

# Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

April 12, 2026



## “Jesus, I trust in You”

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|-----------|---------|
| Saturday  | 4:30 pm |
| Sunday    | 9:00 am |
| Tuesday   | 6:00 pm |
| Wednesday | 9:00 am |
| Friday    | 9:00 am |

Confession: 3:30-4:15 pm Saturday

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Monday and Wednesday  
8:00 am-12 pm, 1:30-4:30 pm  
Tuesday and Thursday  
8:00 am-4:30 pm

1401 Grove Avenue  
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Email: [parish@saintedwardracine.org](mailto:parish@saintedwardracine.org)  
Website: [www.saintedwardracine.org](http://www.saintedwardracine.org)  
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#### Masses

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| Sunday  | 8:30 am |
| Tuesday | 9:00 am |

#### St. John Nepomuk Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday  
8:00 am-1:00 pm

Church: 1903 Green Street  
Office: 700 English Street  
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262-634-5647

Email: [office@sjnracine.org](mailto:office@sjnracine.org)  
Facebook: "St. John Nepomuk Church"

#### Masses

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| Saturday | 4:00 pm |
| Tuesday  | 8:30 am |
| Thursday | 8:30 am |

Confession: 3:00-3:45 pm Saturday

#### St. Joseph Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
8:00 am-1:00 pm

Church: 1533 Erie Street  
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262-633-8284

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Website: [www.st-joes.org](http://www.st-joes.org)  
Facebook: "St. Joseph Parish Racine"

#### Masses

|           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Sunday    | 9:30 am |
| Wednesday | 8:30 am |
| Friday    | 8:30 am |

#### St. Lucy Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:00 pm  
Friday 8:00 am-12:00 pm

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Website: [www.stlucychurch.org](http://www.stlucychurch.org)

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|------------------|----------------|
| Saturday         | 4:00 pm        |
| Sunday           | 8:00 am, 11 am |
| Sunday           | 5:00 pm        |
| Monday-Wednesday | 8:15 am        |
| Friday, Saturday | 8:15 am        |

Confession: After 8:15 am Mass Fri.  
3:00-3:45 pm Saturday

#### St. Patrick/San Patricio Office Hours/Horario de oficina

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am-noon; 1:30-4:30 pm  
lunes-viernes de 8:30-12:00; 1:30-4:30  
Closed/cerrada 12:00-1:30pm

1100 Erie Street  
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262-632-8808

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Website: [www.stpatrickracine.com](http://www.stpatrickracine.com)  
Facebook: "Saint Patrick Racine"

#### Masses/Misas

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|---------------------|------------------|
| Sunday/Domingo      | 8:30 am English  |
| Sunday/Domingo      | 10:30 am Español |
| Sunday/Domingo      | 12:00 pm Español |
| Sunday/Domingo      | 6:00 pm Español  |
| Wednesday/Miércoles | 6:00pm Español   |

Confession: 4:00-5:30 pm Wednesday

#### St. Richard Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-2:00 pm  
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Facebook: "St. Richard Parish-Racine"

#### Masses

|          |          |
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| Sunday   | 10:00 am |
| Thursday | 9:00 am  |

#### St. Sebastian Office Hours

Monday-Friday  
8:30 am-12:30 pm

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#### Masses

|          |         |
|----------|---------|
| Saturday | 4:30 pm |
| Sunday   | 9:30 am |
| Thursday | 8:15 am |

Confession: 3:30-4:15pm Saturday

# ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN NEPOMUK CATHOLIC CHURCHES

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, APRIL 13 Pope St. Martin I**

*Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-7ab, 8-9/Jn 3:1-8*

**TUESDAY, APRIL 14 Mo. of Perpetual Help Devotions**

*Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1abcd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15*

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Tom and LaVerne LaFleur

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15**

*Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21*

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Louis Handziak

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16**

*Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36*

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Phyllis Somers

**FRIDAY, APRIL 17**

*Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15*

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

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18**

*Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21*

**MASS OF ANTICIPATION**

*Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35*

4 p.m. Mass - **SJN** + Bert, Margaret, and Michael Mayerl

+ Ed and Marie Floyd

- Living and Deceased Members  
of St. John Nepomuk Parish

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19 Third Sunday of Easter**

9:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Patti Robash

- Living and Deceased Members  
of St. Joseph Parish

^ - Mass with St. Joseph School students

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

**SUNDAY, APRIL 12**

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy Holy Hour: St. Lucy Church

