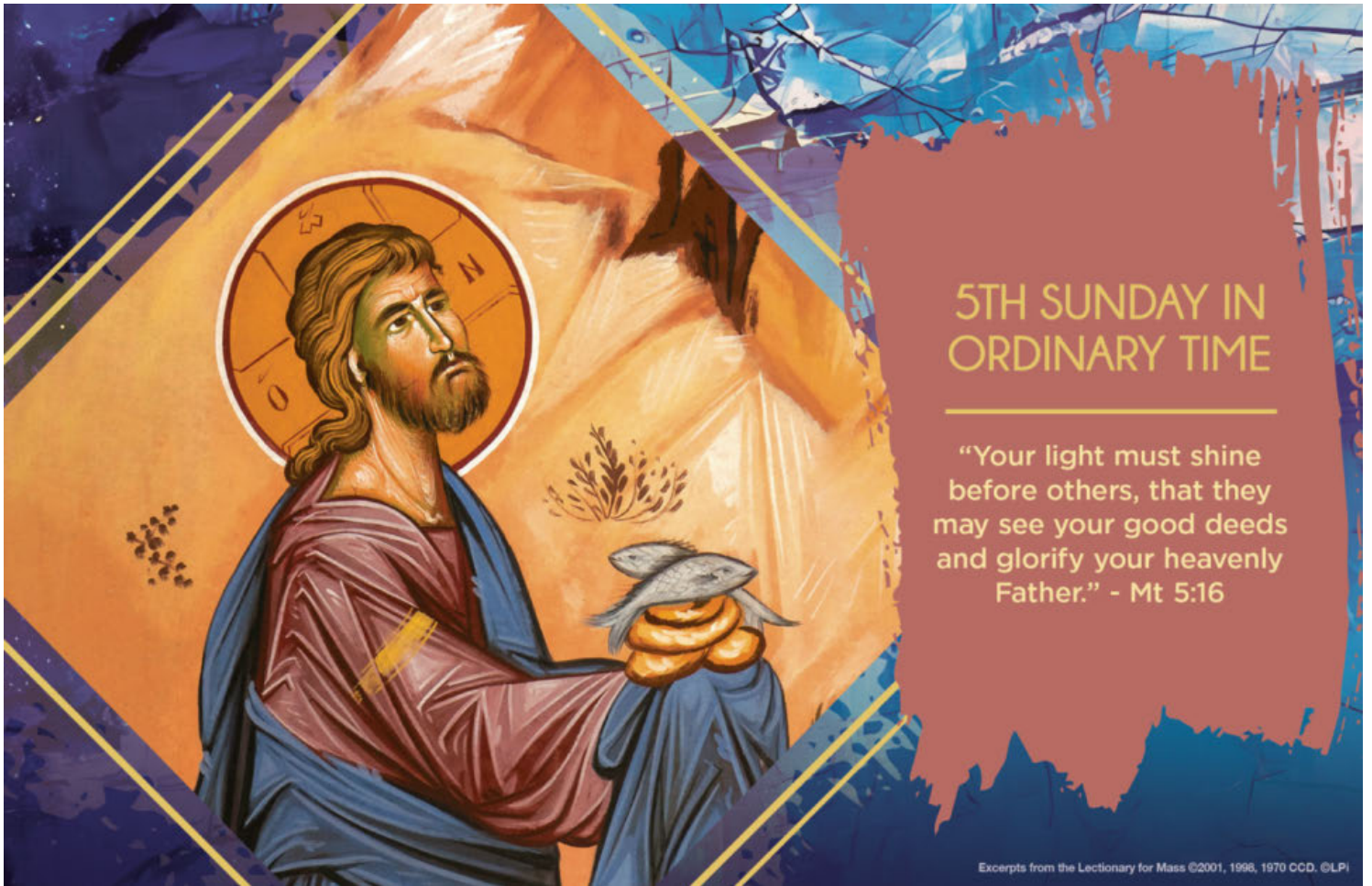




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CATHOLIC CHURCH | FEBRUARY 5, 2023



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Your light must shine
before others, that they
may see your good deeds
and glorify your heavenly
Father.” - Mt 5:16

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Parish office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday Closed

