

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

MAY 21, 2023

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Tuesday and Thursday:

8:30 a.m. (St. John's)

Wednesday and Friday:

8:30 a.m. (St. Joseph's)

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (St. John's)

4:00 p.m. (St. Joseph's)

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. (St. Joseph's)

9:45 a.m. (St. John's)

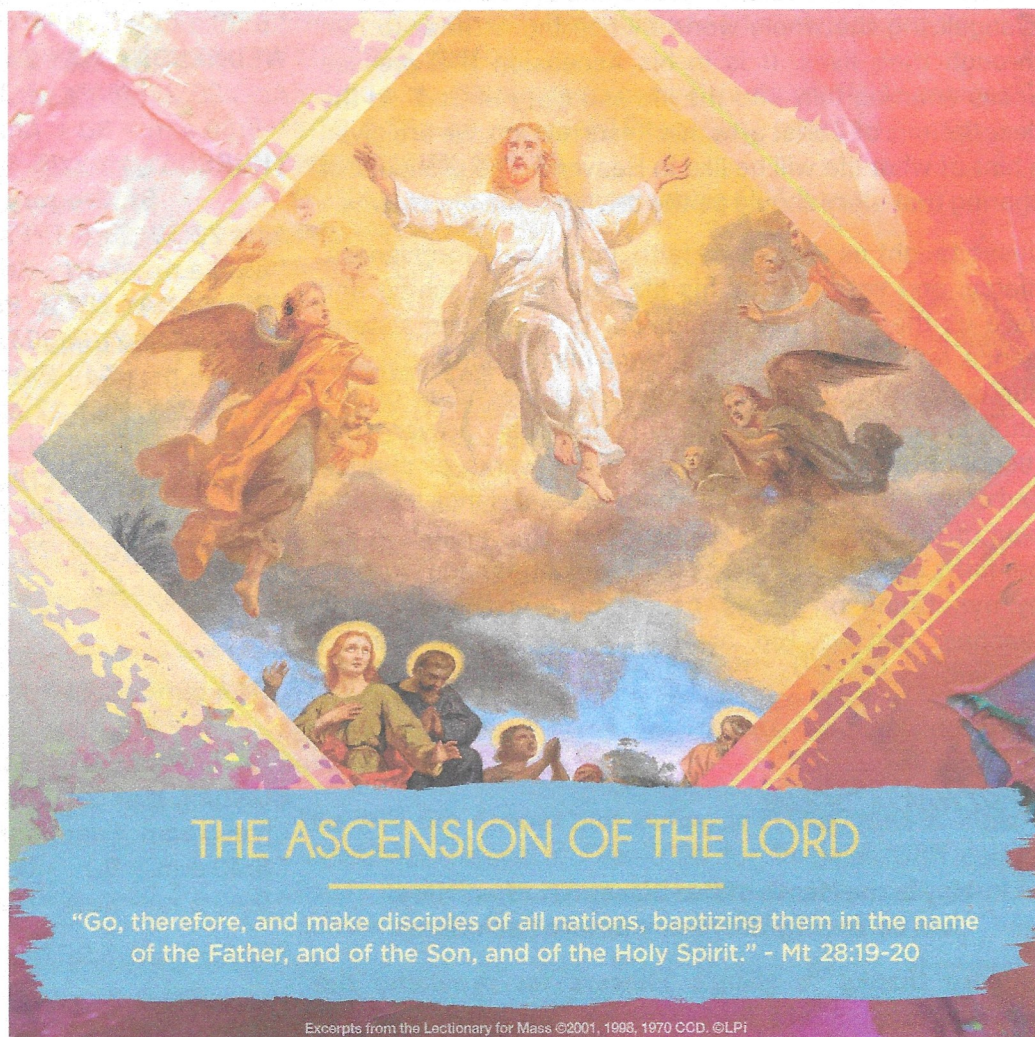
Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

