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January 2, 2022

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY VIGILS: 4:00PM & 5:30PM

SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM (FAMILY LITURGY),

10:45AM, 12:30PM & 5:00PM (LIFE TEEN)

MON-FRI: 7:00AM & 9:00AM IN CHURCH

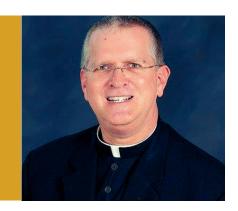
SATURDAY: 9:00AM IN CHURCH

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-3:45PM IN CHAPEL

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Fr. Tom Morgan



1/2/22 20 + C + M + B + 22

Dear Friends:

We are happy to provide everyone with an Epiphany home blessing kit. Since the Middle Ages, there has been a tradition that on (or near) the feast of Epiphany, we pray for God's blessing on our homes, marking the door post with chalk (an incarnational image reminding us of the dust of the earth from which we were made). We mark the main door of our home with the initials of the Magi and the numerals of the New Year, connected with crosses: "20 + C + M + B + 22". The initials remind us of the legendary names of the Magi – Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, and also the Latin motto: **Christus mansionem benedicat, "May Christ bless this house."**

In the book of Exodus, the Israelites marked their doors with blood so that the Lord would pass over their homes; but in this ritual, we mark our doors with chalk as a sign that we have invited God's presence and blessing into our homes. Included in the Epiphany home blessing kit is a piece of chalk and the prayer for the blessing.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Tom Morgan

QUESTION: How do I use both reason and faith to find my way to lesus?

MISSION: Locate the doorway to the new Jerusalem in your lifein those who gather in worship, in a place or a circumstanceand work to keep that door wide open. Commit yourself to being open to the sacred and give encouragement to those who are struggling to find their way to the light.

Inviting Catholics Home

Here at St Jerome parish, we are passionate about Inviting Catholics home. For those who have not been attending Mass regularly or who are not participating in the Sacramental life of the Church, please know there is a home for you here. Inviting Catholics Home is a relaxed forum in which to discuss your concerns, what may have caused you to leave, and what is calling you back. Call St Jerome office 727-595-4610



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MASS INTENTIONS

Let Us Pray



Saturday, January 1st

- 7:30 AM † John and Connie Medeiros Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Carolyn Russo & grandson Gregory Miles John - Fr. Cadrecha
- 4:00 PM † Loretta Anselmo Fr. Waters
- 5:30 PM † Daniel Rosario Fr. Waters

Sunday, January 2nd

- 7:30 AM † Dorothy Mayr Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:00 AM † Donald Smith Fr. Cadrecha
- 10:45 AM † Rose and Horace Palmerone Fr. Tom
- 12:30 PM † Deceased Benefactors of St. Jerome - Fr. George M.
- 5:00 PM † Rob Schulkers Fr. Tom

Monday, January 3rd

- 7:00 AM † Louis Gregor Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Blanche Duquette Fr. Tom

Tuesday, January 4th

- 7:00 AM † John Hampson -. Fr. George M.
- 9:00 AM † Suzanne Florescu Msgr. Muldoon

Wednesday, January 5th

- 7:00 AM † Thomas Hanson Fr. Tom
- 9:00 AM † Ken King Msgr. Muldoon

Thursday, January 6th

- 7:00 AM † Steve Bowers Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Douglas Pearce Fr. Tom

Friday, January 7th

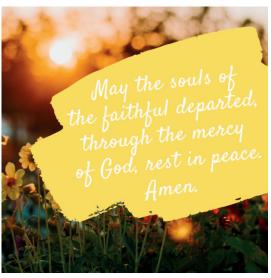
- 7:00 AM † Michael McGlaughlin Fr. George M.
- 9:00 AM Wm. Fong Family Fr. Cadrecha

Saturday, January 8th

- 9:00 AM † Floreine Appel Fr. Tom
- 4:00 PM † Douglas Pearce Fr. Cadrecha
- 5:30 PM † Janet Rice-Crummy Fr. Cadrecha

Sunday, January 9th

- 7:30 AM Jean O'Keefe Fr. Tom
- 9:00 AM † Janet Crummy Fr. Tom
- 10:45 AM † Floreine Appel Msgr. Muldoon



UNDERSTANDING THE MASS: MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

36. The memorial acclamation not only helps sustain the assembly's attention from the end of the Sanctus to the Great Amen, but is also a manifestation of the congregation's active participation in the eucharistic prayer. Sharing in the eucharist by virtue of their baptismal priesthood, the faithful express and affirm belief that the whole mystery of the Risen Christ is present and active in the celebration.

*Priest Schedule subject to change.
 12:30 PM All the People of the Parish - Fr. George M. **If there is a Mass intention error please contact the Receptionist in the Parish Office at (727) 595-4610.



