



**First Sunday of Lent**  
February 21, 2021

**St. Jerome Catholic Church**  
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**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Thursday by phone or email  
8:30am—noon; 1pm-4:30pm  
Friday and Saturday—Closed  
Sunday—8:30am—Noon; Rectory Garden Area

**SCHEDULED SERVICES**

**Daily Mass (Mon-Sat) - 8am**

At the "Outside Adoration Chapel" & on Zoom  
Followed by Drive-in Adoration until 3:15pm.

*Rain or shine we will have mass and adoration*

**Sunday Mass**

"Drive-in Masses" — **8am, 10am and 5pm**

"Sunday Mass in the Church" — **Noon**

All outdoor masses will be on Zoom

**Meeting ID: 661-442-999. Password: 162-954**

If you need to use our "wi-fi" we have limited bandwidth at  
"St. Jerome Guest Outdoor" password **SJguest2020**

**Confessions: Saturday 1:30pm to 2:30pm**

**In the Rectory Garden Area**

Also by appointment on Wednesday and Friday afternoons

**Virtual Holy Hour - Wed. 5:30pm to 6:30pm**

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena**

**Meeting ID: 870 7309 0551 . Password: HolyMother**

**Friday Evening Charismatic Prayer Meeting**

It begins at 7pm. All are welcome to be renewed and refreshed.

**Meeting ID: 870-2775-1085 Password: 821-822**

**Rosary - following 8am daily Mass**

## From Fr. Bill

Lent can be viewed as an opportunity to focus on mathematical operations. (Yes, my father was a professional mathematician, an actuary, so I come up with this tendency by nurture: how I was raised.)

Lent is a time to add something good. What am I adding for Lent? Perhaps reading scripture each day? How about a daily examine of conscience? On Friday doing the Stations of the Cross? Perhaps walking outside and enjoying God's creation daily or weekly might be beneficial. Bible Study? Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena? Friday Evening Prayer Group? Joining to pray the rosary following the Saturday morning mass? I will add that Rosary.

Lent is a time to subtract something I like. What am I giving up for Lent? Someone suggested coffee... but honestly that isn't something I could do. Cookies, pastries and sweets are more in my mind this year. I have previously given up pork and beef. I have, other than mass, given up alcohol. I am thinking about giving up Social Media this Lent as well.

Lent is a time to multiply and divide. It is time to place something in the Lord's hands to be blessed and shared. How about doing Operation Rice Bowl this year? Why not give up that daily Starbucks and donate those monies to a good charity?

When we do these operations with and in our Lord, I promise you that He will journey with you through these forty days as we prepare for Holy Week and Easter.

For Black History Month I decided this week to look a little closer to home as all the baptized are called to be saints. Being a saint doesn't mean we are perfect. Rather it is a way of living daily life, focused and trying to keep on target in following our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I have previously written about our own Ivan Houston... but I have decided to share something published by the Knights of Peter Claver regarding Winston Greene of Santa Clara, California... a member of the Knights of Peter Claver, Inc.

**Winston Greene** is the caregiver to his wife of 64 years, Pansy Greene, who was diagnosed with early-stage Alzheimer's in 2010. He is a regular contributor and interview subject for National Public Radio (NPR). NPR has followed their journey with Alzheimer's since 2014.



In 1976 Winston and Pansy Greene became involved with Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Over the next 35 years they provided almost 100 marriage encounter weekends for couples, including multicultural weekends. He broke barriers and cut red tape to present marriage encounter sessions at Terminal Island Federal Prison for incarcerated men and their wives. To make these events happen Winston had to arrange to bring the inmates' wives to the prison. Concurrent with and after Marriage Encounter Winston Greene served with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles' Office of Family Life "Engaged Days" for over 20 years. Participation in Engaged Days is a requirement for engaged couples prior to getting married in the Catholic Church.

