



The Catholic Community of St. John Neumann

A Christian Community of the Catholic Tradition

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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.**

Diocese of Metuchen

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Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen
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Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs.....9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Friday.....9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Worship at Church Center:

Saturday Vigil Mass..... 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

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

Weekday Masses at

Neumann Residence Chapel:
390 County Road 513

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

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This Week at Saint John's

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 7

7:00 a.m. No Intention

Wednesday, October 2

8:00 a.m. No Mass

Thursday, October 3

7:00 a.m. No Mass

Friday, October 4

8:00 a.m. Cari Quijano, req.

Lourdes and Zeus Quijano

Saturday, October 5

5:30 p.m. Thomas M. Brown, req.

Garry and Linda Caprio

Sunday, October 6

8:00 a.m. Fred Holub, req.

Gary and Linda Cario

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

Mass Schedule - October 12/13

Saturday

5:30 p.m.

Celebrant Fr. Rusk

Reader J. Murray

Altar Server Kucharski Family

Ministers of the Eucharist..... B. Martalus

..... B. Martalus, P. Fabiano

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

Celebrant Fr. Rusk

Reader Allan Piechowski

Altar Server Patterson Family

Ministers of the Eucharist..... B. Gates

..... J. Sima, D. Sima

Sunday

10:30 a.m.

Celebrant Fr. Rusk

Reader D. Torczon

Altar Server DeStefano Family

Music Eucharistic Minister M. D'Avella

Ministers of the Eucharist..... D. Torczon, A. Giametta

..... J. DeVito, S. Carew, P Rittman

Parish Calendar

Sunday, October 6 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in O.T. Yellow Brick Road Collection

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

8:45 a.m. Bell Choir Practice (Church Center)

10:30 a.m. Mass - Horton Baptism (Church Center)

10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Narthex)

Monday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

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

Tuesday, October 8 - Weekday

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

10:30 a.m. Chair Yoga (Narthex)

11:30 a.m. Small Group (Narthex)

2:30 p.m. Meditation with Z (Church Center Loft)

6:30 p.m. Meditation with Z (Church Center Loft)

7:00 p.m. Budget Meeting (Drexel Room)

7:00 p.m. Small Group (Neumann Residence Chapel)

Wednesday, October 9 - Satin Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

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

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

7:00 p.m. Social Ministry Meeting (Seton Room)

7:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting (Reception Area)

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

Thursday, October 10 - Weekday

7:00 a.m. NO MASS

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

7:00 p.m. Rosary-Luminous Mysteries (Church Center)

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

Friday, October 11 - Saint John XXIII, Pope

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

Saturday, October 12 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Women's Spirituality Coffee (Drexel Room)

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

Sunday, October 13 - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in O.T.

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

8:45 a.m. Bell Choir Practice (Church Center)

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

**There will be no weekday Mass on
Wednesday, October 9th and
Thursday, October 10th**



Remembered at Mass

We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered during the Holy Eucharist: **Ernest Eveland III, Henry Phillips and Suzanne Lafferty.**

Deceased: Ernest Eveland III, Uncle of Susie Donovan and Annie Donovan Anderson, **Henry Phillips**, grandfather of Kyle Phillips and **Suzanne Lafferty**, friend of Eileen McCabe. 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.

27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME: "God's Hotel"

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you . . .

"When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we are obliged to do.'" Luke 17: 5-10

God's Hotel is Dr. Victoria Sweet's memoir of her work as a physician at San Francisco's Laguna Honda Hospital, a medical facility that serves the poor and disabled in the spirit of the Hotel-Dieu ("God's Hotel") of the Middle Ages: "almshouses" that cared for the sick and dying.

Dr. Sweet writes of the time the hospital administration brought in a team of efficiency experts to audit of the hospital's medical and management practices. In their review of the facilities and staff, the consultants were horrified to find a head nurse "who knitted all day."

