Catholic Community in Central Racine

April 18, 2021

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

3ER DOMINGO DE PASCUA

Después les dijo: "Lo que ha sucedido es aquello de que les hablaba yo, cuando aún estaba con ustedes: que tenía que cumplirse todo lo que estaba escrito de mí en la ley de Moisés, en los profetas y en los salmos ... Ustedes son testigos de esto". - Lc 24, 44. 48

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Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
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Saturday/Sábado	4:00 pm	English
Sunday/Domingo	9:00 am	English
Sunday/Domingo	10:30 am	Español
Sunday/Domingo	12:00 pm	Español
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Masses

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
Sunday	11:30 am
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	9:00 am

Livestream Masses: **Sunday:** 9:00 am English; 10:30 am Español **Tuesday-Friday:** 9:00 am English

St. Edward Parish

This Week:

Saturday, April 17
4:00 pm Mass at St. Edward
Sunday, April 18
9:00 am Mass at St. Edward
Tuesday, April 20
9:00 am Virtual Mass
Wednesday, April 21
9:00 am Mass at St. Edward & Virtual
Thursday, April 22
9:00 am Mass at St. Richard & Virtual
Friday, April 23
9:00 am Mass at St. Richard & Virtual
Saturday, April 24
9:00 am Fr. Juan's Bible Study via CCCRacine Facebook and YouTube Channel
4:00 pm Mass at St. Edward

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 18 Third Sunday of Easter
9:00 am Special Intentions
Tuesday, April 20
9:00 am †Karen Kempter-Heifetz
Wednesday, April 21,
9:00 am †Jean Logic
Saturday, April 24
4:00 pm Special Intentions
Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00 am †Kathleen Amantea

Please pray
for all our parishioners
that are suffering from illness.

Readers, Ushers, Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers

New volunteers are needed, especially for 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays, 9:00 am Wednesdays, and for funeral Masses. Please contact Bill Frayer 262-633-7887, frayerfamily@yahoo.com or the Parish Office. Signup for Ministry assignment for our new schedule (May 1st-August 1st) in the breezeway this weekend.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

We urge you to support/contribute to the SVdP clothing drive at St. Richard's this weekend April 17-18.
This a a great time to start your spring cleaning and donate new or gently used clothing.
See the St. Richard's page for more information.

Drive to Aid the Intellectually Disabled

Knights of Columbus Council 697 and the St. Ed's "Roundtable" will again be holding the annual "Tootsie Roll" Drive here at St. Ed's on April 17-18/24-25. All donations go to assist the intellectually challenged members of our community and the organizations that serve them. Look for the tootsie rolls and canisters on the tables at the church exits.

"He Is Risen"

Knights of Columbus Council 697 has "He Is Risen" car/ refrigerator magnets available at all 3 cluster parishes. They'll be here at St. Ed's until April 25 or contact Bill Frayer (262-633-7887) or frayerfamily@yahoo.com. Cost is $3.50.

Stewardship Corner

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus explains the meaning of the scriptures. Like the disciples, when we offer and receive forgiveness; our hearts burn, because we encounter the risen Christ within us!

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? For more information, contact the Parish Office. Leave your name and contact information. We'll get back to you soon.

Congratulations to the Newly Confirmed!

Alexandra Michelau
Devid Michael Rule

Antonia Marz
Joshua Torcivia
Anthony Torcivia

Scrip

Scrip is sold be pre-order only.
Blank order forms are in the back and elevator entrances of church, at the Parish Office, on our website, www.saintedwardracine.org or contact Barb Hantschel 262-637-3376.
Please continue to support the scrip program.

Weekly Collections for April 10/11:

Weekly Envelopes	$2,828.50
Save the Building	$285.50
Offertory Collection	$162.00
Votive Candles	$19.00
Miscellaneous Collections	$775.00
Total	$4,070.00

COVID-19 VACCINATION

St. Patrick's Parish is working with a Racine City pharmacy to bring a COVD-19 vaccination clinic to St. Patrick's. All people over 16 years old are eligible. The first vaccine will be administered on **April 20** and second dose on May 11.
Please signup online
https://www,stpatrickracine.com/

Mother's Day Rose Sale

Roses in memory of loved ones will be placed on Mary's altar. Names will also be livestreamed. Cost is $3.00 per rose. Place your check in an envelope (including name of loved one) in collection basket or drop-off at Parish Office. Deadline is **May 2.** Proceeds this year will go toward a new ultrasound machine for Carenet Family Services. Knights of Columbus Council 697 will match your donations. All Racine área councils support this effort.

