

**Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Parish, 637 Iver St., Valparaiso, NE 68065**

November 24, 2024 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Pastor: Fr. Matthew Zimmer 402-784-2511  
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**Bulletin deadline: Wednesday 5:00pm— send to E-MAIL: [STMJValparaiso@LincolnDiocese.org](mailto:STMJValparaiso@LincolnDiocese.org)**

**Website: [www.stsmaryandjosephval.com](http://www.stsmaryandjosephval.com) HAS LINK TO FACEBOOK PAGE**

\*\*\*For Catholic School information <http://www.bishopneumann.com>

**Masses in your area: [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org) or <https://www.lincolndiocese.org>**

**ALL DAILY 7am MASSES & SUNDAY 9:30am STREAMED LIVE ON OUR PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE**



Nov 25	Mon	6:30pm	+Raymond & Dorothy Whitmore	Weekday Last week in Ordinary Time
Nov 26	Tue	7:00am	+Joe & Lenora Sindelar	Weekday Last week in Ordinary Time
Nov 27	Wed	6:05pm	<b>Rosary for Religious Freedom</b>	
	Wed	6:30pm	++Charles & Emma Hladik	Weekday Last week in Ordinary Time
Nov 28	Thu	<b>*9:00am</b>	+Jon Michael	<b>THANKSGIVING DAY</b>
Nov 29	Fri	7:00am	+LeRoy & Sylvia Ratkovec	Weekday Last week in Ordinary Time
Nov 30	Sat	7:00am	+Mavor Nelson	St Andrew, Apostle
<b>Nov 30</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>4:00pm</b>	<b>+CB Moudry</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>+LeRoy Ratkovec</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>Dec 1</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>for the People of the Parish</b>	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>

**Thursday, November 28, 2024 Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00am**

**Servers :** Volunteers **Acolyte:** Lupe Lopez **Reader:** JoAnn Lopez  
**Offertory:** Mike & Paula Masek

**4:00pm Saturday November 30**

S—Evan Potter/Beckett Zurcher  
 A—Mark Sander  
 R—Linda Ward  
 U—Dan Benkusky/Dan Benes  
 U— and 2 volunteers  
 O—Dan & Rachelle Benkusky family

**8:00am Sunday December 1**

Maclin Matulka/Volunteer  
 Adam Benes  
 Barb Ohnoutka  
 Ken Sabata/Kurt Ohnoutka  
 and 2 volunteers  
 Ken & Clarice Sabata

**9:30am Sunday December 1**

Quentin Jano/Owen Jano  
 Jeremy Jordan  
 Chere Kane  
 Efrin Jano/Mike Divine  
 and 2 volunteers  
 Efrin & Jeni Jano family

**Confessions: 3:00-3:40pm Saturdays and 7:15-7:40am on Sundays.**

**PCCW NEWS—November Chairman:** Jennifer Benes & Jenifer Jano  
**Next meeting Monday, December 2nd, 7:00pm.**

**Knights of Columbus #8625:** Grand Knight: Ronald Coulter 402-310-7978,  
[twinvalrc@yahoo.com](mailto:twinvalrc@yahoo.com). Grand-Knight News Letter in back of church.  
**K of C Good of the Order: Pray for:** Marv Shanahan, Carla Sander, Veronica Gable, Lonnie & Tom Tvrdy, Donna Barry, Mike Kane, Don Kobza, Brooke Fraser, Lynn Benes, Ivan Benes.

**Catholic Daughters: Mon. Nov. 25 at 2:00pm,** St. Wenceslaus, Wahoo Mass for our deceased CDA members. Meeting will follow. All members are reminded to bring non-perishable food items for the Marian Sisters. **Our CDA is looking for donations of slightly used purses** that members or parishioners no longer use. We want these for our Christmas project, and would appreciate having them at our November meeting. We encourage members to ask a friend to join them for the evening. We'd enjoy having guests join Catholic Daughters. If you have questions about Catholic Daughters, contact a member in your parish, or Alice Pecka (402-450-7590). We are in need of new members

**Our Return to the Lord: November 17, 2024**

<b>Stewardship Envelopes</b>	61/298 or 20%	<b>So. NE Register:\$0</b>
<b>Plate:</b>	84.00	<b>Czechfest: \$100.00</b>
<b>Adults:</b>	2334.00	<b>Cap Impv: \$200.00</b>
<b>Children:</b>	47.57	<b>Guardian Angel:\$0</b>
<b>All Saints:</b>	10.00	<b>Christmas flowers:\$365.00</b>
	<b>\$2475.57</b>	<b>50th Campaign:\$3000.00</b>

**\$11,908.89 Total of \$35,000.00 Monthly Stewardship Goal Thank you!**

**CCD ( Confraternity of Christine Doctrine)**

**Wednesday, November 27— NO CCD**

First Bell @ 6:25pm with Mass at 6:30pm  
 Parents and guardians are welcomed to sit with their children at Mass.



Billie Kollars @ 402-310-5967 or email [kbkollars@yahoo.com](mailto:kbkollars@yahoo.com)

*Happy thanksgiving!*

**HIGH-SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP — Sundays 11:30am—12:30pm** All 9-12th grade Students invited to attend meet in Rectory basement with your peers to grow in your Catholic Faith! Join in activities through the year!

**Readings for December 1, 2024 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**First Reading—** Jeremiah 33:14-16  
**Responsorial Psalm —** Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14  
**Second Reading—** First Thessalonians 3:12- 4:2  
**Gospel Acclamation—** Psalm 85:8

**Gospel —** Luke:25-28, 34-36



Thank you goes out to Mike Masek for getting new numbers cut out of aluminum, and painting them white for our magnetic stand for Hymn selections. This will aid in them not breaking and having the cost of replacing them.

**Saunders Catholic Schools: [Bishop Neumann Jr/Sr High](#) [St. John Nepomucene Elementary](#) [St. Wenceslaus Elementary](#)**

**St. John's 2024-2025 PTA Officers:** President: Chad & McKenzie Swanson  
 Vice President: Allen and Sheila Stanek Secretary: Zach & Carla Kastl Treasurer: Nick & Mary Bartek  
**We have Scrip cards for sale!** Scrip cards are **GIFT CARDS**, like you would buy in the stores, for sale in the school office! If you are going to Hy-Vee, Walmart, Super Saver, etc....stop in and buy a gift card that you can use in the store to pay for your purchases! The card is worth the amount that is on it! St. John's School gets a percent back from the purchase of scrip cards. We have different increments of cards! And we have a lot of stores to pick from!! If you have any questions or need more info on what Scrip cards are, please ask!!! **Phone: 402-642-5234.**

Our Children's Christmas program is **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1pm** in St. John School Gym. **All Parishioners are Welcome!**

**Wine-ding Down—** An afternoon of growing in our Catholic Faith while enjoying friends and fellowship in a home atmosphere. Please join in on any Sunday that works for you! We will meet **Sunday, December 1, 2024 1:30pm** at the home of Luke and Alice Benes, with Father Mathew Zimmer leading discussion on the **Gospel of John**. Please bring your Bible. Refreshments available. Our group meets every other Sunday throughout the School Year. You may park in the SSMJ church parking lot and walk across the street 485 South Street.

**Please pray for our Seminarians in their Faith Formation Peter Foley, 2018, Mount St Mary Seminary, Theology III, Mike & Susan Foley, Birthday July 7, St Peter, Lincoln.**

**Women of Grace.** Meetings each week will be in the church hall from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm, on Thursdays. For more information, please contact one of the facilitators, Barb Ohnoutka (402-440-0747) or Judy Nissen (402-440-2472)



**Psalm 107:1:** "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!"  
**1 Thessalonians 5:18:** "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you"  
**Philippians 4:6:** "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."





**Pope Francis' Apostleship of Prayer for November 2024: For anyone who has lost a child.**

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

**Food Bank**—\*\*\*first Wednesday of the month—**WEDNESDAY, December 4, 2024.** 10am-11am

**A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR MONTHLY WORKERS** - Rain, shine, sleet or snow!




**Marquette Model of Natural Family Planning** brings 21st century technology to NFP for added objectivity and confidence. Group sessions and private sessions available. A self-paced online course option lets you learn on your own schedule. Check out [FeminineGeniusMinistries.com](http://FeminineGeniusMinistries.com) for more details.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House:** **Fall/ Winter 2024 Retreat Schedule:** Dec. 6-8: "There's Always More with God" Women's Retreat with the Marian Sisters Dec. 12-15: "Men's Spiritual Exercises" with Regnum Christi.

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**FCSLA Members** ALL ADULT members invited **Monday, December 2, 2024** to Abies Place in Abie, NE. 5:30 PM Registration, 6 PM Memorial Rosary followed by social. 6:30 PM Meal. Free to all W187 members, Guests \$10. **For meal count RSVP by Nov. 24** to Clarice Sabata 402-784-3154 or [ksabatane2035@gmail.com](mailto:ksabatane2035@gmail.com).



 **Blest Art Inc.** from Jerusalem will be here at Sts Mary & Joseph in the Parish Hall after the mass times on the weekend of **Saturday, November 30—Sunday, December 1, 2024.** They will have many hand crafted olive wood pieces from the Holy Land for you to purchase in a variety of sizes: Jesus, Mary, crucifix, Nativity, The Last Supper, Holy Family, angels, Madonna & Child, Saints etc. Please keep this in mind as you are choosing Christmas, Wedding gifts etc. Proceeds go to support the church in the Holy Land.

**Grants for Parish Students:**

FCSLA LIFE W187 is again offering grants to ANY Parish Student attending a Spiritual Mission, Camp, Retreat or Religious Event January thru August 2025. Requests may be made at [ksabatane2035@gmail.com](mailto:ksabatane2035@gmail.com) or by calling Clarice Sabata 402-784-3154. Requests MUST be submitted PRIOR to the event.



to all visitors!

If you have recently moved to our Sts Mary & Joseph parish area\* and have not registered, please call 402-784-2511 EXT 3 Paula, or EXT 4 Fr. Zimmer and we can help you accomplish that.

*\*our Parish boundaries cover Valparaiso, Ceresco, Raymond, parts of Malcolm and Branched Oak Lake address- es and parts West and some North of Val. If you are unsure Father Zimmer can help you with that.*

*~Please keep in mind; regardless of use—if you do not have an ENVELOPE NUMBER you are not official- ly registered within our parish. This includes College Graduates and Adults 25 and over (even if life long parish- ioner) please register separately from your parents for more accurate church records and “parish household count” Our census is turned in yearly to our Bishop, he then turns in the Diocesan count to the Pope. Just like the census Joseph, Mary & Jesus followed :) Thank you and God bless.*

**Parish Fundraisers & Bazaars**

**Knights of Columbus #8625 Valparaiso & Touhy**— Pancake Feed will be on **Sunday, November 24** with silent auction 8:30am to Noon.



**St. John the Baptist - Prague Holiday Craft Fair**—**Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**, St. John's Parish Hall from 9 am to 2 pm. Begin your holiday shopping! Admission is Free! The coffee & kolache in the morning. Shop St. John's bake sale for Czech bakery and the lunch stand will be open. Enjoy the Wine Bar with your family and friends. Bottles of wine will be available for sale.

**10 Point Pitch Tournament: Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** at St. John School Gym. First Games start at 1pm. Admission is \$30 per team of 2 players. Winner receives 25% of registration fees! Money back for 2<sup>nd</sup> Place! Snacks provided! BYOB! To register call or text Amber at 402-604-0357. A great time will be had by all.



**St John Nepomucene PTA Presents Winter Wreaths & Wine!** Make a wreath and it is yours to keep! \$60 per person. Friday, **Dec 6** from 6-8pm; **Dec 7** from 5-7pm and 7-9pm. **At Vintage Cork in Valparaiso,** Come have a great time! Call 402-642-5234.



**PCCW Coffee & Rolls Sunday, December 8** after the 8am Mass. Come enjoy a good cup of coffee some fresh bakery and a morning visit with good neighbors. *Proceeds donated to Matt Talbot Kitchen.*



**St. John PTA New Year's Eve Celebration: Bringing Nashville to Nebraska,** Presenting the Benny La Mar Band, **December 31, 2024.** \$50 Meal (CK Catering) and Music, 5-6:30 Social Hour; 6:30pm Dinner; 8pm Benny La Mar Band. \$25 Music Only Starlite Event Center <https://stjohnspta.ticketspice.com/st-johns-new-years-eve-2025>

**Knights of Columbus Winter Coat Drive**

**Saturday, November 2 through Sunday, December 1**

**Accepting:**

Gently used or new coats. Also, new: thick socks, stocking caps, gloves, scarves, mittens.



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**Our Parish Thanksgiving FOOD DRIVE** will run through November, ending with food gifts brought to the Thanksgiving Day Mass, November 28th.



Collection Boxes for Coats and Food will be in Parish Hall (PLEASE keep them separated) Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:** Saints Mary & Joseph will no longer be using our current email address ([saintsmaryandjosephvalparaiso@yahoo.com](mailto:saintsmaryandjosephvalparaiso@yahoo.com)). We are moving onto the Diocesan system. Our new email address is : [STMJVvalparaiso@LincolnDiocese.org](mailto:STMJVvalparaiso@LincolnDiocese.org). The new email address is effective immediately

