

St. Jerome Catholic Church

As parishioners of St. Jerome and as Catholic disciples of Jesus Christ, we respond to our Lord's invitation to walk with Him in the Sacraments and prayer, to deepen our faith through lifelong formation, to serve those in need, and to invite others to the fullness of the Catholic faith through His Holy Word and the teaching of His Church.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Tom Morgan
Pastor

Rev. Robert Cadrecha
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Fred Kunder
Permanent Deacon

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Msgr. Brendan Muldoon
Pastor Emeritus

Msgr. Dacian Dee
Assisting Priest

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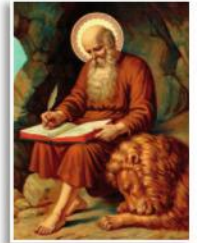
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Saturday Vigil Mass: 4pm & 5:30pm
Sunday Mass: 7:30am, 9am, 10:45am, 12:30pm & 5pm

The 12:30pm Mass on the 1st Sunday of each month will be the Country Mass with our Country/Bluegrass Ensemble.

Daily Mass: Monday – Friday at 7am & 9am, and Saturday at 9am

Holy Family Chapel open 24 hours every day;
Confessions, Saturday: 3pm - 3:45pm; **Anointing of the Sick**, last weekend of the month Saturday 9:30am & Sunday 1:30pm;
Holy Hour and Benediction, 1st & 3rd Friday 9:30am – 10:30am



Ordinary Time
Week 8

next weekend

March 3, 2019

ASH WEDNESDAY, March 6th, Masses:
7am, 9am, 10:45am, 4pm and 7:30pm



Reminder:

Next Sunday, March 10th Daylight Savings Time begins. Don't forget to "spring" your clocks ahead one hour!

ASH WEDNESDAY



**A Clean Heart Create For Me, GOD;
Renew Within Me A Steadfast Spirit.**

Psalms 51:12



Dear Friends:

As your pastor, I am always impressed by the love I see in the families of our parish community and am constantly giving God thanks for your many efforts that truly uphold the dignity of marriage and family life. Thank you!

As you work hard to create safe havens for your children and spouse, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), our bishop, Bishop Gregory Parkes, and I wish to bring one particular issue to your attention. It is not easy to discuss, but it is important. That issue is pornography.

In November 2015, the USCCB approved a pastoral response to pornography, called *Create in Me a Clean Heart*. The intention of writing this document was to:

- offer healing and hope to those who have been wounded by pornography;
- articulate the Catholic Church's response to the pastoral crisis brought about by the production and use of pornography; and
- raise awareness of its pervasiveness and harms.

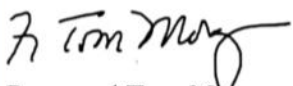
Why? Because pornography is hurting many people, including marriages and families, singles, priests and religious, and even children. It hurts the healthy process of vocational discernment for our young people. Pornography use impacts the relationships of children with their parents, husbands with their wives (and vice versa), the pastor with his community, and most importantly, our relationship with our Lord.

In their formal statement, the USCCB speak directly to parents about being proactive about the issue of pornography in the life of the home with their children, and together as a married couple, ensure the home keeps its status as a safe haven for all. The Bishops state, "*The use of pornography by anyone in the home deprives the home of its role as a safe haven and has negative effects throughout a family's life and across generations.*" (p. 15)

