

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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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)

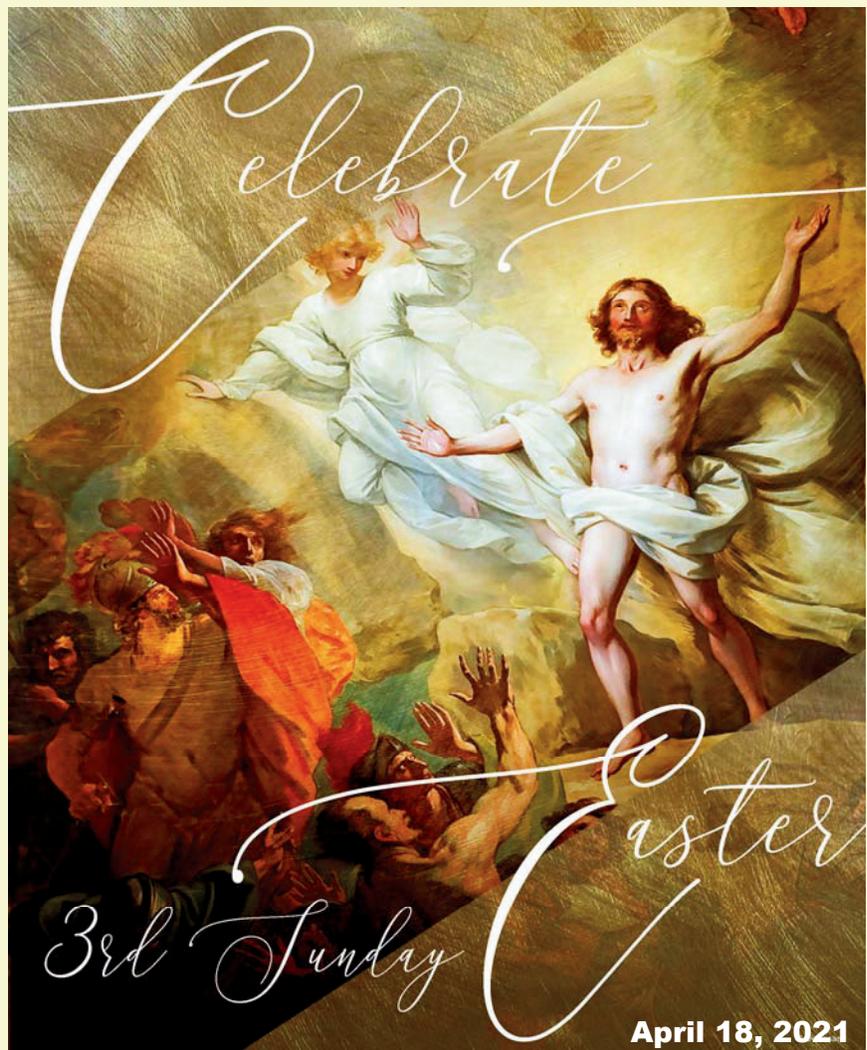
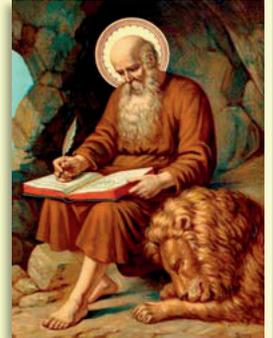
Drive-up distribution of Holy Communion: Saturday, 5:00 pm
and Sunday 12:00 pm at the north entrance of the church
for those unable to participate at a public Mass