St. Patrick Parish/Parroquia de San Patricio

Mass Intentions/Intenciones de la Misa

4/17	4:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad
4/18	9:00 am	†Jack and †Audrey Moore
		†María de Jesús Velasquez García
	10:30 am	†Juventino Aquino
	12:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad
	6:00 pm	†César Miramontes y †Lily Ventura
4/24	4:00 pm	†Albert and †Mary Benedict
4/25	9:00 am	†Phyllis Heinen
		†James "Tiger" Villalobos
	10:30 am	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad
	12:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad
	6:00 pm	†César Miramontes y †Lily Ventura

Weekly Schedule **Próximos Eventos**

Sunday/domingo 4/18
Monday/lunes 4/19
Tuesday/martes 4/20
Wednesday/miércoles 4/21
Thursday/jueves 4/22
Friday/Viernes 4/23
Saturday/sábado 4/24
Sunday/domingo 4/25

Pensamientos del Padre Juan . . .

Gracia y Paz a ustedes mis hermanos y hermanas.

Estoy muy agradecido y conmovido por su compromiso y apoyo en nuestra campaña del proyecto Agua de Cuaresma. Que el Señor los bendiga abundantemente y continúe multiplicando su generosidad. Nuestro objetivo era llevar agua corriente a la comunidad de El Rodeo en Bolivia a 86 familias que no tenían agua. Ahora, gracias a su increíble generosidad, podremos agregar otra pequeña comunidad vecina al proyecto. Además de El Rodeo, proporcionaremos agua a otras 74 familias en Kantu Suyu, Bolivia. En total, gracias a sus esfuerzos durante la Cuaresma, llevaremos agua potable y corriente a 160 familias, es decir, casi 700 personas que no tenían agua corriente en sus hogares. GRACIAS A TODOS USTEDES.

La Pascua es una época alegre en la iglesia. Es el tiempo del gozo basado en la resurrección del Señor. En la vida, a veces la alegría tiende a ser tildada de frívola o superficial. Cuando interactúas con una persona que todo es una broma o se ríe, uno puede preguntarse si hay algo de profundidad en ellos. Por supuesto, uno puede ser alegre y bromista y, sin embargo, ser profundo y serio. Para mí, la Pascua es ese tiempo en el que estamos alegres, pero al mismo tiempo completamente serios sobre el significado de la Resurrección para nosotros. Este es un momento de reflexión gozosa para que comprendamos lo que significa ser un discípulo del Señor resucitado. Personas que dan testimonio de la verdad de la vida en Cristo como lo escuchamos en las lecturas a lo largo de esta Pascua.

Los discípulos estaban muy alegres, pero reflexionaron seriamente sobre la Resurrección del Señor que se convirtió en testigo de él en todas partes, sin importar las persecuciones y las consecuencias. Su gozo no era superficial, sino que estaba profundamente arraigado en Cristo, por eso superaron todos los obstáculos. Leemos en las Escrituras, durante esta temporada de Pascua, que se convirtieron en testigos extraordinarios de Cristo en el mundo. Pero esta transformación y actitud poderosa se produjo solo después de haber realizado su propio proceso de oración y participación en comunidad en Jerusalén (Hechos 1,13). Esa experiencia íntima se convirtió en el catalizador que los impulsó a todos a anunciar el evangelio hasta los confines de la tierra, tal como les había ordenado Jesús resucitado (Hechos 1,8). ordenado Jesús resucitado (Hechos 1,8). Espero que nuestro propio tiempo de oración y de compartir impulse nuestra fe y nuestro alimento espiritual a niveles que no esperamos más allá de la alegría superficial del momento.

