

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	August 11 th	7:50 am	+ Cheryl Bartek
Tuesday	August 12 th	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Carl Woita
Wednesday	August 13 th	NO MASS	
		NO MASS Touhy	
Thursday	August 14 th	NO MASS	
	<i>Assumption Vigil</i>	6:00 pm Touhy	+ Kathryn Whyde
Friday	August 15 th	<i>Assumption</i> 7:00 am Weston	+ George & LaVerne Wonka
Saturday	August 16 th	5:30 pm	+ Linda Maly
Sunday	August 17 th	8:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo
		10:00 am Touhy	+ Adolph & Rose Bohac

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Thank you, Bishop Robert Vasa and Sr. Joanne Vasa - This weekend we gratefully welcome Bishop Vasa, celebrating his 25th year as a Bishop and 49th year as a priest, and Sr. Joanne Vasa in her 50th year as a professed religious sister of the Daughters of Charity! Wow! They grew up in St. John Nepomucene Parish here in Weston. To say they have done wonderful service in the Church and for God’s people would be a joyful understatement, and so we offer them bountiful thanks. For those who have met them, you have encountered how gracious, charitable, loving, hard-working and of course talented they are! We offer them our prayers, love, and gratitude.

Mission Appeal – (1) I really enjoyed spending time with Fr. Felix. Hosting him two weeks, I learned many inspiring things from him and will probably remember him more than any other missionary. I also learned that his mission(s) are worth supporting and are spent well. (His previous job before being sent to Rome for continued studies included planning how to use mission funds most advantageously for the people in his diocese). (2) Annual message from Mission Coop coordinator of the Diocese of Lincoln - Thank you for the generous hospitality and support given the Fr. Felix from the Diocese of Tororo, Uganda who shared with us about the needs of the missions. Please remember him and his diocese in your prayers. It is a very noble to desire to give ongoing support to a missionary; however, each missionary that comes to our parish needs your help. Therefore, please help support the larger missionary needs of the universal Catholic Church by supporting the different missionary dioceses or orders who give appeals in our parish each year and by supporting all the dioceses and parishes who cannot even afford to send a missionary to this country by supporting the World Mission Sunday collection on the third Sunday of October.

Sunday Reading Reflections - Though God has already blessed His people, yet He is still coming; the best gifts are yet to come in heaven. What if you heard someone, who knows, say, “Jesus is coming.” What is your first reaction? It might give a little indication of one’s faith. There is the joke about the Pope being told: “Jesus is coming! He will be here soon! What should we do, Holy Father?” He replied: “Look busy!” Even though salvation is not simply about ‘being busy’, a partial truth to this joke (and today’s Gospel) is perhaps: Is someone found doing the Lord’s work? In other words: Do I have a Faith that is being charitable and loving? *On the other hand*, nobody likes to ‘do good’ out of fear or merely duty. The best news is that Jesus is the most loveable of anyone (along with the Father and Holy Spirit) you could ever hope to know... and He loves you! If we, in turn, get to know Him, He becomes our motivation for life and for loving others. We would become so grateful for being loved by Him and relationship with Him, that we would want to do all we can to return that love – including loving others. We get to know Him in His scriptures, in His saints, in His people, in His sacraments, in His miracles (there are still many that happen – study Our Lady of Fatima, for example), in His works, and especially in time with Him in prayer. God is good!

Feast of the Assumption of Mary, August 15th – This Thursday evening & Friday, we celebrate the Assumption, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. At the end of her earthly life, Jesus assumed Mary, body and soul into heaven, where she reigns as Queen of heaven and earth and prays for us, her children, with great love and solicitude. While a beautiful mother, she is also strong. She is the ‘Woman,’ who crushes the head of the Enemy (Gen 3:16). [Perhaps this scared the devil, when he heard Jesus on the cross refer to her as ‘woman’.] Pray for her help when you confront evil! With her help, the devil is often defeated. Through her intercession Jesus delights to grant our requests. In her, we can entrust our treasures for safe keeping. The Rosary is a powerful weapon for all kinds of situations. One man, in great darkness and attacks from the evil ones, though he was not Catholic, started praying the Rosary, and found that time and again it helped him overcome the Enemy, and gradually get out of that darkness. He eventually joined the Church. Let us rekindle our devotion to Jesus through Mary, and the recitation of the daily rosary, or at least part of it. [August is the month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.]

