PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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Fifth Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022 MASS SCHEDULE



		MASS SCHEDULE	Numeric Devery
Monday	May 16 th	7:50 am	Aidan Summa
Tuesday	May 17 th	7:50 am	+ John & Mayme Machacek
Wednesday	May 18 th	7:50 am	Charles Vasa
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Cheryl Bartek
Thursday	May 19 th	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Ron & Bev Machacek
Friday	May 20 th	7:50 am	+ Hank & Delia Dolezal
Saturday	May 21 st	5:30 pm	+ Bernard Tvrdy
Sunday	May 22 nd	8:00 am Touhy	+ Gene Rezac
		10:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Praying for many things – Last week the US Bishops asked that the Faithful to pray the rosary and fast in the midst of the tensions over the leaked draft of the Supreme Court's decision. We are reminded that some things are not solved through debate or politics alone. A Ukrainian Catholic who was a guest on Catholic radio echoed this. He said that there is no human solution to the war in Ukraine; the solution is prayer.

Totals for the Mother's Day Poster - St. John's - \$363; St. Vitus - \$164 + \$200 donation from St. John's School Children of Maria Club.

Wild Fires Donations – If you would like give financial assistance (through Catholic Social Services) to those impacted by the wild fires in Southwest Nebraska go to <u>www.cssisus.org</u> and designate "specific donation" (1) "Donate" in the upper right corner of the CSS webpage (2) Request assistance via "Short Form" link in the banner at the top of the CSS webpage.

St. John's & St. Vitus' Mowing - It's that time of year again! We are thankful for the rains, and the green grass is growing! We will be using Express Lawn Care again to take care of the cemeteries and church and school properties with bi-weekly mowing. There are some areas that are still done by volunteers to keep the grounds beautiful and save us money. Thank you to those who still do that volunteer mowing! As you know the mowing was previously accomplished by parishioners volunteering many, many hours of their time, equipment and cost of fuel. Thank you once again for your many hours of work! To give time relief to those men with their many other obligations of families, careers, and life, and to keep the grounds beautiful, both parish councils recommended hiring out the mowing and asking parishioners to donate. We don't want the giving to be a burden but ask that you would consider making a gift each year and review that yearly. We would ask a donation of \$100, if you are able, to help with the mowing cost. Again, give what you can, the church will greatly appreciate what you give. Last year your donations covered a large portion of the mowing cost. At St. John's \$4,500 was collected toward the \$5,250 cost. At St. Vitus' \$2,845 was collected toward the \$3,675 cost. Understandably, Express Lawn Care had to increase their costs since the costs of inputs has gone up. This year the cost will be \$6,000 at St. John's and \$4,875 at St. Vitus'. The cost jump was a bit higher at St. Vitus' since the owner reapportioned the costs based on square-footage of everywhere he is mowing, and St. Vitus' had previously received a discount. Once again thank you for your time given in the past and any donation you can make toward the mowing. We are blessed to have many who give generously of their time, talent, and treasure. Please see the mowing donation envelope attached to the bulletin or in the back of church.

St. Vitus' Statues Renovation - In the last few years, we have had a few of the statues restored and repainted thanks to donations and efforts of St. Vitus' PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women). The ladies of the PCCW had tremendous year of raising funds and would like to – in addition to their donations going toward missalettes and things of the altar – continue the restoration of the statues. So far the statues that have been painted include The Risen Christ, Mary, and the two entrance angels. They are beautiful. The lady who did these, Eileen Ratigan, passed away last year. She was a good woman of Faith. Please offer a prayer for the repose of her soul. She also helped advice on the installation of our entrance Pro-Life memorial, Our Lady of Mount Carmel. For the continued renovation of the statues, there is a good lady who worked with Eileen. The plan is to start with St. Joseph and then to restore the other statues as funds become available through the PCCW and any donations designated for this. The parish council thought this was a good plan as well. The cost for the previous statues was right around \$1,500 each. Please let us know if you would like to make a donation toward the renovation of the statues.

Job Openings - St. John's School is seeking Part-time teacher for Special Ed, Library, Religion and After School Supervisor. Please contact Fr. Vandewalle if you are interested.

FROM THE PCCW & THE ALTAR SOCIETY

ATTENTION TO THE PARISHIONERS: We need to get pictures for the directories of our altar servers, acolytes, lectors and readers, ushers and parish council members. **We will plan to get pictures of St. John's after Sunday Mass, May 15th.** If you are involved in any of these special groups, please plan to attend and stick around after mass for about 15-20 minutes to snap these photos! Please contact Skye Rezac if you have any questions. This will be the only times we are going to try to get a group photo, so please try to attend. If you cannot, we will be taking the photos regardless. Thank you.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"Why, then, do you wander wide, poor child of earth, in your search after goods for body and soul? Love the One Good, in whom all good things are, and it is enough. For what do you love, O my flesh? What do you desire, O my soul? There it is, there it is: whatever you love, whatever you desire." -St. Anselm

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

This week please pray for Sr. Mary Christella & Sr. Juanita Marie, Professed, Holy Spirit Adoration (Pink) Sisters.

