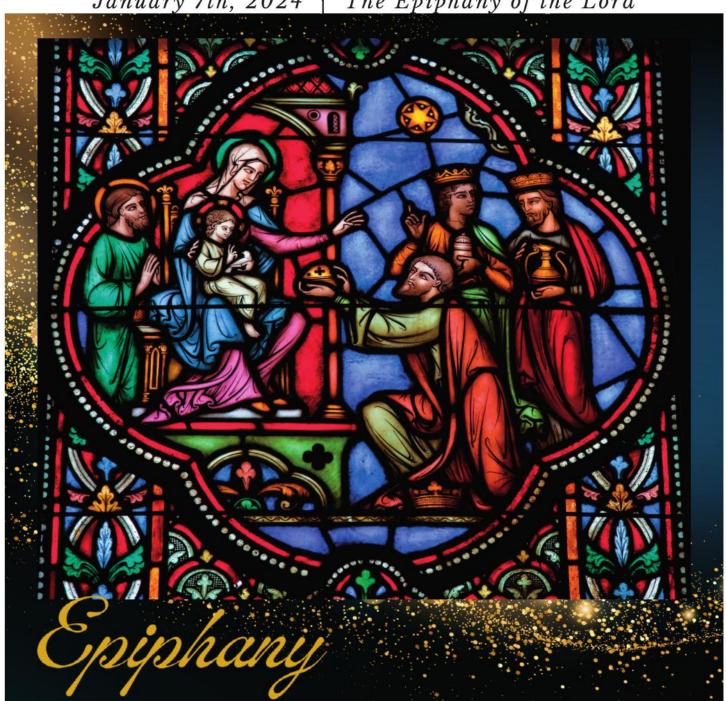
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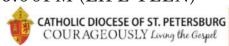
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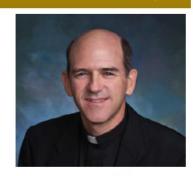


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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A Happy and Blessed Epiphany!

This weekend's feast of Epiphany completes the Christmas manger scene with the arrival of the magi who come to adore the Christ Child, bearing gifts fit for king! It is a tradition on Epiphany to bless homes for the new year. Here's a simple Epiphany blessing you can pray as a family:



A Home Blessing for Epiphany

From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for a great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...

Bless, O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfillment of Thy Law, the thanksgiving of God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. May God's blessing remain upon this home and upon all who dwell herein. Amen.

(with blessed chalk - you can ask a priest to bless your chalk - write on the lintel of your front door: 20 + C + M + B + 24 - the numbers signify the year and the letters signify the 3 kings - Caspar, Melchior, & Balthasar)

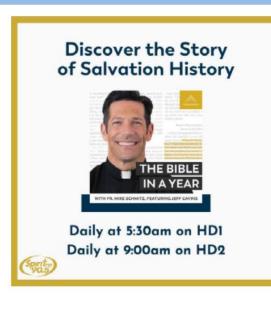
Perhaps close by singing Sing 'We Three Kings' or 'In the Bleak Midwinter'.



May God bless you, Fr. Blum

Grow in faith this year with Spirit FM!







Saturday, January 6th

- 9:00 AM Family Lineage of Karen Schnurr Fr. Cadrecha
- 3:00 PM Confessions
- 4:00 PM † Van Thomas Fr. Blum
- 5:30 PM † Don Dwyer Fr. Cadrecha

Sunday, January 7th

- 7:30 AM All the People of the Parish Fr. Blum
- 9:00 AM † Robert Maus Fr. Cadrecha
- 10:45 AM † Mary Stonestreet Fr. Blum
- 12:30 PM Robson Family Fr. Cadrecha
- 5:00 PM † Dana E. Grady Fr. Cadrecha

Monday, January 8th

- 7:00 AM † Matthew Brady Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:00 AM † Jozef Pachowicz Fr. Blum

Tuesday, January 9th

- 7:00 AM † Grace Kalvana Fr. Mike
- 9:00 AM † Henry Cappelli Fr. Blum

Wednesday, January 10th

- 7:00 AM † Deceased Benefactors of St. Jerome -Fr. Blum
- 9:00 AM † Michael Medland Fr. Mike

Thursday, January 11th

- 7:00 AM † Brandon Christopher Myers Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Patricia Mucci Fr. Cadrecha