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

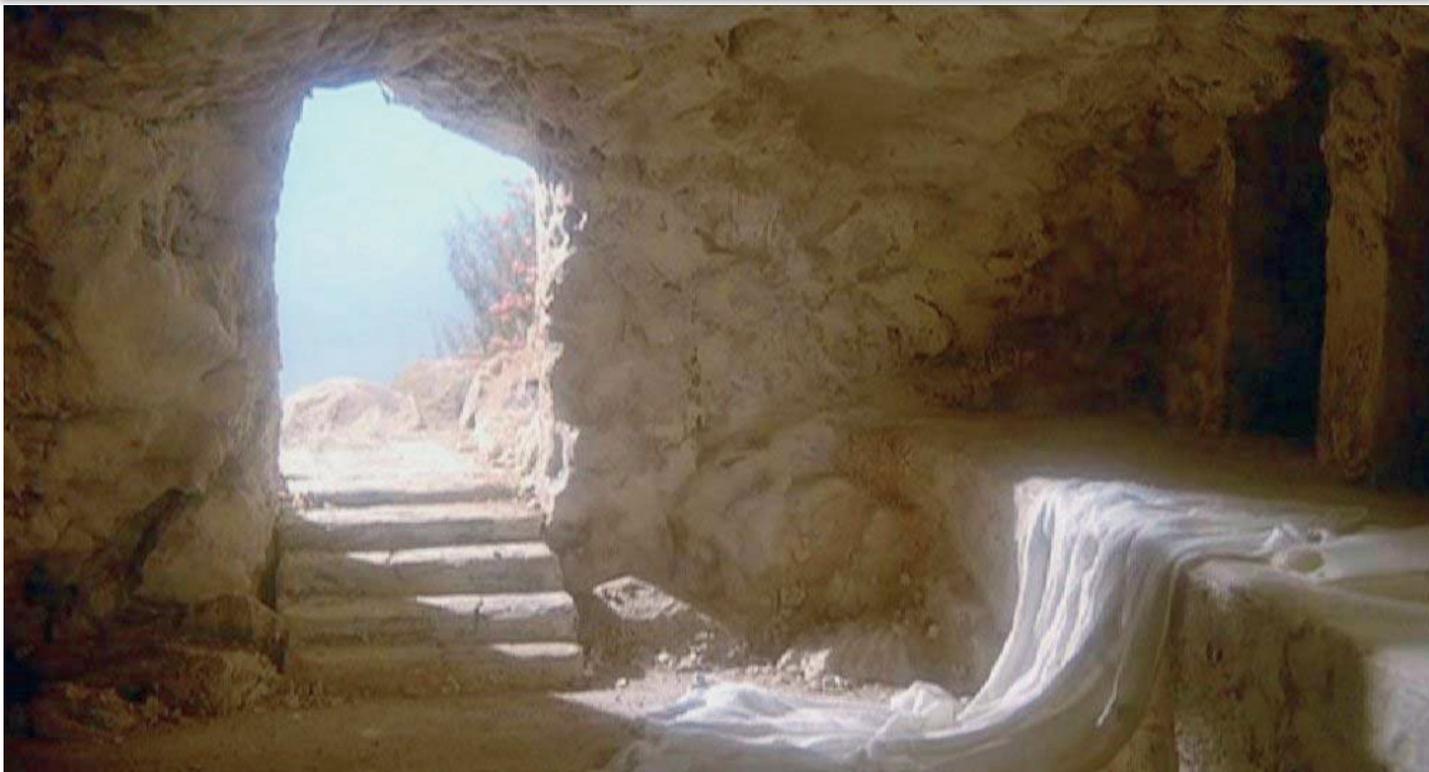
Confessions: Saturday morning 9:30am - 10:30am

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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Easter Season Lasts 50 Days

The word “Pascha,” or “Pasch,” comes from the Greek word for the “Passover.” The early Christians used the word to describe the resurrection of Jesus as the Christian Passover. Today, we sometimes refer to the death and resurrection of Jesus as the Paschal Mystery, which is derived from the word, “Pasch.” Orthodox Christians still use the word Pascha when referring to Easter.

The proclamation of Easter does not end with Easter Sunday: that is only the beginning. The Easter season, known as Easter Time, is celebrated for 50 days. It culminates with the celebration of Jesus' ascension into heaven, and Pentecost, which marks the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles and birthday of the Church. The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is Thursday, May 13, 2021 but since it is a moveable feast, it is transferred in many dioceses, including the Diocese of St. Petersburg, to Sunday, May 16, 2021. Pentecost will be celebrated Sunday, May 23, 2021.

An Easter Prayer

Good and gracious God, our most glorious Creator, as we greet the signs in nature around us: of Spring once again regaling us in bloom, in the songs of returning birds and fields soon to be planted, we give You praise for an even greater sign of new life: the Resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that we especially celebrate at this time.

The sadness and despair of His death has given way to the bright promise of immortality. For the Resurrection is our guarantee that justice will triumph over treason, Light will overcome darkness, and love will conquer death. As we celebrate, we also dare to ask for Your grace, that we may live the promise given to us, by imitating the life of Jesus in reaching out to the poor, the marginalized, the least among us.

As we strive to be neighbor to all those we meet, we ask Your special blessings each and every day on our President. Working with him, may we strive to make this great country of ours a beacon of hope and justice in a world hungry for peace and so in need of your love.

We praise You in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION AND MISSION

Q: Where do you find the fingerprints of God?

M: Choose three stories in the Bible which are personally meaningful for you. Reread them this week and meditate on the significance, beauty, or hope they hold for you.

