

# St. Jerome Catholic Church

## October 31 2021

9820 Chapel Road, Waco, Texas 76712 • Church Office 666-7722

### Celebrations

#### Mass + Liturgy Schedule

##### **Weekend Masses— Held in Main Church Sanctuary**

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (Rosary said at 4:25pm)

Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am (Livestreamed) 5:00 pm

##### **Weekday Masses—**

Tues.— Mass 5:30pm

Wed.— Mass 8:30am (Adoration from 5-7pm)

Thurs.— Mass 5:30pm

Friday — Mass 12:15pm

#### Sacraments and Prayer

**Baptism** Every first Monday, 6:30pm-8:30pm. Call the office to Register.

**Reconciliation** Wednesday 6:00pm-7:00pm during Adoration

Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm before 5pm Mass

(All confessions heard in Confessionals by West Entrance)

**Marriage:** Contact Father James at least six months in advance.

**Wedding Coordinator, Ivette Torres.** Email [stjeromewedding@gmail.com](mailto:stjeromewedding@gmail.com) for more info regarding your wedding!

**Anointing of the Sick—** First Friday of the Month after the 12:15pm Mass

**Rosary Third Sunday of the Month** at 8:00am + Friday at 11:45am

**Divine Mercy Chaplet Second Sunday of the Month** at 8:05am & 10:35am

**St. Jerome Columbarium:** [columbarium@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:columbarium@stjeromewaco.org) for more info!

#### **Pastoral Council** [pastoralcouncil@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:pastoralcouncil@stjeromewaco.org)

Ron Woodard	Pedro Reyes	Holly Bennett
Shawn Bailey	Amy Rhoades	Ed Rogers (chair)
Kyle Lewie	Dalene London	John Mayer

#### **Parish Leadership Team**

Raymond Curtice	Deacon Greg George	John Lysaght
Angela Daly	Emily Hunter	
Mark Falsone	Linda Smith	

**Bulletin Deadline:** Noon on Friday. Submissions can be sent to [dec@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:dec@stjeromewaco.org). Submissions will appear for at least 2 weeks.

**St. Jerome LIFEteen/Youth Group:** [stjlife1teen@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:stjlife1teen@stjeromewaco.org)

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday thru Thursday: 8:30am-5pm

Friday: 8:30am-4pm

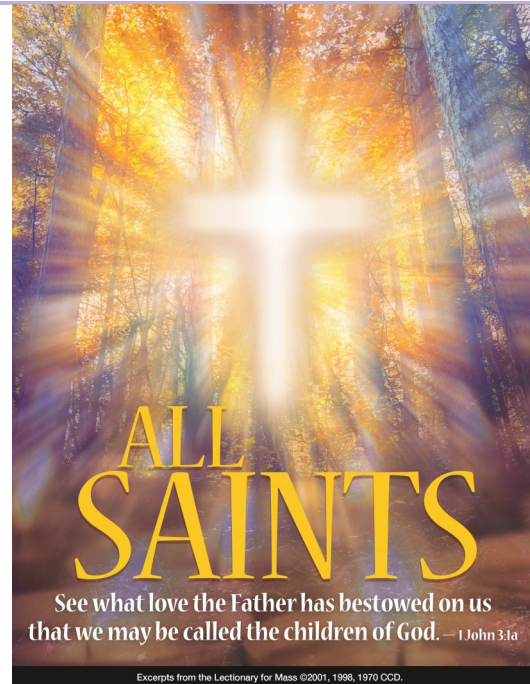
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### **Mission Statement:**

To experience Christ's love and saving presence in our local community.

### **Parish Pastor. Rev. James Ekeocha**

#### **Parish Staff**

Rae Carter, Greg George, Ray Jones, *Deacons*

Whitney Godfrey, *Director, Youth Ministry*

John Lysaght, *Director, Evangelization & Communications*

Carl London, *Operations Manager*

Rita Figueroa, *Administrative Assistant*

Louie Leanos, *Secretary:* [secretary@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:secretary@stjeromewaco.org)

