

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal Life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.



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**

A Christian Community of the Catholic Tradition

Diocese of Metuchen
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Saturday Vigil Mass5:30 p.m.
Sunday8:00 a.m.
Sunday10:30 a.m.
First Friday Holy Hour7:00 p.m.

Worshipping at:
390 County Road 513
(Neumann Residence)

Check the bulletin for any changes

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday7:00 a.m.
Friday7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

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

This Week at Saint John's

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 19

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, April 22

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, April 23

5:30 p.m. Frank Schettino, req.
The Sieber Family

Sunday, April 24

8:00 a.m. Peter Cipparulo, req.
Behrens Family

10:30 a.m. Leroy Lance, req.
St. John Neumann



Parish Calendar

Sun., April 17 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

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)

Monday, April 18 - Easter Weekday

3:00 p.m. Planting Garden (Project Earth Garden)
6:00 p.m. K-5 Monthly Catechesis (Church & Office Centers)
7:15 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (Upper Room)

Tuesday, April 19 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
7:00 p.m. Property Management Meeting (Drexel Room)
7:30 p.m. R.C.I.A. (Upper Room)

Wednesday, April 20 - Easter Weekday

7:30 p.m. Book Club (Seton Room)

Thursday, April 21 - Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:30 p.m. Music/Bells (Church Center)

Friday, April 22 - Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)
7:00 p.m. Willie Lynch Event (Church Center)

Saturday, April 23 - Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

2:30 p.m. 1st Eucharist - Session #6 (Church Center)
5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)

Mass Schedule—April 23/24

Saturday

5:30 p.m.

Celebrant Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader Anita Sawczuk
Altar Server Kucharski Family
Ministers of the Eucharist..... Barbara Martalus
..... Mary Connolly, Bob Martalus

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

Celebrant Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader Allan Piechowski
Altar Server France Kennedy
Ministers of the Eucharist..... Joe Sima
..... Dorothy Sima, Barbara Gates

Sunday

10:30 a.m.

Celebrant Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader Paul Gagen
Altar Server Brisson Family
Music Eucharistic Minister Shirley Pojedinec
Ministers of the Eucharist..... Bob sobey, Cindy Carroll
..... Kristin Gemma, Marlene Milko, Ron Pojedinec

Sun., April 24 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day Intentions

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
9:00 a.m. K-6 Catechesis (Office and Church Centers)
10:30 a.m. Mass - Welcome (Church Center)
11:30 a.m. Catechist Brunch (Drexel Room)
6:00 p.m. Jr. High Catechesis (Church Center)



Remembered at Mass



We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered during the Holy Eucharistic: **Barbara Coyne and Helen Lopata.**

Deceased: Barbara Coyne, aunt of Cindy Carroll, **Helen Lopata**, aunt of Shirley Pojedinec. May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord and may their families find strength in the Lord and comfort and support from family and friends.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK....

Dear Friends,

“Amoris Laetitia,” or “The Joy of Love” is the title of the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation on Family that Pope Francis published a week ago. It talks about stable families as necessary for building a healthy society. Unlike his last document, this one is long: about 250 pages! But he gives a beautiful presentation of the situation of the families in the present times and not only asks Christian families to value marriage and family but also asks everyone to show mercy to those whose lives lack peace and joy. Certainly it is a document we all need to read and understand especially in this Year of Mercy.

I was glad that the Pope wrote in it that *“the Bible also presents the family as the place where children are brought up in the faith.”* Pope’s early childhood was formed by his family. The Bergolio family’s chief legacy to the young Francis was its faith. His mother told him stories of the saints and taught him the rosary. The family prayed together every evening. It was a religion that rejoiced in popular pies, processions, novenas, and shrines.

In the context of our efforts to reinvigorate the faith formation of the whole parish community of St. John Neumann, this is very important. Last week we held two meetings of the parents of our Religious Education students from K-6th grade to speak about the importance of switching to the whole family catechesis from this year. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) is an inter-generational faith formation program. Instead of coming to Religious Education twice monthly as we have been doing so far, the new program will require it only once a month. When parents and children come together once a month, they will have a two-hour session. Part of the time will be spent separately for parents for adult faith formation while the children will have their time of learning. Any change is difficult, but the good will of trying it out will bring about unexpected results – as evidenced by the many parishes that have done it already.

