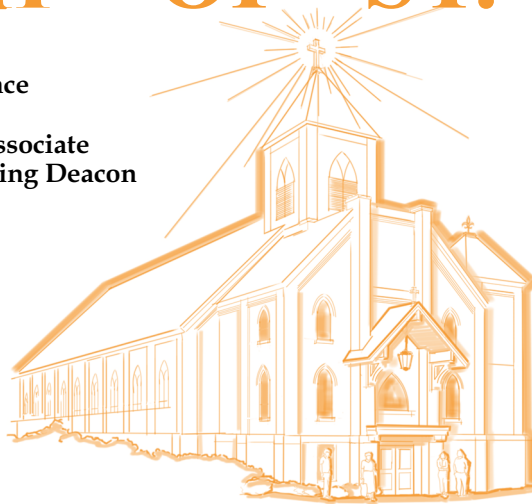


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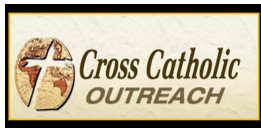
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February 16, 2020

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.



Cross Catholic Outreach

This Weekend, **February 15th & 16th**, we will welcome **Rev. Msgr. Andrew Martin**. Father Martin will speak at all weekend Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Cross Catholic Outreach delivers Food, Shelter and Hope to the Poorest of the Poor. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

Lenten Scripture Study

We welcome you to join us during Lent for six sessions on God's Love in Jesus. The sessions will consist of watching sections of the Franco Zeffirelli film Jesus of Nazareth, prayer, personal reflection and reactions to the video. "God loved us so much that He gave His only begotten son."

The sessions will begin on **Wednesday, February 26th**, and will end the week before Holy Week, **Wednesday, April 1st**. Each session will begin at **10:30 a.m.** and end at noon. The first session takes place on **Ash Wednesday**. You are welcome to attend the Ash Wednesday Mass at 12:10 p.m.

Sr. Clare Brown and Michelle Castelli

St. Jerome Parish Mission

Becoming a Confident Pro-Life Advocate and Inner Healing with Fr. Jim Hewes.

The parish mission is an opportunity this Lent to prepare our hearts in a special way for the Lord

Our Parish gatherings on **Monday, February 17th** (11:00 a.m. and repeated at 7:00 p.m.), will explore how to become "**A Confident Pro-Life Advocate.**" The Abortion issue should be the priority in any Parish because of the vulnerability of pre-born children and the sheer magnitude of the loss of life. Without the basic right to life, other rights are not possible; it is the foundation and building block for all human rights.

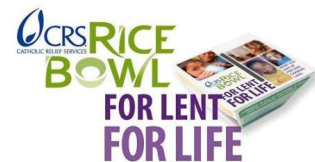
The second day in our parish gatherings on **Tuesday, February 18th** (11:00 a.m. and repeated at 7:00 p.m.), we will explore together through scripture and other stories what is called "**Inner Healing or Healing of Memories.**" We have all experienced wounds in our lives, so come and explore a way of inner healing. All are welcome.

Coffee Hour

Please join St. Jerome's Parish Life Committee at our monthly coffee hour this **Sunday, February 16th**, after the 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Masses. We hope to see you there!

Lent Begins February 26th

Another Lenten season is upon us beginning **February 26th** with Ash Wednesday. There will be a Mass on **Tuesday, February 25th, at 6:00 p.m.** All are invited to join the Religious Ed classes for this Mass. On **Ash Wednesday, February 26th**, Masses are at 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses.



Rice Bowl Lent 2020

Lent 2020 our Rice Bowl Bank will focus on the people of and need of Honduras, Viet Nam, and Kenya and other places around the world where Catholic Relief Services is at work. When you donate to CRS Rice Bowl, even a small offering has the potential to feed many. Jesus fed thousands with a few loaves of bread and two fish. Let us follow his example, committing our 40-day Lenten journey to meeting the needs of our global human family. Please remember to **take a Lenten Bank home on Ash Wednesday** and bring it back on Palm Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

**Mass Intentions**

Monday, February 17, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of Jan, Thank you for your help* by Toni

11:00 a.m. *NO - Mass at Parkside*

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Mary Esposito & Mary LaFarciola* by Daughter & Family

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of Hal & Sarah, Thank you* by Toni

Thursday, February 20, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of Michael Parrell, For Good Health & Speedy Recovery* by Toni

