## 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.

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**Rev. Tom Morgan** Pastor

**Rev. Robert Cadrecha** Parochial Vicar

Very Rev. Joseph Waters, JV, JCL Fr. George Mangiaracina Assisting Priests

**Deacon Fred Kunder** Permanent Deacon

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

#### **RETIRED**

Msgr. Brendan Muldoon Pastor Emeritus

Msgr. Dacian Dee Assisting Priest

#### **FORMATION**

**Lisa Brett-Reeves**Coordinator of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

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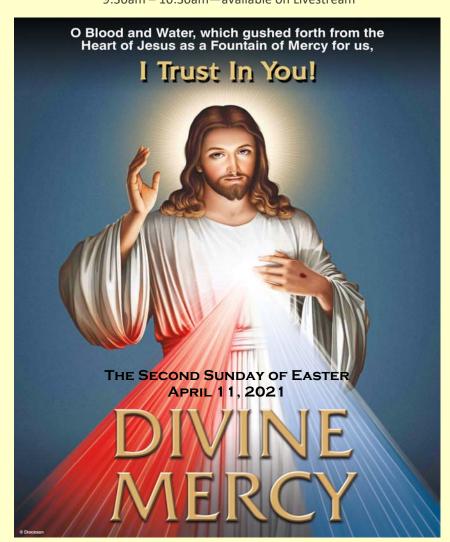
Transitional Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil Mass:
4pm (Church) and 4pm (Parish Center)
Sunday Masses: 7am, 9am (Church), 9am (Parish Center), 11am (Church), 11am (Parish Center), and
5pm (Life Teen Mass)

Drive-up distribution of Holy Communion: Saturday, 5:00 pm and Sunday 12:00 pm at the north entrance of the church for those unable to participate at a public Mass

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 7am and 9am Wednesday 7:30pm and Saturday at 9am

Confessions: Saturday morning 9:30am - 10:30am

Anointing of the Sick: Second Sunday of the month following the 9:00 am Mass at 10:00 am in the church, also by request Holy Hour and Benediction: Every Thursday and every First Friday 9:30am – 10:30am—available on Livestream



Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4:30pm

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From the Pastor



Dear Friends:

Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a very special day when all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened (Diary 699). Our Lord made a great promise to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy, on the Sunday after Easter, which is now called Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the Catholic Church.

Jesus promised that "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain the complete forgiveness of sins and

punishment." (Diary 699) He went on to say "I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My Mercy." (Diary 1109) We want to encourage everyone to take advantage of this incredible promise and the additional Plenary Indulgence on this great Feast of Mercy, Divine Mercy Sunday. We want you to benefit fully from these promises, and we also want you to notify all of your family and friends about them and urge them to return to the practice of their faith!

The Image of the Divine Mercy, which our Lord requested to be solemnly blessed and venerated on this day, will be on display in our church. Pope John Paul II said that the image portrays the Risen Jesus Christ bringing mercy to the whole world. Our Lord said "I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish." (Diary 341, 48) Please take the time to visit with this Image of the Divine Mercy and venerate Jesus.

Jesus said to St. Faustina, "I am offering people a vessel with which they are

to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You." (Diary 327) The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the cross. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him." (Diary 299)

About the feast day, Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus said "tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon the souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. On that day, all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though the sins be as scarlet...Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy." (Diary 699)

The Church allows for one to go to Confession for up to about 20 days, before or after Divine Mercy Sunday.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Tom Morgan

#### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION AND MISSION

- Q: How do you react to Thomas: positively, negatively, or sympathetically? What keeps you from believing, and what helps you to believe?
- M: Call a meeting with you family or primary community: do so by phone or Zoom. Make a list of what works well in your life in common, and what needs work. Allow each person to choose one way he or she can contribute to greater harmony.

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#### In Gratitude to God For His Gifts to Us

"What do you possess that you have not received?

But if you have received it, why are you boasting as if you did not receive it?"

1 Corinthians 4:7

Stewardship isn't just about being a good manager of our time, our talents and our treasure. The discipline of biblical stewardship calls us to use all these gifts in the way the Lord desires - to employ them not for us, but for His glory. Thank you for sharing His gifts.

#### Collection for the weekend of March 27 - 28, 2021

Offertory	\$ 25,121.50
Electronic Giving	3,922.50
Annual Pastoral Appeal (cash)	5.00
Raise the Roof (cash)	 109.00

#### Collection for the weekend of April 3 - 4, 2021

Totals this weekend

Due to the Easter schedule, this collection will be reported next weekend.

#### **ADULT CONFIRMATION**



We invite all adults who have not had the opportunity to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation to attend Adult Confirmation preparation

sessions. These sessions are being held for those active Catholics who wish to be confirmed. Sessions will take place on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm, beginning April 22, 2021 in Parish office building. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please call Sr. Lucia at the Parish office (727) 595-4610.

