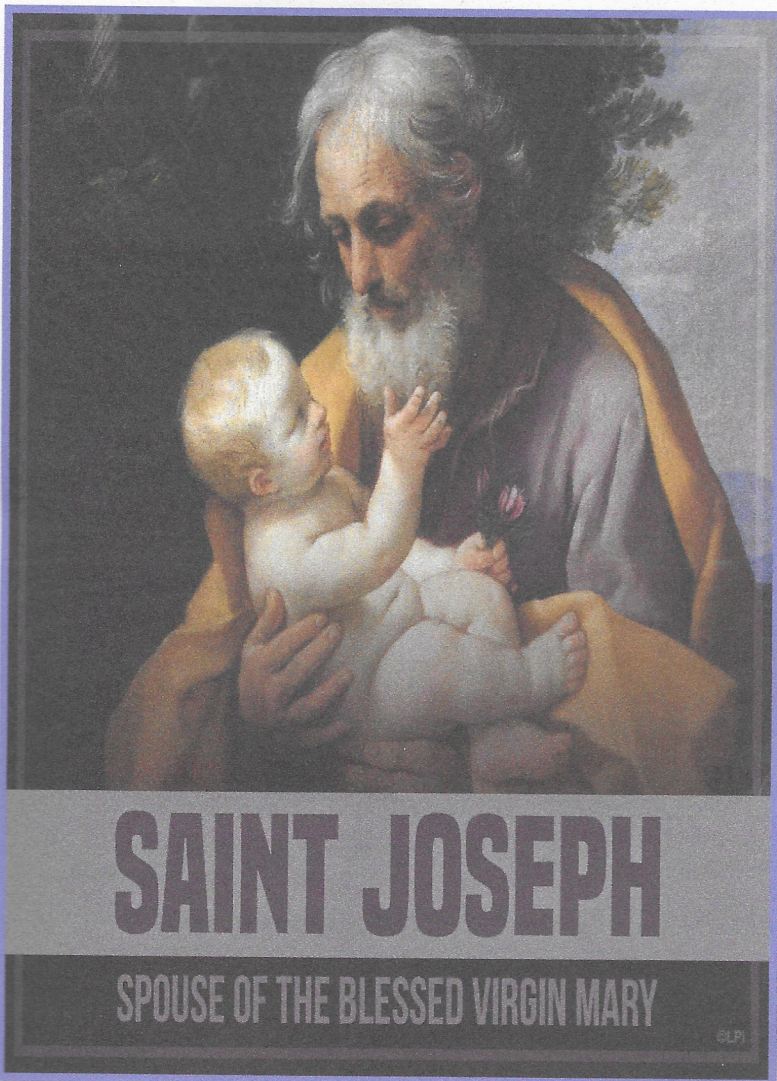


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MASSES

SAT 4:00 p.m. - SJN

SUN 8:30 a.m. live stream / 10 a.m. - SJ

TUE 8:30 a.m. - SJN

WED 8:30 a.m. - SJ

THU 8:30 a.m. - SJN

FRI 8:30 a.m. - SJ

Live stream at [Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine](https://www.facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SAT 3-3:30 p.m. - SJN Face masks, please.

Anytime by appointment. Call the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC CEMETERY ASSOCIATION OF RACINE

Call their office, 639-1071, or visit racinecemeteries.org

LEGACY GIFT

Please remember St. Joseph Church or St. John Nepomuk Church in your estate planning. Thank you.

Dear Parishioners,

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is called *Lætare* (Rejoice) Sunday, from the first words of the day's liturgy, the *Introit*. *Lætare* Sunday reminds us of the Event we look forward to at the end of the penitential season, the joyous anticipation of Easter Vigil.

In today's gospel, Jesus explains to Nicodemus God's plan of salvation by referring to the story of Moses and the bronze serpent. He also reveals the Good News that God will show His love for mankind by subjecting His own Son to suffering and death. On their journey through the wilderness, the people of Israel murmured and complained, regretting that they had ever left Egypt. To punish them, God sent a plague of deadly serpents. When the people repented and cried for mercy, God instructed Moses to make an image of a serpent impaled (and so killed) on a pole, and to hold it up in the midst of the camp, so that anyone who looked upon the serpent (and obeyed this command of God given them through Moses), might be healed through the power of God. In today's gospel lesson, Nicodemus learns that, like Moses' bronze serpent, Jesus, too, must be "lifted up" (a contemporary euphemism for being crucified) and that the act of His being "lifted up" will similarly bring about salvation.

The crucifix – the symbol of the "lifted up" Jesus – holds a central place in our Churches because it is a forceful reminder not only of God's love and mercy, but also of the price of our salvation. Hence, no Christian home should be without this symbol of God's love. The crucifix invites us to respond with more than compassion. It encourages us not only to feel deep sorrow for another's suffering, but also to try our best to remove that suffering. Hence, let us love the cross, wear its image and carry our own daily cross with joy.



In this Year of St. Joseph, we are privileged to celebrate the feast of our patron by inviting everyone to a 6 p.m. Mass Friday, March 19. I hope you can join us along with all the priests of the Racine Deanery.

Happy Lenten journey,

Fr. Steve

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith, **PETER RIEDERER.**

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK****MONDAY, MARCH 15**

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4-6, 11-13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Jesse and Yolanda Sosa Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17 St. Patrick

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Elizabeth Heidorn

THURSDAY, MARCH 18 St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Deceased Members of the
Vern Carls Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the

Blessed Virgin Mary (S)/Day of Abstinence/**

*2 Sm 7:4-5, 12-14, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27 Stations of the Cross
29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51a*

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Robert Zerzanek

* 6 p.m. - **SJ** - Living and Deceased Members of St.
John Nepomuk/St. Joseph Parishes

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-15/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

* 4 p.m. - **SJN** + Edward Floyd

- Living and Deceased Members of St.
John Nepomuk/St. Joseph Parishes

SUNDAY, MARCH 21 5th Sunday of Lent

livestream

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Al and Margaret Markus

* 10 a.m. - **SJ** + Peter Gengozian

- The health of Peter Riederer

Livestream: Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine

* **FACE MASK MANDATE IF OLDER THAN 4 YRS.**

^ School students attending Mass

Water vapor fogger disinfection occurs between Masses.

