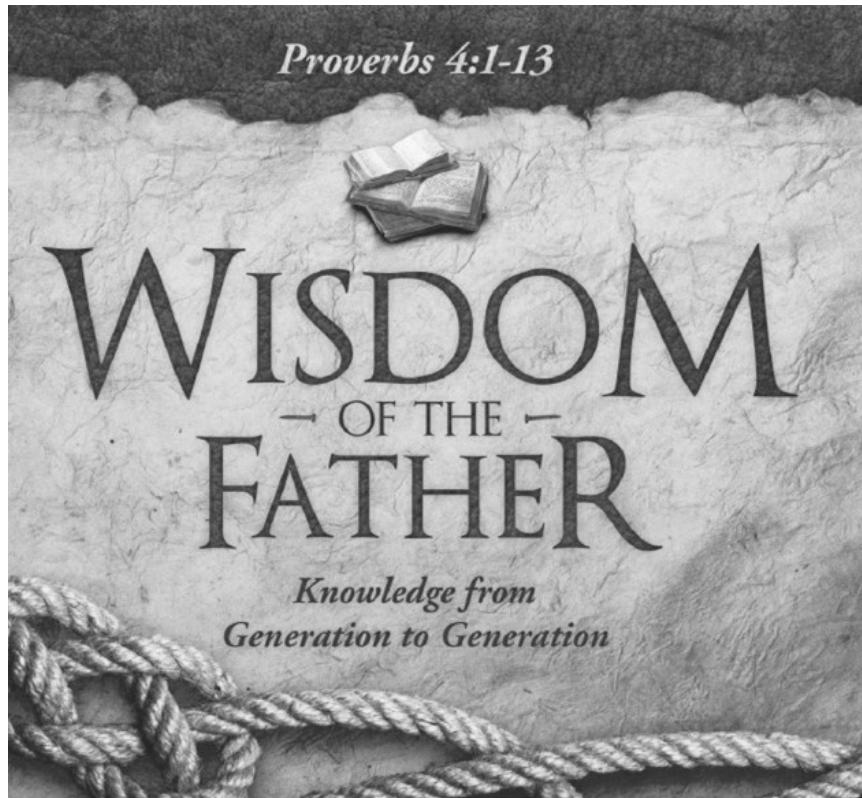


# The Catholic Community of St. John Neumann

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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**

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Earl Roberts.....	Deacon
Mary Cangelosi.....	Trustee
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## **Worshipping at:**

398 County Road 513  
(Church Center)

Saturday Vigil Mass .....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday.....8:00 a.m.  
Sunday.....10:30 a.m.  
First Friday Holy Hour .....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, June 20

8:00 a.m. Michele Conklin, req.  
Susan & Mike Griffin

### Friday, June 23

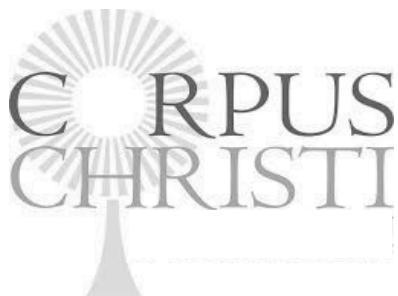
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### Saturday, June 24

5:30 p.m. Joseph Sacco, Jr., req.  
Anne and Joe Sacco

### Sunday, June 25

8:00 a.m. Mary & Gordon Furlong,  
req. Sharon & Alan Janks  
10:30 a.m. Lucy Pojedinec, req.  
Mary and Pete Cangelosi



## Parish Calendar

### Sunday, June 18 - Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ / Father's Day / Catholic Communications

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)  
10:30 a.m. Youth Mass - Scholarship Awards (Church Center)  
11:30 a.m. Youth Group (Church Center)

### Monday, June 19 - Saint Romuald, Abbot

7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting (Upper Room)

### Tuesday, June 20 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)  
6:00 p.m. Property Management Mtg (Neumann Residence)

