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SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

**TWENTY-FOURTH 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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Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - SJ

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DEAR PARISHIONERS

Jesus' parable of the "unforgiving servant" is found only in the Gospel of Matthew, where it is intended to be a moral exhortation for the Church on the need for forgiveness. Peter asked Jesus how often he ought to forgive his brother, and then answered his own question by suggesting that he should forgive seven times. It was the Rabbinic teaching that a man must forgive his brother three times. The Biblical proof for this was taken from the first and second chapters of Amos where we find a series of condemnations on the various nations for three transgressions (Am.1:3, 6, 9; Am.1:11, 13; Am.2:1, 4, 6). From this, it was deduced that God's forgiveness extends to three offenses, and that He visits the sinner with punishment at the fourth. Also, seven was a holy number to Jewish people, symbolizing perfection, fullness, abundance, rest, and completion. Peter expected to be warmly commended. But, Jesus' answer was that the Christian must forgive "seventy times seven times." In other words, there is no reckonable limit to forgiveness.

In light of eternity and the shortness of our life, harboring grudges is pointless. The forgiveness we offer others is the indispensable condition making it possible for us to receive God's forgiveness and to pray meaningfully: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Let us remember St. Francis of Assisi's prayer: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."

Our failure to offer pardon means we have forgotten God's goodness or have not fully appreciated the unconditional forgiveness we have received from Him. What God expects from us, and offers us grace to give, is limitless forgiving with the ability and willingness to overlook faults and to keep on loving even in the face of insults. Although not easy, we need to forgive, forget, and be reconciled.

Peace and joy,

Father Steve

"Living Through Loss," a grief program Tuesdays, 5:30-7 p.m. in St. Lucy's Church Hall, **September 19-November 14** (no class on October 31.) Open to all faiths. To register, please call St. Lucy's Parish Office, 262-554-1801, x601.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, SEPT. 18

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7-9/Lk 7:1-10

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19 St. Januarius / Mother of

Perpetual Help Devotions

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2abcd, 3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Elsie Budzinski

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön and Paul Chöng Ha-sang and Companions

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 7:31-35

^ 8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Michael Uhlir

THURSDAY, SEPT. 21 St. Matthew (F)

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/Mt 9:9-13

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Lloyd and Frances Meier
- The Don Scholz Families

FRIDAY, SEPT. 22

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-10, 17-20/Lk 8:1-3

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Patricia A. Flanagan Haas

SATURDAY, SEPT. 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 8:4-15

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-16a

4 p.m. - SJ - Living and Deceased Members of the Schoff and Eaton Families
- Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish

5 p.m. - SJN + Ray Sertuche
- Living and Deceased Members of St. John Nepomuk Parish

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Priesthood Sunday

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

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Sue Ropiak

9:45 a.m. - **SJN** + Fred Rosenbaum on his birthday from the Vets Cafe' Group

^ School Mass

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith, Ray Sertuche.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, please remember in faith, Joseph Barranco.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH'S BREAD AND WINE

are in memory of Donald Scholz.

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.



STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

September 2/3 collections:	\$ 1,892.00
Amount budgeted per week:	\$ 2,269.24
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$ 20,932.24
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$ 22,692.40
Fiscal year-to-date balance:	\$ -1,760.16
Buildings and Grounds to date:	\$ 1,010.00
Mission Appeal:	\$ 2,160.00

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Total collection income:	\$ 6,564.74
September 2/3 collections:	\$ 5,914.74
Energy costs:	\$ 350.00
Capital funds:	\$ 300.00
Weekly budget requirement:	\$ 9,100.00
Difference for the week:	\$ -2,535.26
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$ 50,851.11
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$ 91,000.00
Fiscal year-to-date balance:	\$ -40,148.89
Mission Appeal:	\$ 2,018.85

The Fall Extravaganza wine and beer tasting event for the SCHS Alumni Scholarship Fund is Friday, **October 20**.

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 a 4-week rotation. **SJN Craft Ladies** would love if some fun/crafty people would join them Thursdays after 8:30 Mass until 11:30 a.m. in SJN Parish Center. Call the SJN Parish Office, 262-634-5647.

The Arm of St. Jude the Apostle is coming to St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Church on Sunday, September 17, (handicapped accessible), 734 N. Glenview Ave., Wauwatosa: 2 p.m. Mass in honor of St. Jude, with **veneration of the relic to follow Mass until 10 p.m.**

Pray for those affected by the Maui wildfires and earthquake in Morocco, that they may find hope in the global outreach. Donate to Catholic Relief Services: 228 W. Lexington St., Baltimore, MD 21201-3443 OR online at info@crs.org. CRS works immediately and long range.

September is Hunger Awareness Month. 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 Aug., 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

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

9:45-10:15 a.m. - Faith Formation, gr. 6-11: SJ Parish Ctr.
After 9:45 a.m. Mass - Scrip sold: SJN Church
11 a.m. - Confirmation orientation, gr. 11 student/parent/
sponsor: SJN Parish Center

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Noon - Bulletin article deadline to info@st-joes.org
2:45-7 p.m. - Youth Center: SJ Parish Center

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

6:30-7:30 p.m. - RCIA meeting.: SJ Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

6 p.m. - Combined Pastoral Council mtg.: SJN Rectory
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, SEPTEMBER 21

9-11:30 a.m. - CMAS craft ladies: SJN Parish Center

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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

The Eucharistic Revival is going national with a National Eucharistic Congress, sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Individuals can register now for a five-day, unprecedented Catholic experience July 17-21, 2024 at Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis. Get ready for world-class teaching, powerful worship, joy-filled fellowship, and practical guidance for sharing the love of Jesus in your community. For info. and to register, go to eucharisticcongress.org. Hurry! The deadline is **September 21**. St. Lucy's in Racine has a bus. Be sure to call their parish office, 262-554-1801, to reserve a spot.

The Racine-area Religious Appreciation Dinner hosted by the Racine Knights of Columbus is Tuesday, Oct. 10, at Roma Lodge, honoring Fr. Michael Petersen, Pastor of St. Rita of Cascia Parish. Mass at 5 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets: \$30 each from your parish office.

SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2023 WINNERS

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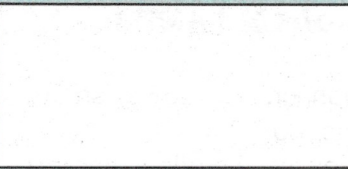
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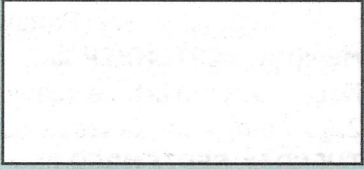
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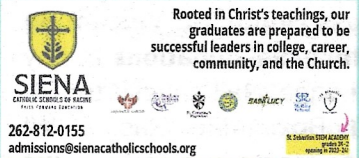
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