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Sunday.....10:30 a.m.
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Check the bulletin for any changes
390 County Road 513
(Neumann Residence)

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday7:00 a.m.
Friday.....7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday..... 5:00-5:25 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment.

Mission Statement

Catholic Community of St. John Neumann

*FOUNDED on the teachings of Jesus Christ,
NOURISHED by the hospitality of the Califon Christian
Communities,*

*FORMED with a commitment to Social Ministry, and
STRENGTHENED by the Holy Spirit*

*The Catholic Community of St. John Neumann is
a jubilant people on a continuing spiritual
journey of hope:*

*TO CELEBRATE and DEEPEN our faith
TO SHARE our unique gifts, talents and treasures
TO CHERISH all life
TO LIVE in openness, acceptance and love.*

Annual Parish Goal

Growing in the Love of the Lord

Through the Faith Formation of Each Member,

We Will Give Witness To and

Welcome All Segments of Our Larger Community

This Week at Saint John's

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 22

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, September 25

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, September 26

5:30 p.m. Lucy Garibaldi, req.

Carole & Mark Dowhan

Sunday, September 27

8:00 a.m. Sharyn Milko Leeper, req.

Marlene & Tanya

10:30 a.m. Leroy Lance, req.

Charlotte and John Cole



Parish Calendar

Sunday, Sept. 20 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
- 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
- 10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Narthex)
- 12:15 p.m. Foley/Joseph Wedding (Church Center & Grounds)

Monday, Sept. 21 - Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

- 6:00 p.m. K-5 Monthly Catechesis (Church & Office Center)
- 7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (Upper Room)

Tuesday, Sept. 22 - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
- 7:00 p.m. Connxions Meeting (Office Center Kitchen)

Wednesday, Sept. 23 - Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

- 6:00 p.m. Yoga (Church Center Loft)
- 7:00 p.m. Social Ministry Board Meeting (Seton Room)

Thursday, Sept. 24 - Weekday

- 7:00 p.m. Music/Bells (Church Center)

Friday, Sept. 25 - Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
- 5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)
- 7:15 p.m. Baptism Program (Church Center)

Saturday, Sept. 26 - Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Spirituality (Office Center)
- 3:30 p.m. 1st Reconciliation Session #1 (Church Center)
- 5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)

Mass Schedule—September 19/20

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant	Rev. Abraham Orapankal
Reader	Youth Mass Reader
Altar Server	Youth Mass Altar Server Group
Ministers of the Eucharist	Claire Drzewiecki
.....	Bonnie Garcia, Lyle Garcia
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant	Rev. Abraham Orapankal
Reader	Allan Piechowski
Altar Server	Stanski Family
Ministers of the Eucharist	Joe Sima
.....	Dorothy Sima, Cyndy Behrens
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Rev. Abraham Orapankal
Reader	Jane Albert
Altar Server	DeStefano Family
Music Eucharistic Minister	Anthony DeStefano
Ministers of the Eucharist	Marlene Milko, Kristin Gemma
.....	Mike Pagliuca, Kathy Kelly Pagliuca, 1 Needed

Sunday, Sept. 27 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Catechetical Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
- 9:00 a.m. K-6 Catechesis (Office and Church Center)
- 10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
- 11:30 a.m. Community Coffee - Sponsored by Reled (Narthex)
- 3:45 p.m. Jr. High - Mass with the Pope and Catechesis (Church Center)

TAG SALE Hours Friday & Saturday 8:00am-5:00pm

Please stay to help with cleanup after the
8:00 a.m. Mass Sunday September 20th.

