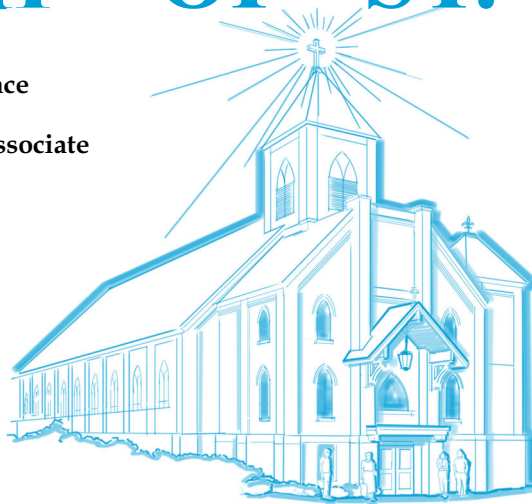


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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September 15, 2019

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of the Church of St. Jerome, believe in our Lord Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. Empowered by this belief, we seek through the celebration of the Mass, to be Christ's presence in the world. Having celebrated the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist in the Holy Mass, we strive to build Christian community through prayer and service. We humbly place all our efforts under the special patronage of the Blessed, ever Virgin Mary, the Mother of God and our mother in the faith.



Parent Workshop for Faith Formation **Tuesday, September 17th** from **6:00 - 7:00 p.m.** in the Church Hall. The parent workshop is intended for parents of all children enrolled in Faith Formation Classes or Confirmation Preparation.

First Evening of Faith Formation Faith Formation begins on **Tuesday, September 24th, at 6:00 p.m.** with a special back to school Mass in the Church. The Mass is for all children and families in our Faith Formation Classes.

Regular classes will begin Tuesday, October 1st.

(K-5) grades will meet **Tuesdays** from **6:00 - 7:00 p.m.** in the Church Hall. Grades 6, 7, Confirmation Prep I and Prep II will meet **Tuesdays** from **7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.**

Youth Group is open to grades **9th-12th.** Youth Group will meet the **2nd** and **4th Sundays** of the month from **7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** in the Church Hall. Youth Group will include Catechesis, fellowship, and mission work. Youth Group begins on **Sunday, September 22nd.**

Liturgy of the Word will be offered during the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday for preschool-elementary age children.

If you are interested in volunteering in any of our Faith Formation programs, please contact Judy or Janene in the Faith Formation Office 586-3231.

Rite of Christian Initiation WHAT IS IT?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a five-stage process. Through prayer, study and fellowship, a person is led to a deeper understanding and appreciation of the Catholic Faith. It is directed toward the possible decision to become a full member of the Catholic Community. "Catechumens" is a word unfamiliar to us, but used by the early Church to describe people who were in the process of becoming Christian. Likewise, today, it describes those who have chosen to be part of the Rite of Initiation.

In this five-stage process, Catechumens will be joined by their sponsors and other members of the parish community who, through their presence and prayer, will support them on this important journey.

YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IF...

You were never baptized, but seek to belong to a community of believers. Or maybe you are baptized and now wish to experience more about the Catholic Church. Perhaps you feel "at home" at St. Jerome and would like to share the Eucharist when at Mass. Or maybe you would like to explore, question, and get to understand your faith more deeply. Or maybe you would like to offer support through prayer or sharing your faith journey. **YOU WILL FIND** a warm welcome by people like yourself who want to be closer to God and belong to a community of believers. You'll be able to join with them in the sharing of stories of God's love and listening to the story of the Catholic Church. You'll also enjoy your own freedom to continue to search or to claim your call to conversion. Please call Sister Clare at the Rectory Office (586-3231) if you are interested or need more information.

