



# St John's Catholic Church of Galva & Woodhull

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr Johndamaseni Zilimu, Pastor  
Fr Christopher Lwigi Magesa, Parochial Vicar  
SUNDAY of DIVINE MERCY  
April 16, 2023

## St John, The Apostle

Roman Catholic Church

**Mass:** Sunday 5:00 PM

Tues & Thurs 8:00 AM

**Reconciliation: Sundays -4:30-4:50 PM**

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Secretary: Tena Anseeuw

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## St John, The Evangelist

Roman Catholic Church

**Mass:** Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Wednesday 8:00 AM

**Saturdays -3:30-3:50 PM**

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Deacon John Holevoet

Secretary: Linda Simmons

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## St John Vianney

Roman Catholic Church

**Mass:** Sunday 8:00 AM

**Sundays—7:30-7:50 AM**

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Secretary: Rita Taylor

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Woodhull—ZOOM Rosary

10:15 AM—M-W-F

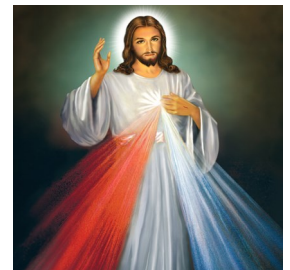
*Call office if interested in joining*

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Adoration—Thursdays after 8AM Mass

Prayer Chain—Call Joy @ 309-629-8841

( All requests are confidential)



# Mass Schedule & Intentions for —April 15, 2023—April 23, 2023

Saturday 04/15	4:00 PM	<b>Galva</b> —For Jean Hadsall by <i>Richard &amp; Mary Jo Rouse</i>
Sunday 04/16 <b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b>	8:00 AM	<b>Cambridge</b> —For Fred DeSplinter by <i>Theresa DeSplinter &amp; Fam</i> For Lucille Doubler by <i>Marv &amp; Mary Kay Newman</i>
	10:00 AM	<b>Galva</b> —For Deceased Members of the Leemans Family by <i>Bob &amp; Lisa Leemans</i>
	5:00 PM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Tom Norburg by <i>Wayne &amp; Jean Mileham</i>
Monday 04/17		
Tuesday 04/18	8:00 AM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Norma Johnson by <i>Jean Briggs-Roberts</i>
Wednesday 04/19	8:00 AM	<b>Galva</b> — For Sharon Laermans by <i>Keith &amp; Paula Patty</i> For Norma Johnson by <i>Denny &amp; Justine Nelson</i>
Thursday 04/20	8:00 AM	<b>Woodhull</b> —In Celebration of Bernice Haake's Birthday by <i>Her Family</i>
Friday 04/21		
Saturday 04/22	4:00 PM	<b>Galva</b> — For Pam Foley by <i>Keith &amp; Paula Patty</i> For Joann Nelson by <i>The Robert Schneberger Family</i>
Sunday 04/23 <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	8:00 AM	<b>Cambridge</b> —For Carolyn Ossian by <i>William &amp; Rita Taylor</i> For Marvin & Verna Hall by <i>The Bruce Beuseling Family</i>
	10:00 AM	<b>Galva</b> —For Charlotte Phillips by Frank & Rita Smith
	5:00 PM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Joann Nelson by <i>Julie &amp; Stan Mathis</i>

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE—	WOODHULL	GALVA
<u>Saturday Apr 22, 2023</u>		
<b>LECTOR</b>	No Mass	Greg Rashid
<b>GREETERS</b>	No Mass	Barb & Scott Caravello
<u>Sunday Apr 23, 2023</u>		
<b>LECTOR</b>	Chad Wood	Jackie Clucas
<b>GREETERS</b>	Mary Link	Linda & Jack Cheline
<b>\$ COUNTERS</b>	Chuck-Deb McLaughlin/Diane Nesbitt	Pete VanDeVelde/John VanDeVelde

**ANNOINTING OF THE SICK**—Please call Fr John before going into the hospital 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 that hospital's assigned Chaplain to anoint you & notify Fr John.

**Please pray for the sick, their loved ones and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of our God.**

**From Woodhull Parish:** Mary Robbins, Frances Cooper, Donna Hanson, Mike Driscoll-brother of Joy Morland, David Bugos, Alphonse Meirhaeghe, Donna Johnson, Dan Carlson, Mary Jo Murphy, Doak Davis-brother of Suzie DeSutter, Mark Johnson, Joy Morland

**From Galva Parish:** Melanie Rupp, Bea Clark, Don England, Terry Raley, Jim Bennison, Jim H., Paul Craig, Alma Loncka, Cynthia Kennedy, Shelley Collis, Jim Robinson, Chuck Entas, Maggie Green, Edward Pokay, Warren Werkheiser, Tobias Tingleaf, Marty Golby, Monsieur Ernie Pizzamiglio

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**SUN Apr 16—Divine Mercy Sunday—** For all 4 parishes—hosted by Woodhull—Doors open at 3 PM—Prayer Service, Confessions & Veneration begin at 4 PM

**SUN Apr 23—Galva** Reception for RCIA Candidates after Mass—Welcome to these **NEW MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH !!**

