

C H U R C H O F

380 E. Roselawn Avenue
Maplewood, MN 55117

St. Jerome

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Mon. thru Fri 7:15 AM

Wed. (Sep.-May) All School 8:45 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.stjermeschool.org

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Pastoral Staff

Fr. Biju Mathew Pastor

Fr. T.J. McKenzie School Canonical
Administrator

Administrative Staff

Joanne Lamb Parish Secretary

Music

Deborah Berioli Music Director

Faith Formation

Open Religious Ed Coordinator

Florence Amenia Confirmation

Open Children's Liturgy

School

Anne Gattman Principal

Grace Zappa Preschool Director

Sue Costello School Secretary

Nay Paw School Secretary

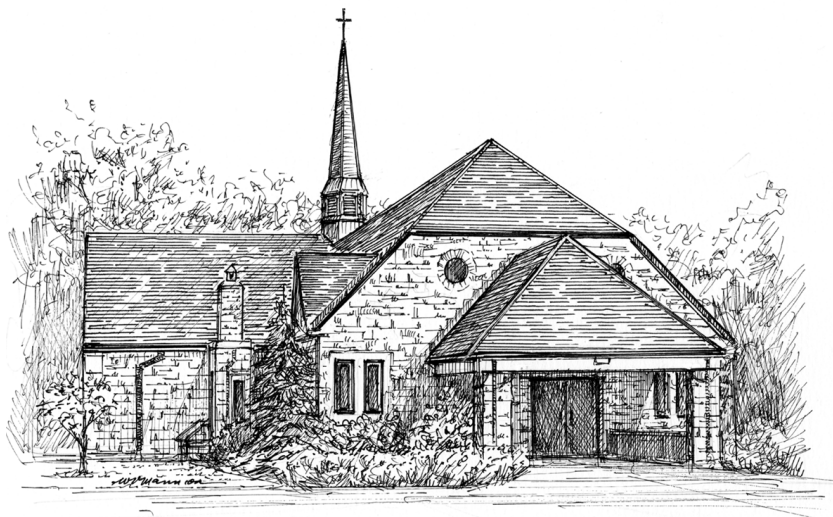
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Safe Environment coordinator

Marie Joseph 651-771-8494

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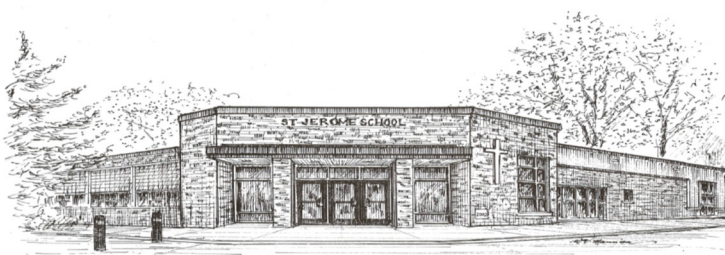


September 20, 2026

25th 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.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Today we celebrate 25th Sunday of the ordinary time. In our first reading, which is taken from the prophet Isaiah, God speaks through prophet that Israel should listen to him and turn towards him. He addresses the messages to a weary exilic community which

doubts God's ability to begin anew. The prophet exhorts his audience to make a decision for the Lord now.

In the second reading, St. Paul invites the community to focus on Jesus and to show themselves true citizens of the heavenly kingdom by their conduct here on earth.

In the gospel, Jesus, presents God as the benevolent and generous. The parable teaches that the believer is to accept God's radical freedom, his ability to give in the face of human calculations and expectations. The believer is to allow God to order the world in God's own way. To grow according to parable, is to accept a God of surprise. Jesus of Matthew's gospel was a Jesus who transcended human calculations and expectations. The holy Eucharist professes that to grow is to accept a God of surprise.

Fr. Biju Mathew

FALL CLEAN-UP Sept. 26



Saturday Sept. 26
8:30am

Help spruce up the property

It's fall which means it time to sign up for

FAITH FORMATION:

Sign up by Sept. 21st

Please call or email the parish office if you have a child that will be attending Faith formation for grades 1-7 or for Confirmation grades 8 and up.

