

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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Rev. Richard Rusk Pastor

Rev. J. Wm. Mickiewicz . Pastor Emeritus

Earl Roberts Deacon

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Fred Heimall Trustee

Mary Cangelosi Trustee

Church and Office Center:

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PO Box 455, Califon, NJ 07830
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 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, April 2

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, April 3

8:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, April 5

8:00 a.m. Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, April 6

5:30 p.m. Theresa & Louis Eacovalle,
req. Joan and Lou Eacovalle

Sunday, April 7

8:00 a.m. Gregory Prunty, req.
Sharon and Alan Janks

10:30 a.m. Ankit Goyal, req.
Tim Barrow

Mass Schedule - April 6/7

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	David Geerinck Geerinck
Altar Server	Lowary Family
Ministers of the Eucharist	Donna Torczon
.....	Eileen McCabe, Paul Fabiano
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	Kate Knight
Altar Server	Kennedy Family
Ministers of the Eucharist	Bob Martalus
.....	Joe Sima, Bob Martalus
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Rick Rusk
Reader	Gary Porto
Altar Server	Alligood Family
Music Eucharistic Minister	Jane Albert
Ministers of the Eucharist	Ron Pojedinec, Patti Rittman
.....	Shirley Pojedinec, Mary D'Avella, Anthony DeStefano

Parish Calendar

Sunday, March 31 - Fourth Sunday of Lent / Diocesan Clergy Retirement

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
9:00 a.m. Small Group (Seton Room)
10:30 a.m. Mass - Danik Baptism (Church)
11:30 a.m. Discover St. John's (Office Center)

Monday, April 1 - Lenten Weekday

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

Tuesday, April 2 - Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
11:00 a.m. Small Group (Narthex)
7:00 p.m. Bereavement (Drexel Room)
7:00 p.m. Small Group (Neumann Residence Chapel)

Wednesday, April 3 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence Chapel)
10:00 a.m. Staff/Calendar Meeting (Drexel Room)
10:30 a.m. Small Group (Narthex)
6:00 p.m. Deanery Pastoral Council (Narthex)
7:15 p.m. Small Group (Upper Room)

Thursday, April 4 - Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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, April 5 - Sain Vincent Ferrer, Priest

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)

Saturday, April 6 - Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. Women's Spirituality Coffee (Drexel Room)
5:30 p.m. Mass (Church Center)
6:30 p.m. Community Garden Signups (Narthex)

Sunday, April 7 - Fifth Sunday of Lent / Yellow Brick Road Collection

8:00 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
9:00 a.m. Small Group (Seton Room)
9:00 a.m. Community Garden Signups (Narthex)
10:30 a.m. Mass (Church Center)
11:30 a.m. Community Garden Signups (Narthex)
12:00 p.m. GIFT Program (Church and Office Centers)
4:00 p.m. CHWC Meeting (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: **Donna Starita, and Percy Davids.**

Deceased: Donna Starita, niece of Anne Sacco and Cousin of Barbara Pannone and **Percy Davids**, father of Mauricia Nacamuli. 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: A fools awakening

The parable of the prodigal.

Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

In every life there are defining moments when we (finally) grow up. The witty and wise Brian Doyle recalls one such moment in an essay in **The Christian Century** [February 19, 2014].

It was a summer afternoon. His father announced that cousins were coming from Connecticut for dinner the following Sunday to their New York home. Young Brian had plans and made clear his unhappiness at having to change them. His dad said something calm and reasonable; Brian responded rudely. His mother responded quietly but sharply; Brian said something “breath-takingly selfish.” His sister said something gentle and kind; Brian said something cutting and sneering and angry. And in that moment, facing his dad, mom and sister, young Brian “realized I was being a fool.”

The middle-age, more mature and considerably wiser Brian remembers: “It wasn’t that I was embarrassed, though I **was** embarrassed, later. It was more like for a second I saw who I actually was rather than who I **thought** I was, or wanted to be, or wanted other people to think I was. I understood, dimly, for an instant — I believe for the first time in my life — that I was being a fool.