### Wednesday, June 21 - Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

10:30 a.m. Yoga (Church Center Loft)  
5:30 p.m. Yoga (Church Center Loft)  
7:15 p.m. Bible Study (Drexel Room)  
7:30 p.m. Book Club (Seton Room)

### Thursday, June 22 - Saint Paulina of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

10:00 a.m. S.H.I.P. (Church & Office Kitchens)  
7:30 p.m. Music/Bells (Church Center)

### Friday, June 23 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)  
12:00 p.m. Office Closed  
4:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)  
5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Church Center)  
7:15 p.m. Baptism Prep Program (Church Center)

## Mass Schedule - June 24/25

### Saturday

**5:30 p.m.**

Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader .....	Linda Caprio
Altar Server .....	Kucharski Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Joann Gardner
.....	Debby Kelemen, Phyllis Baker

### Sunday

**8:00 a.m.**

Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader .....	Jim Murray
Altar Server .....	Mastro Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Barbara Martalus
.....	Bob Martalus, Barbara Gates

### Sunday

**10:30 a.m.**

Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader .....	Mary Sorgi
Altar Server .....	Brisson Family
Music Eucharistic Minister.....	Ron Pojedinec
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Shirley Pojedinec, Doris Royal
.....	Peter Royal, Mark Brisson, Jim DeVito

**DO NOT LEAVE ANY MORE WOOD ON THE BONFIRE PILE.  
IT IS GOING TO BE RELOCATED.**

### Saturday, June 24 - The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

7:00 a.m. Men's Spirituality Breakfast (Office Center)  
3:00 p.m. Wedding - Horton/King (Church Center)  
5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)

### Sunday, June 25 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)  
10:30 a.m. Mass - Welcome (Church Center)  
7:00 p.m. Catholic Heart Work Camp Mtg (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 Eucharist: **John Morrison**.

**Deceased:** **John Morrison** uncle of Ray Klacik. 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,

This weekend we have many celebrations. First of all it is the solemn feast of the Body and Blood of Christ – formerly known as ‘Corpus Christi’ – the greatest gift Jesus has bequeathed to us. When Church teaches us that the Eucharist is “the source and summit of the Christian life” (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 11; cf. *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1324), it means at least two things. First, that Christian spirituality flows from the Eucharist as its source, the way light streams forth from the sun. And second, that Christian spirituality is supremely realized in and ordered to the Eucharist as its summit or highpoint – that to which all of our actions should ultimately be directed. Thus our Sunday worship is of supreme importance for our life. Many parishes have revived the custom of Corpus Christi processions this day carrying the Blessed Sacrament through the streets, singing hymns of adoration and praise. Let us continue our practice of being enriched by the Eucharist each Sunday and then living its message in the world of our daily life.

Second, we celebrate Father’s Day. Happy Feast to all Fathers! Having a good father is a gift of God’s grace. A good father is not afraid to show love, is patient, forgiving, funny and believes in his children. A good father leads by example and is present to help rear his offspring. In Scripture and in church, God is often called Father. Why? Is it so we can bring God down to our level of understanding, or is it to encourage our earthly fathers to live up to a higher standard? If it is the latter, men have some really big shoes to fill! Of course the Catechism teaches that God is neither male nor female (CCC no.239), and God’s grace and mercy go way beyond the goodness that any of our fathers can exhibit. Yet, let us be aware of and practice our need to thank God daily for our fathers, uncles, brothers, sons, and men friends.

Third, today we honor our graduates. Our parish is blessed with graduates of different ages and degrees. The older graduates teach us one important truth: we need to keep on learning, because our whole life’s an education. The younger ones will do well to keep in mind that their education has only just begun. All of us are in fact life-long students! Hence let us all be open and humble to accept more lessons from life. We congratulate all graduates and we want to celebrate their achievement and join their joy as we wish them God’s blessings. In addition, it is only fitting that the St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council #10627 (some of our parishioners belong to this great worldwide organization of charity and witness to gospel life) is presenting the Joseph Labuta scholarship to three of our parish youth.

