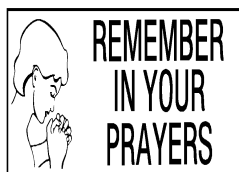


ST. JEROMES, HYATTSVILLE



Please remember in your prayers, the sick and the shut-ins of our parish community, especially...Muriel Adams, Sheila Armentrout, Johnnie Aquilino, Daniel Birch, Liz Burdick, Betty Cahill, Esther Carboni, Carol Colliere, Margaret

*Crandall, James Howard Currie, Frances DeStefano, Linda Duggin, Paul Emmons, Martha Farnie, Margaret Federighi, Ruth Frazier, Frances Gray, Tony Green, Eileen Harrington, Anne Heidenberg, Charlotte Houston, Elinor Jackson David Kadan, Rita Kline, Joseph Lipovsky, Larry Lorditch, Linda Lorditch, Ellen Lawrence McGowan, James McMahon, Alice Moran, Nita Mullins, Chris Needham, Marie Needham, Wilbert Noel, Maria Olquin, William O'Dea, Carla O'Mara, Tom & Ann Paul, Sarah Proctor, Peter Randall, Alan Richwald, Geralyn Lawrence Roberson, Brandon Joseph Romaine, Robert Schultz, Al Smith, Jenny Stepanek, Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Teletchea, Brooke Wanex, Vickie Whalen-Romaine and family, Tony Zangla, and those known to you alone, those confined to hospitals and nursing homes, those suffering with cancer or depression, that they may know the Father's love through other's care and prayer. **If you wish to be included on this prayer list, please call the Rectory (301/927-6684). To remove your name from this prayer list once you are on the mend, call the Rectory with the Good News!***

Mass for the Intentions Week

WEEK OF July 2 – 7, 2007

- MONDAY:**
8:00 A.M. James Michael Barr
12:00 p.m. Margaret Mary Barr
- TUESDAY:**
8:00 A.M. James H. Barr
12:00 p.m. Arthur Doyle
- WEDNESDAY:**
10:00 a.m. Bevington Family (living & deceased)
- THURSDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Teresa & Jimmy Maquire
12:00 p.m. Rev. Brendan Dorsey
- FRIDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Donny Frank
12:00 p.m. Rev. John O. Winnenberg
- SATURDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Our Lady's Pro Life Intentions
4:30 P.M. For the people of St. Jerome
- SUNDAY:**
7:30 A.M. Sheila Armentrout (living)
9:30 A.M. Maryann Rice (living)
11:30 A.M. Joseph Kean

Readings for the Week of July 1, 2007

Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62
Monday:	Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday:	Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29
Wednesday:	Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8
Friday:	Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday:	Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

CELEBRANT'S SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, July 7, 2008
4:30 P.M. Music Ministry Father Mark Raphael

SUNDAY, July 8, 2009
7:30 A.M. Father Mark Raphael
9:30 A.M. Folk Group Father Frank Foley
11:30 A.M. Choir Father Frank Foley



As they were proceeding on their journey someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." - Lk 9:57-58

Problems? Worries? Concerns?

Bring them to Jesus and Leave them at St. Jerome's Church – open all day for Eucharistic Adoration every Friday until 4:30 p.m. Stop in for a visit to the God of Power and might and bring your children too. There is the 8:00 morning Mass followed by a Holy Hour of Prayer. The day ends with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 4:30 p.m. You can stop for a short visit or longer. Teach your children the greatest power on earth – the power of Prayer

NEW FRIDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE

St. Jerome's has Eucharistic Adoration every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Beginning in June we will have a permanent signup sheet (replacing the week-by-week signup) for people to commit to spending the same hour every Friday with Our Lord. The new schedule will go into effect on Friday, June 8th. **This is a great opportunity to serve!** Many new people will need to sign up (for a weekly commitment or as a substitute) in order to complete the schedule. This will ensure that the exposed Blessed Sacrament is not left alone, and also that Adoration can continue throughout the day for everyone who wants to make a visit to Jesus. Please prayerfully consider making this commitment. Spend an hour with Our Lord to return His love for you, and to draw spiritual strength and nourishment. Jesus is waiting there for you!

Bread for Our Brothers. The Knights of Columbus, P.G. Council 2809, is looking for volunteers able to devote three hours of time once or twice per month to pick up surplus bread at a Rockville bakery and deliver it to a local charity. If questions or interest, please call Dennis O'Malley at 301-937-4830.

WELCOME VISITORS

Help to make the parish a more evangelizing community of faith! Welcoming newcomers is important if we are to help people feel at home in our parishes. Greet those around you and introduce yourself to someone you haven't met before. Tell them you look forward to seeing them again next week and that you will be looking for them – and do it! Make someone feel at home! Chances are they will want to come back!