Mark Falsone, *Bookkeeper*

Liz Rogers, *Music Director*

Angela Daly, *Coordinator, Little Lions Ministries*

Betsey Wechter, *Coordinator, Elementary Faith Formation*

Johnathan Godfrey, *Coordinator of Worship*

Eppie Ellis, *Facilities Assistant*



### SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lisa Alcorn, Eileen Bentsen, Elizabeth Berger, Debbie Braswell, Helena Bravo, Paulette Caldwell, Rob Chapman, Patricia Curry, Michael & Lori DiDonato, Debbie Flores, Donna Fitzpatrick, Jacky Fortenberry, Faith Fortenberry, Denne Freeman, Alice Gallagher, Len Gano, Mark Henry, Mike & Ann Marie Hillman, Janet Jenkins, Deacon Ray Jones, Carl & Billie Kathryn Kuhnle, Maggie Kruger, Ray Lyons, Linda McDorman, Michael Moore, Kaisley Noelle Moss, Mary Ann Rodriguez, Kallie Roy, Betsy Schwager, Elly Smallwood, Melissa Reicher, Mike Wardlaw

### Readings for the week of October 31st, 2021

**Sunday:** Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34  
**Monday:** Rev 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 5:1-12a  
**Tuesday:** Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a  
**Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a/Lk 14:25-33  
**Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10  
**Friday:** Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8  
**Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15  
**Next Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44

**Women's Society Craft Expo-** St. Jerome Women's Society is excited to invite you to join us as a vendor in their "Discover Waco Business & Craft Expo". It will be held on Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the Mother Theresa Center. Please contact Glenda Ruiz (281) 216-1859 for more information.

**Diocesan Council of Catholic Women-** Women of St Jerome are invited to the Waco Deanery meeting on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10am at St Mary's Church of the Assumption, 301 S Harrison St. West, TX 76691. This is an informative meeting which includes many parishes around the Waco area. It's a great time to meet other women and learn about what's going on in our diocese. If you would like to attend, please email Amy Rhoades at [womenssociety@stjeromewaco.org](mailto:womenssociety@stjeromewaco.org). Thank you!

**Catholic Services Appeal 2021-** Today we come together as a community of faith to generously give to the Catholic Services Appeal, which supports the important mission and ministries of our diocese. Emerging from a year of challenge, this year we remember how Christ brings light out of darkness. Our annual appeal allows us to care for active and retired priests, help those in need of spiritual and physical compassion, promote a culture of life, encourage vocations, educate our youth and so much more. Our goal is 100% participation. Your gift, no matter how large or small, makes a difference in the lives of those who Christ calls us to love most. Please complete and return your pledge card or make a secure gift online at [austindioocese.org/csa](http://austindioocese.org/csa).

<b>Saturday,</b> 5:00pm	†	<b>October 30th, 2021</b> Janice Ernzen
<b>Sunday,</b> 8:30am 11:00am 5:00pm	† † †	<b>October 31st, 2021</b> For the People Kenneth Thomas Leon Rieger
<b>Monday,</b> 12:15pm		<b>November 1st, 2021</b> Mike DiPrizio
<b>Tuesday,</b> 12:15pm	†	<b>November 2nd, 2021</b> All Souls
<b>Wednesday,</b> 8:30am	†	<b>November 3rd, 2021</b> John McBride
<b>Thursday,</b> 5:30pm	†	<b>November 4th, 2021</b> Travis Schilling
<b>Friday,</b> 12:15pm	†	<b>November 5th, 2021</b> Paul Pierl
<b>Saturday</b> 5:00pm		<b>November 6th, 2021</b> Frank Hardy
<b>Sunday,</b> 8:30am 11:00am 5:00pm	† † †	<b>November 7th, 2021</b> Respect for all Human Life Harry Treese Ben Rafertery

### OFFERTORY & GIFT COLLECTION

	<b>Last Week</b>	<b>Month to Date</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>
Budgeted Goal	16,808	67,262	285,736
Actual Collection	14,370	68,727	*311,366
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2438)	1,495	25,630

\*Includes \$33,571 in gifts for the Coming Home Campaign

**Thank you for your generous support of Saint Jerome Catholic Church. Your Contributions are Vital for our shared Mission as a Parish!**  
**May God bless you, Fr. James**

**Important Dates-**

**October 30-31st (Sat-Sun)-** Catholic Services Appeal, All Masses

**November 1st (Mon)-** All Saints Day

**November 2nd (Tues)-** All Souls Day (Mass at 12:15pm in Grotto)

**November 3rd (Wed)-** New Horizons Meeting, 11:45am in Jordan Hall

**November 5th (Fri)-** First Friday Liturgies

**November 13th (Sat)-** Discover Waco Business Expo,

**New Horizons Monthly Meeting- CHANGE OF**

**MEETING TIME**, Our Next Meeting will be a Brown Bag on Wednesday, Nov. 3rd at 11:45am in Jordan Hall. We will play a trivia game and complete the details for our annual Advent Luncheon in December. See you there!

