

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 14, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE				
Monday	August 15 th	<i>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	7:00 am	+ Ed & Helen Stuchlik
Tuesday	August 16 th		7:50 am	Liv/Dec PCCW Members
Wednesday	August 17 th		7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Ernie & Joan Osmera
			5:30 pm Touhy	+ Leonard Stanek
Thursday	August 18 th	St. John's 1 st day of school	8:00 am	St. John School
Friday	August 19 th		7:50 am	+ Marjorie Rezek
Saturday	August 20 th		5:30 pm	For Healing
Sunday	August 21 st		8:00am Weston	Missa pro Populo
			10:00 am Touhy	+ Rose Bouc

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Start of School – It is an exciting time with students returning to school. Some are very excited to return, some not. We pray that in our schools a culture of life and beauty may be present so that children may be taught the good things they need to hear, especially the truth, goodness and beauty that come from God; things that help children to grow into generous adults with wholesome families. Evil forces try to destroy families, we try to build them. What practices build holy families? Practices of prayer time, time of rest, play, and enjoyment of each other away from screens, places of peace in households, such as prayer areas and holy pictures, holy books and reading of the bible.

Generosity – This week a friend from western Nebraska called me. He is a cowboy, which reminds me of the childhood series I enjoyed very much: Cowboy Sam. But more than that, he is a good Catholic Christian cowboy with a big heart who gives away what some might consider too much money to people he finds in need. I thought of this young cowboy as I was doing the readings from mass for the Feast of St. Lawrence, who was a 4th Century Deacon assigned to take care of the poor of Rome with the Church's finances. After the Roman Prefect martyred the pope, he told Deacon Lawrence to collect the church's treasure and bring it back to him. Lawrence gave away as much money as he could to the poor and then gathered them back for the meeting with the Prefect, where he pointed out "Here is the Church's treasure!" Lawrence then suffered martyrdom, but did so happily for Christ. The reading on this feast day was from 2 Corinthians when St. Paul was taking up a collection for the poor. He said "Brothers and sisters: Whoever sows sparingly, reaps sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully, reaps bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need you may have an abundance for every good work." (2 Cor 9:6-10). May we have generous hearts as that cowboy and St. Paul. One opportunity is (see last week's bulletin for mission coop appeal and envelopes at back of church) the Mission appeal to Sr. Harriet's Mission project in Kenya for more consistent electricity or seminarians in poor countries with St. Peter's Seminary Mission.

Did you stop by to say hello to Jesus at church this week? Did you pray half an hour every day and talk to and listen to the One who loves you most? If not, that's okay, this next week is a really good week to start.

Feast of the Assumption of Mary, August 15th – At the end of her earthly life, Jesus assumed His mother, body and soul into heaven, where she prays for us as Queen of heaven and earth. Because it is on a Monday, it will not be a holy day of obligation, BUT we'll have a **7:00 am** mass to make it more available. I once heard a wise priest theorize that Mary's love for God had so grown at the end of her life that her body could no longer hold her soul here on earth. That is interesting to think what that would mean.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"God does not see sinners to label, but children to love. He does not see people who have erred, but beloved children; wounded, perhaps; and then He has even more compassion and tenderness. And every time we confess — never forget this — there is a celebration in Heaven. May it be the same on earth." —Pope Francis

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; 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.

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

This week please pray for Sr. Joy Le, Novice (Jr. Sister on 7-24-22), and Sr. Faustina, Jr. Sister, of the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56	Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-4
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30	Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16	Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12
		Sunday:	Is 66:18-21; Ps 117; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

SCHOOL NEWS

St. John Nepomucene School begins on Thursday, August 18th at 7:40am. Mass will be at 8:00am.

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 stjohnscrip19@gmail.com. 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 stjohnscrip19@gmail.com 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.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of August 20-21, 2022

Acolyte:	Sat. 8/20 Pat Carroll	Sun. 8/21 Matt Tvrdy
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 8/20 Deb Carroll	Sun. 8/21 Jesse Sabatka
Servers:	Sat. 8/20 Volunteers	Sun. 8/21 Brayden Pleskac/Jacob Rezac
Ushers:	Sat. 8/20 Rich Cherovsky/Volunteer	Sun. 8/21 Charlie Jelinek/Don Sabatka
Gifts:	Sat. 8/20 Ron Walla Family	Sun. 8/21 Milton Bouc Family

