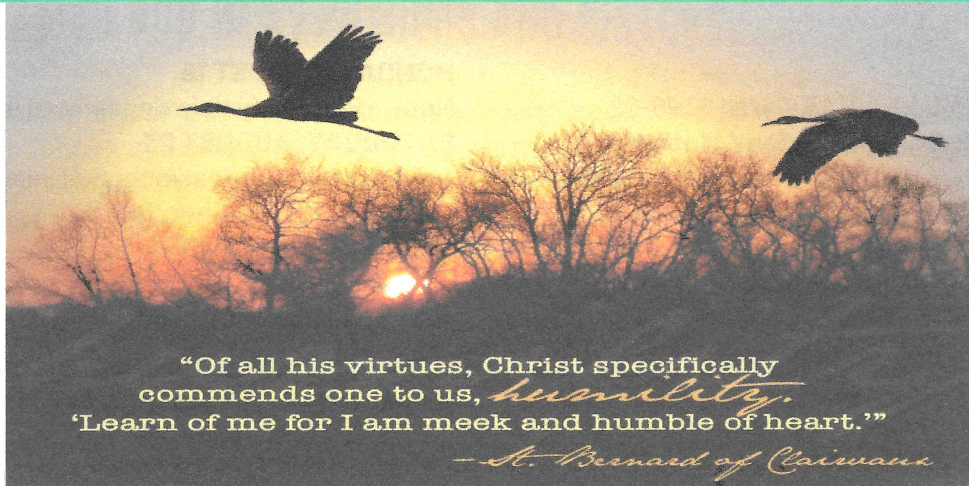


# Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

August 17, 2025



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Monday 8:30 am-1:00 pm  
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Email: [shracine@shracine.org](mailto:shracine@shracine.org)

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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  
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Tuesday and Thursday  
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**1401 Grove Avenue  
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Website: [www.saintedwardracine.org](http://www.saintedwardracine.org)

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

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Tuesday	9:00 am

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**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"

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Sunday	9:30 am
Tuesday	8:30 am
Thursday	8:30 am

### St. Joseph Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
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**Church: 1533 Erie Street  
Office: 1532 N. Wisconsin Street  
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Email: [info@st-joes.org](mailto:info@st-joes.org)

Website: [www.st-joes.org](http://www.st-joes.org)

Facebook: "St. Joseph Parish Racine"

#### Masses

Saturday	4:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am
Friday	8:30 am

Confession: 3:00-3:45 pm Saturday

### St. Lucy Office Hours

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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.  
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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

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**1509 Grand Avenue  
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E-mail: [info@strichard-parish.org](mailto:info@strichard-parish.org)

Website: [www.strichard-parish.org](http://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  
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Email:

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Website: [www.stsebracine.org](http://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, AUGUST 18

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43, 44/Mt 19:16-22

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 19 St. John Eudes / Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-14/Mt 19:23-30

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Bill Hegger

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-7/Mt 20:1-16

8:30 a.m. - **SJ** + Maria Bokwha Kaga, SFO

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 St. Pius X

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8ab, 9-10/Mt 22:1-14

8:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Tom Carls

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6abc, 7-9abc, 10/  
Mt 22:34-40

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

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 St. Rose of Lima

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-5/Mt 23:1-12

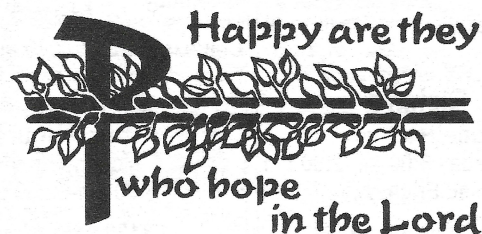
#### MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/  
Lk 13:22-30

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

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 a.m. - **SJN** + Mae and Alex Muleski  
+ Norm and Carol Seeger  
- Living and Deceased Members of  
St. John Nepomuk Parish



Please join us to pray the rosary before each Mass.

