PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 10, 2019



Monday November 11th 7:50 am Anniversary of Leonard & Rita Chapek
Tuesday November 12th 7:50 am + Ed Stuchlik, Jr.
Wednesday November 13th 7:50 am Priest's Intentions

5:30 pm Touhy + Marnie Cihal Thursday November 14th 7:50 am + Fr. John Cooper

Friday November 15th 7:50 am + Lumir Maly & Liv/Dec Relatives

Saturday November 16th 5:30 pm Weston + All Souls--Novena Sunday November 17th 8:00 am Weston Missa pro Populo 10:00 am Touhy + Robert Kliment

5:00 pm Weston Exposition of Eucharist with Evening Prayer & Benediction

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

A Personal Relationship - Prayer is meant to lead to a personal relationship with God. We can <u>talk</u> to God of our thoughts, feelings, and desires. We can take time often to <u>listen</u> to God. Are we scared of what He might ask? God only lifts His hands to bless us. And He doesn't put them down. He can only bless us. If we are frightened of His will for us, His plan for us, then we ask God to know Him more, to experience the Goodness and Beauty of the One Who can only bless us. Maybe this happens for us bit by bit; but keep listening.

Touhy's former Votive Candle Stand - I have a family that would like to make a donation and take the old votive candle stand that was replaced by the new votive stand and give it a good home. Before I do so I want to check to make sure someone' else's family did not donate it and want it.

Flu Season - We will forgo the Sign of Peace for a while.

November musings - (1) This month especially we remember to pray for those in purgatory. If our loved ones are already in heaven, those prayers will benefit someone else. As Fr. Patty O'Byrne, said: "we pray for the dead because we want others to pray for us." Or again, pray for the souls in purgatory and they'll prayer for you. (2) The prayer of thanks is one of the best because we see how God has been good to us. It is good for us to be long in thanks. Thanks leads to stewardship of the gifts God has given us. We recognize how blessed we've been and our heart becomes large in gratitude wanting to be magnanimous back to God. "What can I do to make a return for all the good you have done for me, Lord?" (Ps. 116). Then spontaneously we want to be an avenue of God in providing for the needs of others. My grandpa always added at the end of prayer before meals: "May the Lord provide for the needs of others and bless the cook."

St. John's School Big Raffle has started. Please ask any School Family to purchase tickets. The drawing will take place at the Christmas Concert on December 3rd.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of November 16-17, 2019

Acolyte:Sat. 11/16 Paul VirglSun. 11/17 Milton BoucLector/Reader:Sat. 11/16 Ron WallaSun. 11/17 Peg Bouc

Servers: Sat. 11/16 Volunteers Sun. 11/17 Cameron Woita/Brayden Pleskac

Ushers: Sat. 11/16 Joe Janecek/George Wonka Sun. 11/17 Charlie Jelinek/Jim Woita Gifts: Sat. 11/16 Jeff Maly Family Sun. 11/17 Bob Ohnoutka Family

Stewardship of Treasure: *November 3, 2019* We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us... Total: \$1,588.27 *PLUS:* Candles: \$33.00 World Mission Sunday: \$145.00 All Saints Day: \$495.02

Guardian Angel Fund: \$75.00

Collection Counter for Sunday, 11/10—Lorene Stuchlik Sunday, 11/17—Charlie Jelinek

Food Drive—Please bring the following items to church between November 1st and November 24th: canned meat, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, soup, cereal and canned fruit. There will be a tote in the back of church.

PCCW Members—Please join us for the next PCCW meeting on Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00pm in the school art room. We will have a potluck meal, short meeting and play bingo. Fried chicken and refreshments will be provided, and ask that each member to bring a potluck dish (salad, vegetable or dessert) and a \$10.00-\$15.00 bingo prize. If you plan to attend, please call Deanne Spicka at 402-642-5569. Looking forward to a fun evening!

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"But when he says: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit,' he shows that the kingdom of heaven is to be given to those who are distinguished by their humility of soul rather than by their lack of worldly goods." -Pope Saint Leo the Great, from a sermon on the Beatitudes

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6 Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

Tuesday: Wis 2:23—3:9; Lk 17:7-10 Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19 Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Thursday: Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25

OTHER INFORMATION

Please remember in your prayers and, on occasion, pay a visit or send a card to our home-bound/assisted care facilities parishioners: South Haven—Charles Kadavy, Rose Walla, Mary Lou Woita and Patsy Sabatka; Saunders County Care Center—Julius & Marcella Meduna; Saunders House—Marjorie Rezek; Oxbow Living Center, Ashland—Bob & Joanie Machacek. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

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St. Vitus November Church Cleaning—Chairman: LuAnn Maly. Group: Becky Grant, Judy Rezac & Karla Kastl.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. John's Parent-Teacher Assn. (P.T.A.) meeting is on Wednesday, November 13th, at 6:30 pm in the school.

Neumann's Athletic Boosters Club Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13th, at 7:00 pm

Please Keep Saving Your Labels/Box Tops—Please continue to save the Box Tops for Education labels, the Our Family UPC's, the Best Choice UPC's, and store receipts from Sun Mart and Corner Market. There is a basket in back of church to drop all your labels and receipts off in.

