

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment



Two-week Bulletin

Seventh Sunday of Easter & Pentecost Sunday June 2 & June 9, 2019

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday	June 3 rd -June 6 th	NO MASSES	
Friday	June 7 th <i>First Friday</i>	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Anthony & Mary Ann Osmera
Saturday	June 8 th	7:15-8:15 am Touhy	HOLY HOUR
		5:30 pm Weston	+ Fr. Paul Rutton
Sunday	June 9 th	8:00 am Touhy	+ Nancy Karel
		10:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo
Monday	June 10 th	7:50 am	Sr. Carol & Beverly Bettendorf
Tuesday	June 11 th	7:50 am	+ Lorraine Firley
Wednesday	June 12 th	7:50 am	+ Randy Woita
		5:30 pm	+ Don Kresl
Thursday	June 13 th	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Ernie & Joan Osmera
Friday	June 14th	NO MASS	
Saturday	June 15 th	5:30 pm Weston	Missa pro Populo
Sunday	June 16 th	8:00 am Weston	Father's Day Intentions
		10:00 am Touhy	Father's Day Intentions

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

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Retreat – I'll be on annual priest retreat from Sunday evening, June 2nd through Thursday evening, June 6th. You may call me in an emergency or the priests in Wahoo (443-4235), Prague (663-4615), or Val (784-2511).

Pentecost, June 9th - The descent of the Holy Spirit empowered the Apostles to bring the Gospel. Confirmation does the same for us. Here's a prayer to help: "Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created and You shall renew the face of the earth." P.S. If you want, I guess there was an old tradition of wearing red on Pentecost; at least I will.

Cemetery - Please remove all flowers by Wednesday, June 12th of next week so that it may be mowed. Remaining flowers will be removed and disposed of after that time.

Father's Day Poster for June 16th – We will collect names for the annual Pro-Life Fathers' Day Ad Campaign on June 2nd & 9th. 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).

Mother's Day Poster Collection for Saunders County Right to Life was \$313 at St. John's and \$95 at St. Vitus'.

Christianity Tried - At the end of the Easter Season, the Ascension and Pentecost invite us to consider that by his Holy Spirit Christ is present in us (and we are still connected to Him). Jesus is always inviting us to go to the Father AND to build up the Father's Kingdom *on earth as it is in heaven*. IMAGINE what a society, rightly ordered, would look like? ... and what it wouldn't look like? We each might imagine it differently, but it would be wonderful. As Christians we are in a unique position to think and act upon this and to bring it about (at least in degrees). This is the call of Christians in every age, our call now. I'm reminded of two quotations by G.K. Chesterton, called the greatest writer of the 20th Century, a convert to the Catholic Faith. Among his answers to critics of Christianity was this: "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult; and left untried." (*What's Wrong with the World*, Part 1, Ch. 5, GKC). Another time GKC answered a local newspaper's invitation for submissions to the question: "What's wrong with the world?" His answer was profoundly to the point: "Dear Sirs, I am." Building up the kingdom, a society rightly ordered, begins with myself. A great question to ask in prayer: "Lord, what would you like me to do to bring about your rightly ordered Kingdom in the world ... and in my life?"

Visits to Jesus – A great thing to do for June (or any month), since in it we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi is to stop by Church to make a visit to Jesus really present in the Blessed Sacrament. Attached is a meditation for what sentiments Jesus might invite during such a visit.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekends of June 8-9, 2019 and June 15-16, 2019

Acolyte:	Sat. 6/8 Pat Carroll	Sun. 6/9 Matt Tvrdy
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 6/8 Ginger Laughridge	Sun. 6/9 Tom Vasa
Servers:	Sat. 6/8 Volunteers	Sun. 6/9 Sam Adams/Noah Huisman
Ushers:	Sat. 6/8 Rich Virgil/Paul Virgl	Sun. 6/9 Marion Bartek/Steve Breunig
Gifts:	Sat. 6/8 Paul Virgl Family	Sun. 6/9 Chad Kreikemeier Family
Acolyte:	Sat. 6/15 Paul Virgl	Sun. 6/16 Al Meduna
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 6/15 Ron Walla	Sun. 6/16 Barb Opp
Servers:	Sat. 6/15 Volunteers	Sun. 6/16 Jaden Berggren/Blake Lacey
Ushers:	Sat. 6/15 Jeff Maly/George Wonka	Sun. 6/16 Don Sabatka/Jesse Sabatka
Gifts:	Sat. 6/15 Jeff Maly Family	Sun. 6/16 Chuck Lacey Family