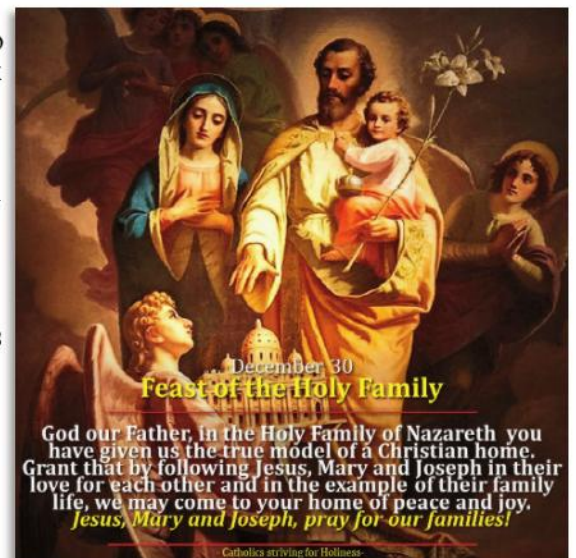
Thus, Bishop Parkes has asked all parishes throughout the Diocese of St. Petersburg to celebrate Safe Haven Sunday this weekend, March 3, 2019, with the theme "*Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children.*" This awareness effort is meant to draw our attention as a community to the seriousness of the issues of pornography and to recommit ourselves to take steps to ensure our homes are safe havens for all. There is a book available published by Covenant Eyes that can be ordered by visiting our welcome desk or calling the parish office. We would also like to invite you to participate in the, "*The Equipped 7-Day Challenge: A Digital Crash Course*" by texting SECURE to 66866 to receive seven days of e-mailed digital tips! (An opt-in e-mail campaign that provides short, practical videos that will help parents protect their children from online dangers).

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, intercessors of the home, and St. Michael, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Reverend Tom Morgan
Pastor



Safe Haven Sunday: Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

The family home is to be a safe haven. But the inappropriate use of technology in the home deprives it of this role and is the greatest threat to the sanctity of marriages and families today. Pornography and other online threats are often one click away, and parents can feel overwhelmed with not knowing how to best protect their children in our fast-paced digital world.

This weekend, March 2-3, 2019, the Diocese of St. Petersburg is taking a bold step to help families by celebrating Safe Haven Sunday. This awareness day will provide access to practical resources that any caring adult can use to protect themselves and our young people from online risks. Please join us with your prayers for this unique event. To learn more, please visit <http://www.dosp.org/freedom-from-porn>.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 2

Vigil for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm † Sue Leary Fr. Tom
 5:30 pm † Olding Family Fr. Cadrecha

Sunday, March 3

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am † Raymond and Geraldine Biondi Fr. Waters
 9:00 am † Barbara Roadarmel Fr. Cadrecha
 10:45 am † James and Rita Greco Msgr. Muldoon
 12:30 pm † Robilyn Rodriguez Fr. Tom
 5:00 pm **All the People of the Parish** Fr. Cadrecha

Monday, March 4

7:00 am † Eileen Anne Ballard Fr. Cadrecha
 9:00 am † John Hourican Fr. Tom

Tuesday, March 5

7:00 am † Tony DeAngelis Msgr. Muldoon
 9:00 am † Eva Rizzo Fr. Cadrecha

Ash Wednesday, March 6

7:00 am † Mary DiAgosta Fr. Cadrecha
 9:00 am † Sean Brosnan Fr. Tom
 10:45 am **All the People of the Parish** Msgr. Muldoon
 4:00 pm † Deceased & Living Benefactors of St. Jerome Fr. Tom
 7:30 pm † Barbara Misiewicz Fr. Cadrecha

Thursday, March 7

7:00 am † Mary Helen Bagge Fr. Tom
 9:00 am **Special Intentions of Nancy Gerretz** Fr. Cadrecha

Friday, March 8

7:00 am † Mark Borowy Fr. Tom
 9:00 am † Wilfred McGrath Fr. Tom

Saturday, March 9

8:45 am Novena Msgr. Muldoon
 9:00 am † Carol Sousa Cowdrey Msgr. Muldoon

Saturday, March 9

Vigil for the First Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm **All the People of the Parish** Fr. Cadrecha
 5:30 pm † Nicholas Circelli Fr. Tom

