PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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Monday

Tuesday

Thursday

Saturday

Sunday

Friday

Wednesday

September 1st September 2nd

September 3rd

September 4th

September 5th

September 6th

September 7th

Website address: www.stjohnschurchweston.com CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

NO MASS

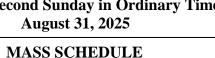
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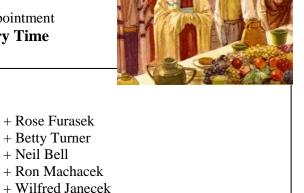
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Missa pro Populo

+ Larry Masek

10:00 am Touhy NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

8:00 am Weston

5:30 pm Touhy

Reflection on the Sunday Readings – (1) My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts." This is great wisdom from God and the bible. We all appreciate others who are humble, so it makes sense to do likewise. (R) "God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor." The responsorial psalm reminds us that God cares for the poor and that God has things 'taken care of'; for whatever sufferings we have to go through in life, God will more than make up for in heaven at the end. And even in the meantime, He has things under control. A popular and encouraging saying is "You got this!" While that is a nice, supportive sentiment someone may give, it really is true of God. (2) The author of Hebrews, the second reading, reminds his audience of the awesomeness of God appearing to the Israelites on Mount Sinai with fire and thunderous noise, but then says it's actually far better than even that awesome (and scary) appearance, because they (and we) have approached God Himself and heaven itself and in particular the blood and sacrifice of Jesus, made present to us. This very personal and close presence of Jesus is at Holy Mass. While we cannot see Him and the sacrifice per se, what is present is awesome. It is worthwhile to think what and Whom we are approaching at each mass. (Gospel) It is humility (re-echoing the first reading) that can approach God. Part of humble love is loving the most poor and needy. It makes us more like Jesus, and Jesus promises we shall be rewarded accordingly. It is good to often examen: are we finding ways of serving the neediest?

Garage Sale – We had more items than ever which means the many volunteers worked even harder! Thank you for your hard work and many hours for the community and in support of the parish and school!

National Grandparents Day (1st Sunday after Labor Day, September 7th) – Were you blessed with good grandparents? Then this is another day to thank them, or thank God for them. Didn't we just have a Grandparents Day, you ask? Yes, Pope Frances established world-wide Grandparents and the Elderly, the weekend near the Feast of Saints Joachim and Ann, the Grandparents of Jesus. Today is a yet another good day to remember something good about our grandparents and offer a prayer for their eternal reward.

Our Annual St. John Nepomucene Fall Bazaar is less than a month away! Details are being finalized and letters have been sent with the list of donations requested of each family. Thank You for your Support of the Bazaar! Charlie: 402-480-0674 or Rita: 402-360-1642 and Chris: 402-443-6871 or Paula: 402-443-8880.

CCD Catholic Education (K-8) / High School – If you would like your children to attend CCD, please contact me or Lyssa Tvrdy 402-277-0275. (1) We do a program called Family Formation. Beginning in September, we meet once a month with parents and students. While the students go with teachers, the parents and I review the lessons that they will teach the students the other three weeks of the month. (2) This is also a Confirmation year for all of our 5th, 6th, and 7th graders. (3) Would someone like to help run a youth group?

Adult Catholic Instruction Classes/OCIA – Interested in joining the Catholic Church or not Catholic but interested in learning to see if you might want to join? If we have a number who are interested, we will start a weekly class. If there is one or two, we can set up smaller meetings by appointment. Please give me a call if you have questions.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of September 6-7, 2025

Acolvte: Sat. 9/6 Jesse Sabatka Sun. 9/7 Milton Bouc **Lector/Reader:** Sat. 9/6 Ron Walla Sun. 9/7 Peg Bouc

Sat. 9/6 Volunteers Sun. 9/7 Corbyn Zitek/Rhett Bouc **Servers: Ushers:** Sun. 9/7 Charlie Jelinek/Paul Pleskac Sat. 9/6 Don Sabatka/Rich Cherovsky Gifts: Sat. 9/6 Bill Laughridge Family Sun. 9/7 Chuck Lacey Family

Stewardship of Treasure: August 24, 2025 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$5,184.64 **PLUS:** Candles: \$27.00

St. John's PCCW Group will have Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, September 7th.

