

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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School

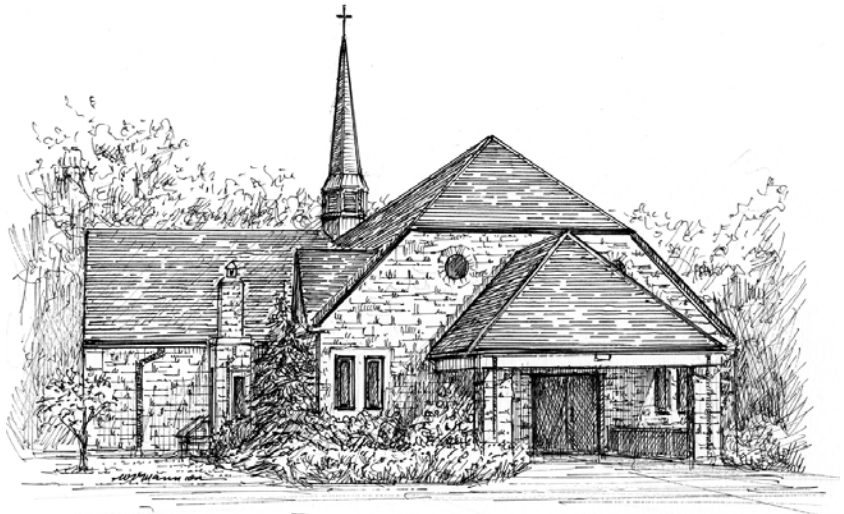
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First Sunday
of
LENT

Filled with the Holy Spirit,
Jesus returned from the Jordan
and was led by the Spirit into
the desert for forty days,
to be tempted by the devil.

Luke 4:1-2

March 9, 2025

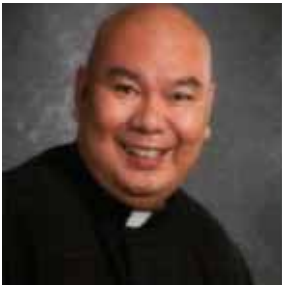




WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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,

Once again we enter into the season of lent bringing along with us another jubilee of mercy, a time of forgiveness, healing, reconciliation and renewal. We take on the theme "Pilgrims of Hope". We are pilgrims. We are on a spiritual journey towards our salvation.

Hope gives us the reason to endure and to persevere. Because there is mercy, there is hope. This Jubilee encourages us to engage another season of lent. It is a season for repentance, of forgiveness and healing, restoring and strengthening. Every season of lent is always a significant time to move deeper into strengthening oneself and to walk closer to God.

Our Lenten journey invites us to take a look at Jesus in the desert. It was his 40 day retreat. In the bible it is called the "wilderness", a place of isolation, emptiness, silence and the intense experience of the stark need for food and water and human longings. It is a place of radical encounter of one self. For Jesus, it was a crucial formation and preparation for his ministry. He was tempted and strengthened.

Jesus was tempted by the devil on three very important aspects in our life: the need to satisfy human longings, the strength of our convictions on our faith and the insatiable desire for power. Jesus overcame Satan's temptations by his reliance and trust in God's word.

Lent is an opportune time to journey through our wounds and weaknesses. It is a time to strengthen one's heart and soul with the word of God. It is a time to be mended, healed and restored.

May this 40 day journey through lent be a journey of letting go and letting God.

Fr. Victor



FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Patricia Dirkin

PRINCIPAL CORNER

As we begin Lent as a school community we will **be holding Pope Francis in our daily prayers. We fervently pray for his health and strength.** The Karen children call our Pope "Papa Francis". I feel this is such an endearing way to think of our Pope when we pray for him. We will also be participating in a coin/cash drive to raise money for **Global Partners: Running Waters**. Here's a link to learn more about it: [Global Partners: Running Waters](#). This is a ministry associated with the School Sisters of Notre Dame. As you may recall Sister Audrey Lindenfesler, our Reading Intervention Teacher, is a member of this religious community.



Here are a few calendar items to share with you:

- March 10-14 Spring Break (the school office will be closed)
- Stations of the Cross (every Friday during Lent at 3pm) please feel free to join us.
- 7 Last Words of Christ: Holy Thursday, 4/17 (time will be shared later)

Peace to you and yours,

Anne Gattman,
Principal



NEW HYMNALS

Music is an integral part of the Catholic Mass. What makes music so special? Singing together helps people worship God and give Him glory. As a community, singing together helps people feel a sense of belonging and unity. It not only helps people participate actively and consciously in the liturgy, but it is also a form of prayer, bringing us closer to God.

Music has always been very important at St. Jerome. One of the blessings that came out of the fire last June, is the opportunity to get new hymnals. Our BLUE GATHER hymnals are nearly 35 years old. We are able to replace them with some of the insurance money from the fire. The new hymnals will have the updated Mass settings in them and many new, beautiful songs. We will continue to use the GREEN Journeysongs hymnals as well as the new GRAY Gather hymnals. They are from two different publishing companies and have different songs in each of them.

