

St. John Vianney Church

May 7, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter



"I am the way, the truth, and the life." John 14:6

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr. Johndamaseni Zilimu, Pastor

Fr. Christopher Lwigi Magesa, Parochial Vicar

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM All Are Welcome

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
May 07 8:00 AM	For: Fr. John Burns For: Kim VanMeenen	By: Mark & Karen DeDecker By: Dwaine & Janice VanMeenen
May 14 8:00 AM	For: Leslie Hunt Family For: Bernice Dietz	By: Carolyn Ossian By: William & Rita Taylor
May 21 8:00 AM	For: Richard Nichols For: Jeff Nichols	By: Connie Collier By: Ruthann Nichols
May 28 8:00 AM	For: Frank & Minnie Doubler For: Carolyn Ossian	By: Marv & Mary Kay Newman By: Dave & Diane Nesbitt

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for May 7 - May 28, 2023	
May 07 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Brian & Julie Dwyer Lector: Ron Koenigs
May 14 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Leonard Boelens & Larry Lavin Lector: Lorrie Stiles
May 21 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Bill Taylor Lector: Trent Taber
May 28 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Chris DeKezel & Mary Kay Newman Lector: Bill Taylor
USHERS	
May: Dave DeKezel & Joe Borkgren	
COUNTERS	
May: George & Mary Bowman	
<i>Week Day Masses:</i> Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday	

For Prayer Chain requests contact:

Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627

Dates to Remember:

May 14: Mother's Day
May 25: Red Cross Blood Drive 2-6 PM
May 28: Farewell reception for Fr. John & Fr. Christopher 2:00 to 3:30 PM

Our Mission Statement

St. John Vianney Parish's mission is to share the Word of God and to live His message of faith, love and forgiveness.

Our Vision Statement

We welcome all to share their time, talent and treasures to provide a deep and abiding understanding of God's Word.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Rose Mary Franck, Tom Montgomery, Mary Lou Robinson, and Judy Brockway Skelton. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.



ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Before going into the hospital, please call Fr. John Zilimu at 309-852-4549 Ext 106. If you are admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr. John anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic. They will arrange for the designated chaplain to anoint you and will notify Fr. John.

May Crowning

will take place this morning by Nora Gibson & Addie Johnson. *Heavenly Father, we praise you for the gift of your Mother, Mary. Bless + this crown. May it remind us of Mary's Coronation in Heaven when you crowned her Queen of Heaven.*

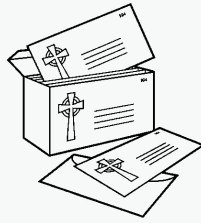


Just Passing Through . . .

Our time on earth is temporary. We are just passing through. Our permanent home is not here, but Heaven.

Trivia Question (answer on last page)

Which of the disciples told Jesus, "Master we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way? a) Thomas b) Philip c) Andrew d) James



Last Week's Gifts to God

\$1,063.00 Sunday Total
\$420.00 Building Fund is included in the above amount.

BUILDING FUND: To make a donation towards the upcoming project to repair or replace the parking lot, please mark your weekly envelope "Building Fund".

Farewell Reception

for Fr. John and Fr. Christopher Sunday, May 28th from 2:00 to 3:30 PM in the church hall. Come join us in showing our gratitude and wishing them well in their new assignments.

A Big Thank You to the ladies of St. John Vianney for all the help and delicious food for Jim Dobbels' funeral luncheon. The family greatly appreciated it. God Bless.

Thank You to the May A & R Committee for providing the delicious food at the Honoree Breakfast last Sunday. It was wonderful to see so many people join in celebrating this special day with the honorees.

May the Month of the Rosary

Please join us in praying the rosary 20 minutes before Mass during May.

Date

May 07
May 14
May 21
May 28

Rosary Leaders

Terri Borkgren
Chris DeKezel
Larry Lavin
Don Hulin



Ancient Prayer to Mary (250 A.D.)

Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God; Listen to our prayers and help us in our needs. Save us from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen



Dwelling Places and Home

The readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter present us with themes of dwelling places and home. As Christian stewards, we are well aware that this world is not our permanent home. We are merely pilgrims here, making our way through the stewardship way of life to our true home, heaven. Yet, as we make our way to heaven, we are called to make our dwelling here — whether we are in a household of one or bursting at the seams — a true “domestic church.” In other words, the stewardship way of life begins long before we set foot on the parish grounds. Stewardship starts at home.

We actually see this concept at play from the earliest days of the Church, as illustrated in our first reading from Acts. In the first verse, we read about how the members of the early church complained “because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.” When there is turmoil in the home when needs are not being met (in this passage, a very basic need for adequate food and drink), or when we lack an attitude of service within our homes and towards each other in our community, we are not the stewards that Christ is calling us to be. Stewardship is not just about going to Mass once a week, serving in ministries, and giving financially to the parish. Those are all essential parts of stewardship. But stewardship begins long before we step onto our parish campus. It begins with our families, our domestic churches. The domestic church plays a key role in our sanctification because it is the primary place where we practice intimate and selfless love of other persons. Ultimately, stewardship is not something that we do — it is who we are. It’s a way of living out our baptismal call to follow Christ as His disciples — whether in parish life, in our social life, in our work life — and certainly in our home life.

In our second reading, St. Peter instructs, “Let yourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.” Peter is not speaking strictly to clergy members, but to all of us who are disciples of Christ by virtue of our Baptism. How are lay people to do this? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us, “It is here that... all members of the family exercise the priesthood of the baptized in a privileged way 'by the reception of the sacraments, prayer and thanksgiving, the witness of a holy life, and self-denial and active charity.' Thus the home is the first school of Christian life and a ‘school of human enrichment’” (1657).

In our Gospel passage from John, Jesus speaks of heaven as a home filled with dwelling places. “In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?” This is a beautiful image of the glory that awaits us and the personal love our Lord has for us in preparing the perfect “spot” for each one of us who remain faithful to Him.

Let us respond to this great love by becoming good stewards of our earthly dwellings, making our homes true “domestic churches” where we honor God with our prayer, our thoughtfulness to each other, and our generous hospitality to all. Let us never forget that stewardship starts at home!

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