Stewardship of Treasure: August 7, 2022 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$3,641.00 **PLUS: Assumption:** \$50.00 **Candles:** \$36.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$180.00 **CSA22 Rebate:** \$6,190.00

*****Mark Your Calendars!!** St. John’s Annual Bazaar Dinner is Sunday, September 18th. Worker lists are being worked on and will be mailed out beginning of September. If you would like to request a specific job please email westonbazaar@hotmail.com or call the church **Before Aug. 14th** and leave a voicemail. Requests will be considered as made; however not all requests may be feasible. We look forward to a very successful event! -Bazaar Committee

PCCW Garage Sale—Thursday, August 25th from 8:00am-6:00pm; Friday, August 26th from 8:00am-6:00pm; Saturday, August 27th from 8:00am-Noon with \$3 bag sale on the last day. No electronics, TVs or chemicals. **Also**, all PCCW members to donate 2 dozen wrapped baking or \$15. Service hours are available. **Drop off dates:** August 22nd-24th from 8:00am-7:00pm at the school gym. To volunteer, please call: Barb Opp at 402-642-5342, Deanne Spicka at 402-642-5569 or Donna Janecek at 402-642-5449.

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of August 20-21, 2022

Acolyte:	Sun. 8/21 Mark Walla
Lector/Reader:	Sun. 8/21 Jeff Walla
Servers:	Sun. 8/21 Lane Bohac/Chase Bohac
Ushers:	Sun. 8/21 Deon Thoene/Ron Furasek
Gifts:	Sun. 8/21 Nick Bartek Family

Stewardship of Treasure: August 7, 2022 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,694.00 **PLUS: Guardian Angel Fund:** \$5.00 **CSA22 Rebate:** \$4,875.00

St. Vitus August Church Cleaning—Chairman: Heather Walla. Group: Lexi Walla, Jan Bohac & Monica Osmera.

AREA NEWS

You Are Invited to Join Bishop Robert Vasa (Bishop of Santa Rosa and alumnus of St. John’s School in Weston and Bishop Neumann High School in Wahoo) and several other supporters of Catholic schools in Saunders and Butler Counties for a Barn Party, Sunday, August 14th from 6:30pm-8:00pm - 2760 Main Rd. Valparaiso, celebrating the impact of Catholic Education in our communities and throughout the Diocese of Lincoln! RSVPs to the Diocesan Office of Development & Stewardship (402-904-8049 or katie-ostgren@lincolndiocese.org) are helpful but not required.

The Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies will host a 24-hour scriptural retreat, “Following the Way: A Biblical Retreat on Discipleship” August 19th-20th at Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

Holy Trinity Parish in Brainard will hold a Chicken Dinner on Sunday, August 21st from 10:30am-2:30pm. Mass at 10:00am. Bake Sale, Games for Children, Raffle and Accordion Jamboree. The dinner features chicken, potatoes & gravy, corn, coleslaw, cucumbers, tomatoes, pie, kolaches, rolls, coffee, tea and lemonade. Tickets: \$15.00-Adults, \$8.00-Children 12 & under. (Take out & drive-thru-\$15.00)

American Red Cross Community Blood Drive—Tuesday, August 23rd, Noon-6:00pm and Wednesday, August 24th, 7:30am-1:30pm at Wahoo State Bank Building, 570 N. Elm Street. Please contact Verna at 402-277-6243 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: WAHOONEB to schedule an appointment, no walk-ins are accepted. Bring your Donor Card or Photo ID.

Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church-Plasi, Roast Beef Dinner—Enjoy a fun-filled day with the Plasi Parishioners on Sunday, August 28th from 11:00am-2:00pm! Make the trip to the Prague Parish Hall for a FULL self-serve roast beef dinner with loads of sides, including kolaches! Try your hand at our bake/gift walk and \$1,000 raffle! Purchase delicious baked goods from our masterful bakers! A wide variety of unique items will be waiting for your bid at our auction! Meal prices: Adults-\$15, Children (5-10 years)-\$6, Preschool-Free. Dining options will be available: dine-in, take-out or drive-thru. Flyer is in the back of church.

Marriage Encounter Weekend—*Taking our Marriage to a new height in Love.* September 23rd-25th in Kearney. Call right away to ensure a place. Contact Gary & Brenda Granger 303-604-6202. Fr. Mark Pfeiffer presenting Priest.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House near Waverly offers weekend retreats both in-person and online, see the schedule of retreats at www.goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Do you know how bees get to school? On the school buzz!

What did one pencil say to the other on the first day of school? Looking Sharp!