It was true. The head nurse of a ward for poor, elderly women had vowed to knit blankets and booties for each of her 36 charges. Hospital administrators found that almost every patient in the ward was wrapped in or had on her bed a colorful hand-knit blanket — and there at her post in the nursing station was the head nurse answering the phone, juggling charts, observing her charges, all while knitting one of the few blankets remaining to be done.

The blankets were more than a simple kindness or a project to keep busy, Dr. Sweet writes. "The blankets made me sit up and take notice. Made me pay attention. Marked out that head nurse as especially attentive, especially present, especially caring. It put me and everyone else on notice.

"It's not that the ladies for whom they were knitted appreciated them or even noticed them. Who did notice — everyone else. Visiting family noticed. Looking down the center aisle, they saw two rows of little white-haired ladies — their mothers, great-aunts, and sisters — each lady bundled up in a bright, many-colored, hand-knit blanket. They also saw that each had make-up on, and her hair done and her nails polished, by the nurses who knew that, down at the end of the ward, was the head nurse, knitting . . . Even the doctors noticed. The blankets put us all on notice that this was a head nurse who cared."

A nurse faithfully plants her "mustard seed" with knitting needles and yarn and effectively "uproots a mulberry tree" of indifference and negligence. Her "mustard seed" creates more than warm blankets: her "planting" calls attention to the dignity of these poor, sick women, making them more than just names and numbers on medical files. Mustard seed faith is the conviction that our small, unremarkable, all-but-invisible offerings of compassion and peace can accomplish great things on the scale of casting mulberry trees into the sea. The Gospel mustard seed — whether in the form of ingenuity, commitment, empathy, or a knitted blanket — challenges us to grab hold of the opportunities we have for planting and reaping a harvest of justice, compassion and reconciliation in our villages and communities.



TRICKY TRAY COMING OCTOBER 18TH

Tricky Tray Prizes—yours for the winning!

Blackstone 36 inch Outdoor Flat Top Grill/Griddle

Make smashburgers for a crowd like a short order cook with this tailgating and backyard staple! The best-selling gas grill on Amazon, this tabletop griddle from Blackstone features durable stainless steel and an easy-to-carry design. Cook everything a gas grill can cook and more – bacon, eggs, pancakes, cheesesteaks, seared fish and hibachi-style vegetables!

Other fabulous opportunities, 4 tix to Cirque du Soleil at MPAC, Golf Outing and Apple Air Pods.

**Get your half price tickets this weekend ONLY after Mass.
Half price is only applicable on basic level not grand prize.**



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PASTOR'S CORNER

Our parish picnic was blessed by great weather and also blessed by many people who gave so much effort to make it happen. Thank you to all who worked to run our annual duck race! This helps us to cover the cost of the picnic and is much appreciated. Thank you to all who volunteered to work and served during the day. The food was great and it looked like everyone had a great time!

God Bless,
Fr. Rick

27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

October 6, 2019

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." (2 Timothy 1:7)

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?



PRAYER ENRICHMENT SESSION



**Luminous Mysteries
Off The Rosary
October 10**

Join us this Thursday evening, October 10th, at 7pm in the Church Center where Fr. Rick will discuss the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary and how the Rosary can play a meaningful role in your prayer life.

October is the month of the Rosary. This Marian devotion has been recited since the Middle Ages and has played an important role in Church history. The Rosary has been updated periodically with the most recent being the addition of the Luminous Mysteries promoted by St John Paul II.

Come with your Rosary, or if you don't have one, a Rosary will be provided.

Christian Formation and Parish News

ATTENTION GIRL SCOUTS

Juniors, Cadettes, Senior and Ambassador Scouts are invited to gather November 2 from 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM at St. Bernard of Clairvaux in Bridge-water to learn more about their faith thru Girl Scout Religious Emblems. This year's theme, Our Lady of Guadalupe, ties us into our year long diocesan programming. Registration forms may be found at <https://diometuchen.org/offices-and-ministries/education/catholic-committee-on-scouting/girl-scout-ministry/> or by emailing domgirlscouts@gmail.com.