Baptism Preparation

There are two upcoming Baptismal Preparation Courses! **Sundays, September 22 (Part 1) & October 13 (Part 2)** Baptism Preparation is for expectant couples or anyone wanting their child baptized in the Catholic faith. This is a 2-part course, attendance is required for both sessions. We will meet in the church rectory following the 10 a.m. Mass. Each class will last approximately 90 minutes. To sign up for Baptism Prep, please verify that you are registered at the parish. Contact St. Jerome Church office at 585-586-3231 or via email at estjerom@dor.org for assistance with registering at the parish. Upon completion of both preparation classes, we will look forward to scheduling a date for your child to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Any questions? Please contact Deacon Dermot Loughran: 585-329-2435 or dermot.loughran@dor.org

Second Collection

This weekend, **September 14th** and **15th**, there will be a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

**Mass Intentions****Monday, September 16, 2019****Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop**7:30 a.m. *Mona & Bill Hess* by Daughter, Penny11:00 a.m. *Mass at Parkside*, For the People of the Parish**Tuesday, September 17, 2019****Saint Robert Bellamine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**7:30 a.m. *Joseph Tran Nghi Quang* by Mrs. Hoc Thai Nguyen**Wednesday, September 18, 2019****Weekday**7:30 a.m. *The Capriotti, Bellavia, Paris, Cristantello, Galante & George Families* by Natalie & Mary**Thursday, September 19, 2019****Saint Januarius, Bishop & Martyr**7:30 a.m. *Richard Linder* by Family**Friday, September 20, 2019****Saint Kim Tae-gon, Priest**7:30 a.m. *Tony LaPietra* by Sister, Mary Jane LaPietra Dorazio*All Souls in Purgatory***Saturday, September 21, 2019****Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**4:30 p.m. *John Reed* by Catherine Reed*Anna DiStefano* by Family*Anthony Pullano* by Mary & Richard Pugliese**Sunday, September 22, 2019****Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**8:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*10:00 a.m. *Mary Loughran* by Aunt Jeanette*Gilda Orlando* by St. Jerome Adult Choir*Giacinto & Yvonne Fioravanti* by Brother, Mario & Family**WEEK AT A GLANCE****Monday, September 16, 2019**

4:15 p.m. - Legion of Mary (Hall)

7:00 p.m. - Columbiettes (Hall)

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

6:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. Parent Mtg. (Hall)

Thursday, September 19, 2019

7:00 p.m. - Men's Book Study (Loft)

**Women's Retreat 2019****Save the Date!**

Please save these dates! The Women's Retreat will be held at the Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua the weekend of **September 27th - 29th, 2019**. Our theme for 2019 is "Our Spiritual Journey." Hear the stories from scripture which offer words of encouragement along our personal journeys. Walk... Pray... and Talk with Jesus as you journey through the retreat weekend. For more information, please call: Paula Ludwig at 733-3632.

**St. Jerome CYO Basketball****Registration for 2019-2020****Saturday, Oct. 5th only****9:00am -12:00pm****At St. John Bosco School**

Garfield Street Entrance

Fee for registration:\$70.00 per child

Make checks payable to St. Jerome Church.

The following divisions available:

All Teams - 12 player limit

Preference will be given to members of St. Jerome's Church & St. John Bosco School to fill rosters**

3rd & 4th Grade Boys

3rd & 4th Grade Girls

5th & 6th Grade Boys

5th & 6th Grade Girls

** All Teams are tentative pending proper qualification, selection and approval of volunteer coaches.

Note: Registration & Volunteer Forms can be picked up/dropped off at the Rectory Office, 207 Garfield St, East Rochester, or call 586-3231.

For questions, or if you are interested in coaching, volunteering to score keep, sell concessions or help in any way, and you are willing to take a mandatory on-line CYO "Creating a Safe Environment," Concussion Awareness Training Courses, and clear a background check, please contact: Tim Henry, St. Jerome CYO Athletic Director, at 746-1855 or call the Rectory Office at 586-3231. Registration forms available on our website: <http://stjeromerochester.org/>

Please Pray for Those in the Military:

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

1st Lt. Alex V. Alfieri
PVT. Kyle Anderson
Brandon Beauchamp USAF
USMA Matthew Blejwas
Specialist Aaron Brochu
Airman Rachel Brock
BM3 Mary Carr USN
Captain Craig Carlisle
Chief Master Sgt. Matt Clancy
Sgt. Robert DeMaria US Army
1st LT Matthew J. Dunn USMC
AO2 Timothy Fennell USN
Captain Brian Findlay
Lt. Kurt Findlay
Sgt. Daniel Frate
CW5 Thomas Grove
Cpl. Kevin Harte
LT. Bart Hicklin USN
CPT. Jeffrey Huddle US Army
Sgt. Ryan Jackson
HM1 Christian R. Kissel USN
Ryan LaFountain
PVT. Jack Leonardo US Army
HM3 Marcella Levato USN
Bryan McAuliff USN
PVT. Brett McCarthy US Army
HM3 John Ross McCarthy USN
Staff Sgt. Nathaniel McAvoy
CPT. Richard R. McPhee
CPT. Shannon McPhee
Sgt. Joseph Merritt Jr.
Captain Jeffrey Piazza
PVT. Megan Rossi USMC
Airman Alesa Whelehan
Sgt. Christopher Whelehan

Let Us Pray

Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish in the hospital, the sick at home, and those in nursing homes.