Winston Greene is a devoted supporter of underprivileged children, fighting hunger around the world, and even sponsoring two foreign students by sending monthly financial support through "Compassion International" and the "Youth for Understanding" programs. For 5 years in a row Winston and Pansy participated in the annual fundraising event Walk to End Alzheimer's. Every year their team - "Team Pansy" - was among the top 5 fundraisers. Winston Greene is a member of the Assistance League of Santa Clarita. They volunteered with Operation School Bell, which provides new school clothes to students in the LA Unified School District.

Pansy Greene's condition has progressed to the point that she can no longer work and travel with Winston as they had for so many years. Undaunted Winston began a new mission giving talks at senior communities about what it means and what it takes to be a caregiver. And Pansy is often right there with him. In February 2020 Winston and Pansy were selected by Santa Clarita Senior Center as the King and Queen of Mardi Gras!

In 2019 Winston Greene was sworn in as a member of the California Health Advisory Committee. The Committee advocates for increased Alzheimer's funding and to ensure the legal rights of people living with Alzheimer's disease. Winston Greene meets frequently with the Department of Aging in Sacramento and with legislators in Washington D.C. He sits on the board of directors of Alzheimer's Los Angeles.

In his own words, what drives Winston and Lady Pansy to serve humanity all these years? "Service to mankind has been our goal. Not for recognition or praise! It's just who we are."

Saints don't make excuses. They make a difference. Be merciful and loving today and every day.

## Operation Rice Bowl

On Ash Wednesday we began the Annual Operation Rice Bowl Program in which we pray, make sacrifices and give as generously to help our brother and sister around the world who need our care. The Lenten bowls are available **TODAY**. See Roxanne to receive one.

### Hope from Madagascar:

Tomatoes, carrots, pumpkins and green leafy vegetables—these and other colorful foods are making a big impact on communities in Madagascar. Half of all children are undernourished meaning they don't have enough nutritious food.



Community health workers trained by CRS hosted a puppet show in their village to teach about rainbow foods, doctor visits and other ways to support good nutrition.

Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org)

At the end of the Lenten season, we ask you to make your Rice Bowl donation by cash or check payable to St. Jerome Church and place it in a separate envelope. Please do not bring loose coin. Thank you!

## Fast and Abstinence

As Friday was the day of Jesus' suffering and death, the Church asks Catholics to **abstain from eating meat on all the Fridays of Lent**. **ABSTINANCE** forbids the eating of meat for those who are of age of 14 years and older.

**On GOOD FRIDAY we FAST.** Fasting means eating no more than one full meal and 2 lighter meals for the day. No snacking is allowed, but fluid does not break the fast. Adults are bound to fast till beginning their 60th year.



St. Jerome Bible Study will begin a study of the Gospel According to Mark via Zoom on **January 12, from 7:30pm to 9pm**. The study will run for 11 weeks on Tuesday evenings. The commentary and study guide can be purchased from Little Rock Scripture Study.

For more information see the parish website at [www.stjeromelax.org/biblestudy](http://www.stjeromelax.org/biblestudy). To register, contact **Steve Picard** at [sjpicard526@att.net](mailto:sjpicard526@att.net). All are welcome. No experience necessary.

## "Parish Staff Sunday"

Our office staff is available every Sunday in the Garden Area which is located behind the rectory. You are welcome to stop by to ask question regarding **baptisms, parish registration, or about having a mass said for your special intention**. You can also purchase **Candles for \$5.00 each**.

We hope this makes our ministry of service more accessible to you and your family.

## February's Special Collections

### Building Fund: February 21st

### TOGETHER IN MISSION 2021

**Surprise!** Due to the pandemic Together in Mission 2021 Annual appeal will be rescheduled to another date. No Pledge Forms were mailed. If you wish to make a donation in helping the less fortunate Catholic parishes and schools, you can donate online at: [www.ourmissionla.org](http://www.ourmissionla.org)

God bless you for your generosity!