The Popes have been calling for this model as for instance when Pope Emeritus Benedict wrote: *“I encourage serious and daily ongoing formation. The laity are called to be courageous and credible witnesses in every sphere of society, so that the Gospel might be the light that brings hope in difficult situations, in troubles and in the darkness that men today so often find along the path of life.”* A lot of our Catholics walk away from that responsibility of speaking about our faith, not from lack of belief but because they feel inadequate to the task. This whole family catechesis is the best answer to that. I invite all of our families to respond to this GIFT! You will not regret this transition!

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Abraham Orapankal



SMALL FAITH GROUPS

We had over 70 people in small groups meeting throughout Lent, and 13 of those were new to this faith-sharing experience! If you enjoyed being involved, invite someone along to try one of the next

small faith groups this fall! If you have participated before, branch out and form a new group!

Benefits of Belonging to a Small Faith Group:

- Bond with other Catholics in a more intimate way
- Embolden your faith
- Become more connected to your parish community
- Help you have a source of encouragement and accountability
- Participate in focused prayer for others
- Provide a comfortable and safe atmosphere for sharing
- Allow for mutual edification and growing in knowledge and faith

“Fall into Faith” groups start the first weekend in October and will run through mid-November. Take the next step and try one out!





Baptized into
the Faith

WELCOME

DECLAN JOSEPH

HEIMALL

Congratulations to Shaun and Shannon Heimall and son Declan who was baptized on April 10 at the 10:30 Mass. It was a wonderful celebration of the Rite of Baptism.

HOUSE BLESSING!

WHY NOT YOURS

THIS EASTER SEASON?

A wonderful custom, prevailing in many parts of the world, that some of us have found very meaningful in the past few years, Fr. Abraham is offering this again this year. The Easter House blessing, a short prayer with family members, is a happy reminder of the Easter blessings that we are called to live. If you feel drawn to this lovely practice, contact the office to arrange a mutually convenient day and time; this will enhance your appreciation of the Catholic way of life.

BISHOPS MARKET CARDS

Now available for purchase

We are now selling Bishops Gift Cards along with Shop-Rite Cards. Bishops is located at 431 US-22 East in Whitehouse Station. We are getting a 10% discount. Available after Masses and at the office.

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Christian Formation - Catechesis



CATECHIST APPRECIATION BRUNCH

Sunday, April 24th, 11:30 a.m.

All catechists and assistants in the Religious Education program are invited to attend a brunch on Sunday, April 24th, at 11:30 a.m. in the Office Center. Contact the Office of Catechesis to RSVP at 832-2162 or jjarvis@ccsjn.org.

GIFT - GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER



Thank you to all the parents who attended the parent meetings.

It is an exciting opportunity and time of growth! Family catechesis gives parents and families formation to become strong in their own faith and knowledge. This helps to build stronger parish communities. Registration information will be mailed to each family later in April. Please contact the Religious Education Office with any questions 908 832 2162 or email renee@ccsjn.org jjarvis@ccsjn.org

CRS RICE BOWLS

Thank you to those families who participated in CRS Rice Bowl. With your generous support, over \$500 was collected to benefit Catholic Relief Services!



SPRING GIVING TREE

All the tags for the Spring Giving Tree have been taken! Please purchase and return your gifts (with tag attached) to the narthex by April 24th or to the office center anytime during the week. Thank you so much for your generous support for **The Center for Great Expectations, Samaritan Homeless Interim Program (SHIP) and Safe in Hunterdon!** Many people benefit from these three organizations. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Ann Jarvis at 908-832-2162 or jjarvis@ccsjn.org.



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS RETREAT

Wednesday, May 4, 2016, 4:00 p.m., Church Center

The First Communion Class Retreat is on Wednesday, May 4, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. in the Church Center. All children should bring their completed banners and their own choice of a snack (food/drink) with them. Parents (or at least one parent or caregiver who will be attending the First Communion Mass) need to arrive by 6:15 p.m. for the First Eucharist ceremony instruction led by Father Abraham. All families are welcome to witness the First Communicants' renewal of their baptismal vows at 6:00 p.m.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, May 7, 11:00 a.m., Church Center

On Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 11:00 a.m., we will culminate our journey that began in the fall learning about reconciliation and forgiveness, continuing through God's amazing sacrifice and love for us, and will end in the treasure of receiving Jesus in First Holy Communion for 12 of our young church family members. Please congratulate and pray for our First Communicants: William Consigli, Jordan Erz, Kyle Erz, Sophie Guzzino, Klaudia Kowalewski, Emilia Kuhn, Philip Mathew, Samuel Meekings, Summer Ona, Daphne Roskowski, Anthony Vassiliades and Michael Vassiliades.

All of this was made possible through the heartfelt commitment of the children's families bringing their children regularly to our gatherings and our devoted catechists. We are so blessed to have this program enthusiastically led by our wonderful Catechist Cathy Gagen assisted by two of our dedicated Catechists Susan Erz and Danielle Meekings, and Fr. Abraham and Jo Ann Jarvis. Please celebrate and share in our joy!

FIRST EUCHARIST CLASSES

Sat., April 23, 2:30 p.m., Church Center



The last regular session for First Eucharist students will be on Saturday, April 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the Church Center. Please note the earlier start time for this session.

JOSEPH F. LABUTA SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Council offers high school seniors, who are parishioners of St. John Neumann Church, an opportunity to apply for the Joseph F. Labuta scholarship. **Requirements:** (1) A high school senior accepted to college in the fall (2) A St John Neumann Church parishioner (3) A Practicing Catholic (must attend Mass and the Sacraments regularly). **The St. John Neumann pastor will determine whether or not a student meets that requirement.** (Out of area church attendance, etc., to be determined by the student's local pastor at that church in the case of the student attending a boarding high school or other exceptional case. Out of area Knights of Columbus members who have children meeting requirements at that church are also to be considered for this scholarship).

All applications must be submitted using the Joseph F. Labuta Scholarship Application Form located on the council website www.kofc10627.org under the council activities/youth activities drop down menu. Applicants must submit their application, all listed requirements, and required essay to: **Knights of Columbus, 59 Main Street, High Bridge, N.J. 08829** no later than May 1, 2016. **NOTE:** The amounts and numbers of the individual scholarships to be awarded will not be publicized in advance and will depend on the number of successful applicants as determined by our committee. Best of luck to all applicants!

Steven Bauernfeind SJN Parishioner/Scholarship/Liaison for Council #10627 Knights of Columbus

Social Ministry



RAISED BED INSTALLATION

The day began with a bit of rain but that did not deter about 10 Boy Scouts, their adult leaders and volunteers from St. John's from the task of building 27 raised beds for the community garden last Saturday. A big thanks to James Weber, who is earning his Eagle Scout Rank with this project and members of his Troop 92 who put in a good day of work. Thanks to all who made financial contributions to pay for materials. Thanks to Calfon Lumber for donating the materials at cost AND cutting all of the lumber to size and delivering it for FREE! If you stop into the store, please be sure to thank them for their generous contribution to this project. Thanks to all the volunteers from St. John's for teaching, supervising and assisting with the build. All of the bed frames were completed and most were set into place. We await another delivery of dirt so we can finish filling the rest of the beds. Please be sure to join us for a Blessing of the Community Garden following the 10:30am Mass on Sunday, May 1. Sign-ups for the beds will begin that weekend. For more information contact Anne Germino at socialministry@ccsjn.org.

GARDEN ACTIVITIES AND BLESSING

Dates to Remember

On Monday, April 18 we will be planting potatoes in the Project Earth Garden and Strawberry plants in the new Community Garden Area. Planting will take place from 3:30p-6pm weather permitting. Ages 10 and up are welcome to join in.

On Sunday, May 1, following the 10:30 Mass there will be a Blessing of the new Community Garden. Join us at the garden gate for the blessing and light refreshments. Sign-ups for the raised beds will begin following the ceremony.

Parish News

LIKE TO ATTEND THE NEW BISHOP'S INSTALLATION?

Here's a note from Msgr. William Benwill our Vicar General: *"The number of guests being invited to Bishop-Elect Checchio's ordination on May 3rd and the limited seating for this event (even in the Church of the Sacred Heart, South Plainfield) requires that parish representatives must, unfortunately, be limited to five per deanery. If there are parishioners you think would be interested in attending the ordination, please forward their names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses to your dean by Wednesday, April 20th. The deans will choose five names at random via lottery and forward them to me on April 21st. Those chosen to attend the ordination will be sent tickets for the May 3rd Mass."*

If you are interested in attending, please give your names by 5PM, MONDAY, APRIL 18, to Fr. Abraham by e-mail: Abraham@ccsjn.org

MARRIAGE TUNE-UP

"Talking to your man is different from talking to your girlfriend. By and large, a man wants the bottom line. Cut the amount of prelude by approximately 90%, and you'll get it just about right." (from Smart Marriages). Yes, this is a stereotype but stereotypes often hold a kernel of truth. Does this fit your marriage?

PARENTING TUNE-UP

"How, in this materialistic, competitive world, can I raise kind children?" ...Begin by being a kind adult. When your child sees you go the extra mile to help a friend, carry someone's groceries, or invite people in to your life who aren't exactly like you, your child will see loving kindness as the natural way to live."

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Our next opportunity to help those in need right here in Hunterdon County will be from May 8-15, when we co-host for the Interfaith Hospitality Network with our neighboring parish, Spruce Run Lutheran. There are many ways to be of help including helping to set up, providing a meal, overnight assistance, or simply providing hospitality. There are always children who enjoy having other children to interact with, so it is a great family project as well. For more information on this, please go to www.ccsjn.org. Check the link under Social Ministry or contact Debbie Hunt at dhuntfam1@comcast.net.

To see when & where help is needed, check the Sign Up Genius link at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054eafad22a20-family>.

SAVE THESE DATES!

Catechist Brunch April 24
 Spring Cleanup April 30
 Living Rosary May 1
 Parish Community Meeting May 2
 First Eucharist Celebration May 7
 May Crowning May 15
 Grand Auction & Dinner Dance June 4

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., April 19 A. Sawczuk

Wed., April 20 M. D'Avella

Store Cards

April 16 & 17

5:30 p.m.. C. Crescenti

8:00 a.m. K. Dabrowski

10:30 a.m. D. Royal

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Church Center Plant Watering

Week of 4/17 B. Lee

Week of 4/24 L. Livoti

Church Center Cleaning

April 15 Team C

April 22 Team D

Altar Flowers

April 16 France Kennedy

April 23 Mary Connolly

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Virgilio Alves
Eugene Cifranic
Bill & Ginny Ciszewski
Jean Crickenberger
John D'Almeida
Vicky Davids
Tino DeSantis
Sophia DeVita
Neil Ercolano
Paul Ferri
Gordon Furlong
Sophie Geist
Fred Holub
Barbara Jiroushek
Lou Livoti
Dick McCall
Jan McLeavey
Christine Meyer
Fred Moser
Evelyn Murray
Fran Miceli
Beau (Bernice) Mills
Michael James Nonestied
Mary Lou O'Brien
Floyd Opdyke
Linda Owens
Nilsa Perez Parsons
John Pfeufer
Larry Riley
Anne & Joe Sacco
Theodore Semper
Noah Skinner
Michael Slivka
Julie Suplee
William Weimer
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

SUNDAY REFLECTION: Finding the Missing Words

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life and, and they shall never perish." **John 10: 27-30**

She struggled to rally a smile as she entered his hospital room. Paul, her husband of 35 years, had suffered a massive stroke. She struggled to rally a smile. "Hi, honey," she said. Paul looked at her helplessly. His face was frozen in a distorted scowl, his mouth slouched to the right, his lip curled. He tried to answer. But all he could sputter was "Mem." Of course, she had no idea what he was trying to say. When she didn't respond, he brought down his fist on the bed railing, repeating, "Mem, mem, mem." When she tried to comfort him, he pushed away. He struggled to speak, but all he could manage was a little sound - *whgggggggg* - as if he were blowing out a candle. His frustration became anger, before he finally fell back on his pillow, defeated. "Mem, mem, mem."

"I wish I could understand you," she said, more to herself than to him. "Mem, mem, mem," he cried. "Mem, mem, mem" - the first words of the new language that they would learn together. Once home, as she helped him recover, he had to re-learn language - and she had to learn a new one. Over time, Paul was able to speak words other than "Mem" - and she was able to understand the different meanings of "Mem" on different days, at different times, in different sets of circumstances. Paul gradually recovered his speech, though his days are still riddled with aphasia. But thanks to the plasticity of the brain, the power of human will, and plain hard work, she hears him and understands what he is trying to say.

Six years after she walked into that hospital room, she says, "life is different, but sweet, often delving into hilarious charades as he tries to pin a word down . . . So there are many frustrations, but once again a shared revelry with words. And Paul seems altogether happier than before, living more in the moment, grateful to be alive. "We often remember with a shiver those early days in the hospital, when life felt small as a noose, and I thought it was the end of our long love story. I discovered instead that it was only the beginning of a new chapter." *[From One Hundred Names of Love: A Stroke, a Marriage and the Language of Healing by Diane Ackerman.]*

Love that perseveres despite the obstacles, love that refuses to yield to discouragement and disappointment, love that puts aside personal need and gain for the sake of the beloved is the "voice" of the Good Shepherd." With compassion, a spouse struggles tracelessly to decipher the love in the gnarled speech of her husband and responds in kind. The "voice" of Christ is heard in the midst of their hard work to reconstruct their life together in hope and joy. Christ the Good Shepherd calls us to listen consciously, deliberately, wisely for his voice in the depths of our hearts; to listen for his voice in the love and joy, the pain and anguish, the cries for mercy and justice of those around us. In our own acts of generosity, love and forgiveness, we echo and give voice to the Risen Christ and the good news of hope and grace that is the Easter miracle.



ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP

April 30th - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please consider helping out with some of the necessary cleaning, maintenance and repairs around the Church, Office, Residence and grounds. Lunch will be provided. We can use your help for all or any part of the day. Please sign up in the Narthex, or just show up. We appreciate your help for all or any part of the day. If you have any questions, call Sharon in the office 908-832-2513.

MYSTAGOGY

All are invited to join our neophytes (newly baptized Catholics), Nancy and Mark, during the period of mystagogy, the time between Easter and Pentecost, to continue the conversion process. We meet **Tuesday nights at 7:30PM** in the Office Center to gain a deeper understanding of God's word and to explore the mystery of the sacraments and what being a disciple of Christ means for our lives.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

April 29, 2016

Baptism preparation is offered **four times per year**. While in the middle trimester of pregnancy (for your comfort and convenience), please call the Office Center to request a registration form. **Sacramental preparation begins during the month prior to the program** with a meeting at the parish office center and an at home reading and reflection. The program is both sacramental preparation for the Baptism ritual and an opportunity to get to know others who are also seeking infant Baptism.

Contact France at 832-2513 or email fkennedy@ccsjn.org to start the process.



EARTH DAY IS THIS FRIDAY!

Earth Day is an annual event, celebrated on April 22, originally begun in 1970. It has become so very popular that some 193 countries worldwide organize various events to demonstrate support for environmental protection. Last week, our St. John's project Earth Garden has been the hot bed of activities of so many people volunteering to expand the garden, under the initiative of our Anne Germino. Walk over to the garden to see the work in progress as they are preparing the raised beds. Soon they will be planting blue berries and asparagus and what not!



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



A Baptist and a Catholic were arguing about the different ways their churches baptized people: total immersion or just pouring the water over the head. The Catholic said, "Well, just how much water do you need...knee deep?" The Baptist said, "No, more than that is needed." "Waist deep?" "No, Still More." "Up to the chin?" "You need more water than that!" "Over the head?" "Yes, that's right." "There you go. That's where we Catholics put it!"

The priest was wired for sound with a lapel mike, and as he preached, he moved briskly about the platform, jerking the microphone cord as he went. Then he moved to one side, getting wound up in the cord and nearly tripping before jerking it again. After several circles and jerks, a little girl in the third pew leaned toward her Mother and whispered, "If he gets loose, will he hurt us?"

COPING WITH BEHAVIOR CHANGES IN ALZHEIMER'S

Wed., April 20th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Hunterdon Medical Center

Alzheimer's New Jersey, in collaboration with Hunterdon Healthcare, will be offering two important education program topics in one evening for caregivers who have a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or other form of dementia. **Coping with Behavior Changes in Alzheimer's Disease** and **Coping with Caregiver Stress** will be offered on **Wednesday, April 20, 2016** from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at **Hunterdon Medical Center** in Flemington. See the attached flyer for details about both program topics. A light dinner will be served. This program is free and open to the public, but registration is required. For more information or to register, individuals can call our Helpline at 1.888.280.6055.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

For April 10, 2016

92 Donors Weekly \$4,578.00

13 Donors Yellow Brick Rd.... \$570.00

For April 12, 2015

82 Donors Weekly \$,665.00

SHOP RITE & KINGS CARDS



Thanks to **6 families** who purchased Shop Rite and Kings gift cards the last week, totaling **\$1,000.00**. The stores gave us **\$50.00** Cards are available after Mass or at the office weekdays.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 16, 2016

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." **ACTS 13:52**

Because the disciples heard Our Lord's call, they were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we take time to open our hearts, listen to God, ask for His direction and allow the Holy Spirit to guide our lives and our decisions.



AQUIRE THE FIRE

Acquire the Fire, the combined young adult group of Our Lady of Lourdes and St John Neumann, will be having their next meeting on Sunday, April 24th at 7 PM in the Old Church Hall of Our Lady of Lourdes (390 County Road 523, Whitehouse Station, NJ 08889). Join us for a night of fellowship, games, and snacks. To join the list serve please email Susan at acquirethefire@ollwhs.org.

FULL TIME CAREGIVER

Local family looking for full time caregiver for middle stage Alzheimer's. Must be able to drive and be a certified nursing assistant. Hunterdon Medical offers a month long training program for certification. Hours to 6pm daily. Contact parish office 832-2513.



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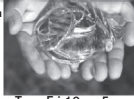
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