

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

Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA,
Bishop of the Diocese of Metuchen
www.diometuchen.org

Rev. Maurice Carlton.....
..... Temporary Administrator
Rev. J. Wm. Mickiewicz.....
..... Pastor Emeritus
Earl Roberts..... Deacon

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Mary Cangelosi..... Trustee

Church and Office Center:

398 County Route 513, Califon
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908-832-2513 Office/908-832-7618 Fax

Worship at 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.

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

Weekday Masses at

Neumann Residence Chapel:

390 County Road 513
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Friday 7:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses

Residence Chapel..... 7:00 a.m.
Church Center..... 7:00 p.m.
See Parish Calendar Inside for changes

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This Week at Saint John's

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 27

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Friday, November 30

7:00 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, December 1

5:30 p.m. John Handy, req.
Gardner Family

Sunday, December 2

8:00 a.m. Anita Sawczuk, req.
Diane Lehnert

10:30 a.m. Carmen Ruscetta, req.,
Gary and Linda Caprio



Parish Calendar

Sun., Nov. 25-Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Narthex)

Monday, November 26 - Weekday

7:00 p.m. Fund Raising Meeting (Office Center Kitchen)
7:00 p.m. Advent Book Club (Drexel Room)
7:30 p.m. Children's Liturgy Meeting (Seton Room)
7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council (Upper Room)

Tuesday, November 27 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. No Mass
5:00 p.m. Staff Meeting (Drexel Room)
6:30 p.m. Diocesan Listening Session (Church Center)
7:00 p.m. Bereavement (Upper Room)

Wednesday, November 28 - Weekday

6:45 p.m. Tai Chi (Church Center Loft)

Thursday, November 29 - Weekday

5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Bell Choir Practice (Church Center)

Friday, November 30 - Saint Andrew, Apostle

7:00 a.m. No Mass
10:00 a.m. Advent Book Club (Drexel Room)
7:00 p.m. Tasting Event (Church Center)

Saturday, December 1 - Weekday

11:00 a.m. First Reconciliation Celebration (Church Center)
5:30 p.m. Mass - Heimall Baptism (Church Center)

Sunday, December 2 - First Sunday of Advent / Yellow Brick Road Collecton

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Narthex)
11:30 a.m. Discover St. John's (Office Center)
12:00 p.m. Christmas Cash Raffle Drawing (Church Center)
12:00 p.m. GIFT Advent Event (Church Center)

Mass Schedule - December 1/2

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Maurice Carlton
Reader	David Geerinck
Altar Server	Upwood Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Joann Gardner
.....	Donna Torczon, Joan Eacovalle
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Maurice Carlton
Reader	Chris Bitters
Altar Server	Kennedy Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Joe Sima
.....	Barbara Gates, Dorothy Sima
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Maurice Carlton
Reader	Joan McNamara
Altar Server	Heimall Family
Music Eucharistic Minister.....	Jane Albert
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	Bob Sobey, Ana Giametta,
.....	Donna Lance, Sheena Carew, Jim DeVito,



**Rediscover the joy
in preparing for Christmas.**
Advent starts December 1st
Sign up today for inspirational emails
BestAdventEver.com/Joy



Remembered at Mass

We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered during the Holy Eucharist: **Lynn Jeffreys, Michael Bosack and Luuk de Jong.**

Deceased: Lynn Jeffreys, grandmother of Meredith Hungarter, Michael Bosack, cousin of Faye Mocarski and Luuk de Jong, friend of Alligood Family. 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,

I hope all of you had a great Thanksgiving Day with fun, food and fellowship. For many this time extends for a few days of happy reunion with our near and dear ones. Certainly we are very lucky to have this time to enjoy each other's presence. We conclude the Thanksgiving weekend with the last Sunday in "Ordinary Time" celebrated as the Feast of Christ the King. Hard to believe that next Sunday we welcome a new Liturgical Year as we enter the season of Advent! That's why this is the right time for us to reflect a little longer on Thanksgiving – to linger on the sense of gratitude for our manifold blessings even as we recognize our debt of gratitude to Christ the King of our lives. Asked to write a composition entitled, "What I'm thankful for on Thanksgiving," little Tim wrote, "I am thankful that I'm not a turkey." !!! True enough!!! Yes, there are many ways to look at the positive side of each unpleasant or annoying situations of our life and give thanks to our great King. I came across these