(St. John's) or by appointment

Parish Registration, Baptism,
Wedding, and Pastoral Visit
Arrange with the parish office

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:19-20



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OUR LOCATIONS

St. Joseph and St. John Nepomuk Churches

 **St. Joseph's** 1532 N. Wisconsin St.; Racine, WI 53402-4805
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Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - SJ

Mon.-Wed. 8:00 a.m.-noon | Th. 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - SJN

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DEAR PARISHIONERS

On this Ascension Sunday, the Gospel tells us that, with his return to the Father, Jesus completes his mission on earth. But just before his Ascension, Jesus entrusted to the disciples the mission of preaching the Good News and evangelizing the whole world by bearing witness to him through their lives. It is in his Ascension that we see Jesus entering fully into the life and glory of God. In the descriptions of Christ after his Resurrection, we are given a hint of what life will be like in Heaven. The prospect of sharing that glory should be the driving force of our lives.

Jesus taught us lessons of faith, hope, love, forgiveness, mercy, and salvation by his life and his preaching and gave us the same mission for our brothers and sisters. Hence, let us learn about Jesus and his teachings through our daily study of the Bible and the teachings of the Church, experience Jesus in personal prayer, our reception of the Sacraments and our works of charity, and convey to others Jesus whom we experience with the help of the Holy Spirit. We can overcome doubts about our faith, as well as baseless fears, anxieties, and worries, by meditating on Jesus' Ascension and the lesson it teaches that we, too, are called to share his glory in Heaven.

Peace and joy,

Father Steve

**May is the Month of Our Blessed Mother, Mary.
Join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.**

Sincere thanks to Miller's Flowers for providing the lovely arrangements that adorned the back altar for Confirmation.

St. Joseph Human Concerns Group asks you to pick up a salad or dessert container from the back of St. Joseph's to donate to St. Patrick's Meal Program on May 25. Filled containers' **drop-off is Thursday, May 25**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at SJ Parish Center. Thank you for your help.

You are invited to "Catholic Social Teaching - Call to Family and Participation" Sunday, May 21, 6-7:30 p.m. at St. Rita Church (new). Presenter Richard Sosa, Director of Music and Youth Ministry at St. Anne Catholic Church, Kenosha, will speak on humans achieving fulfillment in families, and families having a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking the common good and well-being of all. Livestreamed on the St. Rita Facebook page. Sponsor: St. Rita Human Concerns Commission.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 22 St. Rita of Cascia

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

TUESDAY, MAY 23 Mo. of Perpetual Help Devotions

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Terry Biarnesen

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35abc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

*^8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Annette, Lee and Klara Cole-Davis

THURSDAY, MAY 25 St. Bede the Venerable/

St. Gregory VII/St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Bert and Margaret Mayerl

FRIDAY, MAY 26 St. Philip Neri

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Patricia A. Flanagan-Haas

SATURDAY, MAY 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5, 7/Jn 21:20-25

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

* 4 p.m. - **SJ** + Dave Shalbrack
- Living and Deceased Members of
St. Joseph Parish

* 4 p.m. - **SJN** + Jerry Simanek
- Living and Deceased Members of
St. John Nepomuk Parish

SUNDAY, MAY 28 Solemnity of Pentecost

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

* 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Doug Splittgerber

* 9:45 a.m. - **SJN** + Frances Wallace

* FACE MASKS OPTIONAL ^ School Mass

ST. JOSEPH PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament,
please remember in faith, Jacklyn Robash.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament,
please remember in faith, Fred and Cecilia Rosenbaum.

Blast off with Vacation Bible School—Stellar: Shine Jesus' Light, M-F, June 12-16, 9 a.m.-noon OR 5:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Rita School. New friends, creative games, incredible music, amazing experiments, and super-fun snacks. Cost: \$15 per child. Register by Friday, **June 9** to vbspro.events/p/events/11a684 or 262-639-6280. **Volunteers are needed** from middle-school age and above. Please call SJ Parish Office at 262-633-8284.

