CHURCHOF 380 E. Roselawn Avenue Maplewood, MN 55117

Weekend Masses Saturday4:30 PM Sunday9:30 AM Weekday Masses Mon. thru Fri......7:15 AM Wed. (Sep.-May) All School...... 9:45 AM Saturday8:00 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 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** Websitewww.stjerome-church.org Email.....secretary@stjerome-church.org FB www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic Websitewww.stjeromeschool.org Pastoral Staff Fr. Victor Valencia.....Pastor Administrative Staff Joanne LambParish Secretary Music Mary Beth Hess Music Director Faith Formation xxx.....Religious Ed Coordinator Florence Amenya..... 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 Victim Assistance Hotline......651-291-4475





DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



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 continue to celebrate and savor the wonderful gifts of love and life our Lord Jesus Christ gave us. In celebration we show our appreciation, our gratitude and our valuing of these gifts. We take time to pause and breathe in the positive energy of his love and life that

nurtures deep inside us, the spirit of being loved and hope in life. We are strengthened by his gifts to endure and overcome all trials that may come in our life.

On the octave of Easter we celebrate the unfathomable mystery of God's mercy. We commonly call it Divine Mercy Sunday. We will hear the famous story of the doubting Thomas, the power of reconciliation, the confession of sin, and the profession of faith. It is a powerful story of an encounter with Jesus and the growth in faith.

Let us celebrate the life of our dearly beloved Pope Francis who recently passed away. In the context of our celebration this weekend, I call him the "apostle of mercy". As the successor of the Apostles, the fullness of the priesthood resides in the Pope. Jesus said, "As the father has sent me (Greek word apostellō which means "to send"), so I send you". The Good News of the Resurrection is not just that Jesus is back to life, but that he also bestows upon those whom he sent (apostles) the power, the authority, and the mission that he himself received from his heavenly father, he is now bestowing on the twelve. Pope Francis' pontificate is so marked with his work of compassion and mercy. We will treasure him for showing us a church that reaches out and cares for the poor and the underprivileged.

Thank you as well for all who celebrated with me and greeted me during my 32nd anniversary to the priesthood. May God continue to bless and guide us in our work of sharing his gift of mercy to everyone. Fr. Victor

Bible Study—Coming this Fall

This Fall, the bible study title is "The Bible and the Virgin Mary". Learn about Mary's role in salvation history, and what role she continues to play in our lives today. See Mary as you've never seen her before.

Watch for more information later this summer.



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello St. Jerome Parishioners,

Many of you will join us (or did) at our Party with a Purpose: Igniting the Future. Thank you! It is always my hope that you are proud of the school that you help to support. Catholic education is alive and well at the Church of St. Jerome and we are blessed to serve children hungry for Christ.



Here are some pictures of the children who made their First Holy Communion at St. Casimir with the Karen Catholic Community.



Two of our SJS students will also receive this sacrament on Saturday, May 17 at the 4:30 Mass.

May God bless the children and keep their hearts true to Jesus for their whole lives.

Happy Easter! Anne Gattman Principal

Pro-Life Sidewalk Ministry Training, April 28, in Bloomington

Learn peaceful, legal methods of saving babies from abortion through prayer, literature, and words of truth in love outside Twin Cities abortion facilities.

No charge. Presented by Pro-Life Action Ministries. To register, contact <u>gary.gillet@plam.org</u> or (651) 797-6366. More info at <u>www.plam.org/events</u>

APRIL 27, 2025

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If that sounds like too much work, and you are fine with receiving a paper (e-gift card) (not for use at gas stations or grocery stores) and are not set up online, just email me and I can order what you would like. If you ordered say a \$50 Olive Garden e-gift card, just give the paper to your waitress and you can even pay for your tip on this. You will either get the gift card back with the balance, or they will toss the ecard if you used the card up. I can easily order that for you online and you can pay at the church office or place your payment in the collection basket with your payment in a envelope marked, "Scrip." My goal is to make it as easy as possible for you to use this great fundraising tool. I am available if you have any questions at auglie@usfamily.net.

Thank you for supporting St Jerome's. Anita Kennedy





Athena Ellis Bath Riella Marceline Bath Daughters of Alexander and Roseanne Bath who were baptized on

Congratulations to

April 22, 2025



Sunday - May 18, 2025 9:30 am Mass followed by a light lunch in Ludescher Hall

RSVP on the parish website.