Friday, January 12th

- 7:00 AM † Greg Baxter Fr. Tony
- 9:00 AM † Carol Eames Fr. Cadrecha

Saturday, January 13th

- 9:00 AM † Daniel Brodnik Fr. Blum
- 3:00 PM Confessions
- 4:00 PM † The Holy Souls in Purgatory Fr. Cadrecha
- 5:30 PM Family Lineage of Peter Schnurr Fr. Blum 12:30 PM in the Gathering

Sunday, January 14th

- 7:30 AM † Ron Cassella Fr. Cadrecha
- 9:00 AM All the People of the Parish Fr. Blum
- 10:45 AM † Joey D'Amore Fr. Waters
- 12:30 PM † Alida Yates Fr. Blum
- 5:00 PM † Brian & Julian Walsh Fr. Cadrecha

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

FIRST READING:
1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19
PSALM: Psalm 40:2, 4,
7-8, 8-9, 10
SECOND READING:
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a,
17-20
GOSPEL: John 1:35-42

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St. Jerome Prayer Line

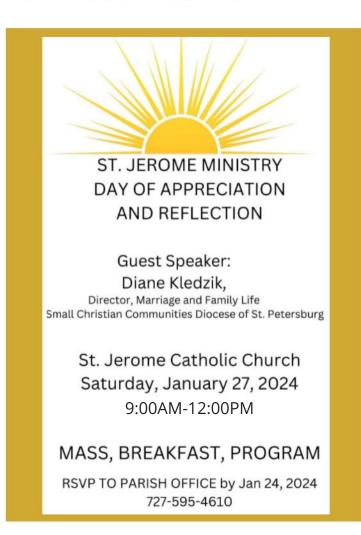


St Jerome's Prayer Line is here for you. We will pray for any intention, from peace for a teething child, to a student stressing over an exam, to a marriage in trouble, or someone suffering illness of any kind.

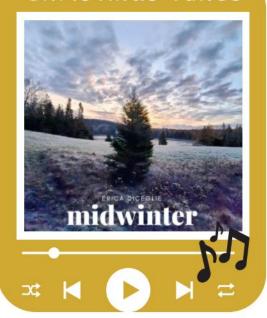
Simply call or text 727-314-1166 or email stjeromeprayforus@gmail.com. Your request stays active for 7 days but you can call in to repeat as often as you need to.

Diocesan Marriage Jubilee

The Marriage Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving will take place at the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle on Sunday, February 11th at 3:00pm. This event honors couples throughout the diocese who will celebrate their 25th anniversary, as well as those celebrating 50 or more years of marriage during the 2024 calendar year. To RSVP, call the Parish Office by **Tuesday**, **January 16th**.



Christmas Tunes



ce One final Christmas Tune! Today we recommend the classic "In the Bleak Midwinter," by Christina Rosetti and Gustav Holst. This gorgeous hymn is perfect for Epiphany, as it speaks about what gifts WE can give the Christ Child, our greatest gift.

"What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb, If I were a wise man, I would do my part. Yet what can I give Him? Give my heart."

Today we recommend the version by our beloved Erica DeCeglie, released just last month! Check it out today on Spotify, Apple Music, and YouTube, and use it as a meditation to end your Christmas season.

St. Jerome Health Care Ministry

Presents a free educational health lecture:

I HAVE OSTEOARTHRITIS:

What is it? What are my options?
Do I need surgery?

WHEN? Monday, January 15, 2024, 2:00-4:00PM WHERE? St. Jerome Parish Center WHO? Jeffrey H Glatter, PA-C

A free community educational event. Bring your questions. No products are sold or solicited. More on Health Care Ministry p. 8.

Alpha is a chance to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment.

Come Taste and See!

You are invited to Alpha! Join us for a great meal and conversation with others who are exploring life and faith; no strings attached.

If you come, we won't call you after, write, or ask you to pick up the check, the ball is completely in your court. What do you have to lose?

Beginning Tuesday, 01/09/2024 at 6:30PM in the Parish Center at St. Jerome Catholic Church, located at 10895 Hamlin Blvd., Largo. Register at:

www.stjeromeonline.org/alpha-ministry

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FAST is YOUR community faith effort since 2005 now 55 congregations energizing solutions for Pinellas County. Such efforts in the past provided programs and pathways: free VPK pre-school, affordable housing, youth restorative practices, civil citations for minors, dental clinics, improved bus routes.

Our 2024 efforts in current research are: Water Quality, Affordable Housing, and Criminal Justice.