"SIMPLE THINGS TO BE THANKFUL FOR":

- I am thankful for the mess to clean up after a party because it means I am blessed with friends.
- I am thankful for the taxes I pay because it means that I am employed.
- I am thankful for the clothes that fit a little too snugly because it means I have had enough to eat.
- I am thankful for my shadow that watches me work because it means I am out in the sunshine.
- I am thankful for a lawn that needs mowing, windows that need cleaning, gutters that need fixing because it means I have a home.
- I am thankful for all the complaining I do about the government because it means we have freedom of speech.
- I am thankful for the spot I find at the far end of the parking lot because it means I am capable of walking.
- I am thankful for my big heating bill because it means I am warm.
- I am thankful for the lady behind me in church who sings off-key because it means I can hear.
- I am thankful for the piles of laundry and ironing because it means my loved ones are nearby.
- I am thankful for weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day because it means I have been productive.
- I am thankful for the alarm that goes off early in the morning because it means I am alive."

May we practice thanksgiving each day of our lives and re-dedicate our lives to serve Christ our King!

Your brother in Christ
Fr. Abraham Orapankal



November 27th at www.ccsjn.org

WHAT IS GIVING TUESDAY?

Giving Tuesday is a global day of giving fueled by the power of Social media and collaboration celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving. Giving Tuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end of year giving.

"LITTLE OMISSION OF KINDNESS"

William McKinley, the 25th U.S. President, once had to choose between two equally qualified men for a key job. He puzzled over the choice until he remembered a long-ago incident. On a rainy night, McKinley had boarded a crowded streetcar. One of his prospective candidates was in the car. When an old woman carrying a basket of laundry struggled into the car looking for a seat, the job candidate pretended not to see her while McKinley obliged. Remembering the episode as a "little omission of kindness," McKinley decided against the man on the streetcar. Our decisions – even the small fleeting ones – tell a lot about us, whether we serve ourselves or Christ our King living in others.

33RD SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

November 18, 2018

"And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory." (MARK 13:26)

We will all have that day when we are standing before God and our life is played out like a movie. When this happens and God asks each of us, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond?

THANK YOU - JO ANN JARVIS

We are saying goodbye to Jo Ann as our Religious Education Assistant after 8-1/2 years, she will be missed. Jo Ann remains a faithful and active parishioner of St. John's. Thank you for your years of dedicated service to St. John's and we wish you luck in your future endeavors.

ORDER YOUR SPECIAL HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS!



Last day for you to order special gift cards for Christmas is December 3rd. Please consider ordering your gift card needs through our church. The profit through gift card sale ranges from 2% to 14%.

Ever thought to purchase Amazon gift cards through our church and then use it to shop at Amazon by using our link? That is a two for one with no extra cost.

We also have some gift cards in stock with weekly sale inventory, which are only available during the Holiday Season. They are Appleby's, Buffalo Wings, Chili's, Bed Bath & Beyond, Banes & Noble, Game Stop, TJ Maxx/Marshalls/Homegoods and Speedway Gas.

These cards can also be used for our Christmas Giving Tree which begins this weekend.

FOR FAMILY DISCUSSION/ PERSONAL REFLECTION

Gospel Question: What do you think Jesus meant when he said, "My kingdom is not here"?

1st Reading Question: What is your reaction to the description of God as "the Ancient One"?

2nd Reading Question: What does the image of Jesus as "the Alpha and the Omega" mean

A PEARL OF WISDOM:

All things in life are temporary. If it's going well, enjoy it, that won't last long. If it's going badly, don't worry, that won't last long either.

Christian Formation

FIRST RECONCILIATION



Saturday, December 1st

The Holy Communion class will be celebrating the sacrament of First Reconciliation on Saturday, December 1 at 11:00 a.m., in the Church Center. A reception for the children and their families will follow.