Sunday, March 10

The First Sunday of Lent

7:30 am † Paul Palmer Ballard Fr. Tom
 9:00 am † Barbara Roadarmel Fr. Waters
 10:45 am † Don Gray Fr. Cadrecha
 12:30 pm † Walter Winston Fr. Cadrecha
 5:00 pm † Jack Meloche Msgr. Muldoon

**Priest Schedule subject to change. **If there is a Mass intention error, please contact Pat Cummings in the Parish Office.*



Scripture Readings

Prepare & Pray the Word of God



Today's Readings: March 3, 2019
The 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92; 1 Cor 15:54-58;
Lk 6:39-45

Monday, March 4
 Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, March 5
 Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday, March 6
 Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, March 7
 Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:22-25

Friday, March 8
 Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, March 9
 Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday's Readings:
March 10, 2019
First Sunday of Lent
Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rom 10:8-13;
Lk 4:1-3

First Reading — God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

Psalm — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

Second Reading — The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

Gospel — Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13).

Question & Mission of the Week:

Question: What do you find when you take a tour of your heart?

Mission: Spend one day rejecting any influence that is not good for your heart. Consider making this a life time practice.



WELCOME TO OUR ANNUAL
 ST. PATRICK'S / ST. JOSEPH'S DAY DINNER
 SUNDAY MARCH 17TH 2019 AT 2:00 P.M.
 DOORS OPEN AT 1:30 P.M.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
 FUN, FRIENDSHIP & SING-A-LONG
 TRADITIONAL IRISH DINNER
 ALONG WITH GREAT ENTERTAINMENT
 TICKETS GO ON SALE FEB. 23RD
 AND WILL BE SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES

AS WELL AS IN THE PARISH OFFICE UNTIL MARCH 10TH
 NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR
 THE MENU WILL CONSIST OF

CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE, CARROTS & POTATOES
 AND ASSORTED ITALIAN DESSERTS
 CHILD'S MENU IS CORN DOGS AND CHIPS

BEER FOR THE SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$3.00 PER SERVING
 IRISH COFFEE FOR THE SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$3.00 PER CUP

DONATION FOR DINNER TICKET IS \$15.00 EACH
 AND \$5.00 FOR CHILDREN UNDER 12



It all started in Sicily. Agriculture was important to the island and there had been no rain to nourish the crops. The dried-out wheat stalks cracked beneath the feet of the poor farmers as they walked through their barren fields. Only a sea of dust and withered vines remained from what had once been row upon row of brightly colored fruits and vegetables. The only thing that thrived was the fava bean which is why it is now commonly called “the lucky bean.”

The situation was critical and so the people prayed. They pleaded with St. Joseph, their patron, for relief from the terrible famine that gripped the island. Finally, the skies opened, sending down the life-giving water. The people

rejoiced. Later, to show their gratitude, they prepared a table with a special assortment of foods they had harvested. After paying honor to St. Joseph, they distributed the food to the less fortunate.

The first St. Joseph Altar, therefore, was set up on the Island of Sicily. It was a small one, but as time went on and the tradition took hold, the flamboyant nature and creative spirit of the Italians caused the altars to grow larger and more ornate.

Through Sicilian immigrants, the custom of St. Joseph Altars was introduced to America. But now the celebration is not confined to any nationality. Rather, it has become a public event which its devoted participants embrace for a host of private and personal reasons. The feast is alternately a source of petition and of thanksgiving.

Many families believe that having a St. Joseph Altar can bring good fortune. It is common to hear stories about favors received (a loved one’s recovery from an illness, for example) which are in turn attributed to the family’s dedication to St. Joseph. But whatever the reasons, people became involved in the St. Joseph Feast. One of the special customs calls for the selection of children to portray members of the Holy Family – Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Angels and favorite saints may also be introduced into the ritual which begins with the “saints” going door to door to seek aid until finally reaching the place where the altar is on display.

After the Holy Family has eaten, guests may partake of the meal. Most of the foods presented on the altar are acquired through begging, a symbolic gesture that represents what the poor of Sicily were forced to do. When the feast is over, the remaining food and whatever money has been collected are given to the poor.

