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### 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**

We, as ministers, will foster
an inviting and spiritual Catholic community for all,
especially to those away from the Church,
by growing in and witnessing to our faith in the mercy of God.

# A Christian Community of the Catholic Tradition

Diocese of Metuchen

Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA Bishop of Metuchen

Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski, D.D. Bishop Emeritus

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### Our Parish

Rev. Abraham Orapankal, F	Ph.D
	Pastor
Rev. J William Mickiewicz	
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5:30 p.m.
8:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

### Worshipping at:

390 County Road 513 (Neumann Residence)

\*Check the bulletin for any changes\* **Weekday Masses:** 

Tuesday	8:00	a.m.
Friday	7:00	a.m.

#### Reconciliation:

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

# This Week at Saint John's

### Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, October 25

8:00 a.m. Bernadette Jenkinson, req St. John Neumann Church

#### Friday, October 28

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

#### Saturday, October 29

5:30 p.m. Neil Burke, req. Kucharski Family

#### Sunday, October 30

8:00 a.m. Mary Furlong, req. Cyndy and Bill Behrens 10:30 a.m. Daniel McLane, req.

Altavilla Family



Mass Schedule - October 29/30	
Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant	Rev. Anthony Arokiadoss
Reader	Alexa Johnson
Altar Server	Johnson Family
	Barbara Martalus
	Bob Martalus, Joann Gardner
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
	Rev. Abraham Orapankal
Reader	Chris Bitters
Altar Server	Mastro Family
	Joe Sima
	Barbara Gates, Dorothy Sima
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
	Rev. Abraham Orapankal
Reader	Steve Carroll
Altar Server	Bush Family
	Gloria Cucchiara
Ministers of the Eucharist	Cindy Carroll, Sheena Carew
	Anthony DeStefano, Jane Albert, 1 Needed

### Parish Calendar

#### Sunday, October 23 - <u>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>/ World Mission Sunday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)

8:00 a.m. Family Faith Formation (Valley View)

8:30 a.m. 1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting (Valley View)

10:30 a.m. Welcome Mass (Church Center)

#### Monday, October 24 - Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

7:00 p.m. Fundraising Meeting (Office Center Kitchen)

#### Tuesday, October 25 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)

11:00 a.m. Faith Group (Church Center Loft)

7:00 p.m. Faith Group (Neumann Residence)

7:00 p.m. Connxions Meeting (Office Center Kitchen)

#### Wednesday, October 26 - Weekday

10:30 a.m. Faith Group (Narthex)

2:00 p.m. V.V Evacuation Drill (Church Center and Grounds)

5:30 p.m. Yoga (Church Center-Loft)

7:00 p.m. Bereavement Session (Upper Room)

7:00 p.m. Faith Group (Office Center Kitchen)

7:00 p.m. Faith Group (Drexel Room)

#### Thursday, October 27 - Weekday

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

7:30 p.m. Faith Group (Upper Room)

#### Friday, October 28 - Saint Simon and Jude, Apostles

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)

5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)

#### Saturday, October 29 - Weekday

7:00 a.m. Men's Spirituality Breakfast (Office Center)

3:30 p.m. 1st Reconciliation - Session #3 (Church Center)

5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)

#### Sunday, October 30 - <u>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> / All Souls Intentions

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)

10:30 a.m. Welcome Mass (Church Center)

4:00 p.m. Gold and Silver Wedding Anniversary Mass (Cathedral)

6:00 p.m. Jr. High Catechesis (Office and Church Centers)



#### Remembered at Mass

We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered during the Holy Eucharistic: Gary Bergmann, Chris Mahoney, Bernadette Jenkinson, and Rodney Brynildsen.