Yes, we have plenty of reasons to celebrate today and so let us experience more of the joy of our parish life with Jesus who is the source of our joy.

Your brother in Christ,

### **“I NEVER HUGGED MY DAD!”**

In his book *My Father, My Son*, Dr. Lee Salk describes a moving interview with Mark Chapman, the convicted murderer of Beatle John Lennon. At one point in the interview, Chapman says: “I don’t think I ever hugged my father [David Curtis Chapman, who was a staff sergeant in the U. S. Air Force]. He never told me he loved me...I needed emotional love and support. I never got that.” Chapman’s description of how he would treat a son if he had one is especially tragic, because he will probably never get out of prison and have a family of his own. He says: “I would hug my son and kiss him...and just let him know...he could trust me and come to me...and (I would) tell him that I loved him.” Dr. Salk ends his book with this advice to fathers and sons (which applies equally well to mothers and daughters): “Don’t be afraid of your emotions, of telling your father or your son that you love him and that you care. Don’t be afraid to hug and kiss him. Don’t wait until the death bed to realize what you’ve missed.”

### **START YOUR DAY OFF RIGHT WITH A MORNING MEDITATION**

Try a good way to start your day - meditation in your email.  
<http://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer>

## **MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

*June 18, 2017*

“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:17**

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God’s kingdom here on earth. Two, it is a road map to Heaven. Let’s help each other get there!



### **BAPTISM**

Quarterly we hold Baptism Preparation for families who are looking to baptizing their child. Anyone who is expecting a birth of a child or have a child to be baptized should call France Kennedy at the office (908-832-2513) to register for the preparation program and discuss arrangements.

### **CONGRATULATIONS GATTONE FAMILY**



The parish family celebrated the baptism of Hunter James Gattone last Sunday at the 10:30 Mass. Brendan and Janet joined the parish at last year and we happily join them in the celebration of our faith.

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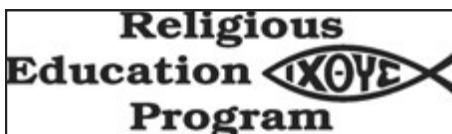
Social Ministry ..... socialministry@ccsjn.org

..... Greg Wilson

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Youth Ministry.....sjnygroup@gmail.com

# Christian Formation



Thank you!

Thank you to all our Catechists and Assistant Catechists for sharing your faith with the children of our parish! Have a safe and restful summer!

## SUMMER STUDENT MASS ALL GRADES!



Save the Date  
Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM

As an extension of our popular Class Masses, we are inviting all students to join us for a Summer Student Mass on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 Mass. Students should arrive by 10:15. Contact Religious Ed with any questions.



## 2017-2018 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

We are excited to offer the following Religious Education programs for the 2017-2018 school year:

- GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Family Faith Formation (Grades K-6) which meets once a month on your choice of Sunday mornings (8-10:15 a.m.) or Monday evenings (6-8 p.m.)
- Junior High/Confirmation Prep (Grades 7 & 8) which meets twice monthly on Sundays (6-8 p.m.)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation/1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Prep which meets on ten Saturday afternoons throughout the year (registration for this sacramental preparation program is *in addition to* attending the GIFT Program)

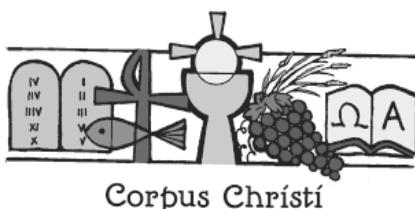
All forms can be found on the parish website: ccsjn.org under the Faith Formation/Forms tabs. Any questions regarding faith formation, please contact the Religious Education office at 832-2162.