Friday, February 21, 2020

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. *All Souls in Purgatory*

Saturday, February 22, 2020

The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

4:30 p.m. *Joyce Powers* by Doris Swagler

Paul Swagler by Wife, Doris

Frank Platino & Delores DiCesare by Family

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*

10:00 a.m. *Anna Whitted* by Mario Fioravanti & Family

Anthony Pullano by Mr. & Mrs. Larry Weise

Anthony & Nancy DiRienzo by The Meisenzahl Family

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

Monday, February 17, 2020

Rectory Office Closed

NO - Legion of Mary (Hall)

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

NO - Religious Ed. - Winter Break

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

6:00 p.m. - Adult Choir (Loft)

Thursday, February 20, 2020

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



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/>



Stand Out for Life

Saturday Morning - **February 22nd**, 9:00-10:30 a.m. at The Headquarters of Planned Parenthood of Central and Western NY, 114 University Ave, downtown Rochester.

We must not ignore or minimize the massive, ongoing, human rights atrocity of abortion that is happening on our watch. We must love enough to do more. Let's show up for love of God and neighbor: to pray together and to stand out in public witness for the end of abortion. Save the dates of future Stand Outs: 2/22, 3/28, 4/25 - Every 4th Saturday. You are needed!



Pancake Breakfast

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.

The breakfast includes pancakes and sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, fresh fruit, coffee and juice.

Tickets for this event can be picked up after all Weekend Masses from **February 8th & 9th to March 1st & 2nd**. There is no charge for the ticket. This is only to get an approximate head count. We will be accepting a **free will offering** at the door. Tickets will also be available at the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please support our parish by joining us for food, fun and friendship!

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, **Barbara Stoner & Carlos Perez**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.

Good News!

February 16, 2020

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sir 15:15–20; 1 Cor 2:6–10; Mt 5:17–37 or Mt 5:20–22a, 27-28, 33–34a, 37

Law, wisdom, or virtue. Choose one. Today’s first reading talks about wisdom. Throughout life, options are placed before us. Which should we pick? Life or death? Good or evil? How do we know which one to choose? Actually, we learn to choose through experience, either our own or the experience of those who have gone before us and left us their insights within our traditions—whether social, political, or religious. Some of these traditions come to us as advice, others as law. One might say that law is really the expression or codification of social, political, or religious traditions. So, to follow law is really to obey a certain kind of codified wisdom.

When St. Paul speaks about wisdom, he is referring to wisdom that comes from following the directives of God, not merely the insights gained through experience. He calls that a mature wisdom as opposed to the wisdom of this age. It is the kind of wisdom we find in Jesus, who lived his life for others, a kind of wisdom that some might consider foolish.

In the Gospel, Jesus insists that he is not abolishing law but fulfilling it. He urges us to go deeper into law and find wisdom, to go even deeper into human wisdom, and there to find virtue. Law deals with exteriors; virtue addresses the inner heart. Law forbids murder; virtue forbids hatred. Where do you live? In law? In wisdom? Or in virtue? Choose one.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

February 16, 2020

Are the readings at the beginning of Mass more, less, or equal to the celebration of the Eucharist?

The Novus Ordo, or the ordinary form of the Roman rite, is celebrated in two major parts: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. These parts complement each other in a balance of word and sacrament.

In his 2004 apostolic letter *Mane Nobiscum Domine*, St. John Paul II described the complementary elements. Using the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus on the night of Easter Sunday, St. John Paul likens the two parts of the revised liturgy to their journey. First, Christ breaks open the word for them, preparing their hearts with an interpretation of the Scriptures. Then they recognize Christ as they break bread. The Liturgy of the Word, proclaimed and preached well, allows time for silence and reflection on the wisdom offered. It becomes the necessary overture for the celebration of thanks and praise and the gift of the sign and sacrament to follow.

Parishes are called to take the Liturgy of the Word most seriously and to bring it to a new level of proclamation. Saint John Paul admonished all involved, but especially preachers, to cherish the word and preach it so the depths of the mysteries celebrated may be recognized and received into the burning hearts of Christians. In this context, the Scripture readings are given a prominence they didn’t have in the older Roman rite.

From *The Eucharist: 50 Questions from the Pews*,



CPR Training for Ushers

CPR Training for all Ushers will be take place on Saturday, March 14th, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Church Hall.

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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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/>
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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 February 9, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$6,773.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,445.00
Sunday Loose	\$849.00
Utilities	\$95.00
Postage	\$98.00
Catholic Courier	\$95.00
Soleminity of Mary	\$61.00
Christmas	\$10.00
Candle Money	\$120.00
Total Attendance	526

ALL Liturgical Ministers (that includes altar servers)! If you will be away during the next schedule (April - June), please contact Denise in the Parish office at 586-3231 as soon as possible and no later than **February 28th**. Thank you.

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