IN THE SPIRIT @ St. John Neumann Parish

February 19, 2012

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We are a Catholic faith community called by God to give living witness to the gospel through encouraging an open, loving and caring environment. We strive to accomplish this by sharing in prayerful, and joyous worship, respecting individuals and serving their needs.



LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK!

ASH WEDNESDAY
LITURGIES:

9:00AM

12:00PM

7:00PM



"Your sins are forgiven."

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS Week of 2/11 & 12, 2012

Sunday Envelopes Loose Offerings Sunday Direct Deposit Facility Maintenance Debt Reduction Christmas Misc Income Total Income	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	17.50 501.00 0.00
Budgeted Expenses		25,556.07
YTD Income (7/1/11/-2/12/12) YTD Expenses (7/1/11-2/1212)		903,636.72 343,350.31
No. Sunday Envelopes Issued No. Sunday Envelopes Used No. Sunday Direct Deposits		2,905 609 50

Changing Lives Together prayer group invites you to join us for

Saturday morning 9:00 AM Mass followed by Rosary.

Masses will be take place each Saturday between Jan 28, 2012 and March 3, 2012.

Changing Lives Together prayer group invites you to join us for Eucharistic Adoration following 9:00am Mass on Friday Feb. 24, 2012 and concluding with Benediction at 6:30pm.

"Jesus waits for your visit!"

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

"By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures." -Proverbs 24:3-4



ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE
All Saints is a fully accredited regional preschool though grade 8.
Please contact the school for a personal tour.



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IT'S MY OPINION AND I HAVE ONE! rrichards@stjohnneumann.us

Hello to you all!

Over the past couple of weeks you have heard both Fr. Mark and Deacon Pat give homilies on stewardship. And this weekend you saw a DVD from me speaking to you about the *Changing Lives Together* program. In conjunction with the DVD and those two homilies, I wanted to address stewardship in my article today.

As we consider stewardship in our lives we need to look at why and what that means. By the mere virtue of our baptism we are all called to be good stewards. Baptism is an invitation from God to BUILD God's Kingdom. This is a mission that is meant to be active, not passive!

Stewardship is A WAY OF LIFE!

When Jesus saw the widow putting her "two pennies" in the Temple treasury, He told His disciples, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living" (Mk. 12:43-44). And that is what God expects from us.

God gave us life and the gift of eternal life. He created us for Himself, and He wants our total person (cf. Mt. 19:16-24). How we use the resources in our control expresses our gift of self to God. In short, God doesn't want our resources, He wants us.

Stewardship does not mean giving generous gifts from our possessions. Stewardship means that we recognize God owns it all. We have been entrusted with the goods of the earth, yet we own nothing. How can we give what we do not own? Rather, we must make those resources we do not need available to others.

We have an obligation to provide for ourselves and our families and to maintain a way of life that respects our own dignity as persons (cf. Catechism, no. 2404). Yet we must recognize that many of us have opportunities and resources at our disposal that other people will never have. The following is a true story that illustrates the principles of Christian stewardship.

A young man was driving home from work and saw an older, poor man on the side of the road. He offered the poor man his lunch, and also offered to take him several miles to a truck stop where he could get a ride. While driving him to the truck stop, the young man suggested that it was getting close to dinnertime, and invited the older traveler home for dinner.

During the meal, the younger man and his family enjoyed conversation with the older man, and learned that he was an itinerant farmer on his way west to help with a walnut harvest. As it was getting late, the couple suggested that the traveler should stay for the night. They gave up their room, complete with attached bath, for the night. When the traveler protested, the couple pointed out that the young children would awaken during the night, and it would be better if the couple slept on the couch so the older man would not be disturbed. After dinner, the wife washed the man's clothes while he enjoyed sitting on the porch with a cool drink. Early the next morning, the wife prepared a hearty breakfast and packaged a good portion of food for him, and her husband drove him to the truck stop to help him find a ride. Before parting, the young man offered the poor man all the money in his wallet, which was less than \$20.00. The traveler refused the money with the words, "You have given me more than anyone has ever given me in this life. You have given me my dignity as a human being."