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Weekend Masses

Saturday - 5:00pm (Rosary 4:25pm)
Sunday - 8:30 am, 11:00 am (Livestream), 5:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - 5:30 pm, Wednesday - 8:30 am
Thursday 5:30 pm, Friday - 12:15 pm
First Saturday - 7:50 am (Grotto)

Reconciliation

Wednesday - 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
Saturday - 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

Adoration

Wednesday - 5:00 pm-7:00 - Sanctuary

SPIRITUAL LIFE

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, READINGS AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 4

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,
6/Mk 6:30-34

5:00 pm † Vicki Gonzales

Sunday, February 5

Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 2:1-
5/Mt 5:13-16

8:30 am Georgi Lomenzo

11:00 am For the people

5:00 pm † Andrew Bouchard

Monday, February 6

Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and
35c/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday, February 7

Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

5:30 pm † John D. Leanos

Wednesday, February 8

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-
30/Mk 7:14-23

8:30 am † Victoria Daniel

Thursday, February 9

Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30

5:30 pm Monica Mendez

Friday, February 10

Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37

12:15 pm Christina Pando Chavarin

Saturday, February 11

Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk
8:1-10

5:00 pm Living & deceased members
of the Joe & Lillie Matus Family

Sunday, February 12

Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

(1b)/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-
28, 33-34a, 37

8:30 am † Joyce Tynes

11:00 am Caroline & Buzz Coleman

5:00 pm For the people

IN OUR PRAYERS

Mary Acton, Eileen Bentsen, Elizabeth Berger, Debbie Braswell, Helena Bravo, Frank Burns, Deacon Rae Carter, Paulette Caldwell, Rob Chapman, Michael & Lori Di Donato, Donna Fitzpatrick, Connie French, Jacky Fortenberry, Faith Fortenberry, Denne Freeman, Mark Henry, Clare Henderson, Mike & Ann Marie Hillman, Janet Jenkins, Deacon Ray Jones, Carl Kuhnle, Maggie Kruger, Ray Lyons, Linda McDorman, Michael Moore, Kaisley Noelle Moss, Melissa Reicher, Mary Ann Rodriguez, Kallie Roy, Kathy S., Elly Smallwood

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Saints and Popes have frequently encouraged Catholics to grow in holiness through regular spiritual direction. Spiritual Directors in our parish have undergone years of special training, are approved by the Diocese of Austin, and are available to meet with you. Our parish spiritual directors are Deacon Rae Carter, Joan Gawrych, JoAnn Greenwood, Rhagan Hyypio Nuñez, Marcia Morrissey, Bill Moyer, Rose Moyer, and Mike Smith. Contact them individually or send an email to: spiritualdirection@stjeromewaco.org.

FAITH SHARING GROUPS

If you want to join a group, please call the Parish office at (254) 666-7722.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Scripture Study

Fall Scripture Study is held every Wednesday, in A&J Hall, from 7 - 8:30 pm. Classes are also available via Zoom. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Greg George at retchap13@gmail.com or phone 254-424-3061

RCIA

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?
Are you an adult needing a Sacrament(s)?
Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith.
Faith? Join our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.
Contact: Bill Moyer 254-722-8523

That Man Is You

A new semester has begun. Doors to Jordan Hall open at 5:50 a.m. For more information, check our website at <https://stjeromewaco.org/that-man-isyou> or Contact Bill Leek at 254-716-3416

The Sanctuary Candle is
burning for Michael Martinez

PRAYER REQUESTS

God Bless Bishop Joe Vasquez;
 God Bless our Pastor, Fr. James, our Deacons, and staff;
 Healing prayers for Melinda Tiger who is suffering from Covid;
 Healing prayers for Clare Henderson;
 Prayers for Sylvia Grisham for her health. Prayers for Tim Collier & his family;
 Prayers for good health for my children & family;
 Prayers for the Stanfill family;
 Pray for the soul of Earnest Garth;
 Rest in peace, Jean;
 Pray that my mother-in-law recovers from Covid;
 Thank you, Jesus for answered prayers;

Prayers for my family member who is recovering from a serious health condition. Strength for the long journey;
 Prayers for my children & grandchildren's health & mental well-being;
 Prayers for all with Covid. May they heal quickly;
 Alan N, continued improvement with his heart condition and other health issues;
 My husband and I have less stress & more love for each other;
 Pray for Kim & Greg's marriage counseling. Pray for unity in Jesus Christ;
 Positive test results this week and safe travels for Mary Schellnut.

