

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	November 14 th	7:50 am	Liv/Dec PCCW Members
Tuesday	November 15 th	7:50 am	+ Bob Hedges
Wednesday	November 16 th	7:50 am	Aaron Kastl
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Edwin & Marie Kucera & Louis Ratkovec
Thursday	November 17 th	7:50 am	+ All Souls--Novena
Friday	November 18 th	7:50 am	+ Larry Stuchlik
Saturday	November 19 th	5:30 pm	+ Jarold V. & Joseph S. Bartek
Sunday	November 20 th	8:00 am Weston	+ Don Palensky
		10:00 am Touhy	Missa pro Populo

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Cloistered Sisters Collection – The envelope for the Cloistered Sisters is taken up at Thanksgiving. Their prayers are powerful! Envelopes are in your tithing packets and there are extra in the back of church.

St. John's School Big Raffle – Tickets will be for sale starting Monday. Please ask any School Family to purchase tickets. I will have a book of tickets to sell as well. Tickets are \$20.

Sunday Reflection – “Ours is a time of turmoil and unrest. Sometimes we could wish that life in such times came with an instruction manual. The good news is it does; this Sunday gives us Jesus’ own instructions for living in tough times.” – Dr. Scott Hahn, (from St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology). Jesus, warned that there would be times like this, but He is with us through it. Even though at times it may look like or feel like things are falling apart, there are so many resources for hope given us by Jesus and His Church. One is the example of the Apostles who persevered joyfully, spending much time praising God, even in tough times. Two things they did were to continue to “work and pray” (Incidentally this was the motto for St. Benedict’s Rule for his monks). This Sunday, St. Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians reminded them to live an orderly life and do their proper work, not acting like busybodies worrying about everyone else’s business. St. Paul, though he had a right to support from preaching the Gospel, nevertheless chose to support himself through work (probably tent-making) as an example to them to also do their work. Related to that balance of work and prayer, this week, I attended Fr. Schweiger’s mother’s funeral. Mary Jo was a spark plug of activity, working tirelessly for God and others, never seeming to sit still. There can be two extremes in viewing work. One where work just seems like suffering and is the opposite of rest. The other extreme is where someone works simply for the sake of work (or money) but ignores the health of his or her soul. It seems that Mary Jo had a good balance. The funeral homilist, Fr. Beardslee, suggested that for her, work and “rest” were not opposites because her work brought her peace since she was doing it for God and others. It is good to examine how our work fits into God’s plan. When Mary Jo’s priest son asked her if she was ready [to die], she said: Yes, I’m looking forward to the next adventure. Fr. Beardslee suggested that her “peace” in heaven would not be inactive, but she would be one who would “dart about like sparks” as indicated in the Book of Wisdom. The other thing that gives us hope in these times is prayer. Often praising God and listening to God gives us hope amidst turmoil.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of November 19-20, 2022

Acolyte:	Sat. 11/19 Pat Carroll	Sun. 11/20 Milton Bouc
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 11/19 Bill Laughridge	Sun. 11/20 Peg Bouc
Servers:	Sat. 11/19 Volunteers	Sun. 11/20 Jaden Berggren/Mason Wiese
Ushers:	Sat. 11/19 Don Sabatka/Ron Walla	Sun. 11/20 Charlie Jelinek/Marion Bartek
Gifts:	Sat. 11/19 Rick Virgil Family	Sun. 11/20 Charlie Jelinek Family

Stewardship of Treasure: November 6, 2022 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
 Total: \$4,157.00 **PLUS: Candles:** \$55.75 **Cloistered Sisters:** \$35.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$200.00
World Mission Sunday: \$25.00 **All Saints Day:** \$386.00 **CSA Rebate:** \$875.00

Food Drive—Please bring the following items to church between November 1st and November 30th: Canned meat, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, soup, cereal and canned fruit. There will be a tote in the back of church.

13th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive—PCCW had set a goal to collect 1,500 diapers, our final count was 1,921 diapers! A sincere **THANK YOU** to all who so generously donated diapers or gave monetarily to this very worthy cause!

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43	Friday	Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10	Saturday	Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28	Sunday	2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44		

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK

This week please pray for Thomas Rajewski from Sacred Heart, Lincoln, who is at St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of November 19-20, 2022

Acolyte:	Sun. 11/20 Joe Kouma
Lector/Reader:	Sun. 11/20 Jeff Walla
Servers:	Sun. 11/20 Caden Grant/Caleb Osmera
Ushers:	Sun. 11/20 Carl Woita/Jarold Bartek
Gifts:	Sun. 11/20 Tim Schulz Family

Stewardship of Treasure: November 6, 2022 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$3,270.95 **PLUS: All Saints Day:** \$10.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$10.00 **World Mission Sunday:** \$450.00
CSA Rebate: \$2,500.00

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

13th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive—Altar Society had set a goal to collect 600 diapers, our final count was 1,122 diapers! A sincere **THANK YOU** to all who so generously donated diapers or gave monetarily to this very worthy cause!

