

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
November 9, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	November 10 th	7:50 am	+ Betty Turner
Tuesday	November 11 th	7:50 am	+ Ron Machacek
Wednesday	November 12 th	7:50 am	+ Ed Stuchlik, Jr.
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Marnie Cihal
Thursday	November 13 th	7:50 am	+ Wilfred Janeczek
Friday	November 14 th	7:50 am	+ Roland Pospisil
Saturday	November 15 th	5:30 pm	+ Don Palensky
Sunday	November 16 th	8:00 am Weston	+ Missa pro Populo
		10:00 am Touhy	+ Joe & Stacie Bohac

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

A Scriptural Parish Retreat: St. John Nepomucene Weston – Please remember to sign up for St. John’s Ignatian Retreat on Saturday, November 15th from 10:00am-4:00pm Sign-up sheet in the back of church or go to: <https://goodcounselretreat.secure.retreat.guru/program/parish-retreat-on-the-road-weston>

The Importance of Place and the Feast of St. John Lateran – Humans, having both body and soul, are both spiritual and material; therefore, *place* matters for us. While animals have memory of places and interact with their surroundings via instinct, human beings go far beyond that and can find meaning in places. Emotions and historical or theological importance may be associated with a place. Think about what these places conjure in your mind and soul: Normandy, Gettysburg, Tiananmen Square, Venice, Weston, Touhy, Lincoln. And what about Rome, Jerusalem, Eden? Furthermore, landmarks in places tell of meaning as well: St. John Nepomucene or St. Vitus Church, etc. In *Letters to a Young Catholic* by George Weigel each chapter associates a place and its history with some lesson of Catholic faith and culture: a grave of a modern-day martyr in Warsaw, The Eagle and Child Pub in Oxford, the Sistine Chapel in Rome. This Sunday we celebrate an important place and its historical and spiritual importance. St. John Lateran is one of the four major basilicas in Rome. You would think that St. Peter’s Basilica (which is built over the tomb and bones of St. Peter) would be considered the Pope’s main church. While St. Peter’s is important for many reasons and where many events happen, it is St. John Lateran that is officially the Pope’s Cathedral. While the pope’s authority comes from Christ himself: “You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my church....” (Matthew 16), yet St. John’s Lateran is the place associated with the Pope exercising his God-given authority as Christ’s visible representative on earth. Its name is officially *Cathedral of the Most Holy Savior and Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist in Lateran*. Lateran is the name of the Hill it is on, donated to the Pope by the Laterani family. Therefore, written on the façade of St. John Lateran is “Mother and head of all the churches in the city and the world.” This is one of many important places of our faith and worth celebrating.

St. Faustina’s Purgatory Vision - During a vision from God, Saint Faustina spoke with souls in Purgatory. She wrote about her experience, saying, “I asked these souls what their greatest suffering was. They answered me in one voice that their greatest torment was longing for God.” [These souls cannot enter heaven until they are perfected]. She also saw Mary tending to these souls, “I saw Our Lady visiting the souls in purgatory. The souls call her ‘The Star of the Sea.’ She brings them refreshment.” Let us pray for the souls in purgatory. We will want others to pray for us if we are there. In November we especially emphasize praying for the holy souls in purgatory.

St. John’s School Big Raffle has started. Please ask any School Family to purchase tickets. The drawing will take place at the Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 7th. \$20 per ticket, need not be present to win.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of November 15-16, 2025

Acolyte:	Sat. 11/15 Paul Virgl	Sun. 11/16 Jesse Sabatka
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 11/15 Bill Laughridge	Sun. 11/16 Barb Opp
Servers:	Sat. 11/15 Volunteers	Sun. 11/16 Brayden Pleskac/Landon Pleskac
Ushers:	Sat. 11/15 Rich Cherovsky/Volunteer	Sun. 11/16 Don Sabatka/Paul Pleskac
Gifts:	Sat. 11/15 Pat Carroll Family	Sun. 11/16 Chris Bouc Family

Stewardship of Treasure: November 2, 2025 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
Total: \$2,508.00 **PLUS: Candles:** \$17.00 **All Saints Day:** \$335.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$125.00

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH COUNCIL

The St. John Nepomucene Parish Council meets the 2nd Wednesday of even numbered months at 6:30pm at the School. Public comment period is from 6:30pm-6:45pm. Anyone can use that time to make any comments to the council. Immediately after public comment, the meeting will take place. Anyone who is not a member or have an item listed on that meeting’s agenda will be asked to leave at that time. To request a specific item be placed on the agenda please email stjohn-weston@cdolinc.net and provide details on your request.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

“No-one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the Cross. No-one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ.”
~St. Leo the Great

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6	Friday:	Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
Tuesday:	Wis 2:23—3:9; Lk 17:7-10	Saturday:	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
Wednesday:	Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19	Sunday:	Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19
Thursday:	Wis 7:22b—8:1; Lk 17:20-25		

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS & SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK

Please pray for Sr. Mary Kolbe Tichy, Novice, School Sisters of Christ the King; and for Landon Novosad of North American Martyrs, Lincoln, who attends St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

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

SCHOOL NEWS

PTA Meeting—Wednesday, November 12th, 6:30pm.
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.