COLLECTIONS

	Last Week	01/22/2	Month-To-Date	Fiscal Year
Budgeted Goal	18,365	18,365	91,827	569,327
Actual Collection	17,279	15,863	100,321	653,203
Surplus / (Deficit)	(1,086)	(2,502)	8,494	83,876

Mother Teresa Center Debt Reduction: 165,140 as of January 15, 2022.

GIVE ONLINE TODAY!

<https://www.osvhub.com/stjeromewaco/giving/funds>

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

CALENDAR

Saturday, February 4, 2023

Prison Ministry Speaker: Dcn Tim Hayden

7:00 am First Saturday Mass
 11:00 am Young Adult Ministry, MTC Youth Rm
 4:25 pm Rosary, Sanctuary

Sunday, February 5, 2023

Prison Ministry Speaker: Dcn Tim Hayden

Building Fund Collection
 9:45 am Breakfast Café
 2:00 pm Game Day, A&J Hall
 3:00 pm Marriage Encounter, Bride's Room
 6:15 pm Life Teen Night

Monday, February 6, 2023

8:00 am Classical Conversations
 5:30 pm Cub Scouts, A&J Hall
 6:30 pm Special Need Ministry, Jordan Hall
 6:30 pm Prison Ministry Session, Bride's Rm
 7:00 pm BSA Girls, Raphael Hall
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Brooks Hall
 7:00 pm Catholic Men's Holy Hour, Sanctuary
 7:00 PM Waco Catholic Moms Group, Jordan Hall

Tuesday, February 7, 2023

8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
 11:45 am New Horizons, Jordan Hall
 1:00 pm Card Ministry, Altar Servers Room
 6:00 pm ACTS Retreat Planning, Raphael Hall
 6:30 pm PLT, Bride's Room

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

9:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
 8:30 am Meals on Wheel
 5:00 pm Adoration, Ave Maria Chapel
 6:00 pm Confessions, Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Edge, MTC
 6:00 pm StJ Kids, Brooks Hall
 6:15 pm RCIA, Ave Maria Chapel
 6:30 pm Confirmation, MTC
 6:30 pm Life Teen Deeper, MTC Youth Rm

Thursday, February 9, 2023

8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC Kitchen
 6:15 pm SSVdP Meeting, A&J Hall
 7:00 pm Pastoral Council, Jordan Hall

Friday, February 10, 2023

8:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
 8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
 5:00 pm Cub Scouts Derby Setup, Brooks Hall

Saturday, February 11, 2023

Guest Speaker: Rob Rogers

8:00am Cub Scouts Derby, Brooks Hall
 4:25 pm Rosary, Sanctuary

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Guest Speaker: Rob Rogers

Catholic Higher Education Collection

9:45 am Pancake Breakfast, Brooks Hall
 8:00 am/10:30 am Divine Mercy Chaplet
 12:15 pm New Parishioner Luncheon, A&J Hall

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Horizons Meeting

The February New Horizons meeting will be a Pot Luck Lunch at 11:45 am on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 in Jordan Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Our speaker will be Jennifer Villalpando from Isaiah 117 House.

New Parishioner Luncheon

We invite our new parishioners to a luncheon on Sunday, February 12 after the 11:00a Mass. Please RSVP to the Church Office, 254-666-7722.

Catholic Men's Holy Hour

Join us on February 6, 2023 at 7:00 pm for our Catholic Men's Holy Hour in our sanctuary.

Worship List

On behalf of the Worship Office, please consider the purchase or contribution of one of the following items:

Chasubles	Incense
Dalmatic	Liturgical Items and Other Items
Altar Linens	Bibles

Meals On Wheels Volunteers Needed!

There is a great demand in Hewitt for hot meal delivery to the elderly. Please consider your time to this beloved ministry. If you are interested, please contact David Gonzales (254) 744-7816.

Caret President's Day BBQ

February 19th | 11:00a to 2:00p
Crestview Church of Christ
7129 Delhi Road, Waco, 76712

There will be BBQ Plates and baked goods for sale to benefit Waco's Pro-Life Pregnancy Center.

