

Catholic Community of Eight in Racine

December 21, 2025

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”
- Mt 1:21



4^º DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

“Dará a luz un hijo y tú le pondrás el nombre de Jesús, porque él salvará a su pueblo de sus pecados”.
- Mt 1, 21

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Deacon Roberto Fuentes
Deacon Eric Sewell

Deacon Doug Gundlach
Deacon Howard Wirtz

Sacred Heart

Office Hours

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

2201 Northwestern Ave.
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
Confession: 3:30-4:15 pm, Saturday

St. Edward

Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday:
8:00 am-12:00 pm, 1:30 pm-4:30 pm
Tuesday & Thursday:
8:00 am-4:30 pm
Closed Fridays

1401 Grove Ave.
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

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

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 Ave.
Racine, WI 53403
262-554-1801 ex. 601

Email: 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-Wednesday 8:15 am
Friday, Saturday 8:15 am

Confession: After 8:15 am Mass, Friday
3:00-3:45 pm, Saturday

St. Patrick/San Patricio

Office Hours/Horario de oficina:

Monday-Friday 8:30 -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 St.
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/Miércoles 6:00 pm Español

Confession 4:00-5:30 pm, Wednesday

St. Richard

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Closed Fridays

1509 Grand Ave.,
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



St. Edward Parish

This Week in our Parish:

Sunday, December 21,
8:30 am Mass
11am-3pm SVDP Christmas Basket Pickup

Tuesday, December 23,
9:00 am Mass & Rosary

Wednesday, December 24, **Christmas EVE**
..... Office Closed

Thursday, December 25, **Christmas Day**
8:30 am Mass
..... Office Closed

Friday, December 26,
..... Office Closed

Saturday, December 27,
6:00 pm Facebook Chat with Fr. Juan

Sunday, December 28,
7:30 am Choir Rehearsal 🎵🎵🎵🎵🎵
8:30 am Mass

Weekly Collections for December 7:

Weekly Envelopes.....	\$ 4,098.93
Offertory.....	\$ 250.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 220.00
Votive Candles.....	\$ 9.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$ 450.00
Christmas Donations.....	\$ 290.00
Holy Day Offertory.....	\$64.00
Total.....	\$ 5,381.93

Weekly Collections for December 14 will be in an upcoming bulletin due to submission schedule.



Thank You—Thank You!!

Lynn Abler for your generous gift of time and commitment to coordinate at St. Edward's Parish, the Tuesday Night Community Meal Program to feed the hungry.

Your many years of work and service to those in need is a remarkable testament. The work goes on to the next coordinator, to not only follow the path you have created but to add another branch to the vine. Your legacy is that of service and joy in that service, which inspired those around you. God bless you and your work.



Please help put up Christmas decorations today after Mass. Chili will be served in the rectory after.

Mass Intentions:

Sunday, December 21, Forth Sunday of Advent
8:30 am Dave & Jackie Tuttle's —
50th Wedding Anniversary

Tuesday, December 23,
9:00 am † Elizabeth Correa

Sunday, December 28, The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary, and Joseph
8:30 am † Audrey Bonnar



Knights of Columbus

Be sure to see the KC bulletin insert "Thinking of Others This Christmas." Next Sunday is Holy Family Sunday. Knights will again be leading the "Consecration to the Holy Family" prayer after Communion.

Remember to stop downtown to see the Nativity Scene on Monument Square newly refurbished. Donations toward costs and upkeep of the Nativity can be sent to KC Council 697, P.O. Box 081453, Racine, WI 53408. Checks made out to "Racine Community Christmas Coalition."

Find out more about the benefits for you, your family, parish and community of becoming a Knight of Columbus. Stop by our KC Christmas/New Years Open House and Info. Session on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 7 PM at McGivney Hall (2516 Winthrop Ave. - 1 block east of St. Lucy's). Refreshments will be served.

Saint Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of Jesus' birth is truly a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more like him: more humble, holy, happy and full of God's love. Your gifts to the St. Vincent de Paul Society help those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel, to come to know and see that "God is with us." Christmas and New Years donations (money, food, personal care items) are welcome through January 4.

Food for the Journey: Searching for God's Blessings

December 31, 6:00 PM, at Sacred Heart

Featuring:

- Vigil Mass for Mary, the Mother of God, Holy Day of Obligation
- Eucharistic Adoration until Midnight
- Hourly Reflections (Bilingual)
- Confessions from 6-8 PM (English and Spanish available) And More!



St. Patrick Parish/Parroquia de San Patricio

Mass Intentions/Intenciones de Misa

12/21	8:30 am	† Agnes & † Emil DeMeulenaere
	10:30 am	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners
	12:00 pm	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners
	6:00 pm	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners
12/28	8:30 am	Living & Deceased Members of † Gerald & † Mary Flynn Family
	10:30 am	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners
	12:00 pm	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners
	6:00 pm	Por la Comunidad/Our Parishioners

Pensamientos del Padre Juan . . .

