

January 18, 2026



Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

St. Joseph Congregation

A family devoted to experience Jesus through prayer, formation and service.

Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 8:15am | Saturday (Vigil) 4:00pm | Sunday 8:00am, 10:30am

12130 W. Center Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53222

Parish Office: 414-771-4626 | Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:30pm

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Parish Information

Parish Registration: Registration for the parish can be done at the Parish Office during normal business hours or after Mass on Sunday in the Welcome Center at the Center St. entrance of church. Young people out of college school are requested to register as adult members.

Hearing Impaired: St. Joseph's Church has an "Audio Loop" for use by people who have a hearing aid equipped with a "T switch".

St. Joseph Chapel Hours: Monday-Friday 7:00am to 8:00pm.

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Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:



Adoration will take place every Monday immediately following the 8:15am Mass until 9:30am. Confession offered as well.

Holy Hour/Adoration will take place on the first Thursday of the month from 6:30pm-7:30pm in the Chapel.

Anointing of the Sick:

Anointing will take place on the first Friday and first Saturday of the month at the 8:15am Mass.

*Anointing may also be done by appointment.
Please call the Parish Office.*

Mass Intentions		We Should Examine Our Daily Lives
Monday, January 19th 7:35am Rosary 8:15am † Mary Jensen	Today's readings provide clear and inspiring reminders of the most fundamental aspect of our identity — that of servants of our most high and holy God, His modern-day disciples, and stewards.	
Tuesday, January 20th 7:30am The Patriotic Rosary 8:00am Perpetual Help 8:15am † Lucy Niebler	John the Baptist recognized the holiness of Jesus and the response due to Him when he encountered Christ in person on the day they met at the Jordan River. His response, which we read in our Gospel passage from St. John was, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world... He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"	
Wednesday, January 21st 7:35am Rosary 8:15am Holy Souls in Purgatory	What a powerful description of our Lord and the place He should rightfully have in each of our lives. He is truly our Savior, the only one who can free us from our sinfulness. We are utterly and completely dependent on His power, love, and mercy. Therefore, He truly does "rank ahead" of us; he deserves to be first, above all other priorities and plans in our lives. Let us examine our daily lives and encourage our children to do the same.	
Thursday, January 22nd No Mass	Does the way I spend my time reflect that God comes first? Do prayer and weekly Mass, regular confession, and time with my family "rank ahead" of everything else on my calendar? Do I use my talents, skills, and energy to serve my family, parish and community in thanksgiving and recognition that God's kingdom ranks ahead of any other goals or ambitions? Do I spend my money and use my material possessions to glorify God?	
Friday, January 23rd 7:35am Rosary 8:15am	Challenge questions, to be sure. But questions worthy of our high calling as Christian stewards offered a glorious mission in service of our Lord and His kingdom. What will our response be?	
Saturday, January 24th 3:00pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Our Parish Family	-copyright: Catholic Stewardship Consultants, www.CatholicSteward.com	
Sunday, January 25th		
7:00am Reconciliation		
8:00am † Bob Kult		
† Ted Drolshagen		
10:30am † Virginia Adams		
† Don Tollefson		
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23;		
Ps 50:8-9, 16b-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22		
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28;		
Mk 2:23-28		
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51;		
Ps 144:1b-2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6		
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7;		
Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12		
Friday: 1 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11;		
Mk 3:13-19		
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;		
Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21		
Sunday: Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;		
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17		

Readings of the Week

*Don't miss
the ^{Bulletin}
Deadline*

Bulletin articles are due
in the Parish Office by
Noon on Monday.

We reserve the right to edit /
condense as space permits.

Articles will appear in the bulletin twice unless
otherwise specified with original request.

If the article should be posted to
the St. Joseph website, St. Joseph Facebook page,
or included with the weekend email, please include
that information with original request.

Please email bulletin articles to:
parishadmin@stjoetosa.com



Sacraments

Baptism: Parents who wish to have their child baptized must be registered members of St. Joseph Parish and practicing their Catholic Faith. A pre-baptism class must be attended prior to the date of the baptism. Baptisms are celebrated at one of the weekend Masses or at another arranged time. For more information contact the Parish Office.

