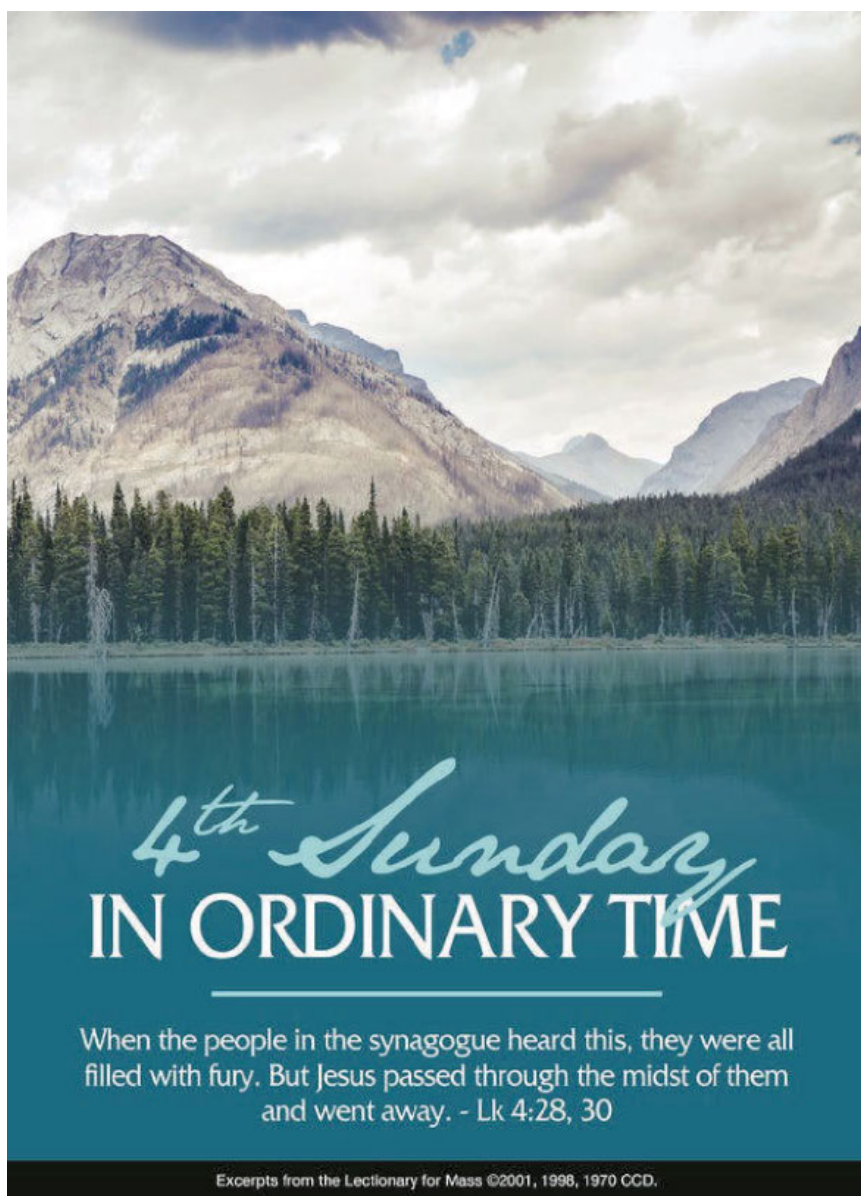




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January 30, 2022



4th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

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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

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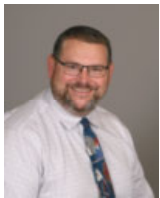
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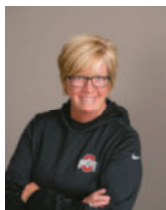
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Membership in the Parish

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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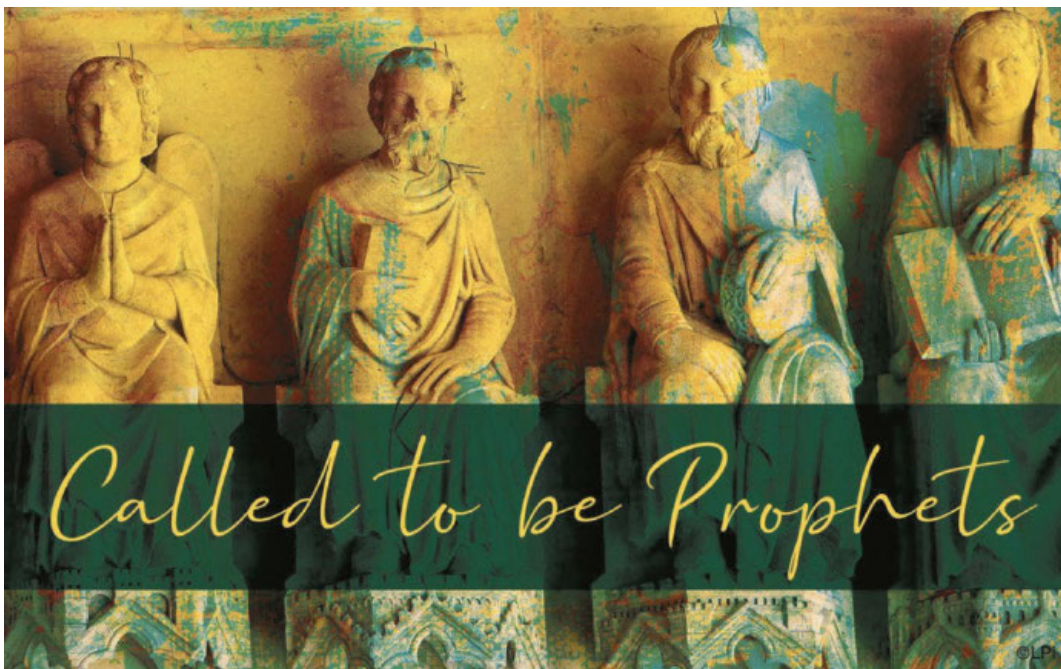
GOSPEL MEDITATION

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a “Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador’s civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica).” As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God’s message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one’s earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimalized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God’s love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you?

