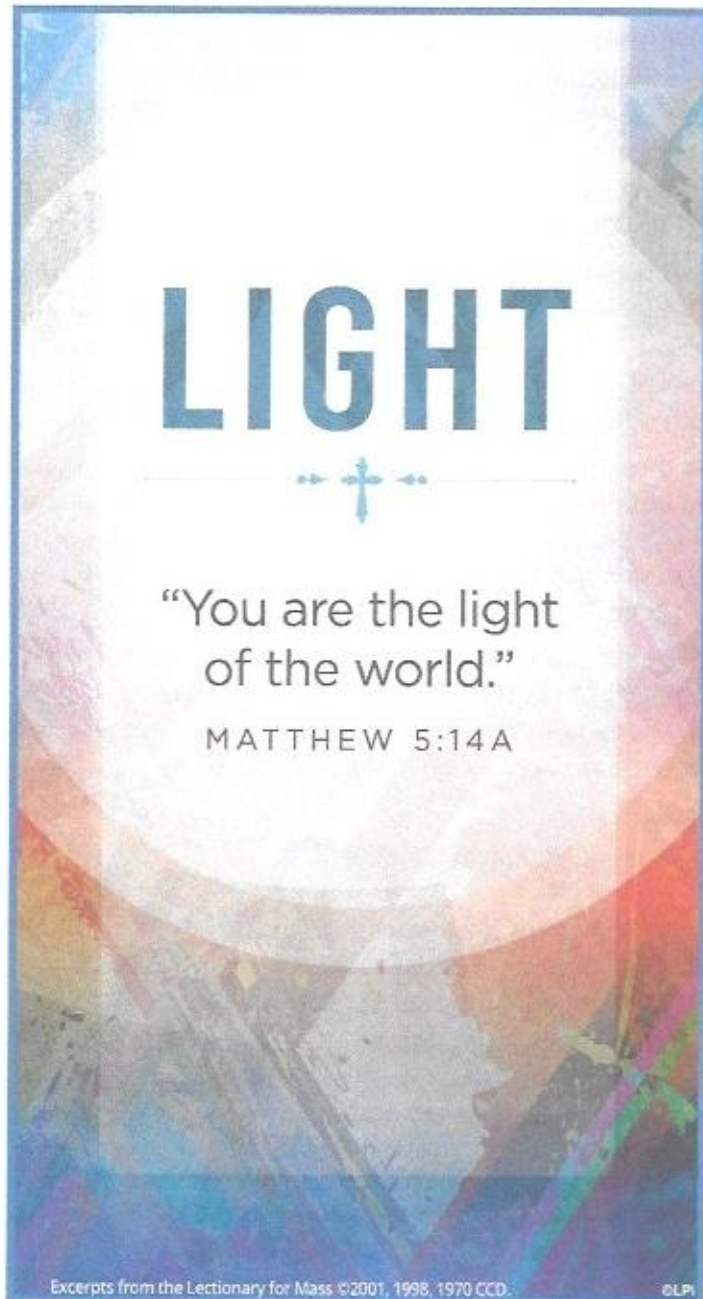


ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

RACINE, WISCONSIN · FEBRUARY 9, 2020



LIGHT



“You are the light
of the world.”

MATTHEW 5:14A

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. - SJN
Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m. - SJ
Saturday Mass of Anticipation, 4 p.m. - SJN
Saturday Mass of Anticipation, 5:15 p.m. - SJ
Sunday, 8:30 a.m. - SJ
9:45 a.m. - SJN
10:30 a.m. - SJ

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Anytime by appointment or Saturday, 3-3:45 p.m. - SJN

TRUSTEES

Jim Tresemer - SJN John Gates - SJ
Suzanne Yde - SJN Pete Koleske - SJ

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dennis Maller, Chair

CONTACT INFORMATION

St. John Nepomuk Church; 1903 Green Street; Racine, WI
Parish Office phone: 262-634-5647 and fax: 262-634-1436
e-mail: stjohnnepomuk@wi.rr.com

Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 8 a.m.-noon;
Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Friday, closed
Office/Mailing: 700 English Street; Racine, WI 53402-4799

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

Parish Office phone: 262-633-8284 and fax: 262-633-8285
e-mail: info@st-joes.org website: st-joes.org

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Office/Mailing: 1532 N. Wisconsin Street; Racine, WI 53402-4805
Faith Formation Office: 262-633-9005

School Office phone: 262-633-2403 and fax: 262-633-4423
website: st-joes-school.org

Preschool: 262-633-0112
School Office: 1525 Eric Street; Racine, WI 53402-4830

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Registration and calendar: st-joes.org or 262-633-9005

Registration questions: 262-633-9005


Faith Formation class absences: 262-633-9005

LEGACY GIFT

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

CATHOLIC CEMETERY ASSOCIATION OF RACINE

Please call their office, 639-1071, or visit racinecemeteries.org

 Join us on Facebook at St. Joseph Parish Racine to access archived bulletins and more.


**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 St. Scholastica
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 [8a]/Mk 6:53-56

 8 a.m. **NO** Mass or Communion Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 Our Lady of
Lourdes / Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 [2]/
Mk 7:1-13

 8 a.m. - **SJN** + Tom Weyker

+ Bob Bruzas

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 Eucharistic
1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 Adoration
[30a]/Mk 7:14-23

 * 8 a.m. - **SJ** + C. Jane and Andrew J. Jacob

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13
1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 [4a]/
Mk 7:24-30

 8 a.m. - **SJN** + B. Arthur Nielsen

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 Sts. Cyril and
1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/ Methodius / St. Valentine
Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15 [11a and 9a]/Mk 7:31-37

 8 a.m. - **SJ** + Betty Stritesky

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22
[4a]/Mk 8:1-10

 8 a.m. - **SJ** - **NO** Mass or Communion Service

MASS OF ANTICIPATION
Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 [1b]/1 Cor
2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

 4 p.m. - **SJN** + Agnes Sisak

 5:15 p.m. - **SJ** + Sandy Lee Koleske

 - The living and deceased members
of St. Joseph Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 6th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** - Living and deceased members of
the Theo R. Zlevor Family

 9:45 a.m. - **SJN** + Terry Biarnesen

 - Living and deceased members of
Christian Mothers and Altar Society

 10:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Mary Wilke **Family Mass**

 Key: **SJ** - St. Joseph Church

SJN - St. John Nepomuk Church

* - Mass with the school students

Dear Parishioners,

“You are the light of the world,” Jesus tells us, and he continues, “Your light must shine before others.” This metaphor of light is so apropos in these times when our world is often filled with darkness. We can take three common lights as reminders of how we can be true disciples.

Be a lighthouse. Just as the rotating light high above the shore gives boaters a reference point and a sense of direction, so can our lives as Catholics. By our words, attitudes, and actions we can point people toward God and toward eternal life with Him in heaven.

Be a flashlight. Just as a powerful array of little LEDs illuminates the path in front of us, so can we remain rooted in prayer, the Sacraments, and Scriptures to discern the right way. Our meaningful conversation with others can help them see their way, too.

Be a heating lamp. Just as certain lights are designed to emit more infrared rays to warm one's sore muscles, so can we focus our generosity and compassion toward others in pain around us. Giving of our time, our presence, or our material abundance can ease the cold, dark ache of those in need.

“You are the light of the world.” This challenge is one that Jesus fulfilled in his lifetime, and one we can continue to meet today.