Stewardship of Treasure: May 26, 2019 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$2,253.60 **PLUS: Candles: \$36.00**

Collection Counter for Sunday, 6/2—Dotty Virgil

Sunday, 6/9—Lorene Stuchlik

Sunday, 6/16—Charlie Jelinek

St. John's PCCW Group will have *Coffee & Rolls* after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, June 2nd.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

“How can we not give thanks to God for the wonders the Spirit has never ceased to accomplish in these two millennia of Christian life? Indeed, the event of grace at Pentecost has continued to bear its marvelous fruits, everywhere instilling apostolic zeal, a desire for contemplation, the commitment to live and serve God and our brothers and sisters with complete dedication” (May 31, 1998). —Pope St. John Paul

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33	Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a	Tuesday:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19	Wednesday:	2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26	Thursday:	2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19	Friday:	2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25	Saturday:	2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday:	Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23	Sunday:	Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

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: South Haven—Charles Kadavy, Rose Walla, Mary Lou Woita and Patsy Sabatka; Saunders County Care Center—Julius & Marcella Meduna. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekends of June 8-9, 2019 and June 15-16, 2019

Acolyte:	Sun. 6/9 Joe Kouma	Sun. 6/16 Tom Rezac
Lector/Reader:	Sun. 6/9 Ron Furasek	Sun. 6/16 Darrell Walla
Servers:	Sun. 6/9 Anthony Strizek/Cade Grant	Sun. 6/16 Lane Bohac/Chase Bohac
Ushers:	Sun. 6/9 Mike Kavan/Dan Cihal	Sun. 6/16 Mike Kavan/Dan Cihal
Gifts:	Sun. 6/9 Paul Rezac Family	Sun. 6/16 Tom Rezac Family

Stewardship of Treasure: May 26, 2019 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,118.01

Collection Counter for Sunday, 6/2—Keith Strizek
Sunday, 6/9—Marvin Bohac
Sunday, 6/19—Jarold Bartek

SCHOOL NEWS

Totus Tuus will be held at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo June 16th-21st. There are registration forms in the back of church.

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 and Corner Market. There is a basket in back of church to drop all your labels and receipts off in.

SPIRITUAL REQUEST

Seven Sisters Apostolate - A Seven Sisters group begins when at least seven women respond to a call to the mission of praying a weekly holy hour for a priest. The goal is to have this for every priest. If more than seven women join, a core group of seven is designated while others may substitute or provide additional hours of prayer. Each member commits to a Holy Hour (ideally before the Blessed Sacrament) on a certain day of the week, thus covering a complete week. The commitment is to that day; the “sister” may pray at any time on that day. If she is unable to offer her Holy Hour, she gets a substitute. The group’s intention is for Father and asking for his deepening devotion to our Blessed Mother. The group prays for Father until he is reassigned, at which time his successor becomes the recipient of those prayers. This generous commitment of one hour per week of prayer is asked for a period of one year, but can remain open-ended in time as each individual discerns her call to continue. Please contact Deanne Spicka – 402-642-5569 if you are interesting in participating. You can also find out more at <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/>

AREA NEWS

Sts. Peter & Paul Altar Society Rummage Sale and Bake Sale in Abie will be held on Friday, June 7th, 8:00am-5:00pm and Saturday, June 8th, 8:00am-1:00pm in the St. Peter & Paul Church basement. (\$5.00 sacks on Saturday). Poster in back of church.

St. Luke Czech Shrine in Loma—Mass will be offered on Sunday, June 9th, at 2:00pm. The Ostry Family Singers will provide the music.

Healing Hearts—A grief ministry providing support for those who have lost a loved one, is offering a summer program on 3 Wednesdays, June 12th, 19th and 26th- 6:30pm-8:30pm at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 37th & Sheridan Blvd. Issues discussed will be the fundamentals of grief, how it effects our relationships & skills necessary to manage grief. Cost is \$15. To register, please call 402-473-0620.

Lord Teach Me To Pray. Deepen Your Prayer Life; Help Others Do The Same! Are you a woman or man of prayer? Are you comfortable working with small groups? On Saturday, June 15th, at John XXIII Diocesan Center, Lincoln there will be a Facilitator Training-Retreat for the “Lord Teach Me To Pray” (LTMTTP) Ignatian prayer series. There is no charge for the retreat or materials. Come & discern if God is calling you to become a facilitator! Or, if you are simply interested in finding out more about Ignatian Prayer and the “Lord, Teach Me To Pray” prayer series, you are also invited! For info and registration please go to: lordteachmetoprayer.com click on Training-Retreats, scroll down to Lincoln for registration form or call 504-439-5933

Healing Mass at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, Clarkson—There will be a healing Mass on Thursday, June 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.

