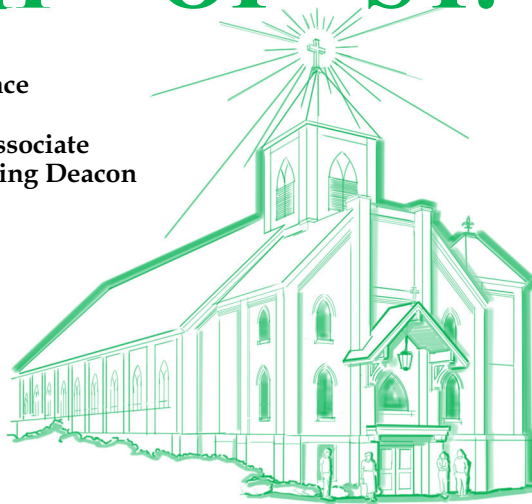


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September 27, 2020

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.

Catholics Care. Catholics Vote.

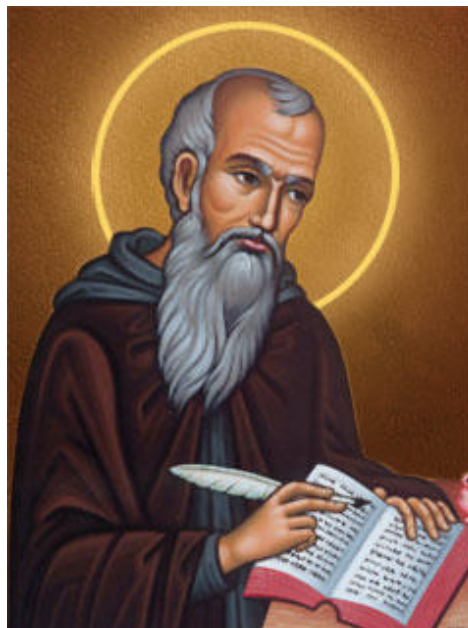
Catholics Care. Catholics Vote. Participate in political life.

In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops remind Catholics about the call to participate in political life. "In the Catholic tradition," they write, "responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (no. 13). Visit www.faithfulcitizenship.org today to read the statement, watch videos, and access other great resources to help us build a better society and world. For reflection: What is the connection between our faith and the desire to change the world for the better?



Mass Intentions

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 paid by mailing a check to the office.



Feast of St. Jerome

The Feast of St. Jerome will be celebrated on **September 30, 2020**. St. Jerome is the Patron Saint of St. Jerome Church born in 347 A.D. and died in 420 A.D. He used his intelligence wisely and learned to read Latin, Greek and Hebrew. He is mainly known for his translation of the Bible from Hebrew and Greek into Latin. This made the Bible assessable to most people throughout the Church. He became a Doctor and was Canonized a Saint of the Catholic Church.

Live the Gospel of *Life*

Prayer Of Saint Jerome For Christ's Mercy

O Lord, show Your mercy to me
And gladden my heart.

I am like the man on the way to
Jericho

Who was overtaken by robbers,
Wounded and left for dead.

O Good Samaritan,
Come to my aid.

I am like the sheep that went astray

O Good Shepherd,

Seek me out and bring me home

In accord with Your will

Let me dwell in Your house

All the days of my life

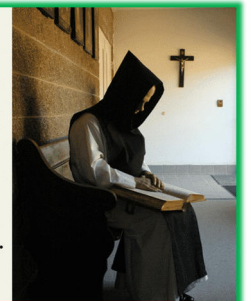
And praise You for ever and ever

With those who are there.

Amen.

WHEN WE
PRAY WE
SPEAK TO
GOD; BUT
WHEN WE
READ, GOD
SPEAKS TO US.

- ST. JEROME -



Private Prayer: Please Note the change to the hours the Church is open for private prayer. The Church will be open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. until further notice.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 28, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Lucia Youngers* by Connie DiBello

Dave & Pam, Happy Anniversary by Toni Parrell

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

7:30 a.m. *Robert Ian Wallace* by Marc Arena

Dominic Quinzi by Jeannette Pullano

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

Saint Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. *For the Priests & Deacons of St. Jerome* by Leslie Mills

Angelo Mike Galante & Nicola Galante, Anniversary Remembrance by Vicky & Family

Thursday, October 1, 2020

Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

7:30 a.m. *Paulina Cayia* by Sheila McGee

Thomas Donnellan by Janine Charleton

Friday, October 2, 2020

The Holy Guardian Angels

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

Anthony Pacilio by Barbara Crane Dorsey

Saturday, October 3, 2020

First Saturday

8:00 a.m. *Rocco Mastrella* by Molly & Tim Shine & Family

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

Sunday, October 4, 2020

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. *Ted Pella* by Sister, Alice