<u>Deceased</u>: Gary Bergmann, husband of Kathleen and father of William and Annalee, Bernadette Jenkinson, former Parishioner, and Rodney Brynildsen, cousin of Chris Brynildsen. 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,

Last Sunday's Year of Mercy Pilgrimage organized by the Round Valley Deanery was a big success. Over 350 people from the 12 parishes of the Deanery attended this wonderful event. Presided over by our Bishop Emeritus Paul Bootkoski, the Eucharistic procession began in the ICC school auditorium with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We processed out singing songs and praying each decade of the rosary in a different language: English, Spanish, Latin, Vietnamese and Polish. Our first stop was in the beautiful mausoleum. Next in the cemetery. Then in the Mary Garden, and finally into the ICC Church, passing through the Holy door of Mercy. Bishop Paul preached about the importance of the event and congratulated the parishes of the Deanery for this unique event. The event concluded with the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and then a fellowship in the parish hall downstairs. I was very proud that our own parish was represented by at least ten parishioners. I wish to commend in particular the way Lyle Garcia and Mary Connolly worked hard in collaboration with other Deanery Pastoral Council members to make this event a very successful and spiritually nourishing one.

Today being Mission Sunday, our Bishop James Checchio says that this celebration should encourage all parishioners to "connect" with our mission family bringing God's mercy to the poor and marginalized half a world away. Based on the Gospel mandate of Jesus in Matthew 28:19, the Second Vatican Council declared that the Church of Christ "is missionary in its origin and nature." Hence, it follows that the mission of the Church is the mission of every member of the Church, and is not reserved for the priests, the religious, and the active missionar-Thus, every Christian is a missionary with a message to share -- the message of God's love, liberation, and eternal salvation.

This year's theme of this global observance is "Witnesses of God's Mercy." In announcing his decision to declare a Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said, "I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its Mission of being a witness of mercy." Helping to support the 1,111 young Churches in Mission areas with our prayers and generous gifts is indeed a merciful "Witness of God's Mercy." The collection today, from our parish and from every parish all over the world, will help Missionaries offer the poor of these areas practical help as they share the Mercy of God. Besides the monetary help, let us continue our prayers for the Missions imitating St. Therese of Lisieux who is one of the Patron Saints of the missions, not because she ever went anywhere, but because of her special love of the missions, and the prayers and letters she gave in support of missionaries.

> Your brother in Christ, Fr. Abraham Orapankal



#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY (CLOW)

On Sunday October 30th members of the CLOW committee will be hosting a coffee greeting meeting for the 10:30 Mass. Please stop by and ask the current members of this committee about how you can get involved with this wonderful ministry specifically targeted for the children of our parish.

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If you appreciate this ministry, why not join the CLOW Committee. The commitment requires one meeting a month which is most often held on the last Monday of the month at 7:30-9:00pm, in the Seton Room. At the meeting we plan the upcoming homilies after reflecting on the message in the readings. The more input the better it is for the development of the CLOW homily. We also need new members to help on the Sunday mornings that we host Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 Mass. Please prayerfully consider helping this worthwhile ministry. We truly need your help!

#### **30TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 23, 2016**

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:14 It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.

### SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



We wish to congratulate and recognize James and Gail Battell who are celebrating twenty-five years of marriage.



In addition we are very happy to congratunniversary late and celebrate Bonnie and Lyle Garcia and Joe and Dorothy Years together Sima who are blessed to

be celebrating fifty years of marriage.



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# Christian Formation - Catechesis

#### **CONFIRMATION 2016**



Thursday, October 13, 7:00 p.m., Church Center

On Thursday evening, Bishop James F. Checchio

celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. John's at 7:00 p.m. Mass. Thank you to all the parishioners and our talented music ministry for enriching this joyous celebration! Please keep these young people and their families in your prayers as they grow in their faith and share their talents in our parish community. They Lisa Cucchiara, Catherine Evanko, Emma Evanko, Jack Evanko, Dana Fabiano, Taylor Jamieson, Madison Kelly, Nina Lewis, Marion Mathew, Hannah Nacamuli, Catherine O'Brien, Amelia Puglia, James Quartuccio, Casey Roskowski, Kenneth Rudin, Jason Solomon, Sarah Upwood, Daniel Uss, LeviYoder, and James Zeolla.

#### **FIRST RECONCILIATION**



There will be Parent Meeting for all 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist parents at 8:30 a.m. on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Valley View School during the Sunday

catechesis session.

The next First Reconciliation session for students will be on Saturday, October 29th, at 3:30 pm. in the Church Center.

