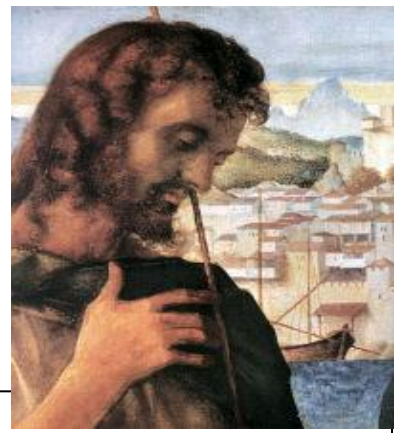


PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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Second Sunday of Advent December 9, 2018

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	December 10 th	7:50 am	John Vasa
Tuesday	December 11 th	7:50 am	+ Mike Kinnett
Wednesday	December 12 th	7:50 am	+ Priest's Intention
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ All Souls--Novena
Thursday	December 13 th	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Patty Bartek
Friday	December 14 th	7:50 am	+ Julie Andy
Saturday	December 15 th	5:30 pm Weston	+ Wayne Reeves
Sunday	December 16 th	8:00 am Weston	+ Therese O'Sullivan
		10:00 am Touhy	Missa pro Populo

5:00 pm Weston Exposition of Eucharist with Evening Prayer & Benediction

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Don't forget the Advent Baby Shower in both of our parishes

End-of-the-Year Giving - If you wish your parish giving to count for 2018 please have it in by December 31st. And of course, thanks for your generosity!

Generations of Generosity - It's always nice to see the "generations" serving the Lord. There are many of our parishioners who have done so much for the parish and their neighbors, from cooking and serving at parish functions to caring for and fixing the grounds ... and much more. And while many have done this over the years alongside their children, it is nice to see the next generation generously volunteering for the parish with all these things (cooking, fixing, installing, removing snow, leading books studies, reading spiritual books, etc...) and of course teaching these things to their own children.

The "Twofold Coming of Christ" from St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop - We do not preach only one coming of Christ, but a second as well, much more glorious than the first. The first coming was marked by patience; the second will bring the crown of a divine kingdom. In general, whatever relates to our Lord Jesus Christ has two aspects. There is a birth from God before the ages, and a birth from a virgin at the fullness of time. There is a hidden coming, like that of rain on fleece, and a coming before all eyes, still in the future. At the first coming he was wrapped in swaddling clothes in a manger. At his second coming he will be clothed in light as in a garment. In the first coming he endured the cross, despising the shame; in the second coming he will be in glory, escorted by an army of angels... We look then beyond the first coming and await the second... The Saviour will not come to be judged again, but to judge those by whom he was judged. At his own judgement he was silent; then he will address those who committed the outrages against him when they crucified him and will remind them: You did these things, and I was silent. His first coming was to fulfil his plan of love, to teach men by gentle persuasion. This time, whether men like it or not, they will be subjects of his kingdom by necessity. ... These two comings are also referred to by Paul in writing to Titus: The grace of God the Saviour has appeared to all men, instructing us to put aside impiety and worldly desires and live temperately, uprightly, and religiously in this present age, waiting for the joyful hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ... Our Lord Jesus Christ will therefore come from heaven. He will come at the end of the world, in glory, at the last day. For there will be an end to this world, and the created world will be made new.

Columbian Squires' Toy Drive has begun and will continue until **Saturday, December 15th**. Donations of new or gently-used toys can be put in the specially-marked boxes in the entryways of St. Wenceslaus Church in Wahoo and St. John's Church in Weston. All toys will be donated to Catholic Social Services

Penance Service Schedule

On Sunday, December 16th, the schedule is:

2:00 pm Davey, Colon, & Mead

4:00 pm **Weston**, Prague, Morse Bluff

5:30 pm Ashland & Valparaiso

Multiple Priests at each Penance Service

On Monday, December 17th, at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo at 7:00 pm.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us the memories of goodness and thus to open the doors of hope."

-Pope Benedict XVI

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of December 15-16, 2018

Acolyte:	Sat. 12/15 Paul Virgl	Sun. 12/16 Matt Tvrdy
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 12/15 Ron Walla	Sun. 12/16 Tom Vasa
Servers:	Sat. 12/15 Volunteers	Sun. 12/16 Hudson Fortik/Sam Adams
Ushers:	Sat. 12/15 George Wonka/Rich Cherovsky	Sun. 12/16 LeRoy Ohnoutka/Steve Breunig
Gifts:	Sat. 12/15 Joe Janecek Family	Sun. 12/16 Byron Shanahan Family

Stewardship of Treasure: December 2, 2018 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$2,140.00 **PLUS: Candles:** \$43.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$85.00 **Cloistered Sisters:** \$10.00

Immaculate Conception: \$10.00 **Christmas Flowers:** \$200.00 **Christmas Offering:** \$10.00

Collection Counter for Sunday, 12/9—Lorene Stuchlik

Sunday, 12/16—Charlie Jelinek

St. John's PCCW Members—Please pick up your 2019 Yearbooks (they are in alphabetical order) that are in the back of church. Those not picked up will be mailed December 23rd. Thank you.

