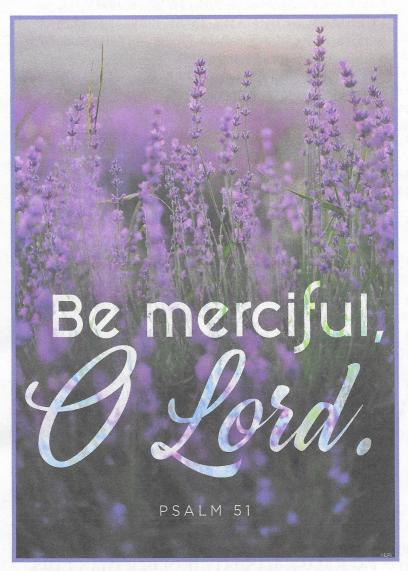
ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

RACINE, WISCONSIN · FEBRUARY 21, 2021



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

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.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Steven K. Varghese, Pastor

Deacon Douglas Gundlach - SJ

Leslie Gain, Administrative Assistant - SJN

Amber Fay, Coordinator of Faith Formation - SJ and SJN

David Kirkpatrick, Director of Music - SJ and SJN

Heidi Hernandez, St. Joseph School Principal

Michael Reth, Business Manager - SJ

Deanne Koleske, Parish Secretary - SJ

Jeanmarie Diehn, St. Joseph School Secretary

Mary Lee Odders, Bulletin Editor - SJ and SJN

Russ Blaha, Maintenance - SJ

Thomas Quiroz, Maintenance - SJN

TRUSTEES

Jim Tresemer - SJN

John Gates - SJ

Suzanne Yde - SJN

Pete Koleske - SJ

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dennis Maller, Chair

OFFICE INFORMATION

St. John Nepomuk Church; 1903 Green Street; Racine, WI Office/Mailing 700 English Street; Racine, WI 53402-4799 Office hours Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 a.m.-noon;

Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday, closed

St. Joseph Church; 1533 Erie Street; Racine, WI

Office/Mailing 1532 N. Wisconsin Street; Racine, WI 53402-4805 Office hours Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

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St. Joseph School; 1525 Erie Street; Racine, WI 53402-4830 Office hours 7:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m. when school is in session

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Faith Formation Office and absences 262-633-9005

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Dear Parishioners,

Lent is primarily the time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus used during his forty days of preparation in the desert for his public life. It is also the time for renewing our lives for the celebration of Easter with our Risen Lord who conquered sin and death by his suffering, death, and Resurrection.

Today's Gospel teaches us how the "desert experience" of fasting, praying, and soul-strengthening enabled Jesus to confront his temptations successfully and then to preach the Good News of salvation. The tempter urges Jesus to turn stones into loaves of bread. But Jesus rejects that temptation to mistrust His Father by satisfying his own immediate, temporal needs and thus reducing His Divine mission to self-satisfaction. The tempter then suggests that Jesus prove that he is really the Son of God by jumping off the parapet of the temple. Jesus rejects this as a temptation to act as God's superior and demand He prove His trustworthiness! Jesus rejects the temptation to idolatry.

As faithful disciples, we are always tempted by the devil, the world, and by our own selfish interests. So, we need to cooperate actively with God's grace to conquer our temptations.

Happy Lenten journey,

Fr. Steve

The Gift of Sunday Lenten Mission hosted by St. Lucy Parish is Wednesday, March 3, 7-8:30 p.m., with mission presenter Fr. Mark Payne. Based on The Gift of Sunday, a theological reflection issued by Archbishop Jerome Listecki, the mission will be held in the context of a prayer service and highlight the importance of Sunday Mass in living out our faith on a daily basis. The Racine mission is one of 18 sites throughout the archdiocese. If attending in person, register in advance at archmil.org/Lenten-Missions or phone Rosalita Villa, 414-758-2217. For available livestream links, visit archmil.org/Lenten-Missions.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP: As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith, **WALTER STEIDL**.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP: As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith,

PETER AND MARGARET GEORGE.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 Chair of St. Peter (F) 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 St. Polycarp

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
* 8:30 a.m. - SJN - Living and Deceased Members of
Christian Mothers and Altar Society

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32 *^ 8:30 a.m. - SJ - Living and Deceased Members of the Potrykus Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/ Mt 7:7-12

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26 Day of Abstinence**/
Stations of the Cross

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26 * 8:30 a.m. - \$J + Ted Pier

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-19[9]/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

* 4 p.m. - **SJN** + Anthony Azarian

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 2nd Sunday of Lent livestream

* 8:30 a.m. - SJ + Mary Lou Rauch

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

Livestream is at Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine.

