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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

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398 County Road 513
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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:

Tuesday8:00 a.m.
Friday7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

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

This Week at Saint John's

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 29

8:00 a.m. Gertrude Zabrowski Malahosky
req., Tanina and John Kranyak

Friday, September 1

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, September 2

5:30 p.m. Al Sterphone, req.
The Owens Family

Sunday, September 3

8:00 a.m. Joan Nowatkowski, req.
Jim and Roni Durham
10:30 a.m. Lucy Pojedinec, req.
Cathy and Tom Bennett



Parish Calendar

Sunday, August 27 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)

Monday, August 28 - Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 p.m. Fundraising Meeting (Office Center Kitchen)
7:30 p.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word Meeting (Seton Room)

Tuesday, August 29 - The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

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

Wednesday, August 30 - Weekday - No Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Yoga (Church Center Loft)
5:30 p.m. Yoga (Church Center Loft)
6:30 p.m. K-6 Catechist Gathering (Drexel Room)
7:30 p.m. Jr. High Catechist Gathering (Drexel Room)

Thursday, August 31 - Weekday

5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Music/Bells (Church Center)

Friday, September 1 - Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
7:00 p.m. 1st Friday Holy Hour & Rosary (Church Center)

Saturday, September 2 - Weekday

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

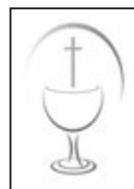
Sunday, September 3 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / Yellow Brick Road Collection

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)

Mass Schedule - September 2/3

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader.....	Kathleen Swindler
Altar Server	King Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Joan Eacovalle
.....	Eileen McCabe, Mary Connolly
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader.....	Owen Stanski
Altar Server	Mastro Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Jane Klawunn
.....	Gail Battell, Diane Lehnert
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Abraham Orapankal
Reader.....	Anthony DeStefano
Altar Server	Allgood Family
Music Eucharistic Minister.....	Donna Lance
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Dick Wickel, Sheena Carew
.....	Debby Kelemen, Mark Brisson, Bob Sobey

Pray the Rosary at First Friday Holy Hour



September 1st - 7:00 pm,
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: **Frances Connolly, Richard Henry Baumann, and Carol Lacy.**

Deceased: **Frances Connolly**, mother of Mike Connolly, **Richard Henry Baumann**, father of Peter Baumann, and **Carol Lacy**, mother of Jack Lacy. 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,

A violent and unfaithful husband, disappointing children, cantankerous mother-in-law, victim of verbal abuse – these and more is a description of the situation that St. Monica endured for long! Today is her feast and tomorrow is the feast of her more famous son, St. Augustine. Reflecting on her life of woes and how she persevered in trusting God who answered her prayers can be a great inspiration for us all.

Monica's husband was a drunkard who did not care for her or her religious practices. She attended the Church daily and prayed for him rather than retorting to his criticism and mean words. Then Augustine, her intelligent son, began to scoff at his mother's trips to Church. He was too "smart for religion." He joined a group dedicated to self-indulgence and intellectual sparring. He got a young woman pregnant. Monica cried before St. Ambrose, her bishop, "What can I do? I must do something. Please help us." The bishop's famous words of consolation was: "Surely, the son of so many tears will not perish!"

Monica never gave up on either her husband or her son. On his deathbed, her husband revealed that he dreamed about being as patient and kind as his wife. He asked for a priest and was baptized. Augustine came home for the funeral of his father. Around that time he heard a little girl chanting "Pick up and read, pick up and read." He had a Bible nearby and opened it to read that he should abandon the ways of the flesh and put on Christ. (Romans 13:13-14) Probably at that very moment his mother was also praying. Augustine repented of his evil ways and went on to become one of the most famous saints in history.

A woman who was reflecting on Monica's story had this to say: *"It's the mother who comes forth in this story. Her name has power for me. Monica represents the essence of what it means to be a mother. When I find myself struggling to see into the future; planning, plotting, always trying to be one step ahead of the chaos, I think of Monica! There are a lot of anxious nights in parenthood...my son has just started to drive alone; he is thinking about college; my daughter has asthma and a leg pain that doesn't seem to go away. What response can we have to our troubles?"*

Monica's story is certainly a balm for any mother. But she is an inspiration not only for mothers, but for all of us. Everyone has struggles – whether fighting the demons in one's personal life or the trials in adjusting with others in life. The greatness of Monica, (and of her son Augustine) is that they both knew and experienced the answer to the question Jesus put to his disciples in today's gospel: "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus wants us to give him our own answer, based on our personal experience of him. What is your answer?

