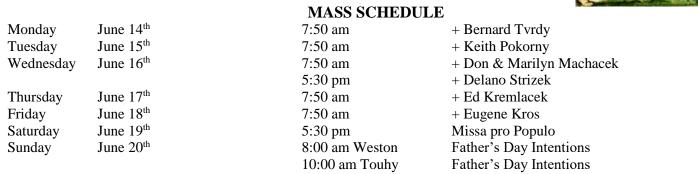
# PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

# Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time June 13, 2021



## NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time – With the Easter Season over we resume "Ordinary Time". Ordinary need not mean "plain." "Ordinary" comes from "ordinal" or "ordered". Order is normally a good thing. It is especially good if our life is ordered toward God. A life ordered to God allows Him to mature us into the greatness He has in mind for us. This goes right along with the 'fruitful tender shoot' image (we might say "parable") in the first reading this week. The Magnificat's preamble to this weekend states "The heart of God aches to 'tear off a tender shoot' from a mighty cedar and 'plant it on a high and lofty mountain' so that 'birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it.' That is, the Lord wants to reveal His glory by taking up our insignificance and turning it into something 'majestic' by the power of His love. 'God's Kingdom,' Pope Francis said, 'is above all the initiative and gift of the Lord. Our weak effort, seemingly small before the complexity of the problems of the world, when integrated with God's effort, fears no difficulty. The victory of the Lord is certain ... This opens us up to trust and hope, despite the tragedies, the injustices, the sufferings that we encounter.' When we 'walk by faith, not by sight,' the hidden depths of things become apparent, and we remain vigorous and sturdy, 'bearing fruit even in old age.'"

**The Catechism on the Eucharist** - On the Feast of the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Last Weekend), there was not enough room to include all I wished; here are some great quotes from the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) from the Section on the Eucharist. These words remind us the great value of participating in the Eucharist every weekend. (The CCC, which is great to have in every household, is easy to find things since it is numbered by paragraphs.):

1323 "At the Last Supper, on the night He was betrayed, our Savior instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice of His Body and Blood. This He did in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until He should come again, and so to entrust to His beloved Spouse, the Church, a memorial of His death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a Paschal banquet 'in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us." <sup>135</sup>

1324 The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." 136 "The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical [church] ministries and works of the apostolate [spreading the Good News], are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our [Passover]."

**Cemetery** - Please remove all flowers by Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> so that it may be mowed and trimmed. Remaining flowers will be removed and disposed of after that time

**Father's Day Poster for June 20**<sup>th</sup> – We will be taking names (\$1.00 per name) in the back of both churches the weekend of June 13<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$1.00 per name and all proceeds will go to the Saunders County Right to Life Organization. For more information please contact Donna Janecek at St. John Parish (402-642-5449) or Donna Furasek at St. Vitus Parish (402-784-6285).

WEEKLY TITHING COLLECTIONS		
	St. John Nepomucene	St. Vitus
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$2,636.54) in May	\$13,182.70	
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$1,740.00) in May		\$ 8,700.00
Amount Received in May	\$13,916.39	\$ 6,211.06
Net Excess (Deficit) for the month of May	\$ 733.69	\$ (2,488.94)

## ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of June 19-20, 2021

Acolyte:Sat. 6/19 Pat CarrollSun. 6/20 Chris TvrdyLector/Reader:Sat. 6/19 Deb CarrollSun. 6/20 Jesse Sabatka

Servers: Sat. 6/19 Volunteers Sun. 6/20 Jaden Berggren/Braydon Pleskac

**Stewardship of Treasure:** *June 6, 2021* We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us... Total: \$2,686.17 *PLUS:* Candles: \$27.00 Ascension: \$100.00 Guardian Angel Fund: \$40.00

**Food Drive**—Please bring the following items to church starting June 1<sup>st</sup>: Canned meat, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, soup, cereal and canned fruit. There will be a tote in the back of church.

**SAVE THE DATE: PCCW Garage & Bake Sale**—July 8<sup>th</sup>: 1:00pm-7:00pm, 9<sup>th</sup>: 8:00am-6:00pm and 10<sup>th</sup>: 8:00am-noon (dollar bag sale). Need volunteers to help set up on July 7<sup>th</sup> and to help during the garage sale. Call Barb Opp 402-642-5342, Deanne Spicka 402-642-5569 or Donna Janecek 402-642-5449 for more information.



### **READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42 Friday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48 Saturday 2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Sunday Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107; 2 Cor 5:14-17;

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15 Mk 4:35-41

#### RELIGIOUS SISTER OF THE WEEK

This week please pray for Marissa, Postulant, from David City, NE and Peyton, Postulant, from Norfolk, NE, who will be entering the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln.

