

St. Jerome Church

February 7, 2016

THEY CRIED ONE TO THE OTHER,
"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY IS THE LORD OF HOSTS!
ALL THE EARTH IS FILLED WITH HIS GLORY!"

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St. Jerome's Confirmation Group at Adoration

SCHEDULED SERVICES

Daily (Mon-Sat) Mass - 8am

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass - 5:30pm

Sunday Masses - 7:30am, 9am, 11am, 5:30pm

Confessions—Friday 9-10am; Saturday 4pm-5pm

Holy Hour - Wednesday 6:30pm with Our Lady of Perpetual
Help prayers at 7pm

Rosary - following 8am daily and Sunday evening 5:30 Mass

First Friday-Eucharistic Adoration follows Mass, Benediction at 10am.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Thursday: 8:30am– noon; 1:00pm-4:30pm

Friday: 10:00am-1:30pm

RECTORY STAFF (310-348-8212)

Our Priest: Fr. Bill Bolton x 304
Fr. Valentine Ibe

Our Deacon: Senior Deacon Guy Wauthy

Business Manager: Juanita Rivera-Wiemken x 303
For calendar request email: juanitarw@gmail.com

Formation/Education: Hortense Bradley x 305

Youth Ministry: Kristina Provence x 313

Secretary/Bulletin Editor: Roxanne Shaw x 301

SCHEDULING SERVICES (310-348-8212)

Anointing of the Sick: call the rectory

Baptisms: Must call rectory 6 weeks in advance to schedule

Communion to the Sick and Homebound: call the rectory

Funerals: contact the rectory to set date and time

Anniversaries, Quinceañera, Memorials: call the rectory

Weddings - Must call the rectory 6 months in advance to begin

Sacramental preparation and to set the date.

EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP

Religious Education: Cristina Castillo 310-645-8318

Sacramental Preparation for Adults (RCIA):
Hortense Bradley 310-348-8212 x305

St Jerome's Catholic School (pre-K to 8th gr): 310-670-1678
Principal: Mrs. Priscilla Doorbar

SCRC Prayer Mtg (7pm Fri): Mr & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Senior Center: Allene Muccia 310-216-7354

Sunday School for Toddlers (11am Mass): Obi Nwabuzor

Young Adult Ministry (18-39 yrs): StJeromeYAM@gmail.com

Youth Ministry (teens) & Confirmation:
Kristina Provence 310-348-8212 x 313

Tuesday Evening (7:30-9pm) Bible Study:
Alan Bernstein 310-645-5355 or Steve Picard 310 487-2724

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: Benny Munoz 310-641-6339

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Daughters: Kathy Fitzpatrick 310-703-2519

Knights of Columbus: Tony Holloway 323-295-4287

JustFaith: Deacon Guy Wauthy 310-312-1358

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Merv Hughes 310-908-9204

LIFE, JUSTICE & PEACE MINISTRIES

Detention Ministry (Restorative Justice):
Mr. & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Food Pantry LAX: Johnny Albano 310-641-8871

Immigration: Noretta Jose 310-367-6557

Respect Life: Louise Meehan 310-641-0842

Safeguard the Children: Adrienne Toth 310-337-9048

Soup Kitchen (3rd Sat.): Jude Ramlochan

Parish Mission Statement: We will be responsible to each other and God by being open, welcoming, and compassionate to each other as God loves us, and doing everything we can to become a united Community.

One Weekend in Fr Bill's Life

Friday

8am Mass: Our children's choir sings most Fridays. (Yes, I play guitar and lead them.) The third graders did a great job with "He Reigns." We will be singing it this February 7th at the 9am Mass. My dad is on my mind. With only 5% chance of making it to Christmas he just beat "Triple-hit lymphoma" and now that his hair has fully recovered, they have discovered he has stomach cancer. They say he has a 28% chance of making five years with this. My dad likes the better odds and trusts that God will give us what we need. Prayers are appreciated.