Your brother in Christ
Fr. Abraham Orapankal

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL PARK

When one thinks of South Dakota, one thinks of Mount Rushmore. Carved into the mountainside by Gutzon Borglum are the heads of four of the great leaders of the United States. It's ironic that this monument is in the heart of an area sacred to the Lakota and Dakota people whose ancestors possessed the land centuries before George Washington's family came to America. Thousands of Americans visit Mount Rushmore each year. Many come away with flags, patriotic symbols and T-shirts reading, "God Bless America." Perhaps they feel a rush of pride and make resolutions to be better Americans in the future. *Let us remember that Christians are part of the rock. Jesus built his Church on the rock of Peter as a reward for his great confession of Faith in the Divinity of Christ. The members of the Church are given a new face on the same rock, the face of Jesus, as they proclaim his love, mercy, forgiveness in their daily lives.*

DO YOU KNOW OF OUR SOCIAL MINISTRY BOX?

Visitors have often asked me, "I want to put an offering. But I don't see any candle offering stand or any saint's statue with an offering box. Where shall I put this offering?" I always directed them to the Social Ministry Box in the Narthex. It is good for us to be aware that the presence of this Box is another symbol of our commitment to the poor. We are grateful to those who put offerings in that box which we open periodically. This time we found the following: \$65 in loose cash, one gift card for back to school giving tree - \$25 Walmart, \$25 Shop-Rite gift card, envelope for St Mary's and 2 envelopes for greeting card purchases.

21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

August 27, 2017

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?"

ROMANS 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot **give** the Lord anything, because God already owns it all. God made everything. All that we can do is **return** a portion of God's many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity!



TAG SALE

Sept. 22 & 23, 2017

Please remember
WE DO NOT ACCEPT: Clothing,

Appliances, Air Conditioners, Old TVs, Stereos, Cribs, Computers, Monitors or Upholstered Furniture. **Please No Donations before the tent goes up.**

TRICKY TRAY

Come One.....Come All and Have Some Family Fun !

Tricky Tray



Save the Date:

Oct. 20, 2017 - 6 P.M.

We are now accepting donations for our event.

Gift cards, New household items, New games Tickets to Sports Events, Crafts. Leave your items in the Seton Room. Thank You for your generosity

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Christian Formation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDS



The Religious Education program invites you to share your faith with the children of St. John's by becoming a catechist in our monthly family faith formation program, GIFT (Growing in Faith Together), either on Sundays, 8AM-10:15AM, at Valley View School or on Mondays 6 – 8 PM in the Church Center. Both programs run just once a month. The Jr. High/Confirmation Prep program could also use a few more teachers; sessions run twice a month on Sunday evenings. Being a catechist is a wonderful way to enrich your personal and family faith, and each catechist is provided with resources and support. Prayerfully consider this invitation to teach (you do not have to have a child in the program)! Teen volunteers are welcome, too! Contact Renee Ciszewski at renee@ccsjn.org.

CATECHIST GATHERINGS

Wed., Aug. 30th, 6:30 p.m.

K-6 Catechists

Wed., Aug. 30th, 7:30 p.m.

Jr. High Catechists

Catechist gatherings for K-6 and Jr. High Catechists have been scheduled for August 30th. They will take place in the Drexel Room of the Office Center. Light refreshments will be served.

Social Ministry

LONGEST CARROT CONTEST



Come and savor one last summer afternoon in the garden on Tuesday, August 29 at 4p (raindate, Thursday, August 31) and help us harvest the carrots. We planted a new variety this year called Mokum. A test dig this week revealed carrots about one foot long! All ages are welcome. Whoever digs the longest carrot will win a prize! All carrots will be donated to Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen in New Brunswick.

Jesus,

Fill our children with your peace, teach our children how to pray, show our children how to love.



WELCOME BACK STUDENT MASS – ALL GRADES!

Sun., Sept. 10th, 10:30a.m.

All students are invited to join us for a Welcome Back Student Mass on September 10th at 10:30 a.m. Students should arrive by 10:10 a.m. If you would like to send in an item for the food pantry with your child, the children will be bringing these gifts up to the altar during Mass. Religious Ed will provide a list of current food pantry needs. Please contact Jo Ann Jarvis with any questions.

UPCOMING “PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN” SESSIONS

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, please consider attending one of the following “Protecting God’s Children” workshops:



August 28 at 7 p.m. - Immaculate Conception, Annandale

September 11 at 7 p.m. - St. Magdalen de Pazzi, Flemington

September 27 at 7 p.m. - Immaculate Conception, Annandale

September 28 at 6 p.m. - St. Philip and St. James School, Phillipsburg

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 home page. Some sessions book quickly, so please register early.

