ST. JEROME ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



March 27, 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 SATURDAY: 9:00AM CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-3:45PM IN CHAPEL LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS: FRIDAYS 9:30AM & 7:00PM IN CHURCH

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3/27/22 Dear Friends:

Throughout our lives we have often heard from the Gospels regarding the life of Jesus with His disciples. It might be helpful during Lent to consider some of the interactions and circumstances that occurred in the lives of Our Lord's first disciples. What might we observe?



Some of the disciples were introduced to Jesus through others. Jesus meets some of His disciples as they were working in their professions. Those first disciples witnessed healings and miracles. The disciples spent time and traveled with Jesus. Jesus asked questions to those first disciples. Jesus shares His mission with the disciples and commissioned them to share the Gospel, heal, and expel demons. Jesus teaches His disciples through example. Jesus washes the feet of the disciples and teaches them they must be servants as He is. The disciples are taught about suffering by Jesus. Jesus often corrected His disciples. What else?

Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Tom Morgan

COPING WITH DISTRACTIONS



by Msgr. Mike Muhr

Anyone who has ever really tried to pray reflectively knows about distractions and how frustrating they can be. I'm talking about those pesky thoughts that come barreling into our minds when we try to become still and quiet for any length of time. For me, they usually show up about one and a half minutes into my time with God.

St. Teresa of Avila struggled mightily with distractions for almost twenty years before God led her into a way of great interior communion. She suggested to her novices that they hold a picture of Jesus when they prayed so that they could remember that they were talking to a person in prayer and not just making a mental exercise.

The advice I have found most helpful is to imagine distractions as if they were a train crossing through a valley. The train comes into view and will pass on through the valley without our effort. In prayer, we would acknowledge the distraction lightly and then return to prayer as the distraction drifts out of our consciousness.

Trying to push distractions out usually only makes them more persistent and "getting on the train", well, then we know where that leads. There may be times when a certain distraction keeps coming. This could be a sign that this is exactly what the Lord wants us to pray about. In the end, though, for most of us distractions come with the territory.

Next week: "A Way to Pray."

QUESTION: How have I isolated myself and from whom? On the other hand, whom can I respond to with mercy when they return from isolation?

Mission: Prayerfully consider where you might be called to be an ambassador for Christ. As Christ's ambassador seek to be a minister of reconciliation in your family, relationships, and community. March 27, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS Let Us Pray



Saturday, March 26th

- 9:00 ÅM † James Flanagan Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:30 AM Drive Through Confessions
- 4:00 PM † Elizabeth & Joseph Weber Fr. Tom
- 5:30 PM † Elizabeth Jane Clifford Fr. Tom

Sunday, March 27th

- 7:30 AM All the People of the Parish Fr. Waters
- 9:00 AM † Lois McKernan Fr. Tom
- 10:45 AM † Robert Schulkers Fr. Cadrecha
- 12:30 PM † Helene Araujo Fr. Tom
- 5:00 PM † Raymond Palmowski, Jr. Fr. Cadrecha

Monday, March 28th

- 7:00 AM † Joseph DeGeorge Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:00 AM † Diana Lepri Fr. Tom

Tuesday, March 29th

- 7:00 AM † Tony Sehy Fr. George M.
- 9:00 AM † John Scullin III Fr. Tom

Wednesday, March 30th

- 7:00 AM † Carl Biamonte Fr. Tom
- 9:00 AM † All Souls in Purgatory Fr. Cadrecha

Thursday, March 31st

- 7:00 AM † Mae Nicolosi Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received Fr. Tom

Friday, April 1st

- 7:00 AM † Cesar Rivero Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Richard Billa Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:30 AM Stations of the Cross
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

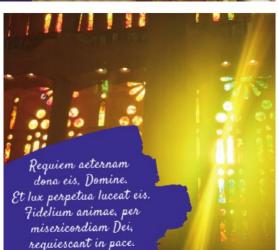
Saturday, April 2nd

- 9:00 ÁM † Guiseppe DeFilippis Fr. George M.
- 3:00 PM Weekly Confessions
- 4:00 PM All the People of the Parish Fr. Cadrecha
- 5:30 PM † Penny Limina Fr. Cadrecha

Sunday, April 3rd

- 7:30 AM Jean O'Keefe Fr. Tom
- 9:00 AM † Jimmy White Fr. Waters
- 10:45 AM † Brian Johns Fr. Tom
- 12:30 PM † Natalie Palmowski Fr. Cadrecha
- 5:00 PM † William Champion Fr. Tom

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



Understanding the Mass: Invitation to Communion

48. A formal invitation to receive the Lord's body and blood is found in almost every traditional liturgy. One of the popular forms used in the east is "Holy things for the Holy!" The present Roman form strikes a balance between a worthiness rooted in baptism and a humility possessed by the centurion. The assembly is invited to look at the eucharistic bread and to express reverence, confidence, and faith.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

lst Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 2nd Reading: Philippians 3:8-14 Gospel: John 8:1-11 March 27, 2022

FINANCES

All good giving and every perfect gift is from above. James 1:17



RAISE THE ROOF! Capital Campaign

Donated funds 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. Funds are forwarded to the Diocese for reporting purposes.