Gracia y paz a ustedes, mis hermanos y hermanas,

Encontramos la historia de San José en el Evangelio de Mateo para este Cuarto Domingo de Adviento. Mateo nos invita a reflexionar sobre San José, la figura silenciosa pero firme elegida por Dios para ser el padre adoptivo de Jesús. Su vida nos enseña profundas lecciones sobre la confianza, la responsabilidad y el compromiso inquebrantable con el plan de Dios. Él no habla; actúa y sigue el plan de Dios.

A José se le encomendó una misión única y desafiante: acoger al Hijo de Dios en su hogar y en su corazón. La Escritura nos dice que José era un hombre justo, lo que significa que vivía en una relación correcta con Dios y con los demás. Cuando descubrió que María estaba embarazada, su reacción inicial fue apartarse discretamente, evitando causarle vergüenza o daño. Sin embargo, cuando el ángel le reveló el plan de Dios, José aceptó su papel sin dudar. No fue el padre biológico de Jesús, pero su amor y protección no fueron menos reales. A través de José, Jesús experimentó la paternidad humana, el cuidado, la guía y la seguridad.

La grandeza de José radicaba en su obediencia. No permitió que el miedo o la confusión dictaran sus acciones. En cambio, escuchó la voz de Dios en medio de la incertidumbre. El mensaje del ángel: «No temas», se convirtió en la luz que guió a José. Aceptó un futuro radicalmente diferente al que había imaginado, confiando en que los caminos de Dios siempre son mejores que los nuestros. Su fe fue activa: tomó a María como esposa, viajó a Belén, huyó a Egipto y regresó a Nazaret, todo en respuesta a la instrucción divina. José nos enseña que el compromiso genuino con Dios significa entregarle nuestros planes a Él. Entendió que Dios estaría con él y lo acompañaría en su misión. Nunca dudó de la presencia y la guía de Dios. ¿Hay algo en lo que necesites confiar más en Dios? ¿Hay algo para lo que necesites la guía de Dios? Preséntaselo a Dios y recuerda atesorar las palabras del ángel: «No temas».

José podría haberse visto a sí mismo como una víctima de las circunstancias, pero eligió la responsabilidad en lugar de la resignación. Asumió la situación con valentía e integridad. En un mundo que a menudo busca escapar de las dificultades, José nos recuerda que la santidad se encuentra en abrazar nuestros deberes con amor. No permitió que los chismes, la presión social o las dudas personales lo desviaran del camino. En cambio, se mantuvo firme, convirtiéndose en protector de la Sagrada Familia. Su fortaleza silenciosa habla por sí sola: a veces, los actos más heroicos se realizan sin palabras, en la fiel discreción de la vida cotidiana.

Al acercarse el final del Adviento, José nos desafía a confiar en Dios en medio de la incertidumbre, a asumir la responsabilidad de las misiones que se nos encomiendan y a permanecer fieles incluso cuando las circunstancias parecen abrumadoras. Como José, estamos llamados a ser guardianes de la vida, el amor y la fe en nuestras familias y comunidades. Pidamos su intercesión para que, ante los giros inesperados de la vida, respondamos no con miedo, sino con una valentía llena de fe.

Bendiciones,

Padre Juan M. Camacho

Weekly Schedule

Sunday/domingo 12/21

Monday/lunes 12/22

Tuesday/martes 12/23

Wednesday/miércoles 12/24

Thursday/jueves 12/25

Friday/viernes 12/26

Saturday/sábado 12/27

Sunday/domingo 12/28

Próximos Eventos

Cristo Rey Cafe, 9:30 am, CRH

Posada, 6:00-9:00 pm, CRH

Posada, 6:00-9:00 pm, CRH

Grupo de Matrimonios, 6:30 pm, CRH

Coro niños 5:00 pm, Adultos 6:00 pm

Posada, 6:00-9:00 pm, CRH

Office Closed/Oficina Cerrada

Misa, 7:00 pm

Office Closed/Oficina Cerrada

Misa, 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm

Office Closed/Oficina Cerrada

Emaus (Hombres) 7-8:30 pm, LCRH

Emaus (Mujeres) 6-8:pm, Room 206.

Via Crucis, 4:00-7:00 pm

Cristo Rey Cafe, 9:30 am, CRH

Baptism Class, 10:00 am, LCRH

AYÚDENOS A ACTUALIZAR NUESTROS REGISTROS

Si usted ha tenido algún cambio en los miembros de la familia, número de teléfono, dirección, correo electrónico, etc., por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia (632-8808) para hacernos saber.