**SUN Apr 30—Woodhull—First Holy Communion**

**THUR May 11—Woodhull Mother-Daughter Banquet—look for details coming**

**Food for Thought>>>>>>>>>>**

~~Welcome Reception~~

Sunday, April 23—Galva



Please join us after Mass to welcome into full membership into the Catholic Church our newest members here at St John's in Galva:

~ Candace McWilliams ~ Julia Stahl ~

~ Sue VanDeVelde ~

**Divine Mercy Sunday—April 16—Woodhull**

Prayer Service for Forgiveness & Healing

3:00 PM ~ Doors open at St John's in Woodhull

4:00 PM ~ Divine Mercy Chaplet recited

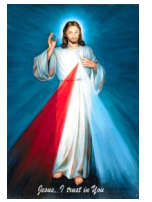
4:00 PM ~ Confessions until 4:50 PM w/2 priests

4:00 PM ~ Veneration of the Divine Mercy Image

4:50 PM ~ Confessions end

5:00 PM ~ Sunday Mass begins

*Please join us for this very special day!*



Blessed are they who have not seen and yet have believed

John 20:29



*“We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties.”*

*~ Oswald Chambers*



I WOULD MAINTAIN THAT THANKS ARE THE HIGHEST FORM OF THOUGHT, AND THAT GRATITUDE IS HAPPINESS DOUBLED BY WONDER.

*C.S. Lewis*

*“God doesn't want anything from us... HE SIMPLY WANTS US.”* —C.S. Lewis

SUNDAY COLLECTION — 04/09/23

GALVA		WOODHULL
\$ 2059.00	Collection	\$3464.66
\$ 50.00	Building Fund	
\$ 35.00	Visitation	
\$ 65.00	Visitation f/Month	

2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal

As of 03/31	Galva	Woodhull
<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$18,492</b>	<b>\$17,355</b>
<b>Pledged</b>	<b>\$19,785</b>	<b>\$ 19,840</b>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$18,273.35</b>	<b>\$ 19,290</b>
<b>Families</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>

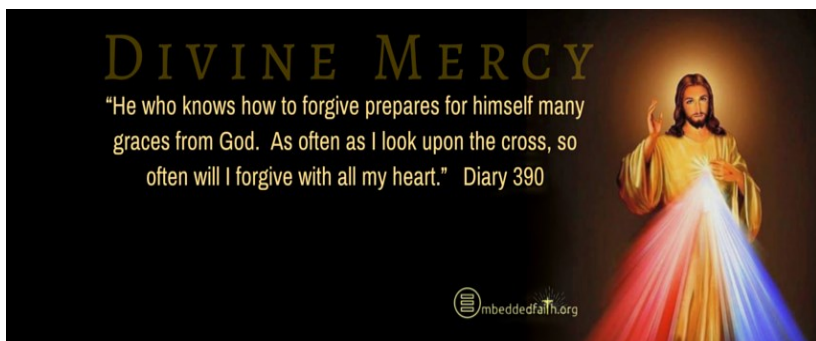


*Why a mother may be considering an **abortion**.....*

Such various reasons as shock of unexpected pregnancies, shame, pressures, age, prenatal diagnosis, marital status, and careers to name a few, may cause someone to consider having an abortion. What do we say when approached by a co-worker, friend, or relative who is contemplating an abortion?

As St Paul says in 1st Cor. 13:1, 4 "If I speak in human and angelic tongues, but do not have love, I am a resounding gong or a clashing cymbal.....Love is Patient, Love is Kind".

—To be continued in next week's bulletin.



## *Trust in the Mercy of God*

The Christian steward approaches life with an "Easter vision" rooted in gratitude for the salvation our Lord has won for us through His death and Resurrection. Today's readings on this Divine Mercy Sunday teach us how this approach plays out in daily life and remind us that we can have complete trust in the mercy of God to lead us, step by step, to heaven.

Certainly, it is challenging to live for heaven when the things of the earth — job stress, family crises, health troubles, political strife — loom large on the horizon. We can find ourselves becoming cynical like the Apostle, Thomas, in our Gospel passage today — until he had an encounter with the merciful Savior. We all recall the famous line from Thomas, who was not present with the other Apostles during Jesus' first appearance after the Resurrection. Beaten down by the events of the last several days, Thomas refuses to believe that the others had indeed "seen the Lord" as they claimed.

Thomas stubbornly declares he would not believe their story about the Lord unless he placed his finger into the nail marks and his hand into His side. Yet, these doubts did not repel our Lord. They actually drew Him to Thomas in an extraordinary way. Our merciful Lord saw that beneath the hubris in Thomas' statement were pain and disappointment. Our Lord is mercy itself. And so He did not condemn Thomas, but calmed his doubts and fears, and allowed Thomas to actually touch those Sacred Wounds. What amazing grace!

When we are tempted to give in to doubts about our faith for whatever reason, all we need to do is seek the Lord — in prayer, in the sacraments, through the encouragement of our Christian communities — and just as He did for Thomas, our Lord will mercifully restore our Easter vision and fill us with His joy and peace.

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