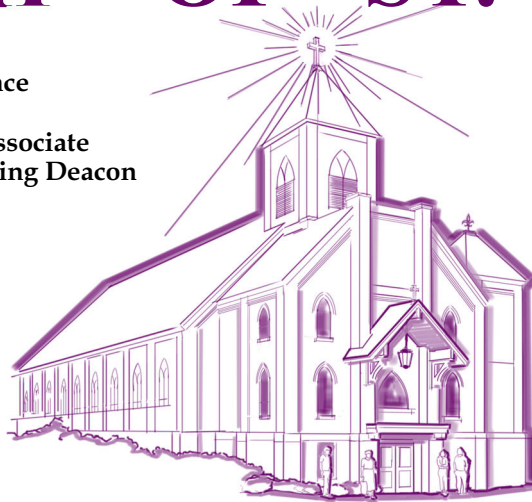


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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

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March 29, 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.

Message from the Pastor

March 19, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

On this St. Joseph's Day let us turn to our patron who was no stranger to hardship. By trusting in God, he was crowned with eternal life. We too are being challenged by the Coronavirus pandemic. All our civic and health care leaders are giving good guidance! Let us follow that guidance to reduce the pain and suffering of our fellow citizens.

I know many faithful people want to continue to make acts of worship by making monetary offerings.

At this time you may do that by:

1. Mailing your offering envelope to the Church.
2. Arranging electronic giving with your personal bank or by contacting Patrick Vogt (Parish Business Manager) at patrick.vogt@dor.org or by calling Patrick at St. Joseph's at 585-586-8089.
3. You can also choose to make one time or recurring donations securely through our website: stjeromerochester@dor.org

In the meantime, remain calm, pray, follow the health care protocols and stay home as much as possible. We will get through this together.

God bless you all,
Father Leone



RESPONDING TO COVID-19, CORONAVIRUS

We all have growing concerns about the coronavirus pandemic, including at our Parish. State and County health officials have provided guidelines for precautions we should take to prevent the spread of the virus. Bishop Matano and the Diocese of Rochester have also provided guidelines. Here's what we need you to know

The Mass

To limit the spread of COVID-19, the Coronavirus, all public Masses in the Diocese of Rochester are suspended until further notice effective immediately. Father Leone will be saying Mass privately at the regular scheduled times. All Masses are streamed live on our website. The Church will be open for private prayer Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

As you have been hearing from health officials, we also encourage social distancing if you come to the Church please sit at a distance from others in Church that minimizes exposure.

Confessions will continue on Saturday, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Cancellations Listing

All non-essential parish gatherings are cancelled until further notice. This includes all parish ministries outside of Mass:

- * Tuesday, Adoration
- * Friday, Stations of the Cross
- * Diocesan Day of Penance
- * Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, and all Bible studies are included until further notice.
- * The Soup Supper
- * All leadership team and Council meetings
- * Liturgy of the Word for Children
- * All nursing home Masses, visits, and Communion services
- * Legion of Mary
- * Knights of Columbus, Columbiettes and Knights of St. John Ladies Auxiliary



CMA Update

Goal:	\$82,090.00
Pledged to date:	\$78,213.00
Number of Donors:	238
Accomplished	95.28% of our goal.



Mass Intentions

Monday, March 30, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30a.m. *Augie Mazzo, Third Anniversary Remembrance* by Wife Jennie

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. *John Antonelli* by The Conners Family

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of Karen Fazio Murray* by Terry Meng

Thursday, April 2, 2020

Saint Frances of Paola, Hermit

7:30 a.m. *Magda Gonzalez* by Son & Family

Friday, April 3, 2020

First Friday

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

Robert Knapp by Mr. & Mrs. James F. McGee

Saturday, April 4, 2020

First Saturday

8:00 a.m. *Carl Fisher* by Terry Meng

4:30 p.m. *Michael Donnelley* by Mr. & Mrs. Ed Bonavilla

Claude Maynard by Children & Grandchildren

Peter & Elvira Maiorani by Grandchildren

Sunday, April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday

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

10:00 a.m. *Ercoli, Bernadine & Charlie Fioravanti* by The Jesse & Marcucci Families.

Domenico Folino, First Anniversary Remembrance, by Friends & Family

Joseph Vincent by Wife & Family



Banns of Marriage

I-Lawrence Kruzynski and Patricia Richardson



This Schedule is subject to change

Individual Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

There will be **NO** confessions on Holy Saturday

Diocesan Day of Penance

Wednesday, April 1st
Has been Cancelled

Chrism Mass

Closed to the Public

Tuesday, April 7th - 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral

Holy Thursday: April 9th

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday: April 10th

3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death

Holy Saturday: April 11th

7:00 p.m. **(Note New Time)** Easter Vigil Service & Mass

Easter Sunday: April 12th

Masses at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.



Prayer Fifth Sunday of Lent

My loving Lord, it's so hard to love the world sometimes and to love it the way Jesus did seems impossible.

Help me to be inspired by his love and guided by his example.

Most of all, I want to accept that I can't do it alone, and that trying is an arrogance of self-centeredness.

I need you, dear God, to give me support in this journey.

Show me how to unlock my heart so that I am less selfish.

Let me be less fearful of the pain and darkness that will be transformed by you into Easter joy.

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!

March 29, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

Ez 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

It is not ghosts that come out of these graves, but a second chance at life. Ezekiel compares the reestablishment of ancient Israel after the exile with the dead rising alive from their graves. They are filled with God’s spirit, God’s power of life, and they have a second chance at living. Only the graciousness of God could imagine such a marvel; only the power of God could accomplish it. Jesus performs an even greater marvel. He actually brings Lazarus back from death, giving him a second chance at living. Once again, only the graciousness of God could imagine such a marvel; only the power of God could accomplish it. Jesus is that graciousness and that power, as he declares: “I am the resurrection and the life” (John 11:25).

After its reestablishment, Israel was not immune to failure, nor was Lazarus exempt from eventual death. That was not the point. The point was a demonstration of divine generosity at that particular moment. As seen in the Gospel reading, the point is Jesus’ self-identification: “I am the resurrection and the life.” What follows is paradox: Those who live in him will not die; even if they die, they will live.

Joined to the one who is the resurrection and the life, we too will be raised from our graves and be transformed into a new life. We will never again face failure, as did the Israelites, or death, as did Lazarus, for the Spirit of Jesus will live in us.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

March 29, 2020

I’m very disturbed at some clothing—or lack thereof—worn at Mass these days. I find myself being judgmental and I don’t want to be. Does our Catechism mandate a dress code?

Being judgmental can exist on both sides of this issue: Those who dress casually or inappropriately at Mass may be seen as unmotivated and disrespectful; those who dress up may be accused of doing so not for God but to impress everyone else at Mass.

The casual-dress advocates are influenced by the current relaxed cultural norms on attire—in church and elsewhere. They rightfully point out that one’s presence at Mass is more important to God than one’s clothing. The dress-up advocates may believe this, too. However, the thought of actually being in God’s presence at Mass determines their clothing choice.

Thus, an understanding of how the Mass is viewed today affects both casual- dress and dress-up proponents. While Catholics believe that Christ is present in all of creation and history, Christ’s presence under the appearances of bread and wine is fundamental to our tradition. Moreover, a full appreciation of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist impacts far more than our outward appearances!

While the Catechism of the Catholic Church has no official dress guidelines, it’s best to assume that most attend Mass for the same reasons as you. Essentially, most people who dress sensibly and make an effort to attend Mass are expressing their reverence and love for God.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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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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.

