

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

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

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, March 19

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, March 20

8:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, March 21

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, March 22

8:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, March 23

5:30 p.m. Ronna Leigh Genoves, req.
Kelly Malone

Sunday, March 24

8:00 a.m. Raymond J. Brennan, req.
Alan and Sharon Janks

10:30 a.m. Richard Sepe, req.

The Griffin Family



Parish Calendar

Sunday, March 17 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
9:00 a.m. Small Group (Seton Room)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)

Monday, March 18 - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 p.m. Small Group (Drexel Room)
7:30 p.m. Pastoral Council (Upper Room)

Tuesday, March 19 - Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
11:00 a.m. Small Group (Narthex)
7:00 p.m. Property Management Meeting (Drexel Room)
7:00 p.m. Small Group (Upper Room)

Wednesday, March 20 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
10:00 a.m. Calendar Meeting (Drexel Room)
10:30 a.m. Small Group (Narthex)
7:00 p.m. Retirement Speaker - 50 + (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Small Group (Upper Room)

Thursday, March 21 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Music/Bells (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Small Group (Upper Room)

Friday, March 22 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper (Church Center)
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church Center)
7:30 p.m. Reconciliation (Reconciliation Room)

Mass Schedule - March 23/24

Saturday	8:30 p.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	David Geerinck
Altar Server	Geerinck/Torczon Family
Ministers of the Eucharist	Donna Torczon
.....	Barbara Martalus, Bob Martalus
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	Allan Piechowski
Altar Server	Stanski Family
Ministers of the Eucharist	Diane Lehnert
.....	Maritza Perez Proano, Gail Battell
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	Jane Albert
Altar Server	D'Avella Family
Gift Bearer	Proano Family
Music Eucharistic Minister	Bob Sobey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Gloia Cucchiara, Mary D'Avella
.....	Ron Pojedinec, Shirley Pojedinec, Sheena Carew

Saturday, March 23 - Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)
6:30 p.m. Property Mgmt Sponsored Coffee (Narthex)

Sunday, March 24 - Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
9:00 a.m. Property Mgmt Sponsored Coffee (Narthex)
9:00 a.m. Small Group (Seton Room)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church)
10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Narthex)
11:30 a.m. Property Mgmt Sponsored Coffee (Narthex)

Are you Prepared?

Join us this Wednesday for an insightful discussion on strategies you can use to Thrive in Retirement in today's economy. March 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the 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: **Percy Davids, Anne Jacobson and Carmen Lina Perez Serrano.**

Deceased: Percy Davids, father of Mauricia Nacamuli, Anne Jacobson, and Carmen Lina Perez Serrano, friends of Cruz 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.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERY

What does the word liturgy mean?

1069 The word "liturgy" originally meant a "public work" or a "service in the name of/on behalf of the people." In Christian tradition it means the participation of the People of God in "the work of God."⁵ Through the liturgy Christ, our redeemer and high priest, continues the work of our redemption in, with, and through his Church.

1070 In the New Testament the word "liturgy" refers not only to the celebration of divine worship but also to the proclamation of the Gospel and to active charity.⁶ In all of these situations it is a question of the service of God and neighbor. In a liturgical celebration the Church is servant in the image of her Lord, the one "*leitourgos*";⁷ she shares in Christ's priesthood (worship), which is both prophetic (proclamation) and kingly (service of charity):

The liturgy then is rightly seen as an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ. It involves the presentation of man's sanctification under the guise of signs perceptible by the senses and its accomplishment in ways appropriate to each of these signs. In its full public worship is performed by the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the Head and his members. From this it follows that every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the priest and of his Body which is the Church, is a sacred action surpassing all others. No other action of the Church can equal its efficacy by the same title and to the same degree.⁸

Liturgy as source of life

1071 As the work of Christ liturgy is also an action of his *Church*. It makes the Church present and manifests her as the visible sign of the communion in Christ between God and men. It engages the faithful in the new life of the community and involves the "conscious, active, and fruitful participation" of everyone.⁹

1072 "The sacred liturgy does not exhaust the entire activity of the Church":¹⁰ it must be preceded by evangelization, faith, and conversion. It can then produce its fruits in the lives of the faithful: new life in the Spirit, involvement in the mission of the Church, and service to her unity.

