

Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

March 22, 2026



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Sacred Heart Office Hours

Monday 8:30 am-1:00 pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
8:30 am-5:00 pm

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262-634-5526**

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Masses

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

St. Edward Office Hours

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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262-636-8040**

Email: parish@saintedwardracine.org

Website: www.saintedwardracine.org

Facebook: "St. Edward Parish-Racine,
Wisconsin"

Masses

Sunday 8:30 am
Tuesday 9:00 am

Confession: 4:00-5:30 pm Wednesday

St. John Nepomuk Office Hours

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

**Church: 1903 Green Street
Office: 700 English Street
Racine, WI 53402
262-634-5647**

Email: office@sjnracine.org

Facebook: "St. John Nepomuk
Church"

Masses

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
Office: 1532 N. Wisconsin Street
Racine, WI 53402
262-633-8284**

Email: info@st-joes.org

Website: 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

**3101 Drexel Avenue
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262-554-1801 ex. 601**

Email:

parishoffice@stlucychurch.org

Website: www.stlucychurch.org

Masses

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**

Email: church@stpatrickracine.com

Website: www.stpatrickracine.com

Facebook: "Saint Patrick Racine"

Masses/Misas

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
Closed Fridays

**1509 Grand Avenue
Racine, WI 53403
262-637-8374**

E-mail: info@strichard-parish.org

Website: www.strichard-parish.org

Facebook: "St. Richard Parish-Racine"

Masses

Sunday 10:00 am
Thursday 9:00 am

St. Sebastian Office Hours

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

**3126 95th Street
Sturtevant, WI 53177
262-886-4398**

Email:

parishoffice@stsebracine.org

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Masses

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

Confession: 3:30-4:15pm Saturday

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 23 St. Turibius of Mogrovejo
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3ab, 4-6/Jn 8:1-11

TUESDAY, MARCH 24 Mo. of Perpetual Help Devotions
Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-21/Jn 8:21-30

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Joseph Pribyl Sr.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25 The Annunciation of the Lord (S)
Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8ab, 9-11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Fr. Daren Zehnle

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Levi Judah Baratki

FRIDAY, MARCH 27 Day of Abstinence*

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3abc, 4-7/Jn 10:31-42

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

Ez 37:21-28/Jr 31:10-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Mt 21:1-11(37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/

Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

4 p.m. - **SJN** + George Louis Gissell

- Living and Deceased Members of St. John Nepomuk Parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord; Holy Week begins

9:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Louis Handziak

- Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish

^ - Mass with school students



Please join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.

If school is cancelled due to snow or cold, daily Mass is cancelled as well. Fr. Juan M. Camacho

LENTEN DAY OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, March 25, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting and Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18-59 are required to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of eating two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 years and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

For electronic giving (ACH) information, please call Michael Reth, St. Joseph Parish Office, 262-633-8284.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

4 p.m. - Easter baskets due: SJN Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

9:30 a.m. - Easter baskets due: SJ Church

9:30 a.m. - Spaghetti Dinner volunteer forms due: SJ Ch.

MONDAY, MARCH 23

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

7 a.m.-7 p.m. - Lenten Reconciliation: St. Paul Church

5:30-7:30 p.m. - Adult choir rehearsal: SJ Church

THURSDAY, MARCH 26

9 a.m.-noon - Meal Program food drop-off: SJN Office

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

6:30-7 p.m. - Stations of the Cross: SJ Church

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

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

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

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

9:30 a.m. - Easter altar flower memorials due: SJ Ch.

3-6 p.m. - Spaghetti Dinner: SJ School cafeteria

SJ's Spring Raffle is their ONLY RAFFLE OF THE YEAR!

Prizes: 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100, 4th-7th - \$50.

Tickets at parish offices/ushers' tables. \$2 ea./3 for \$5.

Return ticket stubs to the collection, office or dinner.

STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

Feb. Financials	Feb. '26	Feb. '25	Difference
Envelopes:	\$ 8,015.00	\$ 5,590.00	\$ 2,425.00
Bldgs./Grounds:	\$ 430.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 205.00
Offertory:	\$ 870.00	\$ 1,110.00	\$ (240.00)
Total Contrib.:	\$ 9,315.00	\$ 6,925.00	\$ 2,390.00

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Feb. Financials	Feb. '26	Feb. '25	Difference
Envelopes:	\$16,491.00	\$26,083.50	\$ (9,592.50)
Capital Funds:	\$ 720.00	\$ 332.50	\$ 387.50
NeedyFoodBask.:	\$ 115.00	\$ 1,075.00	\$ (960.00)
Offertory:	\$ 715.05	\$ 474.01	\$ 241.04
Total Contrib.:	\$18,041.05	\$27,965.01	\$ (9,923.96)

SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2026 WINNERS

Sunday, March 1, \$50

Pat Floyd #338

Monday, March 2, \$25

Pam Carey #447

Tuesday, March 3, \$25

Mary Hotle #955

Wednesday, March 4, \$25

Erik/Becky Cook #232

Thursday, March 5, \$25

Marilyn Somers #619

Friday, March 6, \$25

Ralph Lipari #938

Saturday, March 7, \$25

Nicole Layman #597

GRACE AND PEACE TO YOU, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

As Lent approaches its peak, the Church presents one of the most powerful scenes in all of Scripture: the raising of Lazarus. This Gospel is not just a miracle story; it is a profoundly human story of friendship, grief, and hope, preparing our hearts to engage with the Paschal Mystery of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

The story starts not with victory, but with love. We are told clearly that **"Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus."** Lazarus isn't a stranger or just a recipient of a miracle; he is a friend. Jesus knows this family well. He has shared meals at their house, listened to their concerns, and enjoyed their company. When Lazarus dies, Jesus doesn't stay distant or unaffected. At the tomb, seeing Martha and Mary's pain and the grief of those mourning, Jesus is deeply troubled, and he weeps.

This moment reveals something essential about our faith: God is not untouched by human suffering. In Jesus, God fully enters into the pain of losing a loved one. He does not dismiss Martha and Mary's tears and grief with pious words. Instead, he allows himself to feel the weight of death. For anyone who has stood at a graveside and mourned a spouse, parent, child, or friend, this Gospel offers a profound comfort: our grief matters to God. I especially think of the victims of war around the world today. People are mourning their loved ones, and God is not distant from their pain.

Yet the tears of Jesus do not have the final word. Before calling Lazarus from the tomb, Jesus makes a bold declaration to Martha: **"I am the resurrection and the life."** He does not merely say that he will bring resurrection someday, but that resurrection is already present in him. What follows—the command to roll away the stone, the call to come out of the tomb, and Lazarus emerging bound in burial cloths—is a sign pointing beyond itself. Lazarus will one day die again. But what Jesus reveals is that death does not have ultimate power. This offers hope to us all. In funerals, I often preach this truth. Death is not the end but the beginning of a new life in Christ.

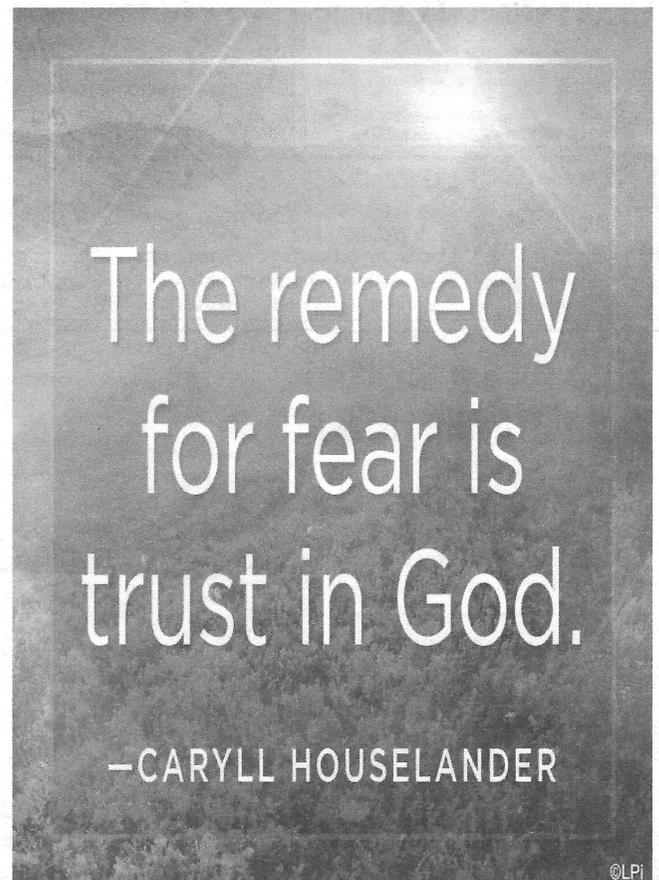
This Gospel stands at the threshold of Holy Week, foreshadowing what is to come. Jesus' own path will lead from friendship to betrayal, from sorrow to the Cross, and from the sealed tomb to Resurrection. By restoring Lazarus to life, Jesus sets in motion the very events that will lead to his own death. Love leads him to his friend's tomb; love will lead him to the Cross.

For us, the raising of Lazarus is a call to trust in the promise of eternal life. In the face of death, darkness, and despair, we face the same question Martha was asked: **"Do you believe this?"** Our Christian hope does not deny the reality of death or the pain it causes. Instead, it declares that death is not the final word.

