



St. Jerome Norwalk
November 2, 2025
The Commemoration of All the
Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Mass Schedule

Weekends

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
(10 AM live streamed)

1st Saturday of the month
9:00 AM Mass.

Next Mass on November 1st

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM Mass

Confession available after 9 AM
Mass and anytime upon request

Mass of the Sick (Healing mass) at
5PM on the last Tuesday of every
month. Next mass on November 25

Wednesdays

8:00 AM Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament and
benediction

Outdoor Stations of the Cross open daily from 9-5pm (weather permitting)

Church is open for prayer Monday - Sunday from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM

All Souls Mass
Sunday, November 2nd
8 AM and 10AM

Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, people of all ages gathered here at St. Jerome's for All Souls' Day, we come with hearts that carry both joy and sorrow. We remember those who have gone before us, and we trust that Christ, who conquered death, also meets us in our grief today. Whether you are young or old, whether your calendar is full of plans or quiet moments, the invitation remains: to open our minds and souls to the mercy of God, who turns mourning into song.

In the gospel reading of today, Jesus enters a moment of deep sorrow. A widow has just lost her only son; a family is broken; an entire town might feel its future dim. Into that scene of lament, Jesus moves with compassion. He sees, he names the pain, and he acts to restore life.

For All Souls' Day, we stand before the mystery of death and the promise of resurrection. We do not pretend that grief is easy or that tears are unnecessary. Rather, we acknowledge that grief is real, and in God's mercy, grief can become a doorway to faith, memory, and hope.

Jesus' compassion: "Don't cry" Verse 13 of the Gospel records Jesus saying, "Don't cry." It may seem a strange thing to say in such a moment. But notice what Jesus does next: he touches the bier, speaks to the young man, and restores him to life. In the healthy and holy economy of God, sorrow is not denied; it is met with tender mercy that reclaims life from the brink.

Young people of St Jerome's Parish, you may carry fears about the future; you might wonder how to live well in a world of change. My Older friends, you carry memories that sometimes ache with longing. All of us carry the ache of missing someone we love. Jesus speaks a word of comfort into that ache: you are not alone. He sees your tears, and he moves toward you with compassion.

On All Souls' Day, we remember that death is not the final word. We proclaim that Christ's resurrection defeats death's sting and opens a future full of grace. Our prayers for the departed are not only petitions for peace; they are acts of faith that trust in the living Lord who holds the last page of our story.

A practical path for today

1) Sit with your grief, and name it to God. Offer your tears as a prayer, not a burden you must carry alone. May the Lord of life fill the hearts of all here—young and old—with the hope that endures. May we be strengthened to support one another in suffering, to celebrate life when it returns, and to lay hold of the promise that in Christ, all things are being made new.

And now, as we remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, may we go with the blessing of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God bless

Fr. Hygi.

SPECIAL INVITATION



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Invites you to the

Installation Mass
OF THEIR PASTOR

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By His Excellency,
MOST REV. FRANK CAGGIANO
Bishop of Bridgeport

Date: Dec. 14th 2025. **Time:** 10AM.
@ St. Jerome Catholic Church 23 Half Mile Rd.

You're Invited to Our Church Luncheon!

Join us for Fr. Hygi's Installation Lunch.
Please RSVP by calling the church office at
203-847-5349
or emailing us at office@stjeromenorwalk.org

Proper attire is kindly requested.

HOW ARE WE DOING?

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

2025

Week of October 26

In-Pew	\$2,536
Online - Our Sunday Visitor	\$2,600
Total Weekly Offertory	<u>\$5,136</u>
<i>Budget</i>	<i>\$6,925.00</i>

Note: Gifts, and Annual Offertory are reported at month end.

One-time credit card donations can be made on our website by visiting www.osvhub.com/Stjeromenorwalk/giving/funds and click on my Account on top toolbar.

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Mass Remembrances

This week we pray for the following...

November 1 & 2 The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
**Joseph Mastrianna; Anna Pesce; Francesco DiConstanzo;
Mary DiMeglio; Albert Bruno**

Monday, November 3rd - Radoslaw Wadolowski (1st Anniv.)

Tuesday, November 4th - Cornelio Catalan Marroquin

Wednesday, November 5th - In honor of Andrea Catalan

Thursday, November 6th - Vivian Andino (1st Anniv.)

Friday, November 7th - Jack Durkin

Weekend of November 8 & 9 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Vincenzo Iannone Jr; Alicandro & Laracca Family;
Eleanor & Vinnie Giacomini; Josephine & Leonard Sr. Faccenda; Frank
Capocci



*This week The Sanctuary
Candle and Altar Flowers are
offered in loving memory of
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UPDATES

FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION PREP SESSIONS

FAITH FORMATION: GRADES 1-6		CONFIRMATION FORMATION: GRADES 7-8		
Sunday, 11/2	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)	Sunday, 11/2	Grade 7:	All Saints (3pm to 5:15pm)
Sunday, 11/2	Grade 6 All Saints Session (3pm - 5:15pm)	Tuesday, 11/4	Grade 8:	Saint Philip - Confirmation Prep/Youth Group (6:30-8pm)
Sunday, 11/9	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)	Sunday, 11/9	Grades 7-8:	Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)
Sunday, 11/16	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)	Sunday, 11/16	Grades 7-8:	Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)
Sunday, 11/23	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)	Sunday, 11/23	Grades 7-8:	Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)
Sunday, 11/30	No Session - All Grades	Sunday, 11/30	All Grades:	No Session



CND ASSOCIATE NOVEMBER PRAYER SERVICE

PLEASE JOIN US!
2025 NOV 8th (Sat)
1:00-3:00



Where? St Jerome Church
Youth Room
RSVP to the office or:
Shelli Sullivan at
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Mass *for* Deceased Clergy

11:00 am | Saturday November 15, 2025
at the Cathedral Church of St. Augustine
399 Washington Avenue, Bridgeport
Most Reverend Bishop Frank J. Caggiano | *Celebrant*

The Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport, invites all the faithful to join in prayerful remembrance of the priests and deacons of our diocese who have completed their earthly ministry in the Lord this past year.

Together, we will give thanks for their lives of faithful service and commend them to the loving mercy of God.

All are welcome to attend this special Mass of remembrance.

Thank you to Steven Filizziola, Jean Pagliuca, and Maria Pecoraro for your help with the Christian Art Sale and Fellowship Breakfast.



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