

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK

CATHOLIC CHURCHES

RACINE, WISCONSIN · JANUARY 5, 2020



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Fr. Steven K. Varghese, SAC, Pastor
Deacon Douglas Gundlach - SJ
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Deanne Koleske, Parish Secretary - SJ
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Mary Lee Odders, Bulletin Editor - SJ and SJN
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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

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Parish Office phone: 262-634-5647 and fax: 262-634-1436
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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

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Parish Office phone: 262-633-8284 and fax: 262-633-8285
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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 Erie 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, JANUARY 6 St. André Bessette

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 St. Raymond of

Penyafort / Mother of Perpetual Devotions

1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44

8 a.m. - SJN + James Gain

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 Happy Birthday

Baby Jesus Mass / Eucharistic Adoration

1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52

* 8 a.m. - SJ + Eugene Walsh

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/

Lk 4:14-22a

8 a.m. - SJN + Mary Kozenski

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16

8 a.m. - SJ + Cathryn Wood

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/
Jn 3:22-30

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

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/

Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

4 p.m. - SJN + Lloyd and Frances Meier

5:15 p.m. - SJ + Margaret George

- The living and deceased members
of St. Joseph Parish

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 The Baptism of the Lord (F)

8:30 a.m. - SJ + C. Jane and Andrew J. Jacob

9:45 a.m. - SJN - The living and deceased members
of St. John Nepomuk Parish

10:30 a.m. - SJ - The living and deceased members
of the Jonas and Sardino Families

Key: SJ - St. Joseph Parish

SJN - St. John Nepomuk Parish

* - Mass with the school students

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament,
please remember in faith, **CECILIA ROSENBAUM.**

If Racine Unified Schools are closed due to inclement weather, there will be no morning Mass, after-school activities, Religious Education or practices.

Dear Parishioners,

The Greek word Epiphany (*επιφάνεια*) means *appearance* or *manifestation*. First, the angels revealed Jesus to the shepherds. Later, in the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus revealed himself as the promised Messiah, and at Cana Jesus revealed his Divinity by transforming water into wine. These multiple revelations are all suggested by the Epiphany of the Lord.

The story of the Epiphany, or the visitation of the magi, is told only in Matthew. It is easy to read into the story and imagine three kings bring the infant Jesus gifts. But in reality, the number is not given. We typically imagine three because of the number of gifts they brought. Matthew calls them "magi" which were a class of Zoroastrian priests from Persia (Iran.)

The magi undertake an extraordinary journey. Their trip comes to a conclusion in Bethlehem, where they find toddler Jesus with his mother. What was it about this child that led them to offer gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and prostrate themselves in worship? As the first gentile disciples of Christ, the magi model radical trust in the God of Creation who reveals His son to them through the light of a star. As we have begun the extraordinary journey of faith, let's offer our very gift of life and worship our Savior.

Peace and joy,

Fr. Steve



St. Joseph Parish

Weekly collection income: \$ 24,758.30

December 21/22 collection: \$ 6,503.30

Holy Day: \$ 10,256.00

December 24/25 collection: \$ 1,545.00

Holy Day: \$ 5,124.00

Church Renovation: \$ 400.00

Energy Costs: \$ 302.00

End-of-year donations: \$ 628.00

Weekly budget requirement: \$ 9,100.00

Difference for the week: \$ 15,658.30

Year-to-date budget: \$ 236,600.00

Year-to-date given: \$ 169,874.02

Year-to-date balance: \$ -66,725.98

Christmas needy baskets: \$ 285.00

Evangelization Committee: \$ 100.00

Prayer for Peace

Eternal God, who created the universe
and whose presence hovers over all the world,
you promised that our ancestors would dwell
in a land of peace and prosperity.

Through the prophets you announced
that all nations would find their way to Mount Zion
and stream to Jerusalem, David's city of peace.

Hear our prayers as the year begins.

Grant peace to your people who honor your name
and prosperity to the nations that observe your law.
May we tend with care the land you have given us,
protect the waters that make fertile the fields,
and guard the air that is the breath of life.

May all creation rejoice in your provident love,
and be filled with the peace that comes from you.

Amen.

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

St. John Nepomuk Parish

December 21/22 collections: \$ 2,006.00

Amount budgeted per week: \$ 2,403.85

Year-to-date budget: \$ 57,692.40

Year-to-date given: \$ 53,691.58

Year-to-date balance: \$ -4,000.82

Senior Group at Sacred Heart Church's Haban Hall meets first/third Tuesdays, noon-3 p.m. Next **Jan. 7**.

