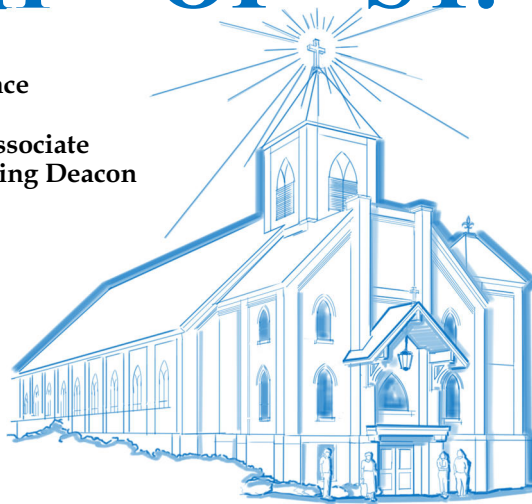


# CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

Rev. William B. Leone: Pastor  
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Deacon Dermot Loughran  
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May 17, 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.



*A prayer for people who are ill with COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus, and those responding to the pandemic:*

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

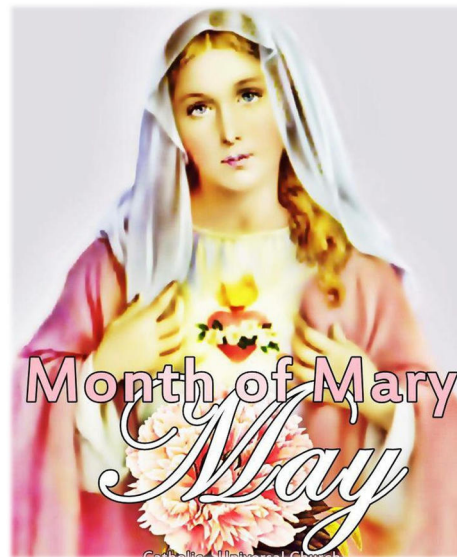
For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen



***The Most Important Person  
on earth is  
A MOTHER.***

She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral: a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body.

The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can.

Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature; God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation.

What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother?

—Venerable Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty



If you would like to remember your loved ones with the celebration of the Eucharist, please leave a message for Denise in the Rectory Office at 586-3231 to schedule a Mass, and a staff member will get back to you. You may wish to have a Mass offered on the anniversary of death, a person's birthday or a significant date in the person's and your life. Although Masses are not currently open to the public, our priests are still offering private Masses for your Mass Intentions every day.



## ONLINE COLLECTION BASKET

During these difficult and uncertain times your continued support of St. Jerome's and our vital ministries is most appreciated. We want to thank all of our parishioners who have continued to mail in their envelopes and/or utilized our electronic transfer options. Your generosity will help us to continue serving you and the community. All gifts will be recorded in your name as always. St. Jerome's Contributions can be mailed to:

207 Garfield Street, East Rochester, NY 14445 Or to set up for recurring payments online go to: <http://stjeromerochester.org>



Monday, May 18, 2020

Saint John I, Pope & Martyr

7:30 a.m. *Lois Alfieri* by The Pilato Family

*Our Son David, First Anniversary Remembrance* by Maryann & Ralph DiTucci

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m. *The Macaluso Family & Extended Family Members* by Laura

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest

7:30 a.m. *The Intention of Ronald Antinarelli* by The Marchand Family

5:00 p.m. *Michael Macaluso* by Leslie Mills

*Palma Lopinto* by John

Thursday, May 21, 2020

The Ascension of the Lord

7:30 a.m. *The Mills Family* by Leslie Mills

12:00 p.m. *Frank Crane* by Daughters

Friday, May 22, 2020

Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

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

Saturday, May 23, 2020

Easter Weekday

4:30 p.m. *Joseph & Mary Lamonica* by Family

*Lois Alfieri* by Mary & Richard Pugliese

Sunday, May 24, 2020

Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. *Lois Alfieri* by Mario & Laura Fioravanti

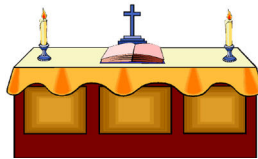
10:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*



**We Welcome** those who have recently entered into our faith through the waters of Baptism: **Damien Stephen Tomko** son of **Ryan & Teanna**.



**Best Wishes** to **Lawrence Kruzynski and Patricia Richardson** who were recently joined in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. May they grow together in Christ's love.



**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.

**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 **Michael Macaluso and Anthony Pacilio**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.

**CMA Update**

**Goal: \$82,090.00**  
**Pledged to date: \$78,373.88**  
**Number of Donors: 241**  
**Accomplished 95.47% of our goal.**

# Good News!

May 17, 2020

## Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

We have hopes for ourselves and others. We hope for good health, for fulfilling work, for settled lives for our children. As valuable as such hope might be, that is not what Peter is referring to in today's second reading. He is talking about religious hope. Not hope that, but hope in. Not hope that God will give us what we ask, that God will supply what we cannot accomplish, that God will reward our faithfulness. That is also valid hope, but it is still not religious hope.

Genuine religious hope is hope or trust in God. Period. Trust in God when we have no idea what the future might bring. Trust in God when all our best plans crumble before us. Trust in God when we face the terrors of illness and death. This is a trust or hope for which we do not provide God plans to follow so our needs get met as we think they should be. It is a hope that enables us to place ourselves into the hands of God. Period.

This kind of hope asks for nothing and expects everything. Why? Because we are convinced that God loves us with a passion we can't possibly imagine and, therefore, wants what is best for us. This might seem like an impossible hope, but the reading goes on to list reasons to hope. God's love is exemplified by Jesus Christ, who "suffered for sins... that he might lead you to God" (1 Peter 3:18). Who could ask for more?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



# Dear Padre

May 17, 2020

**After Mass a friend told me I belonged to “the priesthood of believers.” I’m not a priest! What did she mean?**

At baptism, all of us became part of the laity. The word laity comes from the Greek word laos, which means “people.” The laity are the people of God. As people of God, we all share in the priesthood of Christ. This is why the Church speaks of the “priesthood of all believers,” because when we were baptized we were incorporated into Christ’s priesthood. Each of us is called to exercise our common priesthood within the Church, strengthening and serving each other. The exercise of priesthood means, above all, to serve.

The Church speaks of Jesus as our High Priest, the one who offers himself as the sacrificial animal. Jesus is the priest and victim, offering himself as a sacrifice to God. The priesthood that Jesus exercises is one of self-giving. All those who are called to the priesthood of Christ are called to serve as he did, offering themselves in a spirit of service and love.

This “priesthood of all believers” shouldn’t be confused with the sacrament of Holy Orders, which ordains to the office of bishop, priest, or deacon. These men are called by God and ordained by the Church to exercise the particular ministry of preaching the good news and administering the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. During Mass, the ordained priest represents Christ and also acts on behalf of all the people of God. His sacramental priesthood represents the common priesthood of the whole Church.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, 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)

## 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.



<b>Total Collection Sunday</b>	<b>\$11,783.00</b>
<b>Sunday Envelopes</b>	<b>\$10,523.00</b>
<b>Sunday Loose</b>	<b>\$510.00</b>
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>\$151.00</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>\$8.00</b>
<b>Catholic Courier</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Easter Envelopes</b>	<b>\$380.00</b>
<b>Holy Land</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Catholic Home Mission</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>Ascension</b>	<b>\$95.00</b>
<b>Candle Money</b>	<b>\$46.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Missions</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>0</b>