SAVE the DATES to join us to attend in 2024: RALLY- April 11, St Michael the Archangel, Clearwater. ACTION – April 30, First Baptist of St Petersburg.

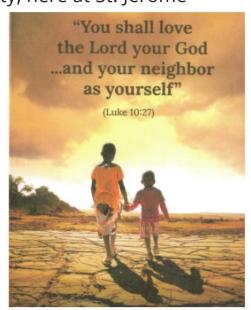
St Jerome contacts: Sr. Lucia, Carla R. (703-477-4334), and Evelyn G.

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Christian Unity

1/21, 3:00-4:00PM, St. Jerome Church

The Community Ecumenical Committee representing 12 local churches invites all of its church members to attend our annual ecumenical prayer service for Christian Unity, here at St. Jerome

Church, on Sunday, January 21 at 3:00PM. Sponsored by the St. Jerome Ecumenical Ministry. Questions? Contact Sr. Lucia at Srlucia@ stjerome online.org





BAPTISM CLASSES & INTRO TO CGS

www.stjeromeonline.org/baptism

We rejoice with our families blessed with the birth or adoption of a child or anticipating a newborn. We offer Baptism Classes on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM in the Parish Office Conference Room. Call the Parish Office (727) 595-4610 to register. In addition, we would also like to arrange for you to tour our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Toddler Atrium and other Atriums. (Info provided at the Baptism Class).

New Baptism prep procedures will be announced shortly.

Adult Confirmation Classes

Adult Confirmation preparation sessions are held for those active Catholics who wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Meet Wednesdays at 6:00PM starting February 7, 2024, in the Parish Office. If interested, call Sr. Lucia at the Parish Office: 727-595-4610.

Marriage Troubles?

If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are License # C900209

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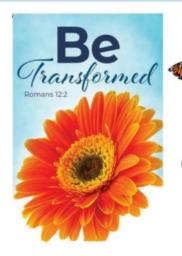
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WOMEN'S RETREAT

FEBRUARY 23 & 24, 2024

FRIDAY EVENING

6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

SATURDAY

9:00 AM (MASS) TO 5:15 PM

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Cost: \$30.00

Ladies, come and be transformed & renewed in God's love as we prepare our hearts for Lent! Join other Sisters in Christ for a very special time of fellowship, praise and worship, inspired teaching, and healing prayer! Additional information flyer & registration form can be found in the Parish Office or on the Vine of Grace Retreat Ministry website at www.vineofgrace.org.

Questions call: Sr. Lucia at: 727.595.4610 or Erin at: 520.631.1408

thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program will begin January 26-28, 2024. For more information, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org, or call at (727) 343-6701. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in the strictest confidence.

Stewardship

We are called to give to the Lord the time, talent, and treasure with which He has blessed us. An easy way to give to St. Jerome: www.stjeromeonline.org or scan the QR Code by opening your camera and follow the link to our safe and secure online giving portal. From there, go to "offertory" and fill in your information to give.



December 23/24, 2023

Offertory: \$15,393.02
E-Giving: \$7,084.00
Total Offertory: \$22,477.02
***CMA Cash: \$10.00
***Roof Cash: \$10.00

Christmas 2023

Offertory: \$48,091.52
 ***CMA Cash: \$22.00
 ***Roof Cash: \$93.00

RAISE THE ROOF A solid, lasting future

RAISE THE ROOF UPDATE

As of November 31st, our roof fund is now sitting at \$1,012,669.73. We have broken one million dollars! This is a substantial milestone! We are blessed to have the Diocese be the financial record keepers of our campaign.

We are working hard towards the goal of **\$1.4 million.** Thanks for pledging today so we can quickly complete this much needed project for our parish to replace the Church roof.



St. Jerome's 500 Club

Join the 500 Club for \$100! Annual membership limited to 500 people.

Monthly drawings on 1st Thursday of the month.

First Prize \$500; Second Prize \$200; Third Prize \$100

500

Return the below form with your \$100 check made to "St. Jerome".

Drop in offertory at Mass or the Parish Office.

We will accept more members after if there are still spots;
the earlier you enter, the greater your chances to WIN!
For more information please contact the Parish Office.



Thank you for supporting our parish!

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The Divine Mercy of Jesus **Knights of Columbus Council 17249**





The Knights meet on the second Wednesday of each month in the Parish Center. We are very active in serving the community, our parish, and growing in faith.

For more information, visit our website at https://knightsdmoj17249.org. To order a brick to be placed at the Grotto, visit https://knightsdmoj17249.org/grotto and select "Buy a Brick".