“I kept on being a fool, of course. You cannot escape yourself that quickly, not as a teenager, or later either, it turns out. Often you keep playing a bad hand even when you know it’s a terrible hand and you should laugh and throw down your cards and say something self-deprecating and apologize and tiptoe into the next moment. Often you stay inside the prison of your confidence and ostensible dignity even as you peer through the bars, mortified.

“As I remember I stormed off and the world spun on relentlessly through the stars and the cousins came over and we all grew much older,” he writes. His family moved from their New York house a long time ago. But Brian Doyle imagines that there may be living in their old house, “at this very moment, a seething teenager, sitting at [our old table], facing the yew hedge, seeing a hint of who he might grow up to be, if he can stop being a fool. With all my heart, I wish him well.”

For the young Brian Doyle, that moment of recognition of his selfishness and rudeness is his moment in the “pig sty.” The prodigal (probably no older than Brian) finally realizes how irresponsible and foolish he has been when he’s finally reduced to feeding another man’s pigs. We all have those “pig sty” epiphanies: when we finally face the mess our selfishness, our insensitivity, our dishonesty have made of our lives and the lives of those we love. Lent calls us to embrace God’s grace: grace that enables us to lift ourselves out of the mud of our sins to reconnect again with family and friends, grace that empowers us to jettison our selfishness and deceptions and re-create our broken lives in the healing peace of the Risen Christ.



ST JOHN’S ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 14th after the 10:30 Mass

Join the fun at our Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday after the 10:30 Mass! There will be ‘hidden’ Eggs for ages 1 – 10. Bring your baskets if you have them – but we will have bags available if you forget. Be prepared for weather - dress for outside temperature and wet grass! We have separate hunting grounds to accommodate the ages. Come join the fun!



ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP

May 11th - 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Please consider helping out with some of the necessary cleaning, maintenance and repairs around the Church, Office, Residence and grounds. Windows, Closets, Deck Refinishing, relocating items, yard cleanup, etc. Lunch will be provided. We can use your help for all or any part of the day. Please sign up in

the Narthex, or just show up. If you have any questions, call Sharon in the office 908-832-2513 or sjanks@ccsjn.org.

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Thank you to those who have signed up for our Spring Cleaning on May 11th. Last weekend the Property Management Committee hosted coffees after each. Mass.

New members are always welcome. We are also looking for people to join the Tent Crew and more people to help with the Spring Cleaning. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex for these. Take a pamphlets with member contact information if you have any questions. Or call Sharon in the office.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to Mike Lang for bringing your truck to take care of some of our lighting needs that we can’t reach.
- Thank you Jim Murray for the use of your truck and trailer to pick up some donated furniture for the office.
- Thank you Gail Battell and Linda Caprio for help purging in the office to make a space for Archives.
- Thank you Laurie Slinger for entering the Stewardship information.

STEWARDSHIP

Four stewardship forms were returned this week. Please, Please, Please stop in the narthex and fill out your form and leave it in the basket! If you have questions about Stewardship opportunities email or call the office for information. Sjn@ccsjn.org / 832-2513.

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 96

LET’S NOT FORGET

COLLECTION FOR OUR RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS

The second collection is for the Fund for our Retired Diocesan Priests. This collection is exclusively for the benefit of our 30 retired priests, as well as, our active priests upon their retirement. May your generosity to this collection reflect your gratitude and love for our retired priests who have been dedicated and faithful to their priesthood over the years. Let’s not forget.

Christian Formation

OPERATION RICE BOWL



Fourth Week of Lentencounter Kumba

We encounter Kumba from Sierra Leone, who, through her education, is providing hope for her family and community. How has education given you opportunities in life? How do you use your education for the common good? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

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.

OUR EASTER FOOD DRIVE



Please save the following dates: Food pack up at church April 12, 2019 starting at 5pm before Soup & Stations and Food delivery will take place on April 13, 2019 at 8am.

