



St. Jerome Norwalk

December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

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 January 3rd.

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 December 30th

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Wednesdays

8:00 AM Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament and
benediction

Christmas Eve

4:00 PM, 6:00 PM & 10:00 PM

Christmas Day

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

New Year's Eve December 31st 5pm Vigil Mass

January 1st at 9:00 AM Mass for the Celebration of the
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. (No 7pm mass)

Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at St. Jerome's Parish, Merry Christmas! 🌟

On this bright Christmas morning, we come not in the quiet of night but in the light of day, to rejoice that "the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us."

Isaiah greets us with joy: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the one who brings good news." Christmas Day is about a message that has arrived: peace, salvation, and the reign of God. After the darkness of night, morning light breaks in, and the prophet invites us to see that God has kept His promise. The good news is no longer only announced, it is here.

For us in Norwalk, in our daily routines and responsibilities that await us after Mass, this good news matters. God is not distant from our ordinary lives. He walks our streets, enters our homes, and blesses our work. Christmas tells us: your everyday life is holy ground.

The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that God has always been speaking, but now He speaks in the clearest way possible: "by a Son." Not just words, but a life. Jesus shows us who God is—merciful, faithful, close. The Child born in Bethlehem is the exact imprint of God's being. If you want to know what God is like, look at Jesus. And then John lifts our eyes even higher: "In the beginning was the Word... and the Word was God." The baby we celebrate today is the eternal Word through whom all things were made. The Creator enters His creation. The Light shines in the darkness—and on this Christmas morning, we proclaim that the darkness has not won. John also gives us a tender invitation: "To those who did accept him, he gave power to become children of God." Christmas Day is not only about admiring the mystery; it is about receiving it. Christ comes so that we may belong—to God, and to one another. Isaiah says, "All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God." That includes our city of Norwalk—its families, its children, its elderly, its struggles and hopes. Christmas Day sends us out as witnesses: that God's salvation is not just for the past, not just for heaven, but for here and now.

So what is the message of this Christmas morning? First: Rejoice. The good news has arrived. Let joy be a Christian witness in a world often weighed down by worry. Second: Receive. Make room in your heart for Christ—not only today, but every day. Let Him speak into your choices, your relationships, your hopes. Third: Reflect the light. As the Word became flesh, so now Christ wants to become visible through us—through kindness in our homes, patience in traffic, generosity to those in need, compassion to the lonely.

Dear friends, Christmas Day tells us that God has pitched His tent among us. He has not come to visit and leave—He has come to stay. In Jesus, God shares our life so that we may share His. May the light of Christ shine in St. Jerome's Parish, in every family here, and throughout Norwalk. And may our lives proclaim with joy: "We have seen his glory, full of grace and truth." Merry Christmas! Amen. 🙏

God bless
Fr. Hygi.

HOW ARE WE DOING?

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

2025

Week of December 21

In-Pew	\$4,603
Online - Our Sunday Visitor	\$2,892
Total Weekly Offertory	<u>\$7,494</u>
<i>Budget</i>	<i>\$8,000.00</i>

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

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Mass Remembrances

This week we pray for the following...

December 24th 4pm - Angela Ferrone; Dan Loch; Chris Groener

6pm - Wally Regan; Vincent Michael Mendoza Jr.

10pm - Richard and Rosalind Serna; Olga Iossa

December 25th 8am - Ellen and William Lawlor

10am - Anna Pesce; Giovanni Casale; Frank Iossa

December 26th Francesco Dicostanzo

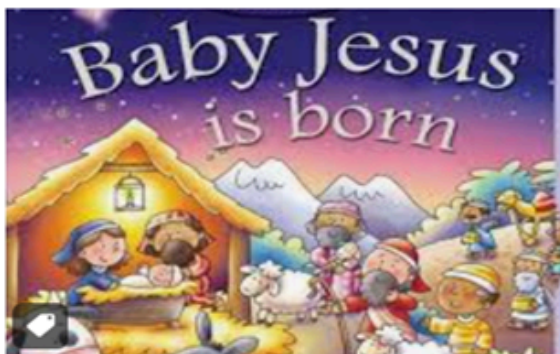
St. Jerome Children's Christmas Presentation



FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION PREP SESSIONS

FAITH FORMATION: GRADES K-6	
Sunday, 12/21	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)
Sunday, 12/21	Children's Christmas Presentation (11am)
Sunday, 12/28	No Session - All Grades
Sunday, 1/4	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)
Sunday, 1/11	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)
Sunday, 1/11	Grade 6 All Saints Session (3pm - 5:15pm)
Sunday, 1/18	No Session - All Grades
Sunday, 1/25	Saint Jerome Faith Formation Session (9-11am)

CONFIRMATION FORMATION: GRADES 7-8	
Sunday, 12/21	Grades 7-8: Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)
Sunday, 12/21	Faith Formation (K-8) Children's Christmas Presentation (11am)
Sunday, 12/28	All Grades: No Session
Sunday, 1/4	Grades 7-8: Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)
Sunday, 1/11	Grade 7: All Saints (3pm to 5:15pm)
Tuesday, 1/13	Grade 8: Saint Philip - Confirmation Prep/Youth Group (6:30-8pm)
Sunday, 1/18	All Grades: No Session
Sunday, 1/25	Grades 7-8: Saint Jerome - Confirmation Formation (9am to 11am)



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Sanctuary Candle

May be memorialized for a donation of \$25.
Please contact the office several months
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Mass Times

Weekday – Monday- Friday 9AM

Wednesday 8AM –

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and benediction.

Weekend – Saturday 4pm

Sunday – 8AM & 10 AM

Holy Day of Obligation – 9AM and 7PM

Altar Flowers

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