

# St. John Vianney Church

October 22, 2023

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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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Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Given By</b>
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
Oct 29 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Richard Nichols For: Jeff Nichols	By: William & Rita Taylor By: Ruthann Nichols
Nov 01 5:30 PM Wednesday <b>All Saints Day</b>	For: All the Souls of the Faithful Departed	By:

## *Serving at Our Lord's Altar*

<b>Lay Ministry Schedule for October 22 - November 1, 2023</b>		
Sunday	October 22	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Leonard Boelens & Larry Lavin	
Lector:	Bill Taylor	
Wednesday, October 25	5:30 PM	
Lector & Server Volunteers		
Sunday	October 29	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Bill Taylor	
Lector:	Trent Taber	
Wednesday, November 01	5:30 PM	<b>All Saints Day</b>
Extra Min:	Chris DeKezel & Bill Taylor	
Lector:	Larry Lavin	
<b>USHERS</b>		
Oct:	Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen	
Nov:	Joe Borkgren & Dave DeKezel	
<b>COUNTERS</b>		
Oct:	Brian Boberg & Carol Dobbels	
Nov:	Theresa DeSplinter & Mary Kay Newman	
<b><i>Other Weekday Masses:</i></b>		
Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday    Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday		
<b>For Prayer Chain requests contact:</b>		
Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627		

## Dates to Remember:

Today: Pennies for Life Collection  
World Mission Sunday  
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.



## 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.

## Growing Disciples Update

*Thank You* to everyone who attended  
our Parish Meeting last Wednesday night.  
It was wonderful to see such a great  
turnout. We appreciated you taking the  
time to attend and show your support.  
As mentioned your feedback is **vital** in  
keeping our parish open.

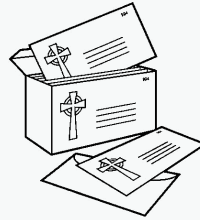
Please submit your feedback form using  
one of these options:

- 1) online using [growingdisciplescdop.org](http://growingdisciplescdop.org)
- 2) mail it to Growing Disciples in time  
for it to reach the Diocese by Wednesday,  
November 22nd
- 3) email it to [growingdisciples@cdop.org](mailto:growingdisciples@cdop.org)
- 4) place it in the collection basket by Sun,  
November 12th.

If you have any questions or need help  
sending in your feedback, please contact  
one of the key parish leaders.

## Trivia Question (answer on last page)

St. Padre Pio described the rosary as our greatest \_\_\_\_?  
a) prayer b) blessing c) gift of grace d) weapon



## Last Week's Gift to God

Collection: \$505.00  
Building Fund: 775.00  
Sunday Total: \$1280.00

## The ROSARY will be recited

20 minutes before Mass in October

*Rosary Leaders*

Oct 22 Don Hulin  
Oct 29 Ron Koenigs



## Memory Candles

Requests for memory candles are due  
today. Please use the envelopes at the  
doors to make your request. One name  
per candle. Cost is \$10.00 per request.  
All checks to be made payable to:  
St. John Vianney Church.

## Frozen Apple Pies for Sale

\$15 each See Chris DeKezel  
after Mass or call 309-507-3265



*Thank You* to the October A&R  
Committee for providing the  
delicious food at the Coffee Hour  
last Sunday. The food and fellowship was  
enjoyed by all.



## Cambridge United Methodist Church

Women of Faith Guest Day

Mon, Oct 23rd - 9AM Brunch & Program

## Cambridge Lutheran Church Guest Day

Wednesday, November 1st at 9 AM

Featuring *Laundry Ladies of Bishop Hill*

## Keeping God in First Place

Keep in mind that one day everything on  
this earth will pass away, so don't spend  
your life worshipping something that is  
always in the process of turning to dust!  
God is the Alpha and the Omega, the  
Beginning and the End and He must be  
everything in between.



# Putting God First

Today's readings encourage us Christian stewards to always be mindful of who we are and whose we are in every aspect of our lives.

Our First Reading, from Isaiah, takes us back to the very foundation of our faith. The prophet, serving as the "voice" of God, proclaims, "I am the LORD and there is no other, there is no God besides me." This is a powerful reminder of a fundamental truth. But it is easy to lose sight of this truth in our fast-paced, stressed-out, digital world. As disciples of Christ, we must make intentional choices each day as to how we spend our Time, Talents and Treasure so that each of these aspects of our lives proclaim that we indeed serve God and God alone.

Putting God first in all areas of life takes real courage, especially in this day and age. But we should not be afraid to live boldly for Christ. St. Paul reminds us of the power we have been given along with the gift of our faith. He says to the Thessalonians in our Second Reading (and we can claim these words for ourselves) that "our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction." Through our Baptism, and with the graces given to us in the Eucharist, Reconciliation, the Word of God, and the strength we find in each other in our faith family, we have everything we need to embrace the call to the stewardship way of life. We belong to God, and there is no other, after all.

Jesus reminds us of this truth in our Gospel passage today as He cleverly puts the Pharisees in their place during their attempt to verbally entrap Him. They ask Him whether it is lawful to pay the tax to Caesar. This tax was a daily reminder to the Jewish people of their humiliating status of occupation by the Roman Empire. The Pharisees thought they had laid a perfect trap for Christ. If He agreed that the tax should be paid, He would disappoint His followers. If he replied that it should not be paid, He and His followers would be in real trouble with the Romans.

But the Pharisees were thinking small. Christ, on the other hand, thinks big. We all know how the story goes. Christ asks to see the coin that pays the tax and has them state whose image is on it. They of course, reply, "Caesar." In response Christ tells them to "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." With that, He reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher Authority, God, Who is Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people were created by God. In Baptism we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to Him.

Let us joyfully give thanks to this wonderful God by the way we live our daily lives. In the weeks ahead let us repay God for our talents, our life, and our redemption with our gratitude, our sacrifice, and our resolve to extend God's grace to others. We belong to Him and there is no other!

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