

**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 13, 2024**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday	October 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Tuesday	October 15 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ For the Int. of Linda Maly
Wednesday	October 16 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Alice Virgil
		5:30 pm Touhy	+ Larry Woita
Thursday	October 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Patsy Sabatka
Friday	October 18 <sup>th</sup>	7:50 am	+ Sharon Gubbels
Saturday	October 19 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 pm	+ Al & Rose Gruenes
Sunday	October 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 am Weston	+ Dec. Parents of L & L Ohnoutka
		10:00 am Touhy	Missa pro Populo

**NOTES FROM FR. VANDEWALLE**

**Rest in Peace** – Our Prayers and Condolences for Anton “Tony” Furasek and his family. He served so many years with generosity in volunteering to mow at St. John’s cemetery. He was also very generous with his time and skills to many neighbors and the town of Weston. He cared how it looked. I enjoyed talking to him a number of times. I appreciated his hospitality and gratitude and over time learned more of his generosity. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**Bishops Appeal for Vocations** – Thank you for your gifts for the education of future priests! Please return your pledge cards to the weekend volunteers or in the tithing basket. Our goals at Weston and Touhy are \$7,900 and \$2,400.

**World Mission Sunday Collection** – Next weekend, October 19/20, is the collection. This collection is dispersed by the Vatican to approved missions in countries most in need. If God has been generous with us, let us be generous with one another.

**Month of the Rosary** - October is the Month of the Rosary. Pray the Rosary, it works!

**Pray and Work Against 439** – This insidious initiative would broaden abortion nearly unfettered, enshrining abortion (the killing of innocent babies) in the Nebraska State Constitution as “a fundamental right” for “every person”. There will be many lies that the out-of-state abortion providers spread through ads. They will pour lots of money into this with their deep pockets. Alternatively, I was glad to see a great ad against 439 on television.

**Vote FOR 434.** Though it is not perfect in its pro-life stance, yet it keeps common sense laws in place and allows for more pro-life legislation in the future. If both initiatives pass, my understanding is that the one with the most votes wins.

**Mass Readers and Helpers** – We could use more readers, offertory carriers, and collection ushers. Please let me know if you would like to help.

**Weston & Touhy Bible Study - Sign up deadline is Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: A Quick Journey Through Salvation History* by Jeff Cavins: 8 weeks. Learn a chronological summary of the bible with others!

- Tuesdays starting October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Weston School from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm
- Wednesdays starting October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Touhy Church from 6:30pm to 8:00 pm.

Free will offering appreciated, BUT don’t let the cost be prevent you as we have private donors happy to help! (\$28 suggested). SIGN UP SHEETS IN BACK OF CHURCH.

**Initiative 435** – This is not as important as the life initiatives. Nor is it an obvious moral imperative, BUT it does seem prudentially helpful and just, though it does allow for different opinions. The bishops recommend voting FOR 435. In short, it gives aide for the cost of education for those with lower income to choose nonpublic schools, including our Catholic Schools. I saw an ad against 435 which was at least slightly misleading and unfair. Please learn the facts.

**WEEKLY TITHING COLLECTIONS**

	<u>St. John Nepomucene</u>	<u>St. Vitus</u>
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$3,054.89) in September	\$15,274.45	
Amount Budgeted per Week (\$2,021.94) in September		\$10,109.70
Amount Received in September	\$11,982.76	\$ 6,324.08
Net Excess (Deficit) for the month September	\$(3,291.69)	\$(3,785.62)
<b>2024 Year-to-Date Total</b>	<b>\$107,601.75</b>	<b>\$61,929.32</b>

**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE PARISH**

**Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 19-20, 2024**

<b>Acolyte:</b>	Sat. 10/19 Pat Carroll	Sun. 10/20 Chris Tvrdy
<b>Lector/Reader:</b>	Sat. 10/19 Deb Carroll	Sun. 10/20 Barb Opp
<b>Servers:</b>	Sat. 10/19 Volunteers	Sun. 10/20 Brayden Pleskac/Landon Pleskac
<b>Ushers:</b>	Sat. 10/19 Joe Janecek/Paul Virgil	Sun. 10/20 Charlie Jelinek/Don Sabatka
<b>Gifts:</b>	Sat. 10/19 Teresa Virgil Family	Sun. 10/20 Rich Tvrdy Family

**Stewardship of Treasure: October 6, 2024** We gave back to the Lord in return for all that He has given us...

Total: \$1,513.00 **PLUS: Candles:** \$48.00 **Guardian Angel Fund:** \$25.00

**PCCW Meeting**—Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm in the Convent Kitchen.

**SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK**

This week please pray for Colter Fulton of St. Mary, Nebraska City, who attends St. Gregory the Great Seminary.

## PRAYERS FOR SISTERS VOCATIONS

Please pray for Sr. Benedicta Hawkins, Jr. Sister, Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln.

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32      Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9  
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 53:10-11; Ps 33; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45  
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54

## 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—Leonard Chapek. Please let us know if you would like to be added to this list.

## SPIRITUAL CORNER

“For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God.” ~St. Teresa of Avila (October 15, Feast Day)

## ST. VITUS PARISH

### Liturgical Ministries for the weekend of October 19-20 2024

**Acolyte:** Sun. 10/20 Drew Niemann  
**Lector/Reader:** Sun. 10/20 Steve Bartek  
**Servers:** Sun. 10/20 Caleb Osmera/Simon Strizek  
**Ushers:** Sun. 10/20 Keith Strizek/Shawn Strizek  
**Gifts:** Sun. 10/20 Dan Furasek Family

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Total: \$782.00 **PLUS:**

**St. Vitus' Altar Society Coffee & Rolls**—Join us for coffee/rolls after 8:00am Mass on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at the school house.

## 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

**Service Day Opportunity**—The students at Bishop Neumann Jr/Sr High School would like to say “thank you” to our parishes and parish members that support us! On Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, students in grades 7 through 12 are willing to work at the parish, for ALL parish members, or throughout the community. Whether it’s raking leaves, washing windows, or sweeping out garages, they want to help! Please look for request forms in the back of the parish or contact Blair Svec at 402-443-4151 or blair-svec@cdolinc.net. All requests need to be made by Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>.

**LDCCW October Pro-Life Diaper Drive**—The Lincoln Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (LDCCW) is sponsoring the 15th Annual October Pro-Life Diaper Drive, collecting diapers throughout the month of October in each of the Lincoln Diocesan parishes. A baby in one year will use approximately 2,100 diapers, that’s an average of only 6 diapers per day. The LDCCW goal is to collect 100,000 diapers. **Diaper sizes 5 and 6 are most needed.** Your assistance is greatly appreciated. Thank you to those that have already donated. Listen to Spirit Catholic Radio for Diaper Drive announcements.

**40 Days for Life**—Now through November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00am-7:00pm daily at Planned Parenthood, 5631 South 48<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln. Please contact Catherine Turner for more information and to sign up: 402-202-1614.

**Dwight Assumption Annual Fall Craft Fair**—Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am–2:00pm. Assumption Parish Hall. Game Time Philly Food Truck, Coffee & Lemonade Bar and Many Vendors. Proceeds go toward the replacement of the church’s altar top and update of the communion rail.

**St. John’s, Prague Annual Duck & Pork Dinner and Bazaar, Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.** Serving 11:00am-2:00pm. Choice of duck or pork, famous homemade dressing, kraut, dumplings, and all the trimmings. Dine-in, Carry Out, and Drive Thru. Number system will be used. Adults \$20; Ages 5 to 10 (Pork Only) \$10; Ages 4 & Under (Pork Only) Free. Polka music, live and silent auctions.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church, Davey, Annual Soup Supper**—Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm-7:00pm, Davey Comm. Center. Chili or chicken noodle soup, sandwiches & hot dogs, drink/dessert. Free will donation. There will also be a raffle and bake sale.

**American Red Cross Community Blood Drive**—Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Noon-6:00pm and Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:30am-1:30pm at Wahoo State Bank Building, 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.

**Catholic Man Knight**—Back for its 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Wednesday night gatherings. If you are a man, you are encouraged to join us on October 16<sup>th</sup>, for brotherhood, beverages, and Fr. Carson Kain’s talk on The Heart of a Missionary. Don’t worry about a late night, you will be on your way home no later than 8:30. Bring your own beverage. Contact Bob Sullivan for information 402-469-5149.

**Encounter Jesus under the mantle of Our Lady of Guadalupe with Scott Watts**—Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am-3:00pm at St. Patrick Church 3400 E 16<sup>th</sup> St., Fremont. Cost: \$20 per person includes refreshments and lunch. Pre-registration required. Send your name, the number of people in your party and payment by Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> to: Laurie Hergott, Nebraska CDA State Secretary, 4008 27<sup>th</sup> St., Columbus, NE 68601. **Note:** This is not just for Catholic Daughters, it is open to anyone interested in this event.

**St. Anthony’s ~ Bruno annual Duck and Pork Dinner**—Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am-2:00pm. Adult \$20, children under 12, \$10. Silent/Live auction at 2 pm. Raffles, beer garden, cake walk. A traditional Czech dinner in the "Heart of the Bohemian Alps"

**St. Vitus (Touhy) Altar Society Bake Sale**—Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00am-11:00am at the Valparaiso Senior Center in Valparaiso. Coffee will be served. Lots of delicious baking! Small raffle!

**44th St. James, Mead ~ Annual All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast**—November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30am-Noon. All you can eat pancakes, sausage, and eggs. Dine in, carry out, and drive thru. Adults \$10, Kids (age 3-10) \$5, Under 2 free. Raffle, silent auction, kids games, craft and bake sale too! Mass is celebrated at 7:00am and 9:00am.

## A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR

A guy was walking along the street when he saw a crowd of people running towards him. He stopped one of the runners and asked: “What’s happening?” The runner replied breathlessly: “A lion has escaped from the zoo.” “Oh my, which way is it heading?” “Well you don’t think we are chasing it, do you?”