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

Please pray for Sr. Rita Marie of the Holy Trinity, Jr. Professed Novice, of the Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PRO-LIFE SILVER ROSE PROGRAM VISITING ST. VITUS AND ST. JOHN'S THIS SUNDAY

Join thousands of Catholics across North America in asking for Our Lady of Guadalupe's intercession through the Silver Rose program. History: In 1960, the Columbian Squires, a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus, came up with the idea of running a rose to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico, to honor Our Lady. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the unborn, the Americas, and the Knights of Columbus. The rose was chosen to commemorate Saint Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses. Today, eight roses travel along different North American routes that include Canada, the United States and Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion to pray for respect for life, the spiritual renewal of each nation, and the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Your participation in the Silver Rose program, especially your prayers and pledge for life, are a crucial part of our mission to defend and support life in every stage and condition.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

"God is within all things but not included; outside all things but not excluded. God is above all things but not beyond their reach." ~St. Gregory the Great (Feast Day, September 3rd)

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30 Friday: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37 Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44 Sunday: Wis 9:13-18a; Ps 90; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

SCHOOL NEWS

Labor Day ~ Monday, September 1st—No School at St. John's, St. Wenceslaus and Bishop Neumann.

Substitute cooks at St John's School in Weston—We are looking for 3 to 5 substitute school cooks when our cook cannot be here. School days 9:30am-2:30pm, serving up 75 students and teachers. Call Carolyn Haberman 402-607-9513 or Fr. Vandewalle 402-853-2846 for hourly pay and other details. It will be much appreciated if we have good number of substitutes on deck as needed. Fr. Vandewalle will offer a rosary for you as well and you will get to see the smiling faces of children!

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.

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Valparaiso Community Center has Senior meals (55+) each Tuesday & Thursday at the at 11:30am. For more info, contact Janet Bartek at 402-429-7518.

AREA NEWS

Eucharistic Adoration ~ **St. Joseph's, Colon**—We are seeking additional adorers to help expand our weekly Wednesday Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration at St. Joseph's in Colon from 1:00pm-7:00pm. Come spend time in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament—whether for an hour or more. Your "yes" will not only honor our Lord, but also strengthen your faith and the faith of our community. To learn more or to sign up, visit: www.stjosephstmary.org/adoration

Canonizations of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati—EWTN brings you front-row access to the Jubilee Year's most extraordinary moments—including the historic Canonizations of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. Wherever you are—in Rome, at home, or on the go—experience history and watch live on Sunday, September 7th at 3:00am ET/12:00am PT or catch the replay at 6:00pm ET/3:00pm PT on the EWTN App, streaming devices, or at EWTN.com.

Annual Blue Mass—Bishop Conley will celebrate the annual Blue Mass on Thursday, September 11th at 5:00pm at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ to honor first responders and law and correctional professionals. The Bishop will bless vehicles and present prayer coins, St. Michael for law enforcement and St. Florian for firefighters, to attendees.

Christus Foundation Golf Tournament—Friday, September 12th, 10:00am at Crooked Creek Golf Club (134th & O St), Lincoln - a benefit for the ministries of *Regnum Christi* - see <u>thechristusfoundation.org/events</u> This event supports numerous Catholic Apostolates like the Helping Hands Mission, Leadership Camp, Knights of the Holy Eucharist and Good Counsel Retreat House.

St. John Nepomucene (Weston) Church Annual Chicken & Ham Dinner—Sunday, September 21st, from 11:00am-2:00pm in the school gym. Kids' Games, Raffle, Bake Stand. Mark Vyhlidal Polka Band. Beer Garden. Serving Pan Fried Chicken, Ham, Dumplings, Kraut, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Gravy, fresh vegetables, fresh baking! Adults: \$20; Children 5-12: \$10; under 5: Free. Only adult meals in drive up.

St. Wenceslaus Fall Festival & Roast Beef Dinner ~ Wahoo—Sunday, September 28th at Neumann High School, 10:00am-2:00pm. Enjoy a hearty roast beef and mashed potato dinner with dessert and beverage included. Adults: \$18; Adult take-out: \$19; Children (12 & under): (includes 4 free game tickets); Preschool: Free. Raffle, Silent Auction, Country Store, Carnival Games, Pies, Cakes & More! Carryout is available.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Why did the cowboy get a dachshund? Because he wanted to 'get along little dogie'.