### Black History Month



The African American Catholic Center for Evangelization (AACCFE) serves African American Catholics within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and is committed to building a faith community that is truly Black, authentically Catholic. **For more information, please call 323-777-2106 or visit: [aaccfe@sbglobal.net](mailto:aaccfe@sbglobal.net)**

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to peacefully pray with 40 Days for Life Participants in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion center in Lawndale. We pray for an end to abortion for we are often the last hope for women going in to have an abortion. Our vigil starts February 17 through March 28. For more information and especially if you would like to pray with us, contact Teresa Syta 310 592-4213 or register at [www.40daysforlife.com/Lawndale/](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Lawndale/).

We now have a regularly scheduled mass at noon on Sundays **INSIDE** the church. This "zoomless" mass will have the basic rules of masks, appropriate social distancing, and sanitizing before and after mass. Attendance will be limited so tickets are available seven days before the service at the rectory office or with Roxanne this Sunday at her outdoor table.

**Our 2021 BREAKING BREAD BOOK** which we use in church is now for sale. It includes all Sunday readings, all weekday responses and our most commonly used Catholic Hymns. The price is \$10 dollars!. See Parish staff to get a copy for the upcoming church year.

### These opportunities continue!

**Drive-in-Adoration:** The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from **8am to 3:15pm Monday through Saturday**.



**Our Friday Evening Prayer Group** meets at **7pm**. This charismatic group continues to pray for us and invites all to be open to the Spirit of Jesus allowing themselves to be refreshed and renewed.

(Meeting ID: **870-2775-1085**. Password: **821-822**).

# St. Jerome Church

## The First Sunday of Lent

2/21/2021



### WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL – Paul Benoit

1. Where charity and love prevail,  
There God is ever found;  
Brought here together by Christ's love,  
By love are we thus bound.
2. With grateful joy and holy fear  
God's charity we learn;  
Let us with heart and mind and soul  
Now love God in return.
3. Forgive we now each other's faults  
As we our faults confess;  
And let us love each other well  
In Christian holiness.
4. Let strife among us be unknown,  
Let all contention cease;  
Be God's the glory that we seek,  
Be ours God's holy peace.

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### A reading from the book of Genesis (Gn 9:8-15)

God said to Noah and to his sons with him: "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth."

God added: "This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps25 – James Drollinger

(ANTIPHON)

**Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth,  
to those who keep your covenant.**

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### From the first letter of St. Peter (1 Pt 3:18-22)

Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water.

This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Verse:

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

### From the Gospel according to Mark (Mk 1:12-15)

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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## YOU ARE THE LIGHT – Sarah Hart

1. You are the light that stands alone  
in depth of night and eye of storm.  
Where shadows fall, you enter in;  
ignite with hope what dark has dimmed.  
And though our eyes may fail to see,  
it is the heart that's given sight  
through night and storm, to trust in you.  
Upon our path you are the light.
2. You are the word that's written deep  
within the hearts of all who long  
for endless days beyond the skies,  
for peace on earth, a kingdom come.  
We sing the name that heals our souls,  
and share the way, the truth, the life.  
For hearts that long, both lost and found,  
we speak the word: you are the light.
3. O you are God who spoke the dawn;  
the savior son who came in flesh  
to be a lamp for wand'ring hearts,  
to steal our darkness by your death.  
And as you rose, you gave us peace,  
your Spirit gift to kindly lead.  
Sweet mystery, how true you guide.  
We look to you; you are the light.

