

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  
Fax ..... 651-771-3466  
Website ..... [www.stjerome-church.org](http://www.stjerome-church.org)  
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School. .... 651-771-8494  
Fax ..... 651-771-3466  
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



SECOND SUNDAY OF

# Advent





**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.

**GIVING TREE—December**



This year the parish will sponsor families from the Ramsey County Family Sponsorship program. Each family receives:

- 1 clothing item per child
- 1 toy item per child
- \*1 parent gift
- \*1 grocery gift certificate

We are doing a **virtual giving tree**. Please donate the money to pay for a gift or two. Please place your donation in the basket in the back of the church or send to the parish office marked "giving tree".

**We have been given 3 families—12 people total.**



The gifts have been purchased and wrapped. They are waiting to be picked up for delivery to the families.

**PRINCIPAL's CORNER—Mrs. Gattman**

**The Roaring Good News from St. Jerome School**  
*"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not overcome it." John 1:5*

What happens when your teacher LOVES Christmas? Well, you get to decorate your classroom big time! Our 2nd grade teacher, Miss Naw and her 2nd grade have turned their classroom into a wonderful Christmas oasis. Lots of good thinking, laughter and cheer come flowing from 2nd grade.



Our 5th grade class got a jump on creating ornaments for our gigantic tree. They made dried orange ornaments for the birds and delicate stars made from sticks. Ms. Giefer is sure creative!

Wherever your days take you in your preparations for Jesus's birth, may you find peace and joy.  
**Reminder: Our Christmas Concert is Thursday, December 19 at 6pm. YOU ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND!**

Christ's peace,  
 Anne Gattman, Principal

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS  
**CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**



**Preschool Scholarship Opportunity!**

The Schulze Family Foundation Early Learning Scholarship is now awarding scholarships for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year.

Even if you have not decided where to enroll your child to preschool next fall, you may still apply! Scholarships are awarded on a first come, first serve basis. You are eligible to apply if:

- Your child will be attending an eligible Catholic preschool (St. Jerome School qualifies!)
- Your child will be in their last year of preschool in 2026-2027 and
- Your family is middle-income.

To learn more or apply, visit <https://www.schulzefamilyfoundation.org/early-learning-scholarship-checklist/>

Contact Mrs. Zappa with any questions or for help completing the application: 651-771-1023, [gzappa@stjermeschool.org](mailto:gzappa@stjermeschool.org)



**FR. LUDESCHER LAMP**  
 will burn this week in prayer for  
**Larry Dittel**

## HOLIDAY BAKE SALE & PANCAKE BREAKFAST



**HOLIDAY BAKE SALE**  
Saturday/Sunday  
Dec. 13/14



### BAKERS—WE NEED YOU!

We need special Christmas cookies for this event.:  
Please bring a variety.  
Drop off cookies at 2pm Saturday.



### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

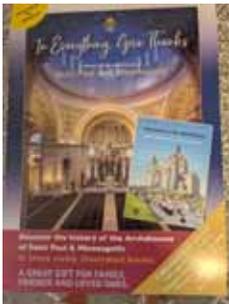
Sunday, Dec. 14th  
9:00am to 11:30am.  
Free Will Offering.



**Sunday Dec. 14**  
2:00—4:00 pm

**Individual confessions**  
3 priests available

## ARCHDIOCESE 175th Anniversary BOOKS



Need a Christmas gift for the hard to buy for person:?

The coffee table book, History of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis and the softcover Illustrated book are available for purchase at the entrance of the church.

**Cost:**  
**\$36 for the coffee table edition**  
**\$16 for the graphic novel**  
**\$50 for both**



### CHRISTMAS AT ST. JEROME

The Contemporary Group will be singing at the 4:00 Mass on Christmas Eve.

Fourth Graders through adults are welcome to sing with us.



