

**PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS**

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord  
 April 5, 2026**



**MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday	April 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Tuesday	April 7 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of A & M Osmera
Wednesday	April 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Don Palensky
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ DeRoyce Jelinek
Thursday	April 9 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Twila Janecek
Friday	April 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Ron Sabatka
Saturday	April 11 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pm	+ Bob Vanek
Sunday	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am Touhy	Missa pro Populo
		10:00 am Weston	+ Dec. Parents of L & L Ohnoutka

**NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE**

**Happy Easter! “He is risen, he is risen, indeed!”** – Faith is such a gift! Without it those who don’t know Christ have their lives become misdirected, confused, and without peace of heart, mind, or soul. But even more importantly, they miss so very much! ... so much Joy in knowing the unsurpassable goodness of Jesus even now on earth... BUT then also the promise of the resurrection from the dead! Easter is the event of events that proves Jesus’ words. Either Christ came and died and rose or He did not. If He did, then his claims toward everlasting happiness are true also. Once a teen told his mother he no longer believed in Christianity. It seemed he didn’t WANT to believe (perhaps due to the challenges of living a Christian life?). Her inspired answer was unique: *If there was a religion that promised supremely happy life after death, with those you want to be with, and it offered a lot of happiness even on earth, wouldn’t you WANT it to be true?* Of course, the answer is yes. Wanting something to be true, however, doesn’t make it so. BUT the resurrection and all the other proofs that go with it, prove Jesus’ words of reward to be true, and that we shall be resurrected from the dead and supremely happy. That which we would WANT to be true .... IS!

**First Communion next Sunday** – Please join me in praying for and celebrating with our three Second Graders from St. John’s and St. Vitus, from the Bartek, Bohac, and Kavan families, who will receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion next Sunday on Divine Mercy Sunday. They are so excited!

**Divine Mercy Sunday is next weekend** – We will have a **3pm Holy Hour at Weston**. Jesus told St. Faustina *“No one is excluded from my mercy!”* The nine-day Divine Mercy Novena burgundy trifold is in the back of Church. Though traditionally prayed Good Friday to next Saturday, you can start any time. **Jesus said to Faustina:** *“My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy.”* —Diary 367

**Easter Water** – Bottles of blessed Easter Water are here for you to take home. It’s great to bless yourself with Holy Water, even daily. Do you have a holy water font in your home?

**WEEKLY TITHING COLLECTIONS**

	<u>St. John Nepomucene</u>	<u>St. Vitus</u>
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$3,054.89) in March	\$15,274.45	
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$2,021.94) in March		\$10,109.70
Amount Received in March	\$12,551.72	\$ 6,030.00
Net Excess (Deficit) for the month March	\$(2,722.73)	\$(4,079.70)
<b>2026 Year-to-Date Total</b>	<b>\$32,598.11</b>	<b>\$22,881.75</b>

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH COUNCIL**

The St. John Nepomucene Parish Council meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:stjohn-weston@cdolinc.net) and provide details on your request.

**READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15	Friday:	Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18	Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35	Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48		

## ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of April 11-12, 2026

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sat. 4/11 Jesse Sabatka	Sun. 4/12 Milton Bouc
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sat. 4/11 Ron Walla	Sun. 4/12 Peg Bouc
<b>Servers:</b>	Sat. 4/11 Volunteers	Sun. 4/12 Rhett Bouc/Brooks Lanik
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sat. 4/11 Justin Sabatka/Don Sabatka	Sun. 4/12 Ron Brazda/Volunteer
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sat. 4/11 Justin Sabatka Family	Sun. 4/12 First Communicants

**Stewardship of Treasure: *March 29, 2026*** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

**Total:** \$2,117.87 **PLUS: Candles:** \$27.00 **Holy Land:** \$20.00 **Combined Collection:** \$20.00

St. John's PCCW Group will have *Coffee & Rolls* after the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**PCCW Meeting**—Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in St. John School Convent Kitchen.

## SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK

Please pray for Collin Kuzelka of St. Cecilia, Hastings, 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.

## SPIRITUAL CORNER

“Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth her song begin; Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein! Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord hath risen, our Joy that hath no end!” ~ St. John of Damascus

## ST. VITUS PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of April 11-12, 2026

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sun. 4/12 Tom Rezac
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sun. 4/12 Steve Bartek
<b>Servers:</b>	Sun. 4/12 Simon Strizek/Griffin Byers
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sun. 4/12 Gerald Osmera/Phil Rezac
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sun. 4/12 First Communicants

**Stewardship of Treasure: *March 29, 2026*** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

**Total:** \$800.00 **PLUS: Combined Collection:** \$390.00 **Easter Flowers:** \$160.00

**Knights of Columbus Meeting**—Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at Sts. Mary & Joseph Parish Hall, Valparaiso, 7:30pm. Lunch at 7:00pm.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**St. John's and Bishop Neumann**—School resumes on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

## AREA NEWS

**I AM Weekend Retreat**—Exploring the God who hears, sees remembers and knows you through Scripture, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr. Christopher Stoley. Retreat begins Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup> and concludes Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> with Mass and lunch. Hosted by Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House. Register at [goodcounselretreat.org](http://goodcounselretreat.org). or 402-786-2705.

**LDCCW 65<sup>th</sup> Biennial Convention**—April 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> in Hastings. The Convention raffle had 5 items donated, the proceeds will go to support Camp Kateri, “You need not be present to win”. The tickets and a poster of the items - Garden Statue, Olive Wood Cross, Crocheted Bed Throw, Lap Quilt and Robe with Study Guide, are available in the back of church.

**St. John the Baptist in Prague Spring Polka Party (FREE admission)**—Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>! Delicious pork sandwiches, dumplings, kraut, and more serving from 11:00am-6:00pm at the Parish Hall in Prague. Take out is available! The day's schedule includes: 11:30pm-1:30pm – Bingo (All ages welcome & only .25 per card to play!); 1:30pm-2:30pm – Bishop Neumann "Na Zdrowie" polka band; 3:00pm-6:00pm – Leo Lonnie Trio. This is sure to be a fun-filled day! Come join in the fun!

**St. John Nepomucene PCCW Welcome to the Tropics Salad Buffet**—St. John Nepomucene School, Weston. Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Doors open at 5:00pm, serving salads from 6:00pm-7:00pm. Tickets \$12 (no advance sales). Come early to enjoy snacks and a complimentary glass of wine!

**Bishop Neumann Job Openings**—Assistant Business Manager and Maintenance & Custodial Manager. Both are full time jobs with benefits. We are looking for people who would enjoy being part of the Bishop Neumann family and helping with our mission of educating and forming the faithful of tomorrow. Please reach out to Fr. Steve Mills if interested, [fr.steve-mills@cdolinc.net](mailto:fr.steve-mills@cdolinc.net) or 402-443-4151. Or check our Bishop Neumann website and click Employment at the bottom.

**Sky Camp**—Diocesan Summer Camp at Camp Kateri is for grades 3-12. Some are full, others are filling. To register go to: [REGISTER](#)

## A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Did you hear about the most beautifully decorated eggs? They were to dye for!

What do you get when you cross a rabbit with a shellfish? An oyster bunny!