If you have had any changes in family members, phone number, address, email, etc., please notify the parish office (632-8808).

INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN DEL SANTO PADRE DE DICIEMBRE
Por los cristianos en contextos de conflicto. Oremos para que los cristianos que viven en contextos de guerra o conflicto, especialmente en Medio Oriente, sean semillas de paz, reconciliación y esperanza.
popesprayerusa.net



Clases de Inglés en Vivo

1101 Ave. Douglas El Centro Educativo Juan 23
los martes 9:00-9:45 am nivel básico 9:45-10:30 am intermedio

\$2.00 por clase, todo incluido

Más información en español: (262) 902-6668

MASSES FOR SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, December 31

Sacred Heart, 6:00 pm

St. Patrick, 6:00 pm (Spanish)

Thursday, January 1:

St. Lucy, 8:00 am

St. Edward, 8:30 am

St. Patrick, 8:30 am

St. Joseph, 9:30 am

St. Sebastian, 9:30 am

St. Richard, 10:00 am

St. Patrick, 11:00 am (Spanish)

If you know of a parishioner who has recently entered the hospital, a nursing home, or assisted living, please notify the parish office at (262) 898-5651 or church@stppatrickracine.com.

Si conoce a algún parroquiano que haya ingresado en un hospital, un hogar de ancianos o una residencia asistida, por favor notifique a la oficina parroquial al (262) 898-5651 o church@stppatrickracine.com.



Poinsettia Sale

Please help beautify our church for Christmas by ordering poinsettias in honor or memory of your loved ones living or deceased. The price per plant is \$10. Thank you for your support.

La Venta de las Noches Buenas

Tendremos a la venta las flores para adornar nuestro altar. Ayúdenos para que nuestra Iglesia luzca más bonita en esta navidad, ordenando noches buenas en honor o memoria de sus seres queridos, tanto vivos como los que ya han partido. El precio por la planta es \$10. Gracias por tu apoyo.

In memory (or honor) of / en memoria (o honor) de:



St. Richard Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, December 21, Mass- 10:00a.m.

Thursday, December 25, Mass-10:00 am
Merry Christmas

Sunday, December 28, Mass - 10:00 a.m.

Financial Stewardship for Sunday, December 7, 2025

- \$4808.00 Weekly Envelopes
- \$127.00 Offertory
- \$20.00 Candles
- \$120.00 SVdP Food Program
- \$80.00 Christmas
- \$61.00 Christmas Flowers
- \$3450.00 Challenge

END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 31
IN ORDER TO BE CREDITED TO THE 2025 YEAR.



Deficit Challenge Update

We would like to thank each and every one of you that contributed to this Challenge. We have collected \$33,875.00. You all helped in a time when we needed to pull together as a Parish Family.
May God bless you all.

*If you would like to continue to contribute please make sure to add "Challenge" to the memo line of your check



CALENDAR RAFFLE

WINNERS

Dec. 21, 2025
Patrick Renguette
Racine, WI 53402

Dec. 24, 2025
Joan Hoaglund
Racine, WI 53406

Upcoming Events in Our Community

"The Man of the Shroud Exhibit" - at Sacred Heart
January 9-17 (contact Nancy if interested in volunteering)

Scripture Conference - January 23rd & 24th
(more details to come)

Souper Bowl XV - February 8 we will begin collecting soup at all eight parishes.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 21, Fourth Sunday in Advent

- 10:00 a.m. †Mary Flores
- †Tim Mandli
- †Jud Wyant

Thursday, December 25, Christmas

10:00 a.m. For the living and deceased members of our Community of Eight

Sunday, December 28, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

- 10:00 a.m. †Stanly Penczykowski
- Birthday blessings Anne Vendelli

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Closure & Cancellation Procedures

With the winter upon us, we would like to inform you all that All locations of our Community will follow the same procedure when it comes to last minute changes due to weather: if Siena Catholic Schools close, the parish office will as well—this includes the cancellation of daily Mass. These changes will be posted on social media as soon as possible. As always, even if Mass is not cancelled, **please use your own personal judgement whether or not to attend.**

Have a blessed Christmas

I wish you the peace,
happiness and love
that the true meaning of
Christmas brings in.



St. Edward, St. Patrick, and St. Richard Parishes

Thoughts from Father Juan . . .

Grace and Peace to you, my brothers and sisters,

We find the story of Saint Joseph in Matthew's Gospel for this Fourth Sunday of Advent. Matthew invites us to reflect on Saint Joseph, the silent yet steadfast figure chosen by God to be Jesus' adoptive father. His life teaches us profound lessons about trust, responsibility, and unwavering commitment to God's plan. He does not speak; he acts and follows God's plan.