TWO rehearsal options:

- **Tuesday – December 16 – 6:30 p.m.**
- **Saturday, December 20 – 10:00 a.m.**

INTERESTED? Please contact Mary Beth Hess  
RSVP [sistermb@comcast.net](mailto:sistermb@comcast.net)  
Phone: 612-270-2752

## SCRIP



The Scrip Physical Gift card sale starts now and just in time for your Christmas gifting and all your baking and cooking needs. Some new cards we have for the golfer or even non-golfer in your life are Top Golf. Have you seen the massive complex in Woodbury off 494? It is a fun new gaming site for all with food and drink. A perfect gift. We also have Dick's Sporting Goods, Scheels and Cabela's for the sporting folks in your life. Do you have a wine lover in your life? Total Wine gives 7% back to the church. Are you like me and love White Castle? They give us 8% back. Check out the list. If there is something you don't see, just email me and I will let you know. **The sale ends December 8th**, so please have your order in by then and I hope to have your cards by the 12th of December. Let's earn some big bucks for St Jerome as this is our biggest sale of the year. Happy shopping to all! Anita Kennedy at [auglie@usfamily.net](mailto:auglie@usfamily.net).



## VATICAN UNVEILED

**Jan. 10 - Feb. 1, 2026,**  
**Mall of America®,**  
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### How to Advent

Sometimes Advent just feels like that time that is sandwiched between Thanksgiving and Christmas. In "How to Advent" we will discover the rich traditions that mark this season and how they aid us in preparing our hearts for the birth of the child Jesus at Christmas. Guided by priests, religious, professors, and a charismatic host, you will gain practical tips and spiritual reflection on the practices of Advent. These four short episodes can help you enter this season of joyful anticipation.

## FROZEN BOOYA

Frozen containers of Booya.  
\$16 a quart.

**BOOYA**



**French Fries for Sale—\$5 a bag.**

**PARISH EVENT CALENDAR**  
December 8-14

<b>Monday</b>	<i>Immaculate Conception—Holy Day</i>
	9:30am Small Group
	9:45am Mass
	5:30pm Mass
	6:30pm Decorators
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	1:00pm School Reconciliation
	6:30pm OCIA
	6:30pm Handbells
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00am Rosary: Nursing Home
	1:30pm Small Group
	6:30pm Parish Council
<b>Friday</b>	6:30pm Small Group
<b>Saturday</b>	2:00pm Cookie drop off
	4:30pm Filipino—Simbang Gabi
	5:30pm Filipino Fellowship
	5:30pm Cookie Sale
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>
	9:00am Pancake breakfast & Cookie sale
	10:30am CCD
	2:00pm Parish Reconciliation
	6:30pm Confirmation

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b>	7:15am Ann Rinehart
	9:45am James Guldán
	5:30pm Pat Hermes
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:15am Emily Ameyna
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:15am Donna Ellison
<b>Thursday</b>	7:15am Peter & Pam Postlewaite (liv)
<b>Friday</b>	7:15am Tim & Holly Vogel (liv)
<b>Saturday</b>	8:00am Drake & Kimbra Leedy (liv)
	4:30pm Mary Beth Hess (living)
<b>Sunday</b>	9:30am Members of the Parish

**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	S. Yackel
Sun. 9:30 am	E. Schoenecker

**LECTORS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	Y. Clintsman
Sun. 9:30 am	S. Cardinal

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat. 4:30 pm	I. Kennedy	W. Heurung
Sun. 9:30 am	Z. Odhiambo	R. Odhiambo
	M. Murphy	C. Zorobi

Weekly Offering



**Contributions for the week of**  
**November 26– Dec. 2**

**Weekly Contribution: \$3112**

*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.

**2nd WEEK OF ADVENT: PEACE**



Come Holy Spirit! Fill our hearts with peace. Lord, we ask to receive the peace of Your Holy Spirit so that we may become peacemakers, sharing Your peace within our homes and beyond. Help us make room in our hearts, clearing out all that is not from You, so that the Holy Spirit might fill us with the fruits of eternal life and happiness. As we prepare for Jesus' coming, let Your peace fill our hearts and minds; let Your peace inform our words, actions, and attitudes. Amen"

**EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL**

Advent has begun. Enhance your prayer life by spending intimate time with Jesus in the Eucharist. Commit to a certain hour or stop in anytime between 9 am and 6 pm Monday through Thursday. The Chapel is located in the white house next to the school.



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



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**PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE**  
**MEN AND WOMEN**



Jack Butler  
Grace (Wegleitner) Kelley  
Eric Dickson  
Jared Anderson



Fr. Cletus Basekela, Debbie Bibeau, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Shawn Gadwa, Karen Geretschlaeger, Mary Gross, Robert Haas, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Clarice Holthaus, 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, Mary Rinehart, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Don Schwantes, Gretchen Skinner, Mike Spangenberg, Craig Steineck, Lori Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, Dave Thomalla, George Valento, Danica Weller, Jim Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel