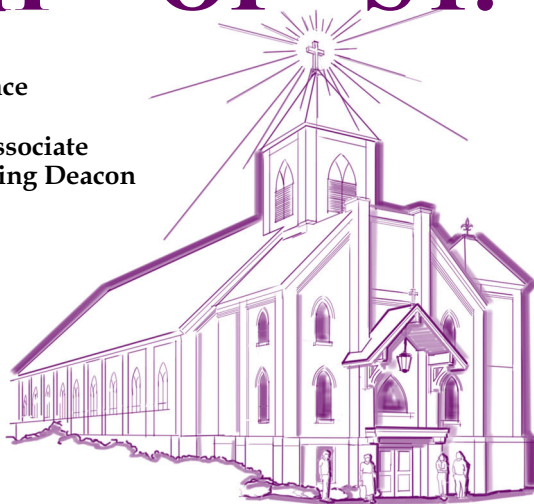


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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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March 8, 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.



Soup & Bread Supper

Our Lenten Soup & Bread Supper is scheduled for **Friday, April 3rd**, from **5:00 to 6:45 p.m.** in the **Church Hall**. The menu for the evening is Cream of Potato, Pasta and Beans, and Minestrone Soup. Free tickets will be available after Mass on **March 21st/22nd and March 28th/29th**. Tickets will also be available at the Rectory. (This is only to get an approximate head count, so we have enough soup and bread.)

A free will offering will be accepted on the night of the supper. All proceeds will be donated to **Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl**.

We are in need of donations of items to make these fabulous soups. The following items would be most welcome, crushed tomatoes (11 large cans), garbanzo beans (12 cans), peas (8 cans), kidney beans (23 cans), canned corn (4 cans) and cannellini beans (12 cans). Several fresh items are also needed 35 lbs. potatoes, 9 bunches of celery and 11 lbs. carrots. Please bring your donations to the work sacristy at Church any time before **Sunday, March 29th**. There will be sign-up sheets for your donations at all exits of the Church this weekend.



Day of Prayer

Join us on **Tuesday, March 24, 2020** for Notre Dame Retreat House's Day of Prayer (Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY 14424)

"Blessed Mother and the Feast of the Annunciation"

Presented by: Rev. William Leone
Pastor of St. Jerome Parish in East Rochester, NY

Fr. Bill has been a priest since 1974. He is a retired military chaplain and a veteran of the Army. The Conference is from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. followed by lunch, free time, confessions and day ends with Mass at 2:00 p.m. There is a \$25.00 fee. Please register by calling 394-5700 or email at ndretreat@rochester.rr.com.

Coffee Hour!

Please join St. Jerome's Parish Life Committee at our monthly coffee hour next **Sunday, March 16th**, after the 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. Masses. Come and join us!

CPR Training for Ushers

CPR Training for **all Ushers** will be take place on **Saturday, March 14th**, from **8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** in the Church Hall.



Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers

Next weekend, **March 14th & 15th**, Maryknoll's Engagement Department, **Deacon Paul Bork** will speak at all Masses and will give our parishioners an opportunity to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ's name and Christ's message to all people. Deacon Paul has traveled to Maryknoll missions across the globe from China to Hong Kong, Mexico and Jamaica. Those who wish will be invited to sign up for Maryknoll Magazine. While at the Parish, Deacon Paul will be happy to talk with parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work as a Maryknoll Priest, Sister, Brother or lay Missioner.



First Communion Meeting

The First Communion meeting will be held on **Saturday, March 21st**, at **10:00 a.m.** in the Church Hall. This meeting is mandatory for parents and children who will be celebrating their First Communion. Anyone interested in learning more about this Sacrament is welcome to attend. Please contact Judy Joslin in the Faith Formation Office at 586-3231 for more information.



Monday, March 9, 2020

Saint Frances of Rome, Religious

7:30 a.m. *For the Intention of St. Jerome Parishioners, Thank you for your prayers please continue* by Toni Parrell

11:00 a.m. *Mass at Parkside, For the People of the Parish*

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Joseph Tocci* by Pat & Joe Monopoli

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Ada Ballatori* by Daughter & Family

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Lenten Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Magda Gonzalez* by Son & Family

Friday, March 13, 2020

Lenten Weekday

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

Saturday, March 14, 2020

Lenten Weekday

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

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. *Paul McCarthy* by Wife & Family

Rosemary & Bob McAuliff by Family

10:00 a.m. *George Joseph, Sixth Anniversary Remembrance* by Family

Antonia & Nicola Galante & Connie & Carmelo Oliveri by Son & Daughter

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, March 9, 2020

4:00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (Hall)

7:00 p.m. - Ladies Auxiliary (Hall)

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. (K-5) (Hall)

7:15 - 8:15 p.m. - Rel. Ed. (6-7) and Confirmation Prep I & II (Hall)

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

6:00 p.m. - Adult Choir (Loft)

K of C Corn Beef Dinner

Fairport Knights of Columbus Council #7085 (COTA & COR) is sponsoring its annual St Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on **Saturday, March 14th, 5-7 PM**, at the Perinton VFW Hall, 300 Macedon Center Rd. (31F), Fairport. Come enjoy a real Irish dinner and be entertained by dancers from Rochester Academy of Irish Dance. Tickets are \$12, (under 5 free) and are available at the door. Proceeds will benefit the many benevolent programs of the Knights, including pro-life initiatives and support for our seminarians.