**MONDAY, APRIL 13**

2:45-6 p.m. - Youth Center: SJ Parish Center

**TUESDAY AND THURSDAY, APRIL 14 and 16**

5-6:30 p.m. - Rummage/Estate Sale item drop-off:

SJ Garages, North Wisconsin Street

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18**

3-3:45 p.m. - Confessions: SJN Church

4 p.m. - Mass, followed by Scrip sales: SJN Church

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19**

9:30 a.m. - Mass: SJ Church

**Please join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.**

**IN YOUR CHARITY:** Please remember in faith, SJN parishioner, **Celeste L. Trentadue**, who received her Christian burial through our Church and ministry. Eternal rest, O Lord.

## SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2026 WINNERS

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Diana Turner #728

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Cathy Stayton #963

Saturday, March 28, \$25

Michael Kenyon #40

## ST. LEO THE GREAT PARISH UPDATE

As promised, I will be giving weekly updates on any questions you may have about our future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let me know. Today, I am sharing two questions asked.

**Will we have one bulletin?** Yes, we will have a single bulletin. We are also going to transition to one webpage for our parish. Additionally, we will have software that lets us use an App on our smartphones to stay connected to our parish. We also have the newsletter. I envision having multiple channels of communication and information for our Saint Leo the Great parish. We will have one person on staff dedicated to communications who will manage all of this.

**Are current church staff members leaving their jobs?** At this point, we do not see any need for our staff to leave. We are restructuring responsibilities and tasks among the staff. You may see different faces at your church, but we need everyone who is currently on staff. The restructuring provides for us to be more efficient and serve you better.

Blessings,

*Fr. Juan M. Camacho*

**You are invited to Preplan with Anne**, a free Lunch & Learn on the "Importance of Pre-Planning Your Funeral." Please join us on **Tuesday, April 28**, at Infusino's Banquet Hall at High Noon. Kindly RSVP to Anne Meredith at 262-930-1199.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER / DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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## GRACE AND PEACE TO YOU, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the Gospel takes us back to the Upper Room. The doors are locked, and the disciples are gathered in fear and uncertainty. The fear of the tragedy of Good Friday keeps the disciples secluded and locked in. Into this moment, the risen Jesus enters and stands among them, offering not condemnation or disappointment, but peace. **"Peace be with you."** These words are not only for the first disciples; they are meant for us, the baptized, who are called to be people of the Resurrection—Easter people.

Through Baptism, we are united with Christ in his death and resurrection. Easter is not just a season on the Church calendar; it is the foundation of our identity as Christians. We have died with Christ and risen to new life with him. However, like the disciples, we often find it difficult to live out this reality. Just as for Thomas, the presence of fear, doubt, and uncertainty doesn't mean for us that we lack faith. Instead, it puts us in the same place as Thomas, whose honest questions lead him to a deeper encounter with the risen Lord. What are your doubts today that can help you grow closer to the Lord?