The Columbiettes. **Divine Mercy of Iesus Council**



The new Columbiettes, Divine Mercy of Jesus Auxiliary, is growing with 40 members to date! More women are committed to join this fall. Women eighteen or older who are practicing Catholics are invited to join. Our purpose is to assist the Knights in their commitments as well as establish our own projects. We want to assist those in need in our parish and community.

Interested? Claudia, President, (724) 766-2615

Bethlehem Centre Spring Semester

The Bethlehem Centre resumes January 9th. Contact Tim Kunish if questions: (727) 596-9394.

Mindful Motion Exercise - Chair

- Wednesdays 10:00-11:00AM
- From 9/6/2023 through 7/17/2024
- Education Building Main Hall

Mindful Motion Exercise - Floor

- Fridays at 10:00-11:00AM
- From 9/22/2023 through 7/19/2024
- Education Building Main Hall

Art

- Thursdays & Fridays 10:00-1:00PM
- From 9/7/2023 through 7/18/2024
- Education Building Art Room

Mahjong

- Fridays 12:00-3:00PM
- Ed Kilroy BuildingFrom 9/8/2023 through 7/19/2024

Spanish

- Thursdays 9:00-10:00AM
- Education Building Art Room
- \$5 per class.



Zumba Gold Exercise Class

- Wednesdays 11:30AM-12:30PM
- \$5.00 per class

Cardio Exercise Class

Wednesdays 9:00-10:00ÅM

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Easy Exercise Wednesdays 10:30-11:30AM Ed Kilroy Building; \$5.00 per session



YOUNG ADULTS OF ST. JEROME'S

Please join us the last Sunday of every month for 5pm Mass and fellowship to follow. Contact us for further information on Bible studies, service events, and more!

andra McMillan @ 727.637.6200 orles McMillan @ 904.673.2912



Lifeline Ministries

During the last two weeks of December, Lifeline served 166 families comprised of 577 people. Parishioners donated 489 bags of food. We appreciate everyone's generosity throughout the Christmas Season.

- Boxed mashed potatoes
- Canned pork & beans
- Canned tuna/chicken/turkey
- Canned vegetables (corn, beans, carrots)
- Hearty canned soup
- Pasta/spaghetti
- Pasta sauce

- Peanut butter
- Cereal
- Canned fruit
- Beef Stew Jellies & jams
- Granola bars
- Peanut butter crackers
- Boxed mac & cheese



Health Care Ministry

Lost or confused about a medical problem, illness or concern? Don't know where to turn?

The Health Care Ministry of St. Jerome can assist. We have knowledge and resources that can point you in the proper direction. Don't navigate the rough seas alone. Contact us at (321) 403-3356 or email at healthministrysi@gmail.com.

Enjoy Bingo!

Join us every Thursday afternoon in the Parish Center; doors open at noon. See old friends, make new ones, test your luck! Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Questions? Bill: knightsdmoj17249@gmail.com



GriefShare

The holidays can complicate grief. At GriefShare, we support each other on our journey of grief. We meet on Tuesday mornings from 10:00-11:30AM in the Education Building Art Room. You don't have to walk alone. Questions? Judy: (727) 595-4610

National Human Trafficking Awareness Month January 10th & 11th, 2024

Prayer Service: Wednesday, January 10th after 9:00AM Mass in the Church.

Wear Blue Campaign: for January 11, National Human Trafficking Awareness Day. Please wear BLUE to show your support for an end to Human Trafficking.

Movie Night: Food Chains. This will be shown in the Parish Center Thursday, January 11th at 6:00PM with Q & A time after the showing. Fair trade items will be available before and after the presentation for you to browse or buv.

We hope that you will be able to join us on Wednesday A.M. or on Thursday P.M.



youth Ministry

Happy New Year! January is going to be a blast! We are meeting:

January 7, 14, 21, 28.

Usual Sunday Schedule

- 3:30-4:45PM-EDGE Middle School in **Education Building**
- 5:00PM-Youth Mass
- 6:00PM-Family Dinner (middle, high, & parents)
- 7:00-8:30PM-Life Teen High School







PARISH INFORMATION

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Second Sunday of the Month after the 12:30PM Mass in the Church, or by request.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 3:00-3:45PM-Chapel.

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

Some Masses Livestreamed at: www.stjeromeonline.org & www.facebook.com/StJeromeLargo

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