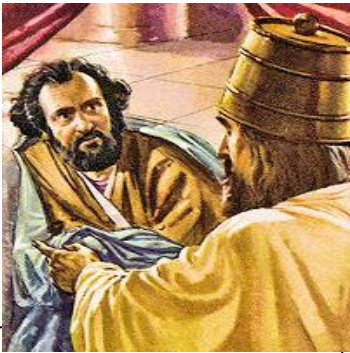


PARISH FAMILIES OF ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE & ST. VITUS

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CONFESSIONS: One half hour before Masses or by appointment
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2026



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday	October 12 th	NO MASS	
Tuesday	October 13 th	7:50 am	+ Brian Fisher
Wednesday	October 14 th	7:50 am	Special Intentions
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Bernadette Jelinek
Thursday	October 15 th	7:50 am	+ Herman Kadlec
Friday	October 16 th	11:00 am	Grandparents of St. John School Students
Saturday	October 17 th	5:30 pm	+ Linda Maly
Sunday	October 18 th	8:00 am Weston	Missa pro Populo
		10:00 am Touhy	+ Larry Masek

NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE

Bishops Appeal for Vocations – We are at \$5,930 at St. John’s. Thank you to those who have given so far. Please help us get to our goal (\$8,829 and \$2,180) to educate our future priests.

World Mission Sunday Collection – Next weekend, October 17/18. This collection is dispersed by the Vatican to approved missions in countries most in need (often to those who cannot afford to send a priest to talk for the annual summer mission appeal). It feels good to be generous to our neighbors in need. We also remember that God is generous with us. There are extra envelopes in the back of church.

Reflection on the Readings – “Everything is ready; come to the feast.” The king’s invitation in Matthew’s parable could hardly be more generous. And yet the response of the invited guests is startling: “They refused to come” (Mt 22:3). A more literal translation in the Greek says, “they **did not want** to come.” Their excuses were just choosing to reject the invitation. We are invited to receive the gifts God wants for us. Perhaps we become so occupied with other things that we lose the desire for Godly things. Perhaps we become indifferent. I am guilty of both at times. We may be ‘dry’ to spiritual things for two reasons. Sometimes God will allow us dryness to help us grow; we are to keep at it (our prayers and faith practices). However, at other times it is through our own lack of practice. If I have lost the desire for the things of God through my lack, I can re-inflate it through Faith actions (reading, charitable acts.... time in silent prayer). If I am not attracted or am even repulsed by Godly things, I can ask Jesus to re-ignite my desire and show me how to get it back.

October, Month of the Rosary – The Rosary is a weapon against evil. Also, Mary asked people at Fatima to pray the Rosary for the conversion of poor sinners and peace in the world. Rosary Story: I have a friend who returned to the practice of her Catholic Faith, when changing radio channels in her car, she heard the rosary on Spirit Catholic Radio. She felt the Lord was inviting her to stay on the channel for the rosary. She did and it was a first step, not only back to her faith, but an abundant joy in it and Jesus. She now does youth ministry. Praying the rosary leads to some great things.

Pope Leo’s Historic Visit to France – It was great to see the enthusiasm for the Pope’s visit along with stories of inspiration and rebirth. An estimate of 800,000 people lined the streets at the biggest event. We pray that there will be a deepening devotion in Faith in France. St. Joan of Arc, Pray for us and pray for France!

Reminder – Parish Council is this Wednesday.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 17-18, 2026

Acolyte:	Sat. 10/17 Pat Carroll	Sun. 10/18 Matt Tvrdy
Lector/Reader:	Sat. 10/17 Ron Walla	Sun. 10/18 Jesse Sabatka
Servers:	Sat. 10/17 Volunteers	Sun. 10/18 Brayden Pleskac/Lance Pleskac
Ushers:	Sat. 10/17 Paul Virgl/Volunteer	Sun. 10/18 Don Sabatka/Justin Sabatka
Gifts:	Sat. 10/17 Paul Virgl Family	Sun. 10/18 Don Sabatka Family

Stewardship of Treasure: October 4, 2026 We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$2,429.75 **PLUS: Candles:** \$25.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$100.00

St. John’s PCCW Meeting—Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30pm in the convent kitchen. All who bring a diaper donation will get a special prize!

WDCCW MEETING

The next meeting of the Wahoo Deanery Council of Catholic Women (WDCCW) will be October 27th at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Cedar Bluffs, NE. The Mass will be at 6:00pm. We will have a presentation from John Soukup with Catholic Social Services, following with lunch and meeting. All ladies are invited to a night of information sharing and fellowship with others from the Wahoo Deanery. Please plan to join us on October 27th!

PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS & SEMINARIANS

Please pray for Sr. Mary Vianney Benz, 1st Vows, School Sisters of Christ the King; and for Hunter Riesberg of St. John, Lincoln, who attends St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH COUNCIL

The St. John Nepomucene Parish Council meets the 2nd 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 and provide details on your request.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32	Friday:	Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41	Saturday:	Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46	Sunday:	Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21
Thursday:	Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54		

ST. VITUS PARISH

Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 17-18, 2026

Acolyte:

Sun. 10/18 Drew Niemann

Lector/Reader:

Sun. 10/18 Jeff Walla

Servers:

Sun. 10/18 Simon Strizek/Caleb Osmera

Ushers:

Sun. 10/18 Keith Strizek/Shawn Strizek

Gifts:

Sun. 10/18 Ernie Osmera Family

Stewardship of Treasure: *October 11, 2026* We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$894.00 *PLUS: Guardian Angel Fund: \$20.00*

OTHER INFORMATION

Please remember in your prayers and, on occasion, call or send a card to our home-bound/assisted care facilities parishioners: Lucille Strizek—South Haven and Margaret Furasek—Saunders Medical Center, Long Term Care. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

SPIRITUAL CORNER

“Let us do our part, and God will then do what He wills. This is God’s cause, and all will end well. My hope is in Him; do not be distressed.” ~ St. Teresa of Jesus

SCHOOL NEWS

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!

AREA NEWS

LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive—The Diaper Drive continues through the end of October. The Centers we serve advise the **Diaper sizes 5 & 6 are in greatest demand.** Your diaper donations are greatly appreciated. Cash donations or checks made to the order of the Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) will be accepted and should be mailed to LDCCW, 3600 W Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements.

Emmaus Institute Biblical Studies—Free classes that can assist anyone in better understanding the Scriptures in response to the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Kickoff for free classes start on October 8th, 12th and November 12th. Classes are offered in person, live online and by video. Check out the video from Bishop Conley on the Emmaus website <https://emmausinstitute.net/>

St. John’s, Prague Annual Duck & Pork Dinner and Bazaar—Sunday, October 11th. Serving 11:00am–2:00pm. Includes choice of duck or pork, “famous homemade” dressing, kraut, dumplings, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberries, roll, kolach, dessert, and drink. Dine-in (self-serve), Carry Out, and Drive Thru available. Number system will be used. Adults \$22 - Pork / \$25 - Duck; Ages 5 to 10 (Pork Only) \$10; Ages 4 & Under (Pork Only) eat Free. Polka music, live and silent auctions, parish raffle, beer garden, cake walk, country store, and quilt raffle. St. John's Bazaar is offering Duck & Pork Dinner

American Red Cross Community Blood Drive—Wednesday, October 14th, Noon-6:00pm and Thursday, October 15th, 8:00am-2:00pm, at The Shed, 570 N. Elm Street. Please contact Verna at 402-277-6243 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: WAHOONEB to schedule an appointment. Bring your Donor Card or Photo ID.

Fall Magnificat Prayer Meal—All women in the Lincoln Diocese are invited, October 17th, 9:30am-Noon at Sacred Heart Parish Facility in Lincoln with Speaker Sarina Stokes sharing her Magnificat! Sarina is a past FOCUS Missionary and leads her own apostolate - "Kingdom Come" - where she conducts Retreats such as "Back to the Garden"; spirit-led community gatherings; gives Spiritual Direction; and more. Merchandise will be available to enrich your prayer life from Kingdom Come; and Monticello Gifts and Design will have items for Christmas Shopping. Magnificat appreciates both of these ladies who are donating part of their proceeds for future Retreats, Prayer Meals, and other events. Be a friend and bring a friend to share the Joy of the Holy Spirit in the Mystery of the Visitation when Our Blessed Mother proclaimed her Magnificat for the Glory of God! Register at: <https://www.osvhub.com/magnificatmorningstarchapter/forms/sarina-stokes-october-17> Contact Coordinator Rhonda Litt by text at [402.525.6396](tel:402.525.6396) for further information.

St. Anthony’s (Bruno) Annual Duck and Pork Dinner—Sunday, October 18th, 11:00am-2:00pm. Duck, pork, dumplings, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberries, rolls, pie, kolaches. Adult \$25, children under 12, \$10 (Pork only). Silent Auction & Live Auction at 2:00pm. Raffles, beer garden, cake walk. A traditional Czech dinner in the "Heart of the Bohemian Alps".

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Davey, Annual Soup Supper—Sunday, October 25th, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Davey Community Center. Chili or chicken noodle soup, sandwiches/hot dogs, drink/dessert. Free will donation. There will also be a raffle and bake sale.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

Of all the inventions of the last 100 years, the dry erase board has to be the most remarkable.
If a pig loses its voice...does it become disgruntled?