# CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

Rev. William B. Leone: Pastor Rev. William Endres: In Residence Deacon Dermot Loughran Sr. Clare Brown, SSJ: Parish Visitor







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## MASS & BRUNCH

#### Save the Date!

The 2023 Parish Mass and Brunch will be held on Sunday, September 17th at Eyer Park. Please stay tuned for more details as the event gets closer.



#### Vacation Bible School Eucharistic Procession

On Thursday, July 27th at noon will have a Eucharistic Procession from St. John Bosco School to St. Jerome's Church and a performance of songs by the children registered for the Vacation Bible School program. Families. grandparents, friends and parishioners are invited to join us! Father Leone will carry our Eucharistic Lord through the streets of East Rochester followed by all the children and staff. We would love to have a HUGE crowd so we can stop traffic and witness to the truth and beauty of our Catholic faith. Invite everyone you know!

Please gather in the courtyard of St. John Bosco School (on Garfield Street) beginning at 11:50 a.m. The procession will begin at noon. The closing performance in the church will be available to live stream for anyone who cannot make it. Let's show the children and our community how important Our Eucharistic Lord is to us.



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your many good wishes on my retirement from St. Jerome Parish. In the coming months I will be visiting the sick and working with families who have lost a loved one. However, from time to time I will probably see some of you.

I want to thank you for attending my farewell gathering in the Church Hall on June 25th. Your prayers, good wishes, and gifts are greatly appreciated. You will continue to be in my prayers.

Many thanks to Fr. Leone for his support and encouragement over the years I have ministered in St. Jerome's Parish.

With great appreciation, love, and prayers,

Sr. Clare





# Can you help feed hungry teens at VBS?

We have 55 dedicated teen volunteers helping out at VBS this summer, and sharing the faith makes them hungry! If you can donate individual snack bags of chips, cheese sticks, cookies, crackers, granola bars, juice boxes, or homemade goodies (cookies, loaf breads, etc.), we would be grateful! NO NUTS, please!

We could also use 12 boxes of tissues and 6 rolls of paper towels, for the classrooms.

There will be a tote bin labeled for VBS in the lobby for drop off, or if you need it picked up, please contact Janene Loughran 329-1974. VBS is July 25th through 27th, so make sure to drop off any donations before then. Thank you!



Thank you to those who baked cookies for Sr. Clare's retirement reception, and all who helped with set -up and serving. Your service helped to make it a beautiful gathering!

—Parish Life Committee



Saturday, July 15, 2023 Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**4:30 p.m.** Deceased members of the Alfieri family, by Vincent Alfieri

Sunday, July 16, 2023 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mario Fioravanti, 3rd anniversary remembrance, by children, Bruna, Antonia, and Paul

10:00 a.m. For the people of the parish Monday, July 17, 2023

Weekday

**7:30 a.m.** *Pauline Lindsay*, by the Goggin family

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

**7:30 a.m.** *Ralph DiTucci*, by Amanda Griffith

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 Weekday

7:30 a.m. *Mary Alfieri*, by Kim Duffy Thursday, July 20, 2023

**Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr 7:30 a.m.** *Fioravanti family,* by Rose Tambasco

Friday, July 21, 2023

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church; Blessed Francis Jordan, Priest and Religious Founder

7:30 a.m. For the intention of Clint & Peggy Campbell, on their wedding anniversary, by Jilly

Saturday, July 22, 2023 Saint Mary Magdalene

**4:30 p.m.** *Pat & Shirley Scarpino*, by Sam & Marilyn Morabito

**Sunday, July 23, 2023** 

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. *Paola & Pietro Ballatori*, by grandchildren, Bruna, Antonia, and Paul

10:00 a.m. For the St. Jerome Class of '73



WEEK AT A GLANCE Monday, July 17, 2023 3:30 p.m.—Legion of Mary



#### This Week on FORMED

Saint Mary Magdalene

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

You can use the FORMED streaming service for free through St. Jerome's subscription! Go to formed.org, click "sign up as a parishioner", and then enter the St. Jerome zip code: 14445.



Job Openings

St. John Bosco Schools is looking to build on the positive momentum being built over the past couple of years. New teachers are needed to help in one of the most important tasks that we as Catholics have: the spiritual formation and education of our children. We are looking for positions to be filled in the following areas:

- •Full Time Kindergarten Teacher
- •Part Time 6th-8th Science Teacher
- •Part Time PreK-5th Music Teacher
- •Part Time After School Care Supervisor

Part time jobs can be 2 to 3 days a week and personal schedules may be accommodated. We emphasize living an authentically Catholic lifestyle and a willingness to be trained classically, sometimes setting aside previous methods of teaching. Training and coaching are provided. Consider joining a very spiritually sound, tight-knit community where teachers are prayed for and celebrated regularly.