Donations must be in no later than April 8, 2019. Items required: 9 Large Hams and 16 Small Hams/Cornish Hens, Juice, Coffee, Tissues, Rice, Small Cooking Oil, Apple Sauce/Fruit, Dish Soap, Paper Towels, Hand Soap. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any members of the Social Ministry or send an email to socialministry@ccsjn.org. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

LENT IS A TIME TO GROW CLOSER TO JESUS



Lent is a wonderful season to fast from the negative habits. It is an opportunity to redirect the focus of our faith journey in positive ways that we may grow in holiness. Let's revisit our Lenten resolutions with this perspective in mind.

Take one area of temptation and practice the opposite virtue. For example, if you have negative thoughts about a coworker, stop and consider one good quality this person has and thank God for it. Angry with a family member or friend? Consider praying for that person daily. Jesus wants you to grow in love and holiness and you don't have to do it alone he is always with you. **"Lord help me to grow in holiness and love this Lent."**

A PRAYER FOR FASTING

Joe Paprocki

Loving Father, your Son, Jesus, was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert where he fasted for 40 days and 40 nights. There, he learned to rely on you and not on bread alone.

May the same Holy Spirit guide me as I enter into this experience of fasting.

May this fast remind me of my complete dependence on you and your grace.
May it unite me in solidarity with those who suffer from hunger each and every day and lead me to share what I have with others.

May each grumble of my stomach be a sacramental for me – a reminder of my hunger for you and of how you satisfy that hunger.

May the discipline of fasting help me to grow in patience, humility, generosity, and compassion.

On this day, I offer my fast for the intention of _____.

Be with me now, as I walk away from this meal and, when the time is right, guide me back to this table in good health of mind, body, and spirit, and with increased gratitude for your abundant blessings.

In Jesus' Name. Amen

Social Ministry

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 projectearth@ccsjn.org.

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 dhuntfam1@comcast.net.

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.



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. Please consider Alms Giving for our food pantry as you enjoy the soups and stations. The following is a list of who will be hosting each week:

- Apr 5 Small Groups
- Apr 12 Social Ministry

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. Rose of Lima, Oxford - Wed., April 3rd
For a full listing of Awakening Night dates and locations, please visit lightingheartsonfire.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIPS – 2019

Council #10627 is proud to announce our 6th annual CCSJN Joseph F. Labuta Scholarship Award application to high school seniors of Knights of Columbus brothers or parishioners of the Catholic Community of St. John Neumann. The application can be found on the website, www.kofc10627.org by accessing the drop down menu for COUNCIL ACTIVITIES, then YOUTH ACTIVITIES, then SCHOLARSHIPS, and finally SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. Follow the directions for essay writing as given there and accessing the correct application for committee consideration. The scholarship will be a particularly competitive process for the 2019 award. **ALL SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSIONS are due in the St. Joseph Rectory Office, 59 Main Street, High Bridge, NJ by MAY 1, 2019.**



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"

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 31, 2019

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan."

(Joshua 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.



LIBRARY

We are calling together anyone who would like to help organize a lending library here at church. Please email the office if you are interested in helping with this fun project. We will set up a meeting for the goal, plan, and execution of this wonderful task.



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. We also need someone to vacuum the worship area. Contact the office if you want to see if this could fit into your schedule.

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
 John D'Almeida
 Aiden Day
 Barbara DelPiano
 Denis DeVirteuil
 Sophia DeVita
 Anthony DeVito
 David Fabiano
 Dawn Farley
 Cindy Feighan
 Emma Finnegan
 Joseph Gruszczynski
 Fred Holub
 Stephanie Illetscho
 Michael Kucharski
 Arthur Lanteri
 Bonnie Lieberwirth
 Declan Maloney
 Dick McCall
 Jan McLeavey
 Christine Meyer
 Jon Morris
 Joan & Megan Myers
 Nancy Patterson
 Nilsa Perez Parsons
 John Pfeufer
 Ali Redling
 Earl & Denise Roberts
 Joe Romanger
 Silvia Bursett Romero
 Noah Skinner
 Michael Slivka
 Dick Slusher
 Anthony Sorgi, Jr.
 Patty Galati 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
 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

CONFESSION

Penance, aka confession, is the sacrament of the forgiveness of sin. You can't beat it for convenience. It's available practically whenever. Tell a priest you want to go to confession and you'll get his attention. One bishop I know was cornered on an airplane. Another passenger figured out what was going on and asked if he could confess too. It must have been an interesting game of musical seats. An interesting question for priests might be: Where was the strangest place you ever administered the sacrament of penance? The answers I've gathered include "in a sports bar, at a graduation party" and "on the golf course, walking up the fairway."

