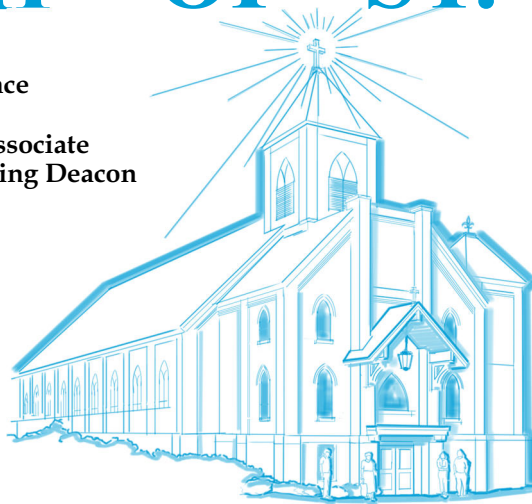


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

Rev. William B. Leone: Pastor
Rev. William Endres: In Residence
Deacon Dermot Loughran
Sr. Clare Brown, SSJ: Pastoral Associate
Deacon Bruno Petrauskas : Visiting Deacon

207 Garfield Street
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January 26, 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.



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The Giving Tree

Special Thank you!

A Special Thank You to our St. Jerome Church Families for their on-going support and generosity to our 2019 Christmas Giving Tree Project.

Together we provided gifts and gift cards to 38 families, plus 37 residents at DePaul Parkside Adult Home (while the other residents were provided for by the other churches in the E.R. Association of Churches.)

We are also grateful for all the sponsors who took care of families who applied too late to get their names on the "Gift Trees." Everyone who asked for assistance received it, so that all were able to celebrate Jesus' Birthday with Him.

A HUGE thank you to our ERFD contacts, Gina and Rick Rinaldi, and their crew. They checked all the gifts, making sure they were for the right person, wrapped each one, and bagged and tagged them for delivery.

Also, to our local volunteer firemen, who delivered them along with boxes of food, not only for Christmas, but for at least 5 to 6 days beyond the holiday. By the end of the day, 45 families, including 109 children and 55 adults, besides the 37 DePaul Parkside Adults, were able to celebrate Christmas.

All of us together made Christmas more beautiful for all these families. Thank you for another great success! May God bless each and everyone of you, and your families, and grant each of you many wonderful blessings in the New Year of 2020.

Thank you,

The Church of St. Jerome and the East Rochester Resource Center

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.

The weekend of **February 8th & 9th** you'll have the opportunity to sign our diocese-wide Public Policy Weekend petition in opposition to physician assisted suicide. It will read:

I strongly oppose any legislation to legalize assisted suicide in New York State. Allowing doctors to prescribe a lethal dose for patients to end their lives devalues human life. There is also significant potential for abuse. I urge you to focus instead on improving palliative care, to ensure compassionate, comprehensive care and pain management for those who are terminally ill. We need to accompany rather than abandon them.

If you would prefer to sign the petition online, please go to www.dor.org/petition.

The Knights of Columbus invited boys and girls ages 5 through 14 to take part in their annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. The contest is conducted locally, with winning entries advancing through district/regional and state competitions to the international level.

The goal is to help young people come to a deeper understanding of the true meaning of Christmas, and bring others to remember Christ during Christmas through their artwork.

Below are this year's winners in each age group:

Age 5-7 Division:

- 1st Place – Vivian Wegman
- 2nd Place – Ethan Patrick Collins
- 3rd Place – Vivian Lighthouse

Age 8-10 Division:

- 1st Place – Anna General
- 2nd Place – Anika Nguyen
- 3rd Place (tie) – Gwyneth Anne Collins
- 3rd Place (tie) – Matthew Witkowski

Age 11-14 Division:

- 1st Place – Lucy Sheba
- 2nd Place – Sarah Brown
- 3rd Place – John Anderson

Each winner received a gift card, along with an award certificate.