Lecturas para la semana del 18 de abril de 2021

Domingo:	Hch 3, 13-15. 17-19/Sal 4, 2. 4. 7-8. 9/1 Jn 2, 1-5 Lc 24, 35-48
Lunes:	Hch 6, 8-15/Sal 118, 23-24. 26-27. 29-30/Jn 6, 22-29
Martes:	Hch 7,51-8,1/Sal 30, 3-4. 6 y 7 y 8. 17 y 21/Jn 6, 30-35
Miércoles:	Hch 8, 1-8/Sal 65, 1-3. 4-5. 6-7/Jn 6, 35-40
Jueves:	Hch 8, 26-40/Sal 65, 8-9. 16-17. 20/Jn 6, 44-51
Viernes:	Hch 9, 1-20/Sal 116, 1. 2/Jn 6, 52-59
Sábado:	Hch 9, 31-42/Sal 115, 12-13. 14-15. 16-17/Jn 6, 60-69
Domingo siguiente:	Hch 4, 8-12/Sal 117, 1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28. 29/1 Jn 3,1-2 Jn 10, 11-18

EASTER FLOWERS/FLORES DE PASCUA

The beautiful flowers that adorn our church for Easter were donated by generous parishioners in honor or memory of their loved ones:

Las hermosas flores que adornan nuestra iglesia para la Pascua fueron donadas por generosos feligreses en honor o memoria de sus queridos:

Anderson Family
Roberto Aquino, Jr.
Joaquin V. Barajas
John Becker
Albert & Mary Benedict
Terri & Randy Cabunac
Coonen Family
Joseph DeMatthew
Anthony & Theresa DeMatthew
Mary Flanagan
Rosario Flores
Richard Frankowski
Jesús y Delfina García
Candelaria Gonzalez
Goodrich Family
Betty & Willie Harrison
Carmen Hernandez
Robert & Amalia Huron
Roy, Robert & Jacob Huron
Shirley & John Jens
Roy Josten
Bob Kloski
Clayton Kovac
Helen & Peter Kuyoth
Angel L.
LaFrania Family
María del Refugio Medina
Anita McPhee and All Departed
Audrey & Jack Moore
Rafael & Jesusita Pardo
Gilbert Pardo
Elodia Payan
Raul Antonio Posadas
Robert Reeves
Judy Savaglio
Schanstine Family
Grandma & Grandpa Schmoll
Edward Joseph Schuman
Pablo Soriano Martinez
Phil Spencer
Jim & Millie Sweeti
Grandma & Grandpa Sweeti
Unknown to Church
John Urban Family
Valley Family
Mary Winter
Hilda & Bob Woodruff
Wozniak Family

ST. PATRICK'S MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE
LA RIFA DEL DÍA DE LA MADRE

Drawing/Sorteo Cristo Rey Hall/Salón Cristo Rey
Sunday, May 9th 7:15 pm Domingo, 9 de mayo

Prizes/Premios

$1,000.00
$500.00 $250.00
$150.00 $100.00

La oficina del Ministerio Hispano junto con el comité de Cristeros, invita a hombres mayores de 18 años al Encuentro de Hombres - Cristeros: Somos Templo. Se llevará a cabo el 05 de junio de 2021 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. en la Parroquia San Adalberto en Milwaukee y por Zoom. Para registrarse, contacte a Julio Miramontes.

Este tiempo de Pascua es un llamado a ser un gran testimonio de la presencia de Cristo en el mundo de hoy.
Bendiciones y Gracias,
Juan M Camacho

St. Richard Parish

This Week in Our Parish

Tues.	Mass - 9:00 a.m. Live Stream only
Wed.	Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person@ St. Edward-limited capacity and Facebook Live Stream
Thur.	Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person @ St. Richard-limited capacity and Facebook Live Stream
Fri.	Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person @ St. Richard-limited capacity and Facebook Live Stream
Sat.	Mass - 4:00 p.m. limited capacity
Sun.	Mass - 9:00 a.m. limited capacity and Facebook Live stream
	Mass - 11:30 a.m. limited capacity

Stewardship Report

After the collection is taken today, we place our offerings by the altar table. We sing and offer thanks for all of God's blessings upon us. Our offerings are blessed and we pray these gifts will be used rightly and wisely for the building up of God's kingdom and caring for those in need. Many thanks for your trust in this parish—we will use the money you give to continue God's work.