#### PARENTING TUNE-UP

Try this bedtime ritual with kids: Thank God for the good I did today. Ask God's forgiveness for missed opportunities to do good or for hurting someone — even unknowingly. Ask for God's grace to do better tomorrow.

#### MARRIAGE TUNE-UP

When it's hard to forgive a spouse who has 'done you wrong' (or voters who you believe are wrong) try praying this way, "Oh Lord, let me forgive those who sin differently than I do." Now is the time for healing, not self-righteousness (Susan Vogt)

#### **PILGRIMAGE TO**

### ST. JOHN NEUMANN SHRINE, PHILADELPHIA

Saturday, November 19, 2016

In announcing the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis called Catholics to embark on "a journey that starts with a spiritual conversion." Bishop

Emeritus Bootkoski adds, "there are many simple but impactful ways to foster this inner conversion," including "a pilgrimage to a shrine or significant place." In that spirit, we are announcing our pilgrimage on November 19<sup>th</sup> to the recently renovated St. John Neumann Shrine in Philadelphia. The Confirmation Class of 2017 will be attending this trip, and the Class of 2016 is also invited. All parishioners are welcome to join the Confirmandi on this annual pilgrimage. The tour includes an inspirational talk and a film, a visit to the shrine, upper church (St. Peter the Apostle) and museum. There is no charge for this tour, only free will donations. If-traveling on your own, you can meet our group at the shrine (1019 North Fifth Street, Philadelphia, PA) no later than 1:30 p.m. the day of the trip. Feel free to arrange car pools on your own. We are very fortunate to have the shrine of our parish's patron saint nearby; we hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to join us on this pilgrimage!

#### MONTHLY ADULT FAITH FORMATION



"And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

Pope Francis says that mercy is "the bridge that connects God and [human beings]." His call for a Year of Mercy is the call to authentic Christian living modeled after the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Loving Mercy is our response to this universal call. Loving Mercy is this year's theme for adult formation within the family faith formation program. Consider joining us at Valley View Elementary School on Sundays or Mondays in the Church Center. These sessions follow the family faith formation calendar on the parish website. All are invited to attend! You do not need to have a child in the program to participate. The next session dates are Oct. 23 at 8:30 a.m. (VV) and Nov. 14 at 6:30

p.m. (CC). For more information, contact Renee or JoAnn 832-2162.

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#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Parishioners are invited to participate in Operation Christmas Child and prepare a "shoe box" full of presents for a needy child. These will be delivered to poor children around the world along with a booklet in the child's own language telling them about the birth of Jesus, His life and how He saved us. This is an opportunity to share the Good News of

Jesus and bring joy to a child! All K-6 Religious Education students will be given a brochure with detailed instructions on how to make their "shoe box" present. Extra brochures are available in the narthex for any parishioner wishing to participate in this program. All shoe box gifts should be dropped off in the narthex or office center <u>no later than November 20<sup>th</sup>.</u> Jr. High will be holding its own OCC Packing Party during their gathering on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Jo Ann Jarvis or visit samaritanspurse.org for further information.

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#### 7TH GRADE CLASS MASS AND YOUTH MASS

Thank you to all the seventh grade students who enthusiastically and joyously participated in the celebration of Mass on Saturday, October 15th at 5:30PM.

# Social Ministry

# THANKS TO THE JESUS OF HERE AND NOW, WHO RESIDES IN ALL OF YOU IN OUR COMMUNITY!

We are sure that Father Abraham would agree that we might call last Sunday "Thanksgiving Sunday", because of the theme presented to us in the Scriptural Readings, and had we been on schedule, it would have been the perfect time to post this THANKS in the bulletin, but we're not perfect.

With that being said, all we want to do is heap upon all of you the many THANKS we owe you for the wonderful and expeditious support you gave the drive for gifts of clothing for the kids in the fire. This project was begun on September 14 at our last Board Meeting and by October 12, the date of our next meeting it will be complete.

That's pretty amazing and we can only thank you for your kind support. Jesus Is Here and Now! Thanks also to our partner, Religious Education for all of the support they gave to this worthy cause.

