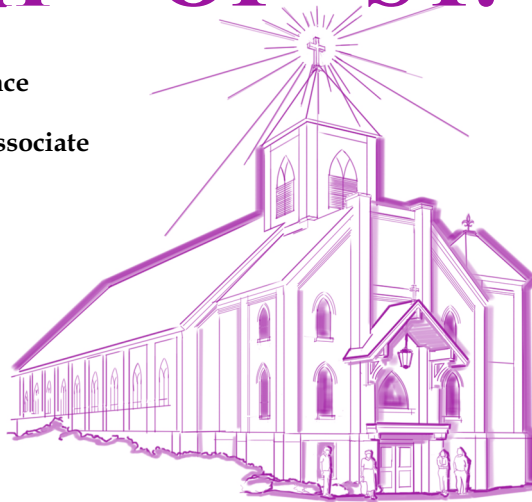


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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

207 Garfield Street
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November 29, 2020



Dear Parishioners,

Beginning **January 1, 2021**, there will be only one intention offered in each of the Masses celebrated daily at St. Jerome Church. This is a change from the practice of having multiple intentions offered at one Mass. The reason for this change comes from the Diocese of Rochester in the person of Chancellor Rev. Fr. Daniel Condon.

I would ask that each person (family) requesting Masses to be said here at St. Jerome, restrict their requests to "three" per year.

If you want more Masses offered I do know priests (retired) who offer Daily Masses where they live. You can be sure your Masses would be said. Also, there are Missionary Orders of priests who gladly accept Mass Intentions and say them as soon as they can. In such cases you may not know when the Masses are said, but you can be sure that they will be said within one calendar year.

Thank you for your patience and acceptance of this change. We must obediently comply with this directive from the Diocese of Rochester. It is in compliance with the very long standing practice of the Universal Church. May God bless you all.

Respectfully,
Father Leone



First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, as we begin this Advent season, we ask you to continue the work of our salvation begun in your Son, Jesus.

Let your blessing come upon us as we light this wreath; turn our hearts to you and grant us the peace and joy for which we long.

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*



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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Holy Day will be **Monday, December 7th, at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday, December 8th, at 7:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.**



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 30, 2020

Saint Andrew, Apostle

7:30 a.m. *Monica Stengel* by Mark Brotzman

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Advent Weekday

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of All Parishioners, Priests, Deacons & Religious of St. Jerome* by Laura & Nick

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Advent Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Vincent Meagher* by The Benjamin Family

Thursday, December 3, 2020

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

9:00 a.m. *Jenny DeCiantis* by Vicky

Friday, December 4, 2020

First Friday

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

Saturday, December 5, 2020

First Saturday

8:00 a.m. *Rev. Anthony Calimeri* by Sister, Helen Napoli

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

Sunday, December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. *Bud & Rosemary Young & Marc Young* by Dave & Kathy Young

Gene Gianforti by Family

Tracy Fontana by Nancy & Bob Perrilleon

10:00 a.m. *Frank Santucci* by Family

Theresa Anderson by Herb & Jackie Allen

Lila Jock by Tony & Jean Orlando



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.notredamere retreat.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



Advent Tree Lighting

Due to the recent Covid-19 directives from the NYS government The Advent Tree Lighting Service, **has been cancelled** for 2020.

CMA Update

Goal: \$80,090.00
Pledged to date: \$37,197.00
Number of Donors: 113
Accomplished 46.44% of our goal.

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 **Carmin Borelli**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.



Good News!

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent (B)

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

Hurry Up and Wait! We've all had this experience. We rush to get ready...and then we wait: at the doctor's office, for a train, at a restaurant. For what do we hurry up and wait this Sunday? Some might say we are waiting for the birth of Jesus. But today's readings don't say this. The first reading describes people waiting for relief from the guilt of their sinfulness. Paul talks about waiting for "the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ" at the end time (1 Corinthians 1:7). The people in the Gospel are waiting for the return of the householder to settle accounts. There's no waiting for Christmas—yet.

For what should we wait if not Christmas? Isaiah tells us to hurry up and change our lives of pettiness, selfishness, and arrogance, and then to wait for the graciousness of God to "rend the heavens and come down" (Isaiah 63:19). Paul tells us to hurry up and embrace "the grace of God bestowed on [us] in Christ Jesus" (1 Corinthians 1:4), and then to wait for the final revelation of his glory. The Gospel tells us to hurry up, be alert and ready for Christ's return, and then to wait for it to happen.

If we don't prepare ourselves for the coming of God in the reality of our own lives, we might not recognize this salvation when it comes. We're not waiting for an event that happened in the past; we are waiting for the grace of God that is calling us into the future. So, hurry up and wait! —Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



Dear Padre

November 29, 2020

My husband of fifty years has no medical issues with his hearing, but he still doesn't listen to me in conversation. How can I feel heard?

I humbly suggest that your husband read this edition of "Dear Padre." You might leave this bulletin someplace where he will see it.

"Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice," wrote Shakespeare in Hamlet. Likewise, the Bible reads, "Everyone should be quick to hear, slow to speak" (James 1:19).

Good listening skills require effort and discipline. Researchers say that only about 10 percent of us listen effectively. Generally, people hear only a fraction of what someone says. Moreover, during an emotional conflict, we tend to hear even less of what another is saying. Nevertheless, Pope Francis said, "We are called to meet others and listen to their life, their cry for help." He called listening "an act of love!" In other words, being available to listen to someone in need is an expression of charity, and being present to others—a spouse, a friend, the bereaved, for example—may actually speak louder than words.

In conversations, people feel heard when their feelings are validated and restated by the listener. But often the listener finds it easier to give advice, fix the problem, or win an argument, than to actively hear what the speaker is trying to communicate. It's advisable to eliminate distractions when someone wants to engage in an important conversation. People don't feel heard when a listener's short attention span wants to resume watching television. Nor do they feel respected during a serious phone conversation while the click of a computer mouse or yawning is overheard!

—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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John Schroth - Grand Knight, 585-202-1673, 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.



Collection for November 15, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$15,900.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$12,050.00
Sunday Loose	\$458.00
Utilities	\$225.00
Postage	\$62.00
Catholic Courier	\$0.00
All Saints	\$10.00
All Souls	\$134.00
Christmas	\$2,860.00
Catholic University	\$25.00
Candle Money	\$76.00
Total Attendance	215