Prayer and liturgy

1073 The liturgy is also a participation in Christ's own prayer addressed to the Father in the Holy Spirit. In the liturgy, all Christian prayer finds its source and goal. Through the liturgy the inner man is rooted and grounded in "the great love with which [the Father] loved us" in his beloved Son.¹¹ It is the same "marvelous work of God" that is lived and internalized by all prayer, "at all times in the Spirit."¹²

5 Cf. Jn 17:4. 6 Cf. Lk 1:23; Acts 13:2; Rom 15:16, 27; 2 Cor 9:12; Phil 2:14-17, 25, 30. 7 SC Heb 8:2,6. 8 SC 7 z 2-3. 9 SC 11. 10 SC 9. 11 Eph 2:4; 3:1-17. 12 Eph. 6:18.
(To be Continued)



Our bulletin board Lent Honeycomb is growing. But it is not full yet! What are you doing for Lent? Please join us in committing to efforts during our Lenten Journey leading us to Easter Transformation.

PASTOR'S CORNER

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in St. John. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. Among other important ministries, your sacrificial gift supports our renewed efforts in Evangelization & Communication.

If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, March 16/17, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching **100% participation**. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Fr Rick



STEWARDSHIP RESPONSES

Please fill out a stewardship form and if you haven't already done so. You can try a service and let us know if it doesn't work with you.

Number of Parish Families ...301
Parishioner Responses 84

STEWARDSHIP

18 Stewardship forms were returned this week. Please send yours in or stop by the Narthex. Forms are in the Narthex under the mirror – decide one thing you want to participate in and leave the form in the basket.

If you have questions call or email the office for information 832-2513 / sjn@ccsjn.org.

Christian Formation

OPERATION RICE BOWL 2019 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



In Luke's Gospel we read about Jesus being tempted by the devil. Lent provides us with time to reflect on the temptations we face and remember we rely on God for all things. Through our participation in Operation Rice Bowl, we put our faith into action; our prayers and alms help people in need around the world.

This week remember in prayer that all humanity has been made in the image of God and each person is precious. May our fasting keep us mindful of the hunger of the people of the world. May our almsgiving assist CRS to substantially change the lives of the poor.



This year we will be accepting cash donation, that are equivalent to a family meal. These cash donations will be used to support families in need in our community and support St. John Neumann Social Ministry. Prayerfully consider finically helping or donating your time.

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

The students and families enolled in GIFT enjoyed a Mardi Gras celebration for their March formation session. They shared traditional food, made crafts and learned about the history of "Fat Tuesday and the relations to our Catholic roots.

Next GIFT Session is April 7 & 8 2019



Social Ministry



WELCOME

We extend a welcome to two new parish families. The Swiderski's, Joe and Diana and their young daughters Adrianna and Sienna and Mike and Danielle Pennucci have joined the parish. Take a look at the bulletin board and introduce yourself when you see them.

COMMUNITY GARDEN SIGN-UP



Sign-ups for a raised bed in the community garden for the 2019 growing season will take place in the Narthex on April 6 and 7 after all of the weekend Masses. We have 32 beds available--28 traditional 'low' beds and 4 'high' beds for those who have physical limitations. There is no monetary charge to use a bed but each member will be required to contribute 12 service hours of help in the garden. If you have any questions or need more information contact Anne Germino at project-earth@ccsjn.org.

SAMARITAN HOMELESS INTERIM PROGRAM (SHIP'S GALLEY) SOUP KITCHEN

Each month on the 2nd Monday and 4th Thursday from 11:30am-2pm, volunteers from St. John's serve the noon meal at SHIP's Galley Soup Kitchen in Somerville. You can join us in this outreach to the poor and homeless and serve once or as often as your schedule permits. If you are unable to come to the soup kitchen to serve, you can also help by providing casseroles, fruit, salad, soup and other food items. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, contact Anne Germino at projectearth@ccsjn.org.