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STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

May 6/7 collections:	\$ 3,389.00
Amount budgeted per week:	\$ 2,269.24
Year-to-date given:	\$ 113,386.54
Year-to-date budget:	\$ 102,115.80
Year-to-date balance:	\$ 11,270.74
Buildings and Grounds to date:	\$ 12,302.00

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Total collection income:	\$ 6,690.00
May 6/7 collections:	\$ 5,880.00
Energy costs:	\$ 497.50
Capital funds:	\$ 312.50
Weekly budget requirement:	\$ 9,100.00
Difference for the week:	\$ -2,410.00
Year-to-date given:	\$ 261,298.51
Year-to-date budget:	\$409,500.00
Year-to-date balance:	\$-148,201.49
Needy Family Fund:	\$ 20.00
Festival donations:	\$ 1,070.00

HELP! Our combined Bohemian Fest, June 9, 10 and 11, needs your name on a volunteer sign-up sheet.

Bring Craft Fair donated items to SJN parish office on Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m. The **Kolache Sale** is on a first come, first served basis Friday, June 9, 5 p.m. until gone.

Bohemian Fest's White Elephant item drop-offs are at SJN Parish Center's lower level, before and after weekend Masses **now until June 4.**

Festival Raffle prizes: 1st \$1,000, 2nd \$400, and 3rd-5th \$150. Drawing is Sunday, June 11, at 4 p.m. on St. John's grounds. Need not be present to win. Tickets: \$1 ea./6 for \$5. **Tickets on the ushers' tables and both parish offices.**

Silent Auction and Basket Raffle donations are needed by June 1. Donate NEW items to the Silent Auction. Donate a gift certificate/gift card from your favorite restaurant or specialty store, and we'll add it to a Basket or Silent Auction package and wrap it for you. Bring themed basket/donations to your parish office.

The SJ Rummage and Estate Sale item drop-off is Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-6:30 p.m. at the parish garages, now until June 1. The sale is Saturday, June 24, from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Accepting furniture, small appliances, dishes, glassware, artwork, toys, and household items in clean, working condition. We are unable to make repairs. No clothing, computers, or TVs. Items will be moved into the school Wednesday, **June 7**, and we could use your help. For large item pick-up or to volunteer, please call SJ Parish Office, 262-633-8284.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SUNDAY, MAY 21

Before/after Mass - White Elephant drop-off: SJN Par Ctr.
After 9:45 a.m. Mass - NO Scrip sold: SJN Church

MONDAY, MAY 22

Noon - Bulletin article deadline to info@st-joes.org

TUESDAY, MAY 23

5-6:30 p.m. - Rummage/Estate Sale drop-off: SJ garages
6:30-8:30 p.m. - Financial Peace Univ. mtg.: SJ Par. Ctr.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

6-7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir rehearsal: SJ Church

THURSDAY, MAY 25

9-11:30 a.m. - Crafts: SJN Parish Center
9 a.m.-1 p.m. - Meal Program food drop-off: SJ Parish Ctr.
5-6:30 p.m. - Rummage/Estate Sale drop-off: SJ garages

SATURDAY, MAY 27

Before/after Mass - White Elephant drop-off: SJN Par Ctr.
At 4 p.m. Mass - Food Pantry non-perishables: SJ/SJN
After 4 p.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

SUNDAY, MAY 28

Before/after Mass - White Elephant drop-off: SJN Par Ctr.
At all Masses - Food Pantry non-perishables: SJ/SJN
After 9:45 a.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

Correction: Chesslyn Bounpraseuth, Damian Espadas, Matthew Jurgens, and Elloise O'Claire did not receive their First Communion on May 14. We apologize for any confusion caused.

