



131 Rohde Avenue

## St. Jerome Church

131 Rohde, Cincinnati, Ohio

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1 – 3 PM Friday

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St. Vincent DePaul: (513) 624-3147

**The Seventeenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
July 26, 2020**

### Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Tuesdays and First Fridays 7:30 PM

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

**How to register at St. Jerome's:** 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

## Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Intention	Petitioner
Sat 7/25	5:00 PM	Jim Van Pelt	Frank and Pat Volmering
Sun 7/26	9:30 AM	Joanne Ruther	Ron and Sandy Kienzle
Tue 7/28	7:30 PM	Eric Yates	Audrey Dwyer
Sat 8/1	5:00 PM	Sharon Johnson	Jane Wilke
Sun 8/2	9:30 AM	John Finn	Frank and Beth Cunningham
Tue 8/4	7:30 PM	Brother Eric Lauer, CFP	Brother Julian Lane, CFP

### Minister Assignments for August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

Date/Time	Lector	Communion Minister	Servers	Ushers
Saturday 8/1 5:00 PM	Bill Ellis	None	Kellie Kallas	Tim Hogan
Sunday 8/2 9:30 AM	Teresa Corbett	None	Sarah Chapman	George Kamphaus

### *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><i>Collections July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020</i></u> \$864.00	<u><i>Giving Tree</i></u> Resurrection.....\$390.00 St. Vincent DePaul.....\$265.00 Fr. Michael Omongot.....\$195.00
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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*

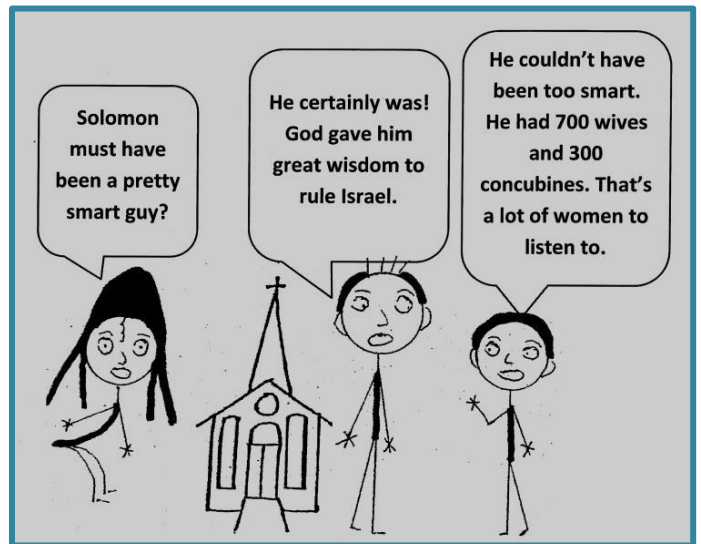


**Wednesday, July 29, is the Feast of St. Martha.** Martha lived with her sister Mary and brother Lazarus in Bethany (about two miles from Jerusalem) and Jesus loved them; he raised Lazarus from the dead and wept with Martha and Mary (John 11:1 ff). Martha has become a symbol of life in the service of God. Jesus dined with them in their home: “[*Martha*] had a sister named *Mary* [who] sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. *Martha*, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, ‘Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.’ The Lord said to her in reply, ‘*Martha*, *Martha*, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. *Mary* has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her” (Luke 10:39-42).

Jesus is not saying that we should simply sit and read Holy Scripture all day but that we need to find balance. “You must understand now more clearly that God is calling you to serve him *in and from* the ordinary, material and secular activities of human life. He waits for us every day, in the laboratory, in the operating room, in the army barracks, in the university chair, in the factory, in the workshop, in the fields, in the home and in all the immense panorama of work. Understand this well: there is something holy, something divine, hidden in the most ordinary situations, and it is up to each one of you to discover it [...]. There is no other way. Either we learn to find our Lord in ordinary, everyday life, or else we shall never find him.” (St Josemaría Escrivá, *Conversations*, 114).

**"The glory of God is man fully alive, and the life of man is the vision of God." — St. Irenaeus**

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 very devout Catholics have left our Holy Church

in disgust over the priest sex abuse scandal. In some ways it is easy to understand their feelings of betrayal and abandonment. After all, teachers who preached holiness and obedience to the commands of Jesus have themselves committed horrific sins against God, nature, and the children they promised to care for. The media, hungry for spectacular headlines, try to make us think that most priests and all bishops were guilty of fostering a culture of abuse. While there are no words for us to express our extreme repugnance at the behaviors of the guilty, we feel great compassion for the innocent men who have somehow been accused by inaccurate news reports. Nonetheless, we pray that the guilty will be severely punished and that the leaders of our Church will take measures to rid us of men and women who might wish to prey on the young and vulnerable.

The Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, Bishop Robert Barron, in his booklet *Letter to a Suffering Church*, writes “...there is never a good reason to leave the Church, Never. Good reasons to criticize Church people? Plenty. Legitimate reasons to be angry with corruption, stupidity, careerism, cruelty, greed, and sexual misconduct on the part of leaders of the Church? You bet. But grounds for turning away from the grace of Christ in which eternal life is found? No. Never, under any circumstances.”

He says, too, that these scandals have “been a diabolical masterpiece.” We know that the devil hates the Church and, especially, her leaders. What better way to destroy the Way to Heaven than to attack persons in positions of trust? The holier a person is, the harder Satan will attack and, in their humanity, some are unable to resist.

Stay with the Church. Fight for renewal. Pray for strength. Pray for our priests and bishops that they will weather the storm and show us the Truth of the Gospel.



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 Ohio does not exempt churches. Therefore, **face coverings are required here at St. Jerome.**