10am Funeral Mass: I have known Fr. Juan Enriquez for my entire gift of priesthood since 1987. We worked together at Holy Family in Artesia back then. I spoke with him last shortly before Christmas. He was pastor at St. Philip Neri in Lynwood. He was ONLY 61. (When I was a kid I thought 20 was old, now I think that people who die before 70 are young.) He went to sleep in this world and woke peacefully in the next. Five bishops, at least forty priests and a parking lot of elbow to elbow mourners crying, praying and singing for the passing of their good shepherd. It is nice seeing friends among the faithful and the clergy. I just wish this was twenty years later. I am going to miss Fr. Juan. Please pray that the Lord of the harvest may call out others to help shepherd His people.

1pm Packing the car: Mass Kit, Monstrance, "portable" Tabernacle (at least 50 pounds), Vestments and Priest... St. Jerome's is ready to move.

3pm Soccer Game: I love sports and before I began my journey to priesthood some family members believed I might be the next Chick Hearn or Vin Scully (sports broadcasters). Two of my godchildren play on the same team and I caught their game in Moorpark. (They lost 1-0. I offered to hear the referee's confession as his conscience should have been screaming at him.) I joined my godchildren's family for dinner.

8pm Driving around the Malibu Mountains looking for the Salvation Army Camp and Conference Center: my GPS is convinced that I either need to break through chained gates or go off-road to reach my destination. Did you know that this camp still has payphones due to its spotty cell reception?

9pm Rosary has been prayed, St. Christopher's aid has been sought, my frustration is mounting... I need to remind myself it is Jesus' Church, Jesus's weekend, Jesus' children getting ready for Confirmation... I place it in His hands. My call finally connects (I should have surrendered to Jesus sooner, but I sometimes forget that it is not all on me.) and I am safely guided to the camp for Eucharistic Adoration.

Saturday

10am to noon: 5 priests hearing confirmation candidates' confessions. I am thankful my place is in the shade and that they have coffee for me.

1:30pm to 3:30pm: Now only 2 priests hearing confirmation candidates' confessions. Essential elements of a good retreat are confession and Eucharist. I am thankful we are able to ensure that our teens have both.

5pm: Mass outside by the fire-pit. Their question is "Are you going to light the fire?" My concern is with the sun setting. I will need other light besides the two candles on the altar. Although no match was struck, some people felt the message "It is not enough that you love someone. They must know they are loved." did fan some flames.

7:30pm: One of our youth leaders gives her testimony on the presence of Jesus in her life and how she experiences His love. We have benediction.

9:15pm: I am glad I know the way to St. Jerome's and the route was smooth and clear as I arrive to join our Mardi Gras which is in full swing. Some big line dance with umbrellas is going on as I arrive. Full room, good food, great music and dancing... I really enjoyed the evening although my legs were still complaining on Monday regarding my participation in the Cha-Cha Slide.

Sunday

8am Coffee: I am thankful that the school community will be hosting coffee at least once a month during the school year after the 7:30 and 9am Masses.

9am and 11am: I love Eucharist. I love Baptisms. I loved honoring St. John Bosco at those two masses.

1pm: Executive Meeting of the Parish Council... discerning this Wednesday's Parish Council agenda.

3pm: St. Mary's Academy for our girls' basketball team. They won their fifth game in a row defeating St. John Chrysostom in a hard fought match.

4:30pm: Visit our parishes' Youth Band which is preparing for the evening service as my dog, Sparta, takes me for a walk.

5:30pm: Fr. Valentine is presiding as I begin unwinding with my cat, Sprinter, in my lap watching Sherlock Homes' The Spider Woman. I usually join our teens for dinner at Lifenite, but as a consequence of the retreat and perhaps fortunate due to high winds and rain, they have this evening with their own families.

I don't know when I fell asleep but my last decade seemed to go on for a lot of "Hail, Mary's." I guess I fall asleep most nights in her arms. I hope that's how Juan died. I pray we all pass in our Blessed Mother's arms.



Ash Wednesday on February 10th

The season of Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 10th**. We would like to invite you to make this Lent a time of real spiritual growth for your family and our parish community. **Ashes will be distributed at each Mass on Ash Wednesday, 8:00a.m. and 7:00p.m.** Ashes will also be distributed at the 12 Noon Service.