St. Joseph Altar is a reflection of a deep devotion to St. Joseph, the patron of those in need – workers, travelers, the persecuted, the poor, the aged, the dying. And it is a custom that has enjoyed a resurgence in recent years as young and old have begun to rediscover their heritage.



Come join us in Honoring St. Joseph on Sunday, March 17th for Sweets & refreshments as part of the St Patrick's Day Dinner!

We're hoping you can join us as we celebrate and honor St Joseph by donating food and money that will be given to our Life Line Food Pantry & The Homeless Ministry. We will be collecting everyday up until the feast day.

If you can please leave your food donations here at the table Also please make donations both with the envelopes in the pews, and by dropping it in the collection at each Mass, or please bring your donations to the parish office.

Thank you all for your generous support! In helping us care for the needy in our community. May God Bless each and every one of you.



SHARE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE!

Offertory Collection - February 18, 2019

Offertory Envelopes	\$	13,123.00
Loose Cash	\$	6,533.00
Loose Checks	\$	3,594.00
e-giving.....	\$	2,737.00
Total Offertory	\$	25,987.00



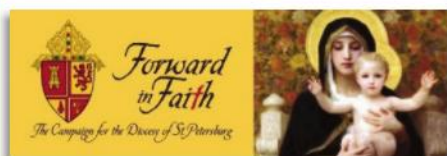
Thank you for your faithful stewardship to our parish!

Annual Pastoral Appeal Update as of February 22, 2019

2019 Goal	\$267,573.00
Paid.....	\$ 45,733.00
Remaining balance:.....	\$221,840.00
# Participating Families:	147



We appreciate all who made pledges to the 2019 Annual Pastoral Appeal. Thank you!



PARISH SHARE RECEIVED FROM FORWARD IN FAITH CAMPAIGN

From Fall 2013 to Fall 2014, our parish and many parishes throughout our diocese participated in the *Forward in Faith* Campaign. As a diocese, we raised over \$32 million in commitments from more than 16,600 donors.

St. Jerome Parish has received our 2nd installment of \$9,080.73, which brings our total Parish Share received to date to \$116,514.45. What a great way to kick-off the New Year!

Please remember, we are still working to raise funds to complete all the outlined programs and projects. **THANK YOU** to those who have already completed your gift. We wouldn't have been able to come so far without you! **THANK YOU** to those still making payments. Your payments will help your parish receive future Parish Share funds!

For those who haven't joined us yet, you can still make a gift to the Forward in Faith Campaign online at www.dosp.org.



Tax Free Charitable Distribution from your IRA Account at age 70 ½! Congress has permanently enacted qualified charitable distributions from your traditional IRA accounts. These distributions can be used to satisfy all or a portion of your Required Minimum Distribution. These distributions are free of federal and state income tax. Additionally, these gifts help you avoid the Medicare high income surcharge and can help to reduce taxes on your social security benefits. Distributions must be made directly from your IRA account to St. Jerome.

St. Jerome Legacy Society

Consider naming St. Jerome as the beneficiary of one of your life insurance policies or adding as a contingent beneficiary to an existing policy. Beneficiaries can also make Stock or Bond Gifts. For complete details, contact Roger Swaine at 727-444-2485. Consider naming St. Jerome the beneficiary, or contingent beneficiary of one of your IRA accounts. For owners of a single IRA account, consider adding St. Jerome as a percentage beneficiary.

A **Charitable Gift Annuity** enables interested individuals to support the ministry of St. Jerome Parish through an irrevocable gift. By doing so you receive fixed payments at a rate higher than standard bank products and obtain substantial tax savings. To learn more, call Meegan Wright at the Diocesan Stewardship Office 727-341-6825.