**July
Month of
The Precious
Blood**



Eucharistic Devotion

A few weeks ago our parish did something unique. And even though this wasn't unique to the whole church it was to us. I have never been in a parish that did the Eucharistic procession, but being a great lover of the Eucharist I would never be opposed to something of that sort. I guess the time was ripe and a few people approached Mrs. Stevans to pop the question as to our openness to a Eucharistic Procession and a Holy Hour on the feast of Corpus Christi. Like most things around here, if you can do the legwork, I told them, and then we can make it happen. After all it's a great idea and something that the Church has been doing since the 12th century.

Well, the day was a hit. We had a pretty lengthy line of Eucharistic devotee's and we shocked a few of the neighbors. It was good to get the Lord out to make house calls. It makes people think about God and the reason why God is important in life. Hopefully it might convert a few souls. I want to thank all the people who are actively supporting the Eucharistic devotions in our parish. Many of the younger families that have recently joined our parish have come on board with real enthusiasm and are helping support this most important devotion.

One of the first things I did when I came to St. Jerome's as pastor was to institute the weekly Eucharistic holy hour on Friday mornings. At the time of the millennium celebrations I made the decision to extend the holy hour to Eucharistic exposition through out the entire day ending with evening prayer, which is what we do now. Along with a few hearty souls we have managed to pull it off. Only a few times have I had to go into the church and place the Blessed Sacrament back into the tabernacle because no one was there in the Church. So I think it is great that the younger families have rose to the occasion and are taking over the organization of the Friday daylong devotion to our Lord in the great sacrament of his Love.

You can never go wrong with the Eucharist. It is the steadiest thing about our faith. Our Lord Jesus gave this sacrament of his love on the night that he died. And even though while Jesus was instituting this sacrament at the last Supper amidst the disciple's sadness and confusion, they would quickly turn to this sacrament as a source of abiding consolation and joy.

I strongly encourage all of our parishioners to sign on for an hour of weekly devotion. In parishes where Eucharistic devotion is part of the daily life of the parish vocations are flourishing, family life is stronger and pro-life issues are taken seriously. Eucharistic devotion always goes hand in hand with a strong love of Our Lady. Our parish needs this devotion and the power that flows from it. It is a lifeline to the divine life God wants us to have. It strengthens us in virtue and helps us to truly live out the gospel in our individual lives. A parish that has devotion to the Eucharist and to Our Lady is protected from the evil forces that seek our destruction

May the Lords Peace be with you always,
Father Jim

The kingdom of heaven is at hand...heal the sick."

Matthew 10:7

Healing Mass

Sunday, July 1st at 4:00 p.m. St. Jerome's Church

Father Jim Stack, Celebrant

Levels of Healing – Physical, Spiritual, Emotional, Psychological, Relational. In addition to the regular Sunday Liturgy, there will be laying on of hands and anointing after Communion.

"...only say the word and I shall be healed."

I have made the statement over the years that I will be available after Mass for anyone who would like to be prayed over for inner healing or prayer of any type. I have asked that you call on me if you need God's healing presence in your life. As the Mass takes place at St. Jerome's, I will need the support of your prayers so the Holy Spirit will work through my hands and bring His healing graces to us all. –Father Jim

Anointing the Sick

Please remember anyone who is in need of the Anointing of the Sick should not hesitate to contact the Rectory. It is recommended that you come in for this sacrament prior to hospital admission. The hospital chaplain may not always be able to anoint you prior to surgery. This sacrament is meant to strengthen the members of the church and to find the deeper meaning in the sufferings and pain that comes to all in this life. "The most beautiful moment in a priest's life is in the administering of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick."



The following items are needed to help replenish the pantry for our St. Jerome's Café: Small fruit cups, cookies, canned beef stew. On behalf of all of the workers in the Café Program, we thank you all for the generous contributions to the pantry supporting St. Jerome's Café lunch program. (Summer's coming – do you need volunteer hours? Volunteers are always welcomed at the café on Thursday!)

SUMMERTIME REMINDER The St. Jerome's Café operates year-round. We need temporary servers to help staff the café during the summer vacation months. If you can help once or twice or more, please sign up at the Outreach Table. If you are interested in joining a permanent Café Team (once every five weeks) please let us know by signing up in the vestibule of the church.

Your help is also needed during the summer for bagged lunches for the Café: There is a sign up sheet in the vestibule for people who would like to help provide bagged lunches for our Café. This is an excellent opportunity for students to earn service hours and for all of us to do an act of Mercy. Since school is out we rely on your help to provide bag lunches during the summer.

