



St. Jerome Norwalk
July 26, 2026
17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Weekends

Saturday 4:00 pm

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

Monday - Friday

9:00 am Mass

Confession available after 9 am Mass
and anytime upon request

Confessions

Saturday 3:00-3:30 pm

Mass of the Sick (Healing mass) at
5:00 pm every last Tuesday of the
month

Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass
at 9:00 am every first Friday
of the month

Wednesdays

8:00 am Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament and
benediction

Devotion Mass followed by
Holy Rosary at 9:00 am every
first Saturday of the month

To make a donation for the 2026 Bishop Appeal please visit

www.2026BishopsAppeal.org

or call 203-416-1470 with your phone or scan QR code

Goal: \$69,200 Pledged: \$69,200



Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

What do you treasure most in life? Jesus places this question before us in today's Gospel. He compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a hidden treasure and to a pearl of great price. Those who discover them gladly give up everything else because they know they have found something far more valuable.

In the first reading, Solomon is given the opportunity to ask God for anything he desires. Instead of wealth, power, or a long life, he asks for wisdom—an understanding heart to lead God's people faithfully. His prayer reminds us that true happiness is found not in having more, but in becoming more closely united with God and living according to His will.

Our world constantly tells us to seek success, comfort, and possessions. Yet these things, while good in themselves, cannot satisfy the deepest longing of the human heart. Only Christ can. He is the true treasure worth seeking above all else. When our relationship with Him becomes our greatest priority, everything else in life finds its proper place.

The Kingdom of God is not something we simply wait for at the end of life. It begins now whenever we choose love over selfishness, forgiveness over resentment, honesty over compromise, and faith over fear. Every prayer, every act of kindness, every sacrifice made out of love draws us closer to the treasure that never fades.

This week, let us ask God for the wisdom of Solomon: the wisdom to recognize what truly matters, the courage to let go of whatever keeps us from Christ, and the joy of discovering that life with Him is the greatest treasure we could ever possess. May our lives reflect the values of God's Kingdom and inspire others to seek that same priceless gift

**God bless
Fr. Hygi.**

Mass Remembrances

This week we pray for the following...

Weekend of July 25 & 26 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

+Joann Lindwall requested by Nancy and Kenneth Craw

+Anna Pesce requested by DiCostanzo Family

+Giovanni Casale requested by Casale Family

Lawrence Mendoza requested by Alejandra Mendoza

Monday, July 27

Christopher Polley requested by Colette LeBrun

Tuesday, July 28

Parishioners of St. Jerome

Wednesday, July 29

Parishioners of St. Jerome

Thursday, July 30

+Eileen L Kennedy requested by Brian Kennedy

Friday, July 31

Parishioners of St. Jerome

Weekend of August 1 & 2 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

+Hoang Pham requested by Pham Family

+Robbie Pearson requested by Lori Pearson

+Theresa Walsh requested by Nancy and Kenneth Craw

+Vincenzo Iannone Jr requested by the Family

+Robert Michael Kuhn requested by Neil, Theresa and Angie

+Thomas Barreca requested by Lori Pearson

HOW ARE WE DOING?

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

2026

Week of July 19

In-Pew	\$2,014
Online - Our Sunday Visitor	\$2,555
Total Weekly Offertory	<u>\$4,568</u>
<i>Budget</i>	<i>\$7,050.00</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.

If envelopes are your thing, you can drop in the basket, drop off or mail those to the church office at any time!! *Thank you for your support.*

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ST. JEROME



Tabernacle Candle For Loved One

Tabernacle Candle Memorial Offering

This is a special opportunity to remember and honor a loved one by sponsoring the lighting of our Tabernacle Candle. The offering is \$25, and the candle burns for seven days, beginning and ending on Saturday.



The name of your loved one, along with the requesting individual or family, will appear in the bulletin as follows: "The Tabernacle candle burning in the Sanctuary of the church this week is in memory of [Name], as requested by [Individual or Family Name]." If you'd like to reserve a week or need more information, please send email to office@stjeromenorwalk.org or call at 203-847-5349.

Votive Candle Offerings

Votive candles on our candle racks may be lit for your loved ones. The offering is \$2 for small votives and \$5 for large votives. Lighting a votive candle is a simple and meaningful way to hold someone in prayer throughout the day.

THE PARISH OFFICE EXTENDS ITS SINCERE GRATITUDE TO GINA GRANATA, JOSEPH ABRUSCATO, JOSEPH CARLUCCI, JOSEPHINE CASALE, FLORENCE LOCH, JEAN PAGLICUA, HONEY SECCHI, JUDY BALUHA, CATHY MULFORD, KATHY CROSBY, TARA WHALEN, SHIELA RIETANO, AND MARIA PECORARO FOR GENEROUSLY GIVING THEIR TIME AND ASSISTANCE WITH PREPARING THE OCTOBER 4TH RAFFLE & FESTIVAL MAILING.

Thank
you! :)



**Mass at 9AM
Rosary after Mass
Confessions at 3 PM**

First Saturday
Devotion
Join us

Earthquakes Devastate Venezuela

Help Families Today!

On June 24, 2026, two powerful earthquakes struck northern Venezuela just seconds apart, causing widespread destruction across Caracas and surrounding states. The twin earthquakes—the strongest to strike the South American country in decades—flattened buildings, damaged roads and left families searching for safety. Within the first 12 hours, more than 160 deaths were reported, nearly 1,000 people were injured, and thousands of families were displaced. These numbers are sure to rise as the full extent of the damage becomes clearer. As aftershocks continued, the president

declared a state of emergency, schools and non-essential services were suspended, and Caracas' airport was temporarily closed after sustaining heavy damage.

As search and rescue efforts continue, Catholic parishes in Venezuela have opened their doors to shelter displaced families and provide emergency assistance. Through its longstanding partnership with Caritas Venezuela, CRS is supporting rapid assessments and preparing to deploy additional humanitarian workers to expand lifesaving relief for people who have lost homes, livelihoods and a sense of security.

How to Help



Donate online: crs.org/donate/venezuela-earthquake



Donate by scanning the QR code:



Donate by phone:
1-877-HELP-CRS



Donate by check:
CRS/Venezuela Earthquakes
P.O. Box 5278, Tipton, IA 52772-0517

Emergency Relief Priorities

The earthquakes have intensified humanitarian needs in a country already facing one of the region's worst humanitarian crises. An estimated 7.9 million people were already in need of assistance due to years of economic crisis, food insecurity and weakened public services.



The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank our parishioners for the recent donations of food items. We were able to deliver approximately 10 bags to Open Doors and 8 bags to Person to Person in Norwalk. Baby formula donations were also delivered to Malta House in Norwalk.

Our collection of activity books, markers, and crayons for the Special Camp Week in August at The Experience Camp in Connecticut—serving children who are coping with the loss of a family member—will be delivered there as well.

Your care and support in these efforts are truly appreciated.

The Social Concerns Committee is creating a list of local, reliable businesses that may be able to assist parishioners who need help with home repairs or other household needs. We are also gathering names of volunteers who would be willing to drive fellow parishioners to medical appointments or shopping trips. If you are interested in being included on either list, please contact the Parish Office and leave a message.

If any parishioner is in need of food please reach out to the Parish Office for assistance.