Jubilee Year of Mercy



This year we are challenged to share the mercy we have received from God by focusing on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. To help us not only to listen, but to act, opportunities will be presented for us to be instruments of God's mercy.

One of the works of mercy is visiting the imprisoned. **"Get on the Bus"** is a program to help children visit their imprisoned parents. Organizers are hoping to bring over 1000 children to visit their parents. **Our Ash Wednesday collections at 8am, noon and 7pm** will go to help these children visit their parents.

If you would like more direct involvement in this program call (818) 980-7714.



Fast and Abstinence

The Church calls upon its members to put themselves in union with the suffering of Christ by acts of personal sacrifice. Because Friday was the day of Jesus' suffering and death, the Church asks Catholics to abstain from eating meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting from food for periods of time and abstaining from meat on designated days inserts us into the suffering of Jesus, who in turn gives meaning to our penitential acts. The roots of fasting go back to Jesus who fasted for 40 days before starting his public ministry.

Fast Regulations: Fasting allows only one full meal and 2 lighter meals in the course of the day, and prohibits eating solid foods between meals. All adults are bound by the law of fast up to the beginning of their 60th year.

Abstinence Regulations: Abstinence forbids the eating of meat. All persons who have completed their 14th year (day after one's 14th birthday) are bound by the law of abstinence. In the USA, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence; all other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (only).

Operation Rice Bowl



On Ash Wednesday we begin the Operation Rice bowl Program in which we pray, make sacrifices, and give as generously as we are able to Catholic Relief Services in Solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world who need our care. The Lenten calendars and bowls will be given out on Wednesday, so that we can learn more about the people who benefit from this program.



Stations Of The Cross and Confessions

The Stations occur every Friday During Lent at **7:00pm** in the church. Different groups will present special themes for each of these Fridays. Confessions will be available during the Stations.

Senior Center

Monday, February 8th: 12-4pm, rosary, cards & social

Wednesday, February 10th: 12-4pm, games for prizes!

Day Trip: Thursday Feb. 11th—Pauma Casino

Temecula Cost \$12 and get back \$15 slot play! Call the Senior Center at **310 216-7354**.

Membership Month: \$7 annually



Coffee and Donuts

St. Jerome School is hosting Coffee and Donuts in the Parish Hall after the 7:30am and 9:00am Mass today. Come join us!

CATHOLICISM 101



Catholic Daughters of America Sponsored Day of Recollection

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be sponsoring a Day of Recollection on **Saturday, February 13th**. Held at St. Jerome's Hall, from **9:00am to 1:00pm**. Sr. Gretchen Hailer, RSHM will be speaking on "50 Shades of GRACE." Sr. Gretchen is well-known, well-versed in spirituality, and admired by Fr. Bill and many others. **The cost of \$15 includes lunch.** Call Kathy Fitzpatrick if you have questions: (310) 703-2519.



Mercy and Forgiveness Reflection

Mark your calendars! Thursday, March 3
Lenten reflection on Mercy and Forgiveness
Doors open at 6:30pm at St. Jerome's Hall
Special Guest Speaker: Sr. Carol Quinlivan, C.S.J.

FUN Lenten Soup Night Socials



Please join us every Wednesday night during Lent for FUN in our parish hall from **5:00-7:00pm!** Our first Lenten Soup Social will be on **Wednesday, February 17th**. Money donations are needed to meet expenses and to raise funds for the Food Pantry, LAX!

Catholic Daughters will also hold their White Elephant Sales during these dinners. All monies raised from these sales will go to CDA charities!

Consider what you'll receive by attending: delicious hot soups to eat; raising money for charities; seeing old friends and making new ones!

World Marriage Day



World Marriage Day honors husband and wife as head of the family, saluting their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life.