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the weekend of August 16-17, 2025

The Assumption 7:00 am

Acolyte:	Fri. 8/15 Volunteer	Sat. 8/16 Jesse Sabatka	Sun. 8/17 Chris Tvrdy
Lector/Reader:	Fri. 8/15 Volunteer	Sat. 8/16 Ron Walla	Sun. 8/17 Barb Opp
Servers:	Fri. 8/15 Volunteer	Sat. 8/16 Volunteers	Sun. 8/17 H Fortik/C Zitek
Ushers:	Fri. 8/15 Volunteer	Sat. 8/16 Paul Virgl/Don Sabatka	Sun. 8/17 C Jelinek/P Pleskac
Gifts:	Fri. 8/15 Volunteer	Sat. 8/16 Paul Virgl Family	Sun. 8/17 Milton Bouc Family

Stewardship of Treasure: August 3, 2025 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
Total: \$5,711.60 **PLUS: Guardian Angel:** \$100.00 **Candles:** \$15.00 **Missionary Coop:** \$134.00 **Assumption:** \$100.00
Save your treasures! St. John Garage Sale—August 28-29-30. Donations accepted during school hours beginning Monday, August 18th. For alternate donation drop-offs, please call 402-937-3123. Thank you for your support.
PCCW Ladies—Please plan to bring baking to the St. John Garage Sale. Kolaches and breads are always the favorites but we need any and all baking. Drop off your goodies Wednesday, August 27th or Thursday, August 28th to the school gym. Thank you!

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

Please pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood at The Franciscan Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother in Nebraska City, NE.

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.

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

“Taken up into Heaven, Mary shows us the way to God, the way to Heaven, the way to life. She shows it to her children baptized in Christ and to all people of good will.” ~ Pope St. John Paul II

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27	Friday	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27;
Tuesday:	Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14		Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday:	Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20	Saturday:	Josh 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15
Thursday:	Josh 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21—19:1	Sunday:	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

SCHOOL NEWS

Back to School Picnic—Monday, August 18th at 6:00pm on the north property (north of St. John School) Hotdogs will be served. Please bring a side dish to share. Also, bring your own lawn chairs or blankets. Table service will be provided. Classrooms will be open from 6:00pm – 6:20pm to bring your school supplies.

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

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	<u>The Assumption 6:00 pm</u>	
Acolyte:	Wed. 8/14 Mark Walla	Sun. 8/17 Zach Kastl
Lector/Reader:	Wed. 8/14 Pat Bartek	Sun. 8/17 Pat Bartek
Servers:	Wed. 8/14 Simon Strizek/Caleb Osmera	Sun. 8/17 Corbyn Kastl/Caleb Kastl
Ushers:	Wed. 8/14 Jeff Walla/Ron Furasek	Sun. 8/17 Jeff Walla/Ron Furasek
Gifts:	Wed. 8/14 Nick Bartek	Sun. 8/17 Steve Bartek Family

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Total: \$5,151.02 **PLUS: Guardian Angel Fund:** \$20.00
Memorial Day Flowers—Please remove Memorial Day flowers or those that might impede mowing from St. Vitus Cemetery.

AREA NEWS

Vigil Mass of the Assumption—Outdoor Mass with Bishop Conley on Thursday, August 14th at 7:00pm. Mass will be held at the Bell Tower on the grounds of the Waverly Catholic Center. Questions, call 402-786-2705 or email office@olgcretreat.org.

3rd Annual Saunders County Men’s Day of Rest—Friday, August 16th, 8:00am-4:00pm, with an optional family Mass at 5pm followed by a family cookout at St. John’s Church, Prague. Step away from the busyness of life and take a day to rest, reflect, and reconnect with your faith. This one-day retreat offers a meaningful opportunity to grow spiritually and build community with other Catholic men in a supportive and prayerful environment. Whether you're looking to deepen your relationship with Christ or simply need a break to refocus, this is a great first step. **Please register soon so we can plan meals accordingly:** <https://mensministry.regfox.com/3rd-annual-mens-day-of-rest>

Holy Trinity Parish ~ Brainard, Chicken Dinner—Sunday, August 17th from 10:30am-2:30pm. Mass at 10:00am. The dinner features chicken, potatoes & gravy, corn, kolaches, rolls, pies and drinks. Bake sale and Raffle. Tickets: \$15-Adults, \$8-Children 12 & under. (Take out & drive-thru-\$15.00)

Marian Sisters 25th Jubilee of Religious Profession—Sr. Melissa Moxley, Sr. Janelle Buettner and M. Ann Marie Zierke will celebrate their 25th Jubilee Sunday, August 17th with an Open House from 1:00pm-4:00pm at Marycrest Motherhouse, 6765 N. 112th St., Waverly.

Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church-Plasi, Roast Beef Dinner—Sunday, August 24th, 11:00am-2:00pm! Make the trip to the Prague Parish Hall for a FULL self-serve buffet roast beef dinner with loads of sides, including kolaches! Bake/gift walk and \$1,000 raffle! A wide variety of unique items will be waiting for your bid at our auction! Meal prices: Adults-\$20, Children (5-10 years)-\$10, Preschool-Free. Dining options will be available: dine-in, take-out or drive-thru. (No added fee for take-outs!)

Save the date! Weston St John Garage Sale—August 28th – 30th. We have lots of tools this year. Come check us out! Thursday-Friday, 8:00am-6:00pm; Saturday, 8:00am-Noon with \$3 bag sale. Hope to see you there!

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

A horse walks into a bar and orders a drink. The bartender says "You’re here every day, don't you think you might be an alcoholic." To which the horse says “I don't think I am" and POOF! the horse disappears....Now that joke is a play on words about Descartes’ famous saying "I think therefore I am"....But if I told you that first I'd be putting Descartes before the Horse...