In your Christian charity, you are asked to pray for those who have died. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.

Good News!

September 15, 2019

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time ©

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

Strangely enough and discouragingly often, we find the attitude of the older son from the Prodigal Son parable in the Church. The righteous believers who have always belonged can be jealous and look down upon the poor sinner who comes later and gets the same reward.

Yet, the attitude of all of us toward those who are spiritually, morally, or materially needy should be that of the loving father.

The sinner comes back in shame, weakness, and obvious failure. His very act of returning is a cry for help, support, and understanding. The father offers his mercy and compassion without questions, without an interrogation. His shoulder is never too proud, too hard, or righteous to be refused as a pillow for the humiliated soul who returns broken, pillaged, and ruined by sin.

Humanity is noblest when admitting its weakness. Humanity is greatest in its ability to show mercy and lift the downtrodden. The father-son relationship is most beautiful when it is being reconciled and restored.

We should always rejoice at the return of a prodigal child, and we should always honor a forgiving parental heart. "We must celebrate and rejoice," said the father. If we are convinced of this, we now have a charge: Go out and find the lost coin and welcome back the lost sheep with humility and joy!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m..

Dear Padre

September 15, 2019

How do I respect my young teenager's privacy in using social media without compromising parental protection?

There are more Facebook accounts than Catholics worldwide, reports the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (usccb.org/about/communications/social-media-guidelines.cfm). Social media—blogs, social networks, text messaging, and more—is the fastest-growing form of communication in the United States, particularly among youth and young adults. How can we take charge of it rather than let it control us?

While both adults and children need to protect themselves from their own thoughtless impulses in posting opinions and photographs online that may affect their reputations and careers, children need added protection from online predators. It's advisable for parents to set parameters with their children and convey the idea that technology use is a privilege, not a right. If parents intend to follow their kids on social media or monitor their phone, texting, and internet activity, transparency is better than spying and snooping. This helps prevent violating the privacy that young people desire and the trust needed between parents and their children. It's also prudent for parents to communicate the dangers of today's digital world and be vigilant in detecting warning signs exhibited by their children. These include changes in a child's personality and behavior, attempts to conceal their use of computers and handheld devices, and a decline in academic performance.

"Social media can be powerful tools for strengthening community, although social media interaction should not be viewed as a substitute for face-to-face gatherings," wrote the US Bishops. This applies to essential family interaction as well.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:30 p.m.,
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00

HOLY DAYS

Please consult Bulletin

DAILY MASSES

Mon.-Fri. - 7:30 a.m.
Consult bulletin for changes

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory Office 586-3231

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.
(or by appointment)

PARISH STAFF

Judy Joslin, Religious Education Administrator.
Kevin & Karin Spears, Youth Ministry
Denise Peterson, Secretary
Patrick Vogt, Business Manager
Teresa Galbier, Music Director
Sr. Monica Weis, SSJ, Organist

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Anthony DiTucci - Grand Knight, 585-727-6881

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We welcome you to worship regularly with us and to join our Parish Community formally, offering your time, talents, and financial support. Newcomers are wholeheartedly received into membership by simply registering at the office at their convenience.

Collection for September 1, 2019	
Total Collection	\$7,919.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$6,450.00
Sunday Loose	\$1,159.00
Utilities	\$197.00
Postage	\$71.00
Catholic Courier	\$12.00
Assumption	\$5.00
Campaign Human Devel.	\$25.00
Total Attendance	646
Collection for September 8, 2019	
Total Collection	\$10,475.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$7,488.00
Sunday Loose	\$1,095.00
Utilities	\$195.00
Postage	\$37.00
Catholic Courier	\$110.00
Assumption	\$5.00
Campaign Human Devel.	\$5.00
Prop. Of the Faith	\$1,540.00
Total Attendance	688