#### GREETING CARD TO BENEFIT OUR FOOD PANTRY



Everyone needs to purchase a greeting card for one reason or another. In the Narthex, by the Social Concerns table, there are 16 different handmade cards for you to choose from, for your greeting card needs. The cost is \$3 per card or \$10 for 4 cards. ALL the proceeds go to supporting St. John's food pan-

try ministry. All you have to do is select the card(s) you want and put the money in the cash box by the cards. With the holidays right around the corner why not select 4 cards to give as a gift to your child's classroom teacher or your helpful neighbor. All the money you spend helps a most worthwhile cause.

#### **COMMUNITY GARDEN**



New Beds Installed

Last week, four new raised beds were installed in the communi-

ty garden. At 30" tall, they will be reserved for people whose physical limitations make it difficult for them to garden in the lower beds. Many thanks to Pete Cangelosi for his instruction and expertise. Thanks also to Ray Fotta, Andy Kozlowski, Terry McNamara and Jason Rudin for helping with the build. They are ready for use next spring!

# SHIP'S GALLEY SOUP KITCHEN The next date for serv-

Ing at the SHIP's Galley
Soup Kitchen in Somer-

ville is Thursday, October 27. If you can prepare or donate food or would like to help serve the meal, contact Anne Germino at <a href="mailto:socialministry@ccsjn.org">socialministry@ccsjn.org</a>.

# Parish News

#### **INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

Father Abraham's homily last weekend was very instructional on the different types and methods of prayer. When he spoke about Intercessory Prayer at Mass, if you are not so comfortable voicing your prayers, as some have mentioned in our Faith Groups, then please use the Book of Remembrance for your prayer intentions.

The Book is kept in the narthex before Mass, and you can write your specific prayer intentions in the book that is then brought into the worship space and we include all those who are in the book of Remembrance at each Mass.

#### THE MISSION OF JESUS IS OUR MISSION!

S.D. Gordon has a beautiful story about the Ascension of Jesus into Heaven. When the grand welcome ceremony was over, the Archangel Gabriel approached Jesus to resolve his doubts. He said, "I know that only very few in Palestine are aware of the great work of human salvation you have accomplished through your suffering, death and Resurrection. But the whole world should know and appreciate it and become your disciples, acknowledging you as their Lord and Savior. What is your plan of action?" Jesus answered, "I have told all my Apostles to tell other people about me and preach my message through their lives. That's all." "Suppose they don't do that," Gabriel responded. "What's your Plan B?" Jesus replied, "I have no other plan; I am counting on them." On this World Mission Sunday, the Church reminds us that Jesus is counting on each one of us to make him known, loved and accepted by others around us.

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#### **WELCOME**

The parish welcomes the Danik Family, Chris, Jess and their new son William born this sum-

mer. The family was welcomed at the 10:30 Mass Oct 9. Their photo is on display in the narthex so you can recognize them and introduce yourself to them personally.

"We have been called to heal wounds, to unite what has fallen apart, and to bring home those who have lost their way."

St. Francis of Assisi

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#### **GROCERY CARDS**

Thanks to **13 families** who purchased Shop Rite and

Kings and Bishops gift cards the last week, totaling \$2,125.00. The stores gave us \$106.25. Cards are available after Mass or at the office weekdays.

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# Parish News

#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Virgilio Alves Gary Bergmann Joan Cardierre **Eugene Cifranic** Bill Ciszewski Jean Crickenberger John D'Almeida Barbara DelPiano Tino DeSantis Sophia DeVita **Brent Evans** Paul Ferri Sophie Geist Marion Hergert Fred Holub Barbara Jiroushek Lou Livoti **Iole Matthews** Dick McCall Jan McLeavey Christine Mever Fran Miceli Danny Mulvey Mary Lou O'Brien Floyd Opdyke Nilsa Perez Parsons John Pfeufer Anne & Joe Sacco Noah Skinner Michael Slivka Al Sterphone Julie Suplee Nicholas Trojano Don Velli Melodie Shae Webster William Weimer Josh Wilkes Caden Zane Jill Zane Joey Zieba

### MILITARY PERSONNEL If you have someone in the military you

would like us to pray for, call the office or drop the name into the collection basket. As military personnel leave the Service, please notify us so 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 C3C, Geerinck, Joshua, U.S. Air Force Private, Linzer, Matthew, U.S. Army Seaman, Linzer, Stephanie, U.S. Navy SR O'Leary, Thomas, U.S. Navy Captain Royal, Benjamin P., USMC Lieutenant JG Simila, Nicole, U.S. Navy

#### **SUNDAY REFLECTION: A Touch of the Pharisee**

The parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector.