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 Easter, April 4, 2021

Offertory	\$ 39,841.40
Electronic Giving	8,175.50
Annual Pastoral Appeal (cash)	88.00
Raise the Roof (cash)	206.00
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Totals this weekend	<u>\$ 48,310.90</u>

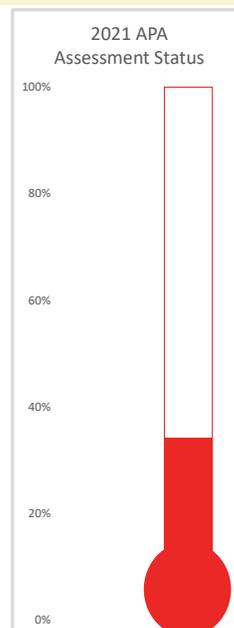
Collection for the weekend of April 10 - 11, 2021

Offertory	\$ 18,130.46
Electronic Giving	3,717.50
Annual Pastoral Appeal (cash)	40.00
Raise the Roof (cash)	151.00
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Totals this weekend	<u>\$ 22,038.96</u>

APA STATISTICS

We include here a report on approximately three months of collection and pledges for the 2021 Annual Pastoral Appeal.

We thank those who have responded so generously, leading us ahead of last year. If you have not yet responded, please prayerfully consider this week your donation to this year's APA. Thank you!



2021 APA STATISTICS
(As of April 12, 2021)

ITEM	2020 APA	2021 APA	2021 B/(W) THAN 2020
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 241,543	\$ 241,535	\$ 8
Total Pledged	79,041	90,817	11,776
Total Pledges Made	214	266	52
Average Pledge	\$ 369	\$ 341	\$ (28)
Percent of Assessment Achieved	33%	38%	5 Pts



GriefShare is a grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. **Our sessions are held on Tuesdays (beginning April 20, 2021) in the Gathering Space of the church from 10:00 am to 11:30 am** until it is deemed safe to return to the Education Building.

We look forward to you joining our group and feeling the support and compassion we experience on our journey "From Mourning to Joy." If you have any questions, please call Judy DeFillipis at (727) 595-4610.

LIFELINE MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Lifeline is again running low on food, as we cannot rely on our usual bulk sources. Our "List of Preferred Foods" includes:

- Boxed macaroni and cheese
- Hearty canned soups
- Jellies and jams of any kind
- Pasta/spaghetti
- Canned tuna/chicken/turkey
- Boxed mashed potatoes
- Canned pork and beans
- Canned vegetables (corn, beans, carrots)
- Pasta sauce
- Rice (2-pound bags)
- Beef stew
- Peanut butter
- Canned fruit
- Cereal

Please, nothing fresh or perishable!

Donations may be left at the parish office, the chapel which is open 24 hours a day, or you may bring your donations with you when you attend Sunday or Daily Mass. Lifeline bins are located in all the entrances of the church. Thank you so much for your help!

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Do Justice, love kindness, walk humbly with God. (Micah 6:6-8)

Join in the JOSHUA CELEBRATION

**Last FAST Gathering & Invest
on ZOOM for entire FAST in Pinellas County
MONDAY - May 10, 2021 at 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

We welcome all those fully vaccinated members of our FAST community plus any others interested to learn more of FAST starting fully back in October 2021. We will meet in the Parish Center at spaced tables with laptop connection on ZOOM and turn in INVEST for next year. Thank you!

Officials scheduled to speak on these FAST 2021-2022 issues:

Affordable Housing, Criminal Justice, Behavioral/Addiction Health

For more Information, please contact: Sr Lucia or Carla Rollandini in parish office.

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 environment for children ages two, three, and four. St. Jerome ECC is fully accredited by NAEYC and is a Gold Seal school. Full or part day programs are available. St. Jerome ECC is a VPK provider for four-year olds, which allows all four year olds to attend the morning program at **no cost**. We now offer an 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!



Volunteer Sacristans are needed, especially for the 11:00am Sunday Mass. Training will be provided. If you wish to serve in this capacity, please call the parish office at (727) 595-4610. Thank you .

*Magnificat of St. Petersburg, a Ministry to Women,
Invites you to a Morning Visitation***



Saturday, May 1, 2021

10:00 AM to 12:30 PM

**St. Jerome's Catholic Church
10895 Hamlin Boulevard
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Optional Mass at 9:00 AM

Witness Speaker: Dr. Carol Razza



Join us for words of wisdom from Fr. Cadrecha, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, & Praise and Worship. Then hear Carol is a full-time faculty member and Formation Advisor at St. Vincent DePaul Regional Seminary, has presented at conferences and retreats, and has written "Sonblock-How Christians Unknowingly Shield Themselves From Grace" & "Parent Me-Please", a book helping parents to parent their adolescent. This dynamic, charismatic woman lives in the Father's supernatural joy and encourages others to do the same.

