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 sharing His Holy Word and His Teaching.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Tom Morgan Pastor

Rev. Robert Cadrecha Parochial Vicar

Very Rev. Joseph Waters, JV, JCL Assisting Priest

Deacon Fred Kunder Permanent Deacon

Sr. Lucia Brady, OSC Pastoral Care / Outreach Life Long Formation

RETIRED Msgr. Brendan Muldoon Pastor Emeritus

Msgr. Dacian Dee Assisting Priest

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Lisa Brett-Reeves Coordinator of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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www.stjeromeonline.org Receptionist@stjeromeonline.org Transitional Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil Mass: 4pm Sunday Masses: 7:00am, 9am, 11:00am, & 5pm Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 7am & 9am, Wednesday 7:30pm and Saturday at 9am

Confessions, Saturday: 10am - 11am Holy Hour and Benediction, Every Thursday 9:30am – 10:30am





his is why I speak to them in parables, because 'they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand.' Matthew 13:13

Dear Friends:



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), in the document *Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us: A Pastoral Plan for Adult Faith Formation in the United States*, stated, "Adult faith formation, by which people consciously grow in the life of Christ through experience, reflection, prayer, and study, must be 'the central task in [the] catechetical enterprise,' becoming 'the axis around which revolves the catechesis of childhood and adolescence as well as that of old age.'" It is our desire as a parish to continue to reflect on this document and ask how we might assist each

other to grow in our Catholic Faith.

I am thankful for the opportunities that have had an effect in the lives of many through our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), our bible studies, our Embrace Board, our ALPHAs, and our Connect groups. We recognize that, in this time when our lives have been dramatically affected by the coronavirus, we must consider alternative means to continue to grow in our faith.

St. Jerome has for over two years participated in a programs called FORMED. What is FORMED? FORMED provides the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere: at home, on their phones or on a tablet or desktop computer. FORMED provides thousands of movies, children's programs, eBooks, audiobooks, parish programs and bible studies direct to your browser, mobile or connected device. All parishioners of St. Jerome are eligible to participate in FORMED free of charge. Our parish has paid for the annual subscription for the benefit of our parishioners.

How can I sign up or learn more about FORMED? Go to: https://formed.org/signup and follow the instructions on that page. You will then enter an exciting "FORM" of faith formation that can last you a lifetime!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



For more details about the FORMED program and website, please see page 6 of this bulletin.

That section includes a special weekly feature of FORMED, the "Pick of the Week." This is a great way to

get started with FORMED, and then, once you learn your way around, you can go to the areas that are of most interest to you. Enjoy and learn!

St. Jerome Catholic Church Updated Mass Schedule

As we continue to respond to the changes that come upon us during the COVID-19 pandemic, we would like to present a Mass schedule that provides the best opportunity for our parishioners to attend a public Mass that wish to do so.

Beginning last weekend, the Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00 PM	Church
 Sunday Masses 	7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:00 PM	Church Church Church Church
 Weekday Masses Monday - Friday Monday - Saturday Wednesday Night 	7:00 AM 9:00 AM 7:30 PM	Church Church Church

Drive-up distribution of Holy Communion:

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	12:00 PM

Location: at the northern entrance of church for those unable to participate at a public gathering. Please watch the livestream Mass before receiving Holy Communion and please wear a mask for your protection and others.



Our "Raise the Roof" campaign continues. COVID-19 has caused us to suspend our activities as to planning and implementing our plans to replace our church roof, but our fundraising campaign must continue. You will soon be receiving an update letter from the chairman of the Raise the Roof committee. This letter will provide an update as to our progress so far and other details of our plans. We appreciate the generosity of our parishioners that will make our Raise the Roof

campaign the success it needs to be. May God bless your generosity!



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

We are happy to announce that our parish office is officially "open" for parishioners to stop by and arrange for Mass Intentions, drop off donations or make other arrangements as necessary. Our staff is available and ready to help you! Please know that when you come to the office, the front door will still be locked, but will be opened for you as you arrive, unless the receptionist is momentarily away from the desk. If that is the case, please ring the doorbell and someone will arrive very shortly. Welcome back!

While we are not yet able to engage our ministries in their regular activities, during this digital bulletin stage, we would like to highlight weekly one of our ministries, in preparation for that time we will be able to bring back each of them.



This week we would like to focus on our ALPHA program. So what is ALPHA?

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in an open, friendly and fun environment. Alpha is conducted in a series of sessions, each looking at a different question people may have about faith. Alpha is designed to create conversation about life's big questions.