* FACE MASK MANDATE IF OLDER THAN 4 YRS.

^ School students attending Mass

For COVID-19 protection, both parishes use a water vapor fogger between Masses for surface disinfection.

**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.

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₩hatever you have – has been given.
Whatever you give – will be returned.

St. John Nepomuk Parish

February 6/7 collections:\$ 2,065.00Amount budgeted per week:\$ 2,115.38Year-to-date given:\$ 76,955.94Year-to-date budget:\$ 67,692.16Year-to-date balance:\$ 9,263.78Buildings & Grounds to date:\$ 6,650.00

St. Joseph Parish

Total collection income: \$ 7,229.00 February 6/7 collections: \$ 6,089.00 ACH electronic giving: \$ 565.00 Church renovation: 270.00 Energy costs: \$ 305.00 Weekly budget requirement:\$ 9,100.00 Difference for the week: \$ -1,871.00 Year-to-date given: \$ 221,673.22 Year-to-date budget: \$ 291,200.00 Year-to-date balance: \$ -69,526.78 Needy Family Fund: \$ 20.00

Adult St. Joseph's and St. John's parishioners are invited to a virtual gospel study and prayer group. One night a month we will virtually meet for an hour to read the upcoming Sunday's gospel, talk about how it applies to our lives today, and close with simple prayers. Call Deacon Doug, 681-7335, for an email link to the March 7-8 p.m. meeting that is free and easy to connect.

Lenten Fridays' Fish Fry curbside pickup 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cristo Rey Hall, 1111 Douglas Avenue. Meals include 3-pc. battered cod; 8-pc. battered shrimp; fresh, ceviche tostadas; mojarra frita whole tilapia. Cost: \$3-\$10. Order: 898-5666. A fundraiser for ACTS Youth Ministry of St. Patrick's, St. Edward's and St. Richard's Catholic Churches.

Knights of Columbus invites all to a complimentary Estate Planning virtual presentation Tuesday, February 23, at 7 p.m. Estate Planning Attorney Daniel Purtell and General Agent Tim Nowak will discuss the benefits of doing just a few things to have a proper plan. No products will be sold at this event. Pre-registration required: kofcwi.org/live-events.

IN YOUR CHARITY: Please remember in faith, St. Joseph parishioner, Arthur Shannon, who will receive his Christian burial through our church and ministry. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

Read our weekly bulletin at parishesonline.com, st-joes.org, or Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine. The bulletin article deadline is noon Monday, Feb. 22, for the Feb. 28 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.

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

Prayer Shawls are given to someone in need of comfort and blessing due to illness or trying times. Fr. Steve blesses each shawl for the intention of the recipient. Call St. Joseph's Parish Office at 633-8284.



The St. Joseph's Food Basket Program is collecting Easter Baskets for 50 children. At the Easter Egg Tree at the back of church, select an egg, follow the instructions on the pink flyer, and drop off the baskets at the Tree

by Sunday, March 21. Thank you for your generosity.

SJN CALENDAR 2021 RAFFLE WINNERS

Sunday, Feb. 7, \$50 Dorothy Steimle #562 Monday, Feb. 8, \$25 Andrew Dederich #218 Tuesday, Feb. 9, \$25 Emily Brehm #1162 Wednesday, Feb. 10, \$25

Rachel Schinkowitch #1194

Thursday, Feb. 11, \$25 Helen Simanek #1141 Friday, Feb. 12, \$25 Matt Schuebel #504 Saturday, Feb. 13, \$25 Tom Witek #282

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10-10:45 a.m. - virtual Faith Formation classes, gr. 9-11 **WEDNESDAY**, **FEBRUARY 24**

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, FEBRUARY 26

After 8:30 a.m. Mass - Stations of the Cross: St. Joseph's 6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross: St. Joseph's

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

NO virtual Faith Formation classes, gr. 9-11 10 a.m. Mass - Rite of Enrollment, gr. 11: St. Joseph's