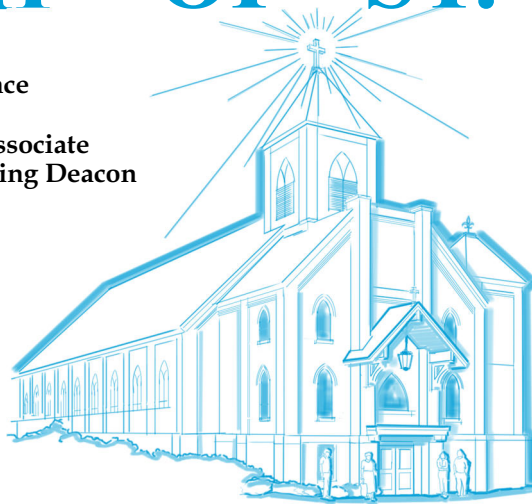


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

Rev. William B. Leone: Pastor
Rev. William Endres: In Residence
Deacon Dermot Loughran
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Deacon Bruno Petrauskas : Visiting Deacon

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January 12, 2020

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.



Coffee Hour

Please join St. Jerome's Parish Life Committee at our monthly coffee hour next **Sunday, January 19th**, after the 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Masses. We hope to see you there!



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to each and every person at St. Jerome! I thank you for your generosity of time, talent, and treasure in building the Kingdom of God on earth.

May God bless you and all your families in the New Year.

Respectfully,
Father Leone



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you very much for your prayers, gifts, cards, and well wishes for Christmas. May God bless you and your families in the coming year.

Let us pray for one another.

Gratefully,
Sister Clare



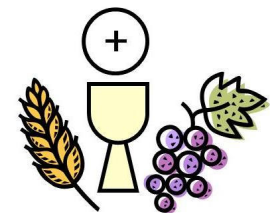
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Public Policy Advocacy Weekend

February 8th & 9th

Public Policy Weekend is scheduled for **February 8th & 9th**. People throughout the Diocese will be asked to : Oppose Physician Assisted Suicide in NYS

Catholic teaching calls us to uphold the dignity and value of human life until its natural end. This year legislation is being proposed in New York to legalize physician assisted suicide. In the coming weeks you'll have the opportunity to sign our Diocese-wide petition asking our New York State legislature to oppose legalizing Physician assisted suicide in New York State. Keep reading your weekly bulletin to learn more about this issue. Paper petitions will be available for Public Policy weekend, February 8th & 9th, however, if you would prefer to sign the petition online, please go to www.dor.org/petition.



We are in Need of Eucharist Ministers

We are in need of additional **Eucharistic Ministers**, especially for the **4:30 p.m. Mass**, as well as **Cross bearers** for all masses, but particularly the **10:00 a.m. Mass**.

Thank you for your willingness to volunteer for these important ministries that provide support for our weekly Masses. If you are interested, please contact **Sister Clare** at the Parish Office at **586-3231**.

We Need Your Help

We are looking for help from parishioners who would be willing to serve at weekday or weekend funeral Masses as altar servers or cross bearers. Could one of these roles be for you? If so, then please contact Sr. Clare Brown at 586-3231. Your time and efforts in one or both of these roles would be a great blessing to our whole parish family!



Thank You!

Thank you to **Harloff Funeral Home** for their generous donation of the **2020 calendars** for the parish. We appreciate their kindness.

CMA Update

Goal:	\$82,090.00
Pledged to date:	\$67,850.50
Number of Donors:	204
Accomplished	82.65% of our goal.



Monday, January 13, 2020

Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:30a.m. *Elizabeth Leone* by Daughter, Marie

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

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Michael Toohey* by Terry Meng

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of The Maez Family* by The Marchand Family

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Garcia-Rivera Family* by Maria Garcia-Rivera

Friday, January 17, 2020

St. Anthony, Abbot

7:30 a.m. *Jerome Faltisco* by Family

All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 18, 2020

Weekday

4:30 p.m. *Helen & Anthony Rogoza* by Daughter, Judy & John Lenzi

Eda Morabito by Children & Grandchildren

Peter Scalia by Wife & Children

Sunday, January 19, 2020

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. *Paul McCarthy* by Family
Donato D’Innocenzo by Family

Clyde, Rosemary & Marc Young by Dave & Kathy Young

10:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, January 13, 2020

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

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. (K-5) (Hall)

7:15 - 8:15 p.m. - Rel. Ed. (6-7) and Confirmation Prep I & II (Hall)

