



ST. JEROME

CATHOLIC CHURCH | SEPTEMBER 3, 2023



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For the Son of Man
will come with his angels
in his Father's glory,
and then he will repay all
according to his conduct."
- Mt 16:26-27

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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 (Ave Maria Chapel), Wednesday - 8:30 am
Thursday - 5:30 pm (Ave Maria Chapel), 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 - Ave Maria Chapel

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SPIRITUAL LIFE

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE, READINGS AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 2, 2023

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

7:30 am Sharyl Kanoza

5:00 pm † Mike Romano

Sunday, September 3, 2023

Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

(2b)/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

8:30 am † Barbara Williams

11:00 am † Joe Bob Gough

5:00 pm For the people

Monday, September 4, 2023

1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

5:30 pm † Carol Treese

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

8:30 am † Neva Walker Amyett

Thursday, September 7, 2023

Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

5:30pm † Jonathan Lopez

Josie Lopez

Friday, September 8, 2023

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab,

6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

12:15 pm Kristina Valedex

Saturday, September 9, 2023

Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

5:00 pm † Helen Eplert

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom

13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

8:30 am † Maria Sliva

11:00 am † Angela Scanlon

5:00 pm For the people

The Sanctuary Candle
is burning for Helen Eplert

IN OUR PRAYERS

Mary Acton, Eileen Bentsen, Elizabeth Berger, Debbie Braswell, Helena Bravo, Frank Burns, Paulette Caldwell, Rob Chapman, Peter & Claire Curtice, Michael & Lori Di Donato, Donna Fitzpatrick, Connie French, Jacky Fortenberry, Faith Fortenberry, Elizabeth Gersch, Mark Henry, Mike & Ann Marie Hillman, Kathy Husak, Janet Jenkins, Deacon Ray Jones, Maggie Kruger, Linda McDorman, Michael Moore, Kaisley Noelle Moss, Melissa Reicher, Mary Ann Rodriguez, Kallie Roy, Kathy S., Freddy Shellnut, Elly Smallwood, Chelsea Spivey,

Spiritual Direction

A Spiritual Director meets with you periodically and journeys with you as you grow in your relationship with God. These one-on-one sessions usually last about an hour, are flexible to your schedule and are confidential. 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.

Scripture Study

Wednesday evening Scripture will resume on August 23, 2023 from 7 – 8:30 pm in Mother Teresa Center and also on Zoom. All are invited to participate. You don't have to be a Scripture Scholar to attend. This is a Lectionary study in which we explore and survey the upcoming Sunday Mass readings with lively discussions to see how we can live these scriptures in the here and now. Study materials will be provided. You just have to show up! Please contact Deacon Greg George at 254-424-3061, or email at retchap13@gmail.com for more information or if you have questions.

RCIA

If you feel God is calling you to join the Catholic faith through the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation, let's have a conversation! The process of preparing adults for these sacraments is called RCIA, and it begins with a conversation with someone on our RCIA team. The process includes individualized preparation, discipling within our active parish community, and accompaniment by a sponsor. Begin at any time by contacting us at adultfaith@stjeromewaco.org.

Vespers Service

An evening of Prayer, Worship, and Adoration. Every third Thursday of the Month at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

"Experience Christ to Build His Kingdom" Offertory Renewal

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to St. Jerome. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, an email will go out to you with a link for you to make an online commitment. Each and every one of you is a vital member of our parish community and we want to hear from you! This is an opportunity to reflect upon and renew your sacrificial commitment to support the mission of St. Jerome Catholic Church. For those who are able – there is an opportunity to make a one-time gift to the parish. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Please visit the parish website at www.stjeromewaco.org to make an online commitment.