## CPI DAY OF DISCERNMENT

Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents enjoyed a Day of Discernment retreat on Saturday. The theme was Faith, Hope and Charity –How will I know and share these virtues as I prepare for Confirmation. The retreat was followed by Mass, where the parents presented each child with a wooden cross. These crosses will serve as a reminder that God is with them on this journey to Confirmation. Thank you parents and students for your participation.

# Social Ministry



## Parish News

### MARRIAGE TUNE-UP

(Father's Day) Think of how your life honors your father. Also acknowledge the fathers who come by their role indirectly (foster and adoptive fathers, fathers-in-law, stepfathers, and those who have been like a father to you.) Honor an honorary father this week.

### PARENTING TUNE-UP

"The grass is always greener over the septic tank." (Erma Bombeck) Sometimes what looks like a parenting disaster can turn into a long remembered life lesson for your child. Share with your child a mistake you made in childhood that you learned from. (Susan Vogt)



## JULY 4TH FOOD CARDS

If you check out the Social Ministry Station in the Narthex you'll find envelopes for your donations. Our mission this year is to provide 19 individuals (veterans or elderly) with \$25/\$50 food cards and 9 families with \$100 food cards. Please assist us in making this holiday special for some of our most needy. Thanks and God Bless !

## SUMMER EVENING GARDENING

It sounds nice, being in the garden in the summer with the evening breeze, but alas this is just a euphemism for work – weeding to be precise. However, we do think we can make the task more palatable. The goal is to gather a few parishioners who would like to come together to help maintain the flower gardens around the church and perhaps help the time pass with a bottle while enjoying conversation. If you are interested please email [fkennedy@ccsjn.org](mailtofkennedy@ccsjn.org) with some evenings in June you might be available.

## GRADUATES MASS - SUNDAY 10:30AM JUNE 18



You are invited to celebrate with the parish at our Graduate Mass on Sunday, June 18, at 10:30 a.m. Our community will be celebrating and praying for all our graduates, of all ages and degrees. We hope you can join us!

# Parish News

## FATHER'S DAY INTENTIONS

### Living:

Peter Baumann  
Richard Baumann  
John Cookson  
Vince Corica  
Percy Davids  
Todd Degerdon  
Armand DeLaBruere  
Bernie DiCristofaro  
Lou Eacoville  
Joe Evans  
Al Fedeli  
William Gates  
Paul Geerink  
Jay Heyman  
Attila Janaszik  
Alan Janks  
Randy Johnson  
Thomas Klawunn  
Hugh McKenna  
Louis Nacamuli  
Frank Nanna  
Carmen J. Ruscetta  
Virgil Slagle  
William Upwood

### Deceased:

Walter "Buddy" Ader  
Querino Angeline  
William Armstrong  
James Arriza, Jr.  
Robert Bauernfeint  
Frederick Baumann  
Thomas Bennett  
Joseph Berg  
Thomas Blasky  
James J. Boland  
James Brisson  
Dr. Francois J. Budz  
Ralph Cangelosi  
John A. Cole  
Aniello H. Crescenti  
Jorge Dawson  
Sal J. DeStefano

Nick DeVincenzo  
Kenneth B. Dickinson  
Frank Donofrio  
Walter Dowhan  
Henry E. Drucker  
Henry G. Drucker  
James Durham, Sr.  
Louis Eacoville  
Peter Fazekas  
Frank Felitti  
John Fliegal  
Ray Fotta  
Frank M. Fraine  
John A. Gamo  
Ellis Gates  
Vito Giametta  
Jerry Goski  
Thomas Healy  
Frederick J. Hebling  
Fred Holub  
Albin Janks  
Benny Jardenerz  
Luis Juarbe  
Joseph Kalafut, Sr.  
John Kelemen  
Bruce Kennedy  
Alan Kenngot  
James King, Sr.  
George Klawunn  
Joe Krufka  
Henry Laban  
William Lambert  
Louis Livoti  
William Lowick  
Angel E. Luna, Sr.  
Philip J. Malone  
Marvin Marple  
Andrew Martalus  
John McCabe  
John G. McCormack  
Eugene McKenna  
Frank Mehle  
John Mikrut  
Kazimierz Mikrut  
Frank Milko