Remembered at Mass



We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered in the Eucharistic Prayer: **Bob Patterson, Stephen Santangelo, Edwin Bianco, Mary Nanna, and Elizabeth Shack.**

Deceased: **Bob Patterson**, dear friend of the Pojedinecs and and Satens, **Stephen Santangelo**, grandfather of Fran Ratsimor, **Edwin Bianco**, father of Jennifer Evanko, **Elizabeth Shack**, friend of Anne Germino, and **Mary Nanna**, mother of Frank Nanna. May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord and may their families find strength in the Lord & comfort & support from family & friends.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful time we all had for our Parish picnic last Sunday! Thanks be to our loving God who graciously held off the threatening clouds, giving us sufficient time to have a great time to enjoy as a family. We had more than the usual number of kids and teens and older adults at the riverside for our traditional duck race. More people – of all ages - came to the grounds and celebrated true fellowship and had plenty of fun with volley ball, water balloon throw, face painting, the kids play house inflatable and obstacle course inflatable, etc. The hot dogs and hamburgers and a variety of food, drinks and deserts kept our appetites fully satisfied all the time! The dedicated selfless service of so many of our parishioners, many of them working quietly, made me all the more proud to be part of this great family of St. John Neumann. May this spirit inspire more families to join our parish family.

Mention of families invariably brings to our attention the World Meeting of Families beginning this week in Philly! One million and a half of people are expected to be attending! How wonderful to see so much of good “hype” about the Pope’s visit this week! As everyone seems to be speaking so much about Pope Francis’ first visit to our country, let us not forget that the context of his coming is the World Meeting of Families in Philly. The theme of this world-wide gathering is Love is our mission: Families fully alive! There are four days of enrichment sessions by dynamic speakers, exhibits, fun activities, symposiums, and other wonderful programs for all ages of family members. Experts and great organizations are leading many of these.

I understand that most of us are unable to make this trip. But one thing we all can do is to follow every event closely. With all the media attention, it will be easy for us to tune into this event. Therefore I invite all of us to make an intentional effort to suspend whatever you regularly watch on the TV and watch programs related to this great event. Even in the car, make it a point to listen to the religious stations that will certainly be covering the same. It is with the intention of making us more conscious of the WMOF that we have been praying the official prayer for families at the end of the Mass. The vision Pope Francis has for all families is that we be holy. That’s why his three points on “What makes a Family Holy?” are explained as a short series in the bulletin. Last week’s point was: the family prays. Read the 2nd point in this bulletin: the family keeps the faith. And the last will be in the next issue.

May this mammoth event positively impact us, our families and our larger community.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Abraham Orapankal

AN INVITATION TO THE RCIA

Here at St. John’s we are beginning the RCIA this month. Why not prayerfully consider joining the RCIA and experience a new and enriched meaning to your life through renewed faith and love. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process whereby new members join the Catholic Church. The RCIA is specifically designed for the following: 1) Those adults who have never been baptized and who want to inquire about the Catholic faith. 2) Those adults who have been baptized into another Christian tradition (Lutheran, Episcopalian, Methodist, etc.) who want to inquire about the Catholic faith. 3) Those baptized Catholic adults who have not completed the Sacraments (Eucharist or Confirmation). 4) Any Catholic wanting to have a deeper understanding of what we believe. If you fit into any of these categories or have a friend or relative who does, please contact **France at fkennedy@ccsin.org**. This invitation is precisely that – an invitation! Your acceptance carries no obligation or commitment – just come and inquire. We welcome you and pray that the Lord will bless your journey of faith.

FALL INTO FAITH

Small Faith Groups

We wish to invite you to a new session of Small Faith Groups. Meetings will begin the week of Oct. 5th. Our Faith Groups discuss the readings and reflections from the gospel. Small groups of 6 to 12 people, meet for six weeks on a specific night of the week. You would attend the night of the week that works best in your schedule. We are hoping to form a group of parents with young children as the High School Youth Group has volunteered to provide babysitting. Father is also interested in hosting a group so please advise if you want to join his group. Contact France in the office.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 20, 2015

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” (MARK 9:35)

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is “to make holy,” from the words “sacer” = sacred and “facere” = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

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Christian Formation - Catechesis

COFFEE AND COMMUNITY



**Sunday, September 27,
11:30 a.m., Church Center**

Please join us after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on September 27 for coffee and community sponsored by Religious Education. It's a great way to kick off the school year!

LIVE STREAM OF THE PAPAL MASS IN PHILADELPHIA



"The presence of Pope Francis at the World Meeting of Families in our country will be a joyful moment for millions of Catholics and people of good will. Our great hope has been that the Holy Father would visit us next year to inspire our families in their mission of love. It is a blessing to hear the pope himself announce the much anticipated news," said Archbishop Kurtz. **The Papal Mass will be "streamed live" in the Church Center on Sunday September 27, 2015 starting at 3:45p.m.** All are invited to attend this special Mass. **Jr High students are required to attend.**



FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation sessions will begin on Saturday, September 26th, at 3:30 p.m. in the Church Center for those enrolled in the 1st Reconciliation / 1st Eucharist program. There will be a Parent Meeting at 9a.m. on October 18th in the Church Center Narthex.



SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES AND TRAFFIC FLOW

Religious Education Classes are in session for the school year and will be held in the Office Center and the Church Center. Drop off for Sunday morning classes will be at the office building. Please follow the arrows in the parking lot for this purpose. Please do not drop off at the church. Be patient as the students are dropped off and careful as you pass the church entrance as people are exiting from church. All should follow the arrows in the parking lot coming and going. Children staying for Mass will be walked over to the church at 10:15 a.m. to meet up with their families. All others will be picked up in front of the office where they were dropped off. Again, in leaving the parking lot, please be careful of those coming to Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

The **Monthly Session** will begin on Monday, September 21st, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church Center.

SAFEGUARDING THE DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN PERSON

www.usccb.org/catecheticalsunday



We will be celebrating Catechetical Sunday on September 27, 2015 during the 10:30 Mass. This year, the Church will focus on the theme "Safeguarding the Dignity of Every Human Person." Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Social Ministry

RIGHT TO LIFE RAFFLE

New Jersey Right to Life will be selling Raffle tickets the weekend of Sept. 26/27 after all the masses.

Prizes are:

1st - 2016 Volvo XC60 AWD SUV
(value \$40,000)

2nd - \$1,000 Shop-Rite gift card

3rd - \$750.00 Shop-Rite gift card

4th - \$500.00 Shop-Rite gift card

Please help support the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization dedicated to protecting all human life from conception to natural death. Tickets are \$10.00 each. Thank you .



NOTES FROM THE GARDEN

Second plantings of peas and beets are in and growing well. We have lots of nice pumpkins, a variety called "Musque De Provence" that are excellent for pumpkin pies. They will be used to make pies for the SHIP Thanksgiving meal in November. Kidney beans and cannellini beans have been harvested and shelled and were received with great enthusiasm at Elijah's Promise. The fence for the garden expansion will be installed on Saturday, October 17. Volunteers are needed. Join us for the fence raising, garden harvest and potluck lunch. The expansion area has been mowed and will be tilled next week in preparation. Come visit the garden and see the beautiful dahlias and sunflowers in bloom!

HOW TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS WITH THE COMMUNITY

A BIG THANK YOU ! to all who have shared their treasure through the use of our Change for Change program. We are receiving full containers at about the rate of two per week now and each container provides just about enough to purchase a \$25.00 gift card.

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

If you are expecting a child or have not yet baptized your child, we will be holding a Baptism Program on Friday, September 25 at 7:15pm. Any family who is interested in scheduling a Baptism must first attend the Preparation Program which is only offered a few times a year. Please call or email France for more information and to register.

MINUTES FROM AUGUST 17, 2015 **PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The meeting was begun with Scripture sharing followed by Reflection on our annual goal. These were the gist of the discussions with follow up action:

- Decided to encourage the young adults of our parish – in the age bracket of 20-40.
- Agreed on the process to facilitate publishing the Pastoral Council meeting report both in the bulletin and in the narthex.
- Reviewed the various ideas presented at the August 10 meeting of all the Ministry/Association heads with the Pastoral Council and the Finance Council. Specific ideas about judicial financial management, expanding the parish stewardship practice, witness talks about spiritual benefits of tithing, etc., will be communicated to all the parishioners in a timely manner.
- The members were trained on the use of Google Docs so that they can upload documents and have access to the various files available.
- All were encouraged to attend a Seminar – “Building a Vibrant Parish” - at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Whitehouse Station, on 9/29/2015.
- The Council was very supportive of the plans to double the area of the Project Earth Garden.

With the next meeting date set for September 21, we closed the session with a closing prayer.

TRICKY TRAY- DATE CHANGE - SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date - Friday, October 16th

The Tricky Tray is scheduled for Friday, October 16th. Mark your calendars and bring family, friends and neighbors.

We are asking for donations for our event. Some suggestions include; Toys, Games, DVD's, New/Unused Household Items, re-gift your unused Christmas or Birthday Gifts, Gift Cards from Target, Walmart, Shop-Rite or other Local Establishments. Leave donations in the Seton Room and fill out a donation form for a tax deduction.
Thank you, Kathy Kelly Pagliuca



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



At St. Peter's Catholic Church in Toronto, they have weekly husband's marriage seminars. At the session last week, the priest asked Giuseppe, who said he was approaching his 50th wedding anniversary, to take a few minutes and share some insight into how he had managed to stay married to the same woman all these years. Giuseppe replied to the assembled husbands, "Wella, I'va tried to treat her nicea, spenda da money on her, but besta of all is, I tooka her to Italy for the 25th anniversary!" The priest responded, "Giuseppe, you are an amazing inspiration to all the husbands here! Please tell us what you are planning for your wife for your 50th anniversary?" Giuseppe proudly replied, " I gonna go pick her up!"

LIGHT IN A DARK WORLD

(one of many themes from the Catechesis on Family Life)

At its best, the family is a school of love, justice, compassion, forgiveness, mutual respect, patience and humility in the midst of a world darkened by selfishness and conflict. In these ways, the family teaches what it means to be human. However, many temptations arise which try to coax us into forgetting that male and female are created for covenant and communion. For example, poverty, affluence, pornography, contraception, philosophical and other intellectual mistakes can all create contexts that challenge or threaten healthy family life. The Church resists these things for the sake of protecting the family.



SHOP RITE, A&P & KINGS CARDS

Thanks to **7 families** who purchased Shop Rite, Kings and A&P gift cards the last week, totaling **\$775.00**. The stores gave us **\$38.75** Cards are available after Mass or at the office weekdays.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wednesday, Sept. 23 D. Zigmantanis

Wednesday, Sept. 30 J. Santoro

Store Cards

Sept. 19 & 20

5:30 p.m. C. Crescenti

8:00 a.m. P. Nanna

10:30 a.m. G. Ambrosky

Sept. 26 & 27

5:30 p.m. J. Gardner

8:00 a.m. J. Klawunn

10:30 a.m. J. Varcadipane

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of 9/20 M. Cangelosi

Week of 9/27 B. Sobey

Church Center Cleaning

September 18 Team C

September 25 Team D

Altar Flowers

September 26 A. Germino

October 3 M. D'Avella

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Eugene Cifranic
Jean Crickenberger
Vicky Davids
Tino DeSantis
Sophia DeVita
Anthony DeVito
Paul Ferri
Gordon Furlong
Sophie Geist
Fred Holub
Colleen Jijack
Diane Jackson
Frank Kostecki
Lou Livoti
Mildred McCormick
Jan McLeavey
Michael McMahon
Christine Meyer
Evelyn Murray
Fran Miceli
Beau (Bernice) Mills
Michael James Nonestied
Mary Lou O'Brien
Floyd Opdyke
Peter Ostapzuk
Linda Owens
Nilsa Perez Parsons
John Pfeufer
Earl Roberts
Noah Skinner
Bob Simms
Julie Suplee
Brian Travis
Sherry Whitford
Josh Wilkes
Caden Zane
Jill Zane
Joey Zieba

MILITARY PERSONNEL

If you have someone in the military that you would like us to remember in our prayers, call the office or drop the name into the collection basket. As military personnel leave the Service, please notify us so that we can remove them from the list. Please remember the following in your prayers:

Captain Baumann, Katherine, U.S. Army
HM Bullis, Christopher, U.S. Navy
Private, Linzer, Matthew, U.S. Army
Seaman, Linzer, Stephanie, U.S. Navy
SR O'Leary, Thomas, U.S. Navy
Captain Royal, Benjamin P., USMC
Ensign Simila, Nicole, U.S. Navy

SICK LIST - UPDATES

Please look over the sick list to the left and keep the office updated. Let us know when someone can be removed. Contact Sharon or France at the office.

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION: *God speaking in a child's silence*

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." Mark 9: 30-37

In a talk given a few years ago at the University of Notre Dame, the activist and poet Father Daniel Berrigan talked about his ministry at the time at a New York hospice for the terminally ill. Each week, he told the audience, he would go to spend some time sitting by the bed of a young boy who was totally incapacitated, physically and mentally. The boy could only lie there. He could not speak or communicate with his body or in any other way express himself to those who came into his room. He lay there mute and helpless, by all outward appearances cut off from any possible communication. Berrigan then described how he would go to sit by the boy to "hear" what the boy was saying in his silence and helplessness.

For Father Berrigan, the way this child lies in our world, silent and helpless, is the way God lies in our world. To hear what God is saying, we must learn to hear what this child is saying. God's presence in our world is like that of the boy: It does not overpower anyone or anything. It lies quietly, at the deep moral and spiritual base of things. It does not overpower with strength, or attractiveness, or brilliance, or intelligence, as does the speed and power of an Olympic athlete, the physical beauty of a model or movie star, or the gifted speech or rhetoric of the brilliant orator or author. While we can behold God in strength and swiftness and beauty and brilliance and harmony, God first reveals himself in the silence of humility and simplicity and peace - in the silence and vulnerability of a child. [Adapted from **The Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality** by Ronald Rolheiser, O.M.I.]

The child represents for the disciple of Jesus the vulnerabilities, fears, and doubts that every one of us experiences in our lives - and the child reminds us of Jesus' call to us as his disciples to take up his work of reaching out to those overwhelmed by such anxiety and despair. In the service we give and respect we afford to others as sons and daughters of God, Jesus says, we welcome into our midst the very presence of God. Our empathy and care for the child and child-like in our midst mirrors the love of God for us despite our own failings and fears. As Father Berrigan learned at the bedside of the young boy, only in putting ourselves in the humble service of the poorest and neediest, of the forgotten and the rejected, can we come to know the love of God in our lives.

POPE FRANCIS: WHAT MAKES A FAMILY HOLY?

First, the family prays (see last week's bulletin)

Next, the family keeps the faith. Here too, we can ask: How do we keep our faith as a family? Do we keep it for ourselves, in our families, as a personal treasure like a bank account, or are we able to share it by our witness, by our acceptance of others, by our openness? We all know that families, especially young families, are often "racing" from one place to another, with lots to do. But did you ever think that this "racing" could also be the race of faith? Christian families are missionary families. They are missionary in everyday life, in their doing everyday things, as they bring to everything the salt and the leaven of faith! Keeping the faith in families and bringing to everyday things the salt and the leaven of faith. **(to be continued)**

Parish & Community News



PARISH PICNIC

Great day of family fun! The picnic was a very well attended and it was so nice to see new families and so many children of all ages including the teens. The picnic would not happen without the help of many people. Thank you Jim Murray for once again taking on this event and Tom Klawunn for organizing the duck race once again. Also thank you to Pete Cangelosi for his leadership the grilling with Mike Mastro, and Jim Simila and the table setup and take down which included the help of Tom Bennett, Wayne Infusino, Alan Janks, Tom Klawunn, and Andrew Kuhn. Thank you Mary Cangelosi for your supervision in the kitchen, and with food and drinks. Also thanks to all the kitchen helpers Phyllis Baker, Kathy Kelly, Susanne Erz, Jo Ann Jarvis, & the name we don't have. Thanks to the tent crew for the many tents set up & taken downs this month. Tom Bennett, Jim Durham, Ray Fotta, Lyle Garcia, Fred Heimall, Wayne Infusino, Alan Janks, Ray Klacik, Tom Klawunn, Andy Kozlowski, Kevin Kucharski, Andrew Kuhn, Lou Livoti, and Hunt Patterson. If we missed your name we are sorry but do Appreciate your help.

DUCK RACE - SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

Grayson Dabrowski was the big winner of the Duck Race, having the first lucky ducky to reach the finish line. Grayson's name will be inscribed on the Duck Trophy, and he will get to keep it at home until the next Duck Race.

The top 10 finishers are:

Place	Duck No.	Winners	Place	Duck No.	Winners
1	51 (Yellow)	Grayson Dabrowski	6	268	Jude McCormick
2	245	Fabiano	7	683	Kurt Erz
3	234	Marlene M	8	334	Marlene Milko
4	309	Bill Behrens	9	202	Nicole Klawunn
5	688	Sheena Carew	10	491	Andrew Ranallo

The top 10 finishers are listed in the Narthex, who each get their own duck hat and a stuffed toy duck. Grayson also received get some duck themed items as mementos of the big win, including the "big duck".

The Duck Race couldn't have happened without many helping make it possible. First, Thank You to everyone who bought ducks to help pay for the picnic. Thank You to Wayne Infusino for doing such a great job clearing the trails, to Steve Bauernfeind, France Kennedy, Carolyn and Alan Pepperman, Kurt Erz, Jane Klawunn, Hunt Patterson and Jim Murray for selling ducks after Mass, to Chip Mullen, Kurt Erz, Doug Hingos and Alan Janks for putting up and taking down the net that stretches across the river to stop ducks, to Chip Mullen and Kurt Erz for launching the ducks, and wading behind them to see that they made it to the finish line, to Doug Hingos and Alan Janks for determining the winning duck and top finishers, and to Kerri Caldero for recording the top finishers, to Joe Mastro, Kenneth Bernard, Joe Caldaro, Dave Taylor, Steve Layden, Doug Hingos and Alan Janks for collecting ducks and watching out for the safety of everyone in the river, to Jane Klawunn for listing the top finishers, to Emilia and Alex Kuhn, Brandon Aulert, Andrew Ranallo, Charlie and Izzi Wellbrock, Olivia and Daniella Sarubbi, the Taylor Family, Anthony Leyden, Mary D'Avella, Anthony and Michael Vassiliades, Sean Bernard, Beatriz and Felipe Souza, Zoe Casavell with Aurora, Brianna, Silas and Jesse Mastro, Karissa Caldaro, Katie, Andrew, Alex and Islouelia for getting in the water and safely retrieving the ducks, to Joshua Nacamuli and friends for retrieving the signs used to mark trails, to Fr. Abraham and the parish staff for promoting the picnic and duck race via pulpit announcements and the bulletin, and for tracking down and keeping track of proceeds and a special thanks to anyone that was missed. Tom Klawunn

WEEKLY COLLECTION

For September 13, 2015

86 Donors Weekly \$4,165.00
 38 Donors Peter's Pence..... \$929.00
 9 Donors Yellow Brick Rd.... \$370.00

For September 14, 2014

85 Weekly Donors \$5,940.50
 46 Donors Peter's Pence..... \$835.25
 9 YBR Donors..... \$195.00

A SIMPLE PAPAL MASS AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

Mass at Madison Square Garden on Friday, September 25, is planned, according to the organizers, to be pretty much like a weekday Mass at any parish in the United States. But will it be the case, if such a Mass includes a congregation of 20,000, cardinal concelebrants, a seminarian schola, 200 permanent deacons as Communion ministers, 115 choir members, a forty-person orchestra, and the Pope as ordained celebrant?!? "Simple" takes on a new dimension in this scenario! The liturgical option for the day is the Mass for Peace and Justice, considering the high emphasis Pope Francis puts on this theme, and because that day he will be at the United Nations.

MEAL COORDINATOR

We are looking for someone to take over the task of preparing the schedule for meals for Fr. Abraham. The schedule is put out every 3 or 4 months for meal preparation on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. There is group of volunteers who prepare meals. If you are interested or would like to be added to the list to prepare meals please contact the office.



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