Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

March 30, 2025

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"This son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.' - Lk 15:24a



4° DOMINGO E LA CUARESMA

"Este hijo mío estaba muerto y ha vuelto a la vida". - Lc 15, 24

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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

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 262-634-5647

Email: Stiohnnepomuk@wi.rr.com 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-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

Confession: 3:30-4:15 pm Saturday

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

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

Masses

4:00 pm Saturday 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 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 Español
Sunday/Domingo	12:00 pm Español
Sunday/Domingo	6:00 pm Español
Wednesday/Miérco	les6.00pm 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 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, MARCH 31

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b/Jn 4:43-54

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

8:30 a.m. - SJN + Mary Simon

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 St. Francis of Paola

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30 8:30 a.m.^ - **SJ** - Living and Deceased Members

of the Sus and Shimkus Families

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 5:31-47

8:30 a.m. - SJN + Don and Grace Liefbroer

FRIDAY, APRIL 4 St. Isidore / *Day of Abstinence

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-21, 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

8:30 a.m. - SJ + Andy Anderson

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12/Jn 7:40-53

MASS OF ANTICIPATION

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

4 p.m. - SJN + Dan Muleski

 Living and Deceased Members of St. John Nepomuk Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 6 Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:30 a.m. - SJ + Michael Harrington

+ Jim and Alice Rogers

- Living and Deceased Members

of St. Joseph Parish

^ - Mass with the school children

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, Sue Sisak.



City-wide Lenten
12 Hours of Reconciliation
Wednesday, April 9, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
en español 3-8 p.m.
St. Paul the Apostle 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.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES' FAMILY

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

8:45 a.m. - Knights of Columbus mtg.: SJ School café. After 9:30 a.m. Mass - Adult Choir rehearsal: SJ Church MONDAY, MARCH 31

Noon - Bulletin article deadline to info@st-joes.org 2:45-6 p.m. - Youth Center: SJ Parish Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

10 a.m.-7 p.m. - Interactive Experiential Stations with a Benediction closing: SH Church

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

After 4 p.m. Mass - Scrip gift cards sold: SJN Church **SUNDAY, APRIL 6**

8:30-9:45 a.m. - Faith Formation, family/student: SH After 9:30 a.m. Mass - Adult Choir rehearsal: SJ Church

If you or someone you know are unable to attend Mass and would like a Communion visit and/or the sacraments, please call your parish office. If someone is bringing you the Eucharist at this time, please let us know, so they have the appropriate pyx and pouch.

STEWARDSHIP

ST. JOHN NEPOMUK PARISH

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February Financia				
Envelopes:	\$5,620.00	\$10,710.00	-\$5,090.00	
Bldgs./Grounds:	\$ 225.00	\$ 431.00	-\$ 206.00	
Offertory:	\$1,110.00	\$ 614.21	\$ 495.79	
Total Contrib.:	\$6,730.00	\$11,755.21	-\$5,025.21	

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

February Financials: Feb. '25		Feb. '24		Difference		
Envelopes:	\$2	6,083.50	\$2	26,032.00	\$	51.50
Capital Funds:	\$	332.50	\$	460.00	-\$	127.50
Food Baskets:	\$	910.00	\$	1,595.00	-\$	685.00
Offertory:	\$	474.01	\$	1,411.51	-\$	937.50
Total Contrib.:	\$2	27,800.01	\$2	29,498.51	-\$1	,698.50

SJ's Spring Raffle is their ONLY raffle of the year! Prizes: 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100, 4th-7th - \$50. Tickets: parish offices/ushers' tables. \$2 ea./3 for \$5. Return ticket stubs/money: collection/Spagh. Dinner.