Proper Method for Naming the Church in Your Will. Please ask your attorney to use the following terminology:

"I give devise, and bequeath (amount, article, stock, etc.) to Gregory Parkes, as Bishop of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, and his successors in office, a Corporation Sole, for the use of St. Jerome Catholic Church, 10895 Hamlin Blvd., Largo, FL 33774."

**Online Giving:
Easy. Convenient.
Secure.**



Please consider taking advantage of St. Jerome's Online Giving. Not only will you help reduce envelope waste and paper checks, you also have the ability to schedule and manage your giving online. You can conveniently use your credit/debit cards or checking account.

We want to thank our **over 88 families** that are now using our Online Giving service. Their support for the basic operations of the parish is never missed, even while on vacation.

Please sign up for Online Giving at: give.stjeromeonline.org.

If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming Catholic or if you are Catholic and want to better understand your faith, we invite you to join us on a journey of discovery. We journey together and that is exactly what the RCIA is all about, journeying together toward a deeper relationship with Christ and a deeper understanding of our Catholic Faith.

For more information contact Deacon Fred Kunder at the office 727-595-4610 or visit our website at <http://www.stjeromeonline.org/rcia.html>

We meet in the RCIA room in the education building at 7pm.

Next Class: March 6, 2019 Catholic Social Teaching

The basis of the Church's social teaching is an expression of God's love for humanity. But how can Catholics apply that teaching to our everyday encounters and challenges?

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY



All are invited to the Bible discussion and study group focusing on the Gospel of John with an emphasis on reflection:

How does the gospel speak to you?
How does it relate to your spiritual journey?

The Sunday Bible Study Group continues on Sundays from 10:30 – 11:45am in the Ed Kilroy Outreach Center.

You may purchase the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible at the Gift Shop or choose to bring your own bible.

Call the Parish Office with any questions and leave a message for Pat Minucci, the Facilitator, 727-595-4610.



The object of the Legion of Mary is the Glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation in Mary's and the Church's work. The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of each individual. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in their homes and in hospitals, nursing facilities, ALFs, and through collaboration in apostolate and missionary works sponsored by the parish. Every Legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary. We meet weekly in the Ed Kilroy Center on Thursday at 10am. For more info call Rhea Gasway 727-815-6400 or Elrita Basak 727-421-7894.

Bible Study Every Thursday 10-11am



Please join us for Bible Study in the Education Building every Thursday.

Encounter Lent



Join more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from all entrances on March 9th and March 10th. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meets weekly on Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 8pm in the Ed Kilroy Outreach Building. All Meetings are Open.

Al-Anon meets every Monday at 1pm in the Ed Kilroy Outreach Building.





St. Jerome Early Childhood Center

Denise Roach, ECC Administrator
preschool@stjeromeecc.org

Tel: 727-596-9491
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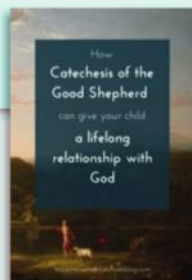
Preschool Open House: Registration applications for the 2019-20 school year are available at the ECC Office and on our website for families interested in enrolling their two, three, or four year old children. Spaces are filling fast!



St. Jerome ECC is nationally accredited (NAEYC); a Gold Seal School; and a VPK Provider for four-year olds. Half day and/or full day options are available. For further information, please contact the ECC office, 727-596-9491, preschool@stjeromeecc.org or visit our website at www.stjeromeearlychildhoodcenter.org.



St. Jerome Catechesis of the Good Shepherd All About the Atrium



Parables

"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'" - Matthew 13: 31-32

The Parable of the Mustard Seed offers the child the beginning and the ending moments of the process of growth and transformation: the image of the seed and of the large bush. Jesus did not talk about what happened in between those two points. This further highlights the contrast between the smallness of the seed and the greatness of the shrub. *What does this tell us about the Kingdom of God?*

Parables at the Prayer Table

It would be valuable to meditate on this parable with your children. It could be a source of prayer for your family. In the evening, at your prayer time, you could read The Parable of the Mustard Seed or one of the Kingdom Parables, allowing your child to make their own observations (asking **"What did you hear?"**) and then conclude with a prayer of thanksgiving to God who has given us the great gift of His Word.

