

FROM THAT TIME JESUS BEGAN TO PREACH, AND TO SAY,  
REPENT: FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND.  
MATTHEW 4:17



# St John's Catholic Church of Galva & Woodhull

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr Johndamaseni Zilimu, Pastor

Fr Christopher Lwigi Magesa, Parochial Vicar

THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 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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Deacon Joe O'Tool

Secretary: Tena Anseeuw

On Facebook—St John, The Apostle Roman Catholic Church

Woodhull—ZOOM Rosary

10:15 AM—M-W-F

**Call office if interested in joining**

**Adoration—Thursdays after 8AM Mass**

## 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**

PO Box 18

212 NE 1st ST

Galva IL 61434

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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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Cambridge IL 61238

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Secretary: Rita Taylor

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KEEP  
CALM

AND

PRAY TO  
GOD



**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, Amy Petrovich, Dan Carlson, Heather Poppy, Mary Jo Murphy, Doak Davis-brother of Suzie DeSutter, Mark Johnson, Joy Morland

**From Galva Parish:** Joe & Joan Nosal, Melanie Rupp, Bea & Dick Clark, Don England, Terry Raley, Jim Bennison, Jim H., Paul Craig, Victor Interial, Alma Loncka, Cynthia Kennedy, Shelley Collis, Jim Robinson, Chuck Entas, Maggie Green, Edward Pokay, Warren Werkheiser, Carolyn Cromien, Tobias Tingleaf

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**THUR Jan 26—Blood Drive @ St John Vianney- 2-6 PM—Contact Don Hulin @ 309-937-2648**

**SUN Jan 29—K of C Free Throw Contest in Galva @ Noon-see article**

**TUE Jan 31—Fr John's Birthday!!!!**



**Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest**

*Sunday, Jan 29 at Noon—Galva HS Gym*

All Boys & Girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in a free throw shooting contest. Winners in each age & gender bracket will advance to regional competition in February. *No Pre-registration is required!*



**American Red Cross**

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**BLOOD DRIVE -St John Vianney Thursday, January 26, 2023 2 to 6 PM Contact Don Hulin @ 309-937-2648**

*Galva—The flowers before the Blessed Mother this week are for the repose of the souls of Curt & Norma Johnson on their 68th Wedding Anniversary.*



~~ 2022 Contribution Statements ~~

*Please contact your parish office if you wish to have your year-end statement mailed to you for tax purposes.*

*GALVA—stjohngalva2@gmail.com OR*

*309-932-2409-leave message*

*WOODHULL-stjohnchurch@divcominc.net*

**SUNDAY COLLECTION — 01/15/23**

GALVA		WOODHULL
\$ 1776.00	Collection	\$ 930.00
\$ .00	Building Fund	
\$ 100.00	Visitation	
\$ 170.00	Visitation f/Month	

**2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

As of 12/31	Galva	Woodhull
<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$18,492</b>	<b>\$17,355</b>
<b>Pledged</b>	<b>\$19,285</b>	<b>\$ 19,840</b>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$15,648.34</b>	<b>\$ 18,820</b>
<b>Families</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>31</b>

## Pro Life News---

40 DAYS FOR LIFE has been successful in closing many abortion clinics. THIS FALLS CAMPAIGN results in:

- ~ 540 babies saved (2289 cumulative)
- ~ 6 abortion workers quit (247 cumulative)
- ~ 12 abortion facilities have now closed (including the busiest facility in Wisconsin)
- ~ 612 cities, 64 countries, over 1,000 participants

**Every Friday Prayer Warriors** will spend one hour each at the Abortion Clinic in Peoria IL. If interested in doing so, please contact **Paula Steele** @ 309-371-3814 and I will help you get involved.

**Happy Birthday to Fr John** on Tuesday, January 31 !!

*May God bless him on his birthday and always! His mailing address is:*

Fr Johndamaseni Zilimu  
406 W Central Blvd



**WOODHULL~~ February Cleaning Committee:** Betty Minter, Chairman

Adrienne DeSutter, Kim DeSutter,  
Michelle Watt, Brandy Greenman

## *Bringing His Light to Others*

Today's readings remind us that stewardship is not just a thing we do — rather, stewardship is at the core of who we are as disciples of Christ.

Our first reading, from Isaiah, contains this prophecy of Christ and what His saving message would mean to all who embrace it. "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone." We are among those blessed people on whom the light of Christ has shone. By virtue of our Baptism, we, who were once in the darkness of original sin, have been reborn into the great light that is God's grace in us. We are cherished members of God's family.

What a privilege! Yet, with this privilege comes the responsibility to actually live for God and to bring His Good News to all those we meet — at work, at school, in our community and right in our own home — in other words, to live as His good stewards.

And there is a certain urgency that comes with the call to a stewardship way of life as we see in our Gospel passage from Matthew. Jesus says, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." In other words, turn away from selfishness, turn towards God and live as His disciple now — don't wait!

In this same passage, the very first disciples give us examples of a good steward's prompt "yes" when the Lord called to them. Our Lord invites them to "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." They did not hesitate but "at once they left their nets and followed him." They put our Lord and His will first.

This is the essence of a stewardship way of life — to be always ready for the ways that our Lord is calling us to bring His light to others. It's more than something we do — it's who we are.

