

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

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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 24, 2021

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	October 25 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Robert Machacek
Tuesday	October 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Don Palensky
Wednesday	October 27 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Don Ohnoutka
		5:30 pm	+ Dorothy Masek
Thursday	October 28 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Stanley Sabatka
Friday	October 29 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Fr. Ramon Decaen
Saturday	October 30 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pm	+ Ed Stuchlik, Jr.
Sunday	October 31 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 am Touhy	+ Lawrence Rezac
		10:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo

### NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

**Jesus Cures Bartimaeus (Sunday Readings)** – Our first Sunday reading, from Jeremiah, indicates that the Messiah would not leave anyone behind who chose to return to God. There are two parts to this. The first is that someone must choose to return to God. The Israelites exiled in Babylon at that time, had a chance to return from captivity to Palestine. Not all did. We ask for the grace to continue our ‘return’ to God, or sometimes, even the desire to return. The second part is that it would include the “blind and the lame”; this means that it included even those most in need. In the Gospel, Jesus was fulfilling His Messiah-ship when He cures the blind man, Bartimaeus. BUT He first made Bartimaeus CHOOSE to be cured; Jesus: “What do you want me to do for you?” Bartimaeus: “I want to see!” I would guess that we all have some “blind spots” when it comes to the spiritual life. We can ask the Lord to show us what they are. It is also good in our prayer time to occasionally answer for ourselves the question Jesus posed to Bartimaeus: “What do you want me to do for you?”... In addition, we can be thankful for what the Lord HAS done for us and all the Lord WILL do for us (in short, eternal happiness). Hopefully this gratitude leads us to also ask “Lord, what do you want of me?” For in His will is our Peace.

**World Mission Sunday Collection**— This weekend, October 23/24, is the collection for World Mission Sunday (via envelopes in the back of church). This collection is dispersed by the Propagation of the Faith in Rome to those mission territories most in need across the world, taking care of people’s physical and spiritual needs. “What return can I make to the Lord for all He has done for me?” (Psalm 116).

**St. John School Janitor(s):** We are looking to hire someone or a crew to clean St. John Nepomucene School in Weston on school days after school hours. This includes: Classrooms/ hallways/ bathrooms. This is a paid position. Background check will be required. Interested applicants should call St. John School for more information (402-642-5234) or email [Fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net](mailto:Fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net)

**Praying the Rosary** – October is the Month of the Rosary, a great time to start praying the daily Rosary, as Mary asked us at Fatima and other places of appearance. It is powerful for the needs of the world and our spiritual lives. Here are a few quotations about the rosary: (1) “If you genuinely wish to reach a high level of prayer in all honesty and without falling into the traps that the devil sets for those who pray, say your whole Rosary every day, or at least five decades of it.” - The Secret of the Rosary, St. Louis de Montfort [in his time the rosary was considered 15 decades]. “Persevering in the daily recitation of the #holyyrosary, we can meet each other every day with the Virgin Mother, learning from her how to cooperate fully with the plan of salvation that God has for each one of us,” said Pope Francis. - Vatican Media. “This meditation on the mysteries of the life and death of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is the source of the most wonderful fruits for those who use it” –The Secret of the Rosary, St. Louis de Montfort.

**Please join me in praying for the meeting between Pope Francis and President Biden in Rome** on October 29<sup>th</sup> and in particular that the president will become Pro-life and change his policies to reflect this. We also ask for abundant graces from the Holy Spirit that the president will make good executive decisions for marriage, families, religion, and our Country.

**St. John School Spaghetti Dinner** – Please join us Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> in the school gym. See note below in Area News.

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

#### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 30-31, 2021

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sat. 10/30 Pat Carroll	Sun. 10/31 Matt Tvrdy
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sat. 10/30 Deb Carroll	Sun. 10/31 Marvin Wiese
<b>Servers:</b>	Sat. 10/30 Volunteers	Sun. 10/31 Mason Wiese/John Adams
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sat. 10/30 Don Sabatka/Jesse Sabatka	Sun. 10/31 Jim Woita/Marion Bartek
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sat. 10/30 Bill Laughridge Family	Sun. 10/31 Jim Woita Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: October 17, 2021** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$2,247.00 **PLUS: Candles: \$5.00 Guardian Angel Fund: \$70.00**

**LDCCW Diaper Drive**—There are totes in the back of church to drop off your donation. Diaper sizes 5 & 6 are requested.

### 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 and George Furasek, Jr.; 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.

### READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17	Friday:	Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6
Tuesday:	Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21	Saturday:	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Wednesday:	Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30	Sunday:	Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34
Thursday:	Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16		

## SPIRITUAL CORNER

“Christian perfection consists in three things: praying heroically, working heroically, and suffering heroically.”

-St. Anthony Mary Claret

## ST. VITUS PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 30-31, 2021

**Acolyte:** Sun. 10/31 Joe Kouma  
**Lector/Reader** Sun. 10/31 Ron Furasek  
**Servers:** Sun. 10/31 Lane Bohac/Chase Bohac  
**Ushers:** Sun. 10/31 Keith Strizek/Shawn Strizek  
**Gifts:** Sun. 10/31 Paul Rezac Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: October 17, 2021** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,325.00.00 **PLUS: Children:** \$4.00 **Water Lease:** \$20.00

**St. Vitus' Altar Society Group - Coffee & Rolls**—Please join us for coffee and rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the school house. Group #2 will be serving.

