

2025-2026

St. Joseph Parish

Annual Report

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Welcome

Fr. Tim Schumaker, Parish Pastor

Dear St. Joseph Family,

I am filled with gratitude for all who made possible what is presented in this annual report. We are blessed to have such dedicated staff and volunteers who give us their time and talents to continue the mission of St. Joseph Parish.

The annual report is not a document of stats, but a reflection of a community that strives to be Christ's hands—open to all, reaching out in compassion, service, and love. Behind every number in this report is the dedicated staff and volunteers serving our community, the poor who are cared for, the sick ministered to, the beloved dead buried, the children introduced to Christ, and the newlyweds and baptized celebrated.

Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and your commitment to our mission. May this report inspire us to continue walking together and serving as disciples of Christ, ever faithful to His call.

With prayerful thanks,

Fr. Timothy Schumaker

Registered Households

	Families	Members	New Families
2026	1,310	3,247	107
2025	1,269	3,106	81

Mass Attendance

Reported Average

2026	1,117
2025	1,091
2024	971
2023	981
2022	913

Letter from our Trustees cont.



Lisa Delorit,
Trustee
Secretary



Chuck Boehm,
Trustee
Treasurer

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

As trustees, we, along with Fr. Tim, the Archbishop, and the Vicar for Clergy, are the directors of the St. Joseph Parish corporation. We serve on both the Pastoral and Finance Councils.

The 2025-26 fiscal year was busy and productive! This Annual Report offers a good snapshot of our parish life and highlights the details of a spiritually and financially healthy year. It is a great pleasure to share it with you, as together, we celebrate our growth and progress.

We underwent staff changes in the Parish Office this year as Parish Secretary, Barb Newton, and Communication Coordinator, Bonnie Reineking both retired. We offer them our gratitude for their many years of dedicated and faithful service to our parish. We welcomed Mandy Schramm as Administrative Assistant and Mel Iserloth in the expanded role of Director of Communication. Mandy and Mel are now the first smiling faces to greet you in the Parish Office. Our St. Joseph Parish School Principal role has been capably filled by Chris Jackson, following a successful year using a leadership team model.

Dedicated stewardship, strong administrative leadership, and prayerful guidance are essential to our mission. All financial contributions, including those to the Love One Another campaign provided a critical resource, and were used prudently to accomplish much needed improvements throughout the School and Parish. While the formal contributions aspect of the Love One Another campaign conclude on December 31, 2026, please know the parish invests all funds remaining in the account, intending for their use as the campaign states as we continue to prioritize our capital needs.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our parish staff. Our sacraments, formation, liturgy, school, outreach, and administration are led by our forward thinking and tireless team every day. Our volunteers, tried and true, extend the reach of our mission in every direction. We thank them for saying “yes!”

In the coming year we look forward to building on the good work already underway to meet our various ministry and capital project needs. With a clear vision and trust in the Holy Spirit, we are prepared to advance our mission.

We thank God for our endless blessings, and count you, our parish family among them. Please accept our sincere thanks for your steadfast commitment to our parish mission.
We are: The Hands of Christ, Open to All!



Lisa Jauron,
Business Manager

Statement of Financial Activity

For Year Ended June 30,	2026 Actual	2026 Budget	2025 Actual	2027 Budget
Parish Contributions	$ 1,547,567	$ 1,384,713	$ 1,365,053	$ 1,579,415
School Tuition & Fundraising	1,174,319	1,126,572	1,158,901	1,051,725
Other Revenues	184,311	129,427	172,820	174,922
Interest Income	51,247	40,000	50,017	54,000
Total Operating Revenues	**$ 2,957,444**	**$ 2,680,712**	**$ 2,746,791**	**$ 2,860,062**
Salaries & Benefits	$ 1,941,037	$ 2,002,320	$ 1,926,108	$ 2,058,767
Utilities & Maintenance	264,376	235,325	214,986	267,050
Capital Expenditures	29,805	-	-	-
Other Expenses	514,642	443,067	535,860	534,245
Total Expenses	**$ 2,749,860**	**$ 2,680,713**	**$ 2,676,954**	**$ 2,860,062**
Operating Surplus	**$ 207,584**	**$ (0)**	**$ 69,837**	**$ (0)**

For Year Ended June 30,	2026 Actual	2026 Budget	2025 Actual	2027 Budget
Restricted Income	$ 272,943	$ 39,000	$ 185,878	$ 76,300
Less Restricted Expenses	30,784	39,000	300,319	76,300
Restricted Surplus / (Deficit)	**$ 242,159**	**$ -**	**$ (114,440)**	**$ -**

From the Office of Finance



Lisa Jauron,
Business Manager

St. Joseph Congregation capped off the 12-months ended June 30, 2026 with record levels of giving in support of its mission in being the Hands of Christ, Open to All.