Funerals: Please call the Parish Office in the event of the death of a loved one. Arrangements will be made for planning of the service including the musicians. Advanced planning may be done by making an appointment with Father.

Reconciliation: Monday 9:00am-9:30am, during adoration, Saturday 3:00 pm-3:50 pm, Sunday 7:00am-7:50am, or by appointment. Please call the Parish Office.

Weddings: Couples must contact the pastor to make arrangements for marriage. No date should be set until this is done as the church may not be available. The Catholic party must be a registered and practicing member of the parish for at least six months prior to setting a date. In addition, a six month period of preparation is required for marriage.



St. Joseph Parishioners Your Help Is Needed!

We are looking for parish members interested in joining one of our usher teams. The commitment is one month on and two months off for a specific Mass time. We have teams that could use new members. Specifically, at the 10:30 AM Masses. Ushering is an extremely rewarding experience and it is an essential part to the Mass.

If you are interested in becoming an usher, please contact Phil Bain at 414-333-7538 or pjbainjr@gmail.com.

MENS RETREAT INFORMATION FOR FEBRUARY 19-22, 2026

Men, we are more than one half the way to filling up all 60 rooms at the Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh for our yearly time away for a silent retreat. Dates are still Thursday, February 19th for 7pm Supper through Sunday, February 22nd, 2026 after 11am Mass and lunch. The day after Ash Wednesday and the start to LENT 2026.

This will be here before you know it, time flies. I keep reflecting on why men might want to go on this great time away to be with Our God and Lord Savior. For me, it's easy. The goal of our life is getting welcomed into Heaven. Your 1st time in Heaven will be way greater than your best day ever! Exceeding any experience on earth like winning a lottery, having children, getting married, bowling a 300 game, winning a Super Bowl, getting a golf hole in one, being named Most wonderful person ever, etc.

Going on these silent retreats help you to create a PATHWAY TO HEAVEN. You are invited to join us. Go to the website at www.jesuitretreathouse.org and register with a \$100 deposit to hold yourself a lovely room. We are Group #009.

Questions? mark@frederickpkg.com

Ministry of the Sick

Please take a moment to pray...

Heavenly Father, Lay Your healing hands on those who are sick

Connie Borden, Christine Brady, Chris Burk, Phil Cashill, Margaret Christman, Dennis Cimpl, Marian Cochrane, Katy Connors, JoAnn Doyle, Donna Drake, Marge Fandre, Jane Foxgrovier, Jeanne Fuchs, Josefina Gallegos, Christine Gilpatrick, Cameron Gonring, Amy Grahovac, Betty Groshek, Jenny Grosschadl, Diane Haase, Bruce Henning, Barb Hesselbein, Alex Holmes, Charles Jacoby, Jim Janette, Joyce Keller, Janet Klein, Don Kresse, Richard Kroscher, Doug Kruse, Julian Lombard, Mark Mayer, Sue McCauley, Tom McElwee, Margaret Mehigan, Theresa Motto, Shawn Munch, Lee Neustedter, Loren Norstrem, Luis Rodriguez, Dan Rooney, Carol & Lee Smaglick, Tim Taff, Betty Weinzierl, Ann Marie Wick

We also include any of our loved ones who are dealing with cancer or mental illness.

If you know anyone who is sick or in the hospital, please let us know. The hospitals do not always contact us.

If you or someone you know is homebound or ill and would like to receive communion, please call the Parish Office.



From the Desk of Father Justin

It's Ordinary Time once again, and Christmas is officially over and done with for the remainder of the liturgical year. It is indeed nice to be back to wearing green. I hope you're all back to your usual routines, more or less. December and January can be popular months for travel and vacation, and I am no exception. Like many of my brother priests, January is an ideal time to get away after so much Christmas rush, and a few days in a hermitage at the Redemptorist Retreat Center was a welcome break. Spiritual retreats are not only for priests and they do not have to be complicated – this year was a typical example of that: most of my time (beyond eating and sleeping and all that) was spent with my thoughts and several good books. Even though I brought a big stack of books with me, I only ended up touching two of them. The hermitage had a pocketbook edition of *Thoughts In Solitude* by Thomas Merton, and that proved to be the best thing of all to read while alone on retreat. I loved the book so much, I finished the hermitage's copy and then ordered a fresh copy for myself on Amazon: it's a book I want on the shelf in my office.

