

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

Parish Office ..... 651-771-1209  
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FB ..... [www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic](http://www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic)  
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Website ..... [www.stjermeschool.org](http://www.stjermeschool.org)  
Kids' Korner Daycare.....651-771-1023

### 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

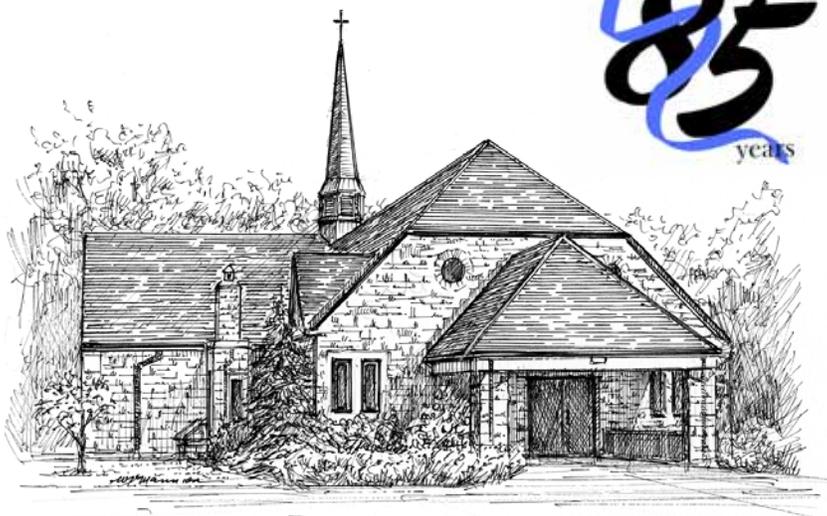
### Maintenance

Rick Gahm..... Supervisor

### Safe Environment coordinator

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

Victim Assistance Hotline.....651-291-4475



**October 26, 2025**

**30th 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.

**RESPECT LIFE Month**

In October, we consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. Join Catholics nation wide in celebrating Respect Life Month. [respectlife.org/celebrate](http://respectlife.org/celebrate)

A Prayer for Life

**to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament**

O Jesus, you came that we might have *life*—and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call us to love you for all eternity.

As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable.

For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.

**RESPECT LIFE**

**Life, Love, and Limits: Catholic Answers to Infertility and IVF**

Join us for a conversation on infertility, faith, and human dignity, sponsored by the St. Odilia Respect Life Committee. All are welcome.

**Saturday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m., Church of St. Odilia, 3495 Victoria St. N., Shoreview**

Explore key questions about IVF:

- Should IVF be embraced, rejected, or depend on circumstances?
- What are the moral implications of creating and discarding embryos?
- Is selecting embryos based on genetics a form of eugenics?
- What are the challenges and risks of IVF?
- What is an embryo's moral status?

Published author and speaker, Leah Libresco Sargeant, shares her experience with infertility, and discusses honoring our longing for life while respecting dignity.

**PRINCIPAL's CORNER—Mrs. Gattman**

**The Roaring Good News from St. Jerome School**

We are wrapping up three successful and fun sports seasons: volleyball, soccer and cross country. Your Lion athletes represented well on the court, in the field and on the course. Most importantly, they demonstrated excellent sportsmanship. Here are a few examples:

- ~ Helping an opposing teammate up from the field when they fell over;
- ~ Cheering for a great save by the other goal keeper;
- ~ Shaking hands with all players, coaches and officials after a game;
- ~ Encouraging one another, rather than yelling at one another;
- ~ Flexibly playing a different position if needed.

These fine behaviors are not always the case and we see some poor sportsmanship from other teams; but not from the St. Jerome Lions! Thank you to Ms. Ana Lopez, Ms. Sophie Emery and Ms. Emma McGlone, for coaching our young athletes.

St. Jerome School also had an amazing fan turnout for all events: parents, siblings, staff, friends...great support!



Peace and blessings,  
Anne Gattman,  
Principal



# You're Invited Preparing for Heaven

STEWARDSHIP OF LIFE. STEWARDSHIP OF LEGACY.

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Lower Church | after 4:30 p.m. Mass | 5:30 Dinner

*As Catholics, we have a sacred responsibility to prepare for our journey home. Please join St. Jerome Catholic Church & School and the Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota for this free presentation that will help you and your loved ones plan for the future.*

### TOPICS INCLUDE

Our Call as Catholics • Restored to Life Eternal with the Sacraments  
Funeral, Burial, and Cemetery Planning • Creating a Catholic Estate Plan  
Creating a Legacy through Charitable Giving  
Stewardship & Legacy Giving at St. Jerome

Free Event. Register by Friday, October 31.

See the parish website or call the parish office.



## French Fries for Sale—\$5 a bag.

### SMALL GROUPS

Would you like to increase your faith life? Small groups is an easy way to do it. Groups take place in a very informal setting where you, as a small group member are able to pray, reflect, listen and learn from your group leader and fellow small group members. It is a time to get together and learn about such things as saints, the Mass, the holy scripture and reflect on them and think about the importance they have in your life. Anyone can join at any time. Choose a group that fits your schedule. You can find a weekly group, bi-weekly group, or monthly group to try out. Everyone is welcome. There is more information about each group in our parish website. Or, please email Anita Kennedy at [auglie@usfamily.net](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net) or Ken Klutzke at [klutzes@comcast.net](mailto:klutzes@comcast.net) for any questions or further information. Please give it a try.

### BOOYA—October 26 @ 6am

## BOOYA



Our famous booya will be on sale Sunday morning at 6am. We are only making 300 gallons this year. Hopefully that means no frozen booya.

