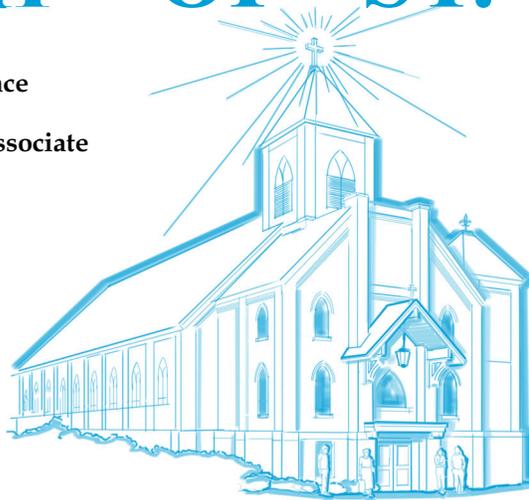


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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November 24, 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.



Thanksgiving Day Liturgy

On **Thursday, November 28th**, we observe one of our most meaningful holidays: **Thanksgiving**. This is a very special time of year to pause and give thanks to God for all God's blessings to us. What better way to begin the day than to gather around the Lord's table to celebrate the Eucharist (which means Thanksgiving). There will be a special **Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 a.m.** We encourage you to participate in this liturgy. If you wish, bring some food items that will be used at your Thanksgiving dinner and place them on the steps in front of the altar where they will be blessed during Mass.



Second Collection

Next weekend, **November 30th & December 1st**, is the National Collection for The Catholic University of America.

The CUA is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. The CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. You can learn more at: collection.cua.edu Please be generous!



Advent Tree Lighting

The Advent Tree Lighting Service, which is sponsored by the Association of Churches and the Village of East Rochester, will take place on **Sunday, December 1st, at 5:00 p.m.** at Edmond Lyon Park. In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held at the main entrance area of the Senior Center in the Eyer Building, 317 Main Street.

If you have a child who is willing to commit to participating in the Nativity Scene at the Advent Tree Lighting Ceremony, please call Teresa at 370-1087, with their name, and for more information on where to meet and when. We need to have at least 8, or more, to do it right. Please call before November 25th. At that time we will decide if we have enough to include the live Nativity Scene or not. Thank you.

New Bible Study

Join Sr. Clare and Michelle Castelli for a new Bible study based on the book *Believe-Meeting Jesus in Scripture*. The Bible study will meet at 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon on six Wednesdays (Nov. 6th, 13th, 20th, and Dec. 4th, 11th, 18th) in the Church Hall. Books will be given at the first meeting at no cost. Please contact Sr. Clare at the parish office 586-3231. All are welcome!



The Giving Tree

As we've done in the past, we will have a Giving Tree in the Baptismal Font area of our Church. It is an opportunity to purchase a Christmas gift for someone in need. These include residents from DePaul Parkside Adult Home and East Rochester families who apply to the East Rochester Resource Center. These families also receive a food basket.

On the tree this year, there will be ornaments with the name, age and gift suggestion. Please take an ornament, purchase the gift and return the gift unwrapped.

It is very important to return the unwrapped gift with the ornament. If you wish, you may include wrapping paper and bow with the gift, but do not wrap the gift. The number and name are coded to make sure the right person receives the right gift. We ask that you do not send your child alone to pick an ornament from the tree. All gifts must be returned by **Sunday, December 15th**.

CMA Update

Goal:	\$82,090.00
Pledged to date:	\$21,775.00
Number of Donors:	58
Accomplished 26.53% of our goal.	



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 25, 2019

Saint Catherine Of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

7:30a.m. Paul Jones by John & Cathy Marchand

11:00 a.m. Mass at Parkside, For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Weekday

7:30 a.m. The Fioravanti & Tambasco Families by Rose Tambasco

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

Weekday

7:30 a.m. Paul McCarthy by Wife, Annie

Thursday, November 28, 2019

Weekday

9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29, 2019

Weekday

7:30 a.m. Marjorie Reed by Catherine Reed

Joseph Russo by Dolores & Family

Priests, Religious, Police, Medical & All First Responders by a Parishioner

Saturday, November 30, 2019

Saint Andrew, Apostle

4:30 p.m. William & Mary Crysel by Son & Daughter-in-Law

Joseph Wells by Lynne Schicker & Family

Carmela Loria by Toni & Ray Parrotta

Sunday, December 1, 2019

First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Carmela Loria by Betty McPhee

Paul Swagler by Wife & Children

Luigi & Rosa Antenucci by Family



Weekend Mass Reminder

If you have a weekend Mass scheduled and you would like to bring the gifts to the altar, please notify the Ushers before Mass.



