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

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Life Long Faith Formation

RETIRED

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Msgr. Dacian Dee Assisting Priest

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Transitional Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil Mass: 4pm (Church) and 4pm (Parish Center) Sunday Masses: 7am, 9am, 11am, 12:30pm and 5pm (Life Teen Mass)

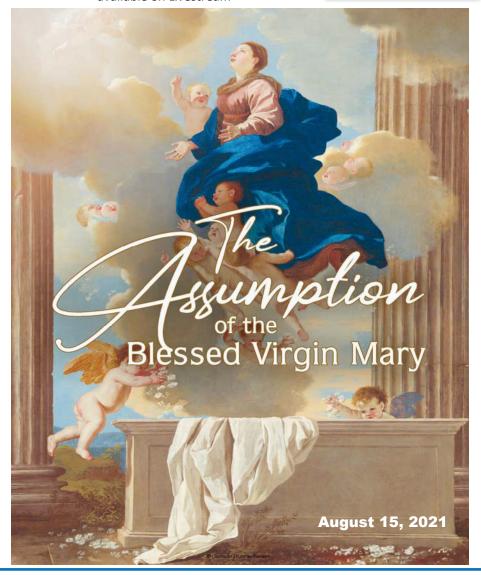
Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 7am and 9am Wednesday 7:00pm and Saturday at 9am

Confessions: Saturday 3:00pm - 3:45pm

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 from 9:30am to 10:30am, available on Livestream





Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 4:30pm

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From the Pastor



Dear Friends:

Recently, our Finance Council recommended that we return to the use of a "Building and Maintenance Fund" envelope. Those who receive our monthly envelope packet probably noticed the new orange-bordered envelope. We thank those who have already generously



contributed to this special fund. We are all aware, whether it be a home, a business, or a church, that staying proactive and developing a building maintenance plan is an important priority. We are working on such a long-term plan and hope to share this with you soon regarding the upkeep of our buildings and grounds.

The short term projects that we are currently working on include the following, with estimated costs:

Repair of the church air-conditioning system	\$ 32,000
Lighting repairs/improvements in the church	8,000
Repair of grounds sprinkler system	9,000
Sodding issues on church grounds	12,000
Replacement of some shingles on the church roof	4,000
Repair of church floor in gathering space	20,000
Security updates at the church	6,000
Livestream system and camera repairs	7,000
Needed trimming of trees on our property	12,000

The long term projects currently include:

Education Building: sealing, painting, and drainage control Replacement of the church roof. We are currently engaged in a long term campaign to replace the roof but we are addressing short term issues when they present themselves.

I thank once again you, our parishioners, friends, visitors and benefactors of our parish for your ongoing generosity.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Tom Morgan



What do we believe about the "Assumption of Mary" into Heaven? "...the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death." The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians..." #966 - The Catechism of the Catholic Church

Heavenly Father, we remember today that your daughter Mary, was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church's coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people; rightly you would not allow her to see the corruption of the tomb since from her own body she marvelously brought forth your Incarnate Son, the Author of all life. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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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 August 7 - 8, 2021

Offertory	\$ 16,323.20
Electronic Giving	4,465.20
Annual Pastoral Appeal (cash)	23.00
Raise the Roof (cash)	63.00

Totals this weekend \$ 20,874.40

RAISE THE ROOF! Capital Campaign

Donated funds will go toward replacing the present church roof with a new roof system. While the Diocese is managing this campaign, we have been given permission to provide this payment convenience to our Online Giving parishioners. Your funds will be forwarded to the Diocese for reporting purposes. Please Donate Today at:

https://stjeromeonline.weshareonline.org/RaisetheRoof Status of Capital Campaign as of this bulletin date

Pledges Paid thru May, 2021	\$ 470,956.27
June, 2021 donations	4,665.78
Interest Earned on funds for June, 2021	389.02

June Balance in RTR Savings Account \$ 476,011.07

DONATE BLOOD

GIVE THE "GIFT OF LIFE"

The "BIG RED BUS" will be coming to St. Jerome on Sunday, August 22, 2021, arriving at 7:30AM and accepting blood donations through 1:00PM. All donors will receive a

FREE OneBlood gift! Plus, all donors will receive a wellness checkup including a COVID-19 antibody test, blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!

We encourage making an appointment in advance of August 22, 2021. Walk-ins may be taken, depending on the number of appointments made. To make an appointment, please visit: **www.oneblood.com/donate-now.** Please use sponsor code #12669, so that they know you will be donating at St. Jerome. Thank you for donating the "Gift of Life!"



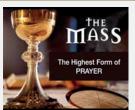
The Divine Mercy of Jesus Knights of Columbus Council 17249 meets on the first and second Wednesdays of each month. At the first Wednesday night's meeting, we have a 30-minute officer's meeting, then we meet with interested parties to share our faith journey, pray, and learn how to increase the signs of the Holy Spirit's presence within us. During the second Wednesday of the month, we will have a regular business meeting.

To order a brick for the Grotto please go to:

https://www.stjeromeonline.org/knights-of-columbus.html or call (727) 249-3590.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION AND MISSION

- Q: What would I choose to include in my own Magnificat? For what great things would I praise God?
- M: Find a way to celebrate life. Call a close relative, hug a family member, send goods to a pregnancy center, offer to babysit for a stressed-out relative. Be part of the chain of life.



