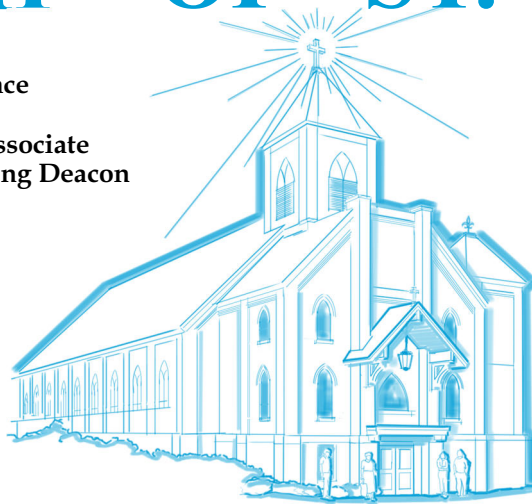


# CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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December 29, 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.

## In the Peace of Christ

Please remember in your prayers

those in our faith community who died during 2019



Rose Schirnglone  
 Rosalie Rosini  
 Philip Russolesi  
 Maria Aquino  
 Deacon Thomas Ecker  
 Joseph Vazzana  
 Millie Merlo  
 John Salvatore  
 Charles Sargent  
 Ronald Louis  
 Robert Gullo  
 Mary Delores DiCesare  
 Della Jane Schoen  
 Charles Lauricella  
 Fanny Gueli  
 James Nagle  
 Domenico Folino  
 Alan Matthews Jr.  
 Walter McKenna  
 Joseph Beauchamp  
 Elizabeth Corkish  
 Patricia Piscini  
 Maureen VanBortle  
 Yvonne Fioravanti  
 Theresa Goodman  
 Gilda Orlando  
 Rita Iddings  
 Patricia Brasley-Nelson  
 Joseph Monachino

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Stephen Antetomaso  
 Ruby Gokey  
 Michael Galante  
 Anthony Pullano  
 Anna Vitaro  
 Frank Cancillieri  
 Jean Ferrimani  
 James Boyle  
 Yolanda Galante Cort  
 Mary Alice Cosco  
 Fay Phillips  
 Edele Fioravanti Zornow  
 Gloria Sebastian  
 Carmela Loria  
 Jeanette DeWolff  
 Valerie Janlois  
 Salvatore Bianco  
 Robert Eberling  
 Karen Dianetti  
 Mary Hyland  
 Thelma Raschiatore  
 Cosmo Goodman  
 Doris LaClair  
 James Kelly  
 Dolores Perrone  
 Jonathan Letta  
 Theresa Guarino  
 Miele Battaglini  
 Norma Basile

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### Mass Intentions

**Monday, December 30, 2019**

**Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

**7:30a.m.** *Mary Gorzell* by Tom Sheehan

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

**Tuesday, December 31, 2019**

**Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

**7:30 a.m.** *Tracy Reynolds* by A Friend

*Neil Warren Clark* by The Werner Family

**5:30 p.m.** *Magda Gonzalez* by Son & Family

**Wednesday, January 1, 2020**

**The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God**

**9:00 a.m.** *Living & Deceased Members of the Ned & Irene Quinzi Family* by Children

**Thursday, January 2, 2020**

**Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops**

**7:30 a.m.** *Angelina Oliveri* by Patricia Galante

**Friday, January 3, 2020**

**The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

**7:30 a.m.** *Richard Nerod* by Sheila McGee

*All Souls in Purgatory*

**Saturday, January 4, 2020**

**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

**8:00 a.m.** *Sandra Kerwin* by Sheila McGee

**4:30 p.m.** *For the People of the Parish*

**Sunday, January 5, 2020**

**Epiphany of the Lord**

**8:00 a.m.** *In Thanksgiving*

**10:00 a.m.** *Antonia & Nicola Galante & Connie & Carmelo Oliveri* by Son & Daughter

*Rosemarie Tengeres Storto* by Family & Friends

*Valerie Janlois* by St. Jerome Adult Choir



**Please note:** there will be **NO Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament on New Years Eve Day. Thank you.