Contributions to the parish totaled $1.55 million, an increase of over 13% compared to the prior year. This growth is attributed to an increase in the number of families joining the parish as well as increased giving from parishioners who have called St. Joseph their home for decades. We have witnessed an increase in giving from parishioner retirement accounts as well as qualified charitable distributions. Every contribution, no matter the size, has helped to provide resources from which we can run the daily operations of the parish while also investing in our future.

We finished the year with an operational surplus of $208K. The focus for the year was to provide financial, staffing, and operational stability while strengthening the internal control environment of the parish. As a result, we intentionally set aside these surpluses until such a time that we could discern the best investment options as we moved forward. In collaboration between the staff and the Finance Council, we developed a prioritized list of capital investments, deferred maintenance projects, and operational expenditures that will require attention in the coming years. We are excited to report that we'll be kicking off the 2026-2027 fiscal year with several of these projects ready to launch thanks to your generous gifts.

We continue to give thanks to the Lord for the many gifts He has bestowed on our parish. As part of your parish leadership team, I can say unequivocally that your generosity in gifts of your time, talents, and financial support make it possible to carry on the mission of the Catholic Church here in Grafton.

Thank you for answering His call in serving this faith community.

Sacraments

John 3:5 — "Jesus answered, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.'"

Baptisms

2025-2026	41
2024-2025	22
2023-2024	33
2022-2023	28
2021-2022	33
2020-2021	27



First Eucharist

2025-2026	26
2024-2025	35
2023-2024	28
2022-2023	40
2021-2022	34
2020-2021	29



Confirmations

2025-2026	38
2024-2025	38
2023-2024	21
2022-2023	25
2021-2022	42
2020-2021	32

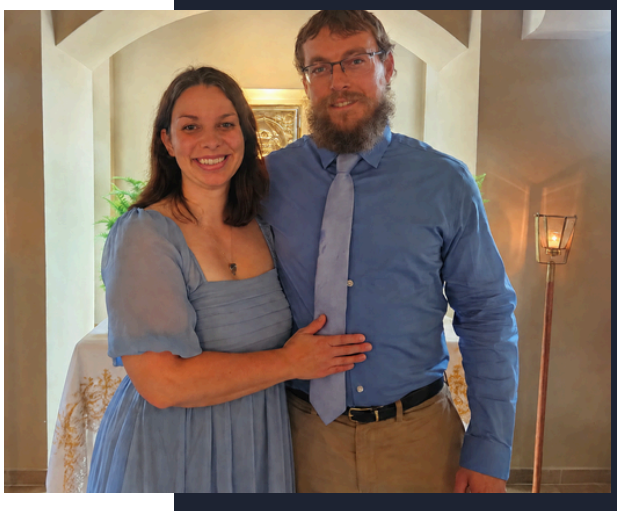


Sacraments

"Do everything for love. Thus there will be no little things: everything will be big. Perseverance in little things for love is heroism. A little act, done for love, is worth so much!"
St. Josemaría Escrivá — "The Way," No. 813

Marriages

2025-2026	5
2024-2025	5
2023-2024	7
2022-2023	7
2021-2022	5
2020-2021	7



Funerals

2025-2026	56
2024-2025	46
2023-2024	35
2022-2023	34
2021-2022	44
2020-2021	34

OCIA

2025-2026	7
2024-2025	5
2023-2024	1
2022-2023	1
2021-2022	2
2020-2021	7



Worship and Celebrations

“It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. Bring love into your home, for this is where our love for each other must start.”
St. Teresa of Calcutta



Anniversary Blessings



Baptisms





First Communions



Confirmations





Worship and Celebrations







4th of July Mass with Bishop Jeffrey Haines







All Souls' Day is to honor the memory of our departed loved ones, offer prayers for their souls.

Worship and Celebrations





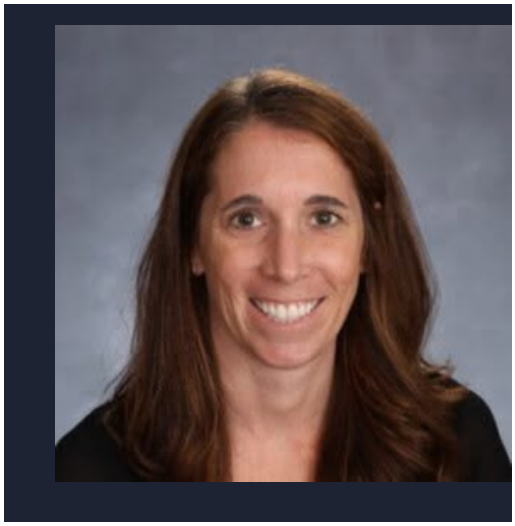


"Nothing seems tiresome or painful when you are working for a Master who pays well; who rewards even a cup of cold water given for love of Him."
St. Dominic Savio

