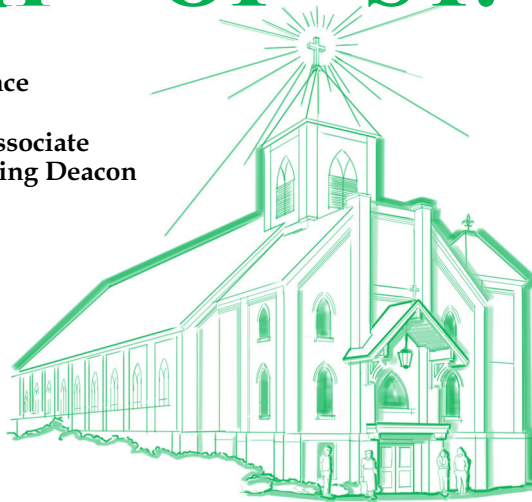


# CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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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**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.

July 5, 2020

*Dear Parishioners,*

During this reopening process, please be informed of the guidelines and protocols **and** be alert to updates and changes as they develop. Information will be available on our website, our Facebook page and informational postings at the Church.

### Instructions & Information for Parishioners

- 1. Attendance at Holy Mass service will be limited to 88 persons at this time (25% of the church's total capacity of 350.) You must sign up, for one of the available weekend Masses: either Saturday Vigil (4:30 p.m.) or Sunday Mass (8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.) You must sign up online at the church's website: [stjeromerochester.org](http://stjeromerochester.org).** As we do not know the level of response, please plan on no more than two weekend Masses per month. Weekday Masses will be Monday through Friday at 7:30 a.m. At this time we no longer require a sign up for daily Masses, but we do ask that if you attend one or more weekday Masses that you consider NOT attending a weekend Mass in order to allow others who cannot attend daily Mass to have an opportunity to attend on the weekend.
- 2. ALL attendees MUST properly wear a face mask or covering at all times (before, during and after the Mass) except for a brief period when receiving Holy Communion. Please bring your own face mask and remember: NO MASK NO ENTRY.** In accord with the current policy of New York State, all persons over the age of 2 years must wear a face covering when in public, this includes church.
- 3. Access to the church will be limited. Please use the doors marked ENTRANCE and EXIT only. Doors will be propped open to limit the need to touch door handles. There will be an usher to assist you if needed. At this time, the basement restrooms and common areas of the church will be closed.**
- 4. Each person must sanitize their hands upon entering and exiting the church. There will be a sanitizing station located at these doors.**
- 5. There will be one public single use restroom, on the main level. Young children must be accompanied.** Parishioners must wash and sanitize hands after restroom use.
- 6. Each person must observe social distancing of at least 6 feet from others who are not from the same household. There will be a limited number of available pews; these will be marked. An usher will be available to assist you. There may also be markings on the floor to assist in maintaining a safe distance when entering the church, processing to receive Holy Communion, exiting the church, etc.**
- 7. There will be NO missalettes available in the future. You may bring your own materials, but remember to take them with you.**
- 8. There will be collection boxes at the entrance and exit doors of the church for contributions. Parishioners may also contribute online.**
- 9. At this time there will be no congregational singing, holding of hands during the Lord's Prayer, or offering of the sign of peace.**
- 10. At the end of the Mass, there will be a final blessing. Following the blessing, the celebration of Holy Communion will begin. If you are NOT receiving Holy Communion, you may exit the church.**

**Please Note:** If you are feeling sick, have a pre-existing health condition, or are at a higher risk for COVID-19 please do not come to church; stay home. Be safe. Stop the spread and help others stay healthy.