Couples celebrating 25th, 50th, 60th (or more) Anniversaries are invited to the World Marriage Day Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels for a special blessing by the Celebrant. Masses will take place on Sunday, February 14th at 10:00am in English, and 12:30pm in Spanish. For questions or to register, please call Claudia Avila Torres at 213 680-5209 or email at cauilatorres@olacathedral.org

Mass Intentions

Sat. 02/06—5:30pm (M) Mary Ollawa
Sun. 02/07—7:30am (M) Dwayne Webb
9:00am (SI) St. Jerome Parishioners
11:00am (M) Genevieve Cooke
5:30pm (M) Veronica Clements

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon. 02/08—8am (SI) St. Jerome Parishioners
Tues. 02/09—8am (M) Louise J. Meehan

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wed. 02/10—8am (M) Consolacion Wagas &
Natividad Chua

12-Noon Ash Service

7pm (SI) St. Jerome Parishioners

Thurs. 02/11—8am (SI) St. Jerome Parishioners

Fri. 02/12—8am (M) Fr. Juan Enriquez

Sat. 02/13—8am (SI) St. Jerome Parishioners

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YAM Reignite Your Light

St. Jerome Young Adult Ministry, YAM, invites you to a spiritual enrichment program called **IGNITE YOUR LIGHT!** Join us **this Mon, Feb. 8th— 7pm**, in the Senior Center.

Attention: Religious Education Classes

We are accepting Applications for Religious Education. Please Call Cristina Castillo at 310-645-8313

How can I have a name added on the Intercessions read during mass?

Please call the rectory office at 310-348-8212 by Wednesday to have name be included in that weekends services. Let us know the proper spelling and the condition of those we are praying for. Names read from the Intercessions will be removed after 4 weeks and will be placed on our bulletin *Prayer For The Sick*, for an additional 4 weeks.

Prayers For The Sick



Bill Bolton (Fr. Bill's father)	Chris Brown	
Angelica Barba	Alfonso Castillo	Bridget Cloonan
Alyssa Downer	Gertrude Elliott	Bren Fitzpatrick
Emilia Gentile	Gayle Grant	Martin Garber
Brenda Lopez	Dorothy McEvers	Rose Thierry
Scott Walden		

Deceased

Our condolences to the family and friends of
Robert Milligan and Fr. Juan Enriquez
May they rest in peace.



Readings For Next Weekend



Deut 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

Question of the Week?

For Adults: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

Children: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?



Rosary Invitation

You are invited to pray the Holy Rosary after each 8am morning Mass, and Sunday evening 5:30pm

St. Jerome School News



St. Jerome School is accepting applications for the 2015-16 school year for Pre-K, Transitional K and Grades K thru Grade 8.

Applications may be downloaded from our website or you may visit the school office to pick one up. Tours are available by appointment by calling **310-670-1678**
www.st-jeromeschool.org



Dear St. Jerome Parishioners,

It was lovely to see how the spirit of unity filled the room on Saturday at Mardi Gras and together we worked to support our St. Jerome Community. Our most sincere **THANK YOU** to all the parishioners, families, and friends that supported this event. Your generosity makes it possible to be able to give more to our precious students who will be Christian leaders of this community.

With gratitude,
Mrs. Doorbar and the St. Jerome School Community.

The Catholic Daughter Busy Hands Crafters

Join us **this February 9th at 1:00pm** in the St. Jerome Senior Center. We need your creative talents to help us in our fund raising activities!



Knights Of Columbus Fish Fry

You're invited to our Fish Fry Dinner on **Fri., Feb. 12th!** Enjoy Clam Chowder, Alaskan Cod or Shrimp Dinner, fried in a light batter, with either a Baked Potato or French Fries along with Cole Slaw & Roll. Kid's Mac & Cheese too! Adults \$11 children \$8. Dinner served between 5:30-7:30pm. Takeout is available. The Hall is at 8049 W. Manchester Blvd., Playa del Rey! 90045

St. Jerome School is Hosting

**Spaghetti Bingo on Saturday,
February 27th 2016, 5pm to 10pm,
in the Parish Hall. Dinner cost is only \$10.00!**



LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers:	Randy Billups:	randybillups@gmail.com
Eucharistic Min.:	Tina Gustavson	310-649-1474
Hospitality:	Joyce Holt	310-649-5586
Lectors:	Cathy Fitzpatrick	310-337-6929
Music:	Jim Drollinger	310-617-2465
Ushers:	Tina Gustavson	310-649-1474