Donate at:

https://stjeromeonline.weshareonline.org /RaisetheRoof

Pledges Paid Through December, 2021: \$545,022.91

January 2022 donations: \$3,652.78

Interest Earned on Funds for Jan. 2022: \$464.12

January Balance in Raise the Roof Savings Acct.: \$549,139.81

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. Thank you for sharing His gifts!

Collection Dates

| | <u>3/14-3/19</u> | <u>3/20</u> | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Total | \$7,110.00 | \$19,754.88 | | | | | |
| E-giving | None | \$5,975.50 | | | | | |
| CMA* Cash: | \$60.00 | \$3.00 | | | | | |
| *Catholic Ministry Appeal | | | | | | | |
| Roof Cash: | \$50.00 | \$31.00 | | | | | |
| Totals: | \$7,220.00 | \$25,764.38 | | | | | |

2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL UPDATE

As of March 21, 2022

| ITEM | м | 2022 ATHOLIC INISTRY APPEAL | CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK | | |
|--------------------------|----|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------|---|
| Diocesan Goal | \$ | 187,449 | \$ | | |
| Total Pledged | | 108,836 | 1 | 5,831 | ↑ |
| Total Pledges Made | | 263 | | 17 | ↑ |
| Average Pledge | \$ | 414 | \$ | 36 | ↑ |
| Percent of Goal Achieved | | 58% | | 8% | ↑ |



Congrats to our February winners of the 500 Club! Contact the Parish Office to join the club today before our March drawing!

- Sue Bordeaux 1st prize \$500
- Peter, Andrew, Billy Ward - 2nd prize \$200
- Tracey Swaine 3rd prize \$100



Bingo will return to St. Jerome starting Thursday, April 21 in the Parish Center. Save the date!

"TRIDUUM: A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE"

This is a special walk through of the locations of Holy Week! A special invitation goes to Fr. Cadrecha and all who joined him on a similar pilgrimage prior to COVID. We will ask them to supplement the film with their personal experience of the tour of Jerusalem.

Join Sunday, April 3rd after the 10:45AM Mass (12:00 noon) in the Parish Center.

Feel free to grab donuts and coffee and come to the stage side.

We will also explore the fabulous content on the Catholic application of Formed that has been purchased by St Jerome Catholic Church. Assistance will be available for parishioners wishing to learn how to access this enlightening program.

ANNUAL 2022 NEHEMIAH ACTION

Join St Jerome FAST/Justice Ministry on Monday, March 28 at 7:00PM at St. Michael Catholic Church to discuss with our local leaders: Affordable Housing, Water/Flood, & Criminal Justice

St Michael Archangel Catholic Church; Outdoor Event 2281 State Road 580, Clearwater, FL 33763

Carpool/bus to leave at 6:00PM; meet in the front parking lot.

Magnificat of St. Petersburg, a Ministry to Women,

Invites you to a Prayer Brunch

Saturday, April 30, 2022

St. Jerome Catholic Church Parish Center 10895 Hamlin Boulevard Largo, FL 33774

Reservations-\$16.00 Check payable to "Magnificat"

10:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Join us for St. Jerome's Parish Mass at 9:00 AM

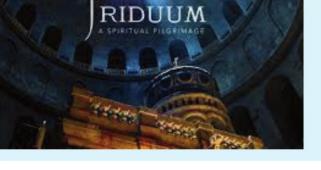
Witness Speaker: Peggy Penn

Are you looking to refresh your spirit? Join in fellowship with women throughout the Diocese, a delicious brunch, praise & worship led by Francesca Ani, recitation of the Rosary, and words of wisdom by Fr. Robert Cadrecha. Then hear how this wife & mother of three including Father Connor Penn, educator & school principal, and in "retirement" the developer of a retreat "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" has joyfully answered God's call in her life.

Please mail your check, payable to Magnificat, to our treasurer, Linda Barron, 6069 Second Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710. Checks must be received by April 25, 2022. Send your check early-seating is limited due to social distancing. Masks are encouraged.