SIN CALENDAR RAFFLE 2025 WINNERS

Sunday, Mar. 16, \$50 Don Schroeder #536 Monday, Mar. 17, \$25 Mike Walton #906 Tuesday, Mar. 18, \$25 Andy/Kathy Simanek #1001 Wednesday, Mar. 19, \$25 Novien Garland #82 Thursday, Mar. 20, \$25 Elizabeth Gengozian #949 Friday, Mar. 21, \$25 Jason Christensen #318 Saturday, Mar. 22, \$25 Judy Brown #177

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GOOD TO KNOW

Save the Date! St. Joseph Catholic Church 150th Jubilee Celebration Saturday, July 19, 2025 4 p.m. Mass with Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob Parish Family Dinner at St. Joseph's Formal Invitation to Follow



The deadline for Easter Baskets is Sat., April 5, at SJN and Sun., A at SJ. Thank you! at SJN and Sun., April 6,

The Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner is Cnaghetti April 13, 3-6 p.m., SJ School cafeteria. Dinner Dine-in or carry out spaghetti dinner w/ homemade meatballs, Marinara sauce, salad, Paielli's bread, dessert, more. Dine in or carry out. Tickets: Adults, \$10; Children 5-12 vrs., \$7; Children 4 yrs. or younger, free. Raffle drawing, 5 p.m.

A six-week bereavement program is on Thursdays, April 24-May 29, 5:30-7 p.m, St. Paul's: 262-886-0530.

Please remember your loved ones with a Mass Intention or Sanctuary Lamp. Cost: Mass stipend, \$20; SJN Sanctuary Lamp, \$7; SJ Sanctuary Lamp, \$5.

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.



We are collecting new or handmade child-sized 🅽 mittens until the end of March. Mitten Baskets are in the back of SJ and the side door of SJN.

The SJ Rummage and Estate Sales will be held on Saturday, June 28! Drop-off dates announced later.

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 February, we fed 725 people incl. 253 children! Non-perishable needs: canned meat; canned fruit, 15.4 oz.; peanut butter, 16 or 28 oz.; boxed scalloped, au gratin, or instant potatoes; pasta sides; saltine crackers; toilet paper. Thank you for helping!

Food Pantry volunteers from SJN are needed to cover Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday of one week a month, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Work as little as a 1.5 hr. shift or as much as 3 hrs. For info., call Jean T., 262-930-5850.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF EIGHT



Sign up for the Catholic Community of Eight newsletter:

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

Siena Catholic Schools' newsletter: sienacatholicschools.org/newsletter

City-wide Lenten Reconciliation Wednesday, April 9, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. en español 3-8 p.m. St. Paul the Apostle Church

You are invited to a Food for the Journey event, "Walking With Jesus in Jerusalem," Monday, April 14, at St. Sebastian's with a 6 p.m. Taizé Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, meditations, and reconciliation.

Wednesday Stations	Friday Stations
–April 9	—April 11
6:00 p.m., St. Edward*	5:15 p.m., Sacred Heart
6:00 p.m., St. Richard*	6:00 p.m., St. Lucy
* Soup Supper/Lunch to	6:30 p.m., St. Joseph*
follow	* Benediction to follow

Living Stations w/students: Apr. 11, 10 a.m., St. Joseph

Monthly Marriage Gatherings Strengthen Your Marriage Together: Married or engaged looking to learn and grow Open to engaged or married at all stages Saturday, April 12 After 4 p.m. Mass, St. Lucy Register for on-site child care by emailing Eric Antrim, eantrim@stlucychurch.org

Belle City Catholic Young Adults (21-35-year-olds) Holy Happy Hour Tuesday, April 1

6 p.m. Mass, Sacred Heart 7 p.m. Pepi's Bar/Grill social Questions: Eric Antrim at eantrim@stlucychurch.org

Trivia Night Wednesday, April 23

Meet at 6:30 p.m./Trivia at 7 p.m. Pepi's Bar/Grill Questions: Eric Antrim at eantrim@stlucychurch.org

Women of Falth Thursday, April 24

TANKS OF THE PERSON

Young Adult Women's Bible Study Group

7 p.m., St. Lucy Weeks 1 and 2 of "Daughters of Grace" Bible Study from The Daily Grace Co. available at: thedailygraceco.com/products/the-daughters-ofgrace-digital-bible-study

Questions: Liv M. at liv.marek@gmail.com

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover. (Jos 5:10)

Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

Second Reading:

And all this is from God,

who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation. (2 Cor 5:18)

Gospel:

"But now we must celebrate and rejoice,

because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." (Lk 15:32)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Prodigal Son doesn't dare ask for the honor of being called his Father's son again. All he wants is to be close to his Father, to be cared for. But his Father surprises him with his mercy, as God surprises us. He offers more than just forgiveness. He offers redemption.

