

PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2026



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	September 7 th	NO MASS	
Tuesday	September 8 th	7:50 am	+ Austin Walla
Wednesday	September 9 th	7:50 am	+ LeRoy Ohnoutka
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Leonard Snitily
Thursday	September 10 th	7:50 am	+ Ed & Helen Stuchlik
Friday	September 11 th	7:50 am	+ George Wonka
Saturday	September 12 th	5:30 pm	+ Terry Jo Maly
Sunday	September 13 th	8:00 am Touhy	+ Joe & Rose Furasek
		10:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Congratulations to Joshua and Lauren Schulz, who were married at St. Wenceslaus in Wilbur on Saturday, August 29th! Josh, son of Tim and Janelle, grew up as a parishioner of St. Vitus.

Holy Land Olive Art This Weekend at Weston – Approximately every 3 years, we have Holy Land Olive Art come to our parishes. Due to another appointment, they will be here only at Weston and only Saturday, September 5th after the 5:30 p.m. mass at Weston and after the Sunday, September 6th 8:00 a.m. mass, likely at Coffee and Rolls. They won't be able to make it to Touhy's 10:00 a.m. mass this weekend. But he said that he could come back to Touhy on another Sunday if interested. Please let me know if you are interested.

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.

Garage Sale Treasures - Thank you once again for those who worked so diligently for the garage sale and made donations! It great a success!

Reflection on the Readings – St. Thomas Aquinas defined love as “willing the good for the other.” Notice this is not romantic love, which is one kind of love, but is a love that we can apply to our neighbor. This Sunday, St. Paul tells the Roman community, “Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another ... and your neighbor as yourself.” This reminds us that love is more than a feeling, but always wants and does the good for the other. Sometimes this may mean fraternal correction of another, as Jesus says in the Gospel. Fr. Mark Mary, CFR, of Ascension Press suggests that in discerning whether or not one ought to give fraternal correction to another: (1) Consider, are we truly doing it for their good (rather than only ours)? (2) Are we someone to whom they might listen? (3) Do we have a friendship with them? Maybe that should be formed first? (4) Have we prayed about it? Fr. Mark Mary suggests doing a novena and some sacrifice for them (for example giving up some kind of food or social media for them) before we give any correction, and then (5) asking God for an opening to give such correction. We might also ask our Guardian Angel to talk to their Guardian Angel and pray a Chaplet of Divine Mercy for them. An adjacent topic is the importance of accountability and being open to fraternal correction ourselves. The men who do the “Exodus 90” spiritual program which includes 90 days of prayer, no social media, cold showers, and semi-fasting 2 days a week, only do this with an accountability partner. The idea is that such a regimen cannot be done without another's help. It reminds us that God made us to need others' help. We are social creatures meant to be in the community of the Church. Jesus sent out the disciples by twos. Community and Accountability are human goods that are part of human nature. Are you looking for such accountability or friendship? Ask the Lord in prayer. Or maybe check out the St. Wenceslaus Men's group that has presentations periodically, or perhaps That Man is You program at St. Wenceslaus. Or form your own Cursillo weekly group.

WEEKLY TITHING COLLECTIONS

	<u>St. John Nepomucene</u>	<u>St. Vitus</u>
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$3,054.89) in August	\$15,274.45	
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$2,021.94) in August		\$10,109.70
Amount Received in August	\$29,021.30	\$11,988.37
Net Excess (Deficit) for the month August	\$13,746.85	\$ 1,878.67
2026 Year-to-Date Total	\$123,543.34	\$59,634.69

SPIRITUAL CORNER

“Mary was the first person to take the ‘way’ to enter the Kingdom of God that Christ opened, a way which is accessible to the humble, to all who trust in the word of God and endeavor to put it into practice.” ~ Pope Benedict XVI

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11	Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42
Tuesday:	Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23	Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26	Sunday:	Sir 27:30—28:7; Ps 103; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38		

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 and Margaret Furasek—Saunders Medical Center, Long Term Care. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

Please pray for Sr. Philomena of Our Lady of Sorrows, Jr. Professed Novice, Sisters of the Carmel of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of September 12-13, 2026

Acolyte: Sat. 9/12 Paul Virgl Sun. 9/13 Milton Bouc
Lector/Reader: Sat. 9/12 Bill Laughridge Sun. 9/13 Peg Bouc
Servers: Sat. 9/12 Volunteers Sun. 9/13 Rhett Bouc/Brian Huisman
Ushers: Sat. 9/12 Ron Walla/Volunteer Sun. 9/13 Ron Brazda/Marion Bartek
Gifts: Sat. 9/12 Ron Walla Family Sun. 9/13 Chad Kreikemeier Family
Stewardship of Treasure: August 30, 2026 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
Total: \$1,466.00 PLUS: Candles: \$12.00
St. John’s PCCW Group will have Coffee & Rolls after the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, September 6th.