Stewardship Prayer:

My church is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am.
Its pews will be filled,
if I help fill them.
It will do great work,
if I work.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite them and bring them.

It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a Church with noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these many things.

Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task Of being all the things that I want my church to be.

Peace

Fr Ron Richards

FAITH WORKS

GENE KIJEK



SPIRITUAL MATH FOR LENT

"THE 40 DAYS OF LENT" has always been more of a metaphor than a literal count. Over the course of history the season of preparation for Easter Sunday has ranged from one day (in the first century) to 44 (today in the Roman church). Officially since

1970, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sunset on Holy Thursday.

Already at the Council of Nicea in 325 the bishops spoke of the quadragesima paschae (Latin for "40 days before Easter") as the well-established custom. At that time Lent began on the sixth Sunday before Easter and ended at dusk on Holy Thursday—40 days. But the council also forbade fasting, kneeling, and any other acts of sorrow and penance on Sundays, even in Lent. So only 34 of the 40 days were for fasting.

Since Jesus fasted and prayed for 40 days after his Baptism, Christians in the fifth century wanted literally 40 days of penance before Easter. The first step was to add Good Friday and Holy Saturday, the "paschal fast," to make 36 fasting days.

The second step occurred over the course of the next few centuries in Rome. In addition to baptizing new Christians at Easter, the practice of welcoming back on Holy Thursday those who were baptized but who had committed serious sins became popular. Just as those to be baptized entered into final and intense preparation during Lent, those to be reconciled were expected to do likewise. But the first day of Lent—a Sunday—was already full, with Eucharist, a penitential procession through the city, and the rite of election for those to be baptized.

So those to be reconciled on Holy Thursday gathered on the Wednesday before the first Sunday of Lent. Wednesday (along with Friday) was already a day of fasting throughout the year, so it was appropriate to gather the penitents on that day. Borrowing a sacred sign from the scriptures, the bishop sprinkled ashes on the heads of the penitents, which they wore (without washing) until Holy Thursday as a sign of their sorrow.

This sacred sign was so attractive that even those who were not in a state of serious sin began to ask for ashes on the Wednesday before Lent. By the 11th century the pope recommended to all the bishops that ashes be distributed to anyone who sought them on that day, which became, of course, Ash Wednesday.

Here then, were four more days of fasting and penance: Ash Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the first Sunday of Lent, bringing the total to 40. So today, while the season of Lent (Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday) is technically 44 days, the number of days for penance and fasting before Easter is still 40: 44 days minus 6 Sundays equals 38, plus Good Friday and Holy Saturday equals 40.

PLAN YOUR LENTEN FAST:

Fast from worry; fast for trusting God. Fast from complaining; fast for appreciation. Fast from negatives; fast for affirmatives.

Fast from hostility; fast for tenderness.

Fast from unrelenting pressures; fast for unceasing prayer. Fast from judging others; fast for Christ dwelling in them. Fast from fear of illness; fast for the healing power of God. Fast from words that pollute; fast for speech that purifies.

Fast from discontent; fast for gratitude.

Fast from anger; fast for patience.

Fast from personal anxiety; fast for the fullness of truth.

Fast from pessimism; fast for optimism.

Fast from bitterness; fast for forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; fast for compassion for others.

Fast from discouragement; fast for hope.

Fast from suspicion; fast for truth.

Fast from lethargy and apathy; fast for enthusiasm.

Fast from facts that depress; fast for truths that uplift.

Fast from gossip; fast for purposeful silence.

Fast from problems that overwhelm; fast for prayer that sustains. Fast from thoughts that weaken; fast for promises that inspire. Fast from apparent darkness; fast for the reality of light.

7TH ORDINARY TIME / PENANCE AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN





Bible Study Coming in Lent

"Jesus' Last Week: Our Holy Week"

with Sr. Mary Joel Zobro, RSM Begins Feb.29

DID YOU BRING SOMEONE TO LITURGY WITH YOU TODAY?

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Living Stations of the Cross Return to the Cathedral

This Lenten season, the Living Stations return to the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Detroit for 36 performances running March 16 -April 1, 2012.

More than 11,000 people attended the 2011 performances. Group rates available on select dates & times. Weekday matinee shows are ideal for school field trips and other ministry groups.

"When people are brought to the foot of the cross to experience Jesus' final hours in this way, it becomes a personal and profound encounter with our Savior."

Purchase tickets by calling (800) 585-3737 or visiting www.livingstations.org. The Cathedral is at Woodward Ave., between Chicago Boulevard and the Davison.



What exactly is Grief Support? It is an opportunity to talk about your loss, to express your grief, ask questions, and Stecovery receive support through your grieving

process. It is for people who have lost someone special in their lives. All are welcome regardless of church affiliation.

FOR AN APPOINTMENT: 1st and 3rd Thursday mornings at 10:00am, please call Dee O'Flynn at 734-453-0829.

2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm, please call Cindy Pronze at 734-416-9914.

For special programs for children and teens, please call Regina Adams for an appointment at 313-268-6951.



Peter said to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you" (Mark 1:37). Are you searching for Jesus in the right places? Is He calling you to live your life as a consecrated religious sister, brother or priest?



Contact Rick at rcucchi@stjohnneumann.us

Cucchi's Corner



This weekend at the Preparation of the gifts we are singing my favorite hymn- or at least one of my favorites! ... You are Mine by David Haas. No matter where you go when you hear a Catholic parish sing this hymn-without fail they belt this one out. I guess it is because the words are so meaningful and the melody is so nice & easy to sing. Here is some information about David Hass off the GIA publishers website:

David Haas resides in Eagan, Minnesota, where he is director of The Emmaus Center for Music, Prayer and Ministry and serves as campus minister / artist-inresidence at Benilde-St. Margaret's High School in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, where he also teaches in the theology and music departments. Highly regarded as one of the preeminent liturgical music composers in the English-speaking world, he has produced more than 45 collections of original music. His liturgical works are sung and prayed throughout the world and appear in hymnals of many Christian denominations and in many languages.

A native of Bridgeport, Michigan, and the Diocese of Saginaw, Michigan, David is a 1975 graduate of Bridgeport High School and studied vocal music performance, piano, and conducting at Central Michigan University. He completed his studies in music performance, liturgy, and theology at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul. Presently an active member of St. Cecilia Church in St. Paul, he formerly served as director of music and liturgy at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Ankeny, Iowa and The Church of St. Thomas Aquinas in St. Paul Park, Minnesota as well as being composer-in-residence at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Minneapolis. From 1985-1988 he was an adjunct instructor and composer-in-residence at the St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity in St. Paul, during which time he was very active internationally in writing, composing, and presenting workshops and seminars on the implementation of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. During these years, David was part of what is commonly referred to as the "Minnesota School" in collaboration with two of his colleagues, Michael Joncas and Marty Haugen, in producing some of the most popular and effective music for the Church's worship that has appeared in the days following the Second Vatican Council.



FAITH FORMATION

FAITH UNWRAPPED | MARCH 2ND-7TH

BY DONNA FRANKE

Say What? Belonging Offer! Thanks! Rite Words Say What? Say What? Say What? Say What? Say What?

THIS WEEK:

Mid-winter break— No classes

Next Week

Fifteenth Week of Class February 27, 28, 29

Personal Safety Education Sessions during Weekly Classes February 27, 28, 29

1st & 2nd Graders with parent

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SAY WHAT? OFFER! THANKS

A Faith UNwrapped about the Eucharistic Prayer

We are looking forward to our March Faith UNwrapped which will begin on March 2nd.

Earlier this month we had our Faith UN-wrapped series for February. It was entitled SAY WHAT? RITE WORDS. We compared the rituals of the liturgy including the rite words to our participation in other rituals, such as our attendance at a college football game or other sporting event or even a Birthday party. Fr. Riccardo of Our Lady of Good Counsel makes this comparison and omments that when people attend a college football game they "throw themselves into it..they stand up, they sit down, they scream, they raise their hands they do the wave. They get it!"

We reflected on this comparison and asked the question, "Do we get it when we come to liturgy?" We talked about how the "rite words" at Mass include acclamations, like "Lord have mercy... Christ have mercy... Alleluia! An acclamation is a loud eager expression of praise or agreement. The "rite words" also include prayer, dialogue, and affirmations.

If you missed this session of FaithUnwrapped you can find the Take Home Gift in the gathering area. The Take Home includes some great reflections on the topic. This year's Faith UNwrapped sessions are all aimed at helping us deepen our

Mass. The hope is to inspire all of us to "throw ourselves into it," this celebration of the Creator of the Universe who gives us the chance to start over and over everyday!

understanding and experience of the

FAITH FORMATION EVENTS:

<u>Midwinter Break</u>—No Weekly classes or FUN February 20, 21, 22

Fifteenth Week of Class
February 27, 28, 29
Personal Safety Education
sessions continue

PERSONAL SAFETY EDUCATION DURING WEEKLY CLASSES

Providing personal safety education to our children is a concern of upmost priority for the Catholic Church as well as our society in general. For this reason all religious education students must receive training every year. Our plan for this year is to provide personal safety education during your child's weekly religious education session. Because of the importance of a parent's presence for this type of session, it is obligatory that one parent attends these sessions with their children. In order to make this feasible, we have planned to provide the sessions for various age groups on different weeks during the second half of our Religious Education season. It is important that you attend Religious Ed weekly class with your child during the week(s) that personal safety education is being provided for your child (children).

Please note the schedule below:

1st & 2nd grade: Feb. 27, 28, 29 3rd & 4th grade March 12, 13, 14 5th & 6th grade March 19, 20, 21 7th & 8th grade April 16, 17, 18

QUESTIONS: 734-455-5986





Greetings and Salutations,

Some of the Confirmation Candidates gathered this past Monday evening to decorate and donate a soup bowl for the upcoming Soup Supper/ Auction on Sunday, April 1st. How this works is the Confirmation Class is hosting a Soup Supper after Mass on April 1, 2012. We will serve 3 soups, bread, lemonade, coffee, and a yummy dessert. We invite the Parishioners to come and enjoy some soup and also invite you to bid on one of the lovely bowls created by our Confirmandi. This is a silent auction. There will be bid sheets by each bowl. We are putting together a flier and will have all the details explained in the coming weeks. So today, we ask you to mark your calendars for April 1st! Wahoo!

The following is a thank you note to Our 2012 Confirmation Candidates...

Dear 8th grade Confirmation Candidates,

I would like to personally thank each one of you for your help in making the 27 of the 77 blankets that were delivered to the kids staying at the Wayne County Family Center the week before Christmas. Your donation of fleece and your time spent making the blankets really helped get this project completed before the holidays. Good Luck and God Bless you as you continue to work on your journey toward your Confirmation.

Sincerely, Michele McElroy

In closing, the following is a poem by a preschool teacher. I read it in my travels this week. I liked it so much I wanted to share it with all of you. I think it says a lot not only to preschoolers but to all of us... The poem is called **Crayons**...

WE COULD LEARN A LOT FROM CRAYONS: SOME ARE SHARP, SOME ARE DULL, SOME ARE PRETTY, SOME HAVE WEIRD NAMES; ALL ARE DIFFERENT COLORS... BUT ... THEY ALL EXIST NICELY IN THE SAME BOX.

Have a great week everyone!

Peace, Love, and Prayers, Sabrina

Mark My Words

Contact Fr. Mark at mprill@stjohnneumann.us



As I write this article, the 7th and 8th grade girls' basketball team has just played in their last game. I cannot tell you the result as I write the article, but I know the girls played hard. It was a successful year because Mike Meagher (the other coach) and I saw the girls improve throughout the whole year. We could not be prouder. We have taught the girls, like in life, to bring , 100% of the time, the value of working together, and how to play the game. Also with a priest as a coach, our faith worked its way in as well.

I am proud of the 8th graders who played this year and provided the leadership for this team. They are Erin Dame, Julia Laflair, Gabby Stephens, and Ify Njubigbo. They will be missed as they go on to high school. Next year's team looks solid as well. We have 8 players returning next year and I am convinced we can win a lot of games next year. For this year they worked hard and I can't wait to coach them again next year. They are Kristin Mihalic, Sam Mattern, Kayla Molenda, Makayla Helmer, Kelsey Postler, Chi Chi Njubigbo, Maddie Caswell, and Bella Wingate. I am proud of all of them.

I have always said that basketball or any sport, teaches us a lot about life. The ups and downs we face in the game, the struggle at times, and the drive to overcome obstacles are similar to what we face in life. All the teams learned about that this year and how we need to take them head on with Christ. If you have any children between the grades 5th-8th, this is the place to play sports. You learn the skills to help play in high school and how to learn to be a well rounded person.

Now there is one more basketball game and everyone in the parish is invited. It is at 7:30pm February 24th @ Sacred Heart Seminary. This is the annual Priest vs. Seminarian Basketball Game. In this game, I will be leading the priests against the seminarians. This game is a lot of fun and great way to support vocations. You never know what priests will show up and you can meet the priests of the future. Come on out and enjoy the fun. The seminary address is 2701 Chicago Blvd, Detroit, MI 48206. See you there!!!

Also on February 24th, we will be having our first Soup Supper at 6pm, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm. We still need volunteers for all the Soup Suppers. Please see the signup board.

God Bless you all through the Lenten Season.



"We, the youth of St. John Neumann, strive to be Christ to others.

By reaching out and welcoming all teens, We hope to foster a unique and open environment In which we promote the morals and teachings of the Catholic church. "



HIGH SCHOOL WITH MARY WILKERSON

Last weekend, SJN teens had the privilege of attending the CYO Rainbow Conference. The Conference had dynamic speakers, 1500 Catholic youth and enough fun to go around. We also celebrated Liturgy with Archbishop Vigneron. At the end of Mass, he told us that he 'looks forward to spending eternity with us in heaven'. What a great thought to have. In addition, the keynote Steve Angrisano reminded us of so many important things. He spoke at length about allowing God to come into our lives, and that there is no such thing as coincidences, but rather, God is daily engaging with us daily. What an awesome reminder to us all!

This week is mid-winter break so there will be NO high school youth group on Wednesday. We will miss seeing all of our faces, but I know everyone is looking forward to a break from school.

SJN Youth Ministry, for Lent this year, has issued a unique Facebook challenge. We are going to be asking each of our teens to write ONE positive thing on someone else's wall every single day of Lent. Would you like to join us on this quest to spread joy on the internet during this Holy Season? We would love it if you did!

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ST. LEO'S SOUP KITCHEN

This Thursday, February 23rd, SJN will be preparing and serving lunch at St. Leo's If



you are interested in joining us please be in the Gathering Area at 8:15am. Our car pool will leave at 8:30am

BULLETIN ARTICLE DEADLINES

If you have an article you would like in the bulletin, please submit it to Liz at lhorka@stjohnneumann.us or drop off in the Parish office. All articles must be submitted at least 10



days prior to the date of the publication. Every attempt will be made to honor all requests, however, the paper is now smaller in size so there could occasionally be a space issue.

If you have any questions, please contact the front office.

STUDENT AID FORM 2012-2013

Archdiocese of Detroit Tuition Assistance Program

Forms are available in the Parish Office

Forms must be postmarked by April 9, 2012



UPCOMING WEDDINGS

Karen Daniels and John Becker The wood food collection bins and the containers for hearing aids & eye glasses have been moved to the small hallway just right of where they originally were.

Thanks so much for your donations.

They are greatly appreciated.



If your phone number has changed, or if you have gone to using only a cell phone, please contact the Parish Office with your new number.

It is extremely important that we have current information.









Archbishop's Pastoral Letter, Parish Alignments Shared

Archbishop Allen Vigneron's pastoral letter on *Together in Faith*, *Phase Two* has been mailed to all Catholic households in the Archdiocese of Detroit. "Forward in Hope to Share Christ" addresses the life of the Church in the Detroit archdiocese. "We cannot simply continue without significant changes," the archbishop writes.

Accompanying the pastoral letter will be Archbishop Vigneron's decisions on parish alignments, informed by recommendations from lay leaders, the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council, and consultations with others including pastors and the auxiliary bishops.

Plans specific to our parish and vicariate, in context with the seven mission priorities of *Together in Faith*, have been included in the mailing. Details for every parish in the archdiocese are scheduled to be posted Monday, February 20, on the archdiocese website at www.aodonline.org/TogetherInFaith.

For questions regarding your parish or local vicariate, email <u>TogetherIn-Faith@aod.org</u> or call (313) 237-5971.



St. Thomas a'Becket Church is hosting a fundraiser for St. Patrick's Church Food Pantry on Saturday, March 10, 2012, beginning at 5:30 pm.



A Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner will be served at 6:30. Irish Entertainment will be provided by Kish Celtic Band and O'Hare Irish Dancers. The evening will also include 50/50 raffles, a tin can raffle and an Irish trivia contest. Child care is available during the party.

Tickets are \$20 (in advance or \$25 at the door) and are available by stopping by the St. Thomas a'Becket Church office or by calling 734-981-1333.



Feb 22

This event is co-sponsored by the AOH Ryan Division and LAOH Fagan Division.



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2012 Lent/Easter Schedule Ash Wednesday 9:00am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

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Wednesdays in L	ent Individual Recon	ciliation	6:00 -7:30pm
Feb 24 Feb 24	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Mar 2 – 7	Faith UNwrapped about	the Euchar	ristic Prayer
Mar 2 Mar 2	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Mar 9 Mar 9	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Mar 16 Mar 16	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Mar 23 Mar 23	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Mar 24 Parish	Concert: REQUIEM IN D MI	NOR	7:00pm
Mar 26	Communal Reconciliation	1	7:00pm
Mar 30 Mar 30	Soup & Bread Supper Stations of the Cross		6:00pm 7:00pm
Apr 5	Mass of the Lord's Supper		7:00pm
Apr 6 Apr 6	Stations of the Cross Lord's Passion		2:00pm 1:00pm
Apr 7	Food Blessing		1:00pm
Apr 7	Easter Vigil		8:00pm
Apr 8	Easter	8:30am,	10:30am, 12:30am

Join us in preparing for the great gift of our Salvation through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 19

Liturgy: 8:30AM; 10:30AM; 12:30PM; 5:30pm

Monday, February 20 9:00am Liturgy 7:30pm OA Tuesday, February 21 9:00am Liturgy

7:30pm Christian Service Meeting

7:30pm Baptism Prep Class

Wednesday, February 22

ASH WEDNESDAY—self imposition of ashes between Masses

9:00am Liturg₁y

9:30am **Blood Pressure Check**

10:15am Bible Study 12:00PM Liturgy 6:30pm Rosary 7:00pm Liturgy

Families Anonymous 7:30pm

8:00pm Thursday, February 23 9:00am Liturgy

Women's Bible Study 10:00am

7:00pm Chorale Women's AA 7:30pm

Friday, February 24 9:00am Liturgy

6:00pm Soup & Bread Supper

Adoration 6:30pm 7:00pm Stations Saturday, February 25 9:00am Liturgy 4:30pm Liturgy Sunday, February 26

Liturgy: 8:30AM; 10:30AM; 12:30PM; 5:30pm



Monday, February 20 James 3:13-18

Mark 9:14-29

James 4:1-10 Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 22 **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians

Luke 5:27-32

Matthew 6:1-6,16-18

Thursday, February 23

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25

Friday, February 24

Tuesday, February 21

Isaiah 58:1-9a Matthew 9:14-15 Saturday, February 25 Isaiah 58:9b-14

Sunday, February 26, 2012 First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:12-15



Monday, February 20, 9:00 a.m.

Harry Apap (Tony & Sylvia Saliba)

Barbara Briggs (Family) Natalie Salazar (Family)

Tuesday, February 21, 9:00 a.m.

Jim Prendergast (Dianne Daly)

Wednesday, February 22, 9:00 a.m.

I Patrick Andrews (Family) James Andrews (Family) | Harry Apap (Carrie Saliba)

Eleanor Nowak 1st Ann. (Elizabeth & Dale Peruch)

Manuel Pardy (M/M James Boomis)

Eva Salazar (Salazar Family)

Special Intention (Linda Morehead)

February 22, 12:00pm Suzanne Frick (Family) I February 22, 7:00pm Jean Frick (Family)

Int. Stephanie Tierney (Family)

Thursday, February 23, 9:00 a.m.

Int. Helen & Cas Lacki (Friends) Friday, February 24, 9:00 a.m.

Int. Tom Tipi (Friends)

Saturday, February 25, 4:30 p.m.

Louis Engels (Linda Morehead)

I Florence Frame (Bill Kessler)

Irma Lindner (Family) | Elizabeth Rizak (Family)

8:30 a.m.

SJN Parish Family (Family)

l 10:30 a.m.

Frank Bellino (Mary Bellino)

Mary Knight (Barbara Frawley)

Fr. Edward Sobczak(Bob & Mary Ann Victor)

I Emily Sobczak (Bob & Mary Ann Victor)

12:30 p.m.

Alice Bender (Lawrence Bender) Joseph & Clara D'Aiuto (Family)

Mary Ellen Winowicki (Carlomusto Family)

5:30 p.m.

Int. of the Youth of St. John Neumann Parish

ANNIVERSARIES OF DECEASED PARISHIONERS

1	February 19	Agnes Charboneau (1981) Hannah Borgna (1983) Rose Ann Quinn (2008)
r L	February 20	Russell Carroll (1989) Richard Stachura(1997)
0		Ronald Demps (2011)
0 v 1 N g	February 21	Donald Gottschalk (2000)
1		Joseph Murphy (2000) Charles Vescoso (2001)
N		Sophie Grodzki (2008)
9	February 22	James Lynn (1992)
R	-	Katica Prutki (1993) Roger Stanley (1996)
\mathcal{E}		Celeste Verbos (1998)
М		Genevieve Jakubus (2011)
E M	February 23	Charles Dunn (1980)
B		Patrick Andrews (1988) Grace Thompson (1992)
R		Bill Zajac (1994)
A		Edwin Rudzinski (1995) Joyce Siterlet (2007)
N C		Filomena Corridore (2008)
Œ	February 24	Lorraine spiegel (1994) Richard Molyneaux (2002) Aaron Perry (2011)
#	February 25	Charle Girodano (1995) Toni Ann Lewis (1995)

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Andrew Adams Lisa McMaster Carol Ahren Norm Mientkiewicz Don Andison Lindsay Miller Richard Bargowski Don Mills Kenneth Birecki Sr. Jill Murinas Tommy Bohn Mary Murray Lisa Bowman Justin Paffenroth Larry Place Rick Cigile Michael Cruse James Polcyn Mario David John Predmesky Marie Davis Dan Prichard Ronald Dellamielleure Jerome Radtke Joshua Thomas Retherford Diane Flowers Patricia Goonis Cheri Sasena Delmar Schindler Mary Gracilla Henry "Hank" Granowicz George Shea **Ruth Gregor** Lillianna Shull Nancy Gregory **Beverly Smith Bob Grenier** Jean Smolar Krystal Guzman Shelly Sokolowski Linda Harms Patricia Solodon Rebecca Horton Tom Tipi Paul Immel Jennifer VanHorn-Bargowski Adnan Kendah Nicholas Womac Jodi Klucevik William Womac Georgene Ziemba Lisa Kozakowski Robert Lewandowski Harriet Ziemba Jesse Lindlbauer Kevin Zuchnik



Please pray for Parishioners and Family Members Serving in the Armed Forces

Ellen Lindner

SSgt Leonard Adams 1st Lt David Anderson SSgt Lawrence Anderson LtCol Dave Bares Col Robert Benning Capt James R. Bernthal Capt Geno Berta LCpl Devin A. Boersma SSgt Eric Brooks LTJG Jennifer Brooks Cpl Rebecca Brooks LCpl Justin Butler PO3 Christopher Bykowski SSgt Kevin Carnev E₃ Toni Colon Capt Sean Conlen Sgt James A. Cooper RDML Kevin Donegan E2 Joseph Dziuban E2 Mark Dziuban Capt Erin Jensen Foley Capt Justin Foley

PFC Lucas Hankins Capt Eric Hettinga Sgt Jessica Hladky Maj Carrie Howe HTFN Richard Hoyer Sgt Michael Jacobs PFC Daniella C. Jara Lt Jason Jarvis Maj David Jesurun Sgt Ryan A. Johnson LtCol Robert Kaminski LtCmdr Sherry Kaminski Capt Jeff Kelly Capt Kristin Yampaglia Kelly LCpl Anthony Kennard Col David Kennedy Pvt Virgil Klein 1st Lt Roman Kocherovsky Lt Natalie Ann Korona Pvt Anthony Lanzon Capt Matthew T. Lacki Col. Robert Lukens

Capt David McGraw Sgt Marc P. Maziarz SpF Christian Mejia Sgt Carson Middlebrook SPC Denis Montilla SSgt Michael J. Moomaw Dwayne Naugle PFC Erik Nelsen Maj Brian Nicosia Pvt James Oaks Carl Park, SFC Keith Pawenski Sgt Alex A. Polka SGM Joseph A. Polka Sgt Michael Potrzebowski Capt Mark Rausch Maj Jason Redlin

Sgt Christopher M. Rudzinski

Lt Col Michael C. Rudzinski

2nd Lt Dan Russo

E₂ Shawn Lyons

Grant MacDonald

Capt Tyrus Scott SPC Guy Schlachter Maj Jason Schuerger Capt Shannon Schuerger Justin James Sams LtCol David Sebuck Sgt Martin Smith 2nd Lt Dennis Speck Sgt Joseph Spinicchia Sara Marie Taylor E₃ John Theisen PFC Shaun G. Towler Sgt Christopher Wiacek 1st Lt Amanda Witt Sgt Alex White SSgt Robert L. Woods 2nd Lt. Daniel M. York Capt Drew Ziolkowski Cmdr John F. Zrembski



Finding Your Next Job God's Way

If you are unemployed, considering a career change, or realize it is finally time to learn how to optimize your career, the *Careers Through Faith* ministry is offering a one-day workshop on Saturday, February 25th at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, Saline, MI.

Careers Through Faith (CTF) is a non-profit, Christian faith-based organization that presents career webinars, workshops and presentations.

When: Saturday, February 25th, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Location: St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church,

910 Austin Dr, Saline, MI 48176

Facilitator: Nick Synko, Professional Career Coach

Cost: \$79, includes participant guide and lunch

To Learn More or to Register:

Go to CareersThroughFaith.org or call Cathy at 734-332-8800 x 228

Yoga with Lauren Burtell

Begins Tuesday, February 28th for four consecutive Tuesday.

The 1st class will begin at 10am and run for 75 minutes (11:15).

Bring a yoga mat and a water bottle. (Optional—towel, blanket, or pillow)

Cost is \$28.00 for the week session. (percentage of the proceeds goes to SJN)



On The Road With Young At Heart...

Join us as we venture off to Four Winds Casino in New Buffalo, Mi. (with stops at Firekeepers casino in both directions on Thursday & Friday, March 15th & 16th.

Your casino trip includes, roundtrip transportation from St. John Neumann's, \$100.00 in Casino incentives, and a hotel stay with hot breakfast, all for one low price of \$109.00 per person.

Flyers and booking forms are available in the Gathering Area.

Also watch for our up coming trip to Ceasars ,Windsor in April. For only \$10.00 per person you get two trips. one on Tuesday, April 10th and again on Monday, April 23rd. The bus will depart St. John Neumann at 12pm and return at approximately 7:30pm.

For reservations please call Jim or Mary Ann Stager at 734-459-2565 or John or Liz Neault at 734-737-9953.



Four million Americans are afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease. Do you have a parent, spouse, or loved one affected by this dreaded disease? Need facts or an understanding ear to listen? Facilitator Rosemarie Shim, social worker and parishioner, has 14 years experience working with Alzheimer patients and their families. The Alzheimer's Support group meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 16th.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Rosemarie at 734-981-0556.



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday—Friday 9:00am Saturdays 4:30pm Sundays

8:30, 10:30, 12:30 & 5:30pm Reconciliations are on Saturdays at 3:30pm or by appointment