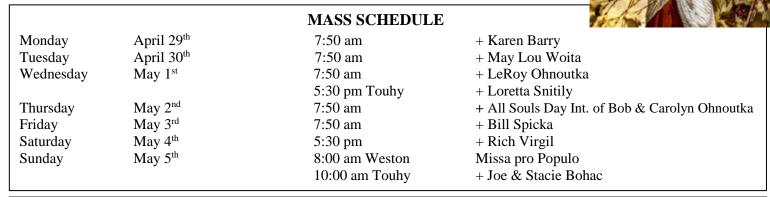
PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

P.O. Box 10 Weston, NE 68070 Phone #: 402-642-5245 Fr.'s Cell #: 402-853-2846 Rev. Matthew Vandewalle, Pastor E-mail address: fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net

E-mail address: <u>StJohn-Weston@cdolinc.net</u>
Website address: <u>www.stjohnschurchweston.com</u>

CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024



NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Rest in Peace - Prayers and condolences to the families of David Jansa, Patsy Sabatka, and Bob Vanek. Please pray for the quick and happy repose of their souls and for the comfort of their families. Each of these was a spouse, parent and grandparent loved much by their family for which they poured themselves out with sacrificial love. I am sure that they will hear the words "Good and faithful servant, come, enter into my rest!" Patsy's services: Visitation at Svoboda's Funeral Home, Sunday evening, 5:00-7:00 pm with Rosary Vigil at 7:00 pm and funeral on Monday at St. John's at 10:30am. Bob's services: Visitation at St. John's, Monday evening, 6:00-7:00 pm with Rosary Vigil at 7:00 pm and funeral on Tuesday at St. John's at 10:30 am. David's services were last Wednesday and Thursday.

Charity and Stewardship Appeal (CSA) – This annual collection supports many diocesan-level apostolates. The first 20% of our goal supports these Apostolates: \$1,820 from Touhy and \$2,080 from Weston. Everything over that comes back to the respective parish! The Appeal will be April 27-28th and May 4-5th. Last year we pledged \$11,599 at Touhy and \$10,360 at Weston. Let's see if we can up it 5%. *(Main Diocesan level apostolates: (1) Family Life Office; (2) Youth Ministry; (3) UNL Newman Center; (4) Hispanic Ministry; (5) Catholic Social Service; (6-8) Hospital, Prison, Nursing Home Ministries, (9) the Marriage Tribunal

2024 CSA	St. John's	St. Vitus
Goal	10,400	9,100
20% to	2,080	1,820
Diocesan		
Apostolates		
80% to Parish	8,320	7,280
Over goal goes		
100% to Parish!		

St. Joseph the Worker – May 1st is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. St. Joseph reminds us the great dignity in doing our daily duties! At creation, God worked! Then of course the importance of rest and worship; for God rested on the Sabbath. **Prayer:** Hail Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage and defend us from every evil. Amen.

May 4th is National Prayer Day.

May Crowning will be next weekend. First Communicants are invited to process in First Communicant clothes.

The Word Among Us and the Magnificat and MagnifiKids (for kids!) are in the back of church.

Last Day of School is this week – Thanks everybody for a GREAT year!

Mother's Day Poster—We will be taking names (\$1.00 per name) in the back of both churches the weekend of April 28th-29th and May 4th-5th or you can contact Donna Janecek (St. John's) at 402-642-5449 or Andrea Furasek (St. Vitus) at 402-540-2653 to put in your Mother's name for our annual Mother's Day Masses on May 12th. The money donated will be given to the Right to Life campaign.

Easter Lilies – Parishioners are welcome to take an Easter lily home. Please leave the plastic trays, we will reuse them.

Rectory House cleaner – Fr. Vandewalle is looking for someone to clean the rectory once a month. If you are interested, please contact him.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 4-5, 2024

Acolyte:Sat. 5/4 Paul VirglSun. 5/5 Chris TvrdyLector/Reader:Sat. 5/4 Bill LaughridgeSun. 5/5 Marvin Wiese

Servers:Sat. 5/4 VolunteersSun. 5/5 Mason Wiese/Rhett BoucUshers:Sat. 5/4 Joe Janecek/Rich CherovskySun. 5/5 Don Sabatka/Marion Bartek

Gifts: Sat. 5/4 Joe Janecek Family Sun. 5/5 Chris Bouc Family

Stewardship of Treasure: *April 21, 2024* We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$6,188.00 *PLUS:* Candles: \$21.00 **Holy Land:** \$100.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$50.00 **Easter:** \$400.00

St. John's PCCW Group will have Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, May 5th.

OTHER INFORMATION

Please remember in your prayers and, on occasion, call or send a card to our home-bound/assisted care facilities parishioners: Saunders County Care Center—Marcella Meduna. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

Please pray for Sr. Maria Bernadette Phuong Nguyen, Jr. Professed Sister, Sisters of Mary, Queen of Mercy

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26 Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8 Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98; 1 Jn 4:7-10;

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11 Jn 15:9-17

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 4-5, 2024

Acolyte: Sun. 5/5 Drew Niemann **Lector/Reader:** Sun. 5/5 Jeff Walla

Servers: Sun. 5/5 Volunteer/Caleb Osmera
Ushers: Sun. 5/5 Ernie Osmera/Mike Bouc
Gifts: Sun. 5/5 Bryan Woita Family

Stewardship of Treasure: April 21, 2024 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,437.00 *PLUS:* Water Lease: \$20.00

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Thursday, May 2nd, 7:30pm at Sts. Mary & Joseph Parish Hall, Valparaiso. (Lunch at 7:00pm)

SCHOOL NEWS

Bishop Neumann High School Spring Vocal Concert & Art Show—Tuesday, April 30th.

