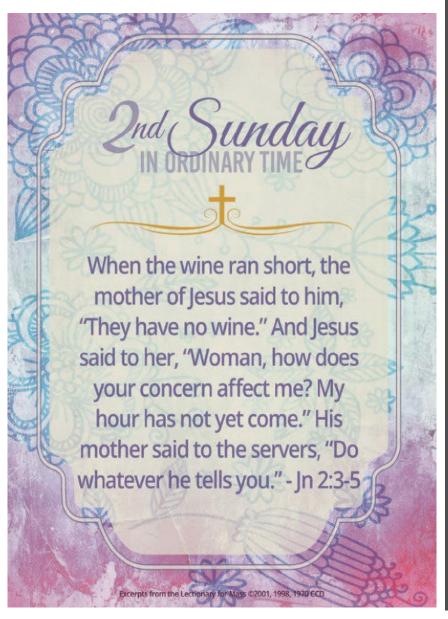


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Membership in the Parish

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

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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

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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Happenings at St. Jerome And The Community



Richard Frank Kachmarik was a loving and genuine son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He spent his early years traveling to Owosso, MI to his grandparent's family farm, where he would stay and spend time with all his cousins and family. He met the love of his life, Janet June Gibson, on a blind date. They were married on October 16, 1954. He served in the United States Air Force from May 1954 to November 1957. They had 2 lovely daughters, Catherine (Cathy) and Barbara (Barb). Their marriage was filled with love and happiness. Richard and Janet enjoyed traveling and would often take day and weekend trips with each other and family. Richard had spent lots of time with his two brothers and many nieces and nephews playing euchre and listening to

polka music.

Richard and Janet were blessed with five grandchildren that they absolutely adored. They loved attending all their activities and playing such an important role in all their lives.

One of Richard's many hobbies were cars. He loved building model cars and watching car racing on Sundays. His daughter, Cathy, and he would share this interest and always talked about who they wanted to win, but more importantly who they didn't.

Richard had worked for 38 years at LOF and at St. Jerome School as a janitor, where he was affectionately called "Mr. Richard". In his later years, Richard enjoyed going to the senior center. He also looked forward to his monthly lunches with LOF friends. He liked going to eat with his friend, Greg Fritz, who would drive him to many of his favorite places. He was an avid card player, especially euchre. Richard always managed to win, and everybody wanted him as their partner.

Richard was passionate in the practice of his Catholic faith. He and his wife were founding members of St. Jerome Catholic Church, where they practiced regularly. He was one of the kindest individuals who truly blessed everyone that had the pleasure of knowing him. He will be greatly missed.

Richard is survived by his daughters, Catherine "Cathy" Warner and Barbara (Frank) Jannazo; grandchildren, Stacie Warner, Michael (Tresane) Warner, Anthony Jannazo, Jennifer Jannazo, Nicholas Jannazo; great-grandchildren, Joseph and Catori Warner; sister-in-law, Tina Kachmarik; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife of 60 years, Janet Kachmarik; brothers, Frank Kachmarik and Edward (Dorothy) Kachmarik; son-in-law, Mark Warner; grandson, Francis Jannazo.

Friends were received at Sujkowski Walker Funeral Home, 830 Lime City Rd., Rossford, Ohio on Thursday, January 6, 2022 from 2:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Visitation continued on Friday, January 7, 2022 from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. at St Jerome Catholic Church, 300 Warner St, Walbridge, Ohio with a Funeral Mass at 10:00 a.m. Burial followed at Lake Township Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to St. Jerome Catholic Church or American Heart Association. A special thank you to the staff at St. Charles ICU for the love and care you gave Richard. Online condolences may be left at www.walkerfuneralhomes.com

MOURNING GLORY

We will be meeting **February 1st at 2pm** in the Library. If you have lost a spouse and would like to attend, please feel free.

FAMILY HOLY HOUR

The family that prays together stays together. Join us **Tuesday, January 18th from 7-8pm**. Bring your children in humble adoration! This is a great time to Pray, Praise and Worship!

LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL COOKS

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

THANK YOU

Thank you all that came out to support the Holiday Bazaar & Craft Show. Please join us in the new year for prayer and fellowship. Altar Rosary Meetings are held in the Parish Hall at 7pm. Save the dates Feb. 8, March 8 and April 12.

St. Jerome Calendar

Monday, January 17 Martin Luther King Day OFFICE CLOSED

7-9pm—Exodus Bible Study/PH

Tuesday, January 18

8:00am Mass/Church

9-9pm—Adoration

7-9pm—Knights of Columbus Meeting/K of C MR

7:00pm—RCIA/St. Kateri MR

7-8pm—Family Holy Hour for Life/Church

Wednesday, January 19

8:00am Mass/Church

8:30am—-Rosary Following Mass/Church

Thursday, January 20

8:00am Mass/Church

8:30am—Rosary Following Mass/Church

9-1pm—Threads of Faith, Hope & Love/ St. Anne MR

4:30-8:30pm—Middle School Basketball/Gym

7-9pm—Acts Bible Study/Library

Friday, January 21

8:00am Mass

8:30pm—-Rosary Following Mass/Church

Saturday, January 22

3:30pm—Reconciliation/Church

4:30pm Mass/Church

Sunday, January 23

8:00am—Mass

10:00am—-Mass



Weekend of January 8th & 9th, 2022

Sunday Collection \$5,420.00
Online Giving \$2,680.84
Total Sunday Giving \$8,100.84
Weekly Financial Goal \$9,700.00

Attendance: 292

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

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Josephine "Josie" Petro, 88, of Oregon passed away on Thursday, January 6, 2022. She was the widow of Andrew Petro Sr. who passed away on March 12, 1976. She was born on March 20, 1933 to Carl and Jeanette (Leotino) Thomas. Josie worked for Lanes/People Drug Store and the East Center for Community Mental Health, Inc. Josephine was a member of St. Jerome Catholic Church. Josie had many talents, she was a wonderful cook, making Italian and Hungarian ethnic foods. She was skilled at crocheting, and a one of kind socialite. Josie loved her lotto scratch off tickets and was the rock of our family. Keeping in touch with her grandchildren on snapchat brought her so much happiness.

Surviving are her sons, Andrew (Diane) Petro Jr. and Steven (Rebecca) Petro, daughters, Karen (Mitchel) Biller, Barbara Petro, and Donna (Robert) Sinift; the biggest joy in her life, 12 loving grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Andrew Petro Sr., brothers, Joseph (Bernadette) Thomas, Thomas (Rose) Thomas, and William

(Ruth) Thomas; sisters, Margret (Raymond) Chicoline, Jackie (George) DeSantis. Remember me with smiles and laughter for I am with God and Dad.

Family and friends visited the Freck Funeral Chapel, 1155 S. Wynn Rd in Oregon on Thursday, January 13, 2022, from 3-8:00 p.m. The Funeral Mass was held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 300 Warner Street in Walbridge where family greeted guests after 9:00 a.m. Burial followed at Restlawn Memorial Park. Memorial contributions can be made to St Jerome Catholic Church.

A special thanks to the staff at DiVita Dialysis of Northwood, St. Jerome Catholic Church, and Bay Park Hospital.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, January 15 Weekday, BVM; 1 SM 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1 Mk 2: 13-17

4:30pm Ellen Williams

Sunday, January 16 Second Sunday In Ordinary Time; Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10

[3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

8:00am Laura Scothern 10:00am John Southard

Monday, January 17 Saint Anthony, Abbot; 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and

23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 18 Weekday; 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

8:00am The USA

Wednesday, January 19 Weekday; 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

8:00am Mary Catherine Thies

Thursday, January 20 Weekday, Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr;

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

8:00am Catherine Christin Warren

Friday, January 21 Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr; 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/

Mk 3:13-19

8:00am Charles White

Saturday, January 22 USA, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; 2

Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

4:30pm Anthony Machcinski

Sunday, January 23 Third Sunday In Ordinary Time; Word of God Sunday; Neh 8:2-4a,

5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

8:00am Frank & Joyce Burkhart

10:00am Bill Momenee

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