“A God who became so small could only be mercy and love.”
St. Thérèse of Lisieux



Goodbyes and Retirements



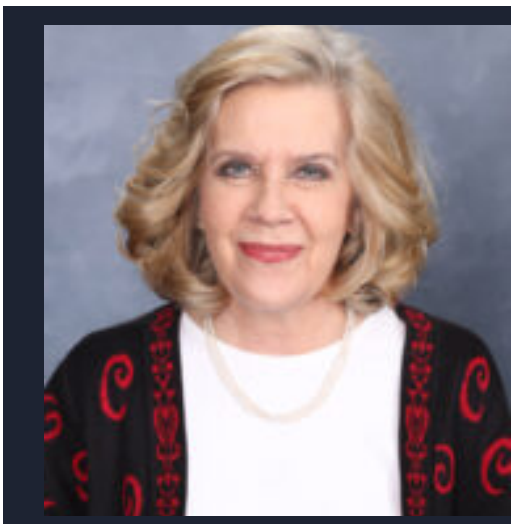
Amanda Matthews
Principal
21 years of service

We Say Goodbye



Barb Newton
Parish Secretary
20 years of Service

We Celebrate Their Retirement



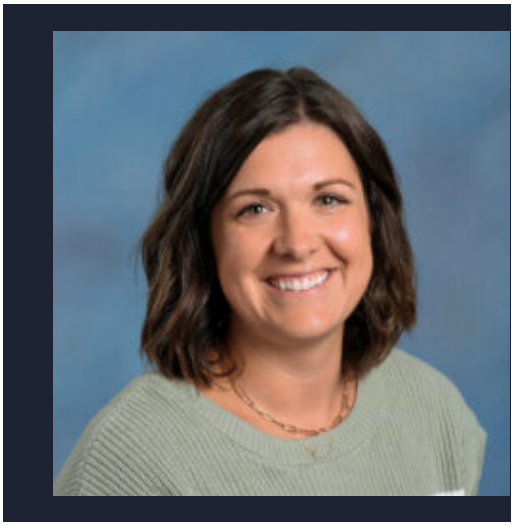
Bonnie Reineking
Communications Coordinator
6 Years of Service

Friendly Faces

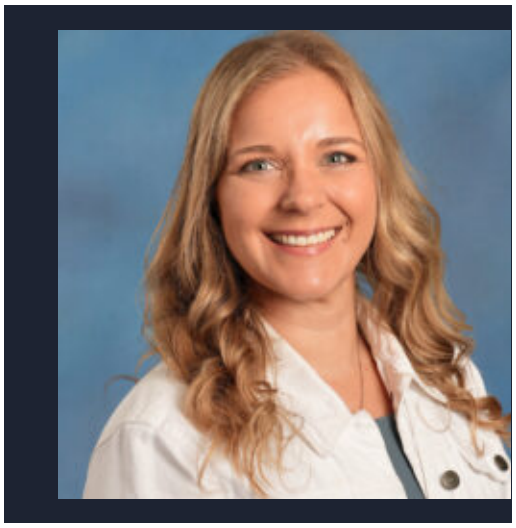
We Welcome



Lisa Jauron
Business Manager



Melissa Iserloth
Communication Director



Mandy Schramm
Parish Administrative



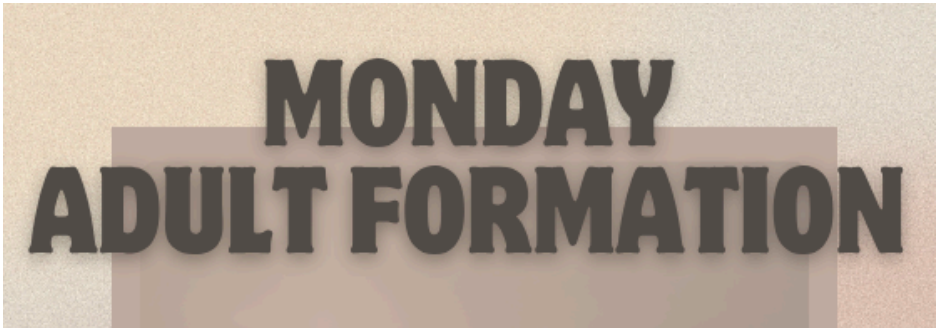
John Andress
Seminarian
St. Francis Seminary

