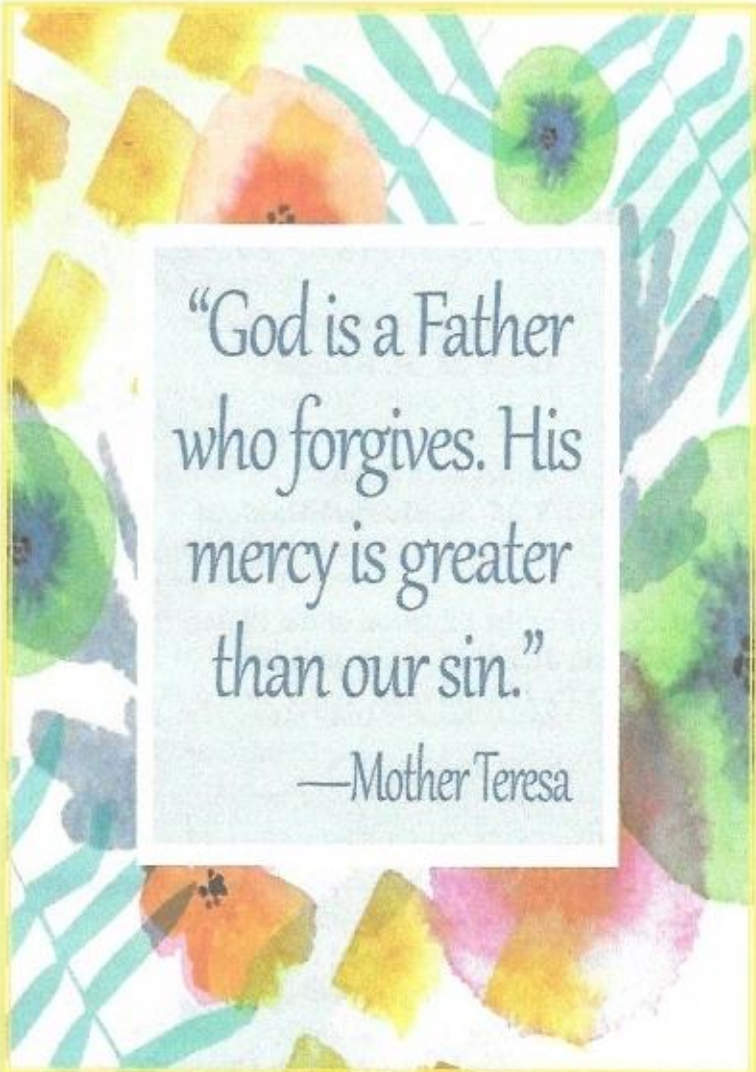


ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES RACINE, WISCONSIN · JULY 19, 2020



“God is a Father
who forgives. His
mercy is greater
than our sin.”

—Mother Teresa

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 private 8:30 a.m. live stream

THU private 8:30 a.m. live stream

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

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

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Deanne Koleske, Parish Secretary - SJ

Jeanmarie Diehn, St. Joseph School Secretary

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Russ Blaha, Maintenance - SJ

Thomas Quiroz, Maintenance - SJN

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John Gates - SJ

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Pete Koleske - SJ

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dennis Maller, Chair

OFFICE INFORMATION

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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,

Today's gospel contains the parable of the wheat and the weeds, an agricultural parable with allegoric interpretation. Through this parable, Jesus assures us that we are the field of God. We are the ground He works, as well as the plants He nurtures. We are the people He rests His hopes upon and the people in whom He plants good seed. We are the congregation He anoints with the Holy Spirit.

In this parable, Jesus presents a wise and patient God who allows the good and the evil to coexist in the world, so that the evil ones may come to conversion before their time ends and God must punish them. "Let the wheat and the weeds [darnel] grow together till the harvest time." God gives all of us sinners ample time to repent, and with His grace, change our lives. God calmly recognizes that there is evil in the world, but He sees that evil as no excuse for the good people not to do good with the power of God at their disposal.

Through this parable, Jesus calls us to be patient with those who fail to meet the high ethical standard expected of a Christian. The parable tries to teach the need for tolerance, patience, and the acceptance of God. The parable also encourages us when we discover sin and weakness within ourselves and challenges us to open ourselves to God's love more and more. Let's practice patience, remembering that in the end, it is God who controls. Let us patiently and lovingly treat the "weeds" in our society as our brothers and sisters and do all in our power to put them back on the right road to heaven, especially by our good example and our fervent prayers for their conversion.

On this Sunday, let us congratulate and welcome all those receiving the sacrament of Baptism!