CONFIRMATION PRAYER SPONSOR LETTERS

Return Letters by September 15th



The 2017 Confirmation class will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Emeritus Bootkoski on Tuesday, October 17, at 7:00 p.m. At this time, we are inviting the community of St. John's to participate as Confirmation Prayer Sponsors. Parishioners are asked to take home a photo of a Confirmation candidate from the tri-fold board that is set up in the narthex. Be sure to sign your name next to the candidate's name in the log provided. Then pray for your candidate and write a letter of support that will be given to your candidate during their Cross Roads Retreat. Letters should be returned no later than September 15th to the basket in the narthex or to the Office Center.

THIS WEEK IN THE GARDEN



This week was a big week for root vegetables in the garden. We harvested our first potatoes (yukon gold) along with lots of carrots, beets and onions--all delivered to Elijah's Promise in New Brunswick. The green beans are catching their second wind and we are harvesting 3-5 pounds every other day. Tomatoes are ripening on the vine and the second planting of broccoli is coming along. The dahlias are in full bloom now and the zinnia border is alive with many different butterflies. Please join us on the weekend of September 16-17 for the Social Ministry Weekend. There will be displays in the narthex as well as tours of the garden after all of the weekend Masses.

CALIFON FARMER'S MARKET

Come visit St. John's at the Califon Farmer's Market. Our September dates will be September 9 and 23. Located on the river at the Califon United Methodist Church.

Social Ministry and Parish News

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

Volunteer Opportunities - September 3rd to 10th

Yes, it feels like we just finished a week of hosting, but we need to keep rolling out the kindness, because our third and final hosting week of 2017 for the Interfaith Hospitality Network starts September 3-10! Run by Family Promise, Interfaith Hospitality serves the homeless right here in Hunterdon County. It all takes place at Spruce Run Lutheran Church on Hill Road and you can help in a number of ways. Please check Sign Up Genius at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054eafad22a20-family5> to see where you can help. Make it a fun family & friend activity by inviting someone to volunteer with you, and it's a great way to start the school year with some community service hours for students! If you have questions, please contact Debbie Hunt at dhuntfaml@comcast.net, or attend the brief Q&A at Spruce Run Lutheran Church on Sunday, August 27 at 10:30am.

"WHO IS JESUS?"

In his teens, C.S. Lewis was a professed agnostic. He was influenced in his conversion to Christianity by reading the book *The Everlasting Man* by G.K. Chesterton and through the influence of two of his Christian friends. After his conversion, he wrote a number of books defending Christianity. During the Second World War, in his famous BBC radio talk, "Mere Christianity," he said, "I am trying to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Jesus: 'I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept his claim to be God.' That is the one thing we must not say. A man who is merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic, on the level with a man who says he is a poached egg, or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse." If we accept Jesus as a moral teacher, then we must necessarily accept Him as God, for great moral teachers do not tell lies.

WHERE DO WE FIND JESUS?

In his book, *Pray from Where You Are*, James Carroll recalls something many of us remember from our childhood. Every Sunday, the comic page of our newspapers used to carry a series of printed games. One of everybody's favorites was a picture showing some scene, like a family enjoying a picnic in a park. Printed beneath the picture were the words, "Can you find the man hidden in the picture?" You'd look and look, and at first wouldn't see anything that looked like a man. Then you'd turn the paper this way and that to get a different view of it. Suddenly, from the edge of a fluffy white cloud you'd see an ear. Then, from the green leaves of a tree you'd see a mouth, and so on, until you'd see an entire man's face smiling out at you from the picnic scene. Once you saw the man, that picnic scene was never the same again. For you had found the hidden man. You yourself had seen the smiling face. It's the same way in our own lives. We Christians know by Faith that there is a man hidden away in every scene of daily life. And that man's name is Jesus. Once we find Jesus, up close and personal, no scene in our lives is ever the same. That is part of the message of today's Gospel.



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



Funny Church Signs:

"Honk if you Love Jesus, text while driving if you want to meet Him.
'God Wants Spiritual Fruits, Not Religious Nuts'
God didn't create anything without a purpose, but mosquitoes come close
We are not Dairy Queen, but we have great Sundays!
This church is prayer-conditioned!
God answers knee-mail!
God's last name isn't "Damn!"
Need home improvements? Bring your family to church!
Some questions can't be answered by google; come to church!
God, help me to be the person my dog thinks I am!
Do not criticize your wife's judgement – see whom she married!



SHIP'S GALLEY SOUP KITCHEN

September dates for soup kitchen service are Monday, September 11 and Thursday, September 28. Please contact Anne Germino at projectearth@ccsjn.org or call the church office if you would like to serve or contribute a casserole.