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Happenings at St. Jerome And The Community



Michael D. Barrett, 79, of Walbridge, Ohio passed away on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio Toledo Center. He was born on June 24, 1942 in Toledo, Ohio to Earl and Louise Barrett. Mike was a 1961 graduate of Woodward High School. He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany, during the Vietnam War. After returning home from service, he married his wife, Connie on April 11, 1969. Mike worked as a milkman for Village Farm Dairy and Babcock Dairy for many years. He retired from In and Out Mart where he helped as store manager.

After retiring, Mike worked as a golf ranger at Giant Oaks Golf Course. He was a member of St. Jerome Catholic Church where he sang in the choir, helped as a greeter, and served as a Eucharistic Minister. Mike was a third-degree member of the K.O.C. Walbridge Council. He enjoyed golfing, fishing, drawing pictures and working in his yard. He will be dearly missed.

Mike is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Connie; children, Tamara (Fred) Cerrone, Dean (Shannon) Barrett, Tara (Chris) Urbanyi, and Trisha (Shawn) Woods; grandchildren, Hailey and Madison Woods, Logan and Alexa Urbanyi, Abigail, Deven, and Kellen Barrett, and Andrew Cerrone; sister, Rebecca Barrett; brother, Alan (Jean) Barrett; sister-in-law, Cindy Barrett and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Ben Barrett, and grandson, Corey Cerrone.

Family and friends visited the Freck Funeral Chapel, 1155 S. Wynn Rd in Oregon on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, from 3-8:00 p.m. The Funeral Mass was held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 300 Warner Street in Walbridge where family will greet guests after 9:00 a.m. Burial followed at Lake Twp. Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jerome Catholic Church, Alzheimer's Association, or Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

WINTER CAMPAIGN

Now Through Sat., April 2, 2022 – Meijer Simply Gives! Winter Campaign This program benefits Helping Hands of St. Louis and the campaign runs through Sat., April 2, 2022. Every \$10 Simply Give! donation card you purchase is converted into gift cards the Helping Hands Food Pantry and hot-meal programs can use to purchase needed food items! Mark Your Calendars for DOUBLE Match Days on Saturday, March 5 and Saturday, March 26! Every \$10 Simply Give card purchased on these dates at the Oregon Meijer, located at 1725 S. Wheeling Street, Oregon, OH, Meijer will provide an additional \$20 contribution! Purchases up to \$5,000 will be matched by Meijer up to a maximum donation of \$10,000 per pantry/campaign. Since November 2008, the Meijer program has generated more than \$67 million in food donations throughout the Midwest.

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.

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 31

4:30-8:30pm—Middle School basketball/Gym
7-9pm—Exodus Bible Study/PH

Tuesday, February 1

8:00am Mass/Church
9-9pm—Adoration
2-3pm—Mourning Glory/Library
7:00pm—RCIA/St. Kateri MR

Wednesday, February 2

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

Thursday, February 3

8:00am Mass/Church
8:30am—Rosary Following Mass/Church
9-1pm—Threads of Faith, Hope & Love/ St. Anne MR
7-9pm—Acts Bible Study/Library

Friday, February 4

8:00am Mass
8:30pm—Rosary Following Mass/Church
6:30-8:30pm—Girl Scouts/St. Anne MR

Saturday, February 5

3:30pm—Reconciliation/Church
4:30pm Mass/Church
Blessing of Throats & Candles

Sunday, February 6

8:00am—Mass —Blessing of Throats & Candles
10:00am—Mass—Blessing of Throats & Candles
11:15am—PREP



Weekend of January 22nd & 23rd, 2022

Sunday Collection	\$3,776.00
Online Giving	\$1,219.00
Total Sunday Giving	\$4,995.00
Weekly Financial Goal	\$9,700.00

Attendance: 287

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

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**St. Blaise Blessing of Throats and Candles after each Mass
February 5th & 6th, 2022**

You may be familiar with the annual “blessing of throats” that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life. History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise’s command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived. On this day we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, January 29 Weekday, BVM; 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

4:30pm Ethel Gilsdorf
Chub Mauder *

Sunday, January 30 Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time; Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

8:00am Joan Fritsch #
10:00am Larry Wamer

Monday, January 31 Saint John Bosco, Priest and Religious Founder; 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 1 Weekday; 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

8:00am John Southard

Wednesday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord; Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

8:00am Erford & Salome Oedy

Thursday, February 3 Weekday, Saint Blasé, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop; 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

8:00am William J. Schmidt

Friday, February 4 Weekday; Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

8:00am Angie White #


Saturday, February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr; 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

4:30pm Phyllis Herman #

Sunday, February 6 Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time; Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/

Lk 5:1-11
8:00am Joan Fritsch #
10:00am Jerry Kurek

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