

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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Fax 651-771-3466
Website www.stjerome-church.org
Email..... secretary@stjerome-church.org
FB www.facebook.com/stjeromecatholic
School. 651-771-8494
Fax 651-771-3466
Website www.stjermeschool.org
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Pastoral Staff

Fr. Peter Ly Interim Parochial 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



January 18, 2026

The 2nd 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.

SCRIP

Greetings all you Scrip users and soon to be Scrip users



Now that we are done with our Christmas shopping, we still have to make our every day purchases such as buying groceries and filling up with gas. Scrip gift cards come in handy for these purchases. For local grocery stores we have Cub Foods, Fresh Thyme, Walmart and Sam's Club. You can reload your gift card with additional money as often as you need.

We have a variety of gas cards as well that include Speedway, Kwik Trip and Mobil/Exxon. I find my gas card so easy to use. When I print out my receipt at the pump, it indicates how much I have left on my card so I never run out of funds.

Later this month, we will be having a stewardship drive to help with the ongoing needs of the parish. Scrip is one way you can be a steward for St Jerome by purchasing these cards at no extra cost to you while giving money to St Jerome's. What a nice feeling knowing every purchase you make using your gift cards is earning money for St Jerome at the same time! Please consider this and make it a resolution for 2026. If you have any questions, please contact me at auglie@usfamily.net. Anita Kennedy

PRINCIPAL's CORNER—Mrs. Gattman

The Roaring Good News from St. Jerome School
January has us focused on Catholic Schools Week. This is a great opportunity to celebrate our Catholic school and to share about our school with friends and family who may be looking for an excellent PreK-8 grade education. Here's the information about our Winter Open House. It really is a blast and a great way to get a good feel for our community.

Please invite your friends and family to join us.



We look forward to hosting you at the annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, January 25 after the 9:30 mass.

Winters were made for puzzles. We have a cart full of puzzles that are completely FREE, and you are welcome to take one or 2 home with you. Have a puzzle to donate, put the puzzle on the cart. Donating is totally optional and not required for taking a puzzle.

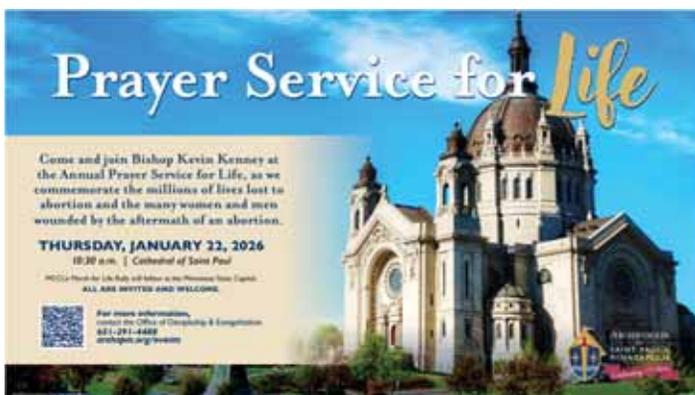


Happy new year to you and yours!
Anne Gattman and our SJS School Community

Enrollment for the 2026-2027 School Year is open!

St. Jerome School provides a faith-filled, nurturing environment where students grow academically, spiritually, and socially. Rooted in Catholic values and a strong community, we partner with families to prepare students for success in school and in life. We are now enrolling in pre-school and grades K-8 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Come see why St. Jerome School is the right choice for your family! Call Mrs. Grace Zappa to learn more or schedule your visit: 651-771-1023.





Stewardship

a way of life

January—Stewardship

What is stewardship? It is a lifestyle. It is living a life of gratitude that stems from the knowledge that God is the creator and owner of all. We are stewards when we care for God's gifts. Gratitude for these many gifts can be expressed in our prayer, worship, financial contributions, how we care for those around us, and in all we do. Stewardship is a way of being aware of all that God has given us and giving thanks. Our love and gratefulness lead to a desire to share our gifts in return.



GENEROSITY is how we live our daily lives as stewards in response to all the gifts we have been given. Intentional giving of financial gifts, gifts in kind, planned gifts to create “forever gifts.” Benefits of **GENEROSITY** • Responsibility to give as we are aware of our own blessings • Give from our “first fruits” not what is left over at the end of the week/month • We are part of something bigger than us. • We are Church in the world. • Our generosity allows us to participate/be receptive to God’s generosity “Ask”: How am I/are We called to **GENEROSITY**?

Proverbs 3:9

Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce;

Stewardship, from a parishioner view: As a long-time parishioner of St. Jerome, stewardship to me is deeply connected to my faith, my parish community, and my relationship with God. Over the years, I have come to understand stewardship not simply as a set of obligations, but as a grateful response to God’s countless blessings. Everything I have—my faith, my family, my talents, my resources, and even the years I have spent in this parish and school—are gifts entrusted to me by God. Stewardship is my way of honoring those gifts.

For me, stewardship begins with gratitude. It is recognizing the ways God has guided me through every season of life and responding with a desire to give back. The Church teaches that we are called to be caretakers, not owners, of what God has placed in our lives. This perspective shapes how I use my time, and how I support my parish home.

Being a long-time member of St Jerome, stewardship also means commitment to community. I see the Church not just as a place I attend, but as a spiritual family that has nurtured me and my family in faith. Through Mass, the sacraments, and parish life, I have witnessed God at work in countless ways. Stewardship means participating to help this community continue to flourish—whether that’s through being on the finance council, participating as a Eucharistic Minister and lector, or participating in small groups, bible study and spending time in the adoration chapel.