Financial Stewardship for April 10&11
$6,825 Envelopes
$357 Anonymous Gifts to God
$220 Building Fund
$130 Siena School Fund

In Honor of Mothers

In honor of mothers, living or deceased, you may order a rose to be placed on the altar at St. Richard for all the Masses the weekend of Mother's Day, May 9. The names of the mothers, living or deceased, will be live streamed across the screen before Mass and also as an insert in the bulletin. Roses are $3 each and may be reserved by calling Mary Ann at the parish office by Wednesday, May 5. Reserving a rose may be made with a payment to follow. Payments may be made by check via mail or drop it off in the mail slot at the parish center or you may also donate online by going to the parish website. Click on the about section and double click on the donate tab. Select one time donation and please add **Roses** in the comment section. Proceeds from the fundraiser will be donated to the Care Net Family Resource Center for the purchase of a new ultrasound machine on behalf of St. Richard and St. Edward. The Knights of Columbus Council 697 is matching all funds collected. For more information about this organization please see their website: carenetfamilyresources.org.

Blessed Among Us—St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Mark Rey was a successful lawyer. Becoming disillusioned with the rampant dishonesty in his professions, he entered the Capuchin Franciscans of Freiburg, where he received the name "Fidelis"-faithful. Following his ordination, he threw himself ardently into pastoral work, zealous in his commitment to prayer and poverty. As he wrote, "Woe betide me if I should prove to be a half-hearted soldier in the service of my thorn-crowned captain." In 1622 , under the newly formed Congregation for the Propagation of Faith, Fidelis was assigned to lead a missionary team to preach in Calvinist territories in Switzerland. It was an exceptionally dangerous mission. He set out armed with only a crucifix, a Bible, a breviary, and a copy of the Capuchin Rule.
He preached widely, but his presence provoked outrage among many Calvinists. Apart from religious differences, they saw in the Capuchins an advance guard of Austrian interventions. In truth, Fidelis sometimes traveled under the protection of Austrian soldiers. Still, he faced beatings, rock throwing, and in one case a musket was fired while he said Mass. Anticipating his fate, he signed his letters, "Father Fidelis, soon to become food for worms."

Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 18, Third Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. † George Jansta
11:30 a.m. † John Monroe
Wednesday, April 21, St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday, April 22
9:00 a.m. † Jim Lewek
Friday, April 23, St. George, Martyr, St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr
9:00 a.m. † Ethel Kasvin
Saturday, April 24, St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
4:00 p.m. Living & deceased members of the Catholic Community in Central Racine
Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter, World Day of Prayer for Vocations
9:00 a.m. † Joe Luba
11:30 a.m. † Joe Funk

Blessed Among Us cont.
On April 24, after preaching in the church of Seewis, he was confronted by a Calvinist mob, demanding that he renounce his faith. "The Catholic religion is the faith of all ages," he replied. "I fear not death." A blow to his head struck him down, and he died on the spot. Give Us This Day

The Ultimate Miracle

Christ who had died and risen from the dead would not approach those whom he loved from outside; he would not only be the voice in their ears, he would be silence in their souls. He would be the life that quickens in darkness and flowers in countless millions of forms of beauty. He would overcome fear and sin and sorrow and death in the heart of everyone who would love him until the end of time…
He gives that joy and peace to be at the very heart of our suffering, to make suffering and joy, for us as it was for him, not two things incompatible with each other, but just one thing,—love and he gives us his own power of consummated love to use for one another, to comfort and heal and restore one another; even, in a mysterious sense that those who have really known sin and sorrow and love will understand, to raise one another from the dead. "Believe me when I tell you this; the man who has learned to believe in me will be able to do what I do; nay, he will be able to do greater things yet" (John 14:12)
The ultimate miracle of Divine Love is this, that the life of the Risen Lord is given to us to give to one another. It is given to us through our own human loves. It is no violation of our simple human nature. It is not something which must be cultivated through a lofty spirituality that only few could attain; it does not demand a way of life that is abnormal, or even unusual; it is not a specialized vocation. It is to be lived at home, at work, in any place, any circumstances. It is to be lived through our natural human relationships, through the people we know, the neighbors we see. It is given to us, if we will take it, literally into our own hands to give. It is the love of human lovers, of man and wife, of parent and child, of friend and friend. Caryll Houselander

Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is National Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God—our children.

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sunday:	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9/1 Jn 2:1-5a Lk 24:35-48
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51-8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 7b & 8a, 17 & 21ab Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday:	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29/1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
SERVING NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Your neighbor needs your help! Catholic Charities has begun a temporary effort to share *food for the week* and needed supplies to our forgotten, under-served neighbors in our community. Please consider donating non-perishable food items at multiple collection points located throughout the Archdiocese – Milwaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, and Waukesha.