ST. JOHN'S GOLF OUTING

***Note Date Change - Sept. 30th, 8AM
Minebrook Golf Club - Hackettstown***



You are invited to join us for a great time—our annual Golf Outing. Come by yourself and have fun with other parishioners or bring a foursome. We have a great morning golfing and wonderful lunch.

CATHOLIC HEART WORK- CAMP 2018

The planning for CHWC 2018 has started. We are not yet sure where and when we will attend camp but I am looking to get a rough idea of who might be interested. If you will be entering the 9th grade in September of 2018 through age 20 you are eligible. Please let me know weeks you would not be available. The camps fill quickly and we will register by September 13. Please contact Mary Connolly if you think you might be interested at mandmconnolly@gmail.com or 908-930-0784.

MARRIAGE TUNE-UP

How wise, knowledgeable and beyond human understanding are the ways of God. (Romans 11:33-36) When in the throes of love one's spouse may seem to also have these qualities. What intellectual trait is your beloved strongest in? What about yourself?

PARENTING TUNE-UP

Sometimes parents of young adults (15-30+) struggle with what appears to be a lack of faith in their offspring. Consider, "Sometimes you must lose faith to find it." Your child may have to let go of "inherited faith" and eventually reflect on what is missing in their life. (*Parenting Your Adult Child*) (Susan Vogt)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Joan Cardierre
Eugene Cifranic
Marie Colabella
Jean Crickenberger
John D'Almeida
Barbara DelPiano
Tino DeSantis
Sophia DeVita
Paul Ferri
Helen Gallagher
Sophie Geist
Liz Harmon
Jay Heyman
Fred Holub
Destiny Lightfoot
Lou Livoti
Dick McCall
Maggie McKeon
Jan McLeavey
Christine Meyer
Fran Miceli
Danny Mulvey
Joan Myers
Mary Lou O'Brien
Nilsa Perez Parsons
John Pfeufer
Tommy Rack
David Rasa
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 POWER OF CLEAN CLOTHES!

Jesus said to them, "Who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God . . . " "And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church . . . I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 16: 13-20

Like most junior highs, Sullivan Middle School in Worcester, Massachusetts, sees more than enough bullying among its students. Kids ostracize classmates because of their physical appearance - and that leads to discipline issues and struggles in the classroom. The principal and teachers at Sullivan discovered that one reason for such rejection is something most of us take for granted: clean clothes. Some students don't have the means to wash their clothes at home. So the principal managed to scrape together \$600 in the budget to buy a washer and a dryer. She saw it as a practical solution to a practical problem.

This past school year, a few mornings a week, kids discreetly brought their dirty clothing from home in a backpack to a room downstairs in the school. There a school staff member helped them sort lights and darks and showed them how to measure detergent. At lunch time, they put a load in the dryer. At the end of the day, they would fold and pack their now clean clothes to take home. The school laundry program enabled these six-through-eighth graders to learn independence and self-care - and that translated into more confidence in the classroom. This fall, Sullivan's washer/dryer program will be put in place in four other urban schools in Worcester. The machines have been donated. The district also plans to provide free eye exams and glasses for the 26,000 students in the Worcester's system.

Worcester's school superintendent explains: "What's important is that we meet the needs of students. We want them to be able to come to school, to be fed, to have clean clothes, and be able to see the board. "People don't understand the struggles students have in urban education. If they ever met these students and saw the difference this makes in their faces and hearts, they would be backing this." The teachers at Sullivan see such small miracles every day. One morning, a teacher asked a student who was making use of the school's laundry program if it was going to be a great day. The student responded: "Yup. I got clean clothes. I look good. I smell good. It's going to be a great day." [Boston Globe, 6/9/2017]

We often read today's Gospel as Jesus' setting up his "official" Church, as establishing the "rock" of the institutional center of his mission to which he entrusts the "keys" of the kingdom of heaven. But the reality is that Christ has given every one of us a "key" to the kingdom: the means to "unlock" the presence of God in our world by our own efforts, however small and hidden, to realize God's love in our midst. Our "keys" may be patience and understanding, a talent or skill we possess - even washers and dryers can be the means for others to be embraced in the peace and mercy of God. Find your key and don't hesitate to use it to unlock a door or open a pathway enabling you and those you love and care about realize the kingdom of heaven here and now.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting on August 14 began with the Lectio Divina model of Scripture sharing. These were the main items discussed:

- Stewardship Committee's initiative: To serve the Parish better, a survey is proposed. Sharon Lohrmann of the Stewardship Committee discussed final plans for parish wide survey to be done in another month. Details will be announced soon.
- Finance Committee's Five-Year Plan was presented by Ray Klacik. They will continue to encourage automated giving, which helps in yearly planning. Also see an increase in donations since making the parish aware of our financial situation.
- The new Council began to review the Annual Parish Goal and its final outcome will be made at next meeting.
- There is traditionally a parish town hall meeting in the fall. Attendance has decreased over the years. The Council will further reflect on this discouraging trend and make a final decision at the next meeting.
- Fund Raising Committee suggested considering a cross on 513 so our presence as a church is visible. Pastoral Council agreed with idea for visible sign like a cross or a statue, more discussion is needed.