It also means participation, generosity and prayer in a balanced and intentional way. I try to participate by serving where I am needed and by sharing the abilities God has given me; and generosity by supporting the parish so that it can continue its mission for future generations. I have found that using automatic withdrawal for our contributions has helped us give more consistently. We are starting to work with our financial advisor to give qualified charitable distributions as part of our required minimum distribution from our IRA in an effort to increase our contributions. Each act, no matter how small it may seem, becomes a part of building up the Body of Christ.

Most importantly, stewardship is a way of life rooted in discipleship. It reminds me that everything I do should reflect Christ’s love. When I practice stewardship, I am answering Jesus’ call to follow Him with a generous and faithful heart.

In the end, stewardship to me means living in gratitude, serving with love, and helping ensure that the parish I cherish remains a place of faith, hope, and welcome for all who walk through its doors. It is both a privilege and a joy to give back to the God who has given me so much.

Annual Income	Annual Gift (5%)	Monthly Gift(5%)	Weekly Gift(5%)
\$20,000	\$1,000	\$83	\$19
\$30,000	\$1,500	\$125	\$29
\$40,000	\$2,000	\$167	\$38
\$50,000	\$2,500	\$208	\$48
\$60,000	\$3,000	\$250	\$58
\$70,000	\$3,500	\$292	\$67
\$80,000	\$4,000	\$333	\$77
\$90,000	\$4,500	\$375	\$87
\$100,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$96

SAVE TAXES ON IRA REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS

Individuals subject to Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) have an opportunity to use the distributions for charitable giving instead of taking a taxable distribution. If you are 70.5 or older, the IRS will allow you to distribute up to \$108,000 annually directly to qualified non profit organizations without incurring any taxable income. The benefit is known as the Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA, payable to a qualified charity, like St. Jerome Church or School. QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year, if certain rules are met.

Please consult with a financial professional for more details.

See today’s insert on how to give electronically.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR
January 19-25

Monday	Martin Luther King Day, Parish office closed
	9:30am Small Group
	9:30am Bible Study
	6:30pm Bible Study
Tuesday	6:30pm Watchmen (St. Johns)
Wednesday	6:30pm OCIA
Thursday	10:00am Rosary: Nursing home
	1:30pm Small Group
	6:30pm Small Group
Friday	6:30pm Small Group
Saturday	
Sunday	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Catholic School's Week
	10:30am Pancake breakfast
	10:30am CCD
	1:30pm Bible Study

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Communion Service
Tuesday	7:15am	Evelyn Wendt
Wednesday	7:15am	Fr. Peter Ly (living)
	9:45am	Theresa & Robert Gibson (liv)
Thursday	7:15am	Florence Amenyha (living)
Friday	7:15am	
Saturday	8:00am	Scholastica Amenyha (living)
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Sr. Clarice Gierzak

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	J. Lamb

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	J. Gattman
Sun. 9:30 am	T. Zappa

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	I. Kennedy	W. Heurung
Sun. 9:30 am	G. Revering	G. Murphy
	M. Revering	



Contributions for the week of
Jan. 7-13

Weekly Contribution: \$3592.10

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

To subscribe

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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!



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.

QUILTERS FOR A CAUSE—Jan. 30

We will be meeting on Friday, January 30 from 9:00 till 2:30. Come whatever hours you can and bring something to share for potluck lunch. This date will be instead of our usual February 6 date.

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.

EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

Adorers are needed Wednesdays at 6pm and 7pm to share the hour with the permanent adorers. **The Chapel is open Monday through Thursday 9am to 6pm.**

Please feel free to stop in for a visit with Jesus in the Eucharist. 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



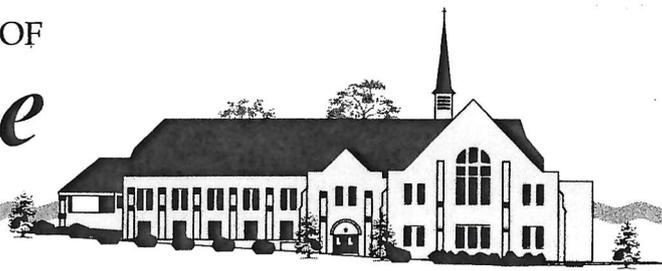
Jack Butler
Grace (Wegleitner) Kelley
Eric Dickson
Jared Anderson



Fr. Cletus Baskela, Debbie Bibeau, Patricia Cokley, Gayl Chrysler, Cathy & Don Deiman, Kirk Duellman, Shawn Gadwa, Marilyn Galbraith, Karen Geretschlaeger, Mary Gross, Robert Haas, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Clarice Holthaus, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kauffhold, Von Kern, John Kerske, Mary Kishish, Christine Klein, Kevin Klutzke, Dawn

Knabe, John & Linda Kostohryz, Mary Laumeier, 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, Theresa Richardson, Mary Rinehart, Sharon Ryan, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Patricia Schreiber, 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

CHURCH OF
St. Jerome



This year's commitment will be \$_____ each month.

My total commitment for the year \$_____.

Envelope # _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Give Electronically: AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECT PAYMENT

Please remember to include a **blank voided check** with this form when mailing or delivering to St. Jerome Church.

I authorize Church of St. Jerome, Maplewood to notify the financial institution named below to initiate entries to my checking account. This authority will remain in effect until I notify St. Jerome Church in writing in such time as to give the financial institution reasonable opportunity to act on it. I can stop payment of any entry by notifying my financial institution three days before my account is charged.

Name of Financial Institution Branch

City State Zip code

Signature Date

Your Name (please print) Phone number

Address City

Account # Financial Institution Routing Number