Peace and joy,

Fr. Steve

**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK****MONDAY, JULY 20 St. Apollinaris**

*Mt 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 2[23b]/
Mt 12:38-42*

TUESDAY, JULY 21 St. Lawrence of Brindisi

*Mt 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/
Mt 12:46-50*

* 8:30 a.m. + Maria R. Sosa

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 St. Mary Magdalene (F)

*Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18*

** 8:30 a.m. - Ben Factor

THURSDAY, JULY 23 St. Bridget

*Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/
Mt 13:10-17*

** 8:30 a.m. + James M. Simanek

FRIDAY, JULY 24 St. Sharbel Makhlūf

*Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/
Mt 13:18-23*

* 8:30 a.m. - For the Intention of the Pastor

SATURDAY, JULY 25 St. James (F)

*2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/
Mt 20:20-28*

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

*1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-
130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46*

* 4 p.m. - SJN + Phyllis Somers **First Communion**

+ Norm Seeger

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

SUNDAY, JULY 26 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

* 8:30 a.m. - SJ - The Gary Alvarado Family

* 10 a.m. - SJ + Terry Biarnesen **First Communion**

+ Ricardo Barrientez Jr.

** Private Mass due to COVID-19 restrictions

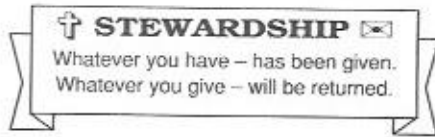
* Public Mass with COVID-19 guidelines:

STRONGLY RECOMMEND FACE MASKS

View live-stream 8:30 a.m. private Wednesday and
Thursday Masses and 8:30 a.m. public Sunday Mass
at Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament,
please remember in faith,
**LIVING AND DECEASED MEMBERS OF
ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH.**



St. John Nepomuk Parish

July 4/5 collections:	\$ 3,443.00
Amount budgeted per week:	\$ 2,115.38
Year-to-date given:	\$ 3,443.00
Year-to-date budget:	\$ 2,115.38
Year-to-date balance:	\$ 1,327.62
Festival donations:	\$ 6,725.00

St. Joseph Parish

Weekly collection income:	\$ 9,764.00
July 4/5 collections:	\$ 7,089.00
ACH (electronic) giving:	\$ 1,365.00
Church renovation:	\$ 835.00
Energy costs:	\$ 475.00
Weekly budget requirement:	\$ 9,100.00
Difference for the week:	\$ 664.00
Year-to-date given:	\$ 9,764.00
Year-to-date budget:	\$ 9,100.00
Year-to-date balance:	\$ 664.00

Thank you for your kind contributions by secure USPS mail to St. John Nepomuk and St. Joseph parishes. For ACH information, please call Michael Reth, 633-8284.



The Bible study, *Romans: The Gospel of Salvation*, by Jeff Cavins has been cancelled due to Covid-19 uncertainties.

This eight-part DVD becomes part of our Bible study-DVD library available for check out at the St. Joseph Parish Office for personal use or to start a small home study. Its accompanying study guide is included as well for photocopying. Thank you for your understanding.

John and Kathy Sardino



The Food Pantry is open with safety measures in place! Volunteers wear face masks and gloves. Recipients remain in their cars until after the volunteer places their food on a table outside and walks away. Then, the client gets out of their vehicle to get their food from the table. All is done safely and efficiently. Any **financial assistance to purchase** toilet paper and perishable items like margarine, cheese, milk and eggs, would be greatly appreciated. **Donation checks** can be mailed to St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine WI 53404-7004. **Your donation stays in Racine to help us feed the hungry of all ages.**

Read our weekly bulletin at parishesonline.com, st-joes.org, or Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine.

The bulletin article deadline is noon Monday, July 20, for the July 26 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 Churches' 2020 Mass Intention Calendars are open. A Mass stipend is \$10. **Sanctuary Candles** are \$7 at St. John's and \$5 at St. Joseph's. Make arrangements with your parish office: St. Joseph's, 633-8284, or St. John's, 634-5647.

St. Joseph's Human Concerns Group is participating in St. Patrick's Meal Program Thursday, July 23, when bagged, simple meals will be distributed. Please help provide prepackaged, snack-type items, e.g., chips, cookies, granola bars. Also accepted are homemade cookies, bars, etc. in individual baggies; fresh fruit; or cash donations. **Drop off items before noon Thursday, July 23**, at St. Joseph's Parish Office OR at St. Patrick's parking lot loading docks. Questions: Parish Office, 633-8284; Kathy/John Sardino, 414-418-1156.

CALENDAR 2020 RAFFLE WINNERS

Sunday, July 5, \$50	Thursday, July 9, \$25
Tristan/Katie Peterson #187	Nora Lowney #108
Monday, July 6, \$25	Friday, July 10, \$25
Maureen Eisenman #232	Paul Steimle #588
Tuesday, July 7, \$25	Saturday, July 11, \$25
Anthony Vanderhoef #387	Eric Erickson #916
Wednesday, July 8, \$25	
Westley Elton Berg #1010	

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IN YOUR CHARITY: Please remember in faith, **Patrick Eisenman**, who received his Christian burial through our church and ministry. Eternal rest, O Lord.



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.