PARTNERS IN FAITH

Family Formation is designed to help parents respond to the Church's call to be "the first and foremost educators of their children"* and to help families grow in the transforming love of God by understanding and living the Catholic Faith. In support of this call, additional resource for formation are located on the religious education table in the narthex. The handouts are from our monthly

GIFT Program. These handouts provide families with ideas and simple traditions that will foster faith formation within the home. Please feel free to take one of these handouts homes when you pick up your church bulletin.

Social Ministry

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE



There are still plenty of tags on the Christmas Giving Tree in the Narthex. We need your help to make a difference in the lives of so many challenged by their circumstances. We are supporting six different organizations this year: Anderson House, Freedom House, Little Brook Nursing Home, Newton's Guest House, SHIP and St. John's individuals and families in need. Some tags have more than one gift listed, feel free to purchase one or more of the gifts on the tag.

Please:

1. **Take a tag from the Tree.**
2. **Sign it out on the appropriate Log Sheet.**
3. **Purchase and wrap your gift, attaching the tag you took as the label.**
4. **Drop off your gift in the Narthex or the Seton Room by Sun., Dec. 9th.**

If you have any questions, please contact Karen Porto at 908-507-4359 or kporto@aol.com.

Parish News

SPIRITUALITY BREAKFAST AND SPEAKER

December 8th, 8:00 a.m. – Church Center



Spirituality Breakfast

The Men's and Women's Spirituality groups are once again combining this year for a breakfast on Saturday, December 8th, at 8:00 a.m. We will be hosting Pastor David R. Edwards from the Calton United Methodist Church who has graciously agreed to come and speak to us. We're looking forward to a wonderful Advent morning of prayer, good food and warm conversation. Feel free to invite your spouse, friend or neighbor – this event is open to all! Any questions, please contact Jo Ann Jarvis at j Jarvis26@gmail.com.

JESUS CLARIFIES HIS KINGSHIP!

The Jews accused Jesus of blasphemy for claiming to be God, and they wanted him to die by the most shameful and painful type of Roman execution. Hence, they brought Jesus before Pilate the Roman governor and accused Jesus of causing sedition against the Roman Empire and Caesar. "*We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of the tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king*" (Lk. 23:2). Today's Gospel presents the first part of the trial conducted by Pilate who questions Jesus about his kingship. In his dialogue with Pilate, Jesus implies that Pilate does not understand the spiritual or transcendent nature of Jesus' kingship ("*My Kingdom does not belong to this world*"). Jesus admits that he is a king but declares that his Kingdom is not of this world. Neither his present nor his future reign operates according to the world's criteria of power and dominance. Jesus' Kingdom, the reign of God, is based on the beatitudes, and he rules through service rather than through domination. His authority is rooted in truth, not in physical force. Jesus also claims that he has come to bear witness to the truth about a larger and eternal Kingdom. Jesus has come to bear witness to the truth: about God and His love, about us and about whom we are called to be.

"O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever..."
Psalms 107:1



Abundant Blessing today and always
GIFT Family Formation Program

PARENTING TUNE-UP

Thanksgiving dinner may be over but if you still have family gathered around you this weekend find ways to celebrate family. Play games, take walks, have long talks, tell jokes. If you must shop, ask your child to "adopt" a needy child and share a gift with them. (Susan Vogt)

MARRIAGE TUNE-UP

What does it mean to be a king, or queen, or president, or indeed anyone with power? Jesus reminds us, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." (John 18:36) Look at your spouse today and see beyond the power struggles of who is in charge or most right. Recommit to sacrificing your life for your beloved.

TASTING EVENT

Friday, Nov. 30th, 7pm

***Wine *Chocolate *Beer**

***Culinary Delights *Pairing**

***Vendors / Crafters**

\$40 in advance / \$45 at the door

Tickets / Reservations / Information

908-832-2207 / 908-832-2513

mhbaumann@outlook.com

Doors open at 7pm





LISTENING SESSION FOR NEW PASTOR

This Tuesday, November 27th, 6:30 p.m.

