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May 23, 2021



Welcome!

Our sacred purpose at St. Jerome Catholic Church is to become Holy Disciples on the path to heaven. In the midst of a welcoming community we learn the teachings of our faith by celebrating Word and Sacrament as we grow in our personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30PM
 Sunday: 8:00AM and 10:00AM
 Tuesday - Friday: 8:00AM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 3:30PM- 4:00PM

OFFICE HOURS:

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Membership in the Parish

We welcome each one of you who has come to worship today. We extend a special welcome to those who are new to the area. If you are a Catholic returning home after a absence, the church has missed you and warmly welcomes you back. Welcome packets and registration forms are available in the back of Church or please stop in to the Parish Office and register in person. We hope you will decide to make St. Jerome your Parish home!

Sacrament of Baptism Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage requires a six-month planning period and participation in a marriage preparation program. DO NOT book your hall until you meet with Father Anthony. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

Homebound or Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered to anyone seriously ill or facing surgery. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are also available to bring Communion to the homebound. Please contact the Parish office.

Religious Education Classes (PREP) is offered for children who attend public school in grades 1 through 8 on Sunday mornings starting at 11:15am ending at 12:15pm. from September to May. Please contact the Parish Office.

RCIA is for anyone searching for a spiritual home or anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. RCIA is a Journey of Faith to encounter Christ and discover His teachings and way of life. For more information, contact Deacon Paul Nungester at deaconpaul@stjeromewalbridge.org.

Prayer Chain: Email, Call or Text Jean Momenee at jimom777@aol.com or 419-601-3118

Crisis Pregnancy: Call or Text 567-694-5576

Project Rachael Help Line: 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) www.hopeafterabortion.com

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the event of an Emergency, outside of regular operating hours, please call the Parish Office at 419-666-2857, and follow the appropriate prompts.

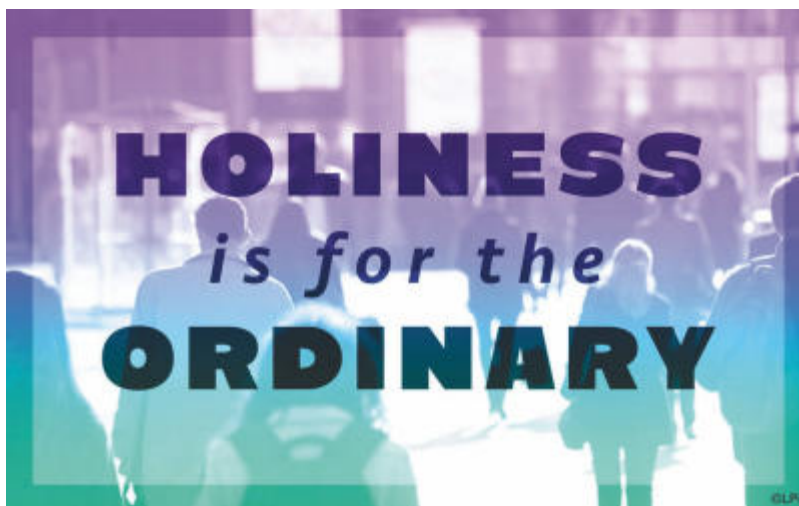
GOSPEL MEDITATION

Begin by taking a moment to calm yourself, focus on your breathing and become aware of the life force that flows through your veins. Center yourself in the words and affections of St. Augustine's Prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy." Sanctifying, bringing things to wholeness, blessing, restoring and creating are just some of the fruits of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not always about proclaiming loud cries of praise or singing alleluia from a roof top. It is about unfolding and encountering the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God's life and in touch with the power and wonder of God's presence. It's about becoming holy.

It is not just for saints or people who have a religious vocation. Holiness is for the ordinary, simple run-of-the-mill person who desires to love God, others, and all of creation. When an ordinary, humble person becomes connected with life and the wondrous power of God's love, they begin to live life more deeply, a bit more reverently, desire a simple fare and find themselves relishing in ordinary beauty. Their senses become attuned to the Author of life and they realize that they are not alone. The Holy Spirit connects all of the dots of human experience and existence, bringing everyone to center on the Divine Presence. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe "on me" but "in me" and is the force behind every breath I take. Take a moment to soak that thought in. There is the Divine Presence of the Holy Spirit in me, right now. When a person becomes in touch with truth, they know that when inspired by the Holy Spirit, his or her actions are not solely their own. They realize that they are moved by Divine Grace and drawn to things not found in secular affairs.

We live in a world where it is hard to discover truth. Real truth is veiled by so many imposters that it is hard to find, especially for those who are young. It is easy to get fooled and duped and often, without full conscious awareness of doing so, we choose to walk down a path of self-absorption and destruction. It is only the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church most especially, who guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced and holy human beings God made us to be. The wonders and inspirations of today's Feast of Pentecost are necessary to share with both those we love and those who only casually cross our paths. The first disciples, touched by the Holy Spirit, brought the Gospel to the ends of the earth one step at a time. Is it unrealistic to ask that we assist in that same mission by helping people understand who they are and who God is one at a time? Ask the Holy Spirit to alleviate the fear in your heart that prevents you from doing so.