Share your sacred space at home....

We would love to see photos of your prayer tables at home or photos of your children at your prayer table. One family out of all who share photos will be randomly chosen to receive the **Little Gospel: The Kingdom of God and the Mustard Seed**. Please submit your photos to: faithformation@stjeromeonline.org

A Little Reminder

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

will not take place in the atria (Mass is class)
March 10, 11, 12

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

Tina Bowen, youthandfamily@stjeromeonline.org

Tel: 727-595-3100, ext. 302



In **Edge** this week we will examine Lent...the season of repentance, prayer and fasting. How will this 40 days deepen your relationship with God? There is NO class on 3/10 – enjoy your Spring Break!

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH:

Have you considered attending a Catholic summer camp, retreat, conference or mission trip? There are so many great ways to deepen your faith and serve others this summer. *Follow us on Instagram @st.jeromeyouth or on Facebook @St. Jerome Youth Ministry*

Youth and Young Adults (age 13-21) are invited to an Antioch Retreat experience
Friday, March 22nd – Sunday, March 24th
at Mary Help of Christians retreat center in Tampa. Cost: \$75 Value: Priceless.



MOPS is a place for ALL moms. Join us! Monday, March 4th, 6pm – 7:30pm, Education Building. Register at: <https://www.mops.org/groups/stjeromecatholicchurch>. Free childcare provided – please RSVP.



CHILD CARE MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!
Teens & Grandparents Welcome! COME PLAY WITH US

Daily Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed Monday through Saturday at 7:30am in the Holy Family Chapel. Every Wednesday after the Rosary join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Every Friday after the Rosary we will have the Stations of the Cross.

Weekly Rosary

The Holy Rosary is prayed every Wednesday at 7pm in the Holy Family Chapel for Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life.

Morning Prayer

You are welcome to join us for Morning Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours Monday through Friday at 8:40am.

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

The Mother of Perpetual Help Novena is held every Saturday at 8:45 am.



GRIEF SHARE

Grief Share is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Our sessions are Thursdays and are held in the Education Building TV Lounge from 10am – 11:30am every Thursday. We look forward to you joining our group and feeling the support and compassion we experience in our meetings. If you have any questions, please call Nancy Selak 727-415-8742.

Lifeline

is continually in need of the following non-perishable food items which can be left in the LIFELINE bins in the church:



- boxed macaroni and cheese
- pasta/spaghetti
- boxed mashed potatoes
- beef stew
- heartly canned soups
- canned pork and beans
- peanut butter and grape jelly
- canned vegetables (corn, beans, carrots)
- pasta sauce
- canned fruit
- canned tuna
- rice (2 lb. bag)
- cereal

Thank you for your generosity!

Lifeline is open on Wednesday mornings and the last Saturday morning of each month.

This month Lifeline is open Saturday, March 23rd. Please call 727-351-4756 to request assistance.

The Homeless Ministry ...

Thanks to the generosity of St. Jerome parishioners. The Homeless Ministry is pleased to be able to feed approximately 200 dinners to residents at Pinellas Hope. Each dinner includes a healthy variety of main courses, such as beef stew or chicken cacciatore. In addition, vegetables, stuffing, deviled eggs, bread and pastries are provided. PB & J sandwiches and fruit are also distributed for a future need. Volunteers prepare at the Parish Center during the day each Monday and serve at Pinellas Hope for 7pm dinner. We do not cook or serve the last Monday of each month.

Please contact Pat or Rich Jennings 727-289-7550 for more information. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated!



FEEDING THE HOMELESS



50+ Singles: Come join us for fun & fellowship on Tuesday, March 26th at 6:30pm in the Education Building TV Lounge. There will be sign up sheets available there for events in March. For more information, contact Barbara Austin, coordinator, at 727-459-7664.