Confession has benefits. Here are ten:

- Confidentiality guaranteed. There's nothing like confessing your sins to someone guaranteed not to tell anyone else. Sometimes you need to talk in absolute confidence. Even under subpoena, a priest can't tell anyone what's said to him in confession. He can't even hint at it. Now that's confidentiality.
- Housekeeping for the soul. It feels good to be able to start a clean life all over again. Like going into a sparkling living room in your home, it's nice when clutter is removed- even if it's your own.
- A balm for the desire for revenge. When you have been forgiven you can forgive others. If the perfect Jesus forgives me, who am I to want to avenge the slights in my life. Think: "Why did they promote him over me?" or "Mom played favorites!"
- Los cost therapy. It's free, which makes it cheaper than a psychiatrist for dealing with guilt.
- Forced time to think. Socrates said that the unexamined life is not worth living. To examine our lives and acknowledge failing marks the first step of making things right with God, others and ourselves. Life can be more worth living when you ponder the meaning of your own life.
- Contribution toward world peace. Gaudium et Spes, the Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, said that the imbalances in the world that lead to war and tensions "are linked with that more basic imbalance which is rooted in the heart of man." Peace of soul leads to peace of heart leads to peace beyond oneself.
- A better neighborhood. Confession leaves you feeling good about yourself, thereby cutting back the inclination to road rage and aggressive shopping cart driving. With the grace of the sacrament you're energized to, as Jesus said to the woman caught in adultery, "go and sin no more."
- Realistic self-perception. Confession helps overcome arrogance when you have to admit you're much of a sinner as anyone else. It helps build tolerance for others' perceived shortcomings.
- One more benefit of being Catholic. There are lots of benefits, including a sense of community, liturgical rites to help us encounter God in prayer, and the wonderful sense of humanity exemplified in the saints, from Mary the loving Mother of God, to Augustine, the exasperating son of Monica. The sacrament that leads us to inner peace is amount the greatest boons.
- Closeness to God. Confession helps you realize that you have a close connection to God and receive his grace through the sacraments. What can be better than knowing God's on your team, or, to be less arrogant about it, that you are on God's.

Sr. Mary Ann Walsh

Fr. Rick will be available for confession after the Soup and Stations each Friday in Lent.

Lenten Reconciliation is on Wednesday, April 10th in the Church Center, followed by Individual Reconciliation also being offered by Fr. Rick.



SMILE WITH YOUR FAMILY



Some clever and funny Church Signs (with a hint of truth o them)

- When down in the mouth, remember Jonah. He came out all right.
- Sign broken. Message inside this Sunday.
- It is unlikely there will be a reduction in wages of sin.0
- Come work for the Lord. The work is hard, the hours are long and the pay is low. But the retirement benefits are out of this world..