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

As we adore Christ in the Blessed Sacrament,  
please remember in faith, **Living and Deceased**  
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## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

### MONDAY, AUGUST 18

Noon - Bulletin article deadline to [info@st-joes.org](mailto:info@st-joes.org)

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

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



4 p.m. - Mass: SJ Church

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

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

After 9:30 a.m. Mass - Scrip gift cards sold: SJN Church

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## STEWARDSHIP

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

June Financials:	June '25	June '24	Difference
Envelopes:	\$ 8,559.00	\$ 9,871.00	-\$ 1,312.00
Bldgs./Grounds:	\$ 465.00	\$ 909.00	-\$ 444.00
Offertory:	\$ 759.50	\$ 446.25	\$ 313.25
Total Contrib.:	\$ 9,783.50	\$11,226.25	-\$ 1,442.75

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH

June Financials:	June '25	June '24	Difference
Envelopes:	\$19,143.50	\$21,312.00	-\$ 2,168.50
Capital Funds:	\$ 367.50	\$ 1,630.00	-\$ 1,262.50
NeedyFoodBask.:	\$ 0.00	\$ 20.00	-\$ 20.00
Offertory:	\$ 1,217.28	\$ 1,835.63	-\$ 618.35
Total Contrib.:	\$20,728.28	\$24,797.63	-\$ 4,069.35

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Michael Reth, St. Joseph Parish Office, 262-633-8284.

## SJN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2025 WINNERS

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

This Sunday's readings confront us with the bold and sometimes uncomfortable truth of discipleship. Jesus declares in the Gospel of Luke, "I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already blazing!" His words challenge the notion of peace as mere comfort, revealing instead a deeper call to transformation, even division, for the sake of following his call. We can also see a remnant of last Sunday's message: what we value the most is what we love. If our hearts are in the Lord, then we must follow his command to love one another.

The readings center on the cost of discipleship and the courage required to be a prophetic witness. Jeremiah's suffering in the cistern is a vivid image of the rejection prophets often face. Yet his rescue reminds us that God does not abandon his faithful servants. Jeremiah is not afraid to speak God's truth and will. In Hebrews, we are urged to persevere, inspired by the "great cloud of witnesses" who have gone before us. This race of faith is not without struggle, but it is sustained by the example of Christ, who endured the cross for our sake. Jesus' words in Luke are startling. He speaks not of peace, but of fire and division. This is not a call to conflict for its own sake, but a recognition that truth often disrupts comfort. The Gospel demands a decision, a willingness to stand with Christ even when it sets us apart.

This weekend's message is particularly relevant to the current times we are living in. We no longer live in a Christian society that promotes the Christian values that respect the human dignity of each person as created in the image and likeness of God. We live in apostolic times. Once again, like the early disciples, we are called to witness Christ in the world. We Christians are called to be prophetic, like Jeremiah, who stood up to speak God's truth. What would be a prophetic act that you can do this week?

This week, consider practicing the following:

**Be courageous:** Like Jeremiah, be faithful to Christ and speak truth with love, even when it's unpopular.

**Persevere in faith:** Let the witness of saints and fellow believers encourage you in your journey of faith. This week, read a story about a saint, drawing from their example the courage you need to continue your call to holiness.

**Embrace the fire:** Let the Holy Spirit ignite your heart with zeal for God's kingdom. Invite the Holy Spirit to help you stand for a particular value of the kingdom of God this week.

Blessings,



*Fr. Juan M. Camacho*





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## GOOD TO KNOW

**Registration for our Faith Formation 2025-'26 classes is open. There are THREE options:**

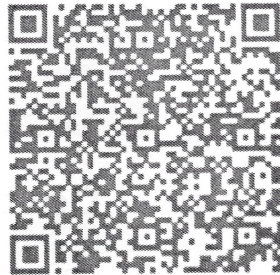
- Family Style for Students and Parents: Sundays in Sacred Heart Haban Hall for K-gr. 8, 10-11:30 a.m. (snack and family session, followed by classroom breakouts for students and optional adult discussions), beginning September 28;
- Traditional Style for Students: Wednesdays at St. Lucy for K-gr. 8, 6-7 p.m., beginning October 1; and
- Bilingual Option for Students: Saturdays at St. Patrick for K-gr. 8, 9-11 a.m., beginning date TBD.

**Confirmation preparation has TWO options:**

A three-year program for grades 9-11, is through St. Lucy and St. Patrick Churches.

Questions to Faith Formation Coordinator Amber Fay:  
262-633-8284 work or  
262-989-8686 cell.

