

C H U R C H O F

380 E. Roselawn Avenue
Maplewood, MN 55117

St. Jerome

Celebrating
85
years

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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Pastoral Staff

Fr. Peter Ly Interim Pastoral Administrator

Administrative Staff

Joanne Lamb Parish Secretary

Music

Open..... Music Director

Faith Formation

Open Religious Ed Coordinator
Florence Amena Confirmation
Open..... Children's Liturgy

School

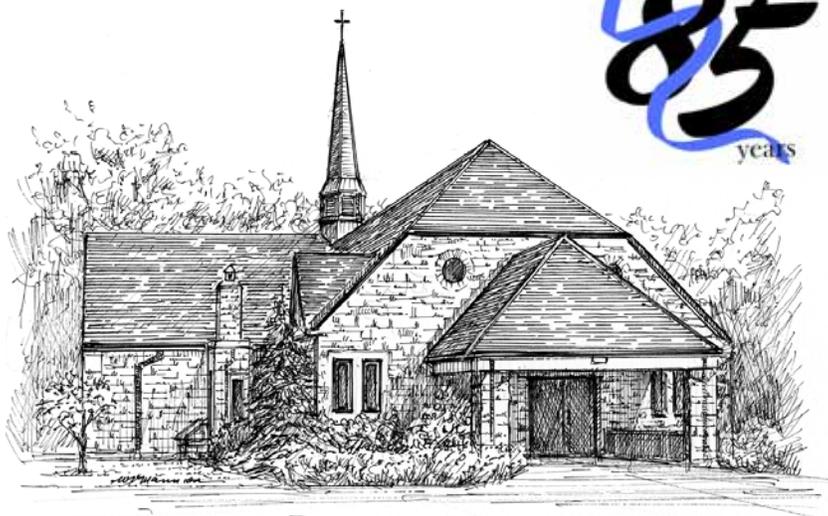
Anne Gattman Principal
Grace Zappa Preschool Director
Sue Costello School Secretary
Nay Paw School Secretary

Maintenance

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

Safe Environment coordinator

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



September 28, 2025

26th 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.

PASTORS CORNER—Guest speaker

As one of the Trustees, I was asked by Fr. Ly to write this week's column. I thought I would take a moment to reflect on my St. Jerome Community, or rather my St. Jerome Family.

I have only been a member of St. Jerome's for 25 years. I say 'only' because I know that many of you have been here longer, some all of your lives. However, in that time, I have been privileged to witness the love and care you all have for this parish. By parish I don't mean only the institution, but I include the individuals that make up this Christian family. Time and again problems and concerns have presented themselves, both with the Church and with individuals. I have seen someone always step up, without self consideration, to listen, to pray and to help. That is true Christian love.

Like all families, we had a 'head of the house,' Fr. Victor. What a great leader he was! I know that he was proud of his St. Jerome family and how someone would step up when he needed them. Ok, there may have been a little leg pulling involved, but people showed up. I also know that he was particularly concerned with our spiritual welfare. In this vein, he was able to strengthen the participation of many of our existing groups and committees. He even oversaw the start of new ones, such as the small groups.

All of these organizations remain active today. Those of us who have lost a parent, or possibly both parents, know that life goes on. It passes to we who remain to pull together and continue the work of sustaining the family. We become 'next batter up' so to speak. While St. Jerome will be eventually assigned another Pastor, it is now our job to come together and continue the work of this great Christian family. I have already seen this happen and wanted to say thank you to those who continue to do the ongoing work of the Church. I would like to encourage you to keep it up. I want to also let you know how proud I am to be a member of the St. Jerome Family!

Your Brother in Christ,
Tim Bertsch



The directories are here. If you had your picture taken, please stop by the parish office to pick up yours. We will also be handing them out after mass the next couple of weekends.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER—Mrs. Gattman

Hello St. Jerome Parishioners,



It is our part to seek,
His to grant what we ask;
Ours to make a beginning,
His to bring it to completion;
Ours to offer what we can,
His to finish what we cannot.
-St. Jerome

This weekend our parish celebrates the Feast of St. Jerome. We'll celebrate St. Jerome at our school mass, also, on Wednesday, October 1. You are welcome to join us and come over to school afterwards for coffee and donuts. Mass begins at 9:45, and we will lock the doors once Mass has begun.