Pastors are appointed by the bishop to lead local parish communities and to provide for their pastoral care. They share in the bishop's ministry of teaching, sanctifying, and governing. With the bishop's mandate, and in cooperation with other priests and deacons in the parish as well as with the assistance of the laity, the pastor has full responsibility for the pastoral care of a local parish community.

To facilitate the appointment of a new pastor/administrator for St. John Neumann Parish, Califon, Bishop Checchio has initiated a consultation process to elicit input from all parish leadership including clergy, staff, principals, and all parishioners, to determine what St. John Neumann Parish needs in their new pastor. This consultation process includes two meetings; the first being with the parish clergy, parish staff, principal, and other parish employees, and a second general meeting with interested parishioners.

The meeting with parishioners will be held on **Tuesday, November 27, 2018 beginning at 6:30 PM**. This general meeting will be facilitated by Rev. Msgr. Edward C. Puleo, Episcopal Vicar for Clergy & Consecrated Life and Rev. Msgr. John N. Fell, Director of Priest Personnel, and will include our pastoral council, finance council, stewardship council, trustees, HSA leaders, ministry leaders, and other parish leaders. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Through a guided listening session facilitated by Msgr. Puleo and Msgr. Fell, information will be gathered from parishioners that will assist the bishop in determining the parish needs. It must be clearly understood that this is a listening session only, and that the information on the needs of the parish gathered from parishioners is one factor among many which the bishop will consider in determining the next pastor of St. John Neumann Parish. This meeting is not to solicit the names individual priests and this will not be discussed. The Priest Personnel Board has the task of surfacing names of potential pastors to the Bishop.

All parishioners are asked to join in prayer for this process and any interested parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend this general meeting to help and share the needs of St. John Neumann Parish.

IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE LISTENING SESSION

Anyone who cannot make the meeting but has concerns about our new pastor can send them to, Debby Kelemen, the Pastoral Council Chairperson, at Kelemen1@comcast.net and I will make sure that are addressed at the meeting.

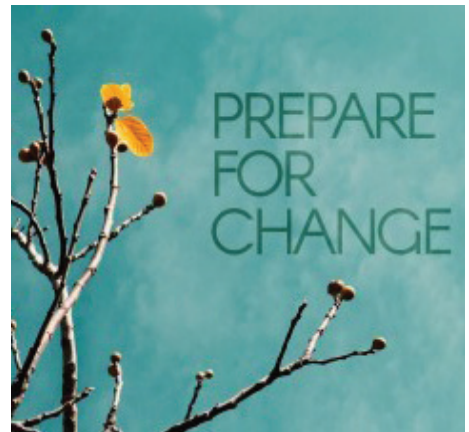
DESPARATE DEATHS OF AUTOCRATS!

The death of Josef Stalin (1879-1953) the Communist dictator was described by his daughter as difficult and terrible. Silenced by a stroke shortly before he died, Stalin's "last words" were more visible than audible. *Newsweek* magazine quoted Svetlana Stalin who said, "At what seemed the very last moment, he cast a glance over everyone in the room. It was a terrible glance, insane, angry and full of fear of death. With one final menacing gesture, he lifted his left hand as if he were bringing down a curse on us all." Philip III of Spain (1578-1621), who proved himself to be an unfit king, indifferent to the plight of his people, breathed his last wishing, "Would to God that I had never reigned. What does all my glory profit but that I have so much the more torment in my death?" Charles IX, who in 1572 had ordered the St. Bartholomew's Day massacre of the Huguenots throughout France met death with despair, "What blood! What murders! I am lost forever. I know it." When she lay dying, Queen Elizabeth I of England (1533-1603) was reported to have said she would give, "All my possessions for a moment of time." Today's Gospel challenge us to compare with these royal deaths Christ the King's death on the cross, offering his life to God his Father in all serenity and elegance.



BAPTISM

Quarterly we hold Baptism Preparation for families who 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.



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



ROYAL JOKES:



King Louis XI of France was a firm believer in astrology and yet he was somewhat uneasy when an astrologer accurately predicted the death of a lady at court. He felt the astrologer would be better off dead, so Louis called him to his apartments where his servants were ordered to throw him out the window once given the signal. First, however, Louis asked the man a question, "You claim to understand astrology and to know the fate of others, so tell me what your fate will be and how long you have to live." The astrologer replied, "I shall die just three days before Your Majesty." This so unnerved the king that he decided to let the astrologer live.