Otherwise, allow me to offer my thanks to everyone who sent me a card or a gift for Christmas this year. I've got a few straggler "thank you" letters to get in the mail, but most of them have been sent by now. If you gave something to me and didn't get a response, please don't take it as a sign of ingratitude from me. Some gifts and cards didn't come with addresses or last names. Some people signed their cards, but I wasn't able to make out who exactly they were. Still other people supplied their full names, but have no available contact information here at the parish. All of that is, of course, in addition to anyone I missed by way of human error and genuine mistakes. I am very grateful that so many of you thought of me during the holiday season. Rest assured that my sugar supply is more than adequate for the rest of winter, and I have many fresh pairs of silly and/or religious socks for the coming year. You all have really kept one of my catch-phrases going this year: "Father Justin, how much money do you spend on your socks?" "How much money?!? I haven't bought a pair of socks in ten years!" Pretty soon I'll need to boost that to fifteen years...

Finally, in terms of messages of Christmas thanksgiving, you all collectively gave me a Marian devotional book for my installation Mass last year. I glanced at it for a minute and then put it on my shelf until January arrived. Now that the new year has begun, I've folded that Marian book into my morning prayer routine, where I take a minute or two to enjoy a daily Marian reflection and prayer. Thanks to all of you – especially those who signed the book somewhere. It was a deeply appropriate way to commemorate the occasion, and I will take advantage of its wisdom every day for the coming year... as its author intended it to be used!

Peace,
Father Justin

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH
FOLLOWING 10:30 MASS**

**ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2026-2027
SCHOOL YEAR OPENS MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 2ND**

**EMAIL
VANVREEDEB@STJOSEPHSCHOOLTOSA.COM
TO SCHEDULE A PERSONALIZED TOUR!**

Order gift cards from SCRIP/RAISE RIGHT and earn money to support St. Joe's!
Orders are due January 22nd.

Upcoming Activities at St. Joseph's:

Monday, January 19

9:30am-11:00am: First Fruits in St. Joseph Rm
5:30pm-8:30pm: Basketball Practice in Gym
6:30pm-8:00pm: First Fruits in St. Joseph Rm

Tuesday, January 20

9:00am-10:30am: St. Joseph Bible Study in St. Joseph Rm
4:00pm-7:00pm: Basketball Practice in Gym
4:00pm-9:00pm: BARCEL Violin in Music Rm
7:00pm-8:00pm: Pilgrims on the Road to Emmaus in St. John Rm
7:00pm-8:00pm: St. Joseph Bible Study—Online
7:00pm-8:00pm: Tosa West Basketball Training in Gym

Wednesday, January 21

3:15pm-4:00pm: Girl Scout Troop 37999 in Library
4:00pm-8:30pm: Basketball Practice in Gym
6:30pm-8:00pm: Pastoral Council in St. Joseph Rm
8:30pm-9:30pm: Tosa West Basketball Training in Gym

Thursday, January 22

9:30am-11:00am: Well Time in St. Mary Rm
3:30pm-7:00pm: Basketball Practice in Gym
6:00pm-8:00pm: Boy Scouts Troop 485 in Youth Den
6:30pm-10:00pm: Dartball League in Hall
6:30pm-8:00pm: Stewardship Committee in St. Joseph Rm
7:30pm-9:00pm: One on One Milwaukee in Gym

Friday, January 23

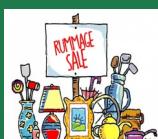
4:00pm-5:30pm: Basketball Practice in Gym

Saturday, January 24

6:00am-8:00am: Men's Group in Hall & Kitchen
8:00am-Noon: BARCEL Violin in Music Rm
5:00pm-10:00pm: Soup & Chili Cook Off in Hall & Kitchen