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## COME UNTO ME – Bob Hurd

(Refrain)

**Come, come unto me; I will make you a jewel.  
Precious and rare the glory you'll bear in the crown of God.**

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## IN EVERY AGE – Janet Sullivan Whitaker

(Refrain)

**In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our refuge.  
In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.**

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## IN THESE DAYS OF LENTEN JOURNEY – (Ricky Manalo, CSP)

(Refrain)

**In these days of Lenten journey  
we have seen and we have heard  
the call to sow justice  
in the lives of those we serve.**

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## 1. PARCE DOMINE

**Parce Domine, Parce populo tuo:  
Ne in aeternum irascaris nobis.**

*Spare us, Lord, spare your people: Be not angry with us forever.*

## 2. MICAH'S SONG

**Be fair and just. Be merciful and true.  
These are the things I am asking of you.  
Walk humbly with your God, in everything you do.  
This is the way that will lead you to the truth.**

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## 3. MOISES' GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. (repeat)  
You are the Word, Life-giving Truth. (repeat)**

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## 3. HOSEA – Gregory Norbet

1. Come back to me with all your heart.  
Don't let fear keep us apart.  
Trees do bend, though straight and tall  
So must we, to other's call.

**Long have I waited for your coming,  
home to me and living, deeply our new lives.**

2. The wilderness will lead you  
To your heart where I will speak.  
Integrity and justice,  
With tenderness, you shall know.
3. You shall sleep secure with peace;  
faithfulness will be your joy.

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## 4. IN THIS PLACE – Trevor & Victoria Thomson

**We are gathered at table as one in the Lord.  
We are gathered as people who are living the Word.  
Our hearts and our spirits are nurtured by grace. It is  
Jesus who fills us. He is here in this place.**

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## 5. WE BELONG TO YOU – Trevor & Victoria Thomson

**We belong to you, O Lord of our longing, we belong to you.  
In our daily living, dying and rising we belong to you.**

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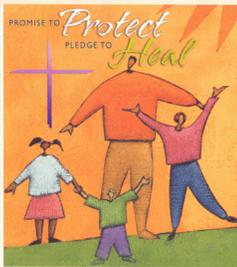
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### St. Jerome Catholic Church:

Our mission is to **SHARE** God's message with all people, to **OFFER** support to those in need, to **PROMOTE** Christian values and commitment to the family, to **FOSTER** a loving and welcoming environment enriched by culture and age diversity, and to **DEEPEN** spiritual growth through sacraments, prayer and service.



Did You Know? Teaching children about home security Teaching children about home security and safety tips is critical, but can be daunting for parents. Who wants to scare their child with thoughts of fire, break-ins, or other dangers? Remember to keep instructions simple and age-appropriate, with empowering roles

for children in managing their own safety at home. A great place to start is by teaching your children how to dial 9-1-1. Be sure to show younger children how to access the security screen on a cell phone that allows them to call 911 without unlocking the phone. For more home security tips, request a copy of the article "Teaching Your Children Some Valuable Home Security Lessons" at <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.

### Parking-Lot Etiquette Reminders

The parking spots **MARKED WITH CONES** are only for vehicles that have **PEOPLE** inside them either zooming the mass and/or standing/kneeling next to their car.

Those leaving their cars to sit/stand outside in any of the property/parking lot area should park on the school side parking lot or at the Eastern side of the church lot closest to La Tijera.

### FRAUD ALERT:

Please ignore any text or emails you receive saying that Fr. Bill is asking you to send gift cards or money. This is a scam.

Condolences are extended to the family and friends of extended to the family and friends of

### Paul Asoera

(bother of Mary Asoera)

### William (Bill) Barry

(husband of Kathleen Barry, 2nd SJS Graduating Class)

### Carmelita Basallo

(mother of Marie Phelps)

### Faustino Cedeno

(father of Felipe Cedeno)

### Danny Garcia

(uncle of Linda Malme)

### Lawrence Sottosanti

(Son of Michelle Sottosanti, prior St Jerome School Secretary)

### Tom Ward

(St. Jerome Parishioner)

May they rest in peace.



