

The Parish of St. John Neumann

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The Parish of Saint John Neumann serving the Catholic community in Lower Township by the bay, invites you to share our time, talents, and treasures where miracles DO happen.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil.....	4:00 pm (St. John of God)
	6:00 pm (St. Raymond, May - Sept. only)
Sunday.....	8:00 am (St. Raymond)
	10:00 am (St. John of God)
	12:00 PM in Spanish (St. Raymond)
	7:00 pm in Spanish (St. Raymond)
Monday	7:00 pm in Spanish (St. Raymond)
Thursday	7:00 pm in Spanish (St. Raymond, followed with Adoration)
First Saturday.....	9:00 am (St. Raymond, with Holy Hour following)
Daily, Mon. - Fri.....	9:00 am (St. John of God)
Holy Days.....	9:00 am (St. John of God)
	7:00 pm (St. Raymond)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday, 2:30 - 3:30 pm at St. John of God Church
Every Wednesday prior to 9:00 am Daily Mass at St. John of God
Every Thursday following 9:00 am Mass at St. John of God
First Saturday following 9:00 am at St. Raymond
Confession also available by appointment with a priest at the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents or legal guardians are welcome to call or make an appointment at the office for baptismal preparation. Infant baptism is offered to children aged 7 and younger. The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated either after or during one of the Sunday Masses. Godparents will need an eligibility certificate from their proper pastor.

LETTER OF ELIGIBILITY/SPONSOR CERTIFICATE

Parishioners who need a letter of eligibility or a certificate to stand as a godparent or sponsor must make an appointment with Father King. He can be reached at ext. 307 or james.king@camdendiocese.org.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. John of God Chapel, Town Bank Road
Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm (only if office is open)
Thursday, 7:30 - 8:30 pm St. Raymond Church

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, preparing for surgery, or failing due to advanced age they are welcome to call for a priest for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please call the office for arrangements. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to the homebound. The sick will be remembered in the bulletin for four (4) weeks; longer if requested to continue.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION

After two years of religious education, baptized children receive their First Holy Communion, usually the first weekend in May.

Confirmation is offered for those who have been baptized and received their First Holy Communion after several more years of instruction. Confirmation is usually administered when the young person is in the 8th grade. Please call Sr. Kathleen at the Religious Education office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The future bride or groom may contact the parish office requesting to be married. Marriage preparation usually takes 9-12 months. Please speak to one of the priests to confirm a date and arrange preparations.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

If a man from our parish feels he may be called to the priesthood or diaconate he is invited to speak with Fr. King or Fr. Cesar to explore this calling or call the Office of Vocations: 856-583-2864, or <https://camdenpriest.org>.

Staffed By

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Registration

Any family or individual who is not registered in the parish and wishes to join is welcome to register with us. Please be sure to notify your current parish if you are transferring and request a letter from your current pastor. Please notify the office if you live elsewhere or if you are moving from the parish so that we can assist you. Registration is important for eligibility certificates and parish records.

Ongoing Religious Education

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sr. Kathleen Nuckols, IHM

Grades 1 to 8: Tuesdays at 4:30 - 5:45 pm &
Wednesdays at 6:00 - 7:15 pm at the Parish Life Center, St. Raymond Church

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Please call Sr. Kathleen at the Religious Education 609-886-7460, for more information. You may also contact Father King.

Important Information

Office: 609-884-1656

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St. John Neumann Parish
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2024 A.D.
Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass

ST. JOHN OF GOD CHURCH

Saturday, February 10th

4:00 p.m. † Salvadore Riggi

Sunday, February 11th

10:00 a.m. † Helen McGlinn
† Winifred and William Doherty
† Karen McKelvey
† Salvadore Riggi
† Alexander J. Ernst
† Stewart Chace
* Int. of Margaret Wallace
* Int. of Pat and Mike Stelacio

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

Sunday, February 11th

8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members
of the Parish

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Daily-St. John of God

Monday, February 12th

9:00 a.m. † Maureen Mitchell

Tuesday, February 13th

9:00 a.m. * Int. of Father Cesar Serrano

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

9:00 a.m. † Dan McGranaghan

Thursday, February 15th

9:00 a.m. * Int. of Michael Delaney, Jr.

Friday, February 16th

9:00 a.m. † Zaccagni Family

† Anthony Nicosia

† Elva Hertneck

† indicates Deceased



From Father King

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Glory to Jesus Christ!

This weekend is the Super Bowl and many of you are waiting for Kick-off. However, there is another "kick-off" today: The South Jersey Catholic Ministries Appeal.

