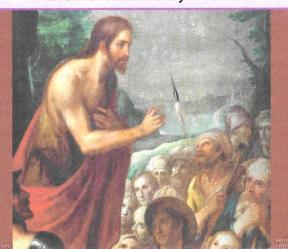
Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

December 15, 2024

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16



3ER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo desatarle las correas de sus sandalias. El los bautizará con el Espíritu Santo y con fuego" - Lc 3, 16

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Sacred Heart

Office Hours

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

2201 Northwestern Avenue Racine, WI 53404 262-634-5526

Email: shracine@shracine.org Website: www.sacredheartracine.com

Masses

Saturday	4:30 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
Tuesday	6:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am
Friday	9:00 am
infession: 3:30-4	15 nm Saturday

St. Edward

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-12:00 pm Closed Fridays

1401 Grove Avenue Racine, WI 53405 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		

St. John Nepomuk

Office Hours

Monday-Wed. 8:00 am-12:00 pm Thursday 8:00 am-4:30 pm

Church: 1903 Green Street Office: 700 English Street Racine, WI 53402 262-632-5647

Email: Stjohnnepomuk@wi.rr.com Facebook: "St. John Nepomuk Church"

Masses

4:00 pm		
8:30 am		
8:30 am		

Confession: 3:00-3:45 pm Saturday

St. Joseph

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-4:30 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 Racine, WI 53403 262-554-1801 ex. 601

Fmail: parishoffice@stlucychurch.org Website: www.stlucychurch.org

Masses

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
Sunday	11:00 am
Sunday	5:00 pm
Monday-Wedne	sday 8:15 am
Friday, Saturda	ay 8:15 am
Confession: After 8	15 am Mass Fi
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St. Patrick/San Patricio

Office Hours/Horario de oficina

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am-noon;1:30-4:30 pm lunes-viernes de8:30-12:00;1:30-4:30 Closed/cerrada 12:00-1:30pm

> 1100 Erie Street Racine, WI 53402 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 Españo
Sunday/Domingo	12:00 pm Españo
Sunday/Domingo	6:00 pm Españo
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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 Website: www.stsebracine.org

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, DECEMBER 16

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17 Mother of Perpetual Help

Devotions

Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

8:30 a.m. - SJN + Paul Willing

+ Rosa Wirry

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

8:30 a.m. ^ - SJ + Marilyn Fogel

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25

8:30 a.m. - SJN + Lovell Gissell

+ Doug Splittgerber

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21 St. Peter Canisius

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18/Ps 33:2-3,11-12,20-21/Lk 1:39-45

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3.15-16, 18-19/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

4 p.m. **- SJN** - Living and Deceased Members of the Sisak Family

- Living and Deceased Members of St. John Nepomuk Parish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. - SJ + Betty Decker

- + Jerome and Pat Simanek
- Living and Deceased Members of St. Joseph Parish

^ - Mass with St. Joseph School students

Join us to pray the rosary before each Mass and join Archbishop Listecki in praying for peace and the family on his daily 8 p.m. radio rosary program at 100.01 FM.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH'S SANCTUARY LAMP

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



An Advent Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration will be held Tuesday, December 17, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. John Nepomuk Parish, reflecting on the Christmas Gospels.

Please remember your loved ones with a Mass Intention or Sanctuary Lamp. Call your Parish Office to schedule it on your special day. Mass stipend - \$20; SJN Sanctuary Lamp - \$7; and SJ Sanctuary Lamp - \$5.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

9:30 a.m. Mass: Food Pantry non-perishables coll.: SJ

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

noon - Bulletin article deadline at info@st-joes.org 6:30-7:30 p.m. - Advent Holy Hour, Adoration: SJN

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

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

6-7:15 p.m. - Religious Ed., K-gr. 8: SJN Parish Center

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

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

WELCOME NEW ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISHIONERS:

Charles and Carmen Cermak

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

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!

STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 collections:	\$ 2,661.00
Amount budgeted per week:	\$ 2,338.06
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$ 43,825.03
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$ 55,775.38
Fiscal year-to-date balance:	\$ -11,950.35
Buildings and Grounds to date:	\$ 2,246.00
Thanksgiving Food Pantry:	\$ 288.00
Needy Baskets to date:	\$ 535.00

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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Total collection income:	\$	5,456.00
Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 collections:	\$	5,106.00
Energy costs:	\$	260.00
Capital Funds:	\$	90.00
Weekly budget requirement:	\$	9,100.00
Difference for the week:	\$	-3,644.00
Fiscal year-to-date given:	\$	102,711.00
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$2	209,300.00
Fiscal year-to-date balance:	\$-	106,589.00
Thanksgiving Needy Baskets:	\$	3,415.00
Christmas Needy Baskets:	\$	2,815.00

SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2024 WINNERS

Sunday, Nov. 24, \$50 Bryan Przybilla #27 Monday, Nov. 25, \$25 Kathy Baer #501 Tuesday, Nov. 26, \$25 The Sausage Kitchen

Family #808

Wednesday, Nov. 27, \$25 Sara Thome #938 Thursday, Nov. 28, \$100 Nicole Atkinson #1119 Friday, Nov. 29, \$25 Ralph Lipari #770 Saturday, Nov. 30, \$25 Randy Richardson #356

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GOOD TO KNOW

The Catholic Cemetery Association of Racine has 26" Remembrance Wreaths from no. Wisconsin ready to be installed at a loved one's earth burial site, starting Dec. 2. Placed as ordered at Calvary Cemetery-Kinzie, Old Holy Cross Cemetery-Kinzie, Holy Cross Cemetery-Hwy. 32, Holy Family Cemetery-Hwy. 31. Cost: \$35; 262 -639-1071; checks to: 5600 Holy Cross Rd.; Racine, WI.

Inspired by the National Eucharistic Revival, Emmaus 90 is a 90-day journey, New Year's to Easter, for adult Catholics seeking a closer walk with Jesus. Cost: \$20; \$40, family w/printed Family Guide. Visit: archmil.org/ evangelization/Eucharistic-Revival/Emmaus-90.htm.

Oplatek, the Christmas wafer, is available at SJ Church for free-will offering. Please call 262-633-8284.

Buy St. John Nepomuk Parish Calendar Raffles 2025 until December 31 at both parish offices and the Scrip table for \$25. Winners are re-entered for 365 chances to win. Prizes: weekdays, \$25; Sundays, \$50; New Year's, July 4, Thanksgiving, \$100; Christmas, \$500. These calendars make great Christmas presents.

We need new or handmade child-sized mittens. Mitten Baskets are at the back of SJ and the side entrance of SJN Churches. Let's keep hands warm!

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.

Financial Peace University classes are Mondays, Jan. 6-Mar. 3, at 6 p.m. at SH Haban Hall. Register: financialpeace.com/app/organization/classes/CRUSADE-7E3BD561B2EB66/8C47A1. Free. Materials in English.

The Family of Eight's Souper Bowl Soup Collection is January 12-February 2. Which parish will collect the most soup? SJ and SJN's benefits SVdP's Food Pantry.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting hygiene items: soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. SVdP Food Pantry needs monetary donations for eggs, frozen meat, milk, butter, cheese. Mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404 with FOOD PANTRY on the memo. In November, we fed 873 people incl. 359 children! Non-perishable needs: peanut butter; canned meat, fruit; spaghetti sauce; spaghetti; Chef Boyardee Ravioli; mac and cheese; pasta sides; boxed instant potatoes; instant oatmeal packets; chicken noodle or vegetable condensed soup; toilet paper. To volunteer, call Jean Thieme, 262-930-5850. Thank you!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF EIGHT



COMMUNITY OF EIGHT IN RACINE

Sign up for the Catholic **Community of Eight newsletter:**

sacredheartracine.us19.listmanage.com/subscribe?u=79bbd1b1e b9f127517908fa4b&id=e6c0d5faca

Food for the Journey-"Journey to New Beginnings" on December 31, at Sacred Heart Church with 6 p.m. Vigil Mass for Mary, Mother of God holyday Adoration 'til midnight, reflections.

Christmas Eve

- 4:00 p.m. St. Joseph w/30 min. prelude
- 4:00 p.m. St. Lucy
- 4:30 p.m. Sacred
- Heart 4:30 p.m.- St. Sebas-
- 7:00 p.m. St. Patrick (Spanish)
- 10:00 p.m. Sacred Heart w/30 min. prelude
- 10:00 p.m. St. Lucy w/30 min. prelude



Christmas Day

- 8:00 a.m. St. Lucy
- 8:30 a.m. St. Edward
- 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick
- 9:00 a.m. Sacred Heart
- 9:30 a.m. St. John Nepomuk
- 9:30 a.m. St. Sebastian
- 10:00 a.m. St. Richard
- 10:30 a.m. St. Patrick (Spanish)
- 11:00 a.m. St. Lucy w/30 min. family choir prelude
- 12:00 p.m. St. Patrick (Spanish)

January 1, Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, is a holy day of obligation. Family of Eight Mass Schedule:

Vigil, December 31

6:00 p.m. Sacred Heart* *followed by adoration 'til midnight with reflections- 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick



New Year's Day, January 1

8:00 a.m. St. Lucy 8:30 a.m. St. Edward Food for the Journey event 9:00 a.m. Sacred Heart 9:30 a.m. St. Joseph 9:30 a.m. St. Sebastian 10:00 a.m. St. Richard 11:00 a.m. St. Patrick (Spanish)

Belle City Catholic Young Adults (21-35-year-olds) Holy Happy Hour

Tuesday, January 7, and every First Tuesday

6 p.m. Mass, Sacred Heart Restaurant social to follow Questions: Eric Antrim eantrim@stlucychurch.org

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness. (Zep 3:17)

Psalm

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel. (Is 12:6)

Second Reading:

The Lord is near.

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. (Phil 4:5-6)

Gospel

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" (Lk 3:10)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Give. Love. Act with justice. This, says John, is how to live out your repentance. As Christmas approaches, be "baptized" by these words of God's greatest prophet. Let them fill you with new life as you await the coming of Christ.

Observances for the week of December 15, 2024

Sunday:

3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday:

St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the

Church

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent





Saint of the week

Blessed Alexandrina Maria de Costa (1904-1955) became paralyzed after jumping from a window to escape an attack. She suffered the passion of Jesus each Friday for several years and would survive on the Holy Eucharist alone for 13 years until her death.

Prayer with St. John the Baptist

Through the intercession of St. John the Baptist, help us to remember the least fortunate, and how caring for them shares in the caring of the beloved Christ-child. Bring Your generosity into our community.

Amen.

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GRACE AND PEACE TO YOU. MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

As we light the third candle on our Advent wreath, our journey towards Christmas continues with joyful anticipation. How is it going? Have you dedicated enough time to prayer, reading scripture, and acts of kindness? We are approaching Christmas at a very fast pace. I pray, the practices I shared with you at the beginning of this season are helping you to stay on task in this journey.

This Sunday, often called Gaudete Sunday, brings a message of hope and encouragement as we near the celebration of Christ's birth. Our theme, "Following the Star," guides us to reflect on the scriptures and the light of Christ that illuminates our path. Our first reading from Zephaniah calls us to rejoice: "Shout aloud and sing for joy, daughter Zion! For the Lord has removed the judgment against you and has turned away your enemies." The prophet reminds us that the coming of the Lord brings joy and redemption. As we follow the star, we are invited to rejoice in the presence of God, who is in our midst. Take some intentional time this week to find God's presence in your midst. What is a source of joy for you? What are the things that bring joy to your life? List them and pray with them.

The second reading from Philippians echoes this sentiment: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near." Saint Paul encourages us to find joy in the nearness of Christ and to live out our faith with gentleness and peace. Challenge yourself this week to treat others gently. Let not harsh words come by your mouth. Share kindness and gentleness with others, even those who make you uncomfortable. Take that challenge this week.

Following the star means embracing the joy of the Lord, even in challenging times, and sharing that joy with others. In the Gospel reading from Luke, John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus by calling people to repentance and transformation. He tells the crowd, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." John points us to Christ, the true light who guides our steps and transforms our hearts.

As we follow the star, let us prepare ourselves to receive the light of Christ and allow it to shine through us. As we gather around the Table of the Lord this Sunday, let us continue to be inspired by the Magi who followed the star with faith and determination. As the Magi journey with confidence and trust the guidance of the star, let us journey in confidence, finding joy in every single moment of our lives as we journey to Christmas guided by the signs God brings to us. As John the Baptist prepared the way to the Lord, let us also prepare the way of the Lord to our hearts.

Blessings,

Fr. Juan M. Camacho

SATURDAY

- · 4:00 PM ST. JOHN NEPOMUK*
- 4:00 PM ST. LUCY
- 4:30 PM SACRED HEART
- 4:30 PM ST. SEBASTIAN

* AT SJN: NOV. 30, 2024 - MAY 24, 2025. AT SJ: MAY 31, 2025 - NOV. 29, 2025.



SUNDAY

- 8:00 AM ST. LUCY
- 8:30 AM ST. EDWARD
- 8:30 AM ST. PATRICK
- · 9:00 AM SACRED HEART
- 9:30 AM ST. JOSEPH**
- 9:30 AM ST. SEBASTIAN
- 10:00 AM ST. RICHARD
- 10:30 AM ST. PATRICK (SPANISH)
- 11:00 AM ST. LUCY
- · 12:00 PM ST. PATRICK (SPANISH)
- 5:00 PM ST. LUCY
- 6:00 PM ST. PATRICK (SPANISH)

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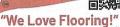
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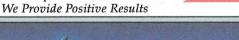
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