Lenten Learning: Catholicism Video Series

Through Bishop Robert Barron's Catholicism video series, let's come together to take a journey around the world and deep into the Catholic faith. Learn what and why we believe by exploring our tradition. Gain a better understanding of the impact of our Catholic faith throughout the world. We will meet at St. Jerome's Church at 7:00 p.m. every Thursday during Lent. We will watch an episode of the series before discussing.

Invest an hour and see what happens. RSVP Contact: Brandon Light at 585.465.3329 or spaeaurouge@hotmail.com



K of C Family of the Month

The Knights of Columbus would like to recognize **The Light Family** as our **Family of the Month** for **January 2020**. Brandon organizes the "Light the Lamp" program as well as Bible Study. Their children are heavily involved in sports within the community, including Baseball for Ethan and Soccer for Audrey. Congratulations to the Light Family!"



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 **Rose "Pam" Henry, Loretta Celentano and Patrick Ingram**. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.

Good News!

March 8, 2020

Second Sunday of Lent (A)

Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Today's readings don't seem Lenten. They are uplifting, not penitential. God makes promises to Abram of extraordinary good fortune, political protection, and international status. The man must have been thrilled. Paul reminds Timothy that the life of holiness and blessing to which we have been called is a gift from God; always available to us, and not a reward for any good works we might have performed. And then we hear of Jesus' transfiguration in the sight of a few disciples. They were so overwhelmed by that spectacular experience they wanted to pitch tents so they wouldn't have to leave the place. How are such wondrous ideas penitential?

While God's marvelous blessings are free gifts, we are expected to respond to them appropriately, to accept them and use them for the common good. Abram's blessings were not simply for him and his family. "All the families of the earth will find blessing in you" (Genesis 12:3). His blessings would open a door to others—other nations, other ethnic groups, other religious communities. Abram was not simply chosen by God. He was chosen so that others might be blessed through him.

Timothy was instructed to "bear your share of hardship for the gospel" (2 Timothy 1:8). The blessing might be a gift, but it carried the responsibilities of discipleship. The voice from heaven told the disciples: "Listen to him" (Matthew 17:5). Being chosen by God or having seen the glory of Jesus calls for a change of mind and heart. This change isn't easy to accomplish. It is the reason for penance.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Dear Padre

March 8, 2020

Is the new life that Jesus promises available now for the taking, or is he talking about life in heaven? The transfiguration seems to give Jesus new life and spirit immediately.

I remember preparing an ecumenical prayer service to commemorate the life and work of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. I came across a statement he made on April 3, 1968, the night before he was assassinated. Utilizing the Gospel of Jesus' transfiguration, Dr. King said, "I just want to do God's will. He's allowed me to go up to the mountain....I'm happy tonight. I'm not worried about anything. I'm not fearing any man. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord."

Indeed, Jesus went to the mountaintop centuries ago and was transfigured. In the glory of God's voice and vision, Jesus came back down, fearing no one as he faithfully preached God's word, even as he went to another mountaintop, that of Calvary. Only then, in his moment of obedient death, was God's earthly glory fulfilled in him. "It is finished," he proclaimed (John 19:30). Yet even here, there is still more: the wait in hope and expectation of God's ultimate vindication three days later in the resurrection.

So my hope for you, for me, for everyone, is that we also have mountaintop experiences of God's grace and blessing. Such moments of prayer, obedience, and service are there for the taking whenever we receive God's courage to act with integrity, justice, or forgiveness. Still, the culmination of our own bearings of the cross always awaits its ultimate completion beyond the grave in the kingdom of heaven.

—Fr. James A. Krings

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m..

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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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.

Collection for March 1, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$10,624.63
Sunday Envelopes	\$6,382.70
Sunday Loose	\$1,391.05
Utilities	\$160.00
Postage	\$55.00
Catholic Courier	\$0.00
Ash Wednesday	\$1,151.88
Black & Native American	\$1,289.00
Easter Flowers	\$30.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$5.00
Candle Money	\$160.00
Total Attendance	561

Stations of the Cross

Please join us for the Stations of the Cross at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Fridays during Lent.