IN THE SPIRIT @ St. John Neumann Parish

March 3, 2013

THIRD SUNDAY
OF LENT

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.

This Friday

Soup & Bread Supper 6:00 - 6:50pm Stations of the Cross 7:00pm



I have come to rescue my People.

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS Week of February 23 & 24, 2013

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 14,960.90
Loose Offering	\$ 3,037.98
Sunday Direct Deposit	\$ 1 ,692.50
Facility Maintenance	\$ 105.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 50.00
Misc Income	\$ 455.70
Total Income	\$ 20,302.08
Budgeted Expenses	\$ 27,079.65
YTD Actual Income (7/1/12- 2/24/13)	\$ 916,639.31
YTD Budgeted Income (7/1/12-2/24/13)	\$ 951,765.45
No. Sunday Envelopes Issued	2,772
No. Sunday Envelopes Used	583

On-line giving is now available. Visit our website or contact Jan Jacobs, Business Manager at janjacobs82153@hotmail.comfor more information

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday in the Chapel from 9:30am until 6:30pm



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday & Friday 9:00am
Saturdays 4:30pm
Sundays
8:30, 10:30, 12:30

Reconciliations are on Saturdays at