FINANCES

perfect gift is from above. James 1:17



STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is more than being a good manager of one's time, talents, and 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. Thanks for sharing His gifts!

Collection Dec 18-19, 2021

 Offertory \$22,645.32

• Electronic Giving \$4,990.50

 Annual Pastoral Appeal (cash) \$10.00

• Raise the Roof (cash) \$146.00

Total: \$27.791.82

Raise the Roof

• Pledges Paid thru October, 2021 \$494,964.27

Sept. 2021 donations: \$13,682.78

• Interest Earned on Funds for Sept. 2021 \$426.66

• Sept. Balance in RTF Savings Acct.

\$509,073.71



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CATHOLIC MINISTRY



Next week we will kickoff the Catholic Ministry Appeal. We invite our families to take an active role in supporting the larger Church to help those around us. The Catholic Ministry Appeal is one of the most impactful ways we can support our Catholic Church. Our diocesan support will be funded through the new Catholic Ministry Appeal, and the former "Annual Pastoral Appeal" (APA) will no longer take place. This appeal is about coming together to provide real, immediate help to those in need. Your gift helps so many people as we nurture spiritual life, embrace God's call to serve and accompany missionary disciples. For example, did you know the Catholic Ministry Appeal supports:

- 11,400 clients receiving 104,647 meals through our Catholic Charities Ministries
- of Mercy.
- 13,000 students enrolled and 1,300 educators and professional staff members in our 41 diocesan Catholic schools.
- 16 seminarians who are discerning a call to the priesthood for our diocese.
 75 retired priests who still provide services and support the faith life of
- parishioners in all 79 of our parishes and missions.



OUR COMMUNITY IS FAMILY





It's always a swell time at the Knights of Columbus breakfast! Join us for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month. Thanks for your kindness, gents!







In Service to One. In Service to All.



The Divine Mercy of Jesus Knights of Columbus Council 17249 meets on the first and second Wednesdays of each month

Council 17249 meets on the first and second Wednesdays of each month in the Parish Center. At the first Wednesday meeting we have a 30 minute officer's meeting. Then after, we meet with all interested parties to share our faith journey, pray, and learn how to increase the signs of the Holy Spirit's presence within us.

On the second Wednesday of the month, we hold a regular business meeting and learn what the various needs of our parish and community are in order to fulfill Jesus' commands: "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Join us for breakfast on the third Sunday of each month.

To order a brick to be placed in front of the Grotto visit https://www.stjeromeonline.org/knights-of-columbus.html and click on the Buy a Brick Tab.

For more info: 727 249-3590 or https://www.stjeromeonline.org/knights-of-columbus.html



THE 500 CLUB

St. Jerome is alive!



St. Jerome's 500 Club!

Join the 500 Club for \$100! Annual membership limited to 500 people. Monthly drawings on 1st Friday of the month. First Prize \$500; Second Prize \$200; Third Prize \$100

Return the below form with your \$100 check made to "St. Jerome". Drop in offertory at Mass or the Parish Office by January 28th to make the first drawing. We will accept more members after if there are still spots; the earlier you enter, the greater your chances to WIN! Your number will be mailed to you in January - first drawing will be February 4th. For more information please contact Bob Conte at 727-656-9702

Thank you for supporting our parish!

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LIFELINE NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

Lifeline is in need of food as we cannot rely on our usual bulk sources. Nothing fresh or perishable! List of Preferred Foods

- Boxed macaroni & cheese
- Boxed mashed potatoes
- Beef stew
- Hearty canned soups
- Cannéd pork & beans
- Peanut butter
- Jellies & jams



- Canned vegetables (corn, beans, carrots) Canned tuna/Chicken/turkey
- Pasta/spaghetti
- Pasta sauce Canned fruit
- Rice (2 lb bags) Cereal

Donations can be left at the Chapel which is open 24 hours a day or you may bring them with you when you attend Sunday or Daily Mass. Bins are located inside the entrances of the Church.

Lifeline assisted an additional 75 families comprised of 277 people last distribution. Parishioners donated 146 bags of food last week. The total number of bags donated in November was a record 1,487! An additional 107 bags have been donated since December 1st. God bless your generosity!

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- Formed Now The Magi Listen to a reflection on this Sunday's readings.
- Something Other Than God book or audiobook The rollicking tale of Jennifer Fulwiler, who was a business world atheist who accidentally found God while searching for happiness. She is now a homeschooling mom of six AND a Catholic comedian with a special on Amazon.