Time Talent Treasure

At St. John Neumann

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

As we Spring Forward, we can also be a blessing to others this Lenten season and Pay it Forward! We will be working with our host church, Spruce Run Lutheran by hosting those who have no home during the week of March 31-April 7. You can volunteer solo, with family, friends, or involve service groups and there are many ways to help. Please take the time to check out where we need assistance at the following link and sign up to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054eafad22a20-family9>

If you need further information, or would prefer to join in with a more seasoned volunteer, please email Debbie Hunt at dhuntfaml@comcast.net.



VOLUNTEERS FOR CLEANING

We are in need of volunteers to help with church cleaning, once every six weeks. One task is vacuuming and mopping narthex floor, and the other for cleaning bathrooms. Contact the office if you want to see if this could fit into your schedule.

2019 SPRING BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Tuesday Evenings from April 2 through May 14

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 April 2nd. 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 April 2, 9, 16, 30, May 7 and 14.

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 with France Kennedy at the parish office by calling her at 908-832-2513 on or before March 29. 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.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

We are looking for you! Stop and have a snack and a drink with us next weekend. If you think you might be interested in the property or grounds here at St. John's, consider joining this committee. We will be available after the Masses next weekend to answer questions. You can also email propertymanagement@ccsjn.org.



SOUP N STATIONS

Please join us for Soup n Stations each Friday in Lent. Soup Supper starts at 6pm and Stations of the Cross follow at 7pm. Father

Rick will be available for Reconciliation after the Stations.

The following is a list of who will be hosting each week:

- Mar 22 50 Plus/Small Groups
- Mar 29 50 Plus
- Apr 5 Small Groups
- Apr 12 Social Ministry

We could use a few more people to help. Contact the office for whatever Friday you can help.



BLUE MOON CULINARY-CHEF PAT MILLER

Hats off to Chef Pat Miller from Blue Moon Culinary for her past involvement in our fundraising effort (the SJN Tasting). Recently we each took advantage of Pat's donations of a *Valentine's Dine In* at our own homes. While our selections of 4 course meals were exquisite, she "brought to the table" the china/silver, candlelight, flowers and soft music; then cleaned up the kitchen. Beat celebrating at any restaurant.

Blue Moon Culinary is farm to YOUR table, customizing toward the gluten/free grain free, paleo, vegan, low carb and other diets. Don't wait for a blue moon. For any chef or catering, please support chefpat@bluemoonculinary.com (908-281-9222); www.BlueMoonCulinary.com ...by Steve Bauernfeind / Marlene Milko

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (Genesis 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

CONGRATULATIONS



GALLIONE FAMILY

On Sunday, March 3 Father Rick celebrated his first baptism here at St. John's. Father Rick baptized Alexander Jeffrey Gallione into our faith. Parents, Jeanne and Jim and Alexander's sister Angelina Jean (AJ) celebrated with their entire family.

DO YOU HAVE A PLAN FOR LENT?

Grab a book – now you do!

If you don't want to do a small group you can still use the book LIVE LENT on your own journey through Lent. Pick it up in the narthex and leave \$10 for the book. There are short daily reflections to guide you through Lent.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE AT MASS?



If you enjoy when a Eucharist Minister offers you the Chalice with a smile, or been struck by a reader proclaiming the Word, maybe you are being drawn to participate more fully in the Mass and serve others by being a Reader, or a Eucharistic Minister or Altar Server. We all have talents that we can share with others by serving at Mass. Your service can be custom fit to your personal schedule. Please talk to a Liturgical Minister after Mass or contact the office to discuss sjn@ccsjn.org.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Margaret Alligood
 Clara Alvarez
 Gary Anderson
 Andrew Arias
 Miguel Astacio
 Diane Bosack
 Joan Cardierre
 John D'Almeida
 Aiden Day
 Barbara DelPiano
 Denis DeVirteuil
 Sophia DeVita
 Anthony DeVito
 David Fabiano
 Dawn Farley
 Cindy Feighan
 Emma Finnegan
 Debbie Gregorakis
 Joseph Gruszczynski
 Liz Harmon
 Fred Holub
 Stephanie Illtscho
 Michael Kucharski
 Arthur Lanteri
 Bonnie Lieberwirth
 Declan Maloney
 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
 Anthony Sorgi, Jr.
 Patty Galati Stafford
 Margaret Thornsby
 Nicholas Troiano
 Don Velli
 Dana & Greg Wilson
 Jason and Matthew Witkop
 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
 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: "A pretty good kid . . ."

