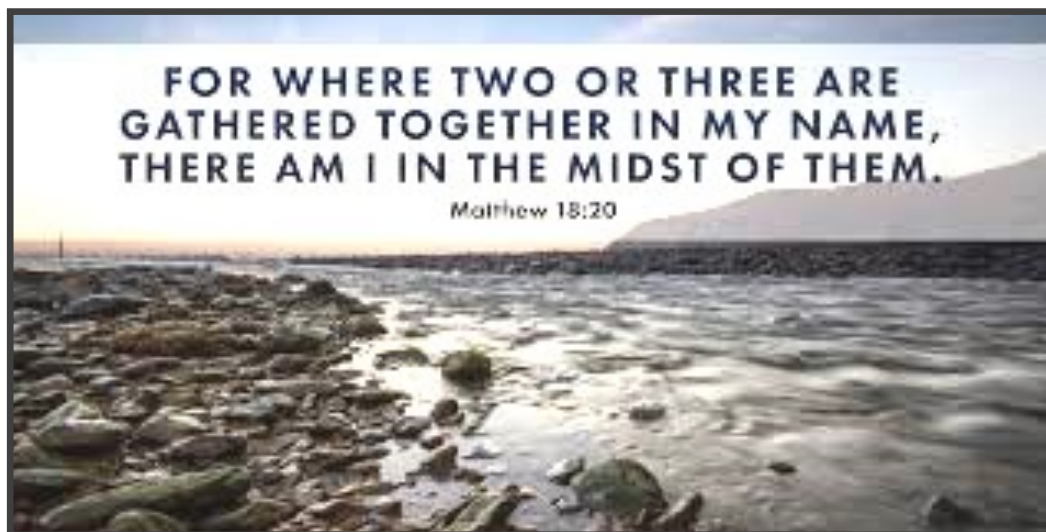


St. John Vianney Church

September 10, 2023

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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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Woodhull IL 61490

Phone: 309-334-2180 Fax: 309-334-2136

Secretary: Tena Anseeuw

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St John, The Evangelist

Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

PO Box 18 212 NE 1st St

Galva IL 61434

Phone: 309-932-2409

Secretary: Linda Simmons

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Sep 10 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Judith Lee Schehl	By: William Schehl Family
Sep 13 Wednesday	No Weekday Mass this week	
Sep 17 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Bob Dobbels For: Maurice Franck	By: Dale & Linda Doubler By: The Franck Family
Sep 20 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Orville Ossian	By: The Family

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for September 10 - 20, 2023		
Sunday, September 10	8:00 AM	Extra Min: Leonard Boelens & Larry Lavin Lector: Chris DeKezel
Wednesday, September 13 NO WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK		
Sunday, September 17	8:00 AM	Extra Min: Bill Taylor Lector: Don Hulin
Wednesday, September 20	5:30 PM	Weekday Mass *Volunteer Lector and Altar Server Needed
USHERS		
September:	Brian Boberg & Dale Stiles	
October:	Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen	
COUNTERS		
September:	Don & Sharon Hulin	
October:	Brian Boberg & Carol Dobbels	
<i>Other Weekday 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:

Sep 17: Food Pantry Distribution
Sep 20: Finance Meeting after 5:30 PM Mass
Sep 21: Blood Drive in church hall 2-6 PM
Sep 28: A&R Meeting 6:30 PM

Coffee Hour Today!

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



Please note: No weekday Mass on Wednesday, September 13th due to Father G being out of town.

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 309-334-2180. 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.

FOOD PANTRY MONTH

September is our church's month to host the Food Pantry distribution on Sun, Sept 17th. Please place your donations in the tote at the back of the church. Cash donations are always welcome.



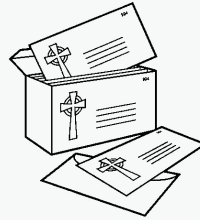
Mass with Bishop Tylka

at St. John's in Galva at 10 AM
Sunday, September 24th.
See bulletin board for details.



Trivia Question (answer on last page)

If your brother sins against you, what should you do first? a) tell the church b) enroll him in a bible class c) go and tell him his fault just between you two



September 10, 2023 Gifts to God

Collection: \$841.00
Building Fund: \$455.00
Sunday Total: \$1,296.00

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

2023 ADA Begins Today!

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal begins today in our parish and throughout the Diocese of Peoria. If you have not made your pledge by mail, please fill out the pledge card in your pew and return it in the collection basket. The goal for our parish is \$12,998 and we can only reach it with your help.



The new Living Faith booklets for October-December are available at each door. Everyone is invited to take one home.

Priests Prayer Calendars are available at the doors. Please remember our priests and religious in your daily prayers.



St. John's Woodhull Chicken Dinner

Sunday, September 24th. See bulletin boards for further information.

CCD CORNER



CCD/Confirmation classes begin today from 8:45 to 10:00 AM

Teachers for the 2023/2024 year are:

3rd/4th-Jeremy Mings

5th/6th-Meghan Brandau

Confirmation-Josh and Beth Gibson

Religious Ed Coordinator-Terri Borkgren

Please remember the teachers and the students in your prayers as they go forward on their faith journey.

Helping Each Other on the Journey To Heaven

Today's readings are all about relationships. Among the many lessons we have learned as a result of the global pandemic is the deep importance of the relationships and communities in our lives. Our families, our neighbors, our friends and our parish family need us and we need them — not just for survival, but to be our best selves, and to help each other on the path to heaven. Our readings today show us how we can be good stewards of these vital relationships, beginning with the first reading from the prophet Ezekiel. God says to Ezekiel, "You... I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me." Because of our Baptism, we are all "watchmen" for one another. We have been given the gift of our Catholic faith and we have a responsibility to lovingly and generously share that gift. As Christian stewards, we must take this call to heart every day of the week and in every setting in which we find ourselves. This can seem overwhelming at first. Are we called to keep a sermon in our back pocket at all times? Not exactly.

St. Paul gives us simple instruction in our second reading from Romans to guide us in our dealings with others. He reminds us what Christ Himself taught: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love is the overarching principle that guides us to be good stewards of our relationships and communities. True love means seeking the good of the other. Sometimes, love requires us to speak up when it would be easier to remain silent — other times, love calls us to keep our mouths shut when we would prefer to "put someone in their place."

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus further refines this instruction on good stewardship of our relationships, even when they involve conflict. He says, "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother."

What timely advice for the modern-day steward. In this age of social media, it is tempting and all too easy to take to Twitter or Facebook to vent our frustrations about someone who has offended us. This is not love. But neither is allowing a brother (or sister) to sin against us without speaking up. Jesus teaches us to confront the offending person directly and discretely — with the goal of restoring the relationship if possible. This is how we steward our relationships even through rocky waters.

Later in this passage, Jesus speaks to us of the power and beauty of community life. "If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Christian stewards, God has designed us in such a way that we must help each other on the journey towards heaven. Let us take care to steward our relationships well.

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