Questions or Need More Information? E-mail magnificatofstpetersburg@gmail.com or text Jane at 727-452-7404 or Linda at 727-415-2693.







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"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord ... " Luke 1:39



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Help us send a teen to camp!

Life Teen summer camps offer teens the opportunity to grow closer to Christ, make friends and create memories. Would you be willing to help us by sponsoring a teen for either of the camps below? We have over 40 teens desiring to attend. Your generosity means the world to us and would help to enhance the life of a teen. Sponsorship is \$800.

Please consider sponsoring a camper in whole or in part!





Camp Covecrest: JULY 18-23, 2022

Camp Hidden Lake: JUNE 20-25, 2022

- 🜟 "Was my best summer experience of all time" Donovan
- Camp changed me to start living my life knowing God is there for me" Peighton
- * "Camp was an amazing place to express yourself and meet others with the same beliefs" Nate
 * "Camp touched my heart and made me feel the Holy Spirit in a way that I had never experienced before" Maddie



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





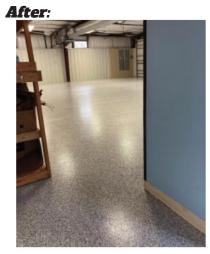
Lifeline Needs Your Generosity

Lifeline served 87 families comprised of 283 people. Parishioners donated 261 bags of food last week for a total of 781 bags so far this month.

Lifeline also completed a flooring upgrade project last week in our facility. The floors had become seriously worn and difficult to maintain after many years of hard use. Lifeline volunteers worked many extra hours to totally empty the facility so the work could be done while at the same time remaining open to serve those who come to us for help. We are grateful to all who helped last week, especially to the young parishioners who greatly helped with the heavy lifting. The end results are impressive.

Before:







The recent record numbers of people coming for assistance have seriously depleted our food supply. As food prices continue to increase and supply chains are strained, we are continually in need of the non-perishable items listed here. We thank all for your continued generosity.

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



- 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 attending Sunday or Daily Mass. Bins are located inside the entrances of the Church. The need continues to be incredibly high. We thank all for your continued generosity!!

Do you have the spiritual gift of Hospitality? Can you say:

- I feel comfortable around strangers and care deeply about how my church welcomes them.
- I enjoy providing a safe environment for those in need.
- I view relationships as opportunities to pass on God's love.

If so, perhaps Christ is calling you to the Hospitality Ministry!

Our purpose is to offer the love of Christ to our guests and welcome

them in such a way that they would be transformed from strangers to friends. We are seeking to GROW our Hospitality Ministry by encouraging a spirit of hospitality and unity, breaking down barriers of formality, and extending a warm and loving welcome to all who come to our parish. So--we need YOU! To learn more or sign up, contact Sr. Lucia at 727-410-1175 or by email.







HEARTS FOR HEALING PRAYER TEAM

"Do you want to be healed?" Healing prayer is experiencing God and receiving His healing grace. Two members of the Prayer Team will pray with you for your spiritual, emotional, or physical needs. This prayer time is by appointment here at St. Jerome. Call Mary Rose Holmes at (813) 294-2272 or Barbara McGowan at (813) 447-0397.



MARTHA MARY GUILD - UPCOMING GATHERINGS



Sunday Martha Mary Mass: April 3rd at 10:45AM Wednesday, April 6th Meeting: 10:30AM in the Parish Center

Sunday Martha Mary Mass: May 1st at 10:45AM Wednesday, May 4th Meeting: 10:30AM in the Parish Center

If you have questions or for more information, contact Yanna Blackwell at jimnyan@verizon.net.

SOULCORE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This Lent, join SoulCore leader Addys Sasserath in a prayerful sensory experience combining the Stations of the Cross, candlelight, music, reflections & movement to nourish our bodies, minds & souls. The physical movements and exercises help us to enter more deeply into our Lord's Passion. They are gentle enough for all fitness levels and will engage your full body.



WHEN: Wednesdays 12:15-1:15PM March 9th, 16th, 31st & April 6th. There will be NO CLASS on March 23rd.

WHERE: The St. Jerome Bethlehem Centre

DONATION: There is a suggested donation of \$10/class or \$30 for 4 classes, for those who are able. OTHER: Dress in loose, comfortable clothes or sportswear, bring a fitness mat. Light (1-2 lb) hand weights are optional and drinking water is recommended.

CONTACT: Addys Sasserath at addys@fitsoulwellness.com for additional information and to sign up.