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Happenings at St. Jerome And The Community

A beautiful moment as one of the Junior Altar Sodality Members crown the Blessed Mother Mary at the May Crowning Mass



Catholic Vs. Protestant Bibles

Why are Catholic and Protestant Bibles different? Since the earliest days of the Church, Christians used a Greek translation of the Old Testament known as the Septuagint. This collection of the texts of the Hebrew Scriptures included 46 books. At the time of the Protestant Reformation in the 1500s, the Protestant reformers began to create their own translations of the Bible (into local languages) and some began to question why the Jewish Scriptures would have included texts that were written in Greek, because, they assumed, the only valid Jewish Scriptures would have been written in Hebrew. And so, they decided to remove seven books from the Old Testament: Baruch, Sirach, 1 and 2 Maccabees, Tobit, Judith and Wisdom (as well as portions of the Books of Daniel and Esther). This means that the Protestant Old Testament only includes 39 books, while Catholic Bibles continue to include those original 46 books. Both Catholic and Protestant Bibles include 27 books and letters in the New Testament.

ST. JEROME LAWN PARTY

Join us **Saturday, June 12th 5:45pm, following 4:30pm Mass** for our Party on the Lawn! The Chris Buzzelli Quartet will provide the music. Bratz/Burgers and chips will be available for \$5.00. There will also be pony rides and face painting for the kids. Please bring your own chair and beverages. We look forward to seeing you!



GRADUATION MASS

On **May 30th** all High School 2021 Graduates are invited to attend the 10:00am Mass. We look forward to celebrating your achievements and sending you forth with blessings on your continued success.

LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL COOKS

Do you enjoy cooking? We are seeking volunteers to cook a meal for one, Father Anthony, on Tuesdays. Volunteers are asked to prepare a healthy low carb/high protein meal for one and drop it off in the Parish Hall. This will be done on a rotating schedule. Please contact the Parish Office for details.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

St. Jerome will be hosting a blood drive for the American Red Cross. This event will be held **Wednesday, June 2, 2021 from 12:30-6:00pm** in the Parish Hall. Schedule an appointment to donate life saving blood at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org) and enter the sponsor code: STJEROME or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS

The CWV's are looking for 60 volunteers to help distribute flags at CALVARY Cemetery the week before Memorial Day. If you are interested in helping or **KNOW OF A VET WHO IS NOT HONORED** with a flag each year, please call 419-843-7003. Thanks to each of you for your help and I hope you have all fared well during the past year.

St. Jerome Calendar

Monday, May 24

Tuesday, May 25

8:00am Mass/Church
 9-9pm—ADORATION/Church
 9-12pm—Maumee Bay Quilters/St. Kateri/MR
 1:30pm—Emmaus Charismatic Prayer Group/
 Chapel
 5-9pm—Excel Volleyball/Gym

Wednesday, May 26

8:00am Mass/Church
 8:30am—Rosary Following Mass/Church

Thursday, May 27

8:00am Mass/Church
 8:30am—Rosary Following Mass/Church
 9-1:00pm—Threads of Faith, Hope and Love/St.
 Anne MR
 5-9pm—Excel Volleyball/Gym

Friday, May 28

8:00am Mass/Church
 8:30am—Rosary Following Mass/Church

Saturday, May 29

3:30 Reconciliation/Church
 4:30—Mass

Sunday, May 30

8:00am—Mass
 10:00am—Mass/2021 Graduate Recognition
 11-6pm—Parish Hall Rental



Weekend of May 15th & 16th, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$2,942.75
Online Giving	\$1,407.00
Total Sunday Giving	\$4,349.75
Weekly Financial Goal	\$9,700.00

Ascension \$1,861.00

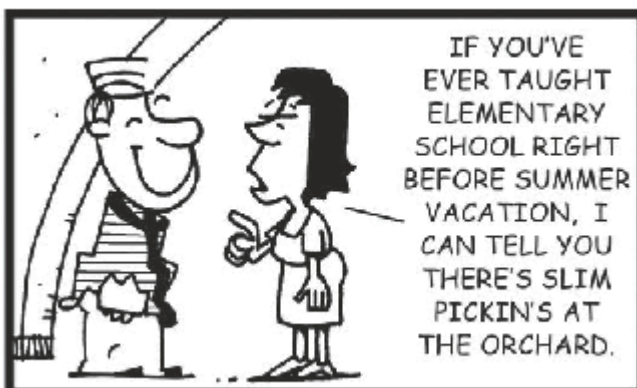
Attendance: 275

Pastoral Council: Angie Raglow (Interim President) Debbie Ekey, Frank Kiss, Matt Wise, Sonnie Bullock, Jim Halicek, Carman Tolles, John Smith, Thomas DeStazio and Emily Tajblik

Finance Council: Charles Rupp (Chair), Julie Pinciotti, Robin Kamann, Sue Trumbull, and Jim Lager



PENTECOST



Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, May 22 Easter Weekday, Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious; Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25
4:30pm Pro Populum

Sunday, May 23 Pentecost Sunday; Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/
Dn 3:52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,
8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or
Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
8:00am Pro Populum
10:00am Pro Populum

Monday, May 24 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday, May 25 Weekday; Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; Saint Gregory VII, Pope, Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin; Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31
8:00am Barb Fritz

Wednesday, May 26 Saint Philip Neri, Priest; Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45
8:00am Vincent Morgillo


Thursday, May 27 Weekday, Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop; Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52
8:00am Bernadine Reitzel

Friday, May 28 Weekday; Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26
8:00am Anthony Machcinski

Saturday, May 29 Weekday, Saint Paul VI, Pope, BVM; Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33
4:30pm Rick Delvecchio

Sunday, May 30 The Most Holy Trinity; Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
8:00am Bill Castleman
10:00am Jerome Thies

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