



## CHURCH:



Training for new **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** will be held at the church on Saturday November 18 at 9:30 am. Anyone interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or just interested in finding out more about this ministry is welcome. Current Extraordinary Ministers who want a refresher are also welcome. If you have any questions please contact Deborah Moore at 812-8283.



**SAVE THE DATE:** "Please join us in the church on Sunday, Dec. 10 from 6-7 pm for the annual "Festival of Lessons and Carols" followed by refreshments. This is an Advent service of Scripture and music presented by the Adult Choir. Each song sets a reflective mood for the message."



**P. O. R. T.** (People Offering Resources Together). Please help us in our efforts to shelter the homeless this winter through P.O.R.T. St. Jerome will host the homeless January 3 through January 10; our parish will again be sheltering the homeless from 5 p.m. until 7 a.m. each day. In addition to women and children, many of the people helped by this program are working people who are unable to earn enough for shelter. Your kindness makes it possible for these people and others in our community to have a hot meal and 12 hours of warmth each day during the cold winter months. Sign - up sheets will be available in the Commons Area starting November 11, 2017. Please pray about it, think about it, and do something about it. Please sign up to volunteer.



The season of giving is upon us! The Christmas Gift Giving Sign-ups will begin at all Masses during the weekend of November 11/12 and continue November 18/19. Please pick up gift sign-up cards in the Fellowship Hall before and after all Masses. All gifts must be returned by December 10. There are both big and small ways to help. Monetary donations are always welcomed. Thank you for your generosity and support with this wonderful project. We are also looking for people to join our committee to help with the Gift Giving Project. Please contact Tammy Castagna (886-0929) if you have any questions or would like to help.

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION:

On November 14 at Immaculate Conception, Father Jeff Putthoff and Father Greg Boyle will be presenting a talk on "The Work of Hope: A Conversation on Breaking the Cycle of Trauma and Violence." Prior to the talk, the book, *Tattoo's on the Heart* written by Father Boyle, is available. Join the conversation regarding the talk and the book on 21 November at 7pm. Books will be available for purchase at the scrip counter beginning Sept 16. Email [margie@stjeromennva.org](mailto:margie@stjeromennva.org) for more information.

St. Joseph Missal are here! Stop by the scrip counter and get yours today. This missal has the Sunday readings for the liturgical year 2017-18. A \$5 donation is greatly appreciated.



The next Reconciliation workshop is on **18 November** from 9:15am – 11:30am in the Faith and Life Center. All children preparing for First Eucharist this spring **MUST** attend the workshops. Please bring a snack to share with the class. There is **NO** workshop in December. Please note this change in the schedule.



Next Men's Group meeting is scheduled for 12 November at 6pm in the Youth Group Room. More information? Call the office at 877-3771.



Next Women's Group will be on 19 November at 6pm in the Faith and Life Center. All ladies of the parish are invited to join our evening of friendship, faith journeying and food! Call the office at 877-3771 for more information.



Thank you! Thank you! Steve Taylor and others who helped create our new web page! STJ is blessed by your hard work and generosity!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY WHO SACRIFICE FOR OUR FREEDOM:** IT God bless our women and in service. Jeffery Espiritu, Maj. Garrett McGowan, Sgt. Robert McDaniel, SFC Robert Allison III, T/Sgt. Patrick Garvin, PFC Keith Moore Jr., CE1 David Maguire, Capt. Brian Wensel, Lt. Michael Yuenguert, LTC Troy D. Agostino, Maj. John Ferguson, Lt. Cmdr. Jeffrey Alan Dellapenta, Capt. Robert Belkowski III, Capt. Mark Belkowski, SFC Wilbert J. Torres, S/Sgt. Trey Ravenscraft, 1Lt. Jerry Feehery, Lt. Jeremy C. Topp, LTJG Marriane Topp, Capt. Jimmy Thoms, LTC Robert Salire, Capt. Mike Hayes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Ryan Bare, SFC Chris Whelan, CPO Nino Villamor, SPC Jonathan J. Belmonte.