Ministries



Sheri Hanson,
Pastoral Associate

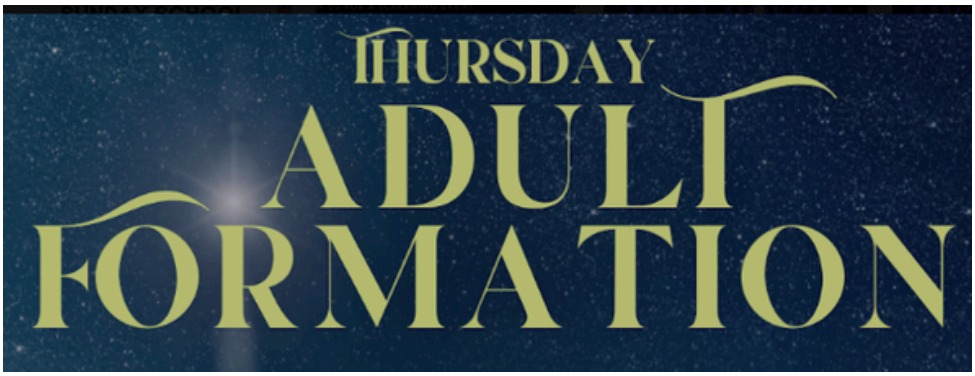
Scripture Study



"Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." St. Jerome









Ministries

Women's Group

We are a ministry united to support, empower, and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, in leadership, and in service, consistent with the teachings and tradition of the Catholic Church.
We believe relationships matter, truth matters and you matter!



Advent Reflection: Susan McNeil from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee led the reflection on the Women at the Well.



Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion



The Ladies of Charity talk. This ministry was founded by St. Vincent de Paul in 1617 and came to America in 1857. The Milwaukee Ladies of Charity run a clothing center where they give free clothing to children in need.

Ministries

Women's Group



A reflection on the lives of Rachel and Leah. There was a great discussion was about sisters and trusting God.



Grace Urbanski, Assistant National Director of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network-USA and author of Pray with Me: Seven Simple Ways to Pray with Your Children, led the women of our parish in a reflection on prayer.





Painting Doves for gifts for our Baptism Families

Ministries

Women's Group



Lisa Jauron, our Business Manager inspired us with her faith journey.



Fr. Tim spoke on how to pray during Adoration. Ann Marie Schile then shared her own personal experiences in Adoration.



Stations of the Cross



Reflection on Eve and Sarah and how they show us to trust God, even when we sin.

Ministries

Los Toros

The Los Toros Mission is a long-standing outreach ministry and nonprofit initiative led by our parishioners operating in partnership with the Los Toros Foundation, Inc.









Parishioners in Community

The Sports Program provides a healthy environment for participants to develop their skills and to maintain a strong sense of community and belonging.



Ministries



Human Concerns

We collected over 150 boxes full of food for Capuchin Communities. This allowed the Capuchins to feed over 150 families for Thanksgiving.

St. Ben's





St. Ben's Community Meal (operated by Capuchin Community Services) relies on local parishes, groups, and volunteers to help prepare, transport, and serve hot meals to individuals in need.

32 pans of chili, 12 containers of desserts and 4 bundles of fruit to Repairers of the Breach in Milwaukee.

This fed about 200 people.

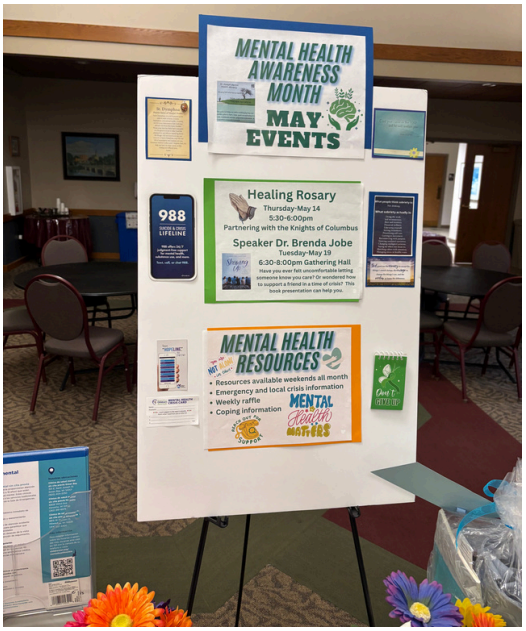


Ministries

Human Concerns

In service of our mission statement, we focus on the “Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching”

- Human Dignity
- Call to Family Community and Participation
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Options for the Poor and Vulnerable
- Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers
- Solidarity and Care for God’s Creation