Lasting up to eleven weeks with a weekend 'away' in the middle, each session begins with a meal, a video and then a small group conversation. There is no judgment.

Everyone is invited, and you do not need to be a part of the Catholic Church to participate.

Alpha is simply an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss important issues together with no pressure or cost and no strings attached.



FOOD

Whether it's a group of friends gathered around a kitchen table, or a quick catch-up over coffee and cake, food has a way of bringing people together. It's no different at Alpha. Most sessions start with food, because it's a great way to build community and get to know each other.



The talks are designed to engage guests and inspire conversation. Usually around thirty minutes long, they can be given as a live talk or played as a video, all for free. They explore the big issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christianity, addressing questions such as *Who is Jesus*? and *How can I have faith*?



Probably the most important

part of any Alpha: the chance to share thoughts and ideas on the topic, and simply discuss it in a small group. There's no obligation to say anything and there's nothing you can't say (seriously). It's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective in an honest, friendly and open environment.

The next ALPHA program is scheduled to begin in the fall, but this schedule is subject to the directives we will receive from our diocese. If those sessions can take place, they will be held on Thursdays in the Parish Center. Free childcare would be available upon request.

Some may say: "I'm shy and I don't know anyone who is coming." The leaders of ALPHA promise that you will be warmly welcomed and included. If you like, bring a friend! Come and see. The program would be delighted to have you!

For questions, contact one of the leaders at (727) 537-0143 or email at stjeromealpha@gmail.com.



Solemn Exposition

of the

Holy Eucharist

"WHEN YOU CALL ME, WHEN YOU PRAY TO ME, I WILL LISTEN TO YOU. WHEN YOU LOOK FOR ME, YOU WILL FIND ME. YES, WHEN YOU SEEK ME WITH ALL YOU HEART...."

JEREMIAH 29: 12-13

Please join in the Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

NEW EUCHARISTICEXPOSITION SCHEDULE

We have revised the schedule for Exposition and Benediction. Please join us every Thursday morning following the 9:00 AM Daily Mass (approximately 9:30 AM) for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, closing with Benediction which should conclude at 10:30 AM. Please honor all social-distancing requirements.

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IN RESPONSE TO MANY INQUIRIES: How can I get my offertory envelope or donation to the parish?

1) Mail your envelope or donation to: St. Jerome Catholic Church 10895 Hamlin Blvd. Largo, FL 33774

- 2) Drop you offertory envelope in the "candle boxes" located in the chapel or at the office during regular working office hours.
- 3) Sign up for online giving: Go to: https://stjeromeonline.weshareonline.org/ Sign up for an account by determining the donation fund you would like to contribute to
- 4) Place envelopes in the collection baskets at the entrances of the church when attending Sunday or daily Mass

We thank you for your continuing support of our parish, that allows us to help those in need and plan for the eventual opening up of ministries and formation programs.

May God bless you for your continued generosity!



The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 13 7:00 am † Daniel Blanford 9:00 am † Edgar Vallar Tuesday, July 14 7:00 am Jackie & Lucien Boulanger 9:00 am **† Vincent Igliozzi** Wednesday, July 15 7:00 am † Rita Guidice 9:00 am **† Eugene Biitner** 7:30 pm **† Roxanne Whaley** Thursday, July 16 7:00 am **† Joseph Lopez, Sr.** 9:00 am † Madeline Forkins Friday, July 17 7:00 am **Barbara Austin** 9:00 am † Margaret Cuddy Saturday, July 18 8:45 am Novena 9:00 am † Anne Spires Saturday, July 18 Vigil for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 pm † Hugh Scullin Sunday, July 19 The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:00 am **† All the People in the Parish** 9:00 am † Jimmy White

11:00 am **† Cindy Schmacker** 5:00 pm **† Faith Abos** Msgr. Muldoon Fr. Waters Fr. Waters Fr. Cadrecha

*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

Next Sunday's Readings: July 19, 2020 The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

> Wisdom 12:13, 16 - 19 Psalm 86: 5 - 6, 9 - 10, 15 - 16 Romans 8: 26 - 27 Matthew 13: 24 - 43

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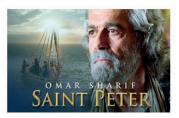
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FORMED[®] PICK OF THE WEEK



SAINT PETER (parental guidance recommended)

As a dedicated follower of Christ, Peter spreads the message of the Gospel across the land. As the tension between Christians and Romans grows throughout the film, Peter and Paul meet and join together in preaching about Christ.



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