Blessings,

Deacon Doug Gundlach

St. John Nepomuk Parish
February 1/2 collection: \$ 3,324.00

Amount budgeted per week: \$ 2,403.85

Year-to-date budget: \$ 74,519.35

Year-to-date given: \$ 72,056.08

Year-to-date balance: \$ -2,463.27

St. Joseph Parish
Weekly collection income: \$ 8,474.05

February 1/2 collection: \$ 7,282.05

School: \$ 400.00

Church renovation: \$ 395.00

Energy costs: \$ 397.00

Weekly budget requirement: \$ 9,100.00
Difference for the week: \$ -625.95

Year-to-date budget: \$ 291,200.00

Year-to-date given: \$ 209,585.15

Year-to-date balance: \$ -81,614.85

Needy Family Fund: \$ 20.00

St. Vincent de Paul Society: \$ 20.00

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

 As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please
remember in faith, **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS AND
ALTAR SOCIETY: LIVING AND DECEASED.**

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

Your St. Joseph's 2019 church contribution statement will be mailed to you at your request by contacting the Parish Office, 633-8284 or info@st-joes.org. Statements will not be included in the monthly stewardship letters.

You are invited to "The Reality and Legends of Relics in The Catholic Faith," Tuesday, February 11, at 7 p.m. in St. Elizabeth's School, Kenosha, entering through school doors in the back parking lot by the Pope St. John Paul II statue. Presenter William Murphy, a senior catechist for the Archdiocese of Chicago with an historical theology degree from Loyola University, will discuss Catholic relics, appropriate use, and demystify legends and myths. The presentation is free; St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry donations accepted.



Eucharistic Adoration follows 8 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Parish on Wednesday, February 12, and closes with a 2:30 p.m. Benediction.

Are you considering serving the Church as an ordained deacon? The Church calls men to be deacons "in service" to the People of God. If you are a man (married or single), who feels this call and wants to know more, please contact the Office for Diaconate Formation at 414-758-2207; maldonadom@archmil.org; or talk to Deacon Doug Gundlach. Please visit archmil.org/offices/Diaconate.htm and click on the Inquiry for Discernment Program for a sessions schedule.



Mittenless kids need our help again during the cold weather. **The Mitten Basket** is on the ushers' table in the back of St. Joseph's.



The Food Pantry's most needed items are canned meat, beef stew, corned beef hash, chili, canned fruit, Chunky soup, pasta sides, saltine crackers and toilet paper.

St. John Nepomuk parish needs two volunteers (one to check clients in and one to take groceries to their car) to work once a month (1.75 hrs.) on a Tuesday beginning February 4. Please call Linda Meredith at 262-456-6035. The recipient list has increased tremendously. Thank you all for helping us feed the poor! Donation checks can be placed in the church collection or sent to St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine WI 53404-7004.

The **bulletin article deadline** is noon Monday, February 10, for the February 16 bulletin. Send written items to the Parish Office or info@st-joes.org. **Bulletins and inserts are archived at st-joes.org**; on Facebook at St. Joseph Parish Racine.

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 Churches' 2020 Mass Intention Calendars are open. A Mass stipend is \$10. Please call or visit your parish office to arrange intentions: St. Joseph, 633-8284, or St. John, 634-5647.

A First Communion Fashion Show will be presented at Kenosha's St. Therese Church in partnership with Holy Family Catholic Bookstore on Sunday, February 16, at 1 p.m. More information: 262-331-4734.



St. Joseph's Lenten Friday Fish and Shrimp Fries are February 28, March 13 and 27, 5-7 p.m. Dine-in MSMH or drive-thru service on N. Wisconsin Street by the garages. Cost: \$10 platter of hand-breaded, fried fish; shrimp; or combo; or \$5 kids' meal option of baked mac and cheese and Crazy Taters. Tickets at the door, drive-thru, parish office, or school office. This is a fundraiser for the parish and the Class of 2021.

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.

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Discover together how your good marriage can be even better or new pathways to get your marriage back on track. Join Green Bay Marriage Encounter **March 27-29** at the Norbertine Center for Spirituality, De Pere. Call 920-544-5166 or visit www.gbme.org.

Our advertiser dollars pay for our bulletin. Thank them when you patronize their business. Advertiser of the Week: **Honey B's II**, 4713 Douglas Av, 681-1960.



Please remember in your prayers our men and women in uniformed services, especially those serving in the Middle East. We beg your protection and guidance for them, O Lord.

