



# **St. Jerome Norwalk**

## **January 4, 2026**

### **The Epiphany of the Lord**

## **Mass Schedule**

### **Weekends**

**Saturday 4:00 PM**

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

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month**  
**9:00 AM Mass.**

**Next Mass on January 3rd.**

### **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 February 24th.**

### **Wednesdays**

**8:00 AM Adoration of the**  
**Blessed Sacrament and**  
**benediction**



# **Pastor's Desk**

**Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,**

**“Arise! Shine, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you” (Isaiah 60:1). With these powerful words, the prophet Isaiah sets the tone for today’s feast. The Epiphany is the celebration of God’s light made visible—not hidden, not reserved for a few, but revealed to the whole world.**

**In the Gospel, that light appears as a star, guiding the Magi from distant lands. These were not members of the chosen people; they were foreigners, seekers, outsiders. Yet they were attentive to the signs of God at work in the world. They followed the light they were given, even when the journey was long and uncertain. Their arrival at Bethlehem tells us something essential about God: God desires to be found by all who sincerely seek Him.**

**Isaiah’s vision comes alive in this moment: nations streaming toward Jerusalem, bearing gifts of gold and frankincense, rejoicing in the radiance of God’s glory. What the prophet proclaimed centuries earlier is fulfilled in the humble house in Bethlehem. The Epiphany reminds us that God’s glory is not confined to palaces or centers of power, but revealed in humility, vulnerability, and love.**

**Saint Paul, in the Letter to the Ephesians, names this mystery clearly: the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and partners in the promise in Christ Jesus. The Epiphany is not just about the Magi long ago; it is about us—people of every nation, culture, and background—being drawn into God’s saving plan. At St. Jerome’s Parish here in Norwalk, with our rich diversity of peoples and stories, this truth is lived and celebrated each time we gather around the same altar.**

**Yet the Gospel also places before us a contrast. While the Magi are willing to travel far, risk much, and offer their best, Herod is troubled, and the religious leaders remain unmoved. Proximity to Scripture and tradition does not automatically lead to conversion. The Epiphany challenges us to ask: Are we willing to be changed by the Christ we claim to seek? Like the Magi, will we allow an encounter with Jesus to send us home by “another way”?**

**Finally, the gifts offered—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—are not only symbols of who Jesus is: King, God, and Savior who will suffer. They also reflect what we are invited to bring: our resources, our prayer, our struggles, our very lives. When we place these before the Lord, His light shines not only upon us but through us.**

**Amen.  
God bless**

**Fr. Hygi.**

# HOW ARE WE DOING?

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY

2025

Week of December 28

In-Pew	\$9,174
Online - Our Sunday Visitor	\$4,226
Total Weekly Offertory	<u>\$13,399</u>
<i>Budget</i>	<i>\$15,000.00</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](http://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...*

**Weekend of January 3 & 4** The Epiphany of the Lord  
**Fannie Marucci; Wacław & Janina Lewonczuk; Kazimierz & Gertruda Lewonczuk**

**Monday, January 5th - Loren Gallup**

**Tuesday, January 6th - Sahara Baltazara Calisaya Pacheco**

**Wednesday, January 7th - Kim Kuppenheimer**

**Thursday, January 8th - Anne Constance Douglass**

**Friday, January 9th - Parishioners of St. Jerome**

**Weekend of January 10 & 11** The Baptism of the Lord  
**Robert J. Sullivan; Marian Lewonczuk; Zdzistawa Jakubowska; Henryk and Richard Cielesz**

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# 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](mailto: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.

## FAITH FORMATION & CONFIRMATION PREP SESSIONS

### FAITH FORMATION: GRADES K-6

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, 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)



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

## First Saturday

Devotion  
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### **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. Hyginus Agu – Pastor  
frhyginus@stjeromenorwalk.org

Rev. David Blanchfield –Visiting Priest  
Rev. Michael Hoag, SJ –Weekend Assistant

### **Parish Staff**

Office@stjeromenorwalk.org  
203-847-5349

Cathy Gallup – Administrative Assistant  
Kelly Pickering – Faith formation/ Special Events  
Kathy Coyne – Funeral Coordinator  
Marie Beaumonte – Bookkeeper

### **Music Ministry**

office@stjeromenorwalk.org  
Lori Pearson – Director of Music

### **Newsletter/Social Media**

Communications@stjeromenorwalk.org  
Cathy Gallup

### **Parish Council**

Office@stjeromenorwalk.org  
Steven Filizzola – Chairperson

### **Finance Council**

office@stjeromenorwalk.org  
Bill Sweeney – Chairperson

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### **Sanctuary Candle**

May be memorialized for a donation of \$25.  
Please contact the office several months  
prior to the desired week.

### **How to find us...**

**Office:** office@stjeromenorwalk.org

**Elementary Religious Ed:**

faithformation@stjeromenorwalk.org

**Middle School Faith Formation –**

faithformation@stjeromenorwalk.org

**Newsletter/Social Media/Website –**

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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**

May be memorialized for a donation of \$75.  
Please contact the office several months  
before desired weekend.

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### **Religious Education**

#### **Faith Formation - Grades K-6**

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Steven Filizzola – Program Director

#### **Confirmation Prep Grades 7 & 8**

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#### **Youth Leadership and Mentorship Program**

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### **All Saints Catholic School Pre K - Grade 8**

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Linda Dunn – Principal

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