

131 Rohde Avenue

Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5:00 PM Sunday 9:30 AM Tuesdays and First Fridays 7:30 PM

St. Jerome Church

131 Rohde, Cincinnati, Ohio

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The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12, 2020

Reconciliation by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Suicide Prevention Hotline (nationwide) 1-800-273-8255, (local) 513-281-CARE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

<u>How to register at St. Jerome's:</u> New member registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042

Date	Time	Intention	Petitioner
		The Intentions of Kenneth and	
Sat 7/11	5:00 PM	Michelle Hogan on their Tenth	Tim and Karen Hogan
		Wedding Anniversary	
Sun 7/12	9:30 AM	Joanne Ruther	The Kamphaus Family
Tue 7/14	7:30 PM	Kathy M. Klems	Ralph DiFulvio
Sat 7/18	5:00 PM	Jon Markley	Eileen and Cliff Wollering
Sun 7/19	9:30 AM	Jim Van Pelt	George and Mary Sue
			Kamphaus
Tue 7/21	7:30 PM	The Intentions of the McArtor Family	Janine McArtor

Minister Assignments for July 18th and 19th, 2020 Communion Date/Time Lector Ushers Servers Minister Saturday 7/18 Ron Hermann None Mike Wheeler Mike Molloy 5:00 PM Sunday 7/19 Hugh Lynch None Brandon Auer Ed Ruehlman 9:30 AM

What's happening?

Saturday 7/25	5:00 PM	Holy Land Carvers will sell wood carvings after Mass*
Sunday 7/26	9:30 AM	Holy Land Carvers will sell wood carvings after Mass*

<u>Collections July 4th and 5th, 2020</u> \$986.00	<u>Thank You!</u>
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Prayer of Spiritual Communion for Those Who Cannot Attend Mass

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

By the decree of Archbishop Dennis Schnurr of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, we are not obligated to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. No decision has been reached on when the dispensation will be reversed. If you are uncomfortable to be around others or if you are vulnerable to illness, please consider staying home or attending a weekday Mass. If you are ill, you must stay home to avoid affecting others.

*Representatives from the Holy Land will be selling religious olive wood carvings from Israel after Mass on Saturday and Sunday July 25 and 26. You can use them or give them as gifts.

You wanted to know, so we looked it up

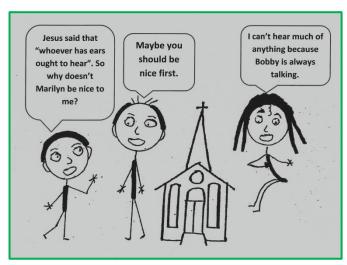


Tuesday, July 14th, is the memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon, Canada. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband. Kateri contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak and she was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. According to legend, Kateri was very devout and would put thorns on her sleeping mat. According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and when she would eat, she would taint her food to diminish its flavor. On at least one occasion, she burned herself. Such self-mortification was common among the Mohawk. She was also very sickly. Her practices of self-mortification and denial may not have helped her health. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680. Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary, we, your children of every nation, turn to you in this pandemic. Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great. Grant that we might deposit them at your feet, take refuge in your Immaculate Heart, and obtain peace, healing, rescue, And timely help in all our needs. You are our Mother. Pray for us to your Son. Amen.



Many people have left the Church because they object to her teachings about Marriage.



Some think that same-sex unions should be recognized, that cohabitation of unmarried couples should be okay, and that everyone should be free to divorce and remarry. God Himself instituted the holy state of Matrimony. In the very first chapter of the Bible we read: "So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created

them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth'" (Genesis 1:27-28).

Jesus reiterated this truth and amplified it: "Have you not read that the one who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate" (Matthew 19:4-6).

It is simple deduction then for us to see that marriage is a sacrament forming an unbreakable bond between one man and one woman. That God created male and female makes it wrong to submit to sex change therapies and gender misidentification.

The Holy Scriptures also tell us that the use of artificial birth control methods is sinful. Within the marital union is the promise that the spouses give to each other their entire being and, since that being is in the image of God, it contains holiness, purity, and the power of co-creation. We are called to be co-creators with God as we can help Him create life. Withholding that creative power is the denial of the love of God. Now, God does not intend that we should have as many children as we can, but rather has given us natural methods so that we can plan our families responsibly.

In some rare cases, a marriage might be invalid from the very beginning and separation and annulment might be possible. If you are divorced and wish to remarry in the Church, please call us at the rectory (231-7042) to discuss your options.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July

That today's families may be accompanied with love, respect, and guidance.

Please notice our "Christmas in July" Giving Tree. Please take one or more envelopes, put some money in them, and drop them into the collection basket. Red envelopes will go to the poor people of Father Bob's Resurrection Parish; green to our own St. Vincent DePaul Society; and white ones to Fr. Michael Omongot in Tororo, Uganda.



Governor DeWine's ordinance making masks mandatory in public places throughout Hamilton County does not exempt churches. Therefore, face coverings are required here at St. Jerome.