyler Mortezaee (living)</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	
	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Members of the Parish</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Peggy Lang</b>

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

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

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	M. Montie
Sun. 9:30 am	G. Votel

**LECTORS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	J. Gattman
Sun. 9:30 am	S. Cardinal

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	P. Bonghan	L. Anyanwu
	S. Anyanwu	A. Bonghan
Sun. 9:30 am	Adult Servers and Izzy	



**Contributions for the week of**  
**Jan. 15-21, 2025**

Weekly Contribution: \$3595

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



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**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.



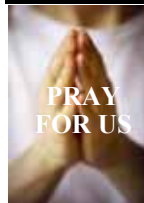
**SMALL GROUPS**

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.



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