**Acolyte/Lector needed for St. Vitus Church**—If you are interested, please see or call Fr. Vandewalle.

**LDCCW Diaper Drive**—There are totes in the back of church to drop off your donation. Diaper sizes 5 & 6 are requested.

## 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 [stjohnscrip19@gmail.com](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. You will get your cards approx. 2 weeks after order is placed. Please email [stjohnscrip19@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## AREA NEWS

**Cancellation**—Men on Fire Conference scheduled for Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's in Lincoln has been cancelled.

**LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive**—One of the non-truths in the abortion debate is the notion that pro-life advocates care only about the child in the womb and do nothing for pregnant women or for the children once born. The Diaper Drive is a great opportunity to support the women that choose life rather than abortion. Let's all work together to make this Pro-Life Diaper Drive a great success. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements. **There are totes in both churches to drop off your donation.**

**40 Days for Life Fall 2021 Campaign Thru October 31<sup>st</sup>**—Please join us as a peaceful, prayerful witness outside Planned Parenthood in Lincoln to protect mothers and children by ending abortion! Vigil hours are 6:00am-8:00pm daily. You can contact Lisa McInerney at 402-525-9360 or go to [40daysforlife.com/Lincoln](http://40daysforlife.com/Lincoln) for more information or to sign up for a time.

**St Mary's in Ashland 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Harvest Fest!** Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, serving from 1:00am-2:30pm. We will feature a dinner of smoked pork loin with delicious sides & homemade desserts. (\$12 adults; kids (6-12) \$8; kids under 5 free). Drive thru or carry out (\$12).

**Trunk or Treat**—Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm-5:00pm, St. Wenceslaus parking lot. Prizes awarded for best decorated trunk! Contact Kristen Nagle @ 402-525-8807 or [knagle1@gmail.com](mailto:knagle1@gmail.com) to enter a trunk. All are welcome!

**Ladies of the Deanery** are invited to join the Catholic Daughters at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo on the evening of Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup> for a fun filled evening filled with a silent and live auction. Items that you might see include baked goods, canned items, jams, crafts, something for everyone. All proceeds from the live auction will be donated to help support national CDA and local charities. We will begin with Holy Rosary at 6:30pm followed by lunch and auctions, and then a very short business meeting. We hope many of you will join us and bring a friend too on the evening of October 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Date Night**—The Family Life Office invites you to a date night out on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm-9:00pm at UNL Newman Center Rosary Hall with Fr. Sean Kilcawley. \$45 for dinner/drinks/apps for two, \$15 for drinks/apps, or come for free to the talk and go out to eat on your own (will also be streamed). More info/registration at <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/octoberdatenight>

**Are you looking for healing and peace?** Bring all of your cares and worries to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at the next Fresh Fire, on Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-9:00pm in the chapel at John XXIII. There will be praise and worship, adoration, a brief teaching and opportunities for individuals to have time with prayer teams. Come, Holy Spirit, come!

**St. John Nepomucene School is having a Free Will Donation Spaghetti Dinner** on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 11:00am-2:00pm at the St. John Nepomucene School Gym. Dine-In, Carry Out and Delivery Options available. Flyer in the back of church with more information.

**St. John's, Prague BINGO**—Bingo will be resuming on alternating Wednesday nights starting at 7:30pm at the parish hall in downtown Prague. Upcoming dates are Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, Nov 17<sup>th</sup>, etc. Dinner specials begin at 7:00pm; choose a \$7 sandwich plate, or buy a la carte. Bring some friends and join in the fun. Must be 18 years of age to play.

**St. James Church (Mead) 40th Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast**—November 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:30am to 12:00pm. All-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage and eggs. Adults \$8, Kids (5-12) \$4, Under 4 free. St James Parish Hall, 213 E. 8th St, Mead. RAFFLE PRIZES: Handmade Queen-sized quilt, hunting gun, Traeger grill. Silent auction, kids games, craft and bake sale. Mass is celebrated at 7:00am and 9:00am.

**Service Day Opportunity**—The students at Bishop Neumann Jr/Sr High School would like to say “thank you” to our parish! On Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> students in 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades are willing to work at the parish, for ALL parish members, or throughout the community. Whether it's raking leaves, washing windows, or sweeping out garages they want to help! Please complete a request form (located in the back of church) and return in the collection plate by **Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**. Any questions can be directed to Gery Kenney (402-443-4151 or [gery-kenney@cdolinc.net](mailto:gery-kenney@cdolinc.net)).

**Magnificat Fall Prayer Meal - A New Beginning of Proclaiming Christ as King!** Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am, Hillcrest Country Club, 9401 East O Street, Lincoln. Our special guest speaker is Jenny Hall. Jenny is the Artist for Ablaze Ministries (Father Voithofer will lead Praise and Worship) and resides with her husband Roger in Neola, Iowa. Jesus, Our Blessed Mother, and the Saints are her paintings. Jenny said "Inside every person there is a saint destined for holiness. Our Father gives us all the help we need to one day worship Him in Heaven". Artwork will be available for purchase. “Come and Glorify the Lord with us-let us together extol His Holy Name!” (Ps 34:4) Register today by sending a \$25 check payable to Magnificat c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. (Students \$10) Deadline is Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, no walk-ins. For information text Rhonda Litt at 402-525-6396 or leave a message at 402-489-3819.

## A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

A turtle is crossing the road when he's mugged by two snails. When the police show up, they ask him what happened. The shaken turtle replies, “I don't know. It all happened so fast.”