651-771-1209
secretary@stjerome-church.org



PRINCIPAL's CORNER—Mrs. Gattman

Roaring Good News from St. Jerome School!
Festival Weekend! Great fun! Thanks, parish and school volunteers, for making this weekend possible for all of us.

Our school will celebrate the Feast of St. Jerome at Mass on Wednesday, September 30, 2026. After Mass come on over and mosey through the school and enjoy a coffee and treat. **School Mass is now at 8:45** due to our earlier start time. Our school hours are 8-3:15. **We love when you join us for Mass.** Please know that the doors will be locked at 8:45 for safety purposes.



We were happy to welcome our preschoolers back this week! Now our school family is complete and we're off and running for a great year!



Peace and blessings to you,
Anne Gattman, Principal

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC?

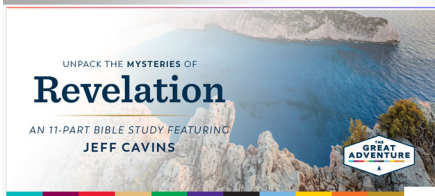
God calls us first. Do you have a sense of that call in you? You may be hearing the echo of our Lord's call. "The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand" The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process developed by the Catholic Church for adults to enter the Catholic Church. The process of OCIA starts on Wednesday Oct. 14th at 6:30 pm. For more information call the parish office.

SCRIP— Orders due Monday

It is time for our fall Scrip physical gift card sale. There are plenty of options available for you to choose from for yourself or someone else. What is listed is just a small sampling of what is available. If you are thinking of something but it is not on the list, email me at auglie@usfamily.net or you can go on the Scrip site, raiseright.com to see if we carry it. If you like purchasing larger gift cards for Menards or Fleet Farm, I can get you much higher denominations than \$100. We are well on our way to earning \$4000 of free money for our church this year. That is all thanks to you. It is like putting extra money in the collection basket each week by doing your normal spending at the grocery store, gas station or a restaurant. Please have your orders in via collection basket in an envelope marked *Scrip* or by dropping it off at the parish office no later than noon on Monday, September 21. Thank you for your help in making this sale a big success!



BIBLE STUDY—Revelation



Perhaps no book in the Bible fascinates people more than Revelation. Yet relatively few people have studied the book, especially

from a Catholic perspective. Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come is an intriguing Bible study that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in this Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven.

The Church of St. Jerome will begin an eleven-week Bible study Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come on Sunday, October 11 at 1:30 PM or Monday, October 12 at 9:30 AM or 6:30 PM in Ludescher Hall.

Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship.

For more information or to register, visit our parish website: <https://stjerome-church.org/faith-formation/> or contact the parish office.

In this intriguing look at one of the most talked-about books in Scripture, Jeff Cavins explores Revelation to demonstrate how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven, especially through the celebration of the Mass. You will learn what all the mysterious figures and images of Revelation present, as well as what will happen during the Second Coming of Christ, what has already happened, and what is happening now in salvation history.



SMALL GROUPS START IN SEPTEMBER

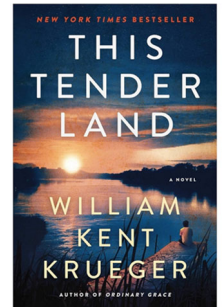
If your small group took the summer off, it is now September and they are starting up again.

All are invited to join the small group that watches "Chosen". They will be viewing year 5. Ludescher Hall 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 1:30.

NEW SMALL GROUP—Book Club

Have you ever read a great book and thought 'Who else has read this and would like to talk about it'? Then this small group is for you. We would like to start a small group book club at St. Jerome's. **We will be meeting every other month on the first Thursday at 6:00PM** in the church basement to discuss the book that has been selected. Our first meeting will be on **November 5th**. For the first book, we will read and discuss **This Tender Land** by William Kent Krueger.