AREA NEWS

Always Remembered—The Omaha Province Council of Catholic Women is inviting you to submit names of your deceased loved ones to the officer of your diocese/archdiocese during November 2019 to be remembered at 12 monthly Masses in 2020. Masses will be offered by the current and past A/DCCW spiritual advisers. Your free will offering will be directed toward registration grants to the 100th NCCW convention. LDCCW: Kay Wessel 3600 W. Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404 (402-817-8842)

The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women thanks everyone for their donation during the October Pro-Life Diaper Drive. The new mothers will appreciate your generosity through the coming year. God Bless you all.

Encounter Christ in Adoration & Prayers for Healing—You are invited to an afternoon of Eucharistic Adoration and Intercessory Prayer on Sunday, Nov. 10th, 2pm-4pm at St. Peter Church in Lincoln (4500 Duxhall Drive) Receive prayer, including prayers for healing. Experience the love and healing power of Jesus! (Host: Lincoln Equipping Team for Prayer and Healing)

Personal Testimonies: How an Encounter with God Leads to a Mission is the theme for the Catholic Coffee House. Personal testimonies will be Sunday evenings at Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln, 7pm-8:30pm. Presenters are: Nov.10th, Dr. Matthew Hecker, CAO of Education; Dec. 15th, Lori Weskamp, Unbound Prayer Team member; Jan. 19th, Bob Sullivan, Attorney/Apologist; and Feb. 16th, Diane Reiber, Artist/Author. There is no fee or registration. Call 402-473-0615 for information. **Grief and the Holidays**—For those experiencing infertility/miscarriage/infant loss, there will be a presentation at Gianna's coffee shop in the Guadalupe Center on Tues, Nov. 12th at 7:00pm. Event is free, donations welcome. Register at

https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/grief

St. Wenceslaus School is hosting a Fall Craft Fair—Sunday, November 17th from 8:30am-2:00pm. If interested in renting a table or space, please contact Katie Sladky 402-419-4322, Kristin Nagle 402-525-8807 or the school office 402-443-3336.

Mark Your Calendars—Don't miss Bishop Neumann High School's competitive play production. *Moliere's The Miser* on the Neumann Stage November 19th at7:00pm. There will be a dessert reception following this delightful comedy. \$5 tickets are available at the door and from cast and crew members.

Love and Responsibility Series, Lecture #2—Tuesday, November 19th at 7:00pm at the UNL Newman Center. Presenters will be Drs. Alex and Jonathon Marcotte discussing emotional intimacy. Event is free and geared toward married/engaged couples. More info can be found on the Family Life Facebook page or search "Special Events" on the Diocesan website, lincolndiocese.org

Ladies—Magnificat of Lincoln Invites You to Our Fall Retreat—"Be Renewed In The Spirit" at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House with the Disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, November 22-24! The Retreat includes the role of the Holy Spirit in Scripture, Evangelization, and our lives. What a perfect time for a Retreat to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit and receive all the Graces Our Lord promises this Advent which begins the following weekend! More information can be found about the Retreat Leaders at www.dljc.org. To register go to www.goodcounselretreat.com Call or text Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or call Barb Bechtolt at 402-489-6905.

The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies will offer four new courses in its winter term, beginning December 2nd. Discover how both Testaments inform our understanding of the Church; explore Genesis 12 through Exodus 40 in our ongoing Journey through the Bible; meet our Blessed Mother as revealed in the Old and New Testaments; or discover the beauty and genius of biblical stories, with special attention to the exquisite story of Ruth. For all the details and to register, please visit www.emmausinstitute.net. Catholic Daughters are sponsoring an Educational Contest for students in Grades 4-12. There are 4 divisions (Grades 4-5, 6-8, 9-12 and Adult CDA members) Categories: (Essay- not more than 500 words; Poetry-not more than 8 lines; Art/Computer Art-8½" x 11" paper; Music/Photography-8" x 10"picture). Parents, encourage your children to enter this contest, but be sure the rules are followed very closely and the entry is turned in by December 18th. Cash prizes for the winners. This year's themes are "Blessed are the Peacemakers" and "Living in Harmony with Others". Questions, please call or text Diane Matulka at 402-326-7944.

Walk with Jesus in his homeland! Customized and affordable, this Holy Land experience can be a life-changing and a rewarding challenge to deepen one's spiritual life by seeing and encountering firsthand the land that Jesus walked. Accompanied by Fr. Rand Langhorst, this journey will include a knowledgeable Christian guide and escort for the entire trip. Dates have been set for April 20-30, 2020 round trip from Omaha, with double occupancy per person price of \$3545.00 plus taxes/fuel surcharges and gratuities. For more information contact Fr. Rand (fr.randlanghorst@gmail.com) for an electronic brochure or to register at TektonMinistries.org.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

One rainy evening, my husband, John, and I emerged from a restaurant only to find that he had locked the keys in the car. He insisted he could open the door with a wire coat hanger, so we went back to the restaurant to get one. There were none to be found. John then ran to a department store a quarter-mile away and returned with a hanger. After a few attempts, he got the door open and we climbed in. As we sat there, soaked and cold, he stuck the hanger under his seat. With a smug grin, he said, "Now if this ever happens again, I'll have one handy."