Queen Victoria, who ruled England and Ireland for almost 40 years, lay dying. A member of the royal household mused to Edward, Prince of Wales, "I wonder if she will be happy in heaven?" Edward matter-of-factly replied, "I don't know. There, she will have to walk behind the angels, and she won't like that!"

Feeling a need to contribute!

Would you like to feel fulfilled?

VOLUNTEER TODAY!

OUT OF TOUCH?

Do you get emails from St. John Neumann? Our latest email was on Thursday, Nov. 15th - Listening Session for New Pastor. If you don't get our periodic emails it means we do not have your email in our parish data base! Please send us an email to sjn@ccsjn.org and help us update our records!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Clara Alvarez
Gary Anderson
Andrew Arias
Miguel Astacio
Diane Bosack
Joan Cardierre
John D'Almeida
Percy Davids
Barbara DelPiano
Sophia DeVita
Anthony DeVito
Dawn Farley
Cindy Feighan
Emma Finnegan
Bob Gardner
Debbie Gregorakis
Joseph Gruszczynski
Liz Harmon
Fred Holub
Stephanie Illetscho
Manuel Jimenez, Jr.
Michael Kucharski
Bonnie Lieberwirth
Dick McCall
Jan McLeavey
Jennie Melhem
Christine Meyer
Joan & Megan Myers
Nancy Patterson
Nilsa Perez Parsons
John Pfeufer
Ali Redling
Earl & Denise Roberts
Joe Romanger
Noah Skinner
Michael Slivka
Dick Slusher
Patty Galoti Stafford
Margaret Thornsbury
Nicholas Troiano
Don Velli
Dana & Greg Wilson
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
C1C, Geerinck, Joshua, U.S. Air Force
Seaman, Jenkinson, Devin, 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

SUNDAY REFLECTION: THE GIRL WHO SMILED BEADS

"My kingdom does not belong to this world . . . "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." John 18: 33b-37

When she was six years old, Clemantine Wamariya, her sister, brother and parents fled the genocide in their native Rwanda in 1994. Barely escaping the massacre, Clemantine and her sister Claire were separated from their parents; the two sisters spent the next six years migrating through seven African countries, searching for safety. They endured perpetual hunger, constant imprisonment and abuse, and witnessed unmanigable cruelty — but they also experienced moments of unexpected kindness and grace. The family eventually reunited and was granted refugee status in the United States, and a new struggle began for Clemantine and her family as they acclimated to their new home and culture. Clemantine, now a Yale graduate and human rights advocate, tells her family's powerful story in her new book **The Girl Who Smiled Beads**.

Clemantine recounts learning a critical lesson from her mother that enabled her to survive: sharing. "My mother used to test us. 'Get an orange,' she'd say at the end of a meal, and then she'd cut the orange into pieces and watch us. There might be two pieces, there might be four pieces, there might be six pieces. She wanted to be sure we didn't take more than our share. "The exercise was illogical. We had trees full of oranges in the garden. We could each have had our own orange. But if my mother didn't cut that one orange into enough pieces for everyone to share, the correct answer to the test was to cut into more. "My mother was radical, in her actions if not her words. Sharing was her philosophy, an ideology to counter what she considered to be emotionally stingy notions of possession or entitlement. We were never to think, *This orange is mine. I'm giving you what's mine.* We were to think, *This orange is ours. We're sharing what's ours.*

"I think back to this often in trying to make sense of the world — how there are people who have so much and people who have so little, and how I fit in with both of them. Often I find myself trying to bridge the two worlds, to show people, either the people with so much or the people with so little, that everything is yours and everything is not yours. I want to make people understand that boxing ourselves into tiny cubbies based on class, race, ethnicity, religion — anything, really — comes from a poverty of mind, a poverty of imagination . . . "The only road to equality — a sense of common humanity [and] peace — is sharing, my mother's orange."