Scan the QR code to register for all classes:



**All high school students are invited to a "Kick Off the Year" group pizza party** hosted by St. Lucy's Sunday, **September 7**, after the 5 p.m. Mass. We will discuss some of the events and programs that will happen in the coming year. For more information, contact Eric Antrim at [eantrim@stlucychurch.org](mailto:eantrim@stlucychurch.org)

**Please mark your calendar. The SJN Alumni Family and Friends will be hosting their annual Wine and Beer Tasting event on Friday, October 10, 6-8:30 p.m.**

This is a wonderful evening out with appetizers, a delicious buffet, and tasty desserts included. More to follow.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting hygiene items:** soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. **SVdP Food Pantry** needs monetary donations to purchase eggs, frozen meat, milk, butter, cheese. Please mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul Society; P.O. Box 44195; Racine, WI 53404 with FOOD PANTRY on the memo. **In July, we fed 964 people including 388 children! Non-perishable needs:** tuna in water or canned meat; Dinty Moore Beef Stew; canned chili; Chef Boyardee (no spaghetti); canned fruit, 15.4 oz.; peanut butter, 28 oz.; boxed cereal, 13-17 oz.; mac 'n' cheese; bagged rotini, penne, or shells pasta; boxed spaghetti; pasta sides; toilet paper. Thank you for your ongoing help to feed those in need right here in Racine.

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**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.

**Learn about "The Faith Communities of Racine: Catholic Parishes / American Story,"** presented by Dr. Laura Gellott, UW-Parkside history professor emeritus and St. Edward parishioner, on Tuesday, **August 26**, following the 6 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart. Bring your own snacks/beverages and hear our local history.

**All current and aspiring Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, and lectors from our Catholic Community of Eight parishes are invited to a special morning** of fellowship and spiritual renewal. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, **September 27**, 8:00 a.m.-noon, at Sacred Heart Parish. Join us for a time of prayer, learning, and community. Your dedication brings our liturgies to life.

**The next Food for the Journey Mass and Adoration event is October 1**, the Feast of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, 6 p.m. at St. Edward. **St. Thérèse relics are coming to the Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians at Holy Hill in Hubertus November 15-18.**

**Join a Holy Hill Pilgrimage on Thursday, Oct. 2, 7:45 a.m.-4 p.m.,** for round-trip bus transportation to tour the Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians, plenary indulgence opportunities, boxed lunch. Cost: \$60. Info. or registration: Dawn, 262-598-0369

**Belle City Catholic Young Adults (21-35-year-olds)**

**Holy Happy Hour**

**Tuesday, September 2**

6 p.m. Mass, Sacred Heart 7 p.m. social Pepi's Bar/Grill

Questions: Eric Antrim at [eantrim@stlucychurch.org](mailto:eantrim@stlucychurch.org)



## Weekly Prayer

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

#### Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

#### Second Reading:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb 12:1)

#### Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49)

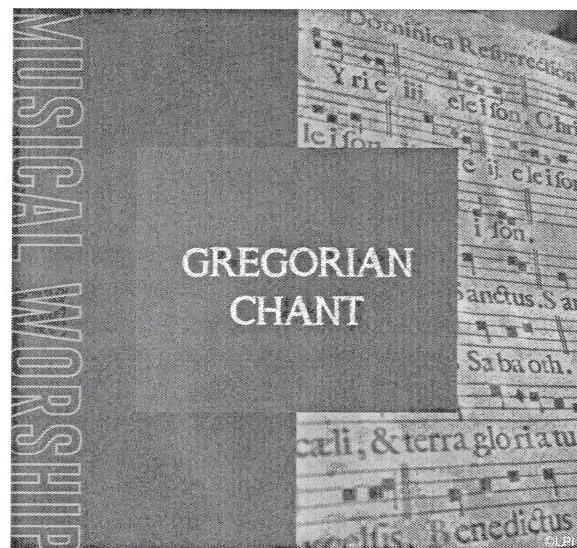
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### Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus tells us that he has come to set fire to the earth. What can we give him as kindling? Let us look into our souls and see where the fire of Christ can be ignited, and pray that our souls may be consumed by its life-giving flames.

### Observances for the week of August 17, 2025

<b>Sunday:</b>	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<b>Tuesday:</b>	St. John Eudes, Priest
<b>Wednesday:</b>	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
<b>Thursday:</b>	St. Pius X, Pope
<b>Friday:</b>	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>Saturday:</b>	St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Devotions, *Explained!*

Defined by a monophonic (meaning a single melody without harmony or chords), unaccompanied song, Gregorian chant is a form of sacred music used in liturgical settings and prayer. It has been synonymous with Catholic musical worship since the first millennium.

### Prayer for Bravery

Dear God,  
In the moments when my faith is met with others' disdain or ridicule, give me the grace to be grounded in You. Remind me that Your mission matters, and that You alone bring comfort, healing, and salvation.  
Amen.