Sunday, January 25

11:30am-12:30pm: Open House in School
- Book Fair in Library until 1:00pm
1:00pm-3:00pm: John Hochhaus Forensics Tournament in School
12:00pm-1:30pm: One on One Milwaukee Basketball in Gym
6:00pm-9:30pm: Spike Volleyball in Gym



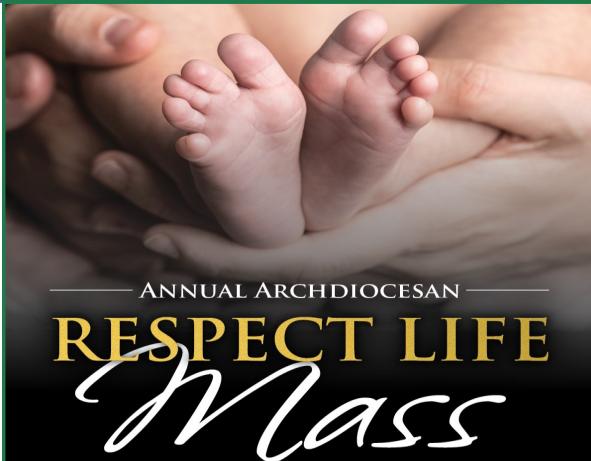
The Rummage Sale is expanding its "aluminum can" collection to include BRASS and COPPER. Aluminum cans cannot have contained food or been used for cooking.

We are also collecting burned out Christmas lights. Please leave outside the garage doors.

THE GREAT JEWELRY COLLECTION... Thousands of pieces of jewelry are sold each year. Collect jewelry from family and friends and leave it in the Welcome Center or the Parish Office.



Events Around the Archdiocese:



ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN *RESPECT LIFE* *Mass*

Celebrated by Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob
January 22, 2026, 6 p.m.

CHRIST KING CATHOLIC PARISH
2604 N. Swan Blvd., Wauwatosa, WI

All are invited to the annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass to observe the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Celebrated by Archbishop Jeffrey S. Grob, come together and pray on the anniversary of the tragic decision of Roe vs. Wade. Continued prayers and advocacy are still needed to uphold the dignity of every human life – from conception to natural death.

Rich Fedor, Director of the Office for Respect Life Ministry
fedorr@archmil.org | 414-758-2286

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

Parish Life Presents

SOUP & CHILI COOK-OFF

JANUARY 24TH
5PM
PARISH HALL

ENJOY DELICIOUS SOUPS AND CHILIS
PREPARED BY OUR 17 TALENTED CHEFS.
CAST YOUR VOTE AND HELP CROWN THE WINNERS!





Welcome to St. Joseph Congregation.
We are blessed to have you worship
with us today!

We pray that our celebration of the Mass spiritually
feeds you and that you feel welcome among us.

Have questions about St. Joseph
Congregation or the Catholic Church?
We're happy to answer! Just contact
Father Justin, Dennis Sylva, our Adult
Minister, or the parish office (414) 771-4626.

Learn more about us at stjoetosa.com



At St. Joseph Catholic School we offer a
faith filled academic experience for
children 3K—8th grade.

If you would like to schedule a
tour and see what our school offers
please contact our principal,
Bryanna VanVreede, at
414-771-5577 or
vanvreedeb@stjosephschooltosa.com

Learn more about our day school
at stjosephschooltosa.com

Items are collected for the Rummage Sale year-round, please see below for
where items can be left:

- ♦ Please leave children's clothing, toys, adults & children's books in the Welcome Center.
- ♦ Bikes can be left between the west parking lot garages with a note attached: "Rummage".
- ♦ To donate furniture contact Fran, dntolly@aol.com Subject: Rummage
- ♦ Help us recycle & make money for St. Joe's—Currently collecting crushed aluminum cans and Christmas Lights. Leave outside the 2 single car garages in west parking lot.
- ♦ Join the great jewelry collection! Thousands of pieces of jewelry are needed! Ask every one you know if they can donate! Please leave the jewelry in the Welcome Center or Parish Office.

Collecting items now
for the 2026 sale!



Thank you for your continued support of our annual Rummage Sale!!

2026 Dates: June 18th, 19th & 20th



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