UNDERSTANDING THE MASS

Part 16 - The Liturgy of the Word - The Gospel

Special signs of solemnity surround the gospel proclamation since this reading is the high point of the liturgy of the word. The Good News of

salvation is proclaimed by the Risen Lord. It is Christ living and present among his own who continues to speak to his people as he calls them to faith and conversion.



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

ALIVE

St. Jerome Catholic Church Adoration

Thursday, August 19 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Guest Speaker: Sister Briege McKenna, O.S.C.

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

Adoration | Sharing

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"New Fire" of the Middle School (Edge) by Tina Borst Assistant Youth Minister

What an amazing week at Hidden Lake summer camp in the mountains of North Georgia with eight of our middle schoolers.

It was a full week with much praying and playing for our youth. The week included the Sacrament of Reconciliation (God's Mercy), daily Mass, daily sharing in small groups of their faith journeys, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, where the Holy Spirit powerfully filled our youth.

The playtime included a muddy obstacle course, messy games, and team/ faith-building through high ropes and low rope activities. In addition, we enjoyed the beautiful outdoor activities that Hidden Lake offered, including a Blob, ziplining, paddleboards, canoes, and a water trampoline.

The week's theme was "New Fire," in which a young, charismatic Religious sister taught about being open to the Holy Spirit and allowing the Spirit to guide us throughout our lives. The goal of youth ministry is to build a relationship with each other and to lead our teens closer to Christ, an essential aspect. It was a blessing to witness this throughout the week in our youth.

Lastly, we want to thank all those who contributed to this summer

camp through their prayers and financial donations. We are very grateful to all of you. Please consider continuing to support our youth as we work together to build up our church's future.



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Please, nothing fresh or perishable!

Donations may be left at the parish office, the chapel or when you attend Mass. Thank you

Mass Intentions

Sunday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 am	† Kim Sundelius	Fr. Waters
9:00 am	† Ethel Schiffmacher	Fr. Tom
11:00 am	All The People of The Parish	Fr. Cadrecha
12:30 pm	† Joseph Waller	Fr. George M.
5:00 pm	† Ana Breatriz Oviedo Martinez & Grego	rio Mendez Fr. Cadrecha

Monday, August 16

7:00 am	† Paul and Nancy Reese	Fr. Cadrecha
9:00 am	† Marietta Postiglione	Fr. Tom

Tuesday, August 17

7:00 am	† John Commesso	Fr. Tony
9:00 am	† Chrispino Coviello	Fr. Cadrecha

Wednesday, August 18

7:00 am	† Anthony Mitchell	Fr. Cadrecha
9:00 am	† Evin Skala	Fr. Tom
7:00 pm	† Barbara Sutter	Fr. George M.

Thursday, August 19

7:00 am	† Kecia Scigliuto	Fr. Tom
9:00 am	† Bert Hucke	Fr. Cadrecha

Friday, August 20

7:00 am	† Sue Leary	Fr. George M.
9:00 am	† Tom Crabtree	Fr. Tom

Saturday, August 21

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9:00 am † **Stewart Waller** Fr. Tom

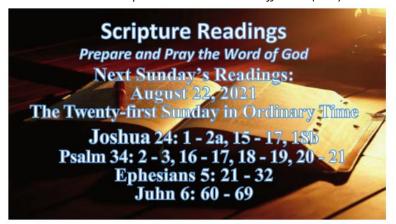
Saturday, August 21 - Vigil of the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm † Jerry Speece Fr. Cadrecha

Sunday, August 22 - The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am	† Edward Alosat	Fr. George M.
9:00 am	† Andrew "Andy" Ermilio	Fr. Tom
11:00 am	† Edward Aiosa	Fr. Tom
12:30 pm	All The People of The Parish	Fr. Cadrecha
5:00 pm	† Anthony Rainone	Fr. Cadrecha

^{*}Priest Schedule subject to change. **If there is a Mass intention error, please contact the Receptionist in the Parish Office at (727) 595-4610.



WHAT DOES THE MARTHA MARY GUILD DO?

The aim of the Guild is to unite women of the parish in purpose, direction and action in religious, educational, social and economic fields.

RELIGIOUS / SPIRITUAL

First Sunday of the Month 10:45 Mass

Prayer and Scripture reading integrated into monthly meetings Attend funerals of deceased members or their spouses

EDUCATIONAL

Special speakers at monthly meetings covering various topics

SOCIAL

Special Events Christmas Lunch/Picnic Lunch/Day of Recollection/Activities Ladies Bonding and Sharing in Friendship

ECONOMICAL

Contributing to needs of our Parish Donating food to Lifeline and Homeless Ministries Raise funds to donate to various projects and charities

VOLUNTEERING

Many of our members volunteer and are involved in many of the parish ministries. Here are some examples:

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Church Greeters, Catechists, Choir, RCIA, Ministry of Consolation, Legions of Mary, Small Faith Community, Grief Share Program, Life Line, Homeless Ministry, Fellowship Committee, Lazarus's Ministry, Health Fair, Welcome Desk

For more information please contact:

Yanna Blackwell at (727) 787-1590

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ray often for the souls of your loved ones and please consider joining us at the Month's Mind Mass on the last Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Resurrection.

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