SCHEDULE FOR PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Whether you're a current or future catechist or even just considering helping out sometime in the future in one of the many programs in our parish that involve children, you should attend one of the following "Protecting God's Children" upcoming workshops:

Immaculate Conception
316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale
Thursday, October 10, 2019, 7:00 PM
Basement of Church

Protecting God's Children® for Adults is training conducted by VIRTUS® certified facilitators on the prevention of child sexual abuse. The Diocese of Metuchen requires every adult who is ministering to children and teens to attend one of these programs. A link to register for one of the above workshops, as well as a complete listing of other sessions in the diocese, can be found on diometuchen.org and click on the "Sign up now for Virtus Sessions" link on the bottom of the home page. Some sessions book quickly, so please register early. Check the link often as sessions are continuously added.



BAPTISM

Quarterly we hold Baptism Preparation for families who **BAPTISM** are looking to baptize their child. Anyone who is expecting a birth of a child or have a child to be baptized contact France Kennedy at fkennedy@ccsjn.org or (908-832-2513) to register for the preparation program and discuss arrangements.

Social Ministry

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Our Food Pantry needs the following items for our next food pickup:

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| Juice | School Snacks | Ketchup | Jelly |
| Applesauce | Mayonnaise | Baked Beans | Canned Chicken |
| Shampoo | Ladies Razors | | |

The pantry has regular visits throughout the year by several local families in need, as well, our holiday food drives.

Also, for those who like the monthly featured item. It's back. September is paper towels. October is laundry soap. Items can be left under the Social Ministry table in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



YOUTH GROUP / FAMILY LIFE PAINTING SERVICE

Oct 19 and Oct 20 - 4pm



Thank you to SJN Youth Group - Dan Uss, Zach Lowary, Kyle Erz, Alex Kuhn and Jordan Erz worked on their day off from school last Monday, scraping the fence around the church Air Conditioning equipment.

The hard part is done! Now we have to finish the job and just paint the fence. Putting out a call to anyone in Youth Ministry or Family Life to work on the project. We have picked Oct 19 and Oct 20 as two options at 4pm. Please contact fkennedy@ccsjn.org if you can help. If you have other times available please let us know. RSVP as these dates could change if we see problems with weather.

Parish News

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary by renewing your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 4:00 PM. Registration is required. Please register online at: diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold. If you are unable to access, please contact the office 908-832-2513 or fkennedy@ccsjn.org. Registration will close on October 11, 2019. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online or calling 732-562-1543.

CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP 2020

Believe it or not, it is already time to register for CHWC 2020! Next summer we will be going to Saranac Lake, NY from June 21-26. If you are interested in attending, please contact Mary Connolly as soon as possible at mandmconnolly@gmail.com.



Grief has no timeline

2019 FALL BEREAVEMENT **GROUP TO MEET AT ST. JOHN'S,** **TUESDAY EVENINGS FROM** **OCTOBER 22 THROUGH DECEMBER 3**

Personal loss can be a challenging time. How we manage is unique to each of us. There will be a series of six (6) non-denominational, interrelated and supportive bereavement seminars at St. John Neumann, Califon, NJ, beginning October 22. John Cole, a professional in the transitioning process, will facilitate the sessions. This short-term program has been considered very helpful by past participants who have experienced personal loss. The conversations extend from understanding loss and normal reactions to steps, guided by faith, towards acceptance and the recreation of hopeful lives. While a primary focus is the death of a significant other, those who have experienced severe loss because of divorce, separation, or other substantial life altering events are welcomed. All sessions start at 7 p.m. The dates of the seminars will be October 22, 29, November 5, 19, 25, and December 3.

Please note that each session builds on the prior one. Attendance at all six sessions would be best to derive optimal benefit. At this time, all sessions will be in the upper floor of the parish office building, unless participant mobility issues arise.

Registration can be made, in confidence, with France Kennedy at the parish office by calling her at 908-832-2513 on or before October 18. If anyone has any questions about the seminars or participation, please call John Cole directly at 908-399-4234. This series is open to individuals from all faiths and religious communities. If you are aware of anyone who may benefit from attendance, no matter their affiliation, please suggest that he or she call France Kennedy or John.