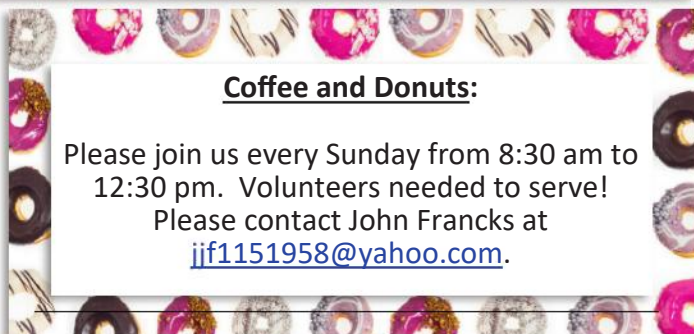
FR. CADRECHA'S 12 WEEK COURSE IN CHRISTIAN PRAYER

Fr. Cadrecha is presenting an Ignatian 12 Week Course in Prayer every Tuesday, 10am session in the church and 7pm session in the chapel. Join him and your fellow parishioners as you grow deeper in your prayer life. Every week will have a different theme which is based on Scripture tradition.

Childcare will be provided for the 7pm session. If you need childcare, please sign up ahead of time with Tina Bowen at youthandfamily@stjeromeonline.org or by calling 727-595-4610.

Gift Shop: The gift shop has many gifts to increase your prayer life. Come check out our prayer books and devotionals and many other religious articles and books. We now also carry a line of Pets 4 Christ merchandise. The gift shop is open every Sunday from 8:30am – 12:30pm.

The Little Black Book for Lent is now available in the Gathering Space and Gift Shop. Pray Lent in 6 minutes a day! We also have books by Sister Ann Shields in stock.



Coffee and Donuts:

Please join us every Sunday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Volunteers needed to serve! Please contact John Francks at jjf1151958@yahoo.com.



If you are a caregiver and would like a little time for yourself please consider availing of our trained respite volunteers who would provide respite for a few hours each week on a regular basis giving you a little time for yourself. These volunteers have undergone background checks and maintain confidentiality regarding the family. They become a friend to the caregiver. If interested please contact the parish office at 727-595-4610.



Bingo is a fun, social and good time every Thursday in the Parish Center. Doors open at 10am.

Early bird begins at 12pm followed by the regular games, ending around 3pm.

In keeping with the generosity of our church, if you bring in a can or a box of food for the poor, we will give you a free bingo card for a special game. One card per can every week!



The Bethlehem Centre invites all of our senior parishioners and friends to join in the activities listed below in the Education Building. For info on classes or to register, contact Joanne Biamonte at 727-596-9394.

Bethlehem Centre

Art (Acrylic)	Fr	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Rm 5/6
Art (Watercolor)	Tu	10am – 2pm	Rm 5/6
Bridge	Tu, Fr	11:45 am - 3:00 pm	Hall
Exercise	Tu, Fr	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Hall
Pinochle	Tu, Fr	12:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Lounge
Spanish	Tu	10:00 am - 11:00 am	Rm 8
Tai Chi	Tu & Fr	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Hall
Yoga	We/Fr	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Lounge
Zumba	We	9:00 am - 10:00 am	Hall



Our next Martha and Mary Guild Mass is Sunday, March 3rd at 10:45am. Please meet in the Gathering

Space by 10:30am. All women of the Parish are welcome to join us.

Wednesday, March 6th, is our next Martha and Mary Guild meeting in the Parish Center at 11am. Our March speaker will be from the Pinellas County Consumer Affairs Division speaking about Identity Protection.

All women of the Parish are invited to attend. The Martha and Mary Guild is a Social Ministry which donates money to St. Jerome through our fundraisers.

Bethlehem Centre Senior Lunch Program

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