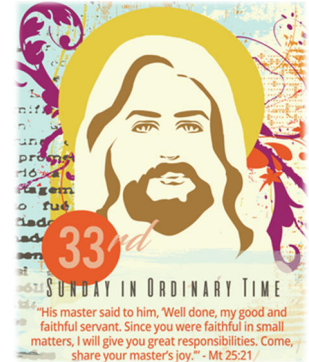
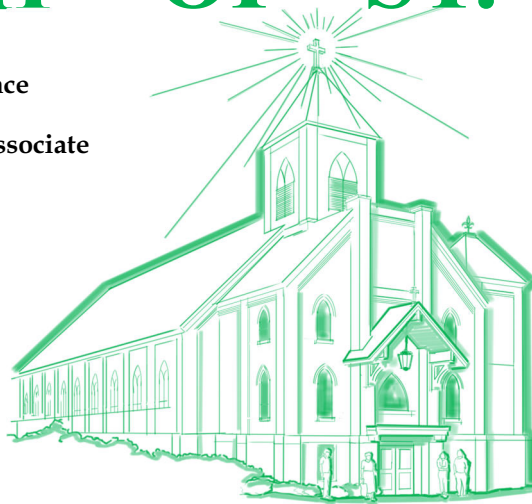


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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November 15, 2020



Thanksgiving Day Liturgy

On **Thursday, November 26th**, we observe one of our most meaningful holidays: **Thanksgiving**. This is a very special time of year to pause and give thanks to God for all God's blessings to us. What better way to begin the day than to gather around the Lord's table to celebrate the Eucharist (which means Thanksgiving). There will be a special **Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 a.m. Prior sign up for Mass is required** for entry. To sign up, go to the Church website: stjeromerochester.org or call the Rectory Office. If you are unable to reach a person in the office, please leave a message and your call will be returned. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we will not be blessing food items this year.



Advent Tree Lighting

The Advent Tree Lighting Service, which is sponsored by the Association of Churches and the Village of East Rochester, will take place on **Sunday, November 29th, at 5:00 p.m.** at Edmond Lyon Park. The location may change due to inclement weather.

The 2020 Giving Tree

This year in place of gift tags on the tree, we are asking for gift cards to Wegmans, Tops and Walmart. The suggested amount is \$25, but can be an amount of your choosing. Teresa Quinzi Willette will maintain the list of clients and knowing them as she does, will match the cards and clients perfectly. As in the past, there have been requests from parishioners for names of entire families. If you wish to sponsor a family, please contact Teresa Quinzi Willette at 586-0525. We ask that cards be returned to Church in the collection box or to the Rectory Office on or before Sunday, December 13th.

Thank you,
The Social Ministry



Catholic Ministries Appeal 2020-2021

HOW AND WHEN YOUR CMA GIFT IS USED

Your gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) is crucial, especially in the midst of the COVID19 pandemic. Donations fund the day-to-day operations of the Diocese of Rochester. Without your generosity, we could not continue to support our parishes, including St. Jerome's and fulfill our mission.

Your donation is utilized immediately for current operations. The CMA supports offices, personnel and ministries that provide assistance and resources to parishes, pastors, parish ministers and Pastoral and Finance Councils through such offices as Safe Environment, Information Technology, Evangelization & Catechesis, Pastoral Services, Finance, Building/Property Management, Stewardship and Communications, the Tribunal and Risk Management. In fact, the CMA funds nearly 60% of the current diocesan operating budget in seven key areas:

- Providing diocesan-wide services to our parishes and institutions.
- Funding the formation of seminarians, deacons, pastoral leaders and vocations.
- Educating youth and young adults in the Catholic faith in our schools, Faith Formation, and campus ministry.
- Serving the poor, the elderly and infirm through Catholic Charities.
- Supporting the ministries of Bishop Matano, the NYS Catholic Conference, USCCB and the Vatican.
- Funding operations & support services of the Pastoral Center, including maintenance and capital improvements.
- Supporting the fundraising efforts of the CMA campaign.

Fr. Leone asks that you make a "pledge" as soon as possible your pledge can be paid in installments through May 2021. Our goal for St. Jerome's is **\$80,090.00**.