#### 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, Patsy Sabatka and Albina Kellner; Saunders County Care Center—Marcella Meduna. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

#### **SPIRITUAL CORNER**

"All families need God. Every single one. We need His help, His strength, His blessing, His mercy and His forgiveness. It takes simplicity. To pray as a family, simplicity is needed...As a family, you can pray the 'Our Father' around the dinner table. That's not difficult to do, it's easy. Praying the rosary together as a family is very beautiful and it gives strength. Also praying for one another: A husband for his wife and a wife for her husband. Parents praying for their children and children for their parents and grandparents. Praying for one another."

—Pope Francis

## ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of June 19-20, 2021

**Acolyte:** Sun. 6/20 Tom Rezac **Lector/Reader** Sun. 6/20 Jeff Walla

**Servers:** Sun. 6/20 Lane Bohac/Chase Bohac

Stewardship of Treasure: June 6, 2021 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,275.00 *PLUS:* Children: \$2.00

**St. Vitus' Altar Society Group** - **Coffee & Rolls**—Please join us for coffee and rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at the school house. This month's coffee and rolls will be hosted by the Funeral Group.

**Reminder**—Just a few days left to get your recipes for the new cookbook into one of the Altar Society officers! A big "Thank You" to everyone that donated baking, money or time to come and support or volunteer at the Val Days bake stand on June 6<sup>th</sup>! Everyone's efforts are greatly appreciated! We were able to raise \$584!

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

**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 <a href="maileo:stjohnscrip19@gmail.com">stjohnscrip19@gmail.com</a>. 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 <a href="maileo:stjohnscrip19@gmail.com">stjohnscrip19@gmail.com</a> 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**

**The American Red Cross Community Blood Drive**—Wednesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, Noon-6:00pm and Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00am-1:00pm at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 504 W. 8<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Verna at 402-277-6243 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: WAHOONEB to schedule an appointment (no walk-ins accepted). Bring your Donor Card or Photo ID.

**TOTUS TUUS (Totally Yours)**—Summer Catechetical Youth Program for 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade will be Mon-Fri, June 28<sup>th</sup> -July 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. John's School in Weston and High Schoolers in Wahoo. 1<sup>st</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> Grade runs Mon-Fri from 9am-3pm and includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess. Limit of 90 students. High School program runs Sun-Thurs, June 27<sup>th</sup> -July 1<sup>st</sup> from 8pm-10pm. TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis and having FUN!!! Registration is available through St. John's School Office - 402-642-5234, St. John Church Office – 402-642-5245 and in the back of church. Cost is \$30 per student with a cap of \$100 per family, 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade. Free for High School participants. Participants in the grade school program should bring a sack lunch, water bottles and recess equipment.

**Diocesan Canoe Trip** is open to high school youth and college students. Adults are also invited along as sponsors/drivers. Join us in a couple of lazy days along the Niobrara River, along with fellowship, Mass and a lot of fun! Hurry, because space is limited: July 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> and July 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> are the two options. To register, go to <a href="https://www.lincolndiocese.org/youth/youth-ministry">https://www.lincolndiocese.org/youth/youth-ministry</a>.

Unveiled: Discovering the Great Mystery in Your Marriage—Offered in-person AND virtually via livestream! July 15th-17th. Discover how the great mystery of Christ's love can restore passion, purpose and intimacy in your marriage. In *Unveiled*, you'll engage topics grounded in Church teaching such as: "Discovering True Love," "A Whole New Look at Your Wedding Day," "Cultivating Intimacy and Unity in Your Marriage," "Understanding Your Marial Conflict," "Healing and Reconciliation in Your Marriage," and "Restoring Sexual Passion and Intimacy in Your Marriage." This retreat is open to singles discerning marriage, dating and engaged couples, and couples who have been married for many years! The Newman Center – St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church is hosting this retreat. Register for this amazing experience at: <a href="www.jpiihealingcenter.org">www.jpiihealingcenter.org</a> Scholarships available. Email Stephanie & Jude Werner at <a href="www.jpiihealingcenter.org">UnveiledLincoln@gmail.com</a> for more information.

Companions on the Journey - The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, invite single women, ages 18-40 who are considering religious life, to attend our Monastic Experience July 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. We hope to give participants a more indepth experience of our way of life. Those who come will experience our rhythm of prayer, work and recreation. There will be daily input on prayer, monastic life and discernment, as well as time for personal prayer and faith sharing. There is no cost to attend. Participants must be fully vaccinated before attending. To learn more, please visit <a href="www.benedictinesisters.org">www.benedictinesisters.org</a>. To register, please contact Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ex. 127 or email <a href="www.benedictinesisters.org">www.benedictinesisters.org</a>.

# A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Did you hear the one about the two radio antennas that got married? The church service was just fine but the reception was awesome!