

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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Sr. Marie Horstmann, IHM *Spanish Apostolate Assoc.*

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

Convent: 609-886-3663

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Email: stjn-ncm@camdendiocese.org

Website: www.parishofstjohnneumann.org



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St. John Neumann Parish
First Sunday of Lent
2024 A.D.
Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass
ST. JOHN OF GOD CHURCH

Saturday, February 17th

4:00 p.m. † Gina and Robert Kepp
† Frank Del Corio, Jr.
† John and Catherine Monaghan
† Jesse Egan
† Kelly McKenna
† Geraldine Mascio
† Margurite and Elmer Poncheri
† Michael Thaddeus Laganella
† Thaddeus Plawa
† Ed Iames
† Elva Hertneck
† John Aschettino
* Int. of Paul and Linda Hurd
(47th Ann.)

Sunday, February 18th

10:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members
of the Parish

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

Sunday, February 18th

8:00 a.m. † Alexander J. Ernst
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Daily-St. John of God

Monday, February 19th

9:00 a.m. † Joseph Hopko

Tuesday, February 20th

9:00 a.m. † Mary Kane

Wednesday, February 21st

9:00 a.m. † Charles Rowe

Thursday, February 22nd

9:00 a.m. † Kay Gallagher

Friday, February 23rd

Rosary 8 a.m./ Stations 8:20

9:00 a.m. † Elizabeth Mary Pollis
† Margaret Peg O'Donnell
† Dolly O'Donnell
† Margaret Peg Heineman O'Donnell
† Pat O'Donnell
† John Aschettino

† indicates Deceased



From Father King

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Glory to Jesus Christ

We have now entered into the season of Lent. Many of us received ashes on our forehead as a sign of our repentance. But what is "repentance?"

Repentance and Penance come from the same root. They both mean "sorrow for committing sin or for having offended, with the intention of amending one's life; mortification undertaken to make amends for sin." Within here there are two different movements: one is to turn away from sin and one is by turning toward God.

In Judaism there were two remedies for sin: sacrifice and almsgiving. Giving something up to God and giving what we have away to the poor both blot out our sins. Christianity teaches us the same thing: we give things up, dedicate them to God, and give to the poor all in the context of prayer.

What are you undertaking for Lent this year? I recommend having our fasting (giving up), prayer, and almsgiving (giving to the poor) all working together. Are you going to give up time or an activity to be of greater service to others? Will you give up tv/phone time to pray and be available to family? Will you skip a meal once or twice a week and give the money you would have spent to the St. Vincent de Paul Society or SJ Catholic Ministry Campaign? All of these are good options. There are many more.

May the Holy Spirit Guide us this Lenten Season.

God Bless you,

-Fr. King

Believe 

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR PARISH

Our Future Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 24th

*St. John of God: 4:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

Sunday, February 25th

*St. Raymond: 8:00 a.m. Charles D. McGlinn, Ed James, Pauline Turse, Margaret Peg Heine-man O'Donnell, Alexander Ernst, Pat O'Donnell and Richards Family

*St. John of God: 10 a. m. Salvador Riggi

Our Weekly Collection

February 10th and 11th, 2024

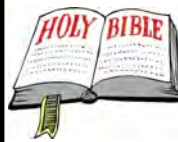
Budgeted Income Needed	\$ 19,445.87
Weekly Bingo Expenses	\$ 512.00
Total Budgeted Expense:	\$ 19,957.87
Offertory	\$ 11,590.63
2nd Offertory	\$ 1,215.00
Candles	\$ 113.00
Bingo Wed.	\$ 1,905.00
Bingo Fri.	\$ 2,437.00
Total Income:	\$ 17,260.63
NET	\$ 2,697.24
Poor Box	\$ 306.00

PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Gerald Bellas, Mary



Krupnick Butterline, Maryanne Carmody, Kathleen Connor, Linda Cramer, Eileen DeFazio, Richard

Druback, Maryann Fortuna, Robert Harmon, Karson Hudson, Peg Lipsett, Chuck Malone, Brian Matthews, Jr., Brian Matthews, Sr., Danny McGeehan, Scott McNeill, Dorothy Mormello, Joe Mulcahy, Bernie O'Donnell, 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 19th

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-19; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:3-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5: 20-26

PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

Maj. Reed Combs, US Army

Brian Ivers, Jr. USAF

Tech. Sgt. Matthew T. Martino, USAF

James Matthews, US Army

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*



Parish Hosts and Wine

In Celebration of
Paul and Linda Hurd
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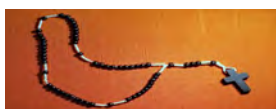
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Lay Dominicans

Join the Lay Dominicans for Morning Prayer (Liturgy of the Hours) every 4th Sunday of the month. The next meeting is February 25th at 9 a.m. in the Adoration Chapel at St. John of God Church. Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage 2024...please pick up a card in the vestibules of both churches. Visit our web site: rosarypilgrimage.org



PRAY FOR OUR HOMEBOUND: Robert Balbirer,



Kathleen Bellas, Gloria Cromley, Patricia Dimino, John Dooley, Marie Eagan, Barbara English, Mary Kennedy, Maryann MacFarlane, Myla Mancici, Anne McFadden, Margaret McIrvin, Richard Murphy, Eleanor Myers, Ana Sarandoulis, and Paul Smargiassi.