**Make sure to get yours before we sell out.**

### To subscribe

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign Up
3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
4. Find **St Jerome Catholic Church** by parish name, address, or zip code
5. Enter your email - and you're in!

THIS WEEK ON  
**FORMED**

New on Formed.org the story of two young men who became modern-day saints. Don't have an account? See the instruction above. It is FREE!

### **Pier Giorgio Frassati: If I Didn't Have Love.**

Frassati was a handsome, athletic and fun-loving young man from a rich, aristocratic Italian family who turned from a life of privilege to one devoted to working with the poor.

### **The Boy from Milan: Stories of Carlo Acutis**

You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time.

### SCRIP

Even though we are still in the month of October, I want to remind you that before you know it, we will be having our Christmas Scrip sale, and early enough so that you can do all your gift card shopping in plenty of time for the big day. The sale starts on November 23rd when the order sheet appears in the bulletin and will run until December 8th. I should have your orders ready by December 12th at the latest for pickup. This week, I want to focus on the small stocking stuffer gift cards. You can give Amazon, Applebee's, Barnes and Noble, Dick's, the Home Depot, Panera, Starbucks, Taco Bell and Walmart for as little as \$5 and \$10. They are great gifts for your hair stylist, paper delivery person, mail person, nieces and nephews, etc. It is fun to go to a store and have a cup of coffee that is already paid for and thanks to these cards you can do that. Please watch this space for more information in the weeks ahead. Thank you for using Scrip to help support our parish!

Anita Kennedy



### NEW PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS



Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,  
Is the Holy Spirit calling you to be more involved within our Parish? We invite you to join the Parish Council.

The council supports our priest, sets goals for the parish, helps build the parish and bring Christ to all. The council sponsors events such as Harvest Pack, National Night Out, Christmas Tea, Betty's Pie Sale and Coffee and Donut Sundays.

We have five open seats that we'd love to fill with new ideas and voices. No experience is necessary. Please open your hearts and prayerfully consider this. If you have questions or would like to join the council, please contact your council president, Mark Jirsa at [mjirsa2019@gmail.com](mailto:mjirsa2019@gmail.com) or secretary, Anita Kennedy at [auglie@usfamily.net](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net).

Meetings are the  
2nd Thursday of the month.  
New members start Nov. 13  
for a 3 year term.



**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR**  
October 27-Nov. 2

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>K of C. Mass</b>
	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>K of C. Hall rental</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Decorations</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>OCIA</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Rosary at Nursing Home</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>All Saints Day</b>
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>All Souls Day</b>
		<b>Coffee and Donuts</b>
	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>CCD</b>
	<b>1:30pm</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>
	<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>Small Group</b>
	<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Confirmation</b>

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Fr. Biju (living)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Denny Selby (living)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Mary Naseph (living)</b>
	<b>9:45am</b>	<b>Barbara Ann Mesaros</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Fr. Victor Valencia</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Mary Jo &amp; Dick Morris (liv)</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Joyce Fellner (liv)</b>
	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Ann &amp; Warren Rinehart</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Members of the Parish</b>

**LITURGICAL ROLES**

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

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	S. Yackel
Sun. 9:30 am	J. Lamb

**LECTORS:**

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

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

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

**Weekly Offering**



**Contributions for the week of  
October 15-21**

Weekly Contribution: \$3,630

*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.



**FR. LUDESCHER LAMP**  
will burn this week in prayer for  
**Barbara Ann Mesaros**

**EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

Welcome to our new Adoration Division Coordinator. And thank you for responding so quickly to our need.

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is unlocked from 9 am to 6 pm, Monday through Thursday. Feel free to stop in for a visit with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.



If you have any questions, or if you would like to commit to an hour of adoration, please call Lorraine at 651-772-2997.

**NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE**



Help us FEED OUR NEIGHBORS with a financial donation or a donation of non-perishable food.

The Franciscan Brothers would like **pasta and pasta sauce.**

The school would like: **cereal, ramen, mac and cheese, pasta, black beans, corn, peanut butter, jelly**



**GIVE HERE:**

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



**PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE  
MEN AND WOMEN**



Jack Butler  
Grace (Wegleitner) Kelley  
Eric Dickson  
Jared Anderson



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, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Don Schwantes, Gretchen Skinner, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, Dave Thomalla, George Valento, Greg Votel, Danica Weller, Jim & Evelyn Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel

# NOVEMBER

## *Beauty and Prayer*

“God looked at everything he had made and found it very good.” *Genesis 1:31*

On Sunday we are called to participate in appreciating the beauty that is all around us and participate in it. Beauty can evoke in us an appreciation for what God has created in our life and lead us to participate in that creation through the materials around us. We are called to find and assist in creating beauty through the ordinariness of family life.

### SAMPLE ACTIVITIES FOR NOVEMBER:

- Explore the beauty of our cathedral, basilica, or your parish by taking time to explore the art. Learn about the saints you see. If you have time, draw pictures of your favorite image or take a family photo with a beautiful sacred image in the background. Turn this into a small moment of evangelization by making it your Christmas card photo.
- Create a small sacred space (prayer table/family altar) in your home. Enlist contributions from everyone in your family to make it beautiful (flowers in a small vase, draw pictures for Jesus, etc.).
- Color with your children.
- Share passionate projects in which you create (the woodshop, knitting, etc.).
- **Liturgical Living: Near the beginning of the month, visit a family member’s gravesite. Make it neat and bring flowers (if permitted by the cemetery). Pass on family stories about this person to your children. Learn the Eternal Rest prayer and pray it daily for those you know who have died. Pray for the souls in purgatory this month.**
- Recommended resource to assist in building habits of prayer is the Hallow App.