QUILTERS FOR A CAUSE—May 2

Would you like to spend a few hours with some fun people and eat some good food? **Quilters for a Cause** is especially in need of a few new volunteers to tie quilts. We can teach you at our monthly gathering and then you can either work on them when we gather, or you can take some home to work on there and bring them back next month.

Do you like to sew? We have quilt kits all made up ready to go. No need to pick out a pattern or fabric or cut the pieces. Just start sewing! These could be done at church when we meet or you can take some home, work on them throughout the month and bring them back the next time we meet. Quilting experience is not necessary but basic machine sewing skills are helpful.

We will meet Friday, May 2 from 9:00 till 2:30.

Come whatever hours you can and bring something to share for potluck lunch.

This is a good way to socialize with and meet other parishioners while doing something for others. The quilts go to charities in the Maplewood area, children baptized at St. Jerome and Kids Korner. If you have any questions please call Mary Selby at 651-489-4177.

THE HOLY WATER

Holy water is a powerful symbol of grace and blessing. It is one of our symbols of faith, a visible sign of God's grace to humankind through the years. The waters that flowed from the rock quenched the thirsting Israelites and saved them from death. In the rivers of Jordan the Jews received the grace of repentance and cleansing. Water that flowed from the side of Christ was a symbol of new life given after the sacrifice of Christ. The water in baptism cleanses us from our sins to make us become worthy children of God. Water is life.



When we make the sign of the cross with water it reminds us of our baptismal identity and the grace of life. The gesture speaks a lot about faith, of devotion and grace and protection. Because water is a sacred symbol of God's life and salvation, we use holy water also as protection from the evil one. The blessing of things with holy water comes from the faith that those that are touched by holy water are touched with the life giving grace of God. Holy water connects all these things to the memory and mystery of our involvement in the life of Christ in the Church."

PLEASE TAKE A BOTTLE OF HOLY WATER HOME WITH YOU TODAY.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR April 28– May 4

| Monday | | Small Group |
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| Tuesday | 5:00pm | Eucharistic Ministers mtg |
| Wednesday | 6:30pm | Handbell Choir |
| Thursday | 10:00am | Mass at nursing home |
| - | 10:30am | Small Group |
| | 11:45am | Fatima Group |
| Friday | 9:00am | Quilters for a Cause |
| - | 6:30pm | Small Group |
| Saturday | 4:30pm | Altar Server Awards |
| - | | Altar Server Event |
| Sunday | 3rd Sunday | of Easter |
| - | 10:30am | |
| | 3:00pm | Small group—gym |
| | | |

MASS INTENTIONS

| Monday | 7:15am | Donna Ellison |
|-----------|--------|------------------------|
| Tuesday | 7:15am | Ed Haider |
| Wednesday | 7:15am | Sandy Rooney (living) |
| • | 9:45am | Sr. Clarice |
| Thursday | 7:15am | Deceased Cusick family |
| - | | members |
| Friday | 7:15am | Dick Schreier |
| Saturday | 8:00am | Gerald Kostohryz |
| - | 4:30pm | Patricia Mallory |
| Sunday | 9:30am | Members of the Parish |

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm B. Murphy Sun. 9:30 am G. Votel

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm C. Geis Sun. 9:30 am S. Cardinal

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm

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Sun.9:30 am Adult Servers & Izzy



Contributions for the week of April 16-22

Weekly Contribution: 6153.00

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

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS—April 29

There will be a gathering of the St. Jerome Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Tuesday, April 29. This Fellowship gathering will include one hour of Adoration / Prayer in the Church starting at 5:00PM; Pot Luck Dinner at 6:00; and video, or talk by Fr. Vic about 6:30.

Anyone interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is welcome to attend. Please let Tom Zappa (651 776 0897, or the Parish Office know if you plan to attend.

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He is risen! He is risen indeed! The resurrection is the climax of holy week one of the most joyful events in the church year. Make time to watch this lecture.

The Resurrection with Dr. Michael Barber

Dr. Michael Barber is a bestselling author. An associate professor of sacred scripture and theology at the Augustine Institute. Dr. Michael Barber unpacks the biblical account of Jesus Resurrection from the dead.

EUCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

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

A permanent adorer is needed for Wednesday at 1 pm.

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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Ludescher, Nancy Masson, Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, Brian Michalitsch, Nancy Miller, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Louise Nieters, Alida Peltier, Enrico Pirri, Shannon Presler, Terri Quitter, Patrick Roth, Rick Peiffer, Theresa Richardson, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Luke Schmitt, Michelle Schoenecker, Don Schwantes, Gretchen Skinner, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, George Valento, Greg Votel, Danica Weller, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel



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