#### **VACCINATION ASSISTANCE**

Assistance for homebound seniors who qualify for the COVID-19 vaccine but do not have transportation to get to the site: you may email to arrange for the vaccine: homeboundvaccine@em.myflorida.com. Please include your name and phone number in your email.

#### **Tree of Charity**

A very sincere thank you to all who participated and shared reflections. Your symbols MAY BE PICKED UP FROM BASKET AT THE WELCOME DESK IN GATHERING SPACE!

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### St. Jerome Early Childhood Center 2021-22 School Year Open registration Quality Catholic Education for Children Ages 2-5



Open registration is ongoing for the 2021-22 school year. St. Jerome ECC offers a faith-filled, developmentally appropriate, and nurturing Catholic

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additional option VPK+ which provides additional academic learning for those staying until 3:00 pm. Space is currently available in all age groups. Families interested in enrolling their children are asked to call **596-9491** or visit our website at:

#### stjeromeearlychildhoodcenter.org

for additional information and registration materials. Children who will be two, three, or four on or before September 1, 2021 will be eligible to enroll for the upcoming school year. You may schedule a tour after school hours in order to see our vibrant classroom environments and learn more about our dynamic programs. We look forward to speaking with you soon!





God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ. - Ephesians 2:4-5

# ALIVE

St. Jerome Catholic Church Adoration

Thursday, April 15 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

All Middle School/Confirmation and High School Classes to Follow 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Parents are welcomed.

An evening before Jesus in the Eucharist with a guest speaker and beautiful music.

Time of fellowship to conclude.

Adoration | Sharing

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The *St. Jerome, Divine Mercy of Jesus* Knights of Columbus Council 17249, Largo Florida, meets on the first and second Wednesdays of each month. The first Wednesday night's meeting, which starts at 7:30 pm, is an officers' meeting. The second Wednesday night's meeting, which starts at 7:30 pm, is a general meeting.

Due to COVID-19, we are currently meeting via Zoom. An email will be sent with the Zoom link prior to the meetings. Please call 727 244-2832 or for more information, please go to:

http://www.stjeromeonline.org/knights-of-columbus.html

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, April 12

7:00 am † **Geri Morgan** Fr. Cadrecha 9:00 am † **Bill DeVarti** Fr. Tom

#### Tuesday, April 13

7:00 am Richard Sobiski Msgr. Muldoon 9:00 am † Dolores D'Andrea Fr. Cadrecha

#### Wednesday, April 14

7:00 am † Robert McMullen Fr. George M.
9:00 am † Grace Assenza Fr. Tom
7:30 pm † John L. Csenge, Sr. Fr. Cadrecha

#### Thursday, April 15

7:00 am † Lucien Boulanger Fr. Cadrecha 9:00 am † Frank Udovicic Fr. Tom

#### Friday, April 16

7:00 am † Michael McGlaughlin Fr. Tom 9:00 am † Margaret Mahoney Msgr. Muldoon

#### Saturday, April 17

8:45 am Novena

9:00 am † Edward McGovern Fr. Tom

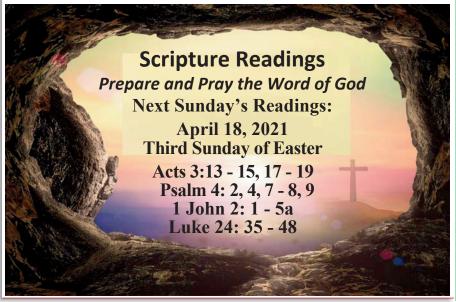
#### Saturday, April 17 - The Vigil of the Third Sunday of Easter

4:00 pm† Carl & Marjorie MastersFr. Cadrecha4:00 pm PCAll the People of the ParishFr. George M.

#### Sunday, April 18 - The Third Sunday of Easter

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7:00 am † Marie Champi	Msgr. Muldoon
9:00 am † Dwayne Bastress	Fr. Waters
9:00 am PC † Carl Hawkins	Fr. Cadrecha
11:00 am † Natasha Connolly	Fr. Cadrecha
11:00 am PC † Emily Travers	Fr. Tom
5:00 pm † Dana Grady, III	Fr. Tom

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#### WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

Tiny seeds of enthusiasm for the project have taken root, flourished and attracted many! "Maintenance" of our grounds now seems "doable"- since the parish grounds are not only "the fields afar," we first concentrated on every church/parish center entrance. Areas of "must do immediately" have been identified and serious work is ahead of us. During this "period of discovery" we've discovered plenty! Our irrigation system needs plenty of work, roof lines are infringed by foliage, - the list goes on ....

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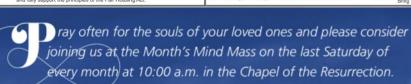
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