

St. Joseph Congregation

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



July 5, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 | Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00am-3:30pm, Friday 8:00am-12:00pm

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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 of the Sick 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		Having a Humble Soul
Monday, July 6th		The theme of humility is central to our readings today. God Himself is a humble God, so if we wish to follow Him as Christian stewards, we too, must be humble. In fact, humility is key to the stewardship way of life, and to a peaceful and fulfilling life. In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus Himself speaks to the Father about the privileged role that humble souls play in God's plan of salvation. "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones." What does it mean to be a "little one"? It means that we acknowledge we don't have it all figured out, but that we are very much in need of a savior. It means we recognize that all we are and all we have been given is a gift from God. It means we embrace the stewardship way of life. It is not easy, but deep peace and consolation come with this way of life. Jesus offers these warm and encouraging words to entice us to embrace them. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." Let us resolve to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, embracing the humble path of stewardship. It is the path that leads to peace here and now, and ultimately leads us to heaven. -copyright: Catholic Stewardship Consultants, www.CatholicSteward.com
7:35am	Rosary	
8:15am	† Thomas Brandt	
Tuesday, July 7th		
7:30am	The Patriotic Rosary	
8:00am	Perpetual Help	
8:15am	Communion Services	
Wednesday, July 8th		Novena for America Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, Intercede for us, your children in America, as we pray for our nation, our military, and our families. We pray for our government leaders, that they will make just decisions and govern us in accordance with truth and the principles upon which our nation was founded. We ask protection for those serving in the military and for our first responders. Bless them and their families as they sacrifice themselves to keep us safe. We pray for our families. In a culture that seeks to destroy the morals and values upon which this country was founded, may our families be united in faith and charity. Reclaim this great country for your Son's glory, that under His protection and guidance, we may stand together as a people of faith and trust in Him for the changes we seek. <i>Amen.</i> CatholicCompany.com <i>Because Faith Matters</i>
7:35am	Rosary	
8:15am	The Kearns & Behling Family	
Thursday, July 9th		
No Mass		
Friday, July 10th		
7:35am	Rosary	
8:15am	Don & Kate Kresse Anniversary	
Saturday, July 11th		
3:00pm	Reconciliation	
4:00pm	Our Parish Family	
Sunday, July 12th		
7:00am	Reconciliation	
8:00am	Patsy Hughes	
10:30am	† Frank Scott	
	† Tom & Julie Novotny	
Readings of the Week	Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Ps 145:2-9; Mt 9:18-26	
	Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 115:3-7b, 8-10; Mt 9:32-38	
	Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 105:2-7; Mt 10:1-7	
	Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16; Mt 10:7-15	
	Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17; Mt 10:16-23	
	Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mt 10:24-33	
	Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10-14; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9	
Eternal rest grant unto him...		
Our Parishioner,		
Thomas Liker		
has passed away.		
Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.		



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. BEN'S MEAL PROGRAM

Tuesday, July 14th is our day to provide food for the St. Ben's Meal Program. Your contribution to this wonderful mission is most appreciated.

We are in need of 8 casseroles, large enough to feed 20 people and 10 desserts. To help Padge and George Haas, please call them at 262-784-5952 or email at georgepadge@hotmail.com before Sunday, July 14th to volunteer to provide a dish. If you work and find it hard to get a hot casserole delivered on time, consider dropping off your cold casserole the night before or in the morning on your way to work.

"No one has ever become poor by giving."
– Ann Frank

St. Ben's Upcoming Dates (Please mark your calendar)

Aug 11 Michelle & Jim Canes 262-790-1757
canesmichelle5@gmail.com

Sep 8 Susan & Kevin Scott 262-781-1445
kevsuescott@wi.rr.com

Oct 13 St. Joseph's Day School

Nov 10 St Joseph's Child Ministry

Ministry of the Sick *Please take a moment to pray...*

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

AnneLiese Bitzl, Connie Borden, Christine Brady, Chris Burk, Phil Cashill, Margaret Christman, Dennis Cimpl, Marian Cochrane, Katy Connors, Donna Drake, Marge Fandre, Jane Foxgrover, Jeanne Fuchs, Josefina Gallegos, Christine Gilpatrick, Cameron Gonring, Amy Grahovac, Aggie Green, Betty Groshek, Jenny Grosschadl, Diane Haase, Bruce Henning, Barb Hesselbein, Alex Holmes, Charles Jacoby, Jim Janette, Joy Kasun, 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, Honey Patcot, Dale Peterson, Luis Rodriguez, Dan Rooney, Paul Siverling, Carol & Lee Smaglick, Tim Taff, Robert Traglia, 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.

OCIA 2026

Starting on July 12th

Are you or someone you know interested in Becoming Catholic?

We are also looking for Catechists to help teach!

Please consider joining us

**Contact Alex Burks at
DRE@Stjoetosa.com or call (414)771-4626**



From the Desk of Father Justin

As a follow-up to the homily two weekends ago, I'm offering a three-part series on the Apostles' Creed here in the bulletin. The Creed is a part of our faith that rarely gets the attention it deserves, so this is one step toward shoring up that weak spot.

Creed doesn't literally state every essential belief of the Catholic faith; that would take forever. It doesn't directly refer to the 10 Commandments, the Final Judgment, the necessity of baptism, or the essence of divine mercy. However, all those things and more are built into the creed... in an indirect way. The creed is a summary of the foundational and non-negotiable beliefs we hold as Catholics, with all other critical beliefs spring from the ones stated in plain English.

This article is part two: I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son of God.

This second part of the creed is longer than the other two by a long shot. The creed details the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, so he gets more wordage than the Father and the Holy Spirit put together.