Happy singing at St. Jerome.

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

**How are donations to the CSA used?
How does it make an impact?**
CSA donations are used to support various local ministries.



Educate in Faith

- K-8 student scholarships and school support
- College outreach programs
- Room and board for seminarians

Help Those in Need

- Meals and short-term housing support for the homeless
- Food and clothing for those in crisis
- Hospital ministry
- Prison chaplains
- Venezuelan Mission support

Strengthen in Faith

- Youth and young adult parish leader training
- Adult small group ministry resources
- Multi-cultural parish support
- American Sign Language interpreters and pastoral outreach

Respect for Life

- Unexpected pregnancy support
- Respect of life in all stages

BOOYA—Frozen quarts for SALE

BOOYA



Only a couple of weeks left to clean out the freezer.



1 quart for \$10, or 3 for \$25

Get yours in the Parish office.

ALTAR SERVER

St. Jerome Church is looking for more altar servers.

Anyone male or female, 4th grade and older, including adults, can be an altar server.

Become more involved in the Mass.
Learn more about your faith and religion.
Earn points and awards.
Go on field trips,
like bowling, swimming, baseball games.



BUY SCRIP

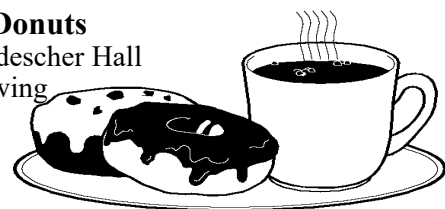


Many of you purchased gift cards in December. Did you know the majority of them are reloadable? What that means is you can add more value to the card at any time. As an example, I have a Kwik Trip card I use for gas and groceries. It started out as a \$50 card and each time I refill it now, I add \$100 value to it. What is really great is that I try to wait until Scrip has a special deal with Kwik Trip and I am able to make \$12 for the church every time I refill my card. A real no brainer. Every time I use the card, I know I am making money for the church without spending anything extra. I have a customer that started out with a \$100 Cub card. When it is time to reload her card, she adds \$1000 to the card, earning \$40 or \$50 dollars for the church. These amounts really add up. I use my Kwik Trip card like I would a credit card. I just put the card in at the pump like I would do with a credit card. If you would like to do this but don't know how, just email me or call the church office and I will walk you through the steps. If you missed buying gift cards in December, we will have another physical gift card sale in March, so stay tuned for that. Thank you for your support of St Jerome Church. Anita Kennedy

Coffee and Donuts

will be served in Ludescher Hall
NEXT Sunday following
the Sunday Mass.

Please join us!



Pictures from the Turkey and Greece pilgrimage where they followed the footsteps of St. Paul will be presented.

LENT 2025

Prayer and Adoration

March 30
2:00—4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation & Adoration

April 8
4:00—7:00pm

Fish Fry

April 11
5:00—7:00pm



*Join us this Thursday, March 13
Stations are at 5:30.
Soup supper is at 6:00*

*This week's Soup Supper will be
Booya
hosted by the Parish Council*



PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
March 10-16

School is on Spring Break

Monday	9:30am	Small Group
	9:30am	Bible Study
	6:30pm	Bible Study
Tuesday	6:30pm	Small Group
Wednesday		
Thursday	10:00am	Rosary—nursing home
	1:30pm	Small Group
	5:30pm	Stations of the Cross
	6:00pm	Soup Supper
	6:30pm	Parish council
Friday	9:30am	Small Group
	6:30pm	Spanish Rosary & bible study
Saturday	10:00am	Hall Rental
	3:30pm	Hall Rental
Sunday		2nd Sunday of Lent
		Coffee and Donuts
	10:30am	Religion classes
	1:30pm	Bible Study

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Warren Rinehart
Tuesday	7:15am	Donna Kurk
Wednesday	7:15am	Donna Ellison
	9:45am	No School
Thursday	7:15am	Deceased Valento family members
Friday	7:15am	Nancy Valento
Saturday	8:00am	Jerry Berczyk
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	David & Cynthia Schluender (liv)

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	M. Montie
Sun. 9:30 am	Y. Clintsman

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	J. Gattman
Sun. 9:30 am	D. Mordorski

ALTAR SERVERS:

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



Contributions for the week of
Feb 26– March 4 2025

Weekly Contribution: \$4873

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

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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It's Lent! Okay, you know that. We all need healing, repentance, and conversion. The world can only offer short term solutions but no long term gratification. Mother church has just what we need. Go to your account on Formed.org and watch this video series.

Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession

This video five part series explores the grace and healing offered in Confession and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love.

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EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel is open
8 am Monday through 6 pm Thursday.

Please stop to visit with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

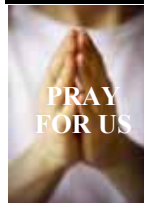
If you have questions, please call Lorraine at 651-772-2997



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PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE
MEN AND WOMEN



Jack Butler
 Grace Wegleitner
 Eric Dickson