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



St. Joseph Parish Center has a DVD library for your use with 12 sets of titles:

nine Bible studies, one on the Holy Spirit, and one providing teachings on the Catholic Church.



The Food Pantry's most needed items are canned fruit, non-condensed soup, Chef-boy-ar-dee products (no spaghetti), cereal, tuna, canned meat, dried potatoes and toilet paper.

St. John Nepomuk parish needs a representative! Some computer knowledge needed to prepare and send schedules to the SJN volunteers. SJN needs volunteers to work **once a month** Wednesdays, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. and Thursdays, 9:45-11 a.m. Please call Linda Meredith at 262-456-6035. 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, January 6, for the January 12 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 Parish Office, 633-8284, or St. John Nepomuk Parish Office, 634-5647.

Save the date! Join us to view the movie *Unplanned* Thursday, **January 23**, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. John Nepomuk Parish Center. *Human Concerns Group*

The Marian Option: God's Solution to a Civilization in Crisis by Dr. Carrie Gress will be a four-part book study led by Fr. Dwight Campbell, STD. In Kenosha's St. Therese parish hall Tuesdays, 7-8:30 p.m., **Jan. 28 and Feb. 4, 11, and 18**. Turning to Our Blessed Mother is the option God has given us in these times of social and moral confusion and disorder. The book is available for \$20 at Holy Family Catholic Bookstore.

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.



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. If someone you know needs a shawl, please call St. Joseph's Parish Office, 633-8284. Prayer Shawls are not sold but given with love and prayers.

Our advertiser dollars pay for our bulletin. Thank them when you patronize their business. Advertiser of the Week: **Suzanne C. Yde**, Porasik & Yde, wealth management of Raymond James; 262-417-9406 direct.



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 January 11 and 12

ACOLYTES

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Ethan Petersen (Cross),
Ryann Petersen
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Tony Alvarado (Cross),
Clara Miller
10:30 a.m. Aliah Ramirez (Cross),
Emily Ramirez

LECTORS

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Liz Gengozian
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Joe Grauwels
10:30 a.m. Michael Lofy

CANTORS

Saturday 5:15 p.m. Rosa Flegel
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Miles Group
10:30 a.m. Mona Fortier

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. Linda Von De Bur

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF

HOLY COMMUNION - CHALICE

Saturday 5:15 p.m. John Nielsen and Mary Lee Odders
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Dave and Betsy Tarczon
10:30 a.m. Franca Carls and Rosa Flegel

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

St. Joseph's Human Concerns Group invites all parishioners to join them in providing a salad of any type (lettuce, pasta, fruit, etc.) and/or a dessert to the St. Joseph's/St. Patrick's Meal Program Thursday, January 23. Please drop off your food donation* Thursday, **January 23**, at St. Joseph Parish Center from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Questions to the Parish Office, 633-8284, or Kathy and John Sardino, 633-6231. Thank you for your continued support of this meal serving 100-150 people. We really need your help.

*Plastic food containers with lids are located at the back of church. Please take one or two containers.



Month 4 of your Spiritual Adoption program has begun. Please check the progress of the baby by reading the poster in the back of church. *Human Concerns Group*

This Week in Our St. Joseph Parish Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

8 a.m. and 10 a.m. - Rosary: Church
NO Religious Education classes
noon-6 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym
7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: MSMH

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

School classes resume
3-7:30 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

4:30 p.m. - Rosary: Church
4:30-9 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

After 8 a.m. Mass - Eucharistic Adoration: St. Joseph
2:30 p.m. - Benediction closing Adoration: St. Joseph
3-4 p.m. - Girl Scout meeting: MSMH
3-6 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym

NO Religious Education classes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

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, JANUARY 10

3-7:30 p.m. - Basketball practice: Gym

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

6:45-7:45 a.m. - Men's Faith/Bible Group: Parish Center
4:45 p.m. - Rosary: Church
5:15 Mass - St. Vincent de Paul Baby Closet donations

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

8 a.m. and 10 a.m. - Rosary: Church
All Masses - St. Vincent de Paul Baby Closet donations
9:45-11:15 a.m. - Religious Ed., gr. 7-11: Parish Center
noon-6:30 p.m. - Basketball and Cheer practices: Gym
7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: MSMH

JANUARY ALTAR LINEN: Ruth Kern

SANCTUARY LADIES: Friday, Jan. 10—Mary Anderson, Gayle Letsch, Sue Liapis, and Carol Vena

COLLECTION TELLERS: Sunday, January 12—
to be determined

WELCOME IN BAPTISM: Gracie Eloise Galovits, daughter of Lindsay A. Galovits and Carlos E. Politano

IN YOUR CHARITY: Please remember in faith, **Steve Kohlman** and **Eleanor Raeschen**, who received their Christian burials through our church and ministry. Eternal rest, O Lord.