Krueger is a MN based author and this book is historical fiction and is set in MN in the 1930's. Each individual will be responsible to buy or check out the book from the library, read and be ready to discuss at each small group meeting. Each group member will have the opportunity to suggest a book for the next book club meeting. Whoever is interested, just needs to read the book and show up at the first gathering. Please contact Dora Burns (djburns0118@gmail.com or 651-235-0188) if you have questions.



MOVIE NIGHT—Oct. 21



Join St. Jerome's Church for a movie and pizza on Wednesday, October 21st at 6 pm in the lower church. Anyone 14 or older is invited. We will be watching the movie based on St. Frances Cabrini, titled, Cabrini. Saint Cabrini is the first American to be recognized by the Catholic Church as a Saint following her charitable work in NYC to poor Italian immigrants in the 1800s.

Pizza and beverages will be provided by a grant from the Catholic Community Foundation. We plan on sponsoring a movie every other month. The next movie night will be December 3rd followed by February 4th.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

There will be a commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass on Saturday, Oct 24 and Sunday, Oct 25. This commissioning is for all currently active Eucharistic Ministers, and those who wish to join this Blessed ministry.

Please contact Tom Zappa ([651 776 0897](tel:6517760897)) if you have any questions.

PARISH EVENT CALENDAR Sept. 21-27

Monday	9:30am	Small group
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday	10:00am	Rosary at nursing home
	1:30pm	Small Group—Chosen
	6:30pm	Finance meeting
	6:30pm	Small Group
Friday		
Saturday	8:30am	Fall clean up
Sunday	26th Sunday	in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	7:15am	Al Nieters
Tuesday	7:15am	Joan Marchio
Wednesday	7:15am	Norm Barrett
	8:45am	Ruth Novitzki
Thursday	7:15am	Dick Schreier
Friday	7:15am	Gail Martin
Saturday	8:00am	Zach Olberding
	4:30pm	Members of the Parish
Sunday	9:30am	Ken Newton

LITURGICAL ROLES

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	B. Murphy
Sun. 9:30 am	T. Bertsch

LECTORS:

Sat. 4:30 pm	Y. Clintsman
Sun. 9:30 am	D. Flasch

ALTAR SERVERS:

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

Weekly
Offering



**Contributions for the week of
Sept. 9-15**

Weekly Contribution: \$4715.50

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



*Fr. Biju Mathew
Installation Mass
Sunday October 4 at 9:30am
Bishop Izen will be present
Reception to follow.*

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.

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Radiating Joy: The Michelle Duppong Story

The Michelle Duppong Story is a modern-day story of Servant of God Michelle Duppong, who bore witness to Christ through heroic suffering and a passion for inviting others to be transformed by God's love.

EUCCHARIST ADORATION CHAPEL

**Permanent adorers are needed for
Thursdays at 11am**

Long term substitutes are needed to fill in for this hour until a permanent adorer is found. If you are able to help, even for a month, or if you have questions, please call
Monica at 651-442-1673 or
Lorraine at 651-772-2997.

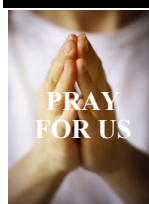


**The Chapel is open Monday at 9am
to Thursday at 10pm.**

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, Connie Dufresne, Shawn Gadwa, Marilyn Galbraith, Karen Geretschlaeger, Mary Gross, Robert Haas, Sharon Heffernan, David Hendricks, Clarice Holthaus, Richard (Les) Johnson, Kevin Jones, Eugene Kaufhold, Von Kern, John Kerske, Bishop Kevin Kenney, 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, Christine Pirri, Enrico Pirri, Shannon Presler, Patrick Roth, Theresa Richardson, Mary Rinehart, Mike & Sharon Ryan, Cynthia & David Schluender, John Schluender, Michelle Schoenecker, Don Schwantes, Denny Selby, Laurie Sherman, Gretchen Skinner, Mike Spangenberg, Lori Storla, Joyce Theilhorn, Dave Thomalla, Don Tomsche, George Valento, Danica Weller, Jim Wendt, Beverly Wermus, Eric Witzel, Kevin Yackel



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