



St. Jerome Catholic Church

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Many exciting changes have been happening at St. Jerome School and Parish! We are writing to let you know about a fundraiser that you may want to be a part of to help keep the improvements coming. Recently, a teacher and long time friend of St. Jerome School passed away and many of her friends wanted to memorialize her in a special way. A statue of the Blessed Mother was purchased and placed in the front lawn at St. Jerome School in memory of Mary Crombie, wife of Brian Crombie and mother to Michael, Daniel and Megan. If you haven't had an opportunity to see this truly beautiful statue – you should plan to make a trip out. The school staff hopes to hold their May Crowning celebrations, when weather permits, out in this beautiful area. Mary Crombie was a big part of these celebrations in the past.

The placing of this beautiful statue ignited an interest to create a garden. A complimentary landscaping plan was designed by McKay Nursery for the school. All planting materials and labor were donated to complete this garden space and recently a bench was placed for all to enjoy. This work, in turn, triggered further landscaping on the junior high end of the property which was all completed by volunteers. Leading up to this project, many generous parishioners donated their time, talents and resources to landscape the area up near church and a donation was made to paint the entire St. Jerome property! As you can see many exciting things are happening here.

A “Memory Walk” has been planned, which will lead from the school sidewalk over to the Blessed Mother. A limited number of brick pavers are being sold at this time. The cost is \$50/brick. Please consider ordering a brick for yourself, or your family, to mark a baptism, First Communion, confirmation, wedding, anniversary, favorite teacher, or to give as a gift... the possibilities are endless! Funds raised from the sale of the bricks, will help pay to finish the new landscaping and to begin to raise money for a new church entrance.

Each brick paver can be engraved with up to three lines of up to 12 spaces each. We will take all orders and bricks to our engraver in the Spring of 2012 and lay the “Memory Walk” shortly after. Gift cards noting your special purchase can be picked up at the church or school office with your purchase to present as a gift for someone! If you are not in the area and would like a gift card mailed to you please indicate on the Memory Walk order form (available online) and provide an address and we will mail you a gift card upon receipt of your order.

If you have any further questions please call the school office at 920.623.5780 or the parish office at 920.623.3753 or check out our website at sjcolumbus.org.

Thank you for your support!

St. Jerome Parish
Columbus, WI