Luke 18: 9-14

He is hardly noticed. Waves of students and faculty move in and out of the building every day. He makes sure the floors and bathrooms are clean, that broken furniture and equipment are repaired and replaced without missing a beat. Some of the professors who have been around a few years will say a quick hello when they walk by, a couple of them actually know his name. During his time, more than forty graduating classes have been educated in this hall that he takes such conscientious care of, hardly noticed, taken for granted . . . like the tax collector.

They spend most of the night driving around the city ready for the call. An accident, a shooting, a bar fight, a "jumper." They're the first ones there to stop the bleeding, talk the poor soul down, clean up the mess. They get the victims to the hospital, often with just seconds to spare - and then they're back out on the streets. They stay on the edges, in the distance, doing their jobs, unheralded, never recognized . . . like the tax collector.

She is one of hundreds of nurses working in a large city hospital. Every shift, day or night, she works countless small miracles of compassion and mercy for the patients on her floor. To her, they are more than numbers and charts in the massive hospital system: they are the terrified child, the desperately-ill woman, the confused senior, the overwhelmed family. For her, mercy is something real, something that love makes possible . . . as the tax collector understands.

What would we do without these good and dedicated souls? But, often, we don't even see them or acknowledge them; we don't appreciate their presence in our lives; we seldom realize how much our community and society depends on them. Maybe because there exists in each of us a bit of the Pharisee.

In our own time and place, the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector is played out not so much as a lack of humility before God but as a lack of awareness of the gifts and contributions, as well as the needs and hopes of those around us we have come to take for granted, whose work is considered of less importance or consequence than our own. The Gospel of Jesus challenges us to embrace the humble, God-centered faith of the tax collector, not the self-centered and self-absorbed claims of the Pharisee. We give thanks for God's love for us by returning that love to one another, by accepting one another as God has accepted us; we honor God as Father of us all by honoring one another as brothers and sisters.

#### **TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY!**

Over one billion Catholics all over the world observe today as *World Mission Sunday*. This annual observance was instituted 89 years ago in 1926 by a Papal decree issued by Pope Pius XI. Every year since then, the universal Church has dedicated the month of October to reflection on and prayer for the missions. On World Mission Sunday, Catholics gather to celebrate the Eucharist and to contribute to a collection for the work of evangelization around the world. This annual celebration gives us a chance to reflect on the importance of mission work for the life of the Church. It reminds us that we are one with the Church around the world and that we are all committed to carrying on the mission of Christ, however different our situations may be.

Pope Francis, in his first World Mission Sunday in 2013 message, challenged us to proclaim courageously and in every situation the Gospel of Christ, a message of hope, reconciliation and communion. In his 2014 Mission Sunday message, the Pope challenged the Church to become a welcoming home, a mother for all peoples and the source of rebirth for our world through the intercession of Mary, the model of humble and joyful evangelization. In 2015 the pope challenged us to meet the needs of all people to return to their roots and to protect the values of their respective cultures. In the Year of Mercy 2016, Pope Francis reminds us that mercy is the missionary mandate for the Church.

#### THE HEROIN EPIDEMIC IN HUNTERDON COUNTY!

Hunterdon County had 40 Heroin overdoses reported by law enforcement in 2015, as compared to 12 in 2014. This represents a 333% increase in just one year. In 2016, 32 have been reported to law enforcement, 30 Heroin Opiate related. "One Voice" is an initiative to bring together law enforcement and the Safe Communities Coalition with leaders of the faith-based community to have "one voice" when addressing today's difficult challenges such as substance abuse, suicide, crime and the safety of our community. Our County Prosecutor Anthony P. Kearns III said, "Law enforcement and community prevention programs can only reach a limited number of people. With your help in addressing your own worshipping congregations, we can raise the level of awareness in our community." There are now 10 permanent Rx drop off boxes in Hunterdon County. These boxes have been installed so that residents can dispose of expired or unused medications, eliminating the availability of drugs and increasing the safety of their home and community. Safe Communities Coalition of Hunterdon/Somerset created an educational documentary called From Pills to Heroin, a 13-minute film that educates the community. The film is available by visiting www.safecoalition.org. Two of the many ways recommended by the "One voice" initiative to prevent drug overdose are: Faith: personal prayer, seek out faith leaders, support groups within places of worship. Coping Skills: classes such as Strengthening Families, Unifying Families, Stress Reduction, Life Skills, etc. - gain coping and communication skills to manage life's stressors. http:// www.hunterdonprevention.com.



#### IT'S TIME TO PASS THE TORCH

(actually the Christmas Luminaries)

We are seeking a family who would like to begin their own Christmas Eve tradition. What began as a service project when our boys were young, grew into family tradition lasting

into their college years. Our family has enjoyed preparing the luminaries and placing them out on the church driveway for the Christmas Eve Masses. The boys are grown and starting out on their own and we have decided to pass the torch to an interested family. You will find it's a fun and meaningful family tradition that you will all share in to help ready the Church for the celebration of Christmas. If you are interested in this experience with your family for Christmas 2016 or would like more information, please contact us now or the parish office. We are happy to lend you a hand if needed! Linda and Hunt Patterson @ 537-9488 or the parish office @ 832-2513.

### SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY

"I never come to this Church for Sunday Mass," boasted a wandering parishioner to his pastor. "Perhaps you have noticed that Father?" "Yes, I have noticed that," said the pastor. "Well, the reason I don't come is that there are so many hypocrites here." "Oh, don't let that keep you away," replied the pastor with a smile. "There's always room for one more."

**Coco-Cola and Evangelization:** 51% of the world has tasted a can of Coca-Cola. 72% of the world has seen a can of Coca-Cola. 97% of the world has heard of Coca-Cola. Coke has only been around 111 years (2015). If God had given the task of world evangelization to the Coke company it would probably be done by now.



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#### JOIN OUR BISHOP ON A DI-OCESAN PILGRIMAGE

Bishop Checchio is leading a diocesan pilgrimage to mark the closing of the Year of Mercy as well as the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the creation of the Diocese of Metuchen. He cordially invites us to join him on this holy journey to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. on Saturday, November 19. For information and reservations, please contact our parish coordinator, Mary D'Avella via email at mgang8@hotmail.com For additional information visit www.diometuchen.org

#### **WEEKLY COLLECTION**

For October 16, 2016

76 Donors Weekly	\$3,941.05	
6 Yellow Brick Road	\$195.00	
For October 18, 2015		
81 Donors Weekly	\$6,208.68	
2 Yellow Brick Road	\$175.00	



# Stewardship

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#### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES**

Office Angels

Wed., October 26 J. Santoro Wed., November 2 L. Caprio

#### **Store Cards**

#### October 22 & 23

5:30 p.m.. B. Cestone 8:00 a.m. G. Battel 10:30 a.m. G. Ambrosky

#### October 29 & 30

5:30 p.m.. J. Gardner 8:00 a.m. P. Nanna 10:30 a.m. S. Pojedinec

#### **Church Center Plant Watering**

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Church Center Cleaning

October 28 Team A November 4 Team B

Altar Flowers

October 22 M. Proano
October 29 M. D'Avella

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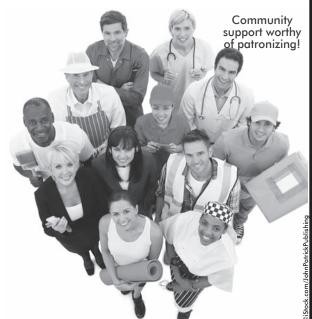
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