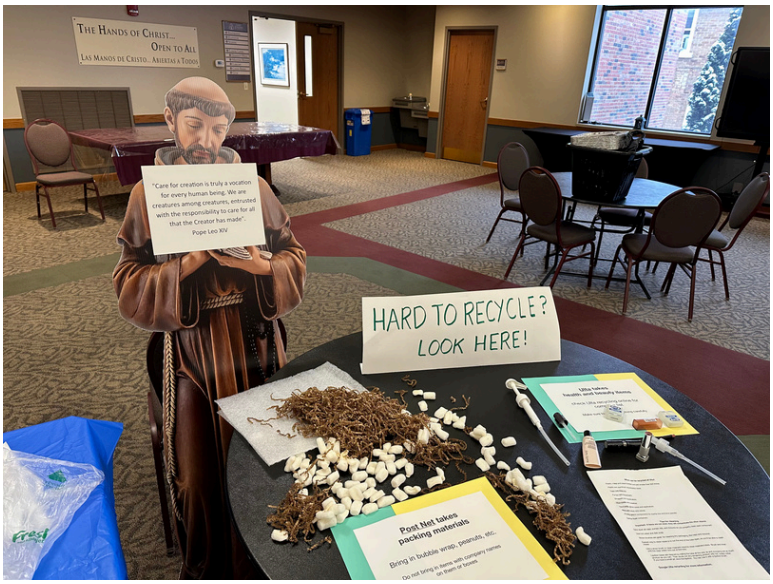


Lilies of Hope, the first and only pregnancy resource center in Ozaukee County, was present to answer questions on the center and to share more about the organization’s work supporting women’s health and wellness.





Ministries





Respect Life Weekend
Building a culture that cherishes and protects every human life

Human Concerns

The Care for Creation Committee invited our parish to join them in making small changes in our daily life to care for God's creation.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry performs person-to-person contact with the needy in the Grafton community. It provides financial assistance, food, clothing, furniture, household goods and information on other available resources.



Mr. Bob's Under the Bridge, fosters a community of compassion and friendship by providing basic necessities such as clothing and hygiene products to the homeless and those who need support in Milwaukee and the surrounding communities.

Ministries

Knights of Columbus

Our goal is to help men, their families, and their parishes grow closer to Christ. Through our programs and resources, we provide opportunities to live and spread the Catholic faith.



Hope and Healing Prayer Service



Stations of the Cross, led by the Knights of Columbus

Men of St. Joseph follow THAT MAN IS YOU! (TMIY). This is an interactive men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and the greater society.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH



Andy Smith, Director of Liturgical Music

Choir

Current Number of Adult Cantors, Choir Members, and Musicians

2025-2026	*40*
2024-2025	*38*



The St. Joseph Parish Choir, along with Cantors and other musicians, work together to lift up our worship and prayer. We are always interested in adding more members to our groups!

“When we sing, we pray twice.” - Attributed to Saint Augustine

Youth Ministry



KC Kranich, Director of Youth Ministry

2025-2026	*29*
2024-2025	*38*
2023-2024	*21*
2022-2023	*25*
2021-2022	*42*
2020-2021	*32*



Confirmation



Youth Ministry

EDGE
6th - 8th Grade

6th Graders	*13*
7th Graders	*16*
8th Graders	*11*
Core Team Leaders	*5*







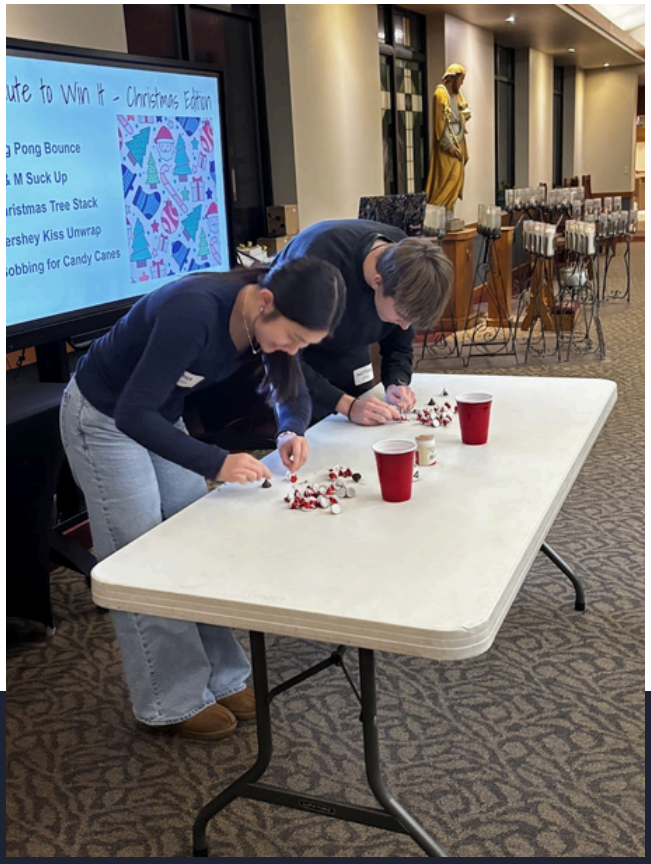
Youth Ministry Service Project
Ozaukee Food Alliance