SPIRITUAL CORNER

“O Sacred Heart of Jesus, fountain of eternal life, Your Heart is a glowing furnace of Love. You are my refuge and my sanctuary. O my adorable and loving Savior, consume my heart with the burning fire with which Yours is aflamed. Pour down on my soul those graces which flow from Your love. Let my heart be united with Yours. Let my will be conformed to Yours in all things. May Your Will be the rule of all my desires and actions. Amen.” -Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

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. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

SCHOOL NEWS

Winter Scrip Challenge—We are challenging each grade to sell Scrip from November 1st – December 5th! The class that sells the most (in dollars) will win a jean day, pizza party and a special gift for their teacher!! Christmas shopping season is upon us!! They are in the office if anyone wants to stop by and buy some scrip!!

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

Pius X High School is accepting applications for the second semester for a full-time paraprofessional. This individual will observe classes and assist with individual and small group instruction coordinated by our ABLE staff. Apply online at piusx.net/employment.

Forget to Register for Magnificat’s Fall Prayer Meal—with Speaker Sarah Williams, Director of the Women’s Care Center. The Most Reverend James D Conley, Bishop of Lincoln will give the Invocation and Sarah’s introduction. There’s still time! (It’s Saturday, November 19th, 9:30am, Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln.) Text 402-525-6396 by Tuesday, November 15th, with your reservation (or call and leave a message) and mail your \$25 check payable to Magnificat, (students \$15) c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. Be a friend and bring a friend, share the Joy of Magnificat! All Catholic women are invited. “Glorify the Lord with me. Let us together extol His Holy Name!” Ps 34:4

St. Wenceslaus School, Wahoo—Annual Craft Fair, Sunday, November 20th from 8:30am-2:00pm. Booth rentals are \$30 for a center space and \$35 for a wall space. Only wall spaces will have electricity. Interested vendors should contact the school office at (402) 443-3336, Kristen Nagle (402) 525-8807 or Amy Schenk at (402) 660-5891 for information about renting space. Set up will be the night before or early morning the day of the Craft Fair.

St. John the Baptist - Prague Holiday Craft Fair – Sunday, November 27th, St. John’s Parish Hall, 9:00am-2:00pm. The hall will be full with vendors to begin your holiday shopping and Admission is Free! The coffee will be on early so drop by for a kolache in the morning. Shop at St. John’s bake sale for Czech bakery and the lunch stand will be open throughout the day. Come enjoy the Wine Bar with your family and friends. Bottles of wine will be available for sale – perfect for Christmas gifts and your holiday meals. Vendors can contact McKenzie at praguecraftfair@hotmail.com or call 402-443-7692 to reserve your tables.

Grief and the Holidays—On December 1st at 7:00pm, please join Sandy Danek, founder of Healing Hearts Grief Ministry, as she explores “Grief and the Holidays” from a Catholic perspective. Open to anyone who has experienced a loss of a loved one, is suffering from infertility or miscarriage, or for those who want to know how to better support a loved one experiencing grief. More information and registration is at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/grief> This event will be at the Harbor Coffeehouse in Lincoln-Piedmont, will be livestreamed and is free.

Looking to go deep during the Advent Season? Join Fr. Joseph Wahlmeier for “The ‘O Antiphons’ of Advent” Retreat on December 2nd-4th at Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. On December 16th-18th we will have the “Incarnational Intimacy” retreat with Fr. Steve Mills and December 28th-30th we will be hosting a virtual watch party for the “Encounter Ministries Conference”. Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@goodcounselretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

FCSLA Life (First Catholic Slovak Ladies Assn) members—Reserve your seats at the annual district ADULT Advent party to be held in the Prague parish hall on Saturday, December 3rd. A memorial rosary will be said at 2:30pm followed by the annual meeting. Then a complimentary meal of tasty pork and dumplings will be served. Please RSVP by November 22nd to Clarice Sabata at 402-784-3154 or ksabatane2035@gmail.com. This event is open to all members and their guests.

St. John’s New Year’s Eve Celebration—Saturday, December 31st at Starlite Event Center. Social Hour, 5:30pm; Dinner, 6:30pm; Fun Pianos Dueling Pianos, 8:30pm. Tickets: \$75 per person Dinner and Fun Pianos admission; \$25 per person Fun Pianos only admission. Catered by CK Catering: Prime Rib or Honey Glazed Chicken, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Salad. Proceeds benefit St. John’s School. Tickets: <https://stjohnspta.ticketspice.com/newyeareve>

FCSLA Life is pleased to announce its 2023-24 scholarship program—Candidates must be FCSLA members for at least 3 years. Scholarships will be awarded in all educational areas – early elementary, elementary, high school, college, grad school, vocational, trade, and technical schools. Submission deadline is February 14, 2023. Applications and further details may be obtained by visiting the FCSLA website at www.fcsla.com or sending an email to Scholarship@FCSLA.com.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Two skunks observed a deer hunter sneaking through the woods on an early Saturday morning. "I hope he's not going to shoot at us," said one skunk. The second skunk bowed his head and said, "Let us spray."