Parish and Community News

Catholic Community of St. John Neumann
April, 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 7:00 PM Small Group - DR	2 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 11:00 AM Small Group - NX 7:00 PM Small Group - NRC 7:00 PM Bereavement - UR	3 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:00 AM Staff & Calendar Mtg - DR 10:30 AM Small Group - NX 6:00 PM Deaneary Pastoral Council - NX (alternate) 7:15 PM Small Group - UR	4 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM MusicBells - CC 7:30 PM Small Group - UR	5 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 6:00 PM Soup Supper - CC 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross - CC 7:30 PM Reconciliation - RR	6 8:00 AM Women's Spirituality Coffee - DR 5:30 PM Mass - CC 6:30 PM Community Garden Sign Up - NX	
7 YBR Collection 8:00 AM Mass - CC 9:30 AM Small Group - SR 9:30 AM Community Garden Sign Up - NX 10:30 AM Mass - CC 11:30 AM Community Garden Sign Up - NX 12:00 PM GFT Program - CC/OC 4:30 PM CHWC Meeting - CC	8 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 5:00 PM GFT Program - CC/OC 7:00 PM Small Group - DR	9 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 11:00 AM Small Group - NX 7:00 PM Budget Meeting - DR 7:00 PM Small Group - NRC 7:00 PM Bereavement - UR	10 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:30 AM Small Group - NX 7:00 PM Lenten Penance Service followed by individual Confessions CC 7:30 PM Small Group - UR 7:30 PM Stewardship Mtg - RA 7:30 PM Social Ministry Mtg - SR	11 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:00 PM Bull Choir Practice - CC 7:30 PM Small Group - UR	12 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 5:00 PM Foot Pickup - CC 6:00 PM Soup Supper - CC 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross - CC 7:30 PM Reconciliation - RR	
14 Easter Flower Offering Palm/Passion Sunday 8:30 AM Mass - CC 9:30 AM Small Group - SR 10:00 AM Rosary - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy - NX 11:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt - OGS 3:00 PM Joseph & Amazing Technicolor Coat, Lamberville	15 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Property Mgmt Mtg - DR 7:00 PM Bereavement - UR 7:15 PM Bull Choir Practice - CC	16 4:00 PM Divison Mass - Cathedral 7:00 PM Fundraising Mtg - OOK	17 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 3:00 PM Cleaning - CC 6:00 PM Living Stations Practice - DR	18 Holy Thursday Holy Land Collection 6:00 PM Confession/Seal Meal - CC 8:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper - CC 9:00 PM Keeping Vigil - SR	19 Good Friday Holy Land Collection Office Closed at 12 1:00 PM Living Stations of the Cross - OGS 8:00 PM Good Friday Service - CC	
20 Easter Sunday 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC	21 Office Closed 7:00 PM Fundraising Mtg - OOK 7:30 PM Pastoral Council Mtg - UR	22 Office Closed 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:30 AM Chair Yoga - NX	23 Office Closed 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 12:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM MusicBells - CC	24 Office Closed 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM MusicBells - CC	25 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Bereavement - UR	
26 Mother's Day Intentions Spring Gaining Tree Begins 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy - NX	27 Easter Sunday 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC	28 Mother's Day Intentions Spring Gaining Tree Begins 8:00 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Mass - CC 10:30 AM Children's Liturgy - NX	29 Office Closed 7:00 AM Mass - NRC 7:00 PM Bereavement - UR	30 Office Closed 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM MusicBells - CC	31 Office Closed 8:00 AM Mass - NRC 10:00 AM S.H.I.P. - OOK/OK 5:00 PM Cleaning - CC 7:30 PM MusicBells - CC	

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2 Yellow Brick Road\$230.00

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VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Wed., April 3 J. Santoro
Wed., April 10 G. Battell

Store Cards

March 30 and 31

5:30 p.m. L. Livoti
8:00 a.m. P. Nanna
10:30 a.m. Needed

April 6 and 7

5:30 p.m. E. McCabe
8:00 a.m. L. Stanski
10:30 a.m. J. Varcadipane

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of Mar. 31 ... C. Fortenbacker
Week of April 7 C. Fortenbacker

Church Center Cleaning

April 4 Team B
April 11 Team C

Counting

April 1 Cangelosi / Gagen
April 8 Malone / Kosakowski

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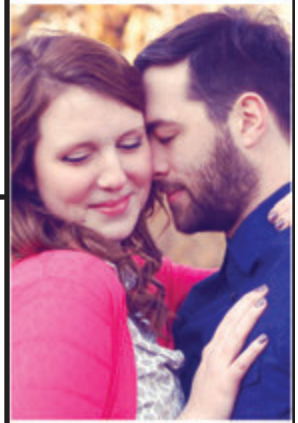
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