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 January 11 and 12

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Miguel Sosa
 Sunday 9:45 a.m. Emily Kaisler

LECTORS

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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

OF HOLY COMMUNION - PLATE

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Lauri Buchaklian
 Sunday 9:45 a.m. Linda Witek

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

OF HOLY COMMUNION - CUP

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Jim and Julie Arens and Mary
 Jean Blaha also Sacristan
 Sunday 9:45 a.m. Alicia Stiles and Barb and Ron
 Zielinski



**We gratefully acknowledge these
 Memorial Gifts:**

\$70 Memorial Fund in memory of Rosemary Steimle
 Total to date: \$1,340
 \$1,000 Memorial Fund in memory of Janice Tomasek



Our Sanctuary Candle burns this week in
 memory of **Cecilia Rosenbaum**. Arrangements
 for a Sanctuary Candle can be made by calling
 the Parish Office at 634-5647.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR 2019

RAFFLE WINNERS

Sunday, Dec. 15 - Richard Gales
 #286 \$50
 Monday, Dec. 16 - Stacy Reber
 #405 \$25
 Tuesday, Dec. 17 - Mary Schroeder
 #512 \$25
 Wednesday, Dec. 18 - Julie Sisak
 #92 \$25
 Thursday, Dec. 19 - Max Yde
 #664 \$25
 Friday, Dec. 20 - Tom Derrico
 #47 \$25
 Saturday, Dec. 21 - Janice Lechner
 #908 \$25

This Week in Our St. John Nepomuk Parish Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

After 8 a.m. Mass - Mo. of Perpetual Help Devotions:
 Noon - Parish Office closes
NO Dartball

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8

After 8 a.m. Mass - Eucharistic Adoration: St. Joseph
 2:30 p.m. - Benediction closing Adoration: St. Joseph
 Noon - Parish Office closes
NO Religious Education classes

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

Parish Office closed

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

9:45-11:15 a.m. - Religious Education, gr. 7-11:
 St. Joseph Parish Center
 7 p.m. - A.A. meeting: St. Joseph School cafeteria

Our Building and Grounds project update shows that this week we have received Green envelopes totaling \$50. To-date total is \$4,458.35. Continue to use the monthly Green envelopes for our parish repairs.

As of January 1, Scrip is only sold at the side door after weekend Masses. We purchase gift cards from Great Lakes Scrip Center at less than face value, and parishioners purchase the cards from us at face value. The difference is an instant profit for St. John Nepomuk Parish. Cash or checks accepted. Gift cards are available for gas, groceries, movies, prescriptions, and more. Gift cards make great birthday presents.

St. Catherine's High School Scholarships will be awarded by the St. John Nepomuk Alumni, Family, and Friends Committee to qualifying parish students for the 2020-'21 school year. Applications are at the Scrip table and in the parish office. The deadline for our scholarship applications is **January 16**. If you have questions, please call Paul Steimle at 639-9774.



Donations for the Baby Closet

The Baby Closet is a recent St. Vincent de Paul Society initiative. It provides families in extreme need with necessary items for their young children ages 5 and below. Family eligibility is determined after contact by a St. Vincent de Paul home visitor. That home visitor then distributes needed items to the family.