SCHOOL NEWS

Labor Day ~ Monday, September 7th—No School at St. John’s, St. Wenceslaus and Bishop Neumann.
PTA Meeting—Wednesday, September 9th, 6:30pm at St. John’s School.
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 September 12-13, 2026

Acolyte: Sun. 9/13 Zach Kastl
Lector/Reader: Sun. 9/13 Steve Bartek
Servers: Sun. 9/13 Cooper Kastl/Griffin Byers
Ushers: Sun. 9/13 Tom Bouc/Kyle Osmera
Gifts: Sun. 9/13 Dale Dvorak Family
Stewardship of Treasure: August 30, 2026 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...
Total: \$431.00 PLUS: Children: \$.50

AREA NEWS

8th Annual St. Wenceslaus Mum Fundraiser—St. Wenceslaus Rectory parking lot. Thursday, September 10th, 1:00pm-3:00pm Senior Citizen Sale and 3:00pm-6:00pm; Friday, September 11th, 8:00am-5:00pm; Saturday, September 12th, 8:00am-12:00pm. (Mums are 1st come, 1st served) Mums-\$25. Cash, Check or Venmo accepted. Money raised from the mums will go towards the St. Wenceslaus School Family Association/G.A.L.A. Questions call, Lori Alm: 402-214-0658.
Christus Foundation Golf Tournament—Friday, Sept. 11th, 10:00am at Crooked Creek Golf Club (333 South 134th St.), Lincoln, a benefit for the ministries of Regnum Christi - see thechristusfoundation.org/events This event supports numerous Catholic Apostolates like the Knights of the Holy Eucharist, Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House and the Emmaus Institute. Questions? Contact Gary Roberts at 402-430-3732.
The Prodigal Retreat for Men—September 11th-13th. Whether you see yourself as the prodigal son, the older brother or simply a man longing for more, this retreat invites you to encounter the Father’s mercy. Register today: goodcounselretreat.org
Father Daughter Day—Saturday, September 12th, 9:00am-2:30pm, 6765 N 112th St., Waverly. For dads and girls (2nd-5th grade). Wear appropriate shoes and clothing for outdoor activities. Bring a sack lunch and water bottle. RSVP by September 9th at fatherdaughterlincoln@gmail.com
Ulysses (Immaculate Conception) Bazaar—Sunday, September 13th from 10:30am-2:00pm. Mass at 10:00am. Serving a delicious chicken dinner (along with ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, coleslaw, and desserts). Enjoy your meal under our big tent or take advantage of our convenient drive-thru take out. \$20 for adults. \$10 for children 5-12. Under 5 are free. We will have lots of kid’s games, chuck-a-luck, cake walk, cash raffle and a country store too. Live polka music from 11:30am-2:30pm. Live auction at 2:30pm with many interesting items. Hope to see you there!
Marriage Encounter Experience—September 18th-20th in Grand Island. Open to all couples across Nebraska. "Enlightening our couple-love". Call/text Gary & Brenda at 402-370-5839. Register right-away so we may place for you.
St. John Nepomucene (Weston) Church Annual Chicken & Ham Dinner—Sunday, September 20th, from 11:00am-2:00pm in the school gym. Kids’ Games, Raffle, Bake Stand. Mark Vyhldal 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.
St. Wenceslaus Fall Festival & Roast Beef Dinner ~ Wahoo—Sunday, September 27th at Bishop Neumann High School, 10:00am-2:00pm. Adults: \$20; Children (12 & under): \$10; Preschool: Free. Raffle, Silent Auction, Country Store, Carnival Games, Pies, Cakes & More! Carryout is available.
Join Fr. Rand Langhorst of the Lincoln Diocese on a trip to Ireland—See the Dedicated webpage for this Ireland pilgrimage April 12-22, 2027 flying out of Omaha. The webpage adds beauty, more pictures and detailed information that we simply can’t provide with a normal brochure. Just enter the link which contains a customized introduction, the full itinerary, and a wealth of other helpful information. The highlighted "Register Now" button takes you directly to your landing page, where pilgrims can view the brochure and register for the pilgrimage. <https://tektionministries.org/resources/270412-IR-Langhorst.html>

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

I’m reading a horror novel in braille. Something bad is about to happen—I can feel it.
Everyone knows Murphy’s Law, where “anything that can go wrong will go wrong.” But do you know Cole’s Law? It’s thinly sliced cabbage.