Last Day of School—Friday, May 3rd for St. John Nepomucene! Have a safe and fun summer!

Support Our School with Scrip Gift Cards— We have scrip cards for sale in the office year round. To purchase immediately: RaiseRight app Enrollment Code for St. John's- 259F58BL632L1 Every business gives a percentage back to St. John School! Thank you for purchasing! If you have any questions, about Scrip, or want it explained more, just ask!

Please Keep Saving Your Labels/Box Tops—Please continue to scan receipts for Box Tops for Education labels, Our Family UPC's, and Best Choice UPC's. There is a basket in back of church to drop off all your labels.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"He is Holy Joseph, because according to the opinion of a great number of doctors, he, as well as St. John Baptist, was sanctified even before he was born. He is Holy Joseph, because his office, of being spouse and protector of Mary, specially demanded sanctity. He is Holy Joseph, because no other Saint but he lived in such and so long intimacy and familiarity with the source of all holiness, Jesus, God incarnate, and Mary, the holiest of creatures." ~ St. John Henry Newman

AREA NEWS

Spirit Catholic Radio brings you *The Great Adventure – Your Journey Through the Bible*—In cooperation with Jeff Cavins and Ascension Press, learn how the people, places and events of the Bible all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. Tune in on your own, with a spouse, or if possible, gather your bible study group during these times. **Upcoming schedule: The Bible Timeline** airs Tuesdays at 11:00am and replays at 8:00pm. **Matthew** airs Thursdays at 11:00am and replays at 8:00pm. **Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and the Life** begins May 11th, airing Saturday at 7:00am and replays Sunday at 8:00pm. Discount on materials also available! More details at spiritcatholic com/adventure

Catholic Daughters Meeting—Mon., Apr. 29th at 6:30pm at St. Wenceslaus in Wahoo starting with Mass. Meeting follows. We welcome anyone interested in joining Catholic Daughters to attend as a guest. Please note that we are meeting at 6:30pm.

10th Annual Spring Plant Sale ~ **St. John School**—Saturday, May 4th from 8:30am-2:00pm and Sunday, May 5th from 9:00am-Noon. (Combo sale Sunday only). Plant sale will be held in the garage north of St. John's School. Annual Flowers, Vegetable Plants and Perennials. *All plant proceeds support St. John's School*

Magnificat's Spring Prayer Meal with Speaker, Rachael Tvrdy, The Director Of The Office Of Family Life And Discipleship—Saturday, May 4th at 9:30am, Dawson Hall at John XXIII, 3700 Sheridan Blvd, Lincoln. Text 402-525-6396 by Tuesday, April 30th, with your reservation (or call and leave a message) and mail your \$20 check payable to *Magnificat*, (students \$15) c/o Tina Colgan, 521 N 56 ST, Lincoln, NE 68504. Be a friend, bring a friend, and share the Joy of Magnificat! All Catholic women are invited and those not of our Faith too. "Glorify the Lord with me. Let us together extol His Holy Name!" Ps 34:4

Are you yearning for a time of rest with the Lord? Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House in Waverly invites you into a time of peace and solitude with God on retreat. See our upcoming retreats: 4-Day, 5-Day or 8-Day Ignatian Directed Retreat with Fr. Coulter, Matt Simmons or Sarina Stokes May 4-8, May 3-8, or May 3-10, "Let's Talk Roses" Retreat for Women with Janette Howe on May 10-11, and Women's Spiritual Exercises with Traditional Latin Mass (June 7-9) and Men's (June 14-16). Read more and register at www.goodcounselretreat.org, email office@olgcretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.

Eucharistic Revival Holy Hours—You are invited to join us in adoring Jesus, truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, May 12th at 12:00pm at the Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th St., Lincoln.

Salt Dogs Faith & Family nights—Join us at Haymarket Park! We have a variety of entertainment beginning 2 hours prior to games including, In-Stadium Chapel with the Players, Catch in the Outfield, Player Autographs, and Live Church Band on the Concourse. Bake Sales & Merchandise Booths on the Concourse will remain until the end of the game. Upcoming dates: Sunday, May 19th at 1:05pm; Sunday, June 23rd at 1:05pm; Sunday, July 14th at 1:05pm; Wednesday, August 28th at 7:05pm.

Camp Kateri—Camp Kateri, the Catholic camp site near York, is offering many different 3rd-12th grade camp experiences this summer. New this year is a family camp with limited space. Visit https://campkateri.org/ for a listing of some of the camps. Scholarships are available through benefactors of St. John's School. Please let us know if you would like to join in receiving a scholarship! Call the school office at 402-642-5234. If interested, please take a flyer in the back of church.

Cor Jesu Rex ~ Students Save the Date—Sts. Mary & Joseph Church, Valparaiso starting Monday, June 28th. Come grow in your Faith with the wonderful School Sisters of Christ the King as your children or grandchildren's instructors. All children 1st-8th will participate in learning and experiencing the time getting to know the Sisters and learn more about their religious life, and our Catholic Faith. To register, call Billie at 402-310-5967. There are sign-up sheets in the back of church.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Teacher: Ben, how do you spell 'crocodile?' Ben: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L. Teacher: No, that's wrong. Ben: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.