

St. John Vianney Church

October 15, 2023

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Are you prepared for the feast?

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA, Pastor

Fr. Chris Haake, Parochial Vicar

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM Wednesday 5:30 PM

Reconciliation: 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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St John, The Apostle

Mass Sunday 5:00 PM

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St John, The Evangelist

Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Oct 15 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Edward & Dorothy VanMeenen	By: Dwaine & Janice VanMeenen
Oct 18 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Carolyn Ossian	By: The Family
Oct 22 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Fred DeSplinter	By: Theresa DeSplinter & Family
Oct 25 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Orville Ossian	By: The Family

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for October 15 - October 25, 2023		
Sunday	October 15	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Brian & Julie Dwyer	
Lector:	Lorrie Stiles	
Wednesday, October 18	5:30 PM	
Lector & Server Volunteers		
Sunday	October 22	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Leonard Boelens & Larry Lavin	
Lector:	Bill Taylor	
Wednesday, October 25	5:30 PM	
Lector & Server Volunteers		
USHERS		
Oct:	Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen	
Nov:	Joe Borkgren & Dave DeKezel	
COUNTERS		
Oct:	Brian Boberg & Carol Dobbels	
Nov:	Theresa DeSplinter & Mary Kay Newman	
<i>Other Weekday Masses:</i>		
Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday		

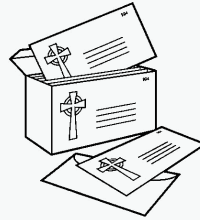
<p>For Prayer Chain requests contact: Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627</p>
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Dates to Remember:

Oct 18: Parish meeting after 5:30 PM Mass
Oct 22: Pennies For Life Collection
Oct 24: Parish Council Meeting 7 PM

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels,
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.



Last Week's Gift to God

Collection: \$756.00
Building Fund: 75.00
Sunday Total: \$831.00

The ROSARY will be recited
20 minutes before Mass in October

Rosary Leaders

Oct 15 Larry Lavin
Oct 22 Don Hulin
Oct 29 Ron Koenigs

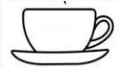


ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

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

Coffee Hour Today!

in church hall after 8 AM Mass.
Come join us for food & fellowship.



An Expression of Thanks

Thank you to all for the different gifts
and cards sent to me for my birthday.
They were greatly appreciated. *Father G*

Many thanks to Joe Borkgren for the
many years he served as Eucharistic
Minister. His service to the parish is
greatly appreciated by everyone.

The Confirmation class will be collecting
for **Pennies for Life** after the 8 AM Mass
next Sunday, Oct 22nd. It is suggested
donating an amount equal to your age.

Prayers for Fr. Haake as he joins a
group making a pilgrimage to Poland
starting October 15 for 2 weeks. We pray
they will be blessed with a safe and joyful
trip. His prayers are with us as well.

Combined Bulletin Deadline

Information re: the combined bulletin for
Oct 29th, needs to be given to your parish
secretary no later than Oct 16th.

Trivia Question (answer on last page)

What is the first Luminous Mystery of the rosary?
a) the Resurrection b) the Visitation
c) the Baptism of Jesus d) the Ascension

Parish Meeting This Wednesday!

All parishioners are strongly encouraged
to attend our Parish Meeting on Wed,
October 18th following the 5:30 Mass.
**This will be your only opportunity to
offer your feedback concerning the
recent proposal for our parish.**
Remember this is only a proposal and not
a final decision Your feedback can make a
difference. The meeting will start at
approximately 6:15 PM with pizza being
served. Please sign up at the back of the
church by Sunday, October 15th so we can
estimate how much pizza to order.

Memory Candles

If you would like to have a 7-day votive
candle lit in memory of your loved ones at
the All Saints Day 5:30 pm Mass on Wed,
Nov 1st, please use the envelopes at the
doors to request one. Cost is \$10.00 per
request. One name per candle. Please
place your envelope in collection basket.
Deadline is Oct 22nd. All checks to be
made payable to: St. John Vianney Church.

Living With Eternity in Mind

How easy it is, especially in these times, to be consumed by the cares and distractions of the “here and now,” forgetting about what matters most — living for the Kingdom of Heaven. The stewardship way of life, with its emphasis on the virtuous use of our Time, Talent and Treasure, allows us to embrace daily life and all its demands — with eternity in mind.

In our First Reading, the prophet Isaiah paints a beautiful and compelling picture of what we can hope for in Heaven. “The LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines.” And not only that, our loving Father will personally heal us of each and every suffering we endured during our lives. “The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face.” How can we say “no” to such an enticing invitation? Yet, so often we are tempted to do just that. We ignore our relationship with God, neglect our prayer and sacramental life, and the call to put others ahead of ourselves. We prioritize the “immediate” over the “eternal.”

How do we keep focused on the Kingdom of Heaven? St. Paul shares his secret for an eternity-driven life. In our Second Reading from his Letter to the Philippians, Paul says, “I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need.” In other words, Paul has learned to live the stewardship way of life. What is the secret? It is this: “I can do all things in him who strengthens me.” How? Through this: “My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” It is so simple! But it is not easy. It takes both courage and humility to live this way. God will supply these to us if we ask.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, we return to the image of a feast. To describe the Kingdom of Heaven, Jesus shares the parable of a wedding feast that a king gives for his son. The king sends several groups of servants to call the invited guests to come and join the feast. By virtue of our Baptism, we are the “invited guests” that Jesus is describing. How do the invited guests respond? The first group of guests refuses to come. Among the second group of guests, “some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business.” Is this how we respond? Our Heavenly Father is continuously inviting us (reminding us, prodding us) to come and join Him in the Kingdom of Heaven. Not in a far-off future, but right here and right now. If we will put Him first, partake of the sacraments He gives us (especially the gift of His own Son in the Eucharist) we can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven right now. And our example can lead others to join us.



We're all invited to a heavenly feast, but we must RSVP!

So let us embrace the stewardship way of life today! Let us put God first with our Time, our Talents and our Treasure, knowing that we can do all of this through Christ who gives us strength. God is calling to us today to live with eternity in mind. If we do this, we will be feasting now and forever!

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