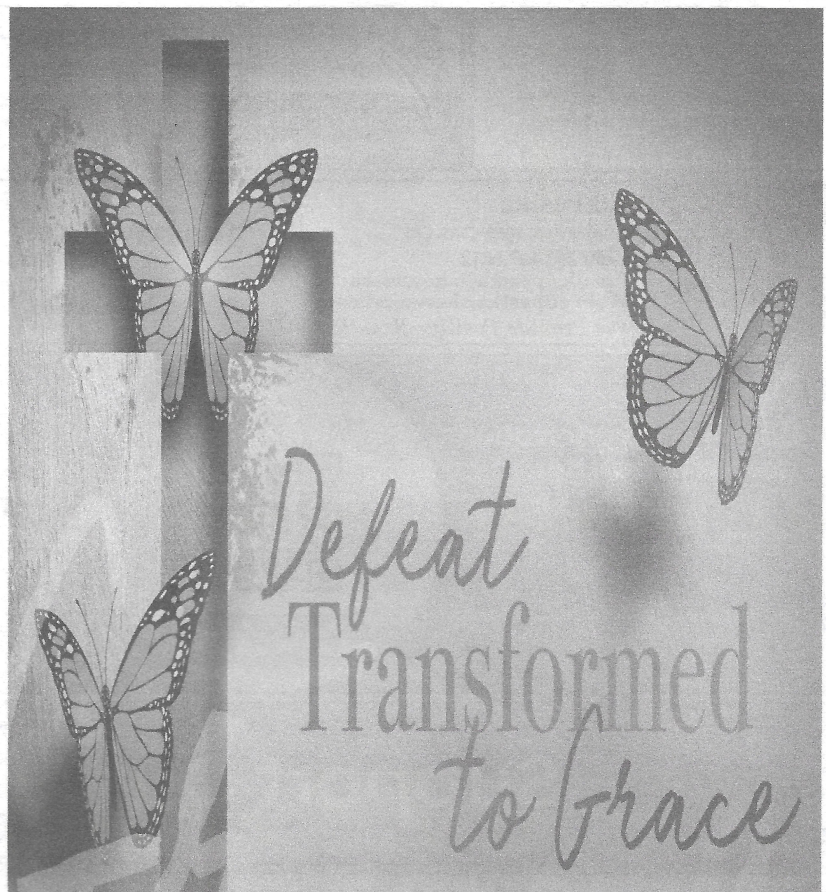
Jesus does not reject Thomas for his doubt. Instead, He invites him to touch His wounds. The risen Christ still bears the marks of the cross, now changed into signs of mercy and life. Similarly, in our own lives, the wounds we carry, our failures, sins, and struggles, can become places where God's mercy encounters us. That is why the Church celebrates Divine Mercy on this Sunday: The Resurrection proclaims that mercy is stronger than sin and love stronger than death. What are some of your wounds that can be healed by Christ's Mercy?

Jesus then breathes on the disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, echoing the breath of life given at creation. In Christ, we become a new creation. This gift is inseparable from the mission. **"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."** Baptism does not end at the font; it sends us into the world. Being Easter people means carrying resurrection life into our homes, workplaces, and communities, bringing peace where there is fear, forgiveness where there is hurt, and hope where there is despair. What is a situation of hurt that you can bring forgiveness to? What is a situation of despair that you can bring hope to?

The Gospel concludes with a blessing especially for us: **"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."** We walk by faith, supported by the Word, the sacraments, and the presence of the risen Christ among us. As we continue through the Easter season, may we renew our baptismal identity and live as people who truly believe that Christ is risen. Because he lives, we are called to live differently as witnesses to his Resurrection. What needs to change in your life this week to reflect the new life in Christ?

Blessings,

*Fr. Juan M. Camacho*



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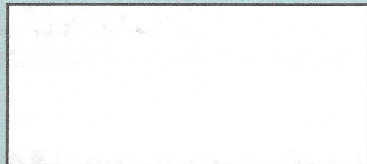
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## GOOD TO KNOW

### St. Joseph Spring Raffle 2026 Winners

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| \$500 - Marie Ertel              | \$50 - Jim Zongolowicz    |
| \$200 - Jim Zongolowicz          | \$50 - Barry Holbus       |
| \$100 - Michael and JunQing Lofy | \$50 - Virginia Wanserski |
|                                  | \$50 - Barry Holbus       |

A free six-week bereavement program open to all denominations will be hosted by St. Paul the Apostle Church, beginning Thursday, April 9, and continuing through May 14, from 5:30-7 p.m. To register, please call the St. Paul Parish Office at 262-886-0530.

Prayer shawls for those facing illness or trying times are blessed for the intended. SJ Parish Office, 262-633-8284

SJ's Rummage and Estate Sale is Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Item drop-off is April 14-June 4 and continues Tuesdays/Thursdays, 5-6:30 p.m., at the SJ Parish garages. Accepting furniture, small appliances, dishes, glassware, artwork, toys, and household items in clean, working condition, as we are unable to make repairs. No clothing, computers, or TVs. For large item pick-up, please call the SJ parish office, 262-633-8284.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting hygiene items: soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrushes. St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry needs your monetary donations to purchase eggs, frozen meat, milk, butter, and cheese. Please mail checks payable to SVdP Food Panty to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404. In February, we fed 667 people including 272 children! Non-perishable needs: canned meat; pork and beans; canned chili with/without beans; saltine crackers; instant oatmeal packets; Pasta-Roni; pasta sides; boxed spaghetti, angel hair; instant potatoes, small bags; and boxed Au Gratin or Scalloped potatoes.