Clemantine's mother's orange reveals to her daughters the kingdom of God. That "kingdom" exists, not in nations and tribes, but within human hearts; the source of its power is not military or economic but its commitment to justice, generosity and peace. As Clemantine's mother realizes in the horror engulfing her family's homeland, Christ's reign is realized only in our embracing a vision of humankind as a family of individual souls made in the image of God, a vision of one another as brothers and sisters in Christ, a vision of the world centered in the spirit of hope and compassion taught by Christ — or as Clemantine's mother would say, a world in which "everything is ours and everything is not ours." On this solemnity of Christ the King, may we embrace the vision of the shared orange: to see all of us connected to one another by the love of God, thus making us all part of the reign of God's Christ.

CHRISTMAS CASH RAFFLE

Only 7 days left before the 50/50 raffle winners are drawn. Our grand total is now — \$3,080 — that's \$1,540 in prize money divided among 3 lucky winners!

The winning tickets will be drawn after the 10:30 Mass on December 2, 2018. First Prize is — 25%, Second Prize — 15%, and Third Prize — 10% of the total. Help support this fundraiser by selling lots of tickets to friends and family members. Additional tickets are available in the Narthex and the Parish Office.

Returns can be made by mail, left in the parish office, placed in the collection basket at Mass or left in the receptacle in the Narthex. Unused tickets should be returned as well.

Also if you can help sell tickets after any of the Masses now thru December 2, please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Narthex or call Suzanne Kosakowski at 908-581-1869.

Parish News

Catholic Community of St. John Neumann
December, 2018

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8 1st Sunday of Advent YBR Collection 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy - NX 11:30 AM Discovery St. John's - CC 12:00 PM Christmas Cash Raffle Drawing - CC 12:00 PM GIFT Advent Event - CC	9 2nd Sunday of Advent Refinement For Religious 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy - NX	10 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 7:00 PM Advent Book Club - DR 7:30 PM Pastoral Council - UR	11 No Mass 7:00 PM Budget Meeting - DR	12 12:00 PM Staff Luncheon - Jersey 7:00 PM Social Ministry Mtg - SR 7:30 PM Stewardship Mtg - RA	13 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Bell Choir Practice - CC	14 No Mass 10:00 AM Advent Book Club - DR 6:00 PM Northern Tree Set up 7:00 PM Food Pack up - CC
15 3rd Sunday of Advent Christmas Flower Offering 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - Welcome - CC 11:30 AM Visit with Saints - NX 12:00 PM GIFT Program - CC/OC	16 6:00 PM GIFT Program - CC/OC	17 6:00 PM Christmas Decorating Party - CC	18 No Mass 6:00 PM Christmas Decorating Party - CC	19 7:00 PM Community Reconciliation Service - CC 7:30 PM Individual Reconciliation - RR 8:00 PM Book Club - SR	20 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM Bell Choir Practice - CC	21 No Mass
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WEEKLY COLLECTION

November 11, 2018

66 Donors Weekly\$2,417.00
 4 Yellow Brick Road\$115.00

November 12, 2017

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Thanks to the families who purchased
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Oct. 28 & Nov. 4, 32 Families pur-
chased **\$4,935** for a profit of **\$266.05**.

HOLIDAY CARD SALES

Thank you to the 5 families who pur-
chased Holiday Gift Cards for
\$1420.00. We received a profit of
\$72.20.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., Nov. 28 L. Caprio
 Wed., Dec. 5 J. Santoro

Store Cards

November 24 and November 25
 5:30 p.m. B. Cestone
 8:00 a.m. P. Nanna
 10:30 a.m. R. DeStefano

December 1 and December 2
 5:30 p.m. E. McCabe
 8:00 a.m. K. Dabrowski
 10:30 a.m. J. Varcadipane

Church Center Plant Watering
 Week of Nov. 25.... C. Fortenbacher
 Week of Dec. 2..... B. Lee

Church Center Cleaning
 November 29..... Team B
 December 6..... Team C

Counting

Nov. 26..... Kucharski / McCabe
 Dec. 3..... Malone / Bauernfeind

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