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.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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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

Convent: 609-886-3663

Fax: 609-898-0673

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Email: stjn-ncm@camdendiocese.org

Website: www.parishofstjohnneumann.org

St. John Neumann Parish Second Sunday of Lent 2024 A.D.

Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass ST. JOHN OF GOD CHURCH

Saturday, February 24th

4:00 p.m. Living and Deceased Members

of the Parish

Sunday, February 25th

10:00 a.m. † Salvadore Riggi

ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

Sunday, February 25th

8:00 a.m. † Charles D. McGlinn

† Ed Iames

† Pauline Turse

† Margaret Peg Heineman O'Donnell

† Alexander Ernst † Pat O'Donnell

* Int. of Rickards Family

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<u>Daily-St. John of God</u> <u>Monday, February 26th</u>

9:00 a.m. * Int. of the Grandparents Society

Tuesday, February 27th

9:00 a.m. † Ed Iames

Wednesday, February 28th

9:00 a.m. † Robert Anderson

Thursday, February 29th

9:00 a.m. † Stewart Chace

Friday, March 1st

ROSARY:8:00 a.m./ STATIONS: 8:20

9:00 a.m.

† Al LoMonaco

† Elva Hertneck

† Margaret Dougherty

Christ Child Tribute and Memo-

rial Honorees

† indicates Deceased

FIRST SATURDAY

March 2nd

ST. RAYMOND:

9:00 a.m.

* For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life in our parish







From Father King

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Glory to Jesus Christ!

On this second Sunday of Lent we hear the beautiful story of the Transfiguration. This event of our Lord's life strengthened his closest apostles, Peter, James, and John, for the long road to Calvary. Recalling the Transfiguration during the second week of Lent is supposed to strengthen us as well for our journey to celebrate the Paschal Mystery.

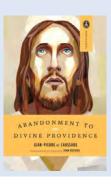
What are you doing this Lent for spiritual strength? Is there a spiritual book or practice that has helped you in the past that you have now gotten away from? Recently I reread Father Jean-Pierre de Caussade's classic Abandonment to Divine Providence. This classic of 18th Century spirituality continues to be relevant to our lives today. (It is available as a free .pdf document online). What books or practices have you gotten away from?

Sometimes to return to something that has helped us before is a way to get back on track if our prayer lives are not where we would like them. Sometimes it is a way to dive deeper into something we already know.

Whether you return to the familiar or try something new, remember to take extra time for prayer this Lent. It will help us to grow closer to our Lord on His way.

God Bless you,

-Fr. King



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR PARISH

Our Future Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 2nd

*St. John of God: 4:00 p.m. Ed Iames Sunday, March 3rd

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

*St. John of God: 10 a. m. Chet Czescik, Sal Riggi, Elizabeth M. Foley, Romona Zambito, Bibiano Paggao, Louis Porto and family, Joanna Piraino and Tom & Helen Harbora

Our Weekly Collection

February 17th and 18th, 2024

Budgeted Income Needed \$ 19,445.87 Weekly Bingo Expenses 512.00 Total Budgeted Expense: \$ 19,957.87 Offertory \$ 10,689.64 2nd Offertory 1,551.00 \$ Candles 106.00 Bingo Wed. 1,764.00 Bingo Fri. \$ 2,395.00 Total Income: \$ 16,506.14 **NET** 3,451.73 Poor Box 335.00 \$ 3,766.00 Ash Wednesday

Next week, March 9th and 10th, there will be a special collection for Catholic Relief Services, (formerly the Bishop's Annual Overseas Appeal). Your continued generosity is appreciated.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Mary Krupnick But-

terline, 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, Mary Ann O'Sullivan, Rosemary Pearce, Donna Marie Riggi, Sal Salfi, Anna Marie Scavetti, Rikki Teeples, and Kay Turney,



Scripture Readings for the Week of February 26th

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13;

Lk 6:36-38

<u>Tuesday</u>: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16c-17,

21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31: 5-6, 14-16;

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;

Ps 105;16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

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



HELP NEEDED!!

Come support your parish by volunteering to help at Friday night Bingo, a major fund raiser. We need help in selling bingo cards, pulltabs, kitchen and calling back numbers. Contact Stanley Markiewicz at 609-425-4660 for more information.



"LENTEN SACRAFICES"



Our food drive is coming up very soon. Bags will be handed out at all Masses on March 2nd, 3rd, 9th and 10th. Bags filled with non-perishable food items to be brought in and placed on the altars by you (ushers available

to help if requested). The food gets distributed to Catholic Charities and Holy Redeemer. Be sure to check the expiration dates!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Pope John Paul II said "I place much of my hope for the future of marriage in Worldwide Marriage Encounter". Worldwide Marriage Encounter is being supported by Bishop Sullivan for support of Catholic married couples. Please put this in your church bulletin on Sunday:

MARRIED COUPLES: It's spring training time. Play ball with

your spouse and sign up to hit a home run at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are Mar 15-17 and Sep 20-22, 2024. Questions? Need more information? Call our application couple at 609-741-8012 or email applications@wwmesouthjersey.org Visit our website wwme-southjersey.org

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



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 Sarandoulias, and Paul Smargiassi.





God will provide the lamb for the offering



An invitation to unity **April 8th—15th, 2024**

Calling all men:

We are having a Silent Directed Retreat offered for men at St. Joseph by the Sea, Sea Isle City, NJ. Please go to www.ssjphila.org; then click on Spirituality and then go to Retreats for more information. Please join us!



The Catholic Grandparents' ministry builds a community of support for grandparents and equips them with tools to bring their families closer to

Christ. Our next meeting will take place on **Monday**, **February 26th at 9:45 AM**, this is after the 9 AM daily Mass. We are pleased to announce that Sr Kathleen Nuckols will be our speaker and will present on the topic of "Talking to Your Grandchild About Lent". Our meeting will take place in the large conference room in the Parish Office. We look forward to seeing you there!

For more information about the Catholic Grandparents Association, visit https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org. If you would like to attend this session or have any questions, please contact Mary Kay Dunne at 610-724-6535 or dunne 2219@gmail.com.

Soup, Scripture, and Sharing Please join us and bring your bible!

This Saturday, February 24th through Saturday,



March 23rd, at St. John of God Hall after the Vigil Mass, we will be offering a "Soup, Scripture, 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.

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 join us!!

Please call the office if you are interested or have any questions- 609-884-1656, Ext 302.



<u>Catholic Charities</u> "ASK" for March

Canned Soup, Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Applesauce,
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The New Jersey Catholic Conference and South Jersey Catholic Schools are seeking your support for an increase



for two important school services – transportation and school nursing – in the upcoming New Jersey state budget.

The New Jersey Catholic Conference has created an action alert through their Voter Voice System that will go directly to Governor Murphy's office.

Please fill out the action alert and make your voice heard from Catholic school students!

Scan the QR code below to fill out the action alert today!







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.

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Villa Maria by the Sea Retreat Center 101 111th Street, Stone Harbor, NJ 08247 Register by February 23 at www.VMbytheSea.com or call 609-964-7700.



Gospel Today

Second Sunday of Lent | Mark 9:2-10

Peter, James & John went up the mountain with Jesus, and saw Elijah and Moses, who lived long ago, appear with Jesus in a blinding, dazzling light.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is My Son, whom I love. Listen to Him." Mark 9:7



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)	

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



Peter	Elijah
James	Moses
John	Appeared
Jesus	Cloud
Mountain	Voice
Transfigured	Listen
Dazzling	Love

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