**Mass Intentions****Monday, January 27, 2020****Weekday**7:30 a.m. *Magda Gonazlez* by Son & Family11:00 a.m. *Mass at Parkside*, For the People of the Parish**Tuesday, January 28, 2020****Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church**7:30 a.m. *Carol McGrath* by Friend**Wednesday, January 29, 2020****Weekday**7:30 a.m. *Lloyd Thomas* by Knights of St. John Ladies Auxiliary**Thursday, January 30, 2020****Weekday**7:30 a.m. *Michael Donnelly* by Teresa & Jonathan McSweeney**Friday, January 31, 2020****Saint John Bosco, Priest**7:30 a.m. *All Souls in Purgatory***Saturday, February 1, 2020****First Saturday**8:00 a.m. *Special Intention* by Daryl & Claire Rembert4:30 p.m. *Sam & Marian Morano* by Regina & Charles Lattuca*Terry Guarino* by Mark & Elaine Boch*Samuel Poletta & Shirley Porter Poletta* by Family**Sunday, February 2, 2020****The Presentation of the Lord**8:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*10:00 a.m. *David Higbee* by Milt & Dee Dries*Biagio D'Agostino* by Wife, Irma & Children*Norma Basile* by Sue Caternolo**WEEK AT A GLANCE****Monday, January 27, 2020**

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

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

Tuesday, January 28, 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)

Thursday, January 30, 2020

6:30 p.m. - Parish Council (Hall)

**Rochester Amerks Hockey!**

St Jerome's at the Amerks game will be postponed. We're sorry for the inconvenience. There will be other fun events planned for future dates!

**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.

**St. Jerome Parish Men's Retreat Weekend**

Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd, Canandaigua, NY, invites the men of **St Jerome's Parish** to a weekend retreat, **February 28th - March 1, 2020**

Our Theme for 2020 "Finding God in Life's Transitions." Come relax, unwind, and enjoy a calm friendly setting along with some great food.

Men of the Parish that are interested please contact Al Buckner at 585-727-0928 – email abuckner47@gmail.com or contact Notre Dame 585-394-5700 email: ndretreat@rochester.rr.com website <https://notredameretreat.org/>

**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.

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!

January 26, 2020

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Is 8:23—9:3; 1 Cor 1:10–13; Mt 4:12–23 or 4:12–1

“You’re breaking the back of the body of Christ!” Saint Paul might have said this to members of the Corinthian community who rival each other, claiming that the leader who baptized them is greater than the one who baptized others: “I belong to Paul...I belong to Apollos...I belong to Cephas” (1 Corinthians 1:12). This suggests that, based on their baptizer, the members themselves are superior. Such rivalry sounds so petty. We should be careful here, because some of this rivalry still exists in the Church.

In any healthy group there will be diverse opinions. We all have our own tastes, preferences, cultural habits, and so on. This is true in church music, preaching style, and religious devotion. The uniformity of the Church prior to the Second Vatican Council has given way to great diversity. What is different is not necessarily bad. Nor is our preference necessarily superior. Such diversity need not pit us against each other, but sometimes it does. Is Christ divided over points of preference?

We are all part of the body of Christ; we are all God’s beloved. The diversity among us challenges us to work toward the common good, to “be united in the same mind and in the same purpose” (1 Corinthians 1:10). Let us not divide Christ.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



Pancake Breakfast

Save the Date

The Annual Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for **Sunday, March 8th**, from 8:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. at the Jean Daniel Senior Center.

Dear Padre

January 26, 2020

What are deacons’ duties? Can they preside at wedding ceremonies? What about baptisms and other duties usually reserved for priests?

The Catholic Church has two kinds of deacons: transitional deacons, seminarians in the last stage of their studies for the priesthood, and permanent deacons, men who will remain deacons. Transitional and permanent deacons can baptize, give homilies at Mass, give blessings (for example, the blessing of throats on St. Blaise’s feast day), perform the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and preside at wedding and funeral services where there is no Mass.

Neither type of deacon can administer the sacrament of reconciliation. They can visit and bless the sick, but they cannot anoint them. Deacons can distribute holy Communion, but they cannot consecrate the bread and wine.

Unlike transitional deacons, permanent deacons can be married. If a deacon’s wife dies, he may not remarry except in certain circumstances, for example, if his children are still very young. Unmarried permanent deacons must remain unmarried. Deacons are vital to the life of the Church. Many permanent deacons have families and full-time jobs in addition to their Church work. We don’t thank deacons and their families enough for the many sacrifices they make for the people of God.

Fr. Donald Kirchner, CSSR

CMA Update

Goal: \$82,090.00
Pledged to date: \$68,679.50
Number of Donors: 210
Accomplished 83.66% of our goal.

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, more info: www.KofC.org

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Faith Formation Office..... 586-3231
Website:<http://stjeromerochester.org/>
Email: estjerom@dor.org

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 January 19, 2019	
Total Collection Sunday	\$6,030.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$4,469.00
Sunday Loose	\$870.00
Utilities	\$197.00
Postage	\$62.00
Catholic Courier	\$165.00
Christmas Envelopes	\$60.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$40.00
All Souls	\$5.00
Monks Bread	\$10.50
Candle Money	\$151.50
Total Attendance	485

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