Healing the Whole Person presented by the John Paul II Healing Center Team on July 11th-13th. This seminar provides the opportunity to learn about and experience the healing power of God in the wholeness of body, soul and spirit. St. Peter’s Church, 4500 Duxhall Drive, Lincoln. Register at: www.JPIIHealingCenter.org. For scholarships and missionary discounts, email: LincolnHealandEquip@gmail.com

Day of Equipping presented by Bart Schuchts, John Paul II Healing Center, on July 12th. This training is designed to equip and prepare you to live more fully into the mission of Christ. During this training you will encounter the Father’s love and be inspired to live more fully in God’s purpose for your life. St. Peter Church, 4500 Duxhall Drive, Lincoln, NE. Register at: www.JPIIHealingCenter.org. For scholarships, student and missionary discounts email LincolnHealandEquip@gmail.com.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

A neighbor finds a young boy sitting on the stairs crying. “What’s the matter, honey?” she asks him. “It’s my father,” the boy says sobbing. “He hit his finger with a hammer.” “Then why are you crying?” she says. “Because first I laughed!” he answers.

A Quarter of an Hour before the Blessed Sacrament



To please Me, dear child, it is not necessary to know much; all that is required is to love Me much, to be deeply sorry for ever having offended Me and desirous of being ever faithful to Me in future.

Speak to Me of the poor you wish to comfort; tell Me all that now fills your mind and heart. Are there any you wish to commend to Me? Tell Me their names, and tell Me what you would wish Me to do for them. Do not fear, ask for much, I love generous hearts, which, forgetting themselves, wish well to others.

Speak to Me of the poor you wish to comfort; tell Me of the sick that you would wish to see relieved. Ask of Me something for those who have been unkind to you, or who have crossed you. Ask much for them all; commend them all with your heart to Me.

And ask Me many graces for yourself. Are there not many graces you would wish to name that would make you happier in yourself, more useful and pleasing to others, more worthy of the love of Me, the dearest Lord, master, and Spouse of your soul? Tell Me the whole list of the favors you want of Me. Tell Me them humbly, knowing how poor you are without them, how unable to gain them by yourself; ask for them with much love, that they may make you more pleasing to Me. With all a child's simplicity, tell Me how self-seeking you are, how proud, vain, irritable, how cowardly in sacrifice, how lazy in work, uncertain in your good resolutions, and then ask Me to bless and crown your efforts. Poor child, fear not, blush not at the sight of so many failings; there are Saints in heaven who had the faults you have; they came to Me lovingly, they prayed earnestly to Me, and My grace has made them good and holy in My sight.

You should be Mine, body and soul; fear not, therefore, to ask of Me gifts of body and mind, health, judgment, memory and success. Ask for them for My sake; that God may be glorified in all things. I can grant everything, and never refuse to give what may make a soul dearer to Me and better able to fulfill the will of God.

Have you no plans for the future which occupy, perhaps distress, your mind? Tell Me your hopes, your fears. Is it about your future state? Your position among My creatures? Some good you wish to bring to others? In what shall I help and bless your good will?

And for Me you must have, have you not, some zeal, some wish to do good to the souls of others. Some, perhaps, who love and care for you, have ceased, almost, to know or care for Me. Shall I give you strength, wisdom and tact, to bring these poor ones close to my heart again? Have you failed in the past? Tell Me how you acted; I will show you why you did not gain all you expected; rely on Me, I will help you, and will guide you to lead others to Me.

And what crosses have you, My dear Child? Have they been many and heavy ones? Has someone caused you pain? Someone wounded your self-love? Slighted you? Injured you? Lay your head upon My breast, and tell Me how you suffered. Have you felt that some have been ungrateful to you, and unfeeling towards you? Tell Me all, and in the warmth of My heart you will find strength to forgive and even to forget that they have ever wished to pain you.

And what fears have you, My child? My providence shall comfort you. My love sustains you. I am never away from you, never can abandon you. Are some growing cold in the interest and love they had for you? Pray to Me for them; I will restore them to you if it be better for you and your sanctification.