What a fabulous festival! Fr. Vic made sure the weather was terrific, and it was great to see so many people on campus. The multi-lingual community Mass was beautiful. Thanks to everyone who had a hand in Festival 2025!

Happy Fall to all! Thanks for your ongoing prayers and support!

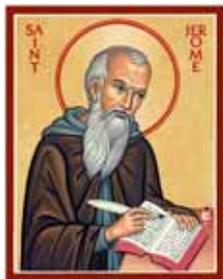
Anne Gattman, Principal

SMALL GROUPS

Want to add some worthwhile content to your evening?

Come join us as we meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month to watch and discuss the Chosen film series. We have just started Season 3, but since you know the story of Jesus' mission, you will not have missed a beat if you join us now. We also pray together for the needs of our group. Give it a try. This is a most wonderful production. We meet from 6:30 pm and end by 8 pm. We also have a similar day group that meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 1:30 pm if that suits you better. The content is the same. Spend an afternoon or evening with Jesus and his followers. I promise it will be worth your while.

FEAST OF ST. JEROME



Feast of St. Jerome September 30

What do you know about St. Jerome?

Jerome journeyed to the Holy Land and visited important spiritual and archaeological sites. He settled in Bethlehem where he would live for the rest of his life. There he spent 34 years writing— histories, biographies, and biblical exegeses. He also revised his previous translations of the Gospels, and translated books of the Old Testament into Latin. Legend has it that one day while Jerome was giving a lecture in Bethlehem, an injured lion, with a thorn stuck in its paw, wandered into the monastery. Jerome extracted the thorn, which cured the lion, who stayed on with him as his companion. Jerome died in 420 but was not canonized until 1747. He is the patron saint of translators, Biblical scholars, and librarians.

We will celebrate the Feast of St. Jerome at the weekend Masses on Oct. 4th and 5th. If you would like to write a prayer or petition and ask for the intercession of St. Jerome, paper on which to write your prayers will be available at the entrances to the church next weekend. These will be brought up and placed on the altar at offertory time.

PARISH WEBSITE

- Registration for Faith formation for Grades 1-7
- Registration for those who want to become Catholic

- **Register for the “Basilica of St. Mary tour”**

The Basilica of St. Mary has been identified as a site to gain an indulgence for this Jubilee Year. St. Jerome Parish has scheduled a date with the Basilica to visit it for this purpose on Saturday, Oct. 4th.

- ◇ 9:00 AM Gather at St. Jerome for the bus trip to the Basilica
- ◇ 9:30 AM Leave for the Basilica of St. Mary
- ◇ 10:00 AM Arrive and begin with ½ hour of prayer
- ◇ 10:30 AM Tour of the Basilica – less than 1 hour
- ◇ 11:30 AM Take bus back to St. Jerome
- ◇ 12:00 Arrive at St. Jerome
- ◇ 12:10 PM Head to our lunch destination.
- ◇ 12:30 PM Lunch destination - Lunch is at your own expense (Crooked Pint)

Please sign up by September 30th

- **Registration for the bible study**

“The Bible and the Virgin Mary.”

MARY AS YOU’VE NEVER SEEN HER BEFORE

- ◇ Discover how Catholic beliefs about Mary build on the Old Testament as well as the Gospels
- ◇ Learn why the early Church used titles like “New Eve” and “Ark of the New Covenant” for Mary.
- ◇ Grow in your devotions to Our Lady.

SCRIP

Dear Scrip Shoppers- Together you made it happen. You earned over \$440 for the church with the Scrip sale. All of that money goes straight to the parish. This is one of our four bigger sales a year and though September always comes in a little less than our December sale, I am happy to report we are doing quite well. Between all of us, we ordered over 200 gift cards including cards for a grocery store in Wisconsin, to Sally’s Beauty as well as Fresh Thyme. There is such a variety of cards you can buy. I just bought a wedding present gift card to Delta Airlines. Next week, I will include instructions how to reload your cards. For those who shop Cub or Fresh Thyme or fill up with gas at Kwik Trip and other popular places, it is so easy to do. Thanks again! Anita



Congratulations to our Fall Festival Sweepstake winners:



\$1000– Dora Burns
\$750– Carol Clark
\$500– Jean Dickson
\$250– Tom Zappa



Big thank you to all our Fall Festival chairs and all who helped make our Fall Festival a huge success.

