



ST. JEROME

CATHOLIC CHURCH | MARCH 26, 2023



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am
the resurrection and
the life; whoever
believes in me, even
if he dies, will live."
- Jn 11:25

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Parish office Hours

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

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Mission Statement

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

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 - 7:30 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

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, READINGS AND INTENTIONS

SPIRITUAL LIFE

IN OUR PRAYERS

Saturday, March 25, 2023

Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

9:00 am George Gawrych
Fr. Andrew Gawrych
5:00 pm Barbara Williams

Sunday, March 26, 2023

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
(7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

8:30 am † Wilfred & Hazel Lohse
11:00 am Roxanne Lopez
5:00 pm For the people

Monday, March 27, 2023

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

5:30 pm Bob Kondrath

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

8:30 am Kathy Steighner

Thursday, March 30, 2023

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

5:30 pm † Socko Torres

Friday, March 31, 2023

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42

12:15 pm † Jacques Emil Monast

Saturday, April 1, 2023

Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

5:00 pm † Elaine Whitehill
Lynn Whitehill
Sylvester Wrocklege

Sunday, April 2, 2023

Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

8:30 am † Joyce Marie Nesmith
11:00 am † Pat Tomchesson
5:00 pm For the people

Mary Acton, Eileen Bentsen, Elizabeth Berger, Debbie Braswell, Helena Bravo, Frank Burns, Deacon Rae Carter, Paulette Caldwell, Rob Chapman, Marsha Cudlepp, 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, Jude Kirklin, Maggie Kruger, Ray Lyons, Linda McDorman, Michael Moore, Kaisley Noelle Moss, Melissa Reicher, Mary Ann Rodriguez, Kallie Roy, Kathy S., Elly Smallwood, Barbara Williams

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

The role of the Spiritual Director is to guide more than direct and to help you discern the movements of the Holy Spirit in your everyday life.

Our parish spiritual directors are Deacon Rae Carter, Joan Gawrych, JoAnn Greenwood, Rhegan 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

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?
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-is-you> or Contact Bill Leek at 254-716-3416

The Sanctuary Candle
is burning for Socko Torres

PRAYER REQUESTS

God Bless Bishop Joe Vasquez;	Prayers for all the sick;
God Bless our Pastor, Fr. James, our Deacons, and staff;	Good health, happiness, guidance & faith for my son, Nick & Alannah;
Prayers for a successful procedure on March 23rd;	Daily thanksgiving;
Successful semester for G.;	Better health for my sister, M. H.G. and J. P. S., and our family;
Help with anxiety & depression for D. & G.;	God bless us for our plumbing issues;
Prayers that my son finds his way in life and makes good choices;	Prayers for the Spanish ACTS Retreat Team;
Prayers for my husbands' health;	All special intentions, cancer patients;
Success in my job;	Tommy T.,
Prayers that Andy finds a job;	Parkinson's, D.R., Cancer,
Happiness & loving relationship for S.;	Team G, Special attention, G Family, Find God this Lent;
Prayers for good test results	Linda & MH, return to the church
Special intentions, daughters' safe travels, parents' health, our finances, my job, upcoming race, husbands' health;	Gene & Shirley, health
	Pray for my family.

COLLECTIONS

	Last Week	Month-To-Date	Fiscal Year
Budgeted Goal	18,365	55,096	697,884
Actual Collection	19,389	70,275	809,126
Surplus / (Deficit)	1,024	15,178	111,242

Mother Teresa Center Debt Reduction: \$155,255 remaining as of February 24, 2023.

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, March 25, 2023

9:00 am Scout Event, MTC
9:00 am **Annunciation of the Lord, Sanctuary**
10:30 am Anderson Funeral, Sanctuary
12:00 pm Baptism, Sanctuary
4:30 pm Rosary, Sanctuary
6:30 pm Spring XLT, MTC

Sunday, March 26, 2023

8:30 am RCIA Scrutiny, Sanctuary
9:45 am Breakfast Café, Brooks Hall
11:00 am RCIA Scrutiny, Sanctuary
6:15 pm Life Night, MTC

Monday, March 27, 2023

8:00 am Classical Conversations, Brooks Hall
11:00 am Mercy Week Confessions, Sanctuary
5:30 pm Cub Scouts, A&J Hall
6:00 pm Choir Practice, Sanctuary
6:30 pm Special Needs Ministry, Jordan Hall
7:00 pm BSA Girls, Raphael Hall
7:00 pm Boy Scouts, Brooks Hall

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
11:00 am Mercy Week Confessions, Sanctuary
12:30 pm PLT, Bride's Room
3:00 pm Triduum Mass Review, Bride's Room
6:45 pm Lent by Candle Light Service, Sanctuary