The **Racine site** is **Sacred Heart Parish, 2201 Northwestern Ave., open from 11 am till 1 pm, Monday through Friday.** If you or someone you know is in need of food, please go directly to Sacred Heart Church's Haban Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Larry Ramsey at 262-634-5526. If you want to donate or drop off food, please go directly to Haban Hall during the times bolded above. You may also donate on-line www.ccmke.org or send a check payable to **Catholic Charities**, PO Box 070912, Milwaukee, WI 53207. **Thank you!**

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. *Amen.*

– from *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*
Given in Rome at St. John Lateran
December 8, 2020

Oración a San José

Salve, custodio del Redentor,
y esposo de la Santísima Virgen María.
A ti Dios confió a su Hijo;
en ti María depositó su confianza;
contigo Cristo se forjó como hombre.

Oh, bienaventurado José,
muéstrate padre también a nosotros
y guíanos en el camino de la vida.
Concédenos gracia, misericordia y
valentía y defiéndenos de todo mal. *Amén.*

— de Patris Corde *(Con corazón de padre)*
Ofrecida en San Juan de Letrán, Roma
8 de diciembre de 2020

Catholic Cemetery Association of Racine

The Catholic Cemetery Association of Racine is owned by St. Edward, St. Patrick, St. Richard, and every other Racine Catholic parish. **Our four cemeteries**—Calvary and Old Holy Cross on Kinzie Avenue in Racine, Holy Cross on Douglas Avenue in Caledonia, and Holy Family on Highway 31 in Caledonia—**exist to serve Racine Catholic families**. To learn more, or to arrange a visit, please call (262) 639-1071.

RACINE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

INTENCIONES DE ORACIÓN DEL SANTO PADRE DE ABRIL 2021

Derechos fundamentals. Recemos por aquellos que arriesgan sus vidas luchando por los derechos fundamentales en dictaduras, en regímenes autoritarios e incluso en democracias en crisis. **popesprayerusa.net**

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

Thoughts from Father Juan . . .

Grace and Peace to you my brothers and sisters.

I am extremely touched and grateful for your commitment and support on our Lenten water project campaign. May the Lord bless you abundantly and continue to multiply your generosity. We were aiming to bring running water to the community of El Rodeo in Bolivia, to 86 families who did not have water. Now, thanks to your amazing generosity we will be able to add another small neighboring community to the project. In addition to El Rodeo, we will provide water for another 74 families in Kantu Suyu, Bolivia. In total, thanks to your efforts during Lent, we will bring fresh and running water to 160 families. That's almost 700 people who did not have fresh running water in their homes. THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU.

Easter is a joyful season in the Church. It is the season of Joy based on the Resurrection of the Lord. In life, sometimes "joyful" tends to be branded as frivolous or superficial. When you interact with a person for whom everything is a joke or laughs, one may wonder if there is any depth to them. Of course, one could be joyful and cheeky and yet be profound and serious. For me, Easter is that season in which we are joyful but yet completely serious about the meaning of the Resurrection for us. This is a time of joyful reflection so that we comprehend and grasp what it means to be a disciple of the Lord resurrected—to be people who bear witness to the truth of life in Christ as we hear in the readings throughout this Easter season.

The disciples were extremely joyful, but reflected seriously on the Resurrection of the Lord and became witness to him everywhere, no matter the persecutions and the consequences. Their joy was not superficial, but deeply rooted in Christ; that's why they overcame all the obstacles. We read in the scriptures, during this Easter season, that they became extraordinary witnesses of Christ in the world. But this transformation and powerful attitude came only after they had done their own process of praying and sharing in community in the upper room in Jerusalem (Acts 1:13). That intimate experience became the catalyst that propelled all of them to announce the Gospel to the end of the earth, as they were commanded by the resurrected Jesus (Acts 1:8). I hope our own time of prayer and sharing propels our faith and spiritual nourishment to levels that we don't expect beyond the superficial joy of the moment.

This time of Easter is a call to be great witnesses of Christ's presence in today's world.

Blessings and Thank you,
Juan M Camacho

Many Hands. One Vision.
Catholic Stewardship Appeal
Archdiocese of Milwaukee

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 2021

Fundamental rights. We pray for those who risk their lives fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis. **popesprayerusa.net**

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

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