

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

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**April 26, 2026**



**MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday	April 27 <sup>th</sup>		7:50 am	+ Wilfred Janecek
Tuesday	April 28 <sup>th</sup>		7:50 am	+ Ron Machacek
Wednesday	April 29 <sup>th</sup>		7:50 am	+ LeRoy Ohnoutka
			5:30 pm Touhy	+ Donald & Merlyn Soukup
Thursday	April 30 <sup>th</sup>		7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Don & Nanette Sabatka
Friday	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>First Friday</i>	7:50 am	+ Roland Pospisil
Saturday	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>		<b>7:30-8:20 am Touhy HOLY HOUR</b>	
			5:30 pm	+ Rick Virgl
Sunday	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>		8:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo
			10:00 am Touhy	+ Larry Masek

**NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE**

**Today is Good Shepherd Sunday:** Jesus said “I am the Good Shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me.” James Liebner, SVD on a trip he took witnessed two young Navajo shepherd boys, perhaps 8 & 10. Fr. Liebner learned that unlike cattle he was used to, sheep need room; they are restless wanders seeking green pastures. As he watched to two young shepherds he felt at first they were like the good shepherd. But as they played or seemed to nap it seemed that they were not giving their attention to the sheep. But when one little sheep went over a hill, one shepherd boy, seemingly napping, leapt up and tenderly brought the little sheep back and set it beside its mother. Father realized that this boy was indeed being like the good shepherd. Sometimes it seems to us as if the Good Shepherd is not watching, but He always is. He always has His eye upon us. He does not force us with His staff, but allows us to roam and if we get in trouble is there for us. On Good Shepherd Sunday, we thank Jesus for His Shepherding. It is also a good day to pray that our shepherds grow to be more and more like the Good Shepherd. Let us especially pray for Pope Leo and Bishop Conley.

**Charity & Stewardship Appeal (DDP) starts this weekend, April 25/26 and concludes May 2/3** – This annual collection supports many diocesan-level apostolates. The first 20% of our goal supports those: \$1,190 from Touhy and \$1,850 from Weston. Everything over that comes back to the respective parish, St. Vitus or St. John’s! So it is a big fundraiser for us. The Appeal will begin the weekend of April 25-26th and May 2-3rd. Last year \$8,035 was donated from Touhy and \$12,691 from Weston. Wow, Thank you for your generosity! Perhaps we can aim for a 3-5% increase again this year! \*(Here are the 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

**Mother’s Day Poster**—We will be taking names (\$1.00 per name) in the back of both churches the weekend of April 25/26 and May 2/3 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, living or deceased, for our annual Mother’s Day Masses on May 10th. The money donated will be given to the Right to Life campaign.

**Teaching Position Opening St. John Nepomucene School in Weston Multi-level Elementary Teacher**—St. John Nepomucene Catholic School in Weston is seeking a faith-filled, dynamic teacher for elementary level math and reading, who will also teach some basic computer classes. Please contact Fr. Vandewalle at 402-853-2846 or [fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net](mailto:fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net)

**New Parish Council Members Needed**—It is that time of year again where we will need to fill 2 positions on St. John’s Parish Council. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Vandewalle at 402-853-2846 or [fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net](mailto:fr.matthew-vandewalle@cdolinc.net)

**Touhy St. Vitus Parish Council Meeting** this Wednesday, April 29th at 6:30 pm at St. Vitus. Please let a parish council member know if there are any agenda items you would like added. We will be looking especially at mowing. Our current Members are: Danny Furasek (Trustee), Tom Rezac (Trustee), Shawn Strizek, Jarold Bartek, Keith Strizek, Marvin Bohac, Myra Bartek, Skye Rezac (PCCW president).

**READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:11-18	Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30	Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50	Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20		

**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

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 2-3, 2026

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sat. 5/2 Pat Carroll	Sun. 5/3 Jesse Sabatka
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sat. 5/2 Bill Laughridge	Sun. 5/3 Marvin Wiese
<b>Servers:</b>	Sat. 5/2 Volunteers	Sun. 5/3 Corbyn Zitek/Brian Huisman
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sat. 5/2 Paul Virgl/Joe Janecek	Sun. 5/3 Charlie Jelinek/Marion Bartek
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sat. 5/2 Paul Virgl Family	Sun. 5/3 Rich Tvrdy Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: April 19, 2026** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

**Total:** \$1,124.00 **PLUS: Candles:** \$27.00 **Holy Land:** \$130.00 **Easter:** \$50.00

**St. John's PCCW Group** will have *Coffee & Rolls* after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## SPIRITUAL CORNER

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." ~ Saint Gianna Beretta Molla

## ST. VITUS PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 2-3, 2026

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sun. 5/3 Dan Furasek
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sun. 5/3 Adam Furasek
<b>Servers:</b>	Sun. 5/3 Cody Furasek/Justin Furasek
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sun. 5/3 Tom Osmera/Mike Bouc
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sun. 5/3 Ted Bohac Family

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**Total:** \$3,055.00 **PLUS:**

**St. Vitus Parish Council Meeting**—Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the church.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**St. John School Spring Program**—Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the school gym. Theme: Cowboys & Country!

**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

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**Bishop Neumann Job Openings**—Maintenance & Custodial Manager. This is a full time job 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.

**Outdoor Adoration at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House with Salt + Light Young Adult Community**—Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Adoration will be held from 4:00pm–5:00.m in Waverly, followed by food and yard games until 8:00pm. Bring chairs and blankets—all ages are welcome! Questions? Call 402-786-2705 or email [office@olgcretreat.org](mailto:office@olgcretreat.org).

**Catholic Daughters Meeting**—Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at St Wenceslaus in Wahoo. We will start with Fr. Hunt saying mass at 6:30pm. Following mass we will have the meeting. We'd love to have some guests join us, we really would like to increase our membership. Notices about unpaid dues have been mailed out. Please return the envelopes with payment to Alice as soon as possible. Thank you.

**A Night with St. Joseph**—Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, join the Office of Family Life & Discipleship on the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker for an evening of fellowship as we reflect on the beautiful mission of marriage at St. Joseph Church, 1940 S. 77<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, with speaker Craig Dyke. While the event is open to all, we extend a special invitation to our current and prospective marriage formation coordinators, mentor couples, FOCCUS facilitator couples, Engaged Encounter (EE) volunteers, and marriage and family enrichment leaders! Find more info and register here: <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/st-joseph-and-the-renewal-of-marriage-> and/or scan the QR code on the flyer in the back of church.

**All or Nothing: Living every Moment for and with Christ**—Join Janette Howe of the Seven Sisters Apostolate, May 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, for a 24-hour retreat for women exploring how Christ is truly present in every moment of our lives. Discover how to trust God more deeply through prayer, reflection and the wisdom of Scripture. The retreat begins Friday at 7:00pm and concludes Saturday with Mass and a 6:00pm supper. Hosted by Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly. Learn more at [goodcounselretreat.org](http://goodcounselretreat.org) or call 402-786-2705.

**Save The Dates ~ Cor Jesu Rex Summer School with The Christ The King Sisters** at Sts. Mary & Joseph Church, Valparaiso. Monday-Friday 9:00am-2:00pm, June 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. All Students of the Parish are encouraged to attend this wonderful program. It is a Diocesan requirement to offer Summer Religion Classes, hopefully your children and grandchildren will attend. Students will need a sack lunch & water bottle Monday-Friday. **Please register early.** To all who attend, a free CJR T-shirt will be given, compliments of Sts. Mary & Joseph Branch W187 FCSLA. Registration forms in the back of church.

## A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Several children found a dead robin. Feeling that a proper burial should be performed, they secured a small box and some cotton batting, dug a hole in the back yard, and made ready to dispose of the deceased. The minister's 5-year-old son was chosen to say the prayer. And so with great dignity, he intoned, "Glory be to the Father...and unto the Son...and into the hole he goes."