By supporting the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, you are supporting those who comprise the programs and ministries of the Diocese of Camden. These ministries serve the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the hungry and challenged.

When we support the *Catholic Ministries Appeal*, we can bring the light of hope to those in the Catholic community of South Jersey. This year's theme: "Through Him and For Him" continues our focus on the nation-wide Eucharist Revival and reminds us that "in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself."

In 2023 we raised \$114,450! That is 105% of our Goal! Our parish has so much to be proud of! In 2024 our goal is the same of \$109,000 to support Catholic ministry in our diocese. I am sure that you will match or exceed your generosity from last year.

God Bless you!

-Fr. King

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR PARISH

Our Future Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 17th

*St. John of God: 4:00 p.m. Gina & Robert Kepp, Frank Del Corio, Jr., John & Katherine Monaghan, Jesse Egan, Kelly McKenna, Geraldine Mascio, Thaddeus Plawa, Margurite & Elmer Poncheri, Ed James, Elva Hertneck, John Aschettino, and Michael Thaddeus Laganella

Sunday, February 18th

*St. Raymond: 8:00 a.m. Alexander J. Ernst

*St. John of God: 10 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

Our Weekly Collection

February 3rd and 4th, 2024

Budgeted Income Needed	\$ 19,445.87
Weekly Bingo Expenses	\$ 512.00
Total Budgeted Expense:	\$ 19,957.87
Offertory	\$ 12,326.32
2nd Offertory	\$ 1,235.00
Candles	\$ 105.00
Bingo Wed.	\$ 2,114.00
Bingo Fri.	\$ 2,717.00
Total Income:	\$ 18,497.32
NET	\$ 1,460.55
Poor Box	\$ 269.00

PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Gerald Bellas, Mary Krupnick Butterline, Mickey Chaga, Kathleen Connor, Linda Cramer, Eileen DeFazio, Richard Druback, Maryann Fortuna, Tom Frisoli, Lou Ginsburg, Robert Harmon, Karson Hudson, Ann Kiska, Peg Lipsett, Chuck Malone, Brian Matthews, Jr., Brian Matthews, Sr., Danny McGeehan, Scott McNeill, Joe Mulcahy, Bernie O'Donnell, Mary Ann O'Sullivan, Rosemary Pearce, Donna Marie Riggi, Sal Salfi, Anna Marie Scavetti, Kay Turney, Robert Van Orden and Bea Weissman.



Scripture Readings for the Week of February 12th

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18, Ps 94:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

Maj. Reed Combs, US Army

Brian Ivers, Jr. USAF

James Matthews, US Army

Tech. Sgt. Matthew T. Martino, USAF

Col. David M. McAlroy, USAF

YN3 Julianna Mendo, USCG

CTR3 Elizabeth Pepper, USN

Lt Col Wade H. Smith, US Army

Ryan M. Sylvester, USAF

Lt Col Ryan P. Wade, USAF

Bring them safely home, Lord



Soup and Sharing

On the Saturdays of Lent at St. John Hall after the Vigil Mass we will be offering a "Soup and Sharing" program. This year's topic will be the 7 Last Words of Christ. Each week one of the priests will offer a reflection and then there will be time for table sharing. We will share a simple meal of soup and bread. We will share and reflect in both English and Spanish.

We invite people to bring a soup to share. We will need at least 4 different soups donated each week (more if we have a good turn out). A sign-up sheet will be available in the Parish office and after Sunday Masses. Please give your name, the type of soup you will be bringing, and a contact phone number. The parish will provide the bread, bowls, utensils, and everything else.

Saturdays, Feb 17 through March 23, 5:30 PM in St. John Parish Hall

If you volunteer to make soup, please bring it in a pot or crockpot to the hall between 3 PM and 4 PM. Soup should already be cooked, just need to heat it up.

Please call the office if you are interested or have any questions.

PARISH ONLINE GIVING –

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Parish Giving made easy!! Use your phone to scan the code to make your donation. Open up your camera. Hold your phone up to the code. A link will appear. Just tap on the link and follow the prompts.

Thank you so much for your generous support of our parish!



Season of Lent:

The penitential days in the Roman Catholic Church are the Fridays of the year and the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

Ash Wednesday: 9:00 AM Mass, St. John of God. 6:00 PM Service, St. Raymond. 7:00 PM Mass St. Raymond (Spanish).





Synod Listening Sessions

Join us for additional listening sessions in the Diocese of Camden for the ongoing work of the Synod

The following session is available in English. A Spanish session will be announced separately.