While [Jesus] was praying, his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white.
Luke 9: 28b-36

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!"
Luke 13: 31-35

You'll think it when you're watching your son or daughter play on their school team. You'll see their determination, the skill they have worked so hard to develop that gets better and sharper with every game, and their selflessness to pass the ball or the buck or throw the tough block or hit the sacrifice for the good of the team — and it will hit you. Or you'll realize it when you see your child run to the assistance of someone in need, bend down to help another kid up, or say just the right words to bring peace and healing to a difficult situation.

You may actually **say** it when you're sitting next to the love of your life as your child makes the same promise to the love of their life that the two of you made to each other when you were their age. In that moment, you will see yourselves in them.

You **will** say it amid the joys and tears as you meet your first grandchild. As you caress the child, you will look over at the child's mom and dad — still and always, your child. And you will look at your spouse and say, maybe without using words, "You know, we raised a pretty good kid."

Our lives are filled with such moments of transfiguration: when the love of God bursts forth in our lives; when we are aware and assured that we are loved and cared for and about; when the light of the "holy" illuminates the ordinary and every day, breaking through the clouds of fear and darkness of despair that sometimes engulf us. In the event we have come to call Jesus' "transfiguration," the three disciples actually realize the divinity — the very life and love of God — that exists within the person of Jesus. That "divinity" exists within each one of us, as well, illuminating our perspective with the wisdom of God, inspiring us to embrace Jesus' example of humility and selflessness in service to others, compelling us to realize God's kingdom of justice and peace in this time and place of ours.



50 PLUS CLUB TRIP 'Jesus' at the Sign and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA Tuesday, May 14th

The 50s Plus Club is sponsoring a trip to the Lancaster Sight and Sound Theater to see the play, Jesus, on May 14th. The price of \$155 per person covers the ticket, bus, lunch and gratuities. Send your check (payable to Elaine Tours, LLC) to Shirley Pojedinec (7 Symonds Lane, Glen Gardner, 08826) by March 5 to reserve your seat. On March 6, we will be opening the trip to other groups and parishes. To avoid being put on the waiting list, send your check ASAP. Flyers are available in the narthex. Any questions, contact Shirley at 908-537-6241 or rjsapoje@comcast.net.

AWAKENING NIGHTS HELD AT LOCAL PARISHES



As part of the preparations for consecration to Our Lady of Guadalupe, parishes throughout the diocese will be hosting "Awakening Nights." Parishioners will come together for an evening of prayer, preaching and testimony centered on the apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego in Mexico in 1531 and the miraculous image left on his cloak (tilma). All are invited to attend any of these events beginning at 7 p.m. at the following local parishes:

St. Brigid, Peapack – Tues., March 19th

St. Bernard, Bridgewater - Mon., March 25th (7:30 p.m.)

For a full listing of Awakening Night dates and locations, please visit lightingheartsonfire.org.

Parish and Community News

“ON THE BASIS OF SEX”

God raises up prophets in every time and place, including our own. Director Mimi Leder's new film **On the Basis of Sex** tells the story of one unlikely prophet, Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Justice Ginsburg's road to the U.S. Supreme Court was an uphill climb, but she managed to succeed despite the stifling male culture of the 1950s, 60s and 70s. She was one of only nine women in a class of 500 men at Harvard Law School — and it was made clear to her that her presence was not welcomed. Ruth was smart enough to let her considerable talent and skill speak for her. Ruth went on to complete her law degree at Columbia, graduating first in the class, but was turned down by every major New York law firm because of her gender.