The Weather was Perfect.
The Food Exceptional!
We hope you all had a great time!

QUILTERS FOR A CAUSE—Oct. 3

The Quilters will be meeting on Friday, October 3 from 9:00 till 2:30. Come whatever hours you can and bring something to share for potluck lunch.

Do you like to sew? Would you like to spend a few hours with some fun people and eat some good food? We can find a task for you - quilting experience is not necessary but basic machine sewing skills are helpful.

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.



Much thanks goes out to all of **you** who volunteered your time during the weekend; brought a cake, donated items, bought sweepstakes tickets, filled a jar, or sang in the fabulous Festival Choir. It takes many hands working together to make an event of this size successful, and...**we all did it together!** We will have an insert in a couple weeks with the financial numbers.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
September 29– Oct. 5

Monday	9:30am	Small Group
Tuesday		Feast of St. Jerome
Wednesday	9:45	School mass: Feast of St. Jerome
Thursday	10:00am	Service at Nursing Home
	10:30am	Small Group
	11:45am	Fatima prayer group
Friday	9:00am	Quilters for a Cause
Saturday	10:00am	Basilica tour (9:30am bus)
	5:30pm	Hall Rental
Sunday		27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
		Celebrate the Feast of St. Jerome
		Respect Life Sunday
	10:30am	Coffee and Donuts
	3:00pm	Small group (gym)
	6:30pm	Confirmation

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Sr. Clarice
Tuesday	7:15am	Barbara Fenton
Wednesday	7:15am	Louise Nieters
	9:45am	Kathleen Kernan
Thursday	7:15am	Glenda Scow
Friday	7:15am	Dick Schreier
Saturday	8:00am	Rick and Pamela Grode (liv)
	4:30pm	Cindy Lonetti
Sunday	9:30am	Members of the Parish

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	B. Cardinal

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	J. Therrien
Sun. 9:30 am	R. Klutzke

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	W. Heurung	I. Kennedy
	A. Bonghan	
Sun. 9:30 am	Adults	



Contributions for the week of
Sept. 17-23

Weekly Contribution: \$2454

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



FR. LUDESCHER LAMP
will burn this week in prayer for
Louise Nieters

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. Vic Valencia
Filipino Catholic Community of Minnesota
Spiritual Advisor

40th DAY MEMORIAL MASS

October 2, 2025, 10:30 AM

Guardian Angels Catholic Church
8260 4th St N, Oakdale, MN 55128

Fellowship follows at
Peter O'Neill Hall

We are creating a memorial album,

"Our Shared Journey with Fr. Vic."

For more information:
Dodge Flores .. 651-268-1872
Jonar Manalo .. 952-290-7144
Fe Leano 651-666-0141
Roland Dico ... 952-393-2015

If you have one special photo you'd like to share,
along with a message, please send it to the following
email addresses by September 28, 2025:

dodgeflores@gmail.com * ronald_dico@yahoo.com



SCAN ME

GIVE HERE:

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

MESSAGE OF FATIMA—October 2

SPREAD THE MESSAGE
OF FATIMA— Oct. 2



Thursday, October 2 at 11:45 at St. Jerome upper church. Members responding to Our Lady's requests for prayer, penance and sacrifice in a spirit of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary and for the conversion of poor sinners. Please join us.



PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE
MEN AND WOMEN

Jack Butler
Grace (Wegleitner) Kelley
Eric Dickson
Jared Anderson



PRAY
FOR US

Fr. Cletus Basekela, Bill Baumgarten, Debbie Bibeau, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Thomas & Patricia Frazer, Shawn Gadwa, Karen Geretschlaeger, Mary Gross, Robert Haas, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Clarice Holthaus, Janis Horski, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Von Kern, Mary Kishish, Christine Klein, Kevin Klutzke, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeyer, Steve Lauinger, Morgan Lenze, Fr. Ken Ludescher, Nancy Masson, Dorothy Mayer, Patrick McGuigan, Chad McLellan, Brian Michalitsch, Nancy Miller, Nolan Mullaney, Greg Negard, Alida Peltier, Paul Peltier, Enrico Pirri, Shannon Presler, Terri Quitter, Patrick Roth, Rick Peiffer, Theresa Richardson, Sharon Ryan, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, 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