Youth Ministry

LIFETEEN
High School

9th Graders	*22*
10th Graders	*22*
Core Team Leaders	*6*









Youth Bible Study

Youth Ministry

Confirmation Retreat

Teens	*31*
Adult Leaders	*6*
Peer Leaders	*2*

Wynncliff Retreat Center



“I AM”

Exodus 3:14







Youth Ministry

Mission Trip

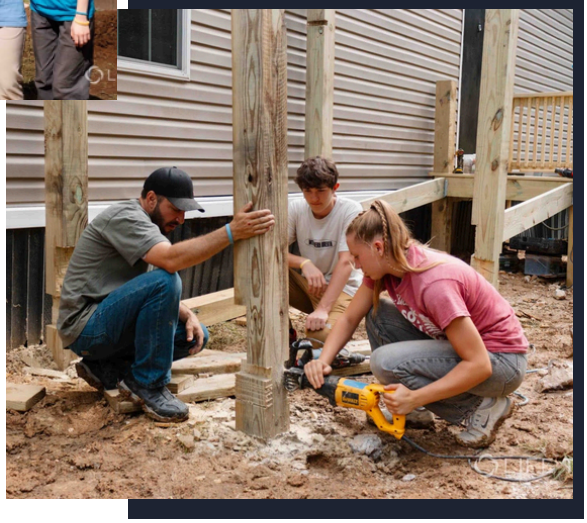
Teens	*29*
Chaperones	*7*















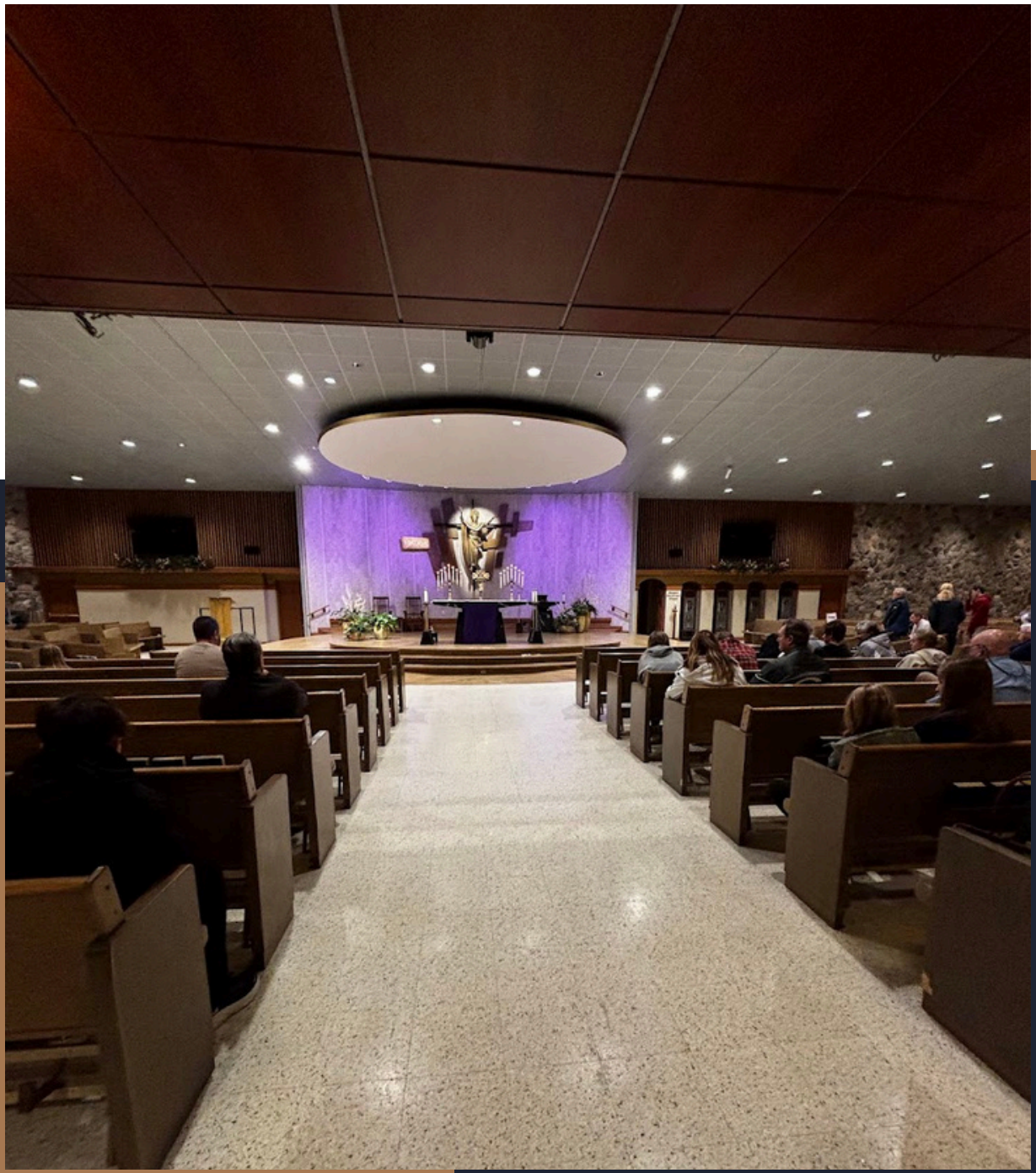


Youth Ministry

EXALT - XLT

Advent
Lent

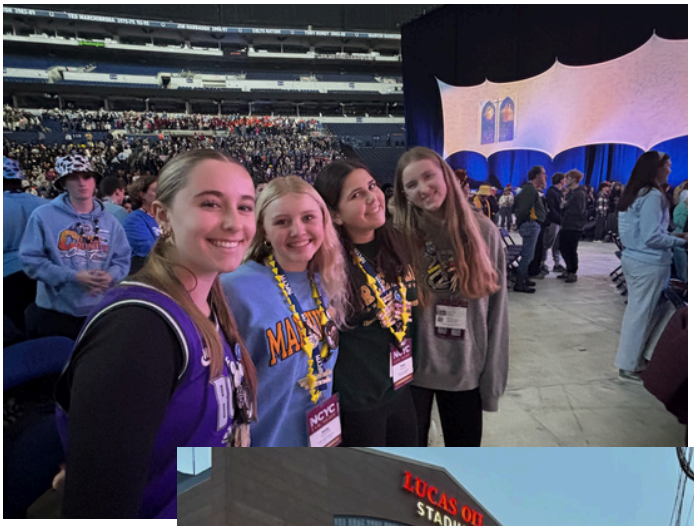
Music, Message,
Adoration, and Reconciliation



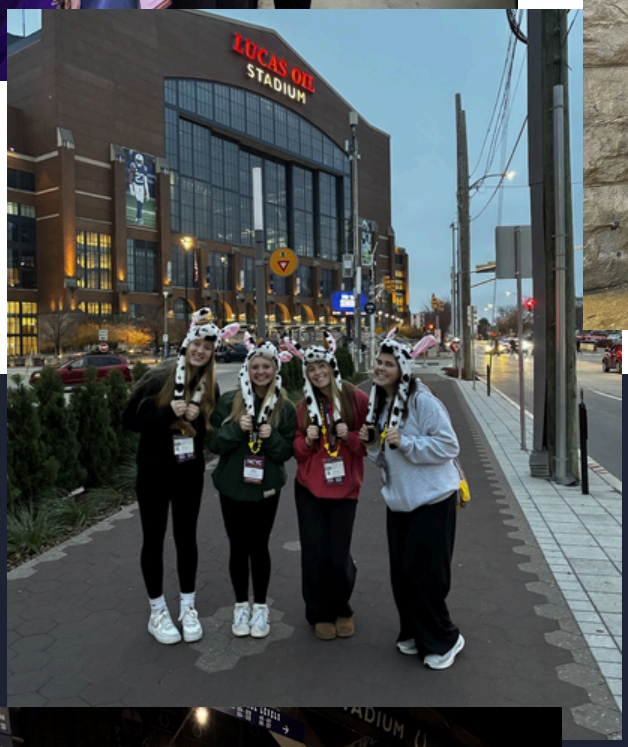
Youth Ministry

NCYC

National Catholic Youth Conference













John Knetzger, Director of Child Ministry

Child Ministry

K3-Grade 5

K3 - K5 CGS	*16*
1st Grade	*21*
2nd Grade	*19*
3rd Grade	*13*
4th Grade	*13*
5th Grade	*20*
Catechists	*12*



Child Ministry students made tie blankets for the Humane Society during Advent as they reflected on the Peaceable Kingdom. (Isaiah 11:6-9)





Decorating placemats for the Ozaukee Food Alliance

Child Ministry

Fr. Tim taught our Child Ministry students about the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and led us in a time of adoration.



Our children led our parish Stations of the Cross, helping us pray with Jesus from the Last Supper to the tomb.





Child Ministry

2025-2026	*26*
2024-2025	*35*
2023-2024	*28*
2022-2023	*40*
2021-2022	*34*
2020-2021	*29*

First Communion







Child Ministry

Vacation Bible School

Campers 48
Volunteers 21





Parish School

Grades K3 - 8th Grade

119 Students
14 Scholarships Awarded
3 Grants Awarded



Carren Gratz, Chris Jackson, and Julie Lemke, Leadership Team Formation





MISSION STATEMENT

Teaching, learning, leading, and serving as the hands of Christ.