Soup, Scripture, and Sharing



On the Saturdays of Lent at St. John of God 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 of 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 of God 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- 609-884-1656, Ext 302.



Silent Retreat

Friday, March 1 at 4:00 p.m. to
Sunday, March 3 at 1:00 p.m.

What will I do on a retreat? Which is right for me?

Private: Take the time for silence and immerse yourself in prayerful dialogue with God. Spend time in chapel, take walks in a beautiful setting, read scripture, and simply have a conversation with God. Most importantly, take the time to listen for God's voice within you!

Directed: All of the above, plus meet daily with a trained spiritual director who can help you plan your prayer time and discern how God is speaking with you! Limited to 10 participants.

**\$200 Private
\$240 Directed
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The Wow and Woe

of the PSALMS



The Psalms provide timely, timeless prayer-poems that spring from the raw material that we call human life! This retreat will provide some clues and cues for understanding, appreciating and praying the Psalms this Lent and beyond!

Presented by:

Sr. Sheila Galligan IHM

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 \$60 per person*
8:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

*You may opt to stay overnight on Tuesday evening, March 5 for an additional \$95.

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2024 APPEAL: "THROUGH HIM AND FOR HIM"

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."

Through the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we support those in need throughout the six counties of the Diocese of Camden.

YOUR GIFT TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL PROVIDES:

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Your generosity provides services through Catholic Charities offices in each county of South Jersey. VITALity's Hospital Chaplaincy is able to provide spiritual and emotional support to patients, their families and staff through your donations. Together, we offer support to the weak, vulnerable, and disenfranchised.

EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION

Lay leadership training, intercultural ministries, ministry with the deaf and persons with disabilities, marriage enrichment, adult faith formation, liturgical catechesis and other evangelization efforts, along with your gifts, kindle the fire of faith into a bright beacon for all to see.

YOUTH, YOUNG ADULT AND CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Your donation enables programs like Summer in the City, Catholic Scouting, Theology on Tap, college campus ministries and Newman Centers, and support for a growing number of parish-based Youth Ministry programs and many more activities to build community and prepare our youth and young adults for the mission that God has chosen for them.

VOCATIONS, SEMINARIAN & PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION, CARE OF PRIESTS

Your support ensures that pastors and clergy continue to bring the light of Jesus into the world. Through prayers and support, we currently have seminarians studying for the priesthood in the Diocese of Camden.

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INCENTIVES FOR PARISH INITIATIVES

When our parish collects its goal amount, up to 10% is returned to our parish for our local charitable needs. Additionally, 75% of all funds received above our parish goal will also be returned to our parish to foster our charitable and ministerial work.

**We invite all parishioners to participate in this important effort.
During Catholic Ministries Appeal Weekend, please make your sacrificial gift to help continue
the mission of the Church here in the Diocese of Camden!**



We invite all seniors to join us on Tuesday, February 20 from 1-2 pm in St. John of God Parish Hall for a special two-part VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services presentation. VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services is the healthcare ministry of the Diocese of

Camden. Speakers will share VITALity's compassionate care programs and resources freely offered to all seniors, persons with disabilities and their caregivers, and how to access these services. Part two of the presentation, Heart Healthy Tips, will provide you with 10 key ways to keep your heart healthy and symptoms not to ignore in honor of American Heart Month.



Gospel Today
First Sunday of Lent | Mark 1:12-15
 The Spirit sent Jesus to the desert for 40 days where He prayed and fasted and angels took care of Him.

Year B

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Like Jesus, we too will spend 40 days praying and fasting.



Give us New Life, O Lord.

My plan for Lent, one week at a time...

This week I will pray for _____

This week I will give up/do without _____

This week I will do this act of love/good deed _____

(Sundays optional)

LET'S MAKE PRETZELS

INGREDIENTS

1 package dry yeast
 1 1/2 cups warm water
 1 tsp. sugar
 1/2 tsp. salt
 4 cups flour
 Kosher salt
 Water to hold salt on

Latin - Bracellae "Little arms", the original Lenten bread dating back to the 4th century.

Place yeast, sugar & warm water in a large bowl and let stand. Add flour & salt, mix well and knead to form smooth ball.

Divide into 12 pieces and roll each into a "rope" about 10-12 inches long. Form into a pretzel and place on baking sheet, brush with water and sprinkle with kosher salt. Let rise slightly and bake at 425° about 12-15 minutes.



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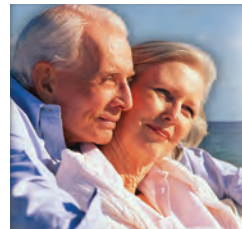
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