THE DIVINE MERCY OF JESUS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



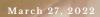
Council 17249 meets on the first and second Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center. At the first Wednesday meeting, we have a 30 minute officer's meeting. Then, we meet with all interested parties to share our faith journey, pray, and learn how to increase the Holy Spirit's presence in us.

On second Wednesdays, we hold a regular business meeting to 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 www.stjeromeonline.org /knights-of-columbus.html and click on the "Buy a Brick" Tab.

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



BETHLEHEM CENTRE

Bethlehem Centre Activities

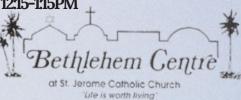
TUESDAY

Exercise - 9:00-10:00AM Art - 10:00AM-2:00PM Spanish - 10:00-11:00AM Tai Chi - 10:30-11:30AM Bridge - 12:00-3:00PM

WEDNESDAY

Zumba - 9:00-10:00AM Yoga - 11:00AM-12:00PM Stations of the Cross SoulCore -

1215-115PM



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

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BETHLEHEM CENTRE

The Bethlehem Centre lunch team thank all for a nice season; lunches have now concluded.

For questions about the Bethlehem Centre, contact: Tim Kunish (727) 596-9394 or bethlehemcentre@gmail.com

LARGE CROWDS AT MASS

For those concerned about attending Sunday Mass with large numbers, the following Masses tend to have fewer people: Saturday: 5:30PM Sunday: 12:30PM and 5:00PM.



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 when distributing Holy Communion.



SERVING YOU Staff & Key Needs





Bishop Baker, Sr. Lucia, and "St. Patrick" (Fr. Tom) celebrating St. Patrick's Day.



If *discouragement* overwhelms you, think of the *faith* of *St. Joseph*; if *anxiety* has its grip on you, think of the *hope* of *St. Joseph*. - Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI -



Bishop Baker preaching our 2022 Lenten Parish Mission.

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday, 9:30AM-4:30PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Second Sunday of the month after 9:00AM Mass at 10:00AM in the Church, or 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.

Masses celebrated in the Church and Chapel are Livestreamed at: www.stjeromeonline.org and www.facebook.com/StJeromeLargo

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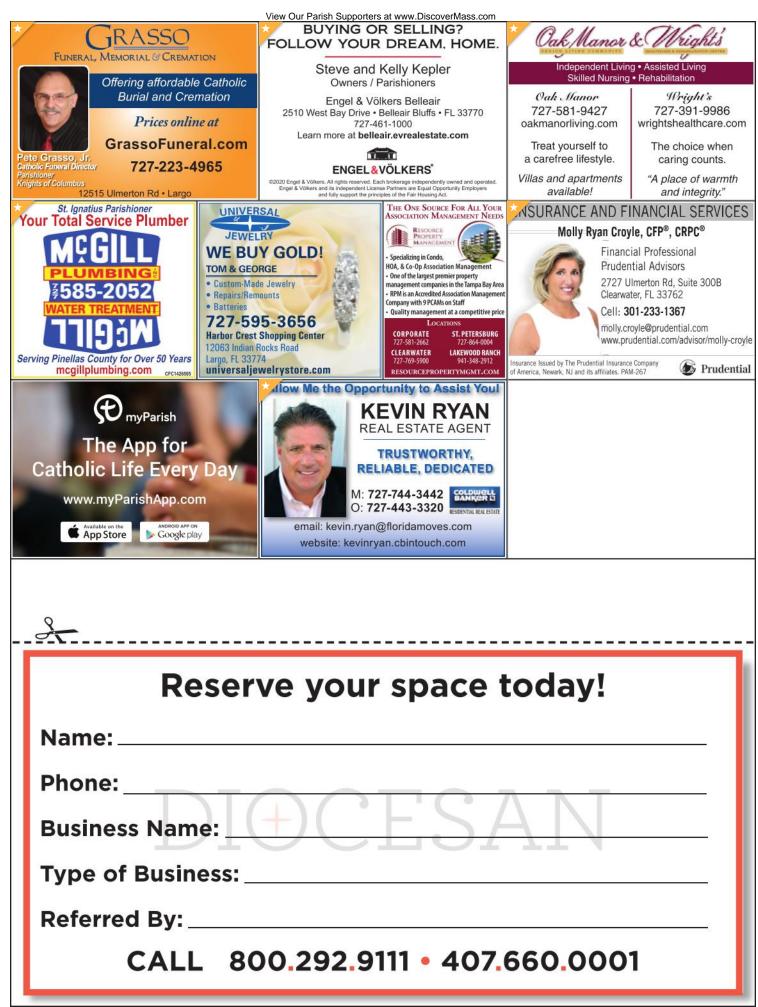
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