ST. JEROME'S SCHOOL NEWS

REMINDER: School accounts must be kept current in order for us to maintain our budget! Tuition accounts are due on the first of each month and payable in the Rectory office (across the street from the school).

(NOTE: Letters have been sent to all families who have registered for the 2007-2008 school year. If you have not received your letter, please call the Rectory Office weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.)

ACTIVITIES FOR THE SUMMER

Summer Program is in full swing! A great way for your children to keep safe and have fun during the crazy days of summer!

There are some openings in the school for the 2007-2008 school year. Call 301-277-4568 for details. The beginning of the new school year is Tuesday, September 4th.

Child Protection in the Archdiocese of Washington

Child protection is a priority of the Archdiocese of Washington, which has the most comprehensive child protection policies in the nation. This policy calls for prevention, quick response, and pastoral care. **All employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children must attend child protection workshops and undergo a criminal background check, and those who suspect child abuse must report it to the authorities.** The policy (in English and Spanish), workshop schedules and reporting, fingerprinting and other information are available online at www.adw.org. (click on "Protecting Our Children"), and from your parish office and parish school principal. Anyone who has experienced harm from a person working or volunteering for a Church entity is encouraged to report this to the authorities and to contact the Archdiocesan Director of Child Protection Services, Ms. Marcia Zvara, 301-853-5328, so we may provide assistance.

If you wish to volunteer at St. Jerome's, please contact the following:

Parish volunteers – contact Mrs. Stevans at the rectory

School volunteers – contact Ms. Donoghue at the school

DID YOU KNOW

Grocery certificates for *Giant and Shoppers Food Warehouse* are available after Mass each Sunday and weekdays at the Rectory Office during regular business hours. These Certificates earn money for our church and school at no cost to you! The parish earns 5% profit for each one you buy! If 400 families bought \$20.00 each week at a 5% profit this would equal \$400.00 total profit per week or \$20,800 total profit per year! Fifty dollars per week would earn \$52,000. for one year! *Buying certificates is an easy habit to start, and a great way to help generate needed funds for the parish! Thanks!*

ATTENTION BASEBALL FANS

St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church is parking cars in their lot for Washington Nationals baseball games. There is no fee, just a request for a donation. The lot is located behind the church at 21st and C Streets, NE across from RFK Stadium. For info or directions call the church at 202-397-3895



I'm back! Thanks to all for your many Mass cards and prayers, I know that this is what sustained me. May God continue to bless all of you for the care and concern you give to others...Lexie ☺

And God Said No

I asked God to take away my pride, and God said, No.
He said it was not for Him to take away,
But for me to give up.

I asked God to make my handicapped child whole,
And God said, No.

He said her spirit is whole,
Her body is only temporary.

I asked God to grant me patience, and God said, No.
He said that patience is a by-product of
Tribulation; it isn't granted, it's earned.

I asked God to give me happiness, and God said, No.
He said He gives blessings;
Happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain, and God said, No.
He said, "Suffering draws you apart from worldly
Cares and brings you closer to me."

I asked God to make my spirit grow, and God said, No.
He said I must grow on my own, but
He will prune me to make me more fruitful.

I asked God if He loved me, and God said, YES!!!
He gave His only Son who died for me, and
I will be in heaven someday because I believe.

I asked God to help me love others as much as He loves me,
And God said,
"Ah, finally, you have the idea."

- Claudia Minden Welsz



During the summer months our parish expenses still continue for our parish repairs and maintenance. Regular contributions are needed in order to meet these obligations. For those parishioners who go on vacation this summer, may you return to us refreshed, relaxed and renewed. May God bless you and keep you safe

Appropriate Dress in Church

"The summer months bring a welcome slowing-down to the overly hectic pace of modern life. School is out. People go on vacation. The warm weather promotes outdoor activities and socializing. The collar gets loosened a little and this, it seems to me, is all for the good. Unfortunately, this more relaxed atmosphere can sometimes lead to excesses. Liturgical ministers may not show up for their assignments. Those who do show up – including the clergy – may not have prepared themselves to exercise their role as thoroughly as the liturgy demands. And then there is the issue of dress. I think everyone would agree that not all summer wear is appropriate for the liturgy. Knowing where to draw the line, however, and how to draw the line takes some skill and tact. Fortunately, the pastor, who usually gets saddled with having to decide both the where and the how, can usually count on the support of his people when he exercises this most important role. Most congregations still have a pretty well-defined sense of decorum – what is appropriate for church and what is not appropriate. Occasional reminders of the rules of decorum are a service to everyone – to the vast majority who understand the rules and observe them, and to the small minority who, from time to time, need to be corrected."-ADW Office of Worship

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