Festival Youth Choir

The St. Jerome's Music Ministry is host to a variety of wonderful musical opportunities for young people and adults to share their gift of music with the congregation throughout the year.

At this time we are recruiting for our Festival Youth Choir which is available to all members of St. Jerome's faith community who are 8 – 18 years old. You do not need to know how to read music, but you should have the desire to share your gift of music in liturgical song.

The Festival Youth Choir will perform on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. family Mass and on Easter Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass as well as at other times throughout the liturgical year.

For more details on the rehearsal schedule and to register please contact Teresa Galbier, Director of Music, at teresa.galbier@gmail.com.



Annual Advent Craft Sale

The East Rochester Association of Churches in benefit of the East Rochester Community Resource Center is holding their annual Craft Sale on **Saturday, December 7th** from **9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** in the East Rochester High School Gymnasium. Admission is free and the facility is handicapped accessible.



Monks' Bread Fundraiser

to benefit The St. Jerome Youth Group Conference Trip

Your order of freshly baked bread, biscotti, cheese crisps, fruit & nut bars and more can help send our youth to the Steubenville Conference this summer. Orders can be placed after Masses on **November 23rd, 24th, 30th and December 1st**. Pick up your order the weekend of **December 21st & 22nd** ... just in time for Christmas. Thank you for your support! Contact Kevin & Karin Spears with any questions at (585) 750-9593.

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, especially **Jonathan Letta**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.



Good News!

November 24, 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C)

2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

In his Gospel, St. Luke, the good doctor, often brings in kingly themes related to Christ's crucifixion. He does this to highlight that Jesus fulfilled the Jewish belief that the Messiah would unite the three important leadership roles—priest, prophet, and king. The inscription the Romans nailed to the cross above Jesus' head inadvertently supports the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy—he was indeed the King of the Jews.

He was also the priest who offered his body as a sacrifice for the Chosen People: "It was Caiaphas who had counseled the Jews that it was better that one man should die rather than the people" (John 18:14). He is both the priest offering obedience to the Father, but he is also the victim who is offered on the altar of the cross. The cross is altar and throne because, as well as priest and victim, Jesus also is the king reuniting his kingdom under God the Father. In so doing, he undoes the sin of Adam, which had been the cause of this division.

Jesus' final prophetic words, "It is finished," means he has fulfilled his mission as priest, prophet, and king from the throne of the cross. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (1047) sums it up when it says that as king and high priest, his sacrifice is total, universal, and definitive. Now all of God's creatures, man and beast, both natural and in the heavens, can return to the one from whom they came forth and who declared each one good.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m..

Dear Padre

November 24, 2019

Why was the notion of kingship so important to Jesus and his disciples? Didn't the rulers of the day oppress Israel? You'd think they would have distrusted the Jesus-as-king idea.

Although the idea of kingship is not very important to our modern thinking, it was very important to Israel. In the early years of the Hebrew nation, the population wanted to strengthen itself politically and militarily. The people went to Samuel, their leader, and begged him to appoint a king so that Israel could be the same as other nations (1 Samuel 8:4-5). In response, Samuel appointed Saul as Israel's first king. In Israel, the king became the prime instrument of God. David, the shepherd, was considered Israel's greatest king.

Later, that area came under the harsh domination of foreign powers—the Persians, the Macedonians, and ultimately, Rome. Many of these empires exercised their power by appointing a king, often a foreigner, to rule locally.

Since both the people of Israel and the early Christians understood the notion of kingship and recalled the glory days of David and Solomon, they developed a divinely inspired theology of the king as God's saving instrument. The theme of Jesus as king and prime instrument of God runs through the New Testament, reaching its fullness in Jesus' victory over death and his ascent to power at the right hand of the Father.

In the Gospels, Jesus preaches that the kingdom of God is now in our midst. The good news is that all of us can enter this kingdom (Mark 1:15).

—Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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.

ALL Liturgical Ministers (that includes altar servers)! If you will be away during the next schedule (January - March), please contact Denise in the Parish office at 586-3231 as soon as possible and no later than **November 30th**. Thank you.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, November 25, 2019
4:15 p.m. - Legion of Mary (Hall)
7:00 p.m. - Columbiettes (Hall)
Tuesday, November 26, 2019
NO- Rel. Ed. All Classes
Wednesday, November 27, 2019
NO - Bible Study
NO - Adult Choir