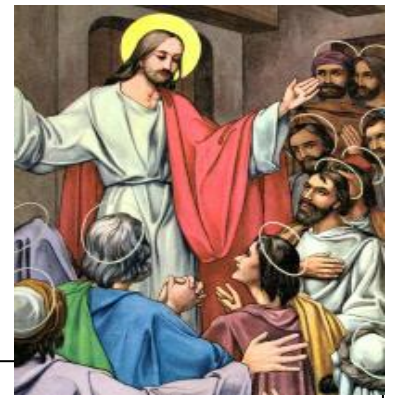


# PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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## Fifth Sunday of Easter May 7, 2023

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	May 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	Liv/Dec PCCW Members
Tuesday	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ All Souls Day Int. of Joyce Palensky
Wednesday	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Lorraine Firley
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Joe & Stacie Bohac
Thursday	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ LaVerne Wonka
Friday	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Patty Cejka
Saturday	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pm	Missa pro Populo
Sunday	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am Touhy	Mother's Day Intentions
		10:00 am Weston	Mother's Day Intentions

### NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

**Praying for our Culture with Mary in May** – Culture is important for everything from a football team to a country. Good culture is not simply a matter of taste. Though “variety is the spice of life” every culture, to be good, must be based upon truth, goodness, and objective beauty (These are sometimes called the transcendentals). Good culture must include openness to life and must support the family, as the basic building block of society. Good culture also promotes virtues. One way to heal and build our culture is to ask the guidance of Mary, who we honor during the month of May, and especially with the Rosary. Mary asked the children of Fatima to pray the rosary daily for the conversion of sinners and peace in the world. Even we are not in the practice of a daily rosary, what about a daily decade of the rosary, or trying to pray a certain number of rosaries a week? Maybe a family could have a rosary tally, after which there is a celebration. Let's make May for MaRy with “R” participation. (Sorry, a little corny!)

**Charity and Stewardship Appeal** – I was looking at the numbers again and was reminded how generous people are with this collection. At St. John's 53 of our 125 registered households pledged an average of \$216 for a total of \$11,450. At St. Vitus 39 of 77 pledged an average of \$277.69 totaling \$10,830.

This year's theme is “Behold, I make all things new!” (Rev. 21:5). With the Lord, there is always hope of new growth. Supporting the needs of the Church and those most disadvantaged is one way we help bring about the newness of God. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 weekends we will have the pledge cards in church.

**Mother's Day Poster**—We will be taking names (\$1.00 per name) in the back of both churches this weekend May 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> 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 for our annual Mother's Day Masses on May 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. The money donated will be given to the Right to Life campaign.

**St. John's & St. Vitus' Mowing** - It's that time of year again! We are thankful for the rains, and the green grass is growing! We will be using Buresh Lawn Care again to take care of the cemeteries and church and school properties with bi-weekly mowing. There are some areas that are still done by volunteers to keep the grounds beautiful and save us money. Thank you to those who still do that volunteer mowing! As you know the mowing was previously accomplished by parishioners volunteering many, many hours of their time, equipment and cost of fuel. Thank you once again for your many hours of work! To give time relief to those men with their many other obligations of families, careers, and life, and to keep the grounds beautiful, both parish councils recommended hiring out the mowing and asking parishioners to donate instead. We don't want the giving to be a burden but ask that you would consider making a gift each year and review that annually. We would ask a donation of \$100, if you are able, to help with the mowing cost. Again, give what you can, the church will greatly appreciate what you give. Last year your donations covered a large portion of the mowing cost. At St. John's \$5,835 was collected toward the \$6,000 cost. At St. Vitus' \$6,380 was collected toward the \$4,875 cost. Once again thank you for your time given in the past and any donation you can make toward the mowing. Please see the mowing donation envelope attached to the bulletin or in the back of church.

**Formed.org has many great Catholic resources to watch or hear.** Our parishes pay an annual subscription, which I use for baptismal and marriage instruction. But it has so many good things. Here is one some might like: “A Catholic take on Star Wars”. Our parish code for you to register at Formed.org for free is 68NGD2

### WEEKLY TITHING COLLECTIONS

	<u>St. John Nepomucene</u>	<u>St. Vitus</u>
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$3,054.89) in April	\$15,274.45	
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$2,021.94) in April		\$10,109.70
Amount Received in April	\$20,965.43	\$13,359.68
Net Excess (Deficit) for the month April	\$ 5,690.98	\$ 3,249.98
<b>2023 Year-to-Date Total</b>	<b>\$51,542.89</b>	<b>\$37,491.96</b>

### ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

#### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 13-14, 2023

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sat. 5/13 Paul Virgl	Sun. 5/14 Milton Bouc
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sat. 5/13 Bill Laughridge	Sun. 5/14 Peg Bouc
<b>Servers:</b>	Sat. 5/13 Volunteers	Sun. 5/14 Brayden Pleskac/Noah Huisman
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sat. 5/13 Ron Wall/Volunteer	Sun. 5/14 Paul Pleskac/Marion Bartek
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sat. 5/13 Ron Walla Family	Sun. 5/14 Rich Tvrdy Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: April 30, 2023** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,550.10 **PLUS: Candles: \$29.62 Easter: \$40.00 Holy Land: \$25.00 CSA Rebate: \$300.00**

**St. John's PCCW Group** will have **Breakfast Brunch** after the 8:00am Mass on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome!!!