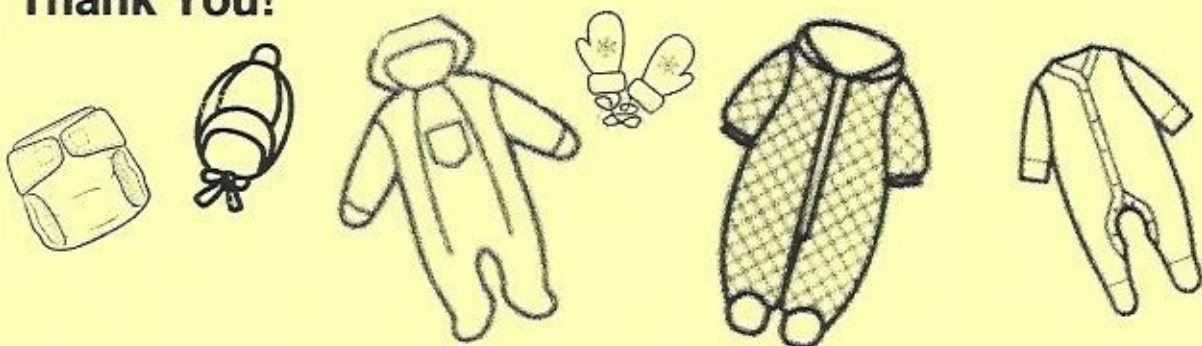
The Baby Closet contains boy & girl clothing sizes 5 and under, baby blankets, toiletries, baby formula, baby strollers, outerwear, shoes, boots, diapers and wipes.

If you have further questions, please contact Betsy Tarczon at 262-637-8169. Thanks for your needed support!

The current needs of the Baby Closet are:

- **Baby toiletries (diaper rash cream, powder, shampoo)**
- **Boy & Girl diapers (sizes Newborn)**
- **Lightly used Snow suits, mittens, hats (*size infant- 4-5T*)**
- **Warm winter clothing and PJ's (*size infant- 4-5T*)**

Please place your donations on January 11/12, 18/19, and 25/26 at the back of church in the baby travel bed. Thank You!



St. Patrick's Meal Program

Food and workers from St. Joseph's and St. Rita's

** Date: Thursday, January 23rd

** Location: St. Patrick's McCarthy Hall

** Drop off food at St. Joseph Parish Center on January 23rd
from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.

To St. Joseph parishioners:

The Human Concerns Committee is providing plastic containers with lids for your salad or dessert for the St. Patrick's meal.

We are looking for:

**** Cold salad (pasta, lettuce, fruit, etc.) and/or a dessert ****

Please feel free to take one or two containers. The filled containers can be returned to St. Joseph Parish Center the day of the meal, Thursday, January 23rd, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Please call St. Joseph Parish Office, 633-8284, with any questions. This program is sponsored by St. Joseph Human Concerns Committee and provides for 100-150 people. We really need your help!

St. Joseph's does this in January, March, May, July, and September.

Thank you for your generosity!!





St. Joseph's Human Concerns group coordinates much of the parish care for those in need. We meet on the first Thursday of the month from September thru June. The following is the list of all the activities we are involved in and a brief description of each.

If you are interested in helping in any of these activities, please fill out the form below and return the bottom section in the collection basket during Masses. *Thank you!*

+St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry: There are two groups of volunteers: Group #1 – Six teams of 3 volunteers each work a 1 1/2 shift once every five weeks throughout the year. They work at the front desk distributing groceries to the clients. Group #2 - Volunteers work one day a week throughout the year. They work behind the scenes weighing food, stocking shelves, preparing grocery bags and filling the prepared bags.

+St. Patrick's Meal Program: The 4th Thursday of January, March, May, July and September. Containers with instructions are provided for the donated salads and desserts. Volunteers are also needed to serve at the Meal Program.

+Mitten Basket: A basket is placed in the back of church from November thru February, for parishioners to donate mittens, hats and scarves, etc. They are distributed to our school for families in need and the rest are donated to area schools in need.

+Prayer Team: A contact list by e-mail or phone tree to pray when prayer requests come through. A Prayer Request box and slips are located in the back of church.

+Prayer Shawl Ministry: Knit, crochet, or sew for the blessings and comfort of those in need of consolation and prayers.

+Right to Life Life Chain: On the first Sunday of October we stand on Hwy. 31 with provided signs to show our support for the unborn and opposition to abortion.

+Mother's Day Rose Sale: Mother's Day weekend we sell long stem roses and the proceeds are donated to Wisconsin Right to Life organization in Milwaukee. We prepare the roses on Saturday morning at 8:30 am and then sell the roses after all weekend Masses.

+St. Monica's Birthday Bingo: We bake and serve cakes/cookie bars for the May birthdays at St. Monica's and assist in playing BINGO with the residents.

+Baptismal Gowns: Embroider small gowns for Fr. Steve/Deacon Doug to use during baptism.

+Welcome New Parishioners: We send a card to welcome new parishioners to the parish.

+Food Basket Program: Food baskets are distributed at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter to the parish families in need of assistance.

Human Concerns Group

Name _____ Phone _____

Human Concern Activities I would like to participate in or get more information on:
