

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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PALM SUNDAY

2024 A.D.

Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass

ST. JOHN OF GOD CHURCH

Saturday, March 23rd

4:00 p.m. † Michael Thaddeus Laganella

Sunday, March 24th

10:00 a.m. † Alice Stuhl

† David A. Dunbar

† Bibiano Paggao

† Gary Rudy

† William Miller

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Members of the Lay Dominican
Order

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ST. RAYMOND CHURCH

Sunday, March 24th

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

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**DAILY-ST. JOHN OF GOD CHURCH**

**Monday, March 25th**

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

**Tuesday, March 26th**

**9:00 a.m.** † Helen McGlinn

**Wednesday, March 27th**

**9:00 a.m.** † Ed Iames

**HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH**

**9:00 a.m.** **Morning Prayer**

**7:00 p.m.** Living and Deceased Members  
of the Parish

**GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH**

**9:00 a.m.** **Morning Prayer**

**12:00 Noon** Stations of the Cross

**3:00 p.m.** Passion of the Lord

† indicates Deceased



**From Father King**

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**Glory to Jesus Christ**

I have been blessed to be able to visit Jerusalem and the Holy Land four times in my life. This time of year as we commemorate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord I am always reminded of the landscape, the geography, and the places, connected with our Lord. I was recently speaking with Fr. Cesar about this. We both remarked that Holy Week changes forever once one has made pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This year, more than the places, I am thinking about the people, the Christian people who still live there. Christians make up just under 2% of the population of Israel, Palestine, Gaza, and Jordan. Most have family ties that go back 2000 years.

This year, as we begin to celebrate with our Lord's entrance into the Holy City on Palm Sunday, I ask you to be mindful of all the Christians who still live in the Holy Land. They are suffering greatly since the beginning of the Israel-Hamas war this past October. Many of the Holy Land Christians make their living through the Church. All of this is supported by donations and tourism. Since October there has been few to no tourists nor pilgrims supporting their economy. Please pray for a swift end to the brutal conflict.

On Good Friday we will take up two collections. The First Collection is for the maintenance of the Catholic Shrines in Israel and Palestine (Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, etc.). This helps the Franciscan Friars who do so much good. The second collection will be for the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). They do SO MUCH good in helping those in the Middle East and other Eastern Churches. You can check them out at [cnewa.org/](http://cnewa.org/). I thank you in advance for your prayers and generosity.

God Bless you. Blessed Holy Week.

**-Fr. King**



# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND OUR PARISH

## Our Future Mass Intentions

### Holy Saturday, March 30th

\*St. John of God: 7:30 p.m. Vigil Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

### Easter Sunday, March 31

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

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

## *Our Weekly Collection*

### March 16th and 17th, 2024

|                                                                             |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Budgeted Income Needed                                                      | \$ 19,445.87 |
| Weekly Bingo Expenses                                                       | \$ 512.00    |
| Total Budgeted Expense:                                                     | \$ 19,957.87 |
| Offertory                                                                   | \$ 15,249.08 |
| 2nd Offertory                                                               | \$ 1,405.00  |
| Candles                                                                     | \$ 244.00    |
| Bingo Wed.                                                                  | \$ 1,978.00  |
| Bingo Fri.                                                                  | \$ 4,041.00  |
| Total Income:                                                               | \$ 22,917.08 |
| NET                                                                         | \$ 2,959.21  |
| Poor Box                                                                    | \$ 399.00    |
| SJCM                                                                        | \$ 88,349.00 |
| We have reached 81.1% of our goal of \$109.00.                              |              |
| If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider doing so! God bless you! |              |

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Felicia Affatato, Maryanne Carmody, Kathleen Connor, Linda Cramer, Eileen DeFazio, James Donnelly, Sr., Maryann Fortuna, Tom Frisoli, Bill Lennox, Peg Lipsett, Barbara Mahon, Brian Matthews, Jr.,

Brian Matthews, Sr., Danny McGeehan, Scott McNeill, Dorothy Mormello, Joe Mulcahy, Bernie O'Donnell, Mary Ann O'Sullivan, Donna Marie Riggi, Sal Salfi, Armand Savino, Anna Marie Scavetti, and Rikki Teeples,

*Those on our sick list remain for 4 weeks unless notified by family to keep their loved one on.*



## Scripture Readings for the Week of March 25th

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14;

Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17;

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21bcd-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9;

Jn 18:1-19:42

## **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

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*Bring them safely home, Lord*



**Masses and Services for Holy Week:**  
**March 24th—March 31st**

**Palm Sunday:** (March 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>) Normal Mass Schedule.

Procession (weather permitting) and Blessing of Palms at each Mass.

All English Liturgies for Holy Week and Triduum  
will take place at St. John of God Church.

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:**

9:00 A.M. Morning Mass St. John of God

**Holy Thursday:**

9:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Hours, Confessions following.

7:00 P.M. Mass of the Lord's Supper with Washing of the Feet  
- Adoration following Mass

10:00 P.M. Night Prayer

**Good Friday:**

9:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Hours

12 Noon Stations of the Cross

3:00 P.M. Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

**Holy Saturday:**

9:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Hours

9:45 A.M. Blessing of Easter Baskets in vestibule

7:30 P.M. Solemn Paschal Vigil with Baptisms

**Easter Sunday:**

8:00 A.M. Mass of Resurrection (St. Raymond)

10:00 A.M. Mass of Resurrection (St. John of God)

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**Other events during Holy Week**  
**St. John of God**

**Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

10 A.M. meeting for all ministers serving during Holy week

**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>:**

**Holy Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>:**

**Good Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Evening, time TBD: decorate church  
stripping of the altar in silence after Mass

Noon, Stations of the Cross

6:00 P.M. the movie *The Passion of the Christ* (2004)

**Holy Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>**

9:45 A.M. Blessing of Easter Baskets in vestibule  
10:00 A.M. Decorating Church

### Day of Reflection for Lectors

Perhaps you were unable to attend the retreat/recertification session that was held in our parish. If so, this is another opportunity for you! Please give serious consideration to attending if you have not been recertified.

Our Lady of Peace  
32 Carroll Ave., Williamstown  
Saturday, April 20th from 8 am to noon.

The morning will have Mass, Adoration, Benediction, Renewal and Reflection, lead by Michael Bedics, Director of Worship and Christian Initiation for the Diocese of Camden.

RSVP to:  
[annmarie.ours@camdendiocese.org](mailto:annmarie.ours@camdendiocese.org)

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*-Father King*

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### Christ Child Society



The Christ Society will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses on April 6 and 7 at both churches for \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00. Winners do not have to be present at the drawing on April 21 to win, and all profits help children with basic needs.

**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.





### St. John of God Hosts

In Memory of Alfred and Anne  
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### Parish Wine

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Requested by Diane



### St. Raymond Hosts

In Memory of  
Helen Garlonske

Requested by  
Kathy and Frank

## *Divine Mercy Sunday* *Confession, Chaplet, and Holy Mass*

Sunday April 7, 2024  
Maris Stella Church, Avalon

*Jesus, I trust in You*



*Jesus, I trust in You*

*Jesus, I trust in You*

1:15 to 2:30 pm, Confessions—

Please come early! Confessions end promptly at 2:30 pm.

2:30 to 2:55 pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00 pm Holy Mass

**MASS FULFILLS SUNDAY OBLIGATION**

*Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy*





On Easter Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup> this book, *The Beautiful Eucharist*, will be distributed at all Masses, here in our parish and at parishes throughout our nation. It is free, an easy read, and written by a diverse group from regular folks to Bishop Sheen, all concerning their experience with the Eucharist. We are asking (pleading actually!) for you to read this book.

Surveys have revealed anywhere from only 1/3 to 2/3 of those who are Catholic believe that (1374) “in the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist ‘the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity’ of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, ***the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained.***” We believe this as true Catholics, and it is only here in our Faith that you find the true Eucharist and the grace that comes from the Eucharistic reception. It would be impossible to believe in the Eucharist, and then leave the Catholic Faith for another. And yet the number of ex-Catholics is staggering.

For many of us, we watch sadly as family, sons, daughters, sisters, brothers and so forth, leave the Church for another. There is no more fervent and worthy wish than to stand before God someday with your family beside you. Nothing in this world comes close to that wish but tragically, the loss of Faith has stricken so many families. This book is not in itself going to reverse that, but a start, simply a seed to be planted in the minds of those who have fallen asleep in the Faith.

Please take one book per family, read it, discuss it within your family, and then pass it on to someone else who needs a Faith refresher. **Become the spiritual lifeguard that your family needs.** In addition, in the back of Church will be boxes for questions on the Eucharist. Think hard, formulate a comment or a question and place it in the box. Use the box-ask a question!

*God Bless you and your family.*

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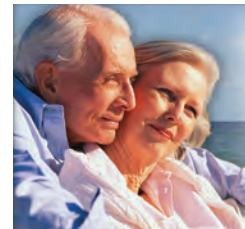
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