The KC's 5th Annual Golf Outing is Friday June 9. Final registration: June 5. Fee: \$100 for 18 holes with cart, lunch, and dinner. Shot gun start 11:45 a.m. Register, donate or info. at Birdease.com/KofC697Racine

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry needs financial donations to buy frozen meat. The federal government has significantly reduced Pantry allotments although more people are being fed. Mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404 with FOOD PANTRY on the memo. **Current needs:** peanut butter (any size), saltine crackers, boxed instant potatoes, canned meat, Rice-a-Roni, Hamburger Helper, and pasta sides. To volunteer, please call Jean Thieme, 262-930-5850.

SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2023 WINNERS

Sunday, May 7, \$50

Maggie Suprak #245

Monday, May 8, \$25

Deborah Schuebel #1062

Tuesday, May 9, \$25

Joe/Barbara Caminiti #687

Wednesday, May 10, \$25

Lisa Friedrich #975

Thursday, May 11, \$25

Tammi Charnon #178

Friday, May 12, \$25

Michael Horvath #942

Saturday, May 13, \$25

Gabby Burdick #757

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SIGN-UP SHEET FOR BOHEMIAN FEST: JUNE 9, 10 and 11, 2023

Please check the times that you can help and drop this off in the collection basket in church, drop it off at the parish office, or call Lauri Buchaklian at 262-639-1330 or the SJN office at 262-634-5647. Every attempt will be made to accommodate the location(s)/ shift(s) requested. **If changes need to be made, you will be notified via email. Shift confirmations will also be sent via email.**

SET UP

Friday 9:00 AM to? _____ (15 people needed, especially strong young men)

CLEAN UP/TEAR DOWN Sunday – 5 PM to? _____ (25 people needed)

FOOD/DRINK TICKET SALES – MINIMUM OF 2 PEOPLE/SHIFT

Friday 3:45 PM to 6:30 PM _____ 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM _____ 8:30 PM to 11:00 PM _____
Saturday 12 PM to 2:30 PM _____ 2:30 PM to 5 PM _____ 5 PM to 8 PM _____ 8 PM - 11 PM _____
Sunday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM _____ 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM _____

RAFFLE TICKET SALES – 2 PEOPLE NEEDED/SHIFT:

Friday 3:45 PM to 6:30 PM _____ 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM _____ 8:30 PM to 11:00 PM _____
Saturday 12 PM to 2:30 PM _____ 2:30 PM to 5 PM _____ 5 PM to 8 PM _____ 8 PM to 11:00 PM _____
Sunday 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM _____ 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM _____

SATURDAY PORK DINNER – 5 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CLEAN-UP ONLY

6:30 PM to? _____ (Clean up tent area and serving pans, etc.)

FOOD TENT – MINIMUM OF 8 PEOPLE/SHIFT (Late shift includes clean-up)

Friday 3:45 PM to 6:30 PM _____ 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM _____ 8:30 PM to 11:00 PM _____
Saturday 12 PM to 2:30 PM _____ 2:30 PM to 5:30 PM _____ 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM _____ 8 PM to 11:30 PM _____
Sunday 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM _____ 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM _____

REFRESHMENTS – Volunteers must be 21 years of age. Call Lauri B., 262-639-1330, for scheduling.

WHITE ELEPHANT

SILENT AUCTION/BASKET RAFFLE – 2 PEOPLE NEEDED/SHIFT:

Friday 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM _____ 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM _____
Saturday 12 PM to 2:30 PM _____ 2:30 PM to 5 PM _____ 5 PM to 8 PM _____ 8 PM - 11 PM _____
Sunday 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM _____ 1:30-4:00 PM _____

PULL TABS – 1 PERSON NEEDED/SHIFT:

Friday 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM _____ 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM _____ 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM _____
Saturday 12 PM to 2:30 PM _____ 2:30 PM to 5 PM _____ 5 PM to 8 PM _____ 8 PM - 11 PM _____
Sunday 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM _____ 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____