WE, THE PEOPLE OF ST. JOSEPH PARISH, RACINE, WISCONSIN, believe the Church is the Living Body of Christ, in which we all share responsibility. As the unit of God's Family which fulfills this universal mission of the Church within our community, this parish unites in a spirit of stewardship to offer our time, talents and treasure to foster Catholic Education, and to care for the spiritual, intellectual, moral, and temporal needs of parish members.

Liturgical Roles for February 15 and 16

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Ryann Petersen (Cross),
Ethan Petersen
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Chandler Rorek (Cross),
Volunteer
10:30 a.m. Christian Cervantes (Cross),
Clara Miller

LECTORS

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Mary Lee Odders
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Joe Grauwels
10:30 a.m. Linda Von De Bur and student

CANTORS

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Rosa Flegel
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Joe Czosnek
10:30 a.m. Family Mass

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF

HOLY COMMUNION - CIBORIUM

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Deacon Doug Gundlach
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Deacon Doug Gundlach
10:30 a.m. Harold Von De Bur

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF

HOLY COMMUNION - CHALICE

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Nat Cycenas and John Nielsen
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Kathy Swiatek and Genie Bosch
10:30 a.m. Sandy Lindstrom, Tim Richardson

Please direct private prayer requests to St. Joseph Prayer Chain team. Call Lorraine Caspers, 639-1070.



We are the grateful recipients of a generous donation in memory of **Ellen Marani**.

On behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Baby Closet project, thank you to everyone who contributed to the January clothing and diaper drive. In particular, I want to thank the Human Concerns Group for making us a priority and Catherine Gundlach for setting everything up. I also thank Rosa Flegel and all the talented women who made beautiful and warm knit caps and blankets. They will all go to good use bringing comfort to mothers and their very young children. God bless each of you for caring.
Betsy Tarczon



Our spiritually-adopted babies are six months old. The poster in the back of church shows what the baby can do at this development stage. *Human Concerns Group*

This Week in Our St. Joseph Parish Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8 a.m. - Rosary: Church
9:45-11:15 a.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 7-11: Parish Center
10 a.m. - Rosary: Church
noon-6:30 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym
7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: MSMH

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

3-7 p.m. - Youth Center: Parish Center
3-7:30 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

4:30 p.m. - Rosary: Church
4:30-9 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym
6 p.m. - Church Dartball League games: MSMH
6 p.m. - H&S Auction Committee meeting: Art Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

After 8 a.m. Mass - Eucharistic Adoration: Church
2:30 p.m. - Benediction closing Adoration: Church
3-4 p.m. - Girl Scout meeting: MSMH
3-6 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym
6-7:15 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 6-10: Parish Center
6-7:30 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 11: Parish Center
6:15-7:15 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 1-5: St. John

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

4:30-7:30 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym
6 p.m. - Finance Council meeting: Parish Center
7-8:30 p.m. - Adult Choir rehearsal: Church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

NO classes Teacher In-Service Day
3-7:30 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

6:45-7:45 a.m. - Men's Faith/Bible Group: Parish Center
4:45 p.m. - Rosary: Church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8 a.m. - Confirmation retreat Mass, with NET retreat to follow, gr. 11: St. Rita
8 a.m. - Rosary: Church
NO Religious Education, gr. 7-10
10 a.m. - Rosary: Church
noon-6:30 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym
7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: MSMH

SANCTUARY LADIES: Friday, February 14—Mary Anderson, Gayle Letsch, Sue Liapis, and Carol Vena

COLLECTION TELLERS: Sunday, February 16—Mary Ann Bruzas and Jo Anne Zlevor

WE, THE PARISH FAMILY OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CHURCH OF RACINE, WISCONSIN, believers in God and living members of the Body of Christ, through prayer and worship, will strive: to make good use of our gifts of time, talent and treasure and to pray for growth of our parish family and all people of God: to be open to the direction of the Holy Spirit by reaching out to all members of the community in a friendly and welcoming manner; to challenge all parishioners to become involved in the life of the parish, thus making St. John's a vibrant Christian community.