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 16, 2020

Saint Margaret of Scotland, Saint Gertrude, Virgin

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

Mary Conners by The Conners Family

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

7:30 a.m. *Bob George* by Milt & Dee Dries

For the Intention of Karen Fazio Murray by Terry Meng

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles

7:30 a.m. *Lucia Youngers* by Rose Visconte

Natalie Paris by Cousin, Vicky

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Mary Ruggieri* by Friend

Friday, November 20, 2020

Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For all Priests and Religious* by Laura & Nick

Saturday, November 21, 2020

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 p.m. *Mary Habberfield* by Mary & Richard Pugliese

James Straton by Steve Werner

Pat & Shirley Scarpino by Sam & Marilyn Morabito

Sunday, November 22, 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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

10:00 a.m. *Susan Quinn* by Husband & Family

Conrad Scheg by Alice Prong & Mary Esty

For the Intention of Janene Loughran by Mom & Dad



Desert Days In Advent

Notre Dame Retreat House is offering "Desert Days in Advent" (5151 Foster Rd. Canandaigua, NY 14424)

Preparing the Way . . . Come, Lord Jesus. Enlighten our minds. Strengthen our wills. Renew our hearts. Live in us, so that we might live in you. This Advent, Notre Dame Retreat House will be offering single days in silence, reflection and prayer entitled "Desert Days in Advent". ALL are invited to join us -- men and women. There will be four dates available to spend time alone with God in order to prepare our hearts and mind for the Birth of Christ in us. Space is limited, so registration is required. (In order to address social distancing requirements and needs, at this time we are limiting attendance on each Advent Day to fifteen (15) people.)

For specifics on dates, retreat format, cost and how to register, please visit: www.notredameretreat.org. Other inquiries, please contact us at 585-394-5700 or ndretreat@rochester.rr.com



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Knights of Columbus C&B

The Knights of Columbus, Saint John Fisher Council is holding our annual Charitable and Benevolent (C&B) raffle ticket sale through Thanksgiving. Proceeds go to fund local and regional Catholic based charities. Top cash prizes are \$25K, \$10K and \$5K. Please support the Knights by buying a book or two. Books are \$10 each and are available at the church exits in individual envelopes. If you still attend mass virtually, call Bill Stewart and he'll be happy to mail you your ticket books - 585-406-3717. Thanks for your support!!!

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.
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!

November 15, 2020

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Prv 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31; 1 Thes 5:1–6 Mt 25:14–30

Ready or Not, Here I Come. As children we called out this chant when playing hide-and-seek. However, it could very well describe the message of two of today’s readings. Paul reminds the Thessalonians that “the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night” (1 Thessalonians 5:2). The Gospel tells a story about a man who returns after a long journey and intends to settle accounts with those whom he put in charge of his household. In both instances, the one returning might cry out, “Ready or not, here I come!” The point of each story: Be ready! But how? The Thessalonians are told they “are children of the light” (5:5). The Gospel suggests what that expression might mean—be responsible for what has been given to you.

In the Gospel, some servants fully use the talents given to them. However, one servant buries what he received. If that was not bad enough, that servant alleged fear of the householder as reason for his lack of initiative. If he knew that the householder was as demanding as he stated he was, he should have realized that his master would expect him to use what had been given. There is no excuse here in refusing to use what was given, nor in blaming the householder.

All of us have been given life, talents, and abilities. We are expected to use them. This is what it means to live fully. Surely we Catholics will be excited, not afraid, when the Lord announces, “Ready or not, here I come!”

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

November 15, 2020

Is it OK to donate my body to science?

Yes, and here is some background. Christ makes possible a new and eternal creation. He “will change our mortal bodies to be like his in glory, for he is risen, the firstborn from the dead” (Order of Christian Funerals, 219). Resurrection, then, is not a return to life as we know it. The body is not a resuscitated one like Lazarus’ (see John 11), but a resurrected one like Christ, transformed and glorified. Christians traditionally revere the body—while alive, and at the time of death—because we are created in God’s image. Some reason that such respect for the body prevents donating it to science, but that’s not the opinion of the Church.

“Catholic health care institutions should encourage and provide the means whereby those who wish to do so may arrange for the donation of their organs and bodily tissue, for ethically legitimate purposes, so that they may be used for donation and research after death” (The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 63).

It’s advisable to make this decision to donate in consultation with family members or health care providers. Many, echoing St. John Paul II, consider such a self-giving act in death “with a view to offering a chance of health and even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope” (The Gospel of Life [Evangelium Vitae], 86) as a supreme manifestation of what it means to be Christian!

—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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Judy Joslin, Religious Education Administrator.
Kevin & Karin Spears, Youth Ministry
Denise Peterson, Secretary
Patrick Vogt, Business Manager
Teresa Galbier, Music Director

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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 November 8, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$8,105.25
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,630.00
Sunday Loose	\$1,583.00
Utilities	\$25.00
Postage	\$33.00
Catholic Courier	\$0.00
All Saints	\$170.00
All Souls	\$135.00
Immaculate Conception	\$20.00
Christmas	\$355.00
Catholic University	\$15.00
Christmas Flowers	\$10.00
Candle Money	\$129.25
Total Attendance	252