Come Journey Together this
Fall *Longing for the Holy*
Join a Small Group

GROUPS STARTED THIS WEEK **AND PARTICIPANTS HAPPY** **AND EXCITED WITH THE BOOK!**

Groups on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Text or email France if you want to sit in on a session to see what it's like!

SECOND ANNUAL PATRIOTIC CONCERT



Wanted!! World War II Veterans and Gold Star Families invited to be our honored guests to attend the Second Annual Patriotic Concert supporting our veterans. Guests will receive two complimentary tickets. The musical extravaganza is on Saturday, November 16, 2:00 pm, in the North Hunterdon High School Theater, 1445 Route 31 South, Annandale. The concert will feature performances by professional and local talent including Hanover Wind Symphony, Hunterdon Harmonizers, North Hunterdon High School Choral Group, and renowned Broadway stars. Tickets for the event are \$40 each and may be obtained by mail at P.O. Box 265, Lebanon, NJ 08833 or by calling 908-878-9431 or via email at veteranconcert@gmail.com.

Prayer Ministry



"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE"

In my forty years of seeking the Lord in daily prayer, I have never heard an audible voice. Most of us probably would say the same. Yet Jesus promised, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me" (John 10:27). How is this possible? Because we can hear his voice in the silence of our hearts and minds in prayer. What does that voice sound like? Sometimes it's a comforting voice. Other times, it's a convicting voice pointing out where we have strayed from the Lord. Most often, it's an encouraging voice. And it is never a condemning voice. We also hear the voice of the Lord as we read the Scriptures. The Bible is filled with personal letters that God has addressed to us. It reveals to us God's deepest thoughts, and it tells us what brings him joy and what brings him sorrow. It also gives us his wisdom on how we should live and on what it means to love one another as he has loved us.

If you enjoyed this reflection pick up a copy of the Word among us from the Narthex.

WHAT IS SPIRITUALITY?



Feeling game? Share what spirituality is to you. Stop by in the narthex and write your thoughts on

what spirituality is.

Question brought to you by Small Groups.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Clara Alvarez
 Gary Anderson
 Andrew Arias
 Miguel Astacio
 Diane Bosack
 John D'Almeida
 Aiden Day
 Barbara DelPiano
 Sophia DeVita
 Anthony DeVito
 David Fabiano
 Dawn Farley
 Cindy Feighan
 Emma Finnegan
 Steven Geist
 Joseph Gruszczynski
 Tulio Hargain
 Thomas Haines
 Stephanie Illetscho
 Arthur Lanteri
 Bonnie Lieberwirth
 Declan Maloney
 Jan McLeavey
 Christine Meyer
 Jon Morris
 Joan & Megan Myers
 Nancy Patterson
 Nilsa Perez Parsons
 Thomas Pearson
 John Pfeufer
 Ali Redling
 Earl & Denise Roberts
 Brian Roche
 Joe Romanger
 Noah Skinner
 Michael Slivka
 Dick Slusher
 Anthony Sorgi, Sr.
 Patty Galati Stafford
 Margaret Thornsbury
 Nicholas Troiano
 Don Velli
 Tom Wiles
 Caden & Jill Zane
 Jim Zgoda
 Joey Zieba

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Please remember in your prayers:

Captain Baumann, Katherine, U.S. Army
 Spec. Bitters, Christian, U.S. Army
 Cavallo, Chris, USMC
 2LT, Michael Tyler D'Avella, U.S. Air Force
 SSO, Andrew Fabiano, U.S. Navy Reserve
 2LT, Molly Ferguson, U.S. Air Force
 2LT, Geerinck, Josh, U.S. Air Force
 Spec. Jablonski, Jon Tyler, U.S. Army
 Private, Linzer, Matthew, U.S. Army
 Seaman, Linzer, Stephanie, U.S. Navy
 SR O'Leary, Thomas, U.S. Navy
 Lieutenant Simila, Nicole, U.S. Navy
 Airman, Vardian, Justin, U.S. Air Force
 Ensign, Webster, Justine, U.S. Navy

THE BEST RETIREMENT GIFT EVER . . .

FBI agent Troy Sowers recently retired after 22 years of service. He expected nothing more than “doughnuts and coffee” at his retirement party. But his colleagues arranged something much bigger.

When Sowers was a rookie agent working in Seattle, he and police were called when a baby was kidnapped from a Washington hospital by a woman impersonating a nurse. The kidnapper was soon apprehended, and Sowers managed to convince her to lead him to the baby. She had left the infant in a box next to a restaurant dumpster. Sowers rushed to the restaurant hoping the baby was still alive when they found him. “We knew [the baby] had been out there for several hours. When I picked him up, he was not crying, but just nuzzled right into my neck and I knew he was fine.” The medical crew arrived shortly and took the baby away.

A senior agent told rookie Sowers, “Troy, I’ve got to tell you, something like that — you’ll never do anything better than that.”

The case stuck with Sowers and, over the years, he wondered what had happened to the child he rescued.

At his retirement, he found out. His fellow agents tracked down the “baby” — now 22 years old — and invited him to the retirement party. And so, FBI Agent Troy Sowers was reunited with Stewart Rembert, now a corporal in the United States Marine Corps.

“My parents wanted me to give you a hug,” Rembert told the stunned FBI agent. “Thank you for giving me an opportunity to have a life.

“It’s crazy to think that without his efforts, I wouldn’t even be here today. I wouldn’t be a Marine. My family wouldn’t be the same . . . I’m just super excited and honored to meet this man today,” Corporal Rembert said.

Agent Sowers said the reunion was “probably one of the best surprises I’ve ever had.”

“I’m glad [to see] what you’ve done with your life,” he told Rembert. “Pass it on.”

Mustard-seed faith enables us to do many more important things than uprooting mulberry trees. Such faith is the unshakable conviction that every ordinary act of selfless kindness can re-create and transform; that the smallest act of forgiveness can lift up and heal; that the simplest act of compassion, done in faith and trust in God’s providence, can transform our world in the justice and peace of God. Agent Sowers’ dedication, compassion and empathy resulted in the blossoming of a great “mulberry” in the life of the child he fought to save. Christ calls us to embrace such “mustard seed” faith: to believe that whatever generosity and kindness we are capable of, done in the spirit of Gospel reconciliation, justice and peace, will one day yield the harvest that is the reign of God.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH - FLEMINGTON LIFE CHAIN

“Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.” (Source - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Action Guide Introduction).

To commemorate Respect Life Sunday, a number of “Life Chain” events are being held throughout the Diocese. The Diocese website states “Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for 90 minutes praying for our nation and for an end to abortion” (<https://diometuchen.org/offices-and-ministries/family-and-pastoral-life/human-life-and-dignity/events/>).

The nearest one is at the Flemington Circle, between Rt. 31 and Main Street from 2:00 and 3:30 PM on Sunday, October 6th. Pro-life signs will be provided for participants to hold. If there are questions, the main contact is Jim Vargas, at 908-391-1566, or email Tom Klawunn at thomasklawunn@gmail.com.

Social Ministry will again be selling raffle tickets to support New Jersey Right to Life (NJRTL) on the weekend of October 27th and 28th, the last weekend of Respect Life Month. “New Jersey Right to Life Committee, Inc. (NJRTL) is the state’s largest and most active pro-life, non-partisan organization dedicated to protecting and fostering the most basic value of our society – human life.”

PICNIC

The weather couldn't have been any better. A good time was had by all. Thank you to all who made the picnic a success. Jim Murray for getting the entertainment, the DJ who was fabulous and was enjoyed by everyone and the Inflatable, balloon toss and the Exotic Animals. Thank you to Pete Cangelosi for the set up and grilling all the hamburgers and hot dogs. Thank you Mary Cangelosi for the organization of the kitchen and working in it all day along with Helen Quigley and Phyllis Baker. Thanks to Fred Heimall and the tent crew for getting the tent up. And to Wayne for setting up the grills and getting the grounds ready. To France for all her efforts with the sign ups and the teenagers who did the face painting and games for the younger children. **Thank you to all who helped throughout the day and helped with the setup and cleanup and taking down the tent and putting all the tables and chairs away.** And that brings us to the Duck Race, thank you Tom Klawunn for all your work to make it happen.