Email Andy Follaco, Headmaster, at afollaco@johnboscoschools.org if interested or have any questions.

## PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

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# Dray for the Sick

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#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

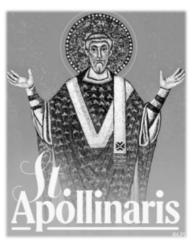
July 16, 2023 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's not uncommon to hear people complain that we Catholics often fail in communicating our faith. Fair enough. We can and should improve there. But it's interesting to notice that Jesus himself was implicitly accused by his disciples of a similar failure. This week in Matthew's gospel they are perplexed that he speaks to the crowds in ambiguous parables. The Lord's riddles leave many people more confused than before. He responds by pointing out that his parables have an intentional dual purpose: to hide (for some) and to reveal (for others) his Gospel: "Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted" (Matthew 13:11). Is Jesus being unnecessarily difficult, obscurantist, or, worse, elitist?

No. We have to remember that all treasures of wisdom and knowledge lie hidden in him (c.f., Col. 2:3). He is the word of God from heaven to be planted in the earth of our humanity to bear great fruit. However, like a lover delicately pursuing his beloved, we're dealing with a relationship, not new data. When we aren't willing to personally accept Jesus into our lives, the "info" of the Gospel will simply not make sense to us. It'll seem bizarre, esoteric, or like incoherent religiousspeak. But when we are willing to accept Jesus into our lives, everything else starts to make sense. When others don't understand the Church or the Lord, let's be patient. Love is patient. Sometimes it has to hide before it is revealed.

— Father John Muir

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#### Dear Padre

July 16, 2023

I have a friend who has been coming to church with me, and he often has questions I can't answer. The big one last week was, "Why don't Catholics have more Bible preaching instead of all this ceremony?" I try to explain, but I don't think I have the right words. Help!

Your friend's question is very common because our Catholic ceremony can be confusing to those of other faiths.

The Catholic Mass comes from two prayer traditions. First, there is the tradition of the Jewish synagogue service where people gather to read and study the word of God. Second, there is the tradition of the early Christians who met in their homes to celebrate the breaking of the bread.

The earliest Christians, Jewish converts, maintained their Sabbath tradition of reading and studying the word of God. They added to that the gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave them. Our Mass puts these two together in the Liturgy of the Word (readings, preaching, prayers) and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (offering, eucharistic prayer, holy Communion).

The homily may not be as long as it is in some other Christian traditions, but the preaching should be solid, based on Scripture, and in line with the teaching of the Church. We are a Church of word and sacrament. We listen to the word of God and we celebrate the breaking of the bread.

—The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Online Donations April to June 2023		
April	\$8,101.70	
May	\$6,586.70	
June	\$7,736.70	
Total 2nd Quarter 2023	\$22,425.10	

Collection for July 2, 2023		
<b>Total Collection Sunday</b>	\$10,671.20	
Sunday Envelopes	\$7,850.20	
Sunday Loose	\$1,563.00	
Candle Money	\$162.00	
Peter's Pence	\$983.00	
Church in Eastern Europe	\$13.00	
Ascension	\$100.00	
Total Attendance	483	

#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:30 p.m., Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

#### **HOLY DAYS**

Please consult bulletin

#### DAILY MASSES

Mon.-Fri. - 7:30 a.m. Consult bulletin for changes

#### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Call Rectory Office (585) 586-3231

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Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. (or by appointment)

#### PARISH STAFF

Judy Joslin, Faith Formation Coordinator Nicole Fantauzzo, Secretary Patrick Vogt, Business Manager Alessio Giacobone, Music Director

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

John Schroth - Grand Knight, 585-202-1673, more info: www.KofC.org

#### TELEPHONES

#### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We welcome you to worship regularly with us and to join our Parish Community formally, offering your time, talents, and financial support. Newcomers are wholeheartedly received into membership by simply registering at the office at their convenience.

Are you having trouble hearing Mass?

Saint Jerome's is equipped with a hearing-impaired loop system. We also have a new hearing technology that does not require hearing aides. If you are having trouble using our loop system with your current hearing aides, or if you'd like to know more about this new hearing technology that does not require hearing aides, contact John Schroth at 202-1673 or ifs@rochester.rr.com.

Collection for July 9, 2023		
<b>Total Collection Sunday</b>	\$8,303.00	
Sunday Envelopes	\$5,885.00	
Sunday Loose	\$1,172.00	
Candle Money	\$71.00	
Peter's Pence	\$172.00	
Church in Eastern Europe	\$989.00	
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