February 20 2024

Saint Maximilian Kolbe Parish Immaculate Hall

7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

200 Tuckahoe Road, Marmora, NJ

ABOUT THE SYNOD LISTENING SESSIONS

The Holy father wants to hear from everyone about how we are (or are not!) continuing the ongoing work of Christ's mission

*What about the Church brings you joy?

*What are some pathways to a shared responsibility for clergy and laity?

*How has the Church disappointed you?

Use this opportunity to invite someone who feels far from the Church to be included. This is an intentional moment to let them know their experiences matter and are important.

For more information contact: Ann Marie Ours at annmarie.ours@camdendiocese.org
856-583-2904

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If you are interested in joining or for more information, call Richard Sasse at 401-359-2735.

FUN FACT: St John Neumann is the Patron Saint of Mummies!

New Prayer Ministry



We ask for a commitment of one hour one day a week to pray for our priests, Father King and Father Cesar.

They do so much for us, let's see if we can do this for them. Call Pat Stelacio 267-566-5574 for more information.

*Don't put your priest on a pedestal
where he can be knocked off.
Put your priest on a Prayer List where
he can be lifted up.*

Liturgy of the Hours

The Liturgy of the Hours is the prayer of the entire Church. The Liturgical renewal of Vatican II encourages the celebration of Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer in public worship. (from the Preface, Shorter Christian Prayer)

We are praying Morning Prayer in the Adoration Chapel of St. John of God Church on Tuesday mornings at 8 AM. It takes about 15 minutes. Christian Prayer books are available and help for those who are unfamiliar with this form of prayer. One may also download the free app- iBreviary - on a smart phone. Come and join us!

Basketball 4 Heaven

Sunday, February 18th

St. Raymond Hall—Villas, NJ

8:15 a.m.

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February 11: World Day of the Sick

Brothers and sisters, the first form of care needed in any illness is compassionate and loving closeness. To care for the sick thus means above all to care for their relationships, all of them: with God, with others – family members, friends, healthcare workers – , with creation and with themselves. Can this be done? Yes, it can be done and all of us are called to ensure that it happens. Let us look to the icon of the Good Samaritan (cf. Lk 10:25-37), to his ability to slow down and draw near to another person, to the tender love with which he cares for the wounds of a suffering brother.

The sick, the vulnerable and the poor are at the heart of the Church; they must also be at the heart of our human concern and pastoral attention. May we never forget this! And let us commend ourselves to Mary Most Holy, Health of the Sick, that she may intercede for us and help us to be artisans of closeness and fraternal relationships.

-Pope Francis

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 1:40-45

Jesus cured the leper, a man with a skin disease, with a touch of His hand.

Year B

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When the leper was healed, Jesus said, "Don't tell this to anyone." Jesus trusted the man to go quietly to the priest, but instead he ran off telling everyone he was cured. He did NOT keep it a secret (he was very excited). As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly, but stayed in lonely places. Still, people kept coming to Him from everywhere. **Jesus gave the leper new life...**

LENT begins
this week...

Give us New Life, O Lord.

Dear Jesus... I have sinned, I am sorry, let's begin again. Love, _____
your name



SHROVE TUESDAY

also known as... FAT TUESDAY = MARDI GRAS = PANCAKE DAY

It is a tradition to eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. Shrove comes from the word "shrive", meaning to confess, or tell God we are sorry for our sins. Pancakes use up food items that were not permitted during Lent in the Middle Ages - milk, eggs, fat, butter and meat. Lent begins tomorrow - Let's eat pancakes today!



The ashes on my forehead say,
"I have sinned, I am sorry. Please
God, help me change, make me a
new person."

Homemade Pancakes



SIFT	MIX IN
1 1/4 cup flour	1 beaten egg
3 teaspoons baking powder	1 cup milk
2 tablespoons sugar	2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1/2 teaspoon salt	

Cook on greased, hot skillet. Flip when bubbles appear and pop. Makes
8, 4" pancakes — Serving with butter, syrup, fruit or meat is optional.

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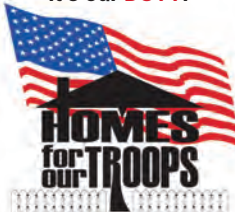
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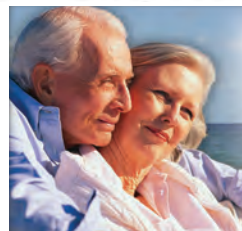
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