What does the second section directly state? It means that as Catholics, we believe that:

- Jesus Christ is truly divine and shares in the very nature of the Father.
- The Virgin Mary is his mother, and Jesus was born like anyone else (unique circumstances notwithstanding).
- He suffered through the events we refer to as "the passion", died on the cross, and was buried.
- He remained dead for three days, but was not inactive in the tomb.
- He has returned to his Heavenly Father, and continues to intercede for us as savior and redeemer.
- He will come again to judge everyone – living or dead. This will signal and be the end of the age.

From that foundation, we are able to branch off to other matters of our faith somehow relating to God the Son.

- The Virgin Mary, being the Mother of Christ, is therefore our mother as Christians. The 4th Commandment applies to her as easily as our biological mothers – so be sure to show due honor and respect to her!
- Jesus was not brought into being upon his conception. He has always been a part of the Trinity, far earlier than his birth.
- Joseph was his step-father, guardian, and domestic role-model.
- Jesus spent three years in what we call his earthly ministry. He was thirty when baptized and thirty-three when crucified. He preached, healed, and recruited & trained the disciples.
- Jesus was an active participant of the Jewish faith, including yearly pilgrimages to Jerusalem. Everything he did was done through the lens of the Jewish religion and culture.
- Jesus proclaimed the Kingdom of God, calling us to it as sinners redeemed by his suffering and death. His signs and wonders (which we call 'miracles' today) are signs of that Kingdom, with perhaps the most notable one being his Transfiguration.
- The Jews are not collectively responsible for his crucifixion. All sinners are the authors of his passion, including you and me.
- Jesus' death and burial were the price he paid for our salvation, and we are 'buried in Christ' at baptism.
- When we declare that Jesus descended into hell, we mean that the Gospel was preached even to the dead. The just who had preceded him in death awaited his death and resurrection as the time when the gates of heaven would truly be opened.
- Christ was not raised from the dead as some kind of a ghost, zombie, or vampire. He rose again from the dead with a glorified body as real as the one he had before the crucifixion.
- We now live our lives in the 'in-between' time: we are between Christ's resurrection and his second coming. No matter how much linear time may pass, we are in the final chapter of the story of redemption in Christ. No matter what happens in the world from now on, we are called to a life of faith, hope, and love until the end of the age when Christ will come again in final judgment.

Those things are, while not explicitly stated in the creed, are nevertheless dogmatic beliefs of our faith, and they all stem from that one simple statement of faith: "I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son of God."

Reflect on the middle of the creed this week, and we'll finish with part three in the next issue!

Peace, Father Justin

FAITH. — FELLOWSHIP. — FUN.

ST. JOE MEN'S GROUP SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

PARISH MEN AND SPOUSES, A BUD,
AGE 16+ FAMILY MEMBERS



RSVP by this
Wed, July 8th
→ to ←
Duane Filtz



EITHER
SATURDAY,
JULY 11TH 1PM
OR ...



SUNDAY,
JULY 12TH
1PM



ALL SKILL
LEVELS
WELCOME!

FUN FOR EVERYONE!



OR, JUST ENJOY
WATCHING!
GREAT PARISH
FELLOWSHIP!



VOTE EITHER FOR THIS SAT OR THIS SUN

by the Wednesday July 8th Deadline.

Apologies for the short notice.



LOCATION

Waukesha Gun Club,
Hwy F (Redford Blvd)
and Wttn Rd,
Waukesha 53188

1-mile, 12-station course,
roughly 1.5-hrs.
Golf carts available if desired.

LOW COST!

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rent for \$25.



LET US KNOW!

Either call Duane Filtz
at 262-993-4858
or email him at
dmfiltz1112@att.net.

Need name(s), cell, email . . .
AND, your vote for this Sat,
or this Sun, or either.



THANK YOU

for being an active part of the St. Joe community.
Come on out, have fun, meet new people.
Refreshments available after the shoot.



Upcoming Activities at St. Joseph's:

Monday, July 6

4:00pm-8:00pm: St. Vincent de Paul—Offsite

Tuesday, July 7

8:00am-Noon: Mailing in Parish Office Conference Room

Wednesday, July 8

9:00am-11:00am: St. Faustina Small Group in St. Matthew Rm

5:00pm-7:00pm: Playpen Sports in Field

Thursday, July 9

8:30am-9:45am: Sandwich Ministry in Kitchen

9:30am-11:00am: Well Time in St. Mary Rm

Friday, July 10

No Events

Saturday, July 11

9:00am-Noon: Playpen Sports in Field

Sunday, July 12

1:00pm-8:00pm: Church & School Drone Flyover (Rain Date for June 28th if needed)

4:00pm-5:30pm: Adult OCIA Confirmation in St. Joseph Rm

St. Agnes and St. Joseph Present Vacation Bible School July 27 - July 31 @ St. Agnes - Butler

- *New friends
- *Amazing experiments
- *Creative games
- *Super-fun snacks
- *Surprising adventures
- *Incredible music

9 am - Noon



VBS Cost

\$35 One Child
\$70 Two children
\$85 Family (3+)



[VBS Registration](#)

Use the QR Code above to register your child.

Children entering K3-5th grade are
welcome to join in the fun.



[VBS Volunteer](#)

VBS needs many volunteers both young and old
Students entering 6th grade through adults
Use the QR code (Left) to register to volunteer
Adults 18 and older must have Safe Environment Training.



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, Alex Burks—Director of Faith
Formation, 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
vanvredeb@stjosephschooltosa.com

Should you wish to advertise your business here,
please contact the Parish Office
at 414-771-4626 or parishadmin@stjoetosa.com

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