****The Catholic Church asks each member to preserve the penitential character of Lent.** For this reason, Catholics, who have celebrated their 14th birthday, are bound to **abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and each Friday of Lent**; the age of fasting is from the completion of the 18th year to the beginning of the 60th year. Hence, in addition to abstaining from meat, one should **fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**, eating only one full meal. Smaller quantities of food may be taken at two other meals, but no food should be consumed at other times during those two days.

United States Council of Catholic Bishops

LENTEN 12 HOURS OF RECONCILIATION
Wed., March 24, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church

† STEWARDSHIP ☒
Whatever you have – has been given.
Whatever you give – will be returned.

St. John Nepomuk Parish

February 27/28 collections: \$ 4,373.25
Amount budgeted per week: \$ 2,115.38
Year-to-date given: \$ 86,996.19
Year-to-date budget: \$ 74,038.30
Year-to-date balance: \$ 12,957.89
Buildings & Grounds to date: \$ 7,197.00

2020 church contribution statements for tax purposes are available by request from your parish office.

Please address mailed contributions to your parish office, not the church. Refer to the bulletin cover.

St. Joseph Parish

Total collection income: \$ 8,271.20
February 27/28 collections: \$ 8,221.20
ACH electronic withdrawal: \$ 30.00
Church renovation: \$ 20.00
Weekly budget requirement: \$ 9,100.00
Difference for the week: \$ -828.80
Year-to-date given: \$ 243,400.60
Year-to-date budget: \$ 318,500.00
Year-to-date balance: \$ -75,099.40
Easter Needy Family: \$ 35.00

St. Joseph's Easter altar flowers and Easter Candle memorial donations of \$15 are due Sunday, March 21.

Adult St. Joseph's and St. John's parishioners are invited to a virtual monthly gospel study. We read the upcoming Sunday's gospel, talk about how it applies to our lives, and pray. Call Deacon Doug, 681-7335, for an email easy link to the **Mar. 18 meeting 7-8 p.m.** Free.

The Men of Christ Conference will be held virtually Saturday, **March 20**, 8 a.m.-noon. St. Sebastian parish in Sturtevant is hosting Racine men to view it together. Register for this free event at menofchrist.net. Mass and confession will be available.

You are invited to a Parish Lenten Ignatian Mission, "Hearts on Fire," preached by Fr. Joe Laramie, SJ (Nat'l Director of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network) at Kenosha's St. Therese Church, **Sun.-Wed., March 21-24**, at 7 p.m. On gratefulness, Christ-centeredness, divine mercy/healing, and Jesus and Mary as King and Queen of Hearts. Face masks and social distancing.

Read our weekly bulletin at parishesonline.com, st-joes.org, or Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine. **The bulletin article deadline is noon Monday, Mar. 15**, for the Mar. 21 bulletin. Send to info@st-joes.org.

For the Sacrament of the Sick and Communion for the Sick when a parishioner is unable to attend church due to age, prolonged illness, or upcoming hospitalization, please call St. John Parish Office at 634-5647 or St. Joseph Parish Office at 633-8284. **If you wish to have Father visit your hospitalized loved one**, please call your Parish Office with your request. The hospital does not notify us of parishioner admissions.

Join Archbishop ListECKi in praying for peace and the family on his 8 p.m. daily rosary program, 100.1-FM.

Please call St. Joseph or St. John Nepomuk parish offices to arrange dates for Mass intentions and Sanctuary Candles. Mass stipends are \$10; Sanctuary Candles are \$5 (St. Joseph's) or \$7 (St. John's.)

Need Thin Mints? A Girl Scout Cookie Cupboard will be held in the school lobby after all Sunday Masses **TODAY**. Face masks required with social distancing.

The St. Patrick's Meal Program on March 25 has been cancelled. St. Joseph's will participate in May.



The St. Joseph's Food Basket Program is providing Easter Baskets for 50 children. Please drop off baskets at the Easter Egg Tree by **March 21**. Thank you for your generosity.

SJN CALENDAR 2021 RAFFLE WINNERS

Sunday, Feb. 28, \$50	#854
Michael Horvath #1279	Thursday, Mar. 4, \$25
Monday, Mar. 1, \$25	Mark Eberle #295
Elizabeth Taylor #571	Friday, Mar. 5, \$25
Tuesday, Mar. 2, \$25	Jacob Steinke #565
Linda Proeber #445	Saturday, Mar. 6, \$25
Wednesday, Mar. 3, \$25	Paul Moraw #385
Ben/Shayna Jorgenson	

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY SUNDAY, MARCH 14

10-10:45 a.m. - **NO** Faith Formation classes, gr. 9-11

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

6-6:40 p.m. - Virtual Faith Formation classes, gr. 1-5

6:50-7:30 p.m. - Virtual Faith Formation classes, gr. 6-11

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

After 8:30 a.m. Mass - Stations of the Cross: St. Joseph's

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

10-10:45 a.m. - Virtual Faith Formation classes, gr. 9-11

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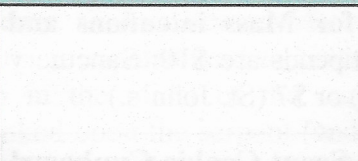
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