## SPIRITUAL CORNER

"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare."  
- C. S. Lewis

## 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—Charles Kadavy, Rose Walla, Mary Lou Woita, Albina Kellner; Saunders County Care Center—Marcella Meduna; David's Place—Patsy Sabatka. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26	Friday	Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a	Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8	Sunday	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66; 1 Pt 3:15-18;
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11		Jn 14:15-21

## ST. VITUS PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of May 13-14, 2023

**Acolyte:** Sun. 5/14 Tom Rezac  
**Lector/Reader:** Sun. 5/14 Steve Bartek  
**Servers:** Sun. 5/14 Lane Bohac/Chase Bohac  
**Ushers:** Sun. 5/14 Ernie Osmera/Mike Bouc  
**Gifts:** Sun. 5/14 Nick Bartek Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: April 30, 2023** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$986.00 **PLUS: CSA Rebate:** \$400.00

**St. Vitus now has a prayer chain.** If anyone has prayer requests or special intentions that they need to be prayed for, please let us know. There will be 15 ladies praying for this intention. It can be anonymous or requested by name. We will respect your privacy. Please call Donna Furasek who is the leader of the prayer chain at 402-784-6285. She will let the other prayer warriors know. God listens when we pour our hearts out to Him: "The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive" - St. Faustina

## SCHOOL NEWS

**Bishop Neumann High School Spring Band Concert & FCS Display**—Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at BNHS.

**Bishop Neumann High School Performing Arts Banquet**—Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at BNHS Cafe.

**Bishop Neumann High School Graduation**—Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

**On March 25, 2023 the Men's Club along with the St. John's PTA hosted the 17<sup>th</sup> annual Wild Game Feed** at St. John Nepomucene Catholic School gym. With over 350 in attendance the event generated \$38,243 in gross income. Expenses of \$3,255.27. Making a net profit of \$34,987.73. This couldn't have been done without all those that volunteered throughout the year to make this night so successful. Thank you to the many donors. We encourage everyone part of the school and parish to help with this event each year as it is a large fundraiser. These leading groups help with improvements around the campus. One item of focus over the next year is the concrete outside of the school. Volunteers for this event begin in the late summer cleaning wild game. Please contact Devin Zitek; 402-641-9339, Jordon Kavan; 402-604-0321, or Steve Breunig; 402-480-1313 for more information on how you can help.

**Totus Tuus Save the Dates**—Families, St. Wenceslaus will once again be hosting Totus Tuus, the diocesan summer catechetical program for all students entering 1st grade through newly graduated students. Totus Tuus will be June 18<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. The 1st-8th grade will be June 19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00am-3:00pm and High School will be June 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00pm-10:00pm. Please mark your calendars and watch for registration and more information. We will be having two teams, so the registration limit will be 180 students. If you have any questions, please contact our parish Totus Tuus Coordinator, Amy Reisen at [amy-reisen@cdolinc.net](mailto:amy-reisen@cdolinc.net).

**Support Our School with Scrip**—SCRIP gift cards are a great way to make sure you get your Mom, graduates, new Mothers, newlyweds, etc. just the perfect gift. Stop by St. John School in Weston or call 402-642-5234 to purchase. Thank you! Order forms are in the back of church and can be mailed or turned in to Barb at St. John's School or emailed to [stjohnscrip19@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnscrip19@gmail.com). Clearly mark on the envelope St. John's SCRIP. Envelope should include your order form complete with address, phone number and payment. Please email [stjohnscrip19@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnscrip19@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**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

**Drive-Up Burger Knight**—Knights of Columbus 1833 will hold a Drive-Up Burger Knight Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm-7:00pm on the south side of Bishop Neumann High School. Serving Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Chips and a Cookie. FREE WILL DONATION.

**St. John Nepomucene's PCCW Group in Weston ~ Annual "Salad Buffet"**—Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, at St. John's School Gym in Weston serving 6:00pm-7:00pm. There will be a Coffee Can raffle, mystery raffle, wine cork pull, split the pot and door prizes. Tickets: \$12.00 at the door. Reserved tables of 8 or 12 are by Advanced Ticket sales only. Call Peg Bouc at 402-480-2962 for advanced tickets.

**The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri**—In-person Monastic Experience June 23<sup>rd</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>. "It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of our life where you can join us in singing the divine office, attend daily Mass, spend time in personal prayer and open your heart to God's call by learning about discernment and prayer," Vocation Director Sister Maria Victoria Cutaia, OSB said. "It's always a joy and an honor for me to journey with women who are discerning their path in life." This opportunity is for single women, age 18-40, who are considering religious life. There is no cost to attend. For more information or to learn about upcoming Monastic Experiences, including virtual opportunities, please contact Sister Maria Victoria at [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org), call (660) 944-2221 ext. 127, or visit [www.BenedictineSisters.org](http://www.BenedictineSisters.org) and click on Vocations/Walk With Us.

## A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Knock knock... Who's there?... Noah... Noah who?... Noah more school – its summer vacation!

Knock, knock... Who's there?... Orange... Orange who?... Orange you glad it's the last day of school?

Knock knock... Who's there?... Dewey....Dewey who?... Dewey have to go to summer school?