Roger & Felice Morency by Richard & Jacquie Morency & Family

Richard Morabito by Children & Grandchildren

10:00 a.m. *Ross & Carmella Loria* by Family

Mario Fioravanti by Alex & Julie Fioravanti & Family

Lucia Youngers by Veronica & Carmen Posela



A Back to School Prayer

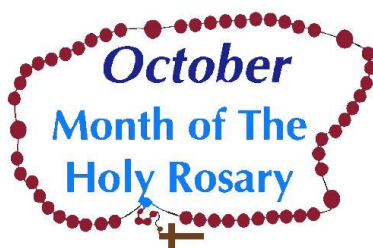
If any school year needed to open with prayer, it is the one we are about to embark upon. Whether or not you have a child or grandchild in school, we invite all to join us in offering this one. We've adapted a Prayer to Begin a School Year found in the book "Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers," published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, to be 2020 specific. Insert the name of a special, personal intention in the blank.

Blessed are you, Lord God, Creator of body and mind and heart; you have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge to guide your people in all their ways.

At the beginning of this new school year, in this time of uncertainty and anxiety, we implore your mercy. Bless and protect our students, teachers, staffs, their families, and especially _____. Give wisdom to the decision makers, be they in our schools or in our homes.

Expand the horizons of our minds, and deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways. Enliven our faith to reach out to those in need, particularly those isolated and lonely.

In these days when so much has changed, help us to trust in the love of your Son Jesus, our Divine Teacher, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.
Amen.



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, **Grace Smith**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.



Good News!

September 27, 2020

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

In the Gospels, Jesus seldom teaches doctrine. Rather, the stories themselves provide examples of how we are to model our lives after him. He was a man for others, a compassionate healer, an understanding friend. As clear as such stories might be, because we can be selfish people, the example they offer us is difficult to follow. If it is hard to follow a man who lived a human life with others, how are we to follow the example sketched by Paul in today's second reading?

Paul declares in Philippians: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (2:5). What attitude is he talking about? Jesus emptied himself of the preeminence that was rightly his as possessing "equality with God" (2:6). He did not demand that they treat him with the reverence and veneration that was due him. Rather, "he emptied himself...he humbled himself" (2:7, 8).

Why does Paul insist on this? It seems the Philippians were having internal problems that were threatening their unity. Various forms of arrogance were tearing them apart: Don't you know who I am? I am a celebrity. I have more money. I know the right people. And who are you? Who do you know? What can you do? These attitudes of arrogance infect our communities even today. To this Paul proclaims: If Jesus, who "though he was in the form of God" (2:6) could empty himself of such dignity for the sake of others, you certainly should be able to put aside your trivial vainglory and be "united in heart" (2:2). Can we?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

September 27, 2020

Where does the tradition of praying with your hands together originate? I pray with my fingers intertwined. Is that acceptable?

According to the Caeremoniale Episcoporum (The Ceremonial of Bishops, 1985), "palms extended and joined together in the front of the breast, with the right thumb over the left in the form of a cross" (CE 107, n. 80) is the correct Catholic hand posture at Mass and prayer.

The origin of praying with hands folded is not known, but there's mention of it in the Jewish Talmud. Historians have also asserted that it's modeled on the practice of citizens in ancient Rome who joined their hands in the presence of rulers to communicate loyalty and submission to that higher authority.

Gestures and postures should allow our whole body to pray, as well as our heart and mind. Moreover, they are expressions of our faith. For example, like the early Christians, we stand during prayer and worship to express our readiness for Christ's return, and as a sign of reverence to hear the gospels. Kneeling and striking the breast are expressions of penitence, humility, and our lowliness before God.

Likewise, at Mass the priest assumes the ancient posture of outstretched arms and hands, slightly elevated, to symbolize surrender in a gesture that reverences Christ's outstretched arms on the cross. When we join hands together in prayer, it's a gesture of supplication and a symbol of total submission to God, our supreme authority.

—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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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 September 20, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$4,505.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$3,296.00
Sunday Loose	\$719.00
Utilities	\$30.00
Postage	\$28.00
Catholic Courier	\$0.00
Campaign Human Development	\$316.00
Candle Money	\$26.00
Church Eastern Europe	\$10.00
Assumption	\$10.00
Easter	\$70.00
Total Attendance	271