**All Saints and All Souls Day-** Please be advised that this year, All Saints Day will not be a Holy Day of Obligation. The next Holy Day will be the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th. However, there will be a special Mass said on both All Saints Day and All Souls Day, November 1st- 2nd at 12:15pm. There will be a blessing ceremony at the Columbarium following the Mass for all Souls Day. There will be no 5:30pm on Tuesday.

**St. Jerome Marriage Encounter-** If you and your spouse have been to any Marriage encounter weekend, why not share with other couples in our parish! Our group will meet November 7th at 3pm in the new Bride's room (old nursery) of the Main church building. We will meet every 1st Sunday of the Month. For more info, text Claire Curtice at (512) 809-7389 or [curticefamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:curticefamily@sbcglobal.net)!

**Women's Society News-** Fall has finally arrived! The perfect time for SOUP! Women's Society will be in the narthex after masses the weekends of October 31st and November 7th selling our famous Soup Jars! **\$8 per jar or \$15 for two.** Maybe you need a hostess gift for Thanksgiving or a Christmas gift for co-workers? We have both Fall and Christmas themed jars which make the perfect gift! These Soup Jars were made with love and laughter by the wonderful women here at St. Jerome's. Thank you, Ladies! **Cookbooks for \$12** will also be available. Our next meeting is November 15th, 6:30pm in Jordan Hall.

**EM to the Sick / Homebound Ministry-** If you know of a Catholic parishioner of St. Jerome who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call Joe or Carole Anne Falsone at 254-848-8241 or contact the parish office. ONLY Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion commissioned to take the Body of Christ to the Sick can perform this ministry.

**Arts and Environment Ministry Welcome-** We are very excited to start this new ministry meant to enhance our worship experience here at St. Jerome! Beside decorating for Christmas and Easter, we also keep the Sanctuary flowers and plants fresh year round. We would like to offer the opportunity to parishioners to donate flowers in memory of a loved one for the Ambo and/or the Blessed Mary or Joseph statue. Envelopes are available in the narthex and in the office. Looking forward to creating more beautiful encounters with Christ through this ministry. Feel free to contact Amy Rhoades at 330-634-4068 or Glenda Ruiz at (281) 216-1859.

**World Wide Marriage Encounter-** Fill your hearts with joy by learning how to love your spouse to the fullest on the **Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME)** Experience on Nov 5-7. For more dates, information & to apply go to [austinme.org](http://austinme.org) or contact [wwmeaustin@gmail.com](mailto:wwmeaustin@gmail.com) E

**First of the Month Liturgies-** This Friday, November 5th, we will have both the First Friday Rosary and Anointing of the Sick Liturgy. The Rosary will be said at 11:40am before 12:15pm Mass. After Communion, Father will Anoint the Sick and Suffering in our Parish and Community. If you'd like to attend to be anointed, you will be asked to step forward to be prayed over and anointed. All are welcome to celebrate these beautiful sacraments and Prayers!



- † God Bless Pope Francis;
- † God Bless Bishop Joe Vasquez;
- † God Bless our Pastor, Fr. James, our Deacons and staff;
- † Prayers for our country, president & leaders;
- † Prayers for all of our Sick loved ones and Parishoners
- † Prayers for all the souls in purgatory;
- † Prayers to end abortion;
- † Prayers for the Catholic Church & leaders;
- † Prayers for all those affected by Covid-19, those afflicted, their caregivers and doctors, first responders and loved ones.
- † For all those suffering from the effects of Natural Disasters
- † Please pray for my daughter's continued healing
- † For my father in law who is struggling with his illness
- † Daughter- Mental Health, Good relationships
- † Son- Make good choices and grow to be a godly man
- † Husband back to sacraments
- † C- Back to church and God
- † Sarah- good moral life choices
- † Uncle D- Repose of his soul
- † Good Physical and Mental Health
- † Son Nick and Alannah- good health, faith, happiness and guidance. Daily Thanksgiving.
- † Repose of the soul of brother Robert S.
- † Baby John's surgery and recovery.
- † Joyce's grandchildren
- † Thanks for a successful surgery, prayers for a restful recovery
- † For all of our health