In Ruth's corner, then and forever, is her husband and fellow attorney Marty Ginsburg. The story of their wonderfully supportive marriage is central to the movie. When she and her husband Marty are both students at Harvard, Marty is diagnosed with testicular cancer. Ruth attends his classes as well as her own, taking notes at both sets of classes and typing Marty's papers as he dictates them to her — all while nursing Marty and caring for their baby daughter. Marty recovers and becomes Ruth's champion, encouraging her when her legal career falters and she turns to teaching at Rutgers. Their life together mirrors the loving partnership that Ruth seeks in the law for all women and their families.

While teaching at Rutgers, Ruth looks for a case to take on that might be the start to overturning centuries of statutes unfair to women. Marty hands her just such a case: the person being discriminated against on the basis of sex is a *man*. While Marty has the experience and is the “right” gender to address the court, he insists that Ruth employ her own considerable legal skills and her unequalled understanding of the issue to argue the case.

Ruth's handling of the case is a major victory for the rights of women in the United States. “We're not asking you to change the country,” Ruth argues prophetically before the three-judge panel, “We're asking you to protect the right of the country to change.”

Both Ruth Bader Ginsburg's career and her marriage mirror the call of the prophet: advocating for the victims of injustice in the face of vehement opposition to established special interests and living in the integrity of his or her own life the principles at the heart of such advocacy. May our Lenten observance open our consciences and hearts to recognize the prophets in our “Jeruselems” calling us to realize God's vision of creating “cities of peace,” as well as our own baptismal calls to be “prophets” of God's justice and reconciliation in our own families and communities, in our places of work and prayer.



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



Our daughter was reading about Adam and Eve to her five-year-old son, Sean, from a child's book of Bible Stories. When she came to the part where the Lord asked Adam why he'd eaten the apple and Adam blamed the woman in the garden, Sean exclaimed “Oh, so he was the first tattletale!”



Are you on social media? Your stewardship could be keeping St. John's activities present on the web! Contact the office and find us on Facebook, "St. John Neumann RC Church, Califon NJ"

WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 10, 2019

65 Donors Weekly	\$4,014.00
6 Yellow Brick Road	\$235.00
1 Clergy Retirement	\$100.00
1 Catholic Spirit	\$50.00

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89 Donors Weekly	\$3,469.00
14 Yellow Brick Road	\$777.00
3 Snow/Heat	\$45.00
1 Develop. of Peoples	\$23.00
31 Catholic Relief Service	\$542.00

STORE CARDS



Aqui cards are available with 10% to St. John's:

Thanks to the **11** families who purchased **\$1,470.00** in grocery & store cards for last week, the stores gave us a profit of **\$75.60**.



Don't forget to use our Amazon Link

Whenever ordering from

Amazon. Go to our website ccsjn.org and click on the button on the front page.

Or go to <http://tinyurl.com/lx7c83s>

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., March 20	G. Battell
Wed., March 27	L. Caprio

Store Cards

March 9 and 10

5:30 p.m.....	B. Cestone
8:00 a.m.....	V. Hoffart
10:30 a.m.....	D. Royal

March 16 and 17

5:30 p.m.....	C. Crescenti
8:00 a.m.....	M. Kearns
10:30 a.m.....	H. Quigley

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of March 10	M. Cangelosi
Week of March 17	B. Sobey

Church Center Cleaning

March 14.....	Team E
March 21.....	Team F

Counting

March 11.....	Malone / Kosakowski
March 18.....	Cangelosi / McCabe

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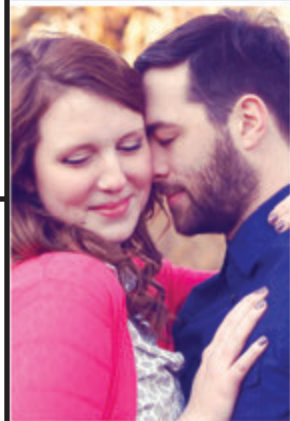
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