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of November 15-16, 2025

- Acolyte:** Sun. 11/16 Zach Kastl
- Lector/Reader:** Sun. 11/16 Steve Bartek
- Servers:** Sun. 11/16 Corbyn Kastl/Caleb Kastl
- Ushers:** Sun. 11/16 Carl Woita/Volunteer
- Gifts:** Sun. 11/16 Tim Schulz Family

Stewardship of Treasure: November 2, 2025 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
Total: \$8,067.81 **PLUS: Children:** 0.50 **All Saints Day:** \$140.00

AREA NEWS

A Scriptural Parish Retreat: St. John Nepomucene, Weston. Saturday, November 15th. 10:00am-4:00pm
<https://goodcounselretreat.secure.retreat.guru/program/parish-retreat-on-the-road-weston>
Magnificat's Fall Prayer Meal is only a couple of weeks away! Please register by November 15th for our Saturday, November 22nd Prayer Meal at Hillcrest Country Club from 9:30am-Noon with speaker Fr. Jim Morin from St. Gregory the Great! As an extra bonus, Sue and John Johnson's Catholic Art and Jewelry will be available with Vintage and Contemporary Catholic Art for the Season of Christmas! Our speaker is from St. Teresa's Parish in Lincoln where he attended school graduating from Pius X High School in 2008. He studied Philosophy at St. Gregory the Great Seminary and Theology at the North American College in Rome. After ordination, he spent his first year as a Priest in Rome and then parishes and schools in Nebraska City and Hastings. Join us for Fr. Morin's Testimony to the actions of the Holy Spirit in his life, and the "rest of the story"! Be a friend and bring a friend to enjoy a morning of prayer, community and JOY with breakfast, a teaching, Praise and Worship, Father's Testimony, shopping and more! Registration is \$33 due by November 15th. For questions, contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt at 402.525.6396. Register at: <https://www.osvhub.com/magnificatmorningstarchapter/forms/november-prayer-meal-featuring-fr-morin>
Hear the Herbecks ~ Father & Daughter in Faith—Spirit Catholic Radio welcomes this dynamic father-daughter team to St. Bonaventure in Columbus on November 18th and St. James in Omaha on November 19th for a night of inspiration and faith. Peter will speak on “*The Hope in Glory*” and Rachel on “*New Life in the Spirit.*” Experience their unique blend of wisdom and youthful energy. Tickets: \$10 each or 5 for \$40. Reserve your spot at <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/herbecks/> . Catch their daily programs on Spirit Catholic Radio: Fire on the Earth with Peter, 6:30–6:45am and Burning Hearts with Rachel, 6:45–7:00am.
Desert Day ~ Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly—Friday, November 21st. Not everyone has the same 9-to-5 schedule, so we invite you to consider taking a Desert Day even if it’s shorter or longer, earlier or later. Simply arrive by 9:00am and depart at your convenience in the afternoon. A suggested donation of \$20 includes the day and lunch (or \$10 and bring your own food); \$50 if you would like a private room for the day (advance registration required). The basic schedule is 7-9am check-in and coffee, 10am Confessions, 11:15am Mass, Noon lunch, 1-4pm Adoration with conference, departure anytime. For more information go to goodcounselretreat.org or contact the retreat office at office@olgcretreat.org or call 402-786-2705.
Retreat for Moms of Young People—Saturday, November 22nd, 8:00am-4:30pm. A one- day, baby-friendly retreat with Fr. Jay Buhman offering moms of young children time for prayer, rest and spiritual renewal. \$90.00/ Individual day-room with snacks and drinks, lunch (suggested option if bringing a baby) or \$45.00/Day retreat with no room, includes snacks and drinks, lunch. Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. Register at 402-786-2705 or office@olgcretreat.org
Fathers Know Best: Consecration to St. Joseph—Sunday, November 23rd, 8:30am-4:30pm, \$40.00/Day Retreat. Includes talks and Sunday Mass, time for prayer and confession, lunch, discussion, and time for silence. A one-day retreat for men and fathers to draw closer to Christ by following the example and intercession of St. Joseph. Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. Register at 402-786-2705 or office@olgcretreat.org
St. John the Baptist ~ Prague Craft Fair—Sunday, November 23rd, 9:00am-2:00pm. Join us to shop a wide variety of beautiful holiday decor and gifts, handmade items, vintage items, and so much more! Lunch stand and bake sale will be available.
Knights of Columbus Pancake Feed, Valparaiso—Sunday, November 30th, 8:30am-11:30am, Sts. Mary & Joseph Church Hall.
St. John’s PTA Presents Winter Wreaths & Wine at Vintage Cork (Valparaiso)—3 sessions available - Friday, December 5th, 6:00pm-8:00pm and Saturday, December 6th, 4:00pm-6:00pm **and** 6:00pm-8:00pm. \$60/person. Create a custom evergreen wreath. Charcuterie table included and alcohol for purchase. Questions, call 402-646-0592.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

What happened when the turkey got in a fight? He got the stuffing knocked out of him.