Social distancing followed; mask is required while inside the Church.

In order to have sufficient materials available, please let us know by April 26th if you will attend this Visitation. Email us at: magnificatofstpetersburg@gmail.com, or text Linda (727) 415-2693, or Jane (727) 452-7404.

Please email us if you are interested in receiving a private livestream link to view this event .



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.



GIVE THE "GIFT OF LIFE"

The "BIG RED BUS" will be coming to St. Jerome on Sunday, April 25, 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 strongly encourage making an appointment in advance of April 25, 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 *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 19

7:00 am † **Nina Gatti Lynch** Fr. Cadrecha
 9:00 am † **John Scullin, III** Fr. Tom

Tuesday, April 20

7:00 am † **Carl Dean Chappel** Msgr. Muldoon
 9:00 am † **Sue Leary** Fr. Cadrecha

Wednesday, April 21

7:00 am † **Carol Sweetland** Fr. Cadrecha
 9:00 am † **Stewart Waller** Fr. George M.
 7:30 pm † **Margaret & Joseph Waller** Fr. Tom

Thursday, April 22

7:00 am † **Quentin M. Vaughan** Fr. Tom
 9:00 am † **Carole M. Anderson** Fr. Cadrecha

Friday, April 23

7:00 am † **Agnes Sullivan** Msgr. Muldoon
 9:00 am † **Bill DeVarti** Fr. Tom

Saturday, April 24

8:45 am Novena
 9:00 am † **Robert Nopper** Fr. Cadrecha

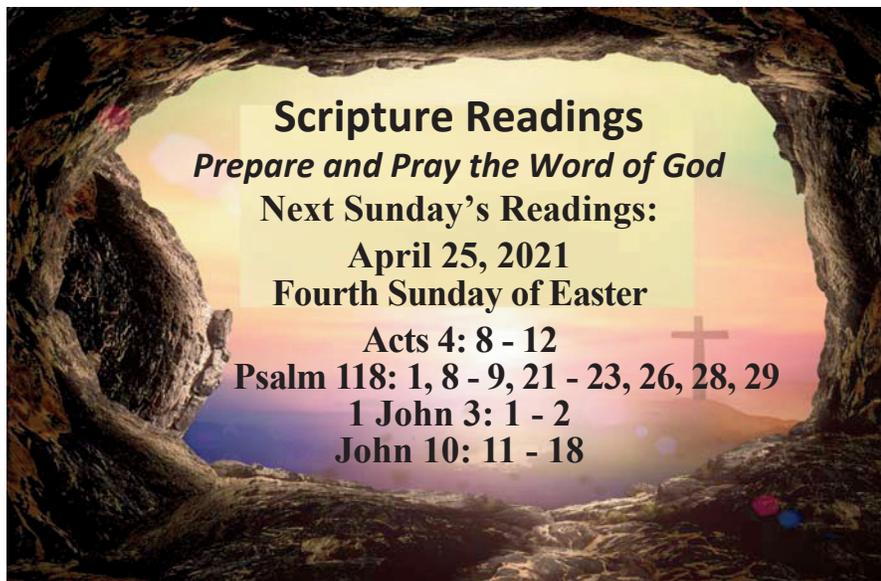
Saturday, April 24 - *The Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Easter*

4:00 pm **Elizabeth Weber** Fr. Waters
 4:00 pm PC † **Edward Pankonin** Fr. George M.

Sunday, April 25 - *The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

7:00 am **All The People of the Parish** Fr. Cadrecha
 9:00 am † **Jimmy White** Msgr. Muldoon
 9:00 am PC † **Carl Hawkins** Fr. Tom
 11:00 am † **Shirley Bell** Fr. Tom
 11:00 am PC † **Vera Solly** Fr. Waters
 5:00 pm † **Charles Denton** Fr. Cadrecha

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



Messa in Italiano

in the main church of the Cathedral of St. Jude



Mass in Italiano Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 3:00PM. **PLEASE NOTE:** this is one hour earlier than usual.

Please come to pray and sing in ITALIANO (Italian). Celebrant: Fr. Anthony M. Fortunato, O. de M. (Mercedarian Friar)

The wearing of a mask is required .

5815 5th Avenue N., St. Petersburg, FL
 Fr. Arthur Proulx, Rector
 Phone: 727 – 347 - 9702

.... THE BEGINNING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF ANY WORK ...



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

Tiny seeds of enthusiasm for the project have taken root, flourished and attracted many! "Maintenance" of our grounds now seems "do-able"- 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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