George R. Merriam, Jr.  
George R. Merriam, III  
Mike A. Mocarski  
John P. Mulhern  
Thomas Nowatkowski  
Floyd Opdyke  
Arthur Owens, Sr.  
Ralph Pelligrino  
Antonio Tony Perez  
Ken Petre  
Joseph Pojedinec, Sr.  
Silvio Prandato  
Phillip J. Prosdocimi  
Joseph Quigley  
Alejandro Remon  
Len Remus  
Joseph Repko  
Juan A. Rivera  
Junior Rivera  
Regino Rivera  
Raymond Royal  
Rache Schneiderwind  
John W. Shump  
Michael Sima  
George Simmons  
Henry Smeenk  
Joseph Solis  
Joe Stasick  
Bartolo Testa  
Frank Torczon  
Richard Torczon  
Sam Vitale  
Gerard Warren  
Fred A. Wickel, Jr.  
Fred A. Wickel, Sr.  
Stanley Wiepynski  
John Zelinka  
John Zigmantakis, Sr.

### Members of:

Bambalan Family  
Cucchiara Family  
Dios Family  
Perez Family

### TRIBUTE TO A BIG HEARTED DAD

You have a big heart And you're quick to forgive  
Always thinking of others And always willing to give  
How lucky I am to Have a dad like you  
Someone who takes an interest in all that I do  
You're always there To lend an ear  
Really Dad You're such a dear



### YOGA IS BACK

June 14, 10:30am & 5:30 pm

Gentle Yoga will be offered through the summer. We will offer a morning and an afternoon session Wednesdays as long as attendance at each is good. If you have any questions, please email Ana Giametta at [ana.giametta@gmail.com](mailto:ana.giametta@gmail.com).

### REAL PRESENCE IS TRANSUBSTANTIATION

The doctrine of Transubstantiation means that the *substance* of the bread and wine offered during Mass is changed by Consecration to the *substance* of the risen Jesus' glorified Body and Blood by the action of the Holy Spirit, and its *accidents* (like color, shape, taste etc.), remain the same.



### HELP IS AVAILABLE

"In my goings about collecting items for the grand auction I came across an Indian vendor, Denesh Patel of Hindu faith, a pharmacist, who runs Greyrock Pharmacy in the strip mall at the bottom of Cregar Road where it intersects with Route 31 North. I have a business card from him. After explaining about our parish and ministries, he gave many gifts for our auction, antique picture frames, shelves for the kitchen, and other household items he had reserved in a storage facility nearby. He told me that anyone in the parish who has little or no health insurance should be directed to him at the pharmacy to see if he could help out!!" (Steve Bauernfeind)

# Parish News

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Joan Cardierre  
Eugene Cifranic  
Marie Colabella  
Jean Crickenberger  
John D'Almeida  
Barbara DelPiano  
Tino DeSantis  
Sophia DeVita  
Brent Evans  
Paul Ferri  
Helen Gallagher  
Sophie Geist  
Liz Harmon  
Jay Heyman  
Fred Holub  
Carol Lacy  
Destiny Lightfoot  
Lou Livoti  
Dick McCall  
Maggie McKeon  
Jan McLeavey  
Christine Meyer  
Fran Miceli  
Danny Mulvey  
Joan Myers  
Mary Lou O'Brien  
Nilda Perez Parsons  
John Pfeuffer  
Ali Redling  
Anne & Joe Sacco  
Diane Siti  
Noah Skinner  
Michael Slivka  
Pam Stewart  
Nicholas Troiano  
Don Velli  
William Weimer  
Josh Wilkes  
Jessica Williams  
Caden and 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  
Cavallo, Chris, USMC  
C2C, Geerinck, Joshua, U.S. Air Force  
Seaman, Devin Jenkinson, U.S. Air Force  
Spec. Jon Tyler Jablonski, U.S. Army  
Private, Linzer, Matthew, U.S. Army  
Seaman, Linzer, Stephanie, U.S. Navy  
SR O'Leary, Thomas, U.S. Navy  
Lieutenant JG Simila, Nicole, U.S. Navy  
Airman, Justin Vardian, U.S. Air Force