PRAYER REQUESTS

God Bless Bishop Joe Vasquez;
God Bless our Pastor, Fr. James, our Deacons, and staff;
For David's health;
For D: To find God, return to the sacraments, help with his depression;
Successful school year for my son & daughter;
Kenneth's job and mental health;
G, anxiety & depression;
Great Grandson's health;
Please heal Geno Bartolitti;
Please heal me & keep my children well;
Thank you, Blessed Mother, St. Jude & Jesus for answered prayers;
Daily thanksgiving;
Patience, faith, guidance for my family, extended family & myself;
Guidance, faith, good health, safe travels for Nick & Alannah;

For my family;
Successful pregnancy & strength for Heather;
Pray for rain;
Pray for the end to the war;
Good choices for Miguel;
Prayers for cancer patients;
Prayers for my trip;
Prayers for my son-in-law as he continues Smoke Jumper fire fighter service;
My grandson's first birthday.

COLLECTIONS

	Last week	Month to Date	Fiscal Year
Budgeted Goal	21,596	86,384	194,364
Actual Collection	24,190	90,380	194,822
Surplus / (Deficit)	2,594	3,996	458

Mother Teresa Center Debt Reduction: \$73,268 remaining as of 8/21/23.

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, September 2, 2023

Building Fund Collection

7:30 pm First Saturday Mass, Sanctuary
11:00 am Young Adult Ministry, MTC YM
2:30 pm Confessions, West Entrance
4:25 Rosary, Sanctuary

Sunday, September 3, 2023

Building Fund Collection

No Breakfast Café
No Game Day

Monday, September 4, 2023

Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

8:30 am Staff Adoration, Ave Maria Chapel
9:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
11:30 am New Horizons, Jordan Hall
5:30 pm Women's ACTS Retreat, Raphael Hall
6:00 pm Catholic 101, A&J Hall
6:15 pm PLT Meeting, Bride's Room

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

9:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
9:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
10:00 am Staff Meeting, Jordan Hall
5:00 pm Adoration, Ave Maria Chapel
6:00 pm Confession
6:00 pm Edge, MTC
6:30 pm Life Teen Deeper, MTC Youth Room

Thursday, September 7, 2023

8:00 am ACTS Retreat Mass, Sanctuary
9:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
10:00 am A&E Meeting, Bride's Room
4:00 pm ACTS Retreat Send-Off

Friday, September 8, 2023

8:00 am PDO, Brooks Hall
9:30 am Meals on Wheels, MTC
4:00 pm Music Ministry, Ave Maria Chapel
6:00 pm Classical Conversations Orientation, Brooks Hall

Saturday, September 9, 2023

8:00 am Classical Conversations Workshop, Jordan Hall
9:00 am Usher Meeting, A&J Hall
3:30 pm Confessions, West Entrance
4:25 pm Rosary, Sanctuary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Offices Closed

The church offices will be closed Monday, September 4, in observation of labor day.

Pictorial Directory

St. Jerome will be doing a Picture Directory. Photos will be taken in October and November. Register early at (I'll give you a QR Code). Each family will receive a complementary 8.5 x 11. There will be no data published in the picture directory, only photos and names. We are asking for 100% participation. To sign up, go to stjeromewaco.org/pictorial-directory

Mayfest 2024

Mayfest, Our Parish Festival, is starting to plan for May 2024. If you would like to help plan this exciting festival of fellowship, please contact the parish office.

Breakfast Cafe

Breakfast Cafe will be canceled on September 3 due to the Labor Day Holiday. The Breakfast Cafe is also canceled on September 24th due to the townhall meetings, coffee & donuts will be served.

New Horizons Monthly Meeting

September 5, 2023
11:30 am in Jordan Hall
That Man Is You - Worthy of the Call
Starts September 7 at 5:50 am in Jordan Hall.
For more information, call Bill Leek, 254-716-3416.

Community Potluck

Middle Eastern Food
Saturday, September 16, after the 5:00p Mass
Jordan Hall

Grow Your Faith

Engage with others to grow your faith this Fall through our wide range of adult studies at St. Jerome to fit all schedules and needs. Choose from Catholic 101 Drop-in Talks, Sunday Gospel Study, Prophets Bible Study, The Chosen Study, Enrich Your Prayer Life or Small Faith-Sharing Groups. Learn more at <https://stjeromewaco.org/adult-faith-formation>

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process where non-Catholic adults learn about the teachings of the Catholic Church. Practicing Catholics become companions to non-Catholics as they journey toward the Easter sacraments. For more information contact Emily Hunter, emily_m_hunter@baylor.edu or 254-224-1076.