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

6:30 p.m. - Adult Choir (Loft)



Basketball Free Throw Championship

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2020 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. You do not have to be in CYO or a parishioner to participate. The contest is free to all eligible participants. The contest will be held on **Saturday, January 18, 2020**, at **St. John Bosco School Gym** registration starts at **2:00 a.m.** The contest starts at **2:30 p.m.**

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually by **K of C St. John Fisher Council #3676**, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. All boys and girls ages 9-14 are eligible and will participate in their respective age groups - boys/girls 9-11, girls 12-14 and boys 12-14. Last year more than 120,000 sharpshooters participated in over 3,600 local competitions. For more information call Tony Pacilio at 631-742-7367



First Penance Reflection Day

Reminder: First Penance Reflection Day will be held on **Saturday, February 1st**, from **9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.** in the Church Hall. This is a workshop day for children preparing for the Sacrament of First Penance.

First Penance

First Penance will take place in the Church on **Saturday, February 8th**, at **10:00 a.m.** Fourteen of our young Parishioners will be celebrating the Sacrament of First Penance. Families are welcome and encouraged to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with their child.

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

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 **Nicolas Redanty**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.

Good News!

January 12, 2020

Baptism of the Lord (A)

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

Who has not been asked, at the dawning of young adulthood, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Today there are so many options for both girls and boys. How does one decide? Money and security are very tempting, as are fame and reputation. And then there is the other side of the story when, in the quiet of our thoughts later in life, we wonder if we became everything we might have been. Did we choose the right path or the easy one? Did we rise to the occasion when life challenged us or did we stay where it was comfortable? Did we really grow up or did we just get older?

Today we cross the threshold of Christmastime and step into Ordinary Time when the readings focus on discipleship. What kind of disciples do we want to be? Regardless of the past, today we have a chance to start anew. The readings place two models before us—the servant in Isaiah and Jesus at his baptism.

Filled with the Spirit of God, Jesus is now ready to go out into the world to proclaim God's love and mercy and to give evidence of that love and mercy in the way he treats others. The servant in the Isaiah reading was also filled with the spirit of God in order to "bring forth justice to the nations" (Isaiah 42:1). By baptism, we, too, are filled with God's spirit. How are we going to use it? What do we want to be when we grow up?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Collection for January 5, 2019	
Total Collection Sunday	\$18,737.10
Sunday Envelopes	\$14,348.00
Sunday Loose	\$1,416.35
Utilities	\$84.00
Postage	\$81.00
Catholic Courier	\$122.00
Christmas Envelopes	\$805.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$1,720.75
Monks Bread	\$50.00
Candle Money	\$110.00
Total Attendance	590

Dear Padre

January 12, 2020

What does holy water do, and why is it near the entrance to the church?

Blessed water is a sacramental—a sign of spiritual effects and favors from God. The Church admonishes us to use sacramentals, like holy water, crucifixes, and rosaries, with reverence and respect.

Water is full of mystery. Although material, it can express something spiritual. It cleanses us from filth and impurities; therefore, water is a symbol of interior cleansing and purifying. It also symbolizes life. The scarcity of water in many regions, including the Holy Land, gives it special value. What's more, water is necessary for the existence of all plants, animals, and people.

In Matthew's Gospel, John the Baptist baptized with water as an outward sign of inner sorrow for personal sins. In the sacrament of baptism instituted by Christ, we are washed completely and born again of water and the Spirit. Water here symbolizes the grace of God washing away our sins, purifying our souls, and giving us new life in Christ.

The custom of placing a holy water font near the church doors is quite old. As you enter a Catholic church, making the sign of the cross with holy water reminds you of your baptism and of cleansing yourself before you approach God's presence. As you leave, bless yourself again and recall that baptism has marked you for eternal life. When we bless ourselves with holy water, we do it "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."

From Dear Padre: Questions Catholics Ask,

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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)

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Kevin & Karin Spears, Youth Ministry
Denise Peterson, Secretary
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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 29, 2019	
Total Collection Sunday & Christmas	\$26,801.70
Sunday Envelopes	\$4,543.70
Sunday Loose	\$1,037.00
Utilities	\$49.00
Postage	\$38.00
Catholic Courier	\$3.00
Christmas Envelopes	\$20,810.00
Christmas Flowers	\$87.00
Immaculate Conception	\$12.00
All Souls	\$5.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$15.00
Catholic University	\$1.00
Monks Bread	\$57.00
Candle Money	\$144.00
Total Attendance	570