Wednesday, March 29, 2023

8:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
11:00 am Mercy Week Confessions, Sanctuary
5:00 pm Adoration, Ave Maria Chapel
6:00 pm Confession, 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, March 30, 2023

8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC Kitchen
11:00 am Mercy Week Confessions, Sanctuary
7:00 pm Shrines of Italy Meeting, A&J Hall

Friday, March 31, 2023

8:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
8:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
5:00 pm Adoration & Confession, Sanctuary
5:30 pm Foster Date Night, Brooks Hall
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross, Sanctuary
6:45 pm Soup & Sacrifice, Jordan Hall

Saturday, April 1, 2023

7:00 am First Saturday Mass, Grotto
11:00 am Young Adult Ministry, MTC Youth Rm
4:30 pm Rosary, Sanctuary

Sunday, April 2, 2023

8:30 am RCIA Scrutiny, Sanctuary
9:45 am Breakfast Café, Brooks Hall
11:00 am RCIA Scrutiny, Sanctuary
6:15 pm Life Night, MTC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annunciation Mass

Saturday, May 25, 2023
9:00 am

Lost & Found

We have a collection of items that have been found in the church in the last year. Please call the office if you are missing glasses, rosaries, prayer books, or other items. We will donate these items at the end of the month.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday
5:00 pm Adoration & Confession
6:00 pm Stations of the Cross
Soup & fellowship in Jordan Hall after the Stations.

Lent by Candlelight

"WITH THE LORD THERE IS MERCY AND FULLNESS OF REDEMPTION."

Our Lent by Candlelight service will be on Tuesday March 28 at 6:45pm in the sanctuary. This is a spiritual experience combining beautiful repetitive chants and scripture reading with private prayer and meditation. It is done in a darkened church with candlelight playing on the marble and gold creating a peaceful setting. Take this time to create a space in your heart for the Lord's mercy.

Worship Wish List

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

Chasubles	Incense	Paschal Candle
Dalmatic	Liturgical Items and Other Items	
Altar Linens	Bibles	

New Horizons Meeting

The April New Horizons Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13 at 11:30 am at Our Breakfast Place restaurant, 4600 Franklin Ave #100. We will meet in their meeting room, entrance in the back and to the left.

Meals On Wheels Volunteers Needed!

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

May Fest at St. Jerome

Saturday May 6, 2023

We need event planners who will work in the planning and coordinating of our festival weekend planned for May 2023. We would also like to include hospitality ambassadors in the planning stage. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Jeff Bauer at 254-744-5824 or email jabauer@grandecom.net.

Lenten Confession Schedule

St. Mary's Waco, March 27, 6:00pm
St. Louis, Waco, April 7, 7:30 am-4:30 pm

Mercy Week Schedule (Penance Service)

St. Jerome Waco, 11am-12:00pm, March 27-30
St. Louis, Waco, 5:30pm, March 27-31
St. Mary's, Waco, 6:00pm-7:00pm, March 27-31
St. Peter's Waco, 4:30-5:20pm, March 27-31

St. Jerome 2023 Lenten Project

The St. Jerome 2023 Lenten project will be two fold this year: Village Angels Medical Mission in Nigeria and Easter meals through Jubilee Market (similar to the Thanksgiving project).

Village Angels help to support a rural medical clinic both financially and thru a volunteer initiative of doctors, physician assistants, and nurses. The Easter meals will provide a full meal of ham, and fixings for families in need. A \$50 contribution will provide a meal, but any amount is greatly appreciated.

Both projects will continue throughout Lent and culminate on Palm Sunday. Additional information will be available each weekend in the foyer. Thank you for your past support and prayers for our success with these projects.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships

The Knights of Columbus 13005 Assembly is offering four \$500 Scholarships to graduating seniors. The application is available online at tinyurl.com/mwppc3hy. The deadline for submitting the application is Friday April 7, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

A scholarship is being offered by the J.J. Kearns 4th Degree Assembly 1109 to graduating Catholic seniors in the Waco area. Application forms are available in the foyer of the church. The deadline is April 14 at 4:30 pm.

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.

Shrines of Italy

Shrines of Italy Presentation Thursday 3/30/23 @ 7:00 PM Mother Teresa Center—A&J Hall 9820 Chapel Rd; Waco Texas 12-Day Shrines of Italy Tour Oct. 2-13, 2023 Rome, Monte Cassino, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant' Angelo, Lanciano, Loreto, Assisi and Florence (Includes: Papal Audience, Scavi and Wine Tasting Tour). Hosted by: St. Jerome Women's Society

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
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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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