Joseph was entrusted with a unique and challenging mission: to welcome the Son of God into his home and heart. Scripture tells us that Joseph was a "just man", meaning he lived in right relationship with God and others. When he discovered that Mary was with child, his initial reaction was to step aside quietly, avoiding shame or harm to her. Yet, when the angel revealed God's plan, Joseph embraced his role without hesitation. He did not father Jesus biologically, but his love and protection were no less real. Through Joseph, Jesus experienced human fatherhood, care, guidance, and security.

Joseph's greatness lay in his obedience. He did not allow fear or confusion to dictate his actions. Instead, he listened to God's voice amid uncertainty. The angel's message, "**Do not be afraid**," became Joseph's guiding light. He accepted a future that was radically different from what he had imagined, trusting that God's ways are always greater than ours. His faith was active: he took Mary as his wife, journeyed to Bethlehem, fled to Egypt, and returned to Nazareth, all in response to divine instruction. Joseph teaches us that genuine commitment to God means surrendering our plans for his. He understood that God would be with him and walk with him in his mission. He never doubted God's presence and guidance. Is there something you need to trust God more with? Is there something for which you need God's guidance? Bring that to God and remember to take to heart the words of the angel: "**Do not be afraid**".

Joseph could have seen himself as a victim of circumstance, but he chose responsibility over resignation. He owned the situation with courage and integrity. In a world that often seeks escape from difficulties, Joseph reminds us that holiness is found in embracing our duties with love. He did not let gossip, social pressure, or personal doubts lead him astray. Instead, he stood firm, becoming the protector of the Holy Family. His silent strength speaks volumes: sometimes the most heroic acts are done without words, in the quiet fidelity of daily life.

As Advent draws to a close, Joseph challenges us to trust God amid uncertainty, to take responsibility for the missions entrusted to us, and to remain faithful even when circumstances seem overwhelming. Like Joseph, we are called to be guardians of life, love, and faith in our families

The parish offices of St. Edward, St. Patrick, and St. Richard will be closed Wednesday, December 24 through Friday, December 26, and Wednesday, December 31 and Thursday, January 1. We wish you and your families safe and blessed holidays.

HOLIDAY
OFFICE HOURS

The Nativity of the Lord

December 24/25

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Eve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:00 PM - St. Joseph* • 4:00 PM - St. Lucy • 4:30 PM - Sacred Heart • 4:30 PM - St. Sebastian • 7:00 PM - St. Patrick (Spanish) • 10:00 PM - Sacred Heart • 10:00 PM - St. Lucy* <p style="text-align: center;">*Chanted Mass</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 AM - St. Lucy • 8:30 AM - St. Edward • 8:30 AM - St. Patrick • 9:00 AM - Sacred Heart • 9:30 AM - St. John Nepomuk • 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) |
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POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER

For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope. Popesprayerusa.net

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and communities. Let us ask for his intercession so that, when faced with unexpected turns, we may respond not with fear, but with faith-filled courage.

Blessings,
Fr. Juan M Camacho



Masses and Clergy Assignments December 24-25

	Sacred Heart	St. Edward	St John Nepomuk	St. Joseph	St. Lucy	St. Patrick	St. Richard	St. Sebastian
12/24	4:30 PM			4:00 PM	4:00 PM			4:30 PM
	Fr. Richter			Fr. Timothy*	Fr. Juan			Fr. Terry
12/24	10:00 PM				10:00 PM	7:00 PM		
	Fr. Juan				Fr. Richter*	Fr. Juan		
12/25	9:00 AM	8:30 AM	9:30 AM		8:00 AM	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	9:30 AM
	Fr. Timothy	Fr. Richter	Fr. Juan		Fr. Allen	Fr. Joaquin	Fr. Richter	Fr. Terry
12/25					11:00 AM	10:30 AM		
					Fr. Allen	Fr. Timothy		Racine Prison
12/25				* = Chant		12:00 PM		1:00 PM
						Fr. Juan		Fr. Richter



Masses and Clergy Assignments December 27-28

	Sacred Heart	St. Edward	St John Nepomuk	St. Joseph	St. Lucy	St. Patrick	St. Richard	St. Sebastian
12/20	4:30 PM		4:00 PM		4:00 PM			4:30 PM
	Fr. Wolfe		Fr. Richter		Fr. Timothy			Fr. Juan
12/21	9:00 AM	8:30 AM		9:30 AM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	9:30 AM
	Fr. Timothy	Fr. Richter		Fr. Juan	Fr. Juan	Fr. Joaquin	Fr. Richter	Fr. Terry
12/21					11:00 AM	10:30 AM		
					Fr. Allen	Fr. Timothy		
12/21					5:00 PM	12:00 PM		
					Fr. Timothy	Fr. Juan		
12/21						6:00 PM		
						Fr. Richter		