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26 Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8 Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Friday Saturday Sunday Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17 Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

OTHER INFORMATION

Please remember in your prayers and, on occasion, call or send a card to our home-bound/assisted care facilities parishioners: South Haven—Charles Kadavy, Rose Walla, Mary Lou Woita, Albina Kellner, Larry & Rose Woita; Saunders County Care Center—Marcella Meduna; David's Place—Patsy Sabatka; St. Joseph's Court—Rose Bohac. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 21-22, 2022				
Sat. 5/21 Paul Virgl	Sun. 5/22 Chris Tvrdy			
Sat. 5/21 Bill Laughridge	Sun. 5/22 Barb Opp			
Sat. 5/21 Volunteers	Sun. 5/22 Kendol Benes/John Adams			
Sat. 5/21 Rich Virgil/Don Sabatka	Sun. 5/22 Marion Bartek/Bob Masek			
Sat. 5/21 Ron Walla Family	Sun. 5/22 Gene Adams Family			
Stewardship of Treasure: May 8, 2022 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us				
Total: \$7,573.49 <i>PLUS:</i> Candles: \$23.00 Guardian Angel Fund: \$80.00				
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Acolyte:Sun. 5/22 Mark WallaLector/Reader:Sun. 5/22 Ron FurasekServers:Sun. 5/22 Simon Strizek/Corbyn KastlUshers:Sun. 5/22 Ernie Osmera/Mike BoucGifts:Sun. 5/22 Lucy Hanks/Jennifer Joakim

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Total: \$773.61 *PLUS:* Guardian Angel Fund: \$40.00

Parents—Please watch for sign-up sheets in September for CCD/Family Formation/Confirmation classes for school year 2022/2023. **Altar Society Meeting**—Wednesday, May 18th, following 5:30pm Mass in Touhy, Altar Society will be having an all women's meeting to discuss upcoming events and happenings.

St. Vitus' Altar Society Coffee & Rolls—Please join us for coffee and rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, May 22nd at the school house. Group #2 will be serving.

Help Needed—Sheila Stanek is looking for volunteers to work the Touhy Car Show on August 27th. Please contact her at 402-367-2506, you may call or text. Thank you!

St. Vitus May Church Cleaning—Chairman: Sheila Stanek. Group: Geradette Bohac & Pat Dvorak.

SCHOOL NEWS

Bishop Neumann Boys Youth Basketball Camp: For boys entering 3rd-5th grade in the Fall of 2022 is May 23/24th 9:00am-2:30pm and for boys entering 6th-8th grade in the Fall of 2022 is May 25/26th 9:00am-3:30pm. Cost is \$45. Contact John Kreikemeier at John-Kreikemeier@cdolinc.net for registration information.

Bishop Neumann Youth Football Camp will be held on June 6th-8th. Camp will run from 9:15am-11:45am. Camp is for future 4th - 6th graders in the 2022-2023 year. Cost is \$40.Please contact Doug Lanik at 402-875-0823 or email Doug-Lanik@cdolinc.net for more information. Registration is due by May 20th.

Support Our School with Scrip—Order forms are in the back of church and can be mailed or turned in to Barb at St. John's School or emailed to <u>stjohnscrip19@gmail.com</u>. Clearly mark on the envelope St. John's SCRIP. Envelope should include your order form complete with address, phone number and payment. Cards are ordered on the 15th of each month. You will get your cards approx. 2 weeks after order is placed. Please email <u>stjohnscrip19@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions.

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

AREA NEWS

Catholic Daughters will meet at 6:30pm on Monday, May 23rd at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo starting with Mass. Meeting will follow. We welcome anyone interested in joining Catholic Daughters to attend as a guest. Members are reminded to pay their dues (\$27) for 2022 by the end of June. Cathy Cecava (PO Box 92, Davey, NE 68336) would appreciate receiving your payment. She says thanks to those who have paid. Please note the date of the meeting. At this meeting we will vote on officers and there will be a discussion on whether to have more meetings in the afternoon. We encourage members to attend to voice their opinion.

The Chancery has an immediate opening for a Director of Communications—The Director of Communications strategically plans and coordinates the communication of events, news, and initiatives among the people of the Diocese of Lincoln. This position coordinates the external and internal communications of the Diocese through print, digital and social media, podcasts, web, press, and TV/radio. Salary commensurate with experience. To apply please send resume, cover letter and two writing examples (concise press release and full length story) to Marsha Bartek at marsha-bartek@lincolndiocese.org or to Chancery, 3400 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE 68506. Link: https://www.lincolndiocese.org/diocese/employment

Cor Jesus Rex Summer CCD 2022—Please join Sts. Mary & Joseph Parish in Summer CCD, June 27th-July 1st. We are always honored to have the Christ the King Sisters teach our students. It is a rarity for some children to spend time with a Nun. They will enjoy getting to know the Sisters, learn more about our Catholic faith in a new way. They get to know the love for Jesus and how wonderful the religious life is, along with strengthening their own Catholic faith. Registration forms in the back of both churches.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

My five-year-old, Matt, worked with a speech therapist on the *ch* sound, which came out *k*. The therapist asked him to say *chicken*. He responded with *kitchen*. They tried again and again, but it always came out *kitchen*. Undeterred, she pushed him for one more try. Matt sighed and said, "Why don't we just call it a duck?"