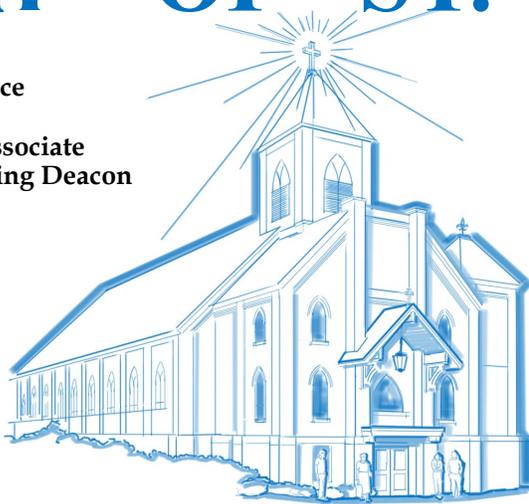


CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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May 10, 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.



A prayer for people who are ill with COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus, and those responding to the pandemic:

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas. We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen

A Prayer for Mothers

All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.

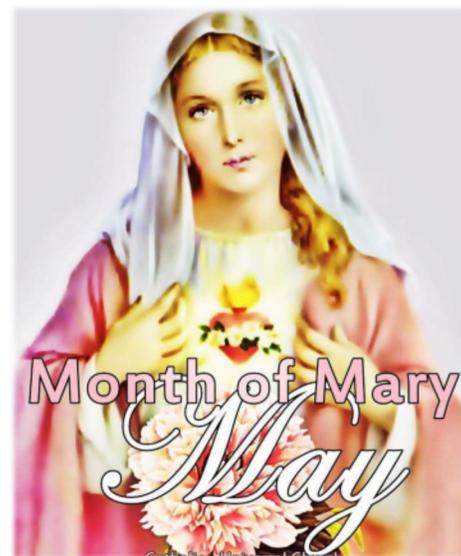
We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.

We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.

We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.

We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.

We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.



May: Month of Mary

It is a centuries-old custom of Catholics to dedicate the month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The month of May is always part of the Easter season, the fifty days we celebrate in the liturgy the Resurrection of Our Lord, a time also of awaiting the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.



Parish Office Closed

Please note that all Parish Offices in the Diocese of Rochester are 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.



Monday, May 11, 2020

Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m. For the Intention of Karen Fazio Murray by Terry

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m. For the Intention of Lisa & Dragan Pastulovic by Lisa

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Our Lady of Fatima

7:30 a.m. Philip Thorpe II by Marc Arena

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Saint Matthias, Apostle

7:30 a.m. Philip Thorpe II by Marc Arena

Friday, May 15, 2020

Easter Weekday

7:30 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 16, 2020

Easter Weekday

4:30 p.m. Pam Henry by Maria Rossi

Yolanda Lamendola by Children

Sunday, May 17, 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

10:00 a.m. Luigi & Rosa Antenucci by Family

Theresa Goodman by Son

Giacinto & Adele Fioravanti by Grandson, Mario Fioravanti & Family

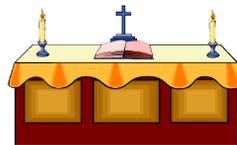


If you would like to remember your loved ones with the celebration of the Eucharist, please leave a message for Denise in the Rectory Office at 586-3231 to schedule a Mass, and a staff member will get back to you. You may wish to have a Mass offered on the anniversary of death, a person's birthday or a significant date in the person's and your life. Although Masses are not currently open to the public, our priests are still offering private Masses for your Mass Intentions every day.



ONLINE COLLECTION BASKET

During these difficult and uncertain times your continued support of St. Jerome's and our vital ministries is most appreciated. We want to thank all of our parishioners who have continued to mail in their envelopes and/or utilized our electronic transfer options. Your generosity will help us to continue serving you and the community. All gifts will be recorded in your name as always. St. Jerome's Contributions can be mailed to: 207 Garfield Street, East Rochester, NY 14445 Or to set up for recurring payments online go to: <http://stjeromerochester.org>



The Mass

To limit the spread of COVID-19, the Coronavirus, all public Masses in the Diocese of Rochester are suspended until further notice effective immediately. Father Leone will be saying Mass privately at the regular scheduled times. All Masses are streamed live on our website. The Church will be open for private prayer Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

As you have been hearing from health officials, we also encourage social distancing if you come to the Church please sit at a distance from others in Church that minimizes exposure.

Confessions will continue on Saturday, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



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!

May 10, 2020

Fifth Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

That is a very profound question, asked by children and adults alike. Answers range from the image of an old man in a white robe with a beard; the all-seeing eye on the back of the dollar bill; “the big guy” up there. Such answers seem frivolous when we think about the dynamic force behind the Big Bang from which evolved everything in the billions of galaxies that we know exist. What is such a God really like?

The disciples were probably not thinking of astrophysics when they asked Jesus about God. Their questions flowed from Jesus’ constant reference to God as Father. That title in itself tells us something about God. It tells us that God, like a father, is the source of Jesus’ being and existence.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that he is about to return to his Father. He also assures them that they also will have a place with the Father. However, like us, they still are not sure what this Father is like. Jesus responds to their lack of understanding and suggests: “Look at me!” His life is lived for others. He is one who cares for those in need rather than walks past them, who forgives rather than condemns, who endures misunderstanding without retaliating, who tolerates the pettiness of others without being snide. Why is it so hard for us to realize that this is what God is really like?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



Dear Padre

May 10, 2020

Are there models I can use to help me better understand what a mother is to do or be?

A great model for mothers is the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Catechism of the Catholic Church uses the titles of Advocate, Helper, Benefactress, and Mediatrix when speaking of Mary (CCC 969). These titles are important in explaining Mary’s special relationship to us, her children. We can also use these titles to show how mothers today can relate to their children and spouses.

Mary encourages us in our efforts to follow Christ. So it is the duty of all mothers to be a guiding presence to their children as they begin to pray and learn to follow the Lord.

As Advocate and Helper, Mary assists us by her own prayer and example. Mary prays for us, and we only have to read Scripture to understand Mary’s example of listening to God. Today’s mothers share the task of praying for their children and spouses. A mother’s example of listening for God can teach her children the importance of seeking God’s will.

As Benefactress, Mary is a patron and invites us to receive the graces that only her Son can bestow. In today’s family, a mother offers a constant stream of love and encouragement to her spouse and children. She is the patron of love, a refuge from the harshness that life can bring.

As Mediatrix, Mary brings people together to be coworkers with Christ in the work of salvation. Also, a mother is a mediator, a coworker with Christ, helping her children and spouse on their journeys toward salvation. Her family is a little church where heaven and salvation are proclaimed. Happy Mother’s Day!

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, 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 May 3, 2020	
Total Collection Sunday	\$8,754.00
Sunday Envelopes	\$7,800.00
Sunday Loose	\$140.00
Utilities	\$10.00
Postage	\$0.00
Catholic Courier	\$0.00
Easter Envelopes	\$430.00
Easter Flowers	\$150.00
Holy Land	\$50.00
Catholic Home Mission	\$45.00
Ascension	\$40.00
Candle Money	\$49.00
Rice Bowl	\$40.00
Total Attendance	0