Observances for the week of March 30, 2025

Sunday:

4th Sunday of Lent

Tuesday:

April Fools' Day

Wednesday:

St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

Friday:

St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday:

St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent



Devotions, Explained!

A novena is a nine-day period of prayer focused on a specific topic, saint, or devotion. There are four basic categories of novenas - novenas of preparation, of mourning, of prayer, and of indulgence. This 9-day period of prayer can be traced back to the Acts of the Apostles.

Prayer of a Father's Blessing

God who wills good things for vour children. Help me to trust that You will be faithful. God who will not leave me. Help me to seek You, too. God who is ever-waiting for me, Help me to run straight towards You.

Amen.

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GRACE AND PEACE TO YOU, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

As we journey through Lent, the Fourth Sunday offers us a moment to pause and reflect on the gift of renewal that forgiveness brings. We have officially begun spring, and our hope is for better weather. The brightness of spring is about to burst. Just as spring rejuvenates the earth with new life, forgiveness heals and restores our souls, allowing us to grow closer to God and one another.

The Gospel's parable of the prodigal son reminds us of God's boundless mercy and love for us. The father goes beyond the son's expectations, brings him back with joy, and celebrates the restoration of their relationship. This boundless mercy calls us to practice forgiveness in our lives. Forgiveness is not a mere gesture but a transformative act. Forgiveness is not about excusing wrongs or forgetting hurt but about releasing the burdens that hold us captive. It is the act of unbinding our hearts, choosing grace over resentment, and opening ourselves to the fullness of renewal. That's what the father experiences in the parable: a new opportunity to share his joy and life with his lost son.

When we forgive, we imitate Christ's ultimate act of love on the cross. His sacrifice redeems us and invites us to extend that same compassion to others. By forgiving, we create space for reconciliation, peace, and new beginnings within ourselves and our relationships. The father in the parable brings about a new beginning in his relationship with his younger son. The older brother lets resentment and entitlement obscure his heart. We do not know if he came into the party or if he missed out on it. But that's the point of the parable; one must decide on the next step. The older brother needs to decide to partake of the joy that comes from forgiveness or continue to carry the burden that holds him captive: entitlement and resentment.

As we approach Easter, let us reflect on where forgiveness is needed in our lives. Who do we need to forgive, perhaps a friend, a family member, or even ourselves? Where can we offer mercy? By practicing forgiveness, we align our hearts with God's, and in doing so, we experience the joy of renewal that Lent calls us toward.

In essence, making forgiveness a daily habit involves consistently choosing understanding over bitterness, active reflection over dwelling on past hurts, and compassion over judgment. These practices lighten our emotional load and open new spaces for personal growth and renewed relationships.

Blessings,

Fr. Juan M. Camacho

Our Lenten Theme: A Journey to Renewal

Thank you for your T-Shirt Orders! Pray. Hope. Trust. God has a plan.



On behalf of Fr. Juan, thank you for being a part of this effort to strengthen the growing unity of our Family of Eight parishes. These are our "team shirts" for our Catholic presence in Racine. Please wear them to show we are proud to be a part of God's plan, and trust His seeing it to fulfillment. Today, Sunday, March 30, is the last day to order for an anticipated mid-April delivery.

Thank you again,
Annette and Deacon Dan Burmeister

Lenten Fish Fries!

Sacred Heart
March 21-April 11
JPII School gym:
-Baked or hand-
battered, deep
fried cod; French
fries or mac and
cheese;
coleslaw; bread
and butter;
dessert; milk;
coffee
Soda and beer
available for
purchase

St. Lucy
March 28,
April 11, 4-7 p.m.
SL School gym:
-Hand-breaded
cod, French
fries, coleslaw,
bread and butter
-Macaroni and
cheese, French
fries, coleslaw
Soda and beer
available for
purchase

St. Patrick All Fridays 11am-1pm/4-7pm Cristo Rey Hall: —3 pc. cod dinner, fries, coleslaw; dessert —Mojarra Frita —8 pc. shrimp din —Ceviche Tostada Soda, beer, and water for purchase

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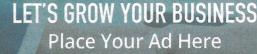
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