After evaluating the meeting the meeting concluded with a short prayer.

Diocesan and Community News

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Monday, August 21, 2017 9:41 am

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 YBR Collection 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC	4 Labor Day/Office Closed	5 8:00 AM Mass - NRC	6 12:30 PM Staff Meeting - DR 7:15 PM Bible Study - DR	7 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Music/Bells - CC	8 7:00 AM Mass - NRC	9 8:00 AM Women's Spirituality Coffee - DR 5:30 PM Mass - CC
10 Peter's Pence Collection 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - Welcome Back Students (K-9) - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy-NX 6:00 PM Confirmation Retreat Leader Team Mtg - DR	11 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OCK/CKK	12 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Budget Mtg - DR 7:30 PM Stewardship Mtg-SR	13 7:00 PM Social Ministry Mtg - SR	14 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Music/Bells - CC	15 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Baptism Prep 2 - OCK	16 Social Ministry Wknd 5:30 PM Mass - Grade 6 Class Mass - CC 6:30 PM Coffee Sponsored by Social Ministry - NX
17 Social Ministry Wknd 8:00 AM Mass - CC 9:00 AM Coffee Sponsored by Social Ministry - NX 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy-NX 11:30 AM Discover St. John's-OC 11:30 AM Coffee sponsored by Social Ministry - NX 6:00 PM Jr. High Formation-CC	18 7:30 PM Pastoral Council - UR	19 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Property Mgmt Mtg-DR	20 7:30 PM Book Club-SR	21 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Music/Bells - CC	22 Tag Sale 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 8:00 AM Tag Sale - CCG 5:00 PM Confirmation Retreat - Crossroads	23 Tag Sale 8:00 AM Tag Sale - CCG 5:30 PM Mass - CC
24 Parish Picnic 8:00 AM Mass - CC 8:00 AM Family Faith Formation - V.V. 10:30 AM Mass-Catechist Commissioning & Confrmandi Retreat Return Mass - CC 2:00 PM Parish Picnic - CCG	25 6:30 PM Family Faith Formation - CC 7:00 PM Fundraising - OCK 7:30 PM Children's Liturgy Meeting - SR	26 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Comixions - OCK	27	28 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OCK/CKK 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Music/Bells - CC	29 7:00 AM Mass - NRC	30 8:00 AM Golf Outing - Minebrook Golf Club 5:30 PM Mass - CC

FAMILY FISHING TRIP

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Family Fishing Trip on **Saturday, September 23rd**. The fishing boat is the "Mi-Jo", it sails out of the Atlantic Highlands, and it is chartered for the day. For further information, flyers are available in the Narthex following Mass. You may also call Tom Klawunn at 908-246-3722, or Steve Bauernfeind at 908-399-6867.



STORE CARDS

Thanks to the families who purchased the grocery and store cards the last 3 weeks.

Date	Families Purchased	Profit
8/20	20	\$3100.00
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8/05	20	\$3170.00

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10 Donors Assumption \$208.00

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73 Donors Weekly.....\$3,973.53
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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., August 30 A. Sawczuk
Wed., September 6 J. Santoro

Store Cards

August 26 & 27

5:30 p.m. B. Schenck
8:00 a.m. J. Klawunn
10:30 a.m. S. Kosakowski

September 2 & 3

5:30 p.m. E. McCabe
8:00 a.m. R. Durham
10:30 a.m. J. Varcadipane

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of Aug. 27 L. Livoti
Week of Sept. 3 M. Cangelosi

Church Center Cleaning

August 31 Team C
September 7 Team D

Altar Flowers

August 26 A. Germino
September 2 A. Germino

Counting

August 28 Malone/Bauernfeind
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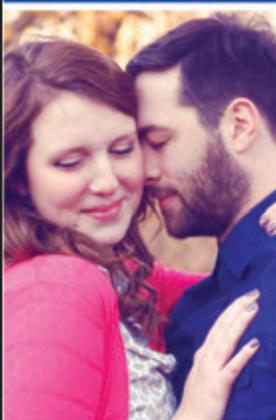
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