

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

JULY 16, 2023

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

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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Office Hours

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

The word "parable" comes from the Greek word *parabole*, which means putting two things side by side in order to confront or compare them. And that is exactly how Jesus uses parables: He places a simile from life or nature against the abstract idea of the reign of God. Jesus' parable of the seed sown in various soil types was an attempt to boost the morale of his frustrated disciples. They were upset and discouraged because Jesus was facing hostilities from every side, so, Jesus had to go to beaches and hillsides.

Using the parable of the sower in today's Gospel, Jesus assures his confused disciples that the "Good News" he is preaching will produce the intended effect in spite of opposition and controversy. Similarly, people today are frustrated in their attempt to live the Gospel in our consumerist, hedonist, secularist, materialist, and atheistic/agnostic society.

Am I merely hearing God's Word without understanding it? Does God's Word meet with a hard heart in me? Am I too anxious about money, security, provision for retirement or old age? Is God's Word not taking root in me, converting me, transforming me, or enabling me to sacrifice? And what about the "fruits" that we are being invited to produce: justice and mercy, hospitality for the immigrant and the dispossessed, the unborn, and the single mother? By refusing to consider these things, we may be missing the healing that the Word of God can bring into our lives.

The parable of the sower challenges us to see how deeply the Word of God has taken root in our lives. Jesus also invites his followers to embrace the Faith of the sower: to trust and believe that our simplest acts of kindness and forgiveness, our humblest offers of help to anyone in need, may be the seeds that fall "on good soil" and yield an abundant harvest.

Peace and joy,

Father Steve

St. Mary by the Lake Parish's Vacation Bible School, "Babylon—Daniel's Courage in Captivity," is July 31-August 4, 9 a.m.-noon for 3 y/o (potty-trained) to grade 5. Cost: \$20/child. Register: stmarybythelake.org/vacation-bible-school-2023

St. Lucy Parish's Vacation Bible School, "Stellar: Shine in Jesus' Light," is July 31-August 4, from 5-7 p.m. for 4K to grade 5. Register with Sarah Amason, 262-554-1801, ext. 208 or samason@stlucychurch.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 17

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-8/Mt 10:34-11:1

TUESDAY, JULY 18 **St. Camillus de Lellis / Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions**

Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Naomi Menser

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7/Mt 11:25-27

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Linda Aber

THURSDAY, JULY 20 **St. Apollinaris**

Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27/Mt 11:28-30

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** - The Weldon Family
+ Vicki Voss Stefka

FRIDAY, JULY 21 **St. Lawrence of Brindisi**

Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** - Living and Deceased Members of the Bosch and Lavin Families

SATURDAY, JULY 22 **St. Mary Magdalene (F)**

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

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/
Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

4 p.m. - **SJ** - Living and Deceased Members of the Sus and Shimkus Families
- Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish

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

SUNDAY, JULY 23 **16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Livestream: [Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine](https://www.facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine)

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** - Living and Deceased Members of the Schoff and Eaton Families

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

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP:

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith, Frances Wallace.

Join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.

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

St. John Nepomuk Parish gratefully acknowledges generous memorials received for

Jerome Barina and James Rogers.

St. Joseph Parish gratefully acknowledges generous memorials received for

Edward Goebel and Carole Seeger.

STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

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| July 1/2 collections: | \$ 2,160.00 |
| Amount budgeted per week: | \$ 2,269.24 |
| Beginning-of-fiscal-year given: | \$ 2,160.00 |
| Beginning-of-fiscal-year budget: | \$ 2,269.24 |
| Beginning-of-fiscal-yr. balance: | \$ -109.24 |
| Buildings and Grounds as of 7/2: | \$ 180.00 |

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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| Total collection income: | \$ 7,885.00 |
| July 1/2 collections: | \$ 7,295.00 |
| Energy costs: | \$ 215.00 |
| Capital funds: | \$ 375.00 |
| Weekly budget requirement: | \$ 9,100.00 |
| Difference for the week: | \$ -1,215.00 |
| Beginning-of-fiscal-year given: | \$ 7,885.00 |
| Beginning-of-fiscal-year budget: | \$ 9,100.00 |
| Beginning -of-fiscal-yr. balance: | \$ -1,215.00 |
| Festival donations to date: | \$ 2,870.00 |
| Thanksgiving food baskets: | \$ 50.00 |
| Christmas food baskets: | \$ 50.00 |

All of the wonderful volunteers who gave hours of time to donating and collecting, hauling, lifting, carrying, cleaning, pricing, advising, selling, and clearing out at the **SJ Rummage and Estate Sale on Saturday and Sunday are appreciated immensely!** The many available hands and minds made the whole project run without a hitch. **Thank you, everyone!**

St. Lucy Parish's walk-in, grief support group welcomes everyone who's lost a spouse, parent, or family member. Meets on third Mondays, 5:30-7 p.m. in the Parish Hall, entering through the south door. Meeting Monday, **July 17.**

St. Joseph Human Concerns Committee invites you to provide a cold salad or dessert for the July 27 Meal Program at St. Patrick's. A cold salad could be pasta, potato, fruit, etc. The provided plastic containers with lids are on the ushers' tables and are labeled salad or dessert. Return filled containers to St. Joseph Parish Center Thursday, **July 27, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.** Please call St. Joseph Parish Office, 262-633-8284, with questions.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry needs financial donations to buy frozen meat. Mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404 with FOOD PANTRY on the memo. In May, we fed a record 1,065 including 437 children. **Current needs:** peanut butter (any size), saltine crackers, boxed or bagged instant potatoes, canned meat, canned Ravioli, canned Beefaroni, canned spaghetti sauce, Rice-a-Roni, and rice or pasta sides. To volunteer, call Jean Thieme, 262-930-5850. Thank you!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SUNDAY, JULY 16

After 9:45 a.m. Mass - NO Scrip sold: SJN Church

MONDAY, JULY 17

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

SATURDAY, JULY 22

After 4 p.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

SUNDAY, JULY 23

After 9:45 a.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

WELCOME NEW SJ PARISHIONER: Nolan Gundlach

IN YOUR CHARITY: Please remember in faith SJ parishioner **Stanley Chlebek** and SJN parishioner **Patricia A. Simanek**, who will receive their Christian burials through our church and ministry. Eternal rest, O Lord.

Siena Catholic Schools of Racine seeks teachers for the '23-'24 school year. Qualified applicants will have teaching experience and at least a Bachelor's degree in the subject. Apply at <http://bit.ly/SienaJobs> or Becca Schurman at bschurman@sienacatholicschools.org.

The 11th annual St. Monica's Golf Outing and Dinner at Meadowbrook is Thursday, Sept. 21, to benefit a St. Monica's "Refresh" of common areas and outdoor patios. Event schedule: 11 a.m. registration; 11:15 a.m. lunch; noon shotgun start; 5:30 p.m. dinner, raffle and prizes. Registration incl. golf cart, gift bag, lunch, dinner, prizes. If raining, a voucher will be given. **Early bird registration by Aug. 15:** Foursome - \$600, Three - \$450, Two - \$300, One - \$150. Dinner only - \$25. Register at stmonicas-seniorliving.com/st-monicas-golf-outing-dinner.

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SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2023 WINNERS

Sunday, July 2, \$50

Patti Beaudin #13

Monday, July 3, \$25

Yolanda Sosa #624

Tuesday, July 4, \$100

Bernard Kunka #350

Wednesday, July 5, \$25

Dan Peterson #452

Thursday, July 6, \$25

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