As we approach Holy Week, this Gospel invites us to walk with Jesus, to bring him our sorrow, to trust in his friendship, and to place our hope in the life he offers. The stone will be rolled away. The tomb will not stay sealed. In Christ, life will have the final word. Be people of life and hope.

Blessings,

Fr. Juan M. Camacho



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GOOD TO KNOW



Thank you for selecting an egg from the **Easter Trees** at St. Joseph and St John Nepomuk Churches to surprise the 50 children in the Food Basket Program with an Easter basket. **Baskets are due by March 21**

at SJN Church and **March 22 at SJ Church**. If you forgot, bring it to SJ Parish Office Monday, March 22, at 9 a.m.

SJ Human Concerns Group requests cold salads or desserts for the March 26 St. Patrick's Meal Program. Drop off food containers that morning at SJN Office.



The Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner is **March 29, 3-6 p.m.**, in the St. Joseph School Cafeteria. Please join us for a complete sit-down spaghetti dinner with homemade meatballs, Marinara sauce, salad, Paielli's bread, dessert. **Dine in or carry out**. Tickets: Adults, \$10; Children, 5-12 yrs., \$7; Children, 4 yrs. or younger, free. Raffle drawing, 5 p.m. **Drop off your donations of cookies, bars or cakes** on Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the cafeteria's Wisconsin St. entrance, in the school lobby before or after Sunday's 9:30 a.m. Mass, or 1 p.m. in cafeteria **Please return your volunteer form by Sunday, March 22.**

SJ/SJN Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, Night Prayer, Eucharistic Adoration: 7 p.m. - St. Joseph	Live Stations of the Cross: 3 p.m. - Begin at St. Joseph, end at St. Patrick
Good Friday Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Stations of the Cross, Divine Mercy Novena begins: 12:30 p.m. - St. John	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: 8 p.m. - Sacred Heart, St. Lucy, St. Patrick (Spanish)
	Easter Sunday: 8 a.m. - St. John Nepomuk 9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph

Prayer shawls for those facing illness or trying times are blessed for the intentions of the recipient. Without charge; given with our prayers. Call SJ Parish Office.

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, sm. bags; and boxed Au Gratin or Scalloped potatoes.

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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.

Food for the Journey: Walking with Jesus in Jerusalem is Monday, March 30, 6 p.m. Mass, at St. Edward. Reflect on our Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection with Adoration, music, confessions, and prayer teams.

Classes for adults looking to be confirmed in the Catholic Church will start Thursday, April 9, at St. Lucy. please contact 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, supper-club 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: 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

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:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live,
and I will settle you upon your land;
thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

Psalm:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,
the one who raised Christ from the dead
will give life to your mortal bodies also,
through his Spirit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

Gospel:

"I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."
(Jn 11:25-26)

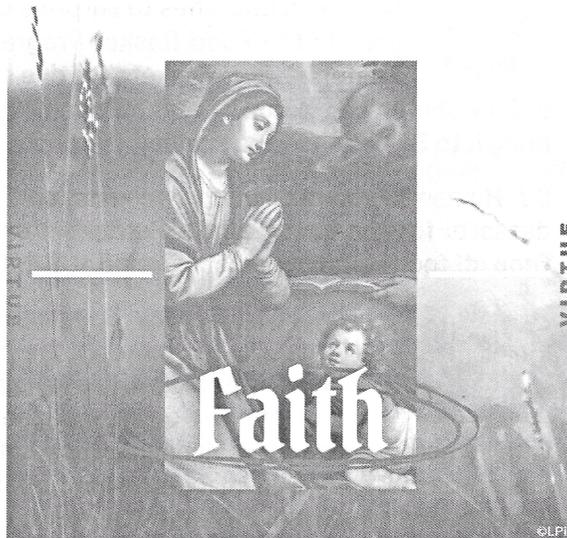
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Lazarus, come out!" Jesus calls into the tomb.
These same words he cries into the depths
of our hearts. "Come out!" God is calling you.
Come out from the sleep of your indifference.
Easter is near. Now is the time. Come out!

Observances for the week of March 22, 2026

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop
Wednesday: The Annunciation of the Lord
Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
Holy Week begins



Virtues, Explained!

The virtue of faith is "man's response to God, who reveals himself and gives himself to man." (CCC 26). Faith is encouraged by the complementary virtues of hope and love, and through the gift of understanding our faith grows and strengthens.

Blessing for New Life

God, in Your goodness, restore
our hope.
Where we feel imprisoned, break
our chains.
Where we feel discouraged, bring
us light.
Where the ground feels dry,
break through with life anew.
Amen.