SCHOOL NEWS

Neumann's Christmas Band Concert will be held Sunday, December 9th, at 2:00 pm in Bishop Neumann Gym.
Neumann's Christmas Vocal Concert is being held Monday, December 10th, at 7:30 pm in Bishop Neumann Gym.
Please Keep Saving Your Labels/Box Tops—Please continue to save the Box Tops for Education labels, the Our Family UPC's, the Best Choice UPC's, and store receipts from Sun Mart, Wahoo Super and Corner Market. There is a basket in back of church to drop all your labels and receipts off in.

OTHER INFORMATION

Please remember in your prayers and, on occasion, pay a visit or send a card to our home-bound/assisted care facilities parishioners: Home—Rose Furasek; South Haven—Charles Kadavy, Rose Walla & Mary Lou Woita; Saunders County Care Center—Julius & Marcella Meduna. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26	Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
Tuesday:	Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14	Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17: 9a, 10-13
Wednesday:	Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38	Sunday:	Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Phil 4:4-7;
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15		Lk 3:10-18

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of December 15-16, 2018

Acolyte: Sun. 12/16 Tom Rezac
Lector/Reader: Sun. 12/16 Darrell Walla
Servers: Sun. 12/16 Josh Schulz/Anthony Strizek
Ushers: Sun. 12/16 Pat Bartek/Bryan Woita
Gifts: Sun. 12/16 Dale Dvorak Family

Stewardship of Treasure: December 2, 2018 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$2,729.55 **PLUS: Christmas Flowers: \$70.00 World Mission Sunday: \$20.00 Cloistered Sisters: \$25.00**

Collection Counter for Sunday, 12/9—Tom Rezac

Sunday, 12/16—Keith Strizek

St. Vitus Christmas Cleaning—Wednesday, December 19th at 6:15pm. December church cleaners are Deb Meyer, Kathy Strizek, Pam Strizek and Delores Strizek. Groups 2 & 3 will help clean.

AREA NEWS

The Wahoo Knights of Columbus Squires youth group newspaper drive will be today Sunday, December 9th, from 8:30-11:30 am. The trailer is along "A" Street, East of the former Titan Implement in Wahoo.

St. John the Baptist, Prague (Date Change) - "Sip 'n Shop" Holiday Craft Fair & Wine Tasting: Sunday, December 9th at St. John's Parish Hall from 9:00am-3:00pm. Lunch will be served throughout the day. Free Admission!

Memorial Christmas Tree & Dedication Service—December 9th at 2:00pm at the St. Francis and Sunrise Cemeteries in Wahoo. During the service, family members and friends can place ornaments on the tree to remember their loved ones. These ornaments and tree will stay up through the Christmas season. If you are unable to make the service, an ornament can be placed on the tree any time after December 8th. The tree will stay up until January 13th, so please have your ornaments taken down by then. Make sure ornaments are properly secured (i.e. zip ties, wire, etc.) Questions, contact Cori Mooberry at 810-623-1878 or kerkman513@yahoo.com

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House has upcoming weekend retreats of interest to all men and women. Bishop Conley and Fr. Coulter "The Mysteries of Christmas" Retreat will be December 14th–16th. Learn more at goodcounselretreat.com or call 402-786-2705.

St. Luke's Czech Catholic Shrine—Mass will be celebrated in Loma at St. Luke's Czech Catholic Shrine on Sunday, December 16th, at 4:00pm. The Ostry family will sing Czech Christmas carols beginning at 3:30pm.

The Catholic Coffee House is an adult faith formation series held at Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln, from 7:00-8:30pm. The theme for this year is "Navigating the Church Now." The December presentation (December 16th) is entitled "Relationship, Transparency and Obedience" by Fr. Sean Kilcawley. This series is oriented towards being in the church in the current climate of scandal. Each session includes prayer, a presentation, and Q & A. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0619 for questions.

Healing Mass at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, Clarkson—There will be a healing Mass held on Thursday, December 20th at 7:00pm at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, 120 Cherry Street in Clarkson. Confessions will be heard at 6:00pm. Questions, call Fr. Rod at 402-892-3464.

The Annual Mass of the Holy Innocents will be celebrated on Friday, December 28th. All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at 6:30pm with Mass at 7:00pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner for this year, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5:00pm on December 19th. *If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.*

Warm up Winter! Help Spirit 102.7-FM (Spirit Catholic Radio) bring warmth to people in the Lincoln area as we **Warm up Winter!** We're accepting donations of **NEW** socks, coats, mittens, hats and boots for both adults and children. The donated items can be dropped off at our Lincoln studios at 630 N. Cotner Blvd., Ste. 101, or at Catholic Social Services at 2241 O Street in Lincoln. Drop off your new, unwrapped donations of warm, winter gear by December 28th. For more info visit spiritcatholicradio.com and help us Warm Up Winter!

New Year's Eve Celebration! St. John School Gym, Monday, December 31st, 6:30pm. Dinner catered by CK Catering; Kenny James Band 8:30pm. \$40 per person. Advanced tickets only! Must be over 21 to attend. Come have fun!! Call Jen Woita 450-3538 to purchase tickets.

Marriage Encounter Weekend— February 15th-17th, 2019 at the Lied Center in Nebraska City. Contact couple Pat (308-940-0670) & Janelle (308-940-1105) Benson, or email them at: pjbjben@yahoo.com **Need to call well in advance for facility reservations.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Even though there was a blizzard raging outside, I made it the half-mile to the bakery, where I asked the owner for six rolls. "Your wife must like rolls," he said. "How do you know these are for my wife?" I asked. "Because your mother wouldn't send you out in weather like this."