The Prophets Messengers of God's Mercy

This 10 part study is based on a curriculum developed by Ascension Press. Participants are responsible for purchasing their own study materials. The study will be offered twice each week: Wednesdays at 9:30 AM and Thursdays at 6:45 PM, beginning September 13/14. To register please contact Les Record at (512) 771-8301, or email ljrecord@yahoo.com.

St. Jerome Town Halls

Please plan to attend one of the 4 town halls we will be hosting in September. There will be open discussions about the future growth, needs, and plans of St. Jerome.

Tuesday, September 12 at 6:30p
Saturday, September 23 at 10:30a
Sunday, September 24 after the 8:30a Mass
Thursday, September 28 at 6:30p
All discussions will be held in the MTC.
Please let us know if you need childcare. To sign up For child care, go to stjeromewaco.org/childcare.

Audio/Visual Ministry

See the Holy Mass from a different perspective. If you have an interest in audio and livestream technology and want to assist with the technical side of the church service, we need you! If you are interested, please email: audio.visual@stjeromewaco.org

Lost & Found

We have a collection of items that have been found in the church. 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.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Do you have a love and devotion to the Body of Christ? If you would like to become or learn more about becoming an extraordinary minister, please contact Peggy Cunningham, peggy_cunningham@att.net

St. Jerome Children's Choir - Grades 1-7

For the 11:00a Mass & Feast Days
At least two performances a semester
Rehearsals: Fridays from 4:00-5:00 p
Contact: Carlos Colón,
carloscoloncomposer@gmail.com

Worship Wish List

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

Chapel Size Monstrance
Paschal Candle

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Jerome Conference has been established and is 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:

Twin Mattresses or Full Air Mattresses
Baby Blankets, Crib Sheets,
Little Boy Size 3t Clothing
Boys Clothing sizes 0-3 mo., 3-6 mo., 6-9mo, 12 mo.
Detergent
Coffee (Small Packages)
Sugar & Flour
Women Hygiene Products

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Deacons Rae Carter, Greg George, Ray Jones
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Dalene London, Little Lions Ministries
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Betsey Wechter, Elementary Faith Formation
Kathy Liro, Worship Coordinator
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Parish Leadership Team

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PARISH CONTACTS & INFORMATION

Marriage: Contact Father James at least six months in advance.
Wedding Coordinator: Amy Rhodes, 303-634-4068, 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

Adult Faith Formation:
St. Jerome Kids: Betsy Wechter, 254-666-6222, stjkids@stjeromewaco.org
Youth Ministry: Whitney Godfrey, 254-666-4955, stjlife1teen@stjeromewaco.org
RCIA: Emily Hunter, adultfaith@stjeromewaco.org
Scripture Study: Deacon Greg George, 254-424-3061, retchap13@gmail.com
Spiritual Direction: spiritualdirection@stjeromewaco.org

Community Outreach Ministries

Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM): Mary Coleman, 254-666-7722 am@stjeromewaco.org
St. Jerome Columbarium: columbarium@stjeromewaco.org
Surviving Loss: survivingloss@stjeromewaco.org
Society of St. Vincent de Paul: 254-214-7493 ssvdp@stjeromewaco.org
St. Jerome Lifeteen/Youth Group: stjlife1teen@stjeromewaco.org
Feed My Flock Ministry: Joe Falsone, 254-848-8241, Mike Kelly, 254-644-2272
Respect Life: Call the parish office, 254-666-7722
Funeral Planning: bereavement@stjeromewaco.org

Worship Ministries

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Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Peggy Cunningham, 254-859-5685, peggy_cunningham@att.net
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