DUCK RACE

Rose Foley was the big winner of the Duck Race, having the first lucky ducky to reach the finish line. The Duck Trophy will be inscribed with her name; she gets to keep the trophy for the next year.

The top 10 finishers are:

Place	Duck No.	Winners	Place	Duck No.	Winners
1	106	Rose Foley	6	658	Hanna Erz
2	48 (Blue)	Not Sold	7	347	Fred Heimall
3	3 (Blue)	Alligood Family	8	669	Steve Gemma
4	144	Infusino Family	9	123	Frank Nanna
5	319	Not Sold	10	78 (Blue)	Pam Stewart

The top finishers are listed in the Narthex. Our lucky winners should remember to pick up own duck hat in the Narthex. Rose Foley also receives her own large "rubber" duck to remember the win.

The Duck Race couldn't have happened without everyone who bought ducks to support the picnic, and all who volunteered.

Thank You Wayne Infusino for clearing the main trails, Paul Fabiano, Jim Murray, Steve Bauernfeind, Tony Sorgi and Jane Klawunn for helping with the selling of the ducks. Jane Klawunn for helping sell ducks.

Thank You Chip Mullen, Alan Janks, Kyle Erz, Bob Sobey, Ron Schineller and Fred Mattrey for setting up and taking down the net at the finish line, determining the winners and for retrieving the ducks. Thank You to Chip Mullen and Liz Mattrey for releasing the ducks, and wading behind them and collecting the stragglers. Thanks also to Kyle Kelemen, Jordan Erz, Susan Kuhn and Alex Kuhn to all their helping as needed, collecting ducks and especially for watching out for the safety of children in the river. Thanks Susanne Erz for recording the numbers of the winning ducks.

Thank You to Amelia Kuhn, Hanna Erz, Alex Denis, Emily Denis, Ezequiel Proano, Mateo Vasquez, Bernie Senger, Ryan Senger, Alex Senger, Caleb Kelemen, Sophia Kelemen, Piper Kelemen, Claire Mattrey and Lillian Mattrey for safely retrieving ducks from the water. Also Jane Klawunn for listing the top finishers. Thank you Fr. Rick and the parish staff for promoting the picnic and duck race.

There were also several firsts that should be noted. Liz Mattrey became the first female to wade down the river after releasing the ducks, and *France Kennedy's mother Fran* became the first 92-year old to walk to the river to watch the duck race. See you there next year! Special Thanks to anyone else that should have been mentioned!



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



- Noah said to his wife: "Do me a favor, and stop saying, 'Into each life a little rain must fall.'"
- It's against the law to catch fish in some waters and a miracle in others.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

September 29, 2019

49 Donors Weekly \$1,783.00
2 Yellow Brick Road \$95.00

September 30, 2018

72 Donors Weekly \$3,259.73
2 Yellow Brick Road \$60.00
1 Peter's Pence \$5.00



STORE CARDS

Thanks to the **11** families who purchased **\$2,000.00** in store cards in the last two weeks, the stores gave us a profit of **\$114.50**.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., October 9 C. Behrens
Wed., October 16 G. Battell

Store Cards

October 5 & 6

5:30 p.m. E. McCabe
8:00 a.m. L. Stanski
10:30 a.m. R. DeStefano

October 12 & 13

5:30 p.m. L. Livoti
8:00 a.m. V. Hoffart
10:30 a.m. D. Hunt

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of Oct. 6 L. Livoti
Week of Oct. 13 M. Cangelosi

Church Center Cleaning

October 10 Team E
October 17 Team F

Counting

October 7 Malone/McCabe
October 14 Kucharski/Cangelosi

Altar Flowers

October 12 M. Connolly
October 19 L. Mullen

HOW TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

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