Monday, July 6, 2020

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr

7:30 a.m. *George Schropp* by Addison & Glenna Steven

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of The Schofield Family* by Leslie Mills

*Nancy Meng* by Daughter, Terry Meng

*Anna Hartigan* by Granddaughter, Terry Meng

*Anthony Pullano* by Jeanette

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Michael Macaluso* by Richard Lenhard

Thursday, July 9, 2020

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs

7:30 a.m. *Michael Anthony Ross* by Grandparents, Joe & June Ross

Friday, July 10, 2020

Weekday

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

Saturday, July 11, 2020

Saint Benedict, Abbot

4:30 p.m. *For the People of the Parish*

Sunday, July 12, 2020

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. *Rosemary Pomponio* by Teresa Quinzi Willette

10:00 a.m. *Michael Anthony Ross* by Grandparents, Joe & June Ross

*Theresa Calderone* by Knights of St. John Ladies Auxiliary

*Richard Miller* by Judy Miller



# Independence Day Prayer



Heavenly Father, on this holiday weekend, we give thanks to you for the gift and blessing of the freedom we enjoy in our great nation. We praise you, Lord, for inspiring and guiding our founding fathers as they struggled to build our country and create a new way of living with the goal of freedom and justice for all.

We thank you, Lord, for the courageous self-sacrifice and generous spirit of countless people who have given their life's blood in the defense of freedom and for the pursuit of justice. Keep us faithful to the tradition and example we have inherited; may we leave for the next generation a better world, prepared for the dawning of the Kingdom of Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.



## Parish Office Closed

Please note that all **Parish Offices** in the Diocese of Rochester **remain closed**. While most employees are working remotely, emails and calls will be returned as soon as possible but communication should be limited to important or urgent matters due to our present limitations and restrictions.

## 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!

July 5, 2020

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)** Zec 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

That question usually means: “Do you know how important I am?” Reputation, status, and celebrity are extraordinarily significant in today’s society. Vulnerable, unsure beings that we are, we need to be reassured that we are important. And we are important, though usually not the way society might perceive it.

Each of us is unique. Yet our personal uniqueness does not diminish the uniqueness of others, and there’s the rub! So often we think that it does. That’s when we might try to put others down or demand: “Do you know who I am?” Often we don’t really know who we are. This is where humility enters the picture.

In today’s first reading, the king rides on a donkey. He doesn’t need a mighty warhorse to show others his importance or to reassure himself of his royal identity. Nor does he need military armaments like a chariot or bow to establish peace. He is secure with himself. He knows who he is—no more, but no less.

The Gospel portrays Jesus as “meek and humble of heart” (Matthew 11:29). He knows who he is. He is the Son of the Father, sent by the Father to do the will of the Father. All things are in his hands, because he received everything from the Father. He does not have to broadcast this or argue with others to convince them. He knows who he is. He is the Son—no more, but no less.

And what about you? Do you know who you are?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# Dear Padre

July 5, 2020

**Why doesn’t the Catholic Church practice what it preaches and sell off its considerable assets at the Vatican?**

The Catholic Church, the world’s largest charitable organization, has a legacy of ministry to the poor, the sick, and the ostracized. According to Pope Francis, the Church’s real estate, for example, is used “to maintain the structures of the Church and to maintain the many works the Church does in needy countries: hospitals, schools.” Thus, the old adage applies: Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day, but teach him to fish and he’s fed for a lifetime. Similarly, selling the Church’s assets would add to its immediate efforts to assist the poor, but it would prevent the Church from maintaining greater long-term assistance.

Moreover, selling the Church’s patrimony of artwork (such as Michelangelo’s Pietà) into private or corporate hands would deprive future generations the transcendence that comes from praying before a priceless treasure. In 2015, Pope Francis was asked if he ever felt pressure to sell “the treasures of the Church.” He responded that they weren’t the Church’s treasures, but “the treasures of humanity.”

While popes aren’t at liberty to sell what belongs to “humanity,” they generally donate personal gifts to support the needy. Motorcycles, cars, and other gifts to Pope Francis have been given away or auctioned to benefit the poor. On his deathbed, St. John XXIII offered his doctor his fountain pen, saying it was the only thing of value he possessed.

—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)

## 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

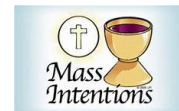
Anthony DiTucci - Grand Knight, 585-727-6881, more info: www.KofC.org

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## 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.



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. We will do our best to accommodate your requested date. Mass Intention donations (\$10) can be made by mailing a check to the Rectory Office.

Collection figures for the week of June 28, 2020 Will be published in a future bulletin.

