

Jerome the Bear is back.

1. How did Jerome get his name?

Jerome is named after St. Jerome who translated the bible into Latin over 1600 years ago. Since then, the bible has been translated into over 700 different languages.

2. What is a bible?

The bible is a collection of stories, letters and songs that God wants us to share with us.

3. How can Jerome share God's Word with me?

Jerome has a backpack that he uses to carry a children's bible. Wherever Jerome goes, the bible goes. So, if Jerome goes to your house, he brings the bible with him.

4. How can I get a chance to take Jerome and the bible home for a week?

Every Sunday before the 9am Mass, ask your mom or dad to help you fill out a Jerome coupon. Put the coupon in the basket. At the end of Mass, Father will draw a name from the basket. If he draws your name, you can take Jerome and the bible home for a week.

5. Then what should I do?

Take some time during the week to read the stories of Jesus, St. Paul, Abraham or Moses. If you can't read by yourself yet, have someone read to you. Jerome really likes listening to the stories, too. He also likes spending time with you, whatever you are doing.

6. Is there any bible for older children?

Jerome has a big kid backpack with an Action Bible inside. It looks a little like a comic book and focuses on different heroes in the history of our faith. There is a little bear key chain on the backpack to remind you of Jerome. You take it home for a week and it includes a reflection journal in which you can share your thoughts.

7. How often can I put my name in the basket?

You can fill a coupon out every week, but we ask that if your name gets called, please wait a few weeks before you try again.