### CMA Update from Fr. Leone

Our parish goal this year is **\$82,090**, which fortunately is the same as last year's CMA goal. In the past year we had 240 donors. This means that if each of the 240 family units (who are able), can consider a gift of at least \$38.00 each month for 9 months (or a total of \$342) for the campaign (until May 2020), we will definitely reach our CMA goal. We realize that not every parishioner will be able to give that amount, while others will be able to give more. **Any underage necessitates digging into our parish resources to fulfill our obligation (we fell \$12,000 short last year).** In addition, every year our parish experiences a significant number of deaths of faithful and very generous parishioners, which adds to the challenge of making our Catholic Ministry Appeal goal. Although 240 households participated this past year, we have 981 registered households in the parish. Our hope is that more families than ever will participate at some level this year. This year especially, we need you to be as generous as you can. I am grateful to all those who have already pledged for this year's CMA.

Respectfully,  
*Father Leone*

### CMA Update

<b>Goal:</b>	<b>\$82,090.00</b>
Pledged to date:	<b>\$57,740.50</b>
Number of Donors:	<b>170</b>
<b>Accomplished 70.34% of our goal.</b>	



### First Penance Meeting

The introductory meeting for your child's First Penance will be held on **Saturday, January 11, at 10:00 a.m.** in the Church Hall. This meeting is for both parents and children who will be celebrating their First Penance. Anyone interested in learning more about this Sacrament is welcome to attend. Please contact Judy Joslin in the Faith Formation Office at 586-3231 for more information.

### 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!

December 29, 2019

## Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph (A)

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

“Do we have to go to Grandma’s!” Children aren’t the only ones who sometimes dread the family Christmas gathering. Adults might, too. Why is that? Our family is the cradle that embraced us at birth, nourished us, and helped us grow. At least that’s what it was supposed to be. Perhaps we didn’t come from such a family. Still, when our time comes, it is within our power to form such a family. How are we to do it?

In today’s readings we have two quite different descriptions of family dynamics. The first, from Sirach, focuses on children’s respect for and support of parents. The Gospel passage recounts parents’ protection of a vulnerable child. Together these readings tell us that every family member, regardless of age or position within the family, owes all the other members concern and care. Paul provides a short list of what I like to think of as genuine family values: “heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another” (Colossians 3:12-13). Are such values asking too much of us?

It’s not by accident that we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family during Christmastime. Some think that this is a season for children. It’s actually a season for family, a time when generations—three, sometimes four or five—at least contact each other.

It’s a time for us to decide whether or not Paul’s list of virtues reflects our own family portrait. How authentic are our smiles? How deep are our family values?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# Dear Padre

December 29, 2019

## I’ve heard priests tell stories about Jesus’ childhood, the Blessed Virgin, St. Joseph, and St. Anne that aren’t in the Bible. Where do these stories come from?

The Bible as we know it—a definitive collection of sacred texts as the word of God—came together in the fourth and fifth centuries. The same God that inspired authors to record his divine word also inspired the books of the Bible to be collected during the first centuries of Christianity. As such, the Bible itself is formed by tradition.

Ancient texts, other than those officially accepted as fulfilling revelation (like Scripture), existed in the Church’s early centuries. These are known as noncanonical sources. Many of the stories you hear, especially about the people you mention, come from those sources.

In the Church’s infancy, people were eager to hear as much as they could about Jesus and his family. In response, many stories about Jesus’ childhood and family members were collected in a variety of written accounts—including the Protoevangelium, or gospel of James from the year 145 (not to be confused with the New Testament’s Letter of James). Although they weren’t included in the canon of the Bible, they became sources for stories passed from generation to generation that were accepted as a part of our tradition. For example, information about Mary’s parents, including their names, Joachim and Anne, were derived from noncanonical texts. These sources may add color and flavor to our faith and devotion. But ultimately, everything we need for salvation is revealed in the Scriptures. —The Redemptorists

### 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

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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 December 15, 2019	
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$7,913.46</b>
<b>Sunday Envelopes</b>	<b>\$5,515.00</b>
<b>Sunday Loose</b>	<b>\$923.86</b>
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>\$54.00</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>\$61.00</b>
<b>Catholic Courier</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>\$175.00</b>
<b>Candle Money</b>	<b>\$188.60</b>
<b>Monks Bread</b>	<b>\$33.00</b>
<b>Christmas Flowers</b>	<b>\$336.00</b>
<b>Christmas Envelopes</b>	<b>\$610.00</b>
<b>Catholic University</b>	<b>\$7.00</b>
<b>All Saints</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>All Souls</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>582</b>

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

NO - Rel. Ed. Classes