Pastoral Advisory Council Discernment

Would you or someone you know in the Parish like to join our Council? This is an advisory council, lead by the Holy Spirit, to assist Father James. Those on the council are servants to the parish, bringing concerns and suggestions from parishioners to the council as well as supporting the various ministries. We are looking for several new members to join for a 3-year term. Now is the time to prayerfully consider joining or nominating someone. Qualified candidates should be at least 18 years old, Baptized and an active member of the parish for 1 year. Details on the process will follow in the coming weeks.

PLEASE NOTE - DATES HAVE CHANGED:

Orientation will be February 28th and discernment will be March 16th. Please keep those considering in your prayers! Thank you! For nominations contact Amy Rhoades at pastoralcouncil@stjeromewaco.org.

Virtus Online - Protecting God's Children

Please take a moment to log into the new system using your old EIM login information to check your status. If you are new to the EIM process, please sign up for a new account. Log on to virtusonline.org.

Seeking Voices for Solemn Vespers!

Vespers is the Evening Prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church's official prayer, and the highest form of prayer after the Mass. It is an ancient, structured way of praying Scripture throughout the day, focusing especially on the Psalms. Evening Prayer offers thanksgiving for the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God. When prayed with others, or "in choir," one side sings or chants while the other listens in an alternating fashion. With this pattern, we proclaim God's word and then receive God's word as it is sung back to us. We are looking for singers to begin a monthly Vespers hour of worship with Adoration each 3rd Thursday of the month. If you would like to be a part of this sacred tradition at St. Jerome, please contact Liz Rogers, liz.jean.rogers@gmail.com.

Vespers will be held on Thursday, February 16th at 6:30pm in the sanctuary.

The Life Teen Mass

The Life Teen Mass is seeking an acoustic guitarist and a bass player! If you play one of these instruments the Sunday 5pm Mass has need of your talents. Please consider offering your gifts to aid our community in worship. Contact Bill Sharp for more information at (254)-855-4564.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Jerome Conference has been established and is now accepting any neighbors in need. The assistance phone number is 254-214-7493. If you have any questions or are considering joining this ministry, please contact Bobby Jetelina or Joe Falsone (ssvdp@stjeromewaco.org).

Items needed:

Laundry Detergent, Dishwashing Soap, Liquid Hand Soap, Household Cleaners, Women's Feminine Pads, Girl's clothes size 5 shirts & pants & size 14-16 shirts & pants, Boy's clothes size 3 shirts & pants, size 5 shirts & pants, size 7-8 pants, size 14-16 pants

11th Annual Catholic Men's Conference

February 18, 2023
8:00 AM-4:00 PM
San Jose Parish
2435 Oak Crest Ave
Austin, TX
Register online at centexcatholic.com

Shrines of Mexico

Led by Deacon Robin Waters, starting Sunday, March 5th, 2023. This Catholic Faith journey will take you to the heart of Mexico's vibrant faith and culture. For more information, contact: Glenda Ruiz (281) 216-1859 for more information.

ST. JEROME STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Fr. James Ekeocha Pastor

Parish Staff

Deacons Rae Carter, Greg George, Ray Jones
Carl London, Operations Manager
Mary Coleman, Administrative Manager
Rita Figueroa, Administrative Assistant
Louie Leanos, Communications
Mark Falsone, Bookkeeper
Liz Rogers, Music Director
Angela Daly, Little Lions Ministries
Whitney Godfrey, Youth Ministry
Betsey Wechter, Elementary Faith Formation
Kathy Liro, Worship Coordinator
Eppie Ellis, Facilities Assistant

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PARISH CONTACTS & INFORMATION

Marriage: Contact Father James at least six months in advance.
Wedding Coordinator: Ivette Torres: stjeromewedding@gmail.com
Anointing of the Sick: First Friday of the Month after the 12:15 pm Mass
Rosary: Every Saturday at 4:25, the Third Sunday of the Month at 8:00 am,
First Friday of the Month at 11:30 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Second Sunday of the Month at 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Faith Formation

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St. Jerome Kids: Betsy Wechter, 254-666-6222, stjkids@stjeromewaco.org
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Scripture Study: Deacon Greg George, 254-424-3061, retchap13@gmail.com
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Feed My Flock Ministry: Joe Falsone, 254-848-8241, Mike Kelly, 254-644-2272
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Funeral Planning: bereavement@stjeromewaco.org

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