### Prayers for the Sick

Geri Anderson	Mary Bolton	David Bajot
Janice Dennis	Elaine McCreary	Rosi Bogle
Deacon Scott Palmer	Pat Reggie	Jaime Brazile
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Jesus Garber	Mark Gauerke	Jimmy Glenn
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Kristin Kazyak	Suzanne Neubauer	Frank Nickels
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Linda Morril	Josephat Muoneke	Marian Witkoski
Sam Quatto	Glen Bordenave	Maria Ross
Maria Soto	Morris Stapler	Rodney Moore
Perdana Tamzil	Arnold Tena	Natalie Tun
Eleanor Gilmore	Latesha Hubert	Linda La Casse
Cynthia Flores Zapata	Brooklyn Dvi-Vardhana	

### Remember all those who work in healthcare,

<b>especially:</b>	Angelica Domingo	Chika Okafor
Mary Asoera	Josie Bennett	Dorothy Ikeri
Nancy Wagas	Tess Abraham	Leslie Flores
Dinobi Nwosu	Georgeann Callinan	Monica Pavon
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Daniel Brousseau	Kerry Kasl	Heather Kearney
Christina Olumba	Virginia Waters	Ramin Modabber
Stephanie Vandiver Kearney		Monica Modabber

## Scheduling Services (310-348-8212)

Anointing of the Sick: call the rectory

Baptisms: Must call rectory 6 weeks in advance to schedule

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Anniversaries, Quinceañera, Memorials: call the rectory

Weddings - Call the rectory 6 months in advance to set the date.

## Liturgical Ministries

Eucharistic Ministers: Tina Gustavson 310-649-1474

Music: Jim Drollinger 310-617-2465

Ushers: Tony Holloway 323-295-4287

## Education and Fellowship

Coordinator of Youth Ministry Lara Ratleff 213 841-6775  
sjlaconfirmation@gmail.com

Youth Ministry (Teens) and Confirmation

Religious Education and Sacramental Prep for Children

Sacramental Preparation for Adults (RCIA): 310-348-8212

St Jerome's Catholic School (pre-K to 8th gr): 310-670-1678  
www.st-jeromeschool.org Principal: Mr. Tom MacDonald

SCRC Prayer Mtg (7pm Fri) Mr. & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Tuesday Evening (7:30-9pm) Bible Study: Zoom  
Alan Bernstein 310-645-5355 or Steve Picard 310 487-2724

## Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: Tony Holloway 323-295-4287

Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: Bonnie Hall 323-295-2432

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Morris Bernstein 310-908-9204

## Life, CHARITY, Justice & Peace Ministries

Deacon Guy and Helene Wauthy-*Retired* 714-602-6122

Creation Sustainability Jacqueline Welsh 310-283-8258

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Mr. & Mrs. Muoneke 323-294-1940

Food Pantry LAX: Johnny Albano 310-641-8871

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Respect Life: Louise Meehan 310-641-0842

Safeguard the Children: call the rectory 310-348-8212

Voice in the Wilderness Tom Lenert 310-649-3245

Soup Kitchen: Jude Ramlochan 310-348-9380

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**Password: 162-954**

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Sunday: 02/21**

8am: FB Esperanca Hernandez (D)

10am: FB Joel Aquino (D)

Noon: FB St. Jerome Parishioners (SI)

5pm: FM Dudley Sweeney (D)

## **WEEKDAY MASSES**

### **Monday: 02/22**

8am: FM Tom & Lourdes Lenert (SI)

### **Tuesday: 02/23**

8am: FB Pedro Bordenave (SI)

### **Wednesday: 02/24**

8am: FB Queenie Neari (D)

### **Thursday: 02/25**

8am: FB Anne Gingras (SI)

### **Friday: 02/26**

8am: FB Leandro Collantes (D)

### **Saturday: 02/27**

8am: FB Leonila Ortila (D)

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Dead (D) Thanksgiving (T) Special Intention (SI)

### **NEXT WEEKEND'S CELEBRANTS:**

**8am FM, 10am FB, Noon: FB, 5pm FM**

**Fr. Bill Bolton (FB) Fr. Michael Tang (FM)**

**To book a mass:**

**Call the rectory at 310 384-8212 or  
rshaw@stjeromewestcher.org**

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