Formed is free "Catholic Netflix" because St. Jerome purchased a subscription for the whole parish! Sign up today! www.formed.org

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 2nd Reading: Acts 10:34-38 Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22





The fire has its flame and praises God.
The wind blows the flame and praises God.
In the voice we hear the word which praises God.
And the word, when heard, praises God.
So all of creation is a song of praise to God.
-Psalm of Praise, St. Hildegard of Bingen, Doctor



COMMUNITY UPDATES





Alpha only works when the Holy Spirit shows up. With the spirit of Christmas, we will be starting 21 days of prayer based on the cards to the left. You can offer your prayers for those you wish to be touched by the program and you can ask your friends to join us in our next session in January. Cards are available in the Gathering Space.

BETHLEHEM CENTRE LUNCH MENU

JANUARY.

1/11: Spaghetti Pie Mint Peas Salad Roll & Butter, & Beverage Cherry Whip Dessert

Tuesdays from 11:30-am-12:00pm in the Parish Center. Salad & beverage available at 11:15am, from October -March.

\$8 Donation. Come early to see old friends or make new ones!

St. Jerome begins an important survey this weekend. The survey will be an insert in the Parish Bulletin and available on-line for download. Please be sure to take a bulletin next week or go to St. Jerome's website if you will be away. Response deadline will be January 9, 2022.

Should Communion Ministers Still Wear Face Masks?

This question is asked regularly: Do Communion ministers need to wear face masks? The protocols issued by Bishop Parkes on June 15, 2020, are (for the most part) still in effect, including, it is strongly recommended for the safety of the minister and the communicant that the minister wear a face mask when distributing Holy Communion. We now know the coronavirus is transmitted primarily by breathing it in via airborne aerosol particulates. We also know that breakthrough cases of Covid can occur even to those who are fully vaccinated. So for the safety of all, Communion ministers are still strongly encouraged to wear a face mask

BETHLEHEM CENTRE ACTIVITIES

when distributing Holy Communion.

TUESDAY

Exercise - 9:00-10:00am

Art - 10:00am-2:00pm

Tai Chi - 10:30-11:30am

Bridge - 12:00-3:00pm

Pinochle - 12:00-3:30pm

For more info: Joanne Biamonte (727) 596-9394 or bethlehemcentre@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY

Zumba - 9:00-10:00am

Yoga - 11:00am-12:00pm

Pietra Fitness - 12:00-1:00pm



"Life is worth living"

FRIDAY

Exercise - 9:00-10:00am

Art-10:00am-2:00pm

Line Dancing - 10:15-11:30am

Yoga - 10:30-11:30am

Bridge - 12:00-3:00pm

Pinochle - 12:00-3:30pm

MahJong - 12:00-3:00pm



YOUTH MINISTRY



Summer Activities



Spring Calendar

January 9, 16, 30: All Youth Group Gathering Middle School / Confirmation / High School Dinner / Life Night

January 20-22: March for Life

Please Note: No Adoration (XLT) January 20th.

February 6, 13, 27: All Youth Group Gathering Middle School / Confirmation / High School Dinner / Life Night

February 11-13: Confirmation Retreat

February 17: Middle School / Confirmation Adoration XLT for Middle School, Confirmation, High School and Families - 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

March 6, 13, 27: All Youth Group Gathering Middle School / Confirmation / High School Dinner / Life Night

March 12: Confirmation Retreat and Rehearsal with Sponsors - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

March 17: Confirmation Day

Please Note: No Adoration (XLT) March 17th.

April 3, 10: All Youth Group Gathering Middle School / Confirmation / High School Dinner / Life Night

April 14: Holy Thursday April 15: Good Friday April 17: Easter Sunday

Please Note: No Youth Group April 17th, Easter Sunday.

May 1, 15: All Youth Group Gathering Middle School / Confirmation / High School Dinner / Life Night

Please Note: No Youth Group May 22 and May 29th, Memorial Day Weekend.



For more information, contact us at: YouthMinistry@stjeromeonline.org • 727-221-0229



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Rosary Group

You are warmly invited to join us to pray the Rosary every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday morning in the church's reservation chapel (immediately behind the altar and main sanctuary) following the 9:00 AM Daily Mass.

Coming off a challenging year, and given the difficulties and struggles of our country, we need the Rosary more than ever.

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Second Sunday of month after 9:00 am Mass at 10:00 am in church; also by request.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 3:00-3:45pm-Chapel. Drive-through Confessions: last Saturday of the month from 9:30-10:00am at the northern entrance of the Church (August-May).

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION: Every Thursday, every First Friday, and every First Saturday 9:30am-10:30am; also Livestreamed.

CLERGY

Fr. Tom Morgan, Pastor Rev. Robert Cadrecha, Parochial Vicar ASSISTING PRIESTS Very Rev. Joseph Waters, JV, JCL Fr. George Mangiaracina, Fr. Anthony Nyong Msgr. Brendan Muldoon, Pastor Emeritus Msgr. Dacian Dee, Deacon Fred Kunder



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