## SUNDAY REFLECTION: The Body and Blood of Christ

### *A table full of memories*

*"I am the living bread that came down from heaven . . . the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6: 51) "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." (Matthew 10: 8)*

A couple was downsizing from their five-bedroom house to a condominium. Their beautiful old mahogany table was too big for the condo's eating space. She understood, but hated the thought of giving up the table. He assumed the responsibility for selling it. One evening he announced that he had found a buyer: a "very young and sweet" mom who was moving into her first home. His wife disliked her immediately - especially when her husband said he had lowered the price so the family could afford it. She wanted someone older to have her table, someone who would appreciate it. "She probably doesn't know the difference between mahogany and plywood," she groused to her husband. "She's just an airhead looking for a table. Probably her check will bounce." The young mother called to set up a time when she and her husband could pick up the table.

A few days later the woman returned home from the grocery store to find the couple waiting for her with their pick-up truck. The woman was not happy. The young woman was friendly and gracious as she introduced her husband, young daughter and brother-in-law. They insisted on helping her with her groceries. They were nice, she thought, yet she was finding it hard to be civil. While her husband and his brother carefully prepared to move the table without scratching it, the woman proceeded to tell the table's new owner how valuable the table was and how fortunate she was to get it. The young mom heard her out, then quietly told her how long they had been saving for a dining-room table. Not just any table, but something durable and beautiful that would be a gathering place for family and friends to create happy memories and that their daughter could later take to establish her own home. She said she had always dreamed of owning a table like this, and she would cherish it as the couple had.

As she talked, the woman realized that the younger woman could see right through her. She knew she was hurting, giving up something that had been a part of her life for many years. She was being kind and sensitive, overlooking her haughtiness and snobbery. The older woman's attitude softened. Her hostility evaporated. Yes, the time had come for the table to move on to a new family's energy and activity. It was time for the table to be the source of new memories. She watched as the husband and brother-in-law gently placed the table into the truck bed. They exchanged goodbyes and best wishes. Then the older woman walked through her now empty dining room and into the kitchen to start dinner - and a new chapter in her and her husband's life.

**Today we celebrate our parish's table of memories: the place where we come together at our most joyful celebrations and our most devastating moments to remember the love of God's Christ as he asked us to remember him: as "living bread," blessed, broken and shared. At this table, we become the community envisioned by Jesus: a community of giving, a community of consolation, a community of peace. This table is our connection not only to one another but to all who came before us and all who will come after us to this same table to break bread in the eternal memory of Jesus. On this Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord, may our prayer be that our family tables - no matter how large or small, how simple or elegant - may be extensions of God's banquet table in the kingdom of heaven.**

## DADS, HERE'S A WAY TO SAY NO TO YOUR KIDS!

Dear Dad, \$chool i\$ great. I'm making lot\$ of friend\$ and \$tudying hard. I \$imply can't think of anything I need, \$o ju\$t \$end me a card, a\$ I would love to hear from you. Love, Your \$on

Dear Son, I kNOW astroNOmy, ecoNomics and oceaNOgraphy are eNOugh to keep even an hoNOr student busy. Do NOT forget that the pursuit of kNOwledge is a NOble task, and you can never study eNOugh. Love, Dad

# Diocesan and Community News

## PADRE PIO'S PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Stay with me, Lord, for it is necessary to have You present so that I do not forget You. You know how easily I abandon You.  
Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often.  
Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life, and without You, I am without fervor.  
Stay with me, Lord, for You are my light, and without You, I am in darkness.  
Stay with me, Lord, to show me Your will.  
Stay with me, Lord, so that I hear Your voice and follow You.  
Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to love You very much, and always be in Your company.  
Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be faithful to You.  
Stay with me, Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I want it to be a place of consolation for You, a nest of love.  
Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late, the day is coming to a close, and life passes; death, judgment, eternity approach. It is necessary to renew my strength.

## DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you have ever considered becoming Catholic or know someone who may be interested, there is a process to help you discern whether it is what you want to do. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation. Every year teams in parishes meet with unbaptized persons and those baptized into other faiths to discuss and learn about the Catholic faith. The first stage is called Inquiry and simply put, is a time for you to ask any and all questions about God and the church. This is the period to help you find out if you are interested in becoming Catholic. So please don't think you have to know this is what you want to do. The Inquiry phase helps in that discernment. Please contact France Kennedy if you would like to find out more. Phone or text: 908-307-7879 or email [fkennedy@ccsjn.org](mailto:fkennedy@ccsjn.org).

### SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY

**Manny:** How do you like the drum set you got for your birthday?

**Theo:** I love it!

**Manny:** Why?

**Theo:** Whenever I don't play it, my dad gives me 10 bucks!

While having their evening dinner together, a little girl looked up at her father and asked, "Daddy, you're the boss in our family, right?"

Her father, very pleased to hear it, confidently replied, "Yes my little princess."

The girl then continued, "That's because mommy put you in charge, right?"

**Dad:** Son, if you keep pulling my hair, you will have to get off my shoulders.

**Son:** But, Dad, I'm just trying to get my gum back!

A Father's Day card read: "Being a father can be expensive, time-consuming, frustrating, confusing and emotionally draining. Actually, it's a lot like golf!"

## 2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL - Ambassadors for Christ

To date, the Development Office has received pledges totaling \$33,154.10 and payments totaling \$29,077.85. from 120 parishioners. This represents 87.2% of your \$38,000.00 goal.



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## NEW AT ST. JOHN'S?



If you are new at St. John's, see one of our greeters at Mass to receive a small information packet to introduce you to the parish. Contact France Kennedy at 908-307-7879 for more info.



## STORE CARDS

Thanks to **18 families** who purchased the grocery and store cards last week. The total cards sold totaled **\$2,950.00**. The stores gave us **\$167.50**.

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

**June 11, 2017**

82 Donors Weekly .....\$4,042.00

48 Donors Father's Day .....\$906.00

**June 12, 2016**

96 Donors Weekly .....\$4,145.00

58 Donors Father's Day .....\$1,136.00

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

### Office Angels

Wed., June 21 C. Behrens

Wed., June 28 M. D'Avella

### Store Cards

**June 17 & 18**

5:30 p.m. C. Crescenti

8:00 a.m. M. Kearns

10:30 a.m. R. DeStefano

**June 24 & 25**

5:30 p.m. J. Gardner

8:00 a.m. R. Durham

10:30 a.m. S. Pojedinec

### Church Center Plant Watering

Week of 6/18 B. Sobey

Week of 6/25 M. Proano

### Church Center Cleaning

June 23 Team E

June 30 Team F

### Altar Flowers

June 24 M. Connolly

July 1 A. Germino

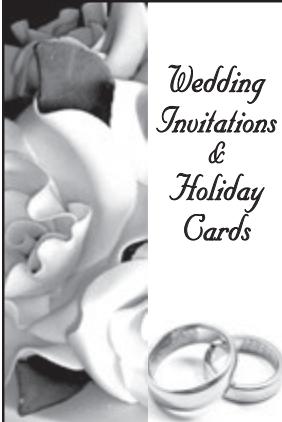
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June 19 Malone / McCabe

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