Parish School

2023-2028 Exemplary Recognition
Archdiocese of Milwaukee Catholic Schools
Mission & Catholic Identity

Dedicated Staff

10 Classroom Teachers
4 Specialists
1 School Counselor
1 Academic Intervenionist



School Choice WISCONSIN

A member Of Wisconsin School Choice, providing FREE tuition to qualifying families





Parish School





12:1

Student-to-Teacher Ratio

Meeting each student's individual academic and social-emotional goals.

WRISA
WISCONSIN RELIGIOUS & INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS ACCREDITATION

Fully Accredited Catholic Grade School





Parish School



The Catholic Community Foundation $20,000 grant



Love One Another $12,000 grant



Eaton Company $1,000 grant for STEM



Parish School

5 School Fundraisers

- Boots & Bling School Auction
- BSG Coffee Shop Fundraiser
- Calendar of Cash
- Culver's Share Night
- Parish School Fish Fries







Faith Development

- Catholic celebrations, traditions, and teachings are woven into our daily curriculum at every grade level.
- Students participate in Mass and seasonal prayer services.
- The religious formation that begins at home is supported, nurtured, and strengthened at SJPS.
- Children are encouraged to see Christ in themselves and those around them.

Parish School

ACADEMICS

- Our strong, well-rounded curriculum provides a solid foundation in core subjects, including math, reading, language arts, science, social studies, and religion.
- Students enjoy a variety of enrichment courses, including Spanish, music, art, and physical education.
- We are committed to meeting the individual needs of each student and helping every child reach their full potential.
- Through engaging instruction and a supportive learning environment, students are encouraged to grow academically, develop their talents, and become lifelong learners.





Parish School





FORMATION OF THE WHOLE STUDENT

- We foster positive social and behavioral norms to build strong character.
- We strive to cultivate healthy relationships among all students.
- We provide a school environment where children feel safe, accepted, supported, and loved.
- We nurture the growth of the whole child through academic, spiritual, emotional, and social development.

Friendly Faces







Carren Gratz, Chris Jackson, and Julie Lemke
Principal Leadership Team

We Welcome



Kelly Swietlik
Leadership Team
Consultant



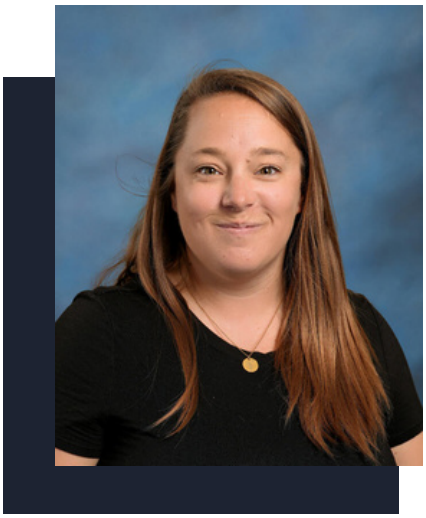
Daphne Lingsweiler
Administrative
Assistant



Peggy Beaver
Early Childhood
Aide

Thank You For Serving

We Say Goodbye



Carren Gratz
7th/8th Grade Teacher and Leadership Team
6 Years of Service



We Celebrate the Retirement

Cathy Werner
Lunchroom Coordinator
8+ Years of Service

Connect With Us

Join us for Mass

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday: 8:30am
Wednesday: 5:00pm
Thursday: 8:30am
Friday: 8:30am

Additional Devotionals

Tuesday:
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Wedneday:
St. Joseph
Friday:
Divine Mercy Chaplet

**all devotional follow Mass*

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am
Sunday: 10:30am

Confession

Wednesday:
5:45pm - 6:45pm

Saturday:
3:00pm - 3:45pm

Parish Office: 262-375-6500

Staff

Pastor: Fr. Tim Schumaker :: Ext. 103
Pastoral Associate: Sheri Hanson :: Ext. 175
Business Manager: Lisa Jauron :: Ext. 102
Director of Communications :: Melissa Iserloth Ext. 121
Director of Liturgical Music: Andy Smith :: Ext. 106
Administrative Assistant: Mandy Schramm :: Ext. 100
Bookkeeper: Madonne Rauch :: Ext. 122
Director of Child Ministry: John Knetzger :: Ext. 104
Director of Youth Ministry: KC Kranich :: Ext. 107
Christian Formation Administrative Assistant: Becky Meyer :: Ext. 120
Maintenance :: Ryan Dreikosen

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Christine Jackson :: Ext. 171
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