**So long, Fr. Juan. ¡Vaya con Dios! Please join us in saying "so long" to Fr. Juan, our wonderful pastor of the Catholic Community of Eight / St. Leo the Great Parish!** Fr. Juan's last day as our pastor will be **Saturday, July 31, when we will be thanking him with a bilingual 6 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church.** A gathering in Haban Hall will follow, with an opportunity to personally say goodbye and thank you. Please keep Fr. Juan in your prayers at this time of transition as he prepares for his new role as Vicar General for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee!

*"We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father." - 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3*

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF EIGHT



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If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass and would like a Communion visit and/or the sacraments, please call any of our parish offices. If someone is bringing you the Eucharist, they need to have an appropriate pyx and pouch.

For all who take communion to someone outside of church, we are adopting a new policy starting April 12: Wearing a certified "CCER/Family of Eight" pouch entitles you to receive the Eucharist in your pyx in the communion line during Mass. If you are not wearing it, you may be asked to wait and get communion for your pyx from the deacon or priest after Mass. These cloth pouches with embroidered crosses indicate you have completed the training for Visiting Eucharistic Ministers (VEM). If you have not been trained, please contact any deacon for a short training after Mass. **If interested in taking communion to family members or parishioners who cannot attend church, please contact any deacon after Mass for simple training as a Visiting Eucharistic Minister.**

Classes for adults baptized in the Catholic Church and looking to be confirmed begin Thursday, April 9, at St. Lucy. These eight classes dive deep into the meaning of Confirmation and prepare you to be confirmed in August. Email Eric Antrim, eantrim@stlucychurch.org.

Join us for "An Evening with the Stars" and our priests like you've never seen them before. Return to 1950s Lake Tahoe for a catered dinner and Rat Pack music. Mixers provided (BYOB). With emcee, Fr. Richter, enjoy the Dave Braun Trio and Fr. Timothy on piano. **Saturday, May 2, 5:30-9 p.m.** at SH's Haban Hall. Cost: \$33 each. Proceeds fund CCR8 Youth Group's Catholic Heart mission trip/Steubenville Conference. **Please register by April 20:** [https://tickets.signupgenius.com/#/wizard/org/org\\_i9/events/vt\\_1d8](https://tickets.signupgenius.com/#/wizard/org/org_i9/events/vt_1d8)

**Belle City Catholic Young Adults (20s and 30s)**

**Holy Happy Hour**

**Tuesday, April 14**

7 p.m. gathering at Pepi's Bar and Grill, 618 Sixth St.

Hear a message and hangout with new and old friends.

Questions: Eric Antrim at eantrim@stlucychurch.org

## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. (Acts 2:46-47)

#### Psalm:

Give thanks to the LORD for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118)  
Or Alleluia

#### Second Reading:

Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls. (1 Pt 1:8-9)

#### Gospel:

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me?  
Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." (Jn 20:29)

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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

How does Christ prove himself to Thomas? Not by his face or his words, but by his wounds. So, when we look for God to show Himself in relief or in triumph, we must remember the wounds of Christ. This is where we find our salvation.

### Observances for the week of April 12, 2026

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)  
**Monday:** St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr  
**Wednesday:** *Tax Day*  
**Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Easter



### Virtues, Explained!

The virtue of fortitude actually requires, first and foremost, the feeling of fear. In order to grow in fortitude, one must face a thing which frightens him, doing so specifically *in pursuit of the good*.

### Divine Mercy Blessing

Dear Jesus,  
May your mercy flow over us,  
filling our gaps and healing our wounds.  
Open our hearts more deeply  
with knowledge of your love for us,  
understanding of the depth of your passion,  
and trust in your never-ending mercy.  
Amen.