



St John's Catholic Church of Galva & Woodhull

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr Johndamaseni Zilimu, Pastor

Fr Christopher Lwigi Magesa, Parochial Vicar

FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

January 29, 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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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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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

Adoration—Thursdays after 8AM Mass

www.threestjohns.com



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 Interrial, Alma Loncka, Cynthia Kennedy, Shelley Collis, Jim Robinson, Chuck Entas, Maggie Green, Edward Pokay, Warren Werkheiser, Carolyn Cromien, Tobias Tingleaf, Debra Lyons

DATES TO REMEMBER:

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

TUE Jan 31—Fr John's Birthday!!!!

WED Feb 8—Galva A & R Meeting @ 6:30 PM

THUR Feb 9—Woodhull A&R Meeting @ 6:00 PM

Henry Co Right to Life Scholarship—2023

2023 Theme—"*With teen suicides, how can our community guide?*"

Applications and complete instructions are available at the church entrances. Deadline is March 31, 2023. For further info contact Peggy Emmert @ 309-231-2657

Pro-life students have the opportunity to receive a \$1000 scholarship~see qualifications w/info.

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



2022 Contribution Statements

Please contact your parish office if you wish to have your year-end statement mailed to you for tax purposes.
Galva-309-932-2409 Woodhull -309-334-

WOODHULL~~ February Cleaning Committee: Betty Minter, Chairman

Adrienne DeSutter, Kim DeSutter, Michelle Watt, Brandy Greenman

A&R Meeting-Thurs Feb 9-6:00 PM



Woodhull-A&R dues of \$10 are due at this time. You can drop in collection in separate envelope.

ADA REBATES—

Thanks to your generosity to the ADA program, WOODHULL has received its first rebate of this year's campaign of \$1465.00. This money returns to the parish to be used as we choose.

SUNDAY COLLECTION — 01/22/23

GALVA		WOODHULL
\$ 1160.00	Collection	\$ 723.00
\$.00	Building Fund	
\$ 115.00	Visitation	
\$ 285.00	Visitation f/Month	

2022 Annual Diocesan Appeal

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

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.

The Secret of Living a Good Life

The First Reading is drawn from the Old Testament Book of Zephaniah. It was written at about the same time as Isaiah. We do not often hear readings from Zephaniah as it only contains about 1,400 words (compare that to our other two readings sources, The First Reading touches on traits on which we will be judged. It emphasizes the importance of humility, justice, and being lowly. Just as Pope Francis indicated in his homily on the Beatitudes, these are not traits many people in our world seek. Yet, these are exactly the kinds of attributes that follow lives of stewardship. That is why it is not easy.

In Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (our Second Reading) the Apostle Paul also describes what it means to be a Christian and a steward, paralleling the First Reading and the Gospel. He reminds the Corinthians that they, too, need to be humble. It is possible that they, like many who felt they were "chosen," had an inflated opinion of themselves, thinking that God favored them. In this reading Paul gently reminds them that God does not work that way. We need to keep that in mind ourselves; it is very easy when we feel that we have completely captured the secret of living, which may be true; however, we must take caution not to be self-righteous. Paul tells the Corinthians that they are not chosen because they are great, but because God is great.

The Gospel Reading for today is what is popularly called the Sermon on the Mount. Many think it is the absolute epitome of Jesus' teachings. To be sure it tells us how we are to live our lives, the attitudes we are to have. We must remember that those who were waiting and hoping for the Messiah expected a military leader, one who would lead them in battle against their oppressors. In His Sermon on the Mount Jesus gives a more accurate perspective of Who He is. He begins what we call the Beatitudes (the word means "blessings") with "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In a sense we are all "poor in spirit." Without the guidance and strength provided us by the Lord there is no way we can escape this poverty of spirit, of spirituality, if you will.

That is why we often say that living God-centered lives is at the very core of stewardship. Being a disciple of Christ translates into being a steward of our many gifts and blessings. Some scholars believe that Jesus may have given this sermon often during His ministry. Those who followed Jesus and became the earliest Christians, the first members of the Church, were fond of quoting and referring to what the Lord said on this occasion. As stated, Jesus provides us with the secret of living a good life. If we rely on Him and follow Him, we will be blessed. www.TheCatholicSteward.com