Liturgical Roles for February 15 and 16

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Marcelo Sosa
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Grace Gross

LECTORS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Jim and Julie Arens also
Sacristan
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Ed Sosa

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

OF HOLY COMMUNION - PLATE


Saturday 4:00 p.m. Judy Sisak
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Alisa Pichelman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

OF HOLY COMMUNION - CUP

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Jim and Julie Arens and Peter
Sisak
Sunday 9:45 a.m. Kathy Cook and Deb Schuebel
also Sacristan

Our Building and Grounds project update shows this week we have received Green envelopes totaling \$380. To-date total is \$6,827.35. Continue to use the monthly Green envelopes for our parish repairs.

 Our Sanctuary Candle burns this week for the **Christian Mothers and Altar Society: living and deceased.**

There are many February openings for Masses or Sanctuary Candles. Call the Parish Office, 634-5647.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR 2020 RAFFLE WINNERS

Sunday Jan. 26 - Ron and Dorothy Steimle
#591 \$50
Monday, Jan. 27 - Tammi Charnon
#822 \$25
Tuesday, Jan. 28 - Denise Boeck
#876 \$25
Wednesday, Jan. 29 - Kent Schneider
#1109 \$25
Thursday, Jan. 30 - Dave Valente
#206 \$25
Friday, Jan. 31 - Mary Ann Bayer
#373 \$25
Saturday, Feb. 1 - Dennis and Elizabeth Taylor
#609 \$25

This Week in Our St. John Nepomuk Parish Family

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8 a.m. - Bulletin article deadline: Parish Office
Noon - Parish Office closes

6:45 p.m./7:45 p.m. - Scholastic Challenge: Macek Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

After 8 a.m. Mass - Mo. of Perpetual Help Devotions:
Noon - Parish Office closes

5:30 p.m. - Finance Council meeting: Rectory

6:30-8 p.m. - BSA Troop #105 meeting: Parish Center
NO Dartball here

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

After 8 a.m. Mass - Eucharistic Adoration: St. Joseph
2:30 p.m. - Benediction closing Adoration: St. Joseph

Noon - Parish Office closes

6-7:15 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 6-10: St. Joseph

6-7:30 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 11: St. Joseph

6:15-7:15 p.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 1-5: Parish Center

6:45 p.m./7:45 p.m. - Scholastic Challenge: Macek Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

After 8 a.m. Mass - Cenacles of Life Prayer Grp: Chapel

8:30-11:30 a.m. - SJN Arts and Crafts: Parish Center

12:30-3 p.m. - Sacred Heart Ladies: Parish Center

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Parish Office closed

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8 a.m. - Confirmation retreat Mass, with NET retreat
to follow, gr. 11: St. Rita

NO Religious Education, gr. 7-10

7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: St. Joseph School cafeteria

Our St. John Nepomuk parish-sponsored 32nd annual Scholastic Challenge academic tournament is February 10, 12, 18 and 20 in Macek Hall. These 30-minute matches are fun and exciting to watch, and we invite all parishioners to come and join us.

St. Joseph School matches are Wednesday, February 12, at 6:45 and 7:45 p.m. If they advance to the finals, they will play Thursday, February 20. For more information, please call Paul Steimle at 639-9774.



The St. John Nepomuk Craft Group begins meeting Thursday, February 13, in the Parish Center from 8:30-11:30 a.m. All ladies of the parish are invited to join us.

A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various hearts in different colors (red, purple, yellow, green, pink) and flowers in various colors (purple, yellow, pink, blue, green). Some hearts have arrows pointing to them, and some flowers have ribbons.

ST. JOSEPH FISH FRIES

FEBRUARY 28, MARCH 13 & 27

We need your help!
We need volunteers to make these
events happen!

Everyone can help. We need
donations of a case of bottled water,
12 packs of soda* and some of your
very own homemade desserts!!
And, of course, we need your time.

Please sign up on the
bulletin board in the back of church!!

*Coke, Diet Coke, Root Beer, Orange Crush,
Mountain Dew, Sprite or Diet Sprite