

# ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

**OCTOBER 01, 2023**

**TWENTY-SIXTH 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. Joseph's)

5:00 p.m. (St. John'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. Joseph's) or by appointment

### Parish Registration, Baptism,

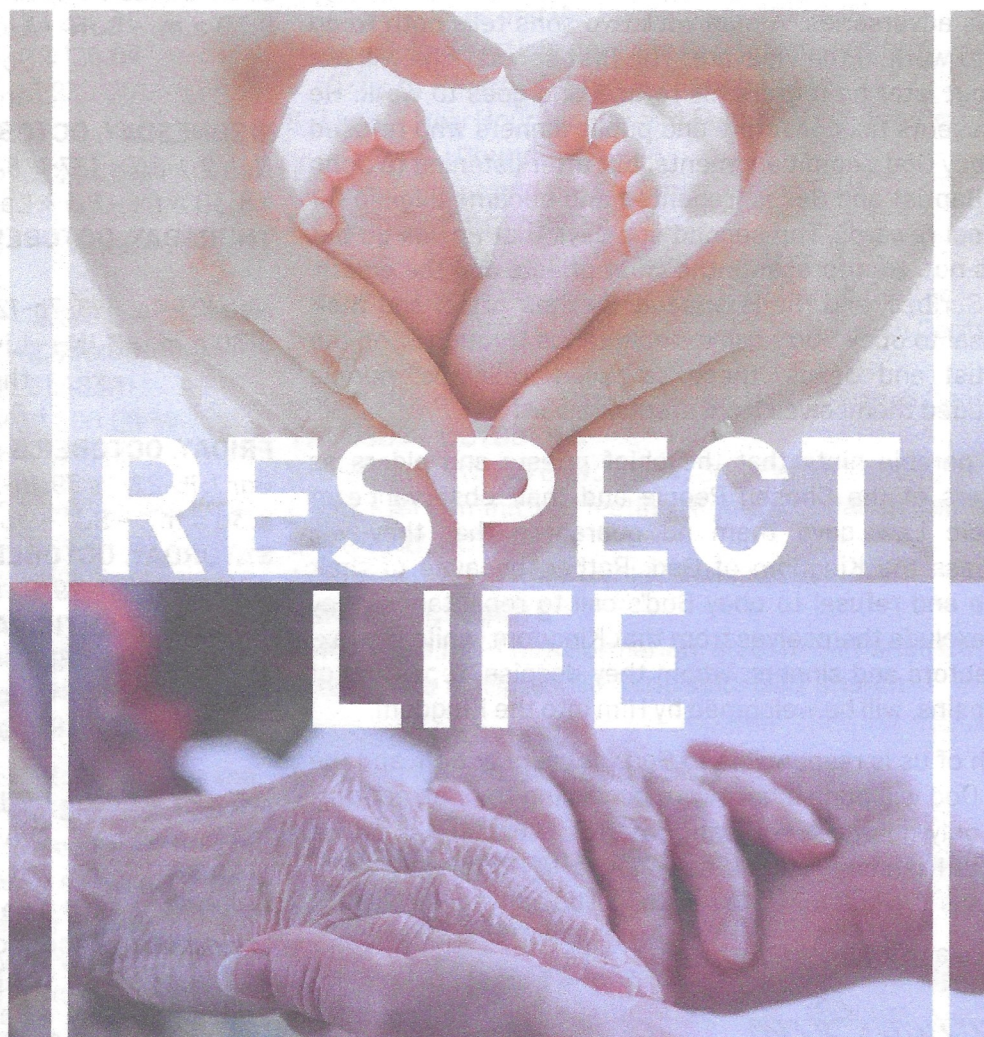
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**St. Joseph's** 1532 N. Wisconsin St.; Racine, WI 53402-4805

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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

## PASTORAL STAFF

### Walking With You in the Light of Faith

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## DEAR PARISHIONERS

Jesus addressed the parable of the two sons to those who questioned his authority, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus defends his honor and presents a counterchallenge to his adversaries. A man with two sons tells both to go out to work in the vineyard. The first son says he will not go, but later he regrets his refusal and goes to work. He represents tax collectors and public sinners who refused to obey God's commandments, but after listening to John the Baptist and Jesus, repented and became eligible for eternal reward. The second son says that he will go but does not. He represents the chief priests and the elders, the Scribes, and the Pharisees. By their pride, and their refusal to obey God's call to repentance through John the Baptist and Jesus, these so-called "religious" people excluded themselves from eternal reward.

The parable hints that the chief priests and elders as leaders of the Chosen People and their observance of Mosaic Law gave them no guarantee that they will possess the Kingdom of God. Rather, because of their pride and refusal to obey God's call to repentance, they will exclude themselves from that Kingdom, while the tax-collectors and sinners, whom they despise, repenting of their sins, will be welcomed by Him into the Kingdom.

Each of us is responsible to God for every action, and the just God will punish or reward according to one's actions. Our only guarantee of dying in God's friendship is to live in that friendship always, saying "yes" to God cheerfully. It is never too late for us to return to God and do His will.

Peace and joy,

*Father Steve*

**It's not too late to register for the FREE, 7-week study, *Jesus and the Eucharist*, beginning Monday, October 2.** Please call Deacon Doug and Catherine Gundlach at 262-994-4091. Meeting **Mondays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, November 6 and 13 at 9-11 a.m. OR 6-8 p.m. at St. John Nepomuk.** Each session has theological content, powerful testimonies, and timely messages from bishops. This is a special time to grow in community within our parishes, as we walk this sacred year together.

**A Holy Hour for Life Prayer Service with Adoration and Benediction of the Holy Eucharist on Monday, October 2,** at St. Joseph's, led by deacons of St. Joseph, St. Paul, and St. Rita parishes, reminds us of the sanctity of human life from womb to tomb. Doors open at 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m. Rosary for Life, 7-8 p.m. Holy Hour Eucharistic Adoration.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2 The Holy Guardian Angels**

Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-23, 29/Mt 18:1-5, 10

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3 Mother of Perpetual Help**

Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/Lk 9:51-56

**Devotions**

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Lloyd and Frances Meier

+ Josephine Mandala, Frank Jannuzzi,  
and Anthony Falduto

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 St. Francis of Assisi**

Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62

^ 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Larry Garski

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 St. Faustina Kowalska /**

**Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos**

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12

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

+ Rose Garski

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 St. Bruno / Bl. Marie Rose**

Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16 **Durocher**

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Joseph Schust

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 Our Lady of the Rosary**

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24

### MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

**4 p.m. - SJ** + Michael McDermott **Family Mass**

- Living and Deceased Members of  
St. Joseph Parish

**5 p.m. - SJN** + Edward Floyd

- Living and Deceased Members of  
St. John Nepomuk Parish

**SUNDAY, OCT. 8 The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Livestream: Facebook.com/St-Joseph-Parish-Racine

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Hildegard Walsh

9:45 a.m. - **SJN** + Pat Simanek on her birthday

^ School Mass

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP

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

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please  
remember in faith, Larry Garski.



### Join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.

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

**The 2024 Mass Intention Calendar is open.** Please call  
your Parish Office for an appointment to schedule Masses  
and Sanctuary Candles. Mass stipends are \$10. SJN  
Sanctuary Candles are \$7; SJ Sanctuary Candles are \$5.



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## STEWARDSHIP

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

<b>September 16/17 collections:</b>	<b>\$ 1,214.00</b>
Amount budgeted per week:	\$ 2,269.24
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$ 25,105.24
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$ 27,230.88
Fiscal year-to-date balance:	\$ -2,125.64
Buildings and Grounds to date:	\$ 1,230.00

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH

<b>Total collection income:</b>	<b>\$ 6,264.00</b>
September 16/17 collections:	\$ 6,119.00
Energy costs:	\$ 70.00
Capital funds:	\$ 75.00
<b>Weekly budget requirement:</b>	<b>\$ 9,100.00</b>
<b>Difference for the week:</b>	<b>\$ -2,836.00</b>
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$ 61,483.11
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$109,200.00
Fiscal year-to date balance:	\$ -47,716.89

**October is Respect Life Month.** Learn what you can do to build a culture that cherishes and protects every human life by visiting [archmil.org/respectlife](http://archmil.org/respectlife). Print materials are available in both parish offices.

**Save the dates!** **Bohemian Fest 2024**  
**St. Joseph's | St. John Nepomuk's**  
**June 7, 8 and 9**

**You are invited join us on October 4 at 2:15 p.m. for the St. Francis Day Pet Blessing in the SJ Siena Gardens.**

Animals of every shape and size are welcome with their owners. All animals must be on leashes or safely secured.

**An informational travel presentation on Father Steve's Highlights of Norway pilgrimage,** May 24-June 1, 2024, is Monday, **October 9**, 6 p.m. in St. Joseph School cafeteria.

**The Racine-area Religious Appreciation Dinner hosted by Racine Knights of Columbus is Tuesday, Oct. 10**, at Roma Lodge, honoring Fr. Michael Petersen, St. Rita's, at 5 p.m. Mass; 6:30 p.m. dinner. Tix: \$30 from parish office

**Getting rid of a refrigerator?** Call SJ Office 262-633-8284

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry** needs your financial donations to buy frozen meat, milk, cheese, and eggs. Mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404 with FOOD PANTRY on the memo line. **In August, we fed 1,112 people incl. 485 children.**

**Needs:** Lg. boxes of cereal (more than 16 oz.), peanut butter (lg. size), saltines, bagged or boxed instant potatoes, canned meat, canned fruit, canned Ravioli or Beefaroni, canned spaghetti sauce, boxed pasta, boxed instant oatmeal, toilet paper. To volunteer, call Jean Thieme, 262-930-5850. Thank you for your generous help

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:45-11:15 a.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 6-11: SJ Parish Ctr.  
After 9:45 a.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

9-11 a.m. - *Jesus and the Eucharist* series: SJN  
Noon - Bulletin article deadline to [info@st-joes.org](mailto:info@st-joes.org)  
2:45-7 p.m. - Youth Center: SJ Parish Center  
6-8 p.m. - Holy Hour for Life and Eucharistic Adoration:  
SJ Church

6-8 p.m. - *Jesus and the Eucharist* series: SJN

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

2:15 p.m. - Pat Blessing: SJ Siena Gardens  
6-7 p.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 1-5: SJN Parish Center  
6-7:15 p.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 6-10: SJN Parish Center  
6-7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir rehearsal: SJ Church  
6:15-7:45 p.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 11: SJN Parish Center

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

9-11:30 a.m. - CMAS craft ladies: SJN Parish Center  
6 p.m. - All Committee Meeting Night: SJN Parish Center

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

After 5 p.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:45-11:15 a.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 6-11: SJ Parish Ctr.  
After 9:45 a.m. Mass - NO Scrip sold: SJN Church

### BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

I - Emily McGrath and William Sivia

**IN YOUR CHARITY:** Please remember in faith, SJ parishioner, **Angelo Casciaro**, and **Christopher Ebinal**, who received their Christian burials through our church and ministry. Eternal rest, O Lord.

**SJN Parish seeks 5 p.m. Mass ushers and Special Cleaning People** for the Altar and Sanctuary after Thursday 8:30 a.m. Mass on an 8-week rotation. For more information, call the SJN Parish Office at 262-634-5647.

**The Fall Extravaganza wine and beer tasting event** for the SCHS Alumni Scholarship Fund is Friday, **October 20** 6-8:30 p.m., Preservation Hall. Tickets: Scrip table, SJN parish office, or Paul Steimle, 262-639-9774, to hold them

## SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2023 WINNERS

Sunday, Sept. 17, \$50

Kathie Obuchowski #447

Monday, Sept. 18, \$25

Cindy Londre #62

Tuesday, Sept. 19, \$25

Dennis Maller #390

Wednesday, Sept. 20, \$25

Ron/Mary Carls #174

Thursday, Sept. 21, \$25

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Saturday, Sept. 23, \$25

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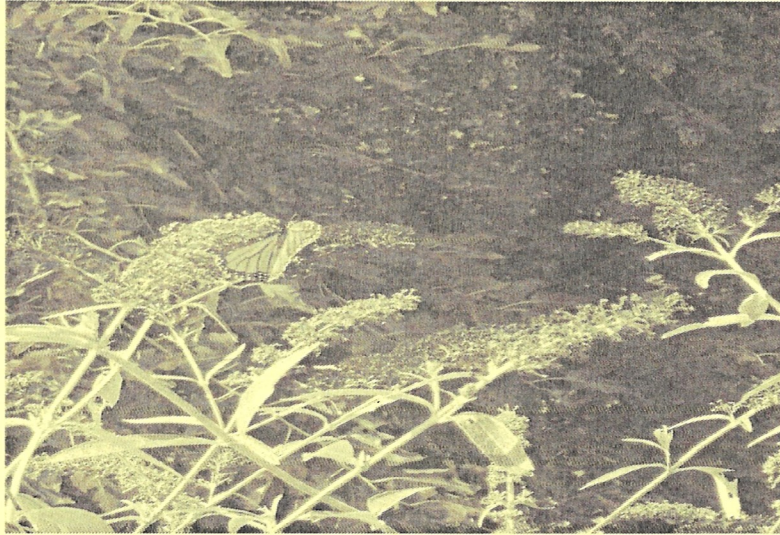
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## **Be Inspired! Pope to Publish Second Laudato si' October 4**

It's September – a new school year begins and summer ends. And there's more! As part of the worldwide Church, September 1 – October 4 (the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) is the Season of Creation. The theme of this year's observance is "Let Justice and Peace Flow." Pope Francis invites us to renew our commitment to all of God's creation, and you are invited to be part of it.

### **Siding with the victims of environmental injustice**

"On that date (Oct. 4), I plan on publishing an exhortation, a second Laudato si'," the Pope said. "Let us join our Christian brothers and sisters in the commitment to care for creation as a sacred gift from the Creator."

You can participate in an online, worldwide prayer service via YouTube, 8 AM Central time, Oct. 4. Go to <https://seasonofcreation.org/> for details.

To learn more about Laudato si' visit: <https://laudatosimovement.org/>

The Church of St. Francis Xavier in New York City celebrated the beginning of this year's Season of Creation with a special service including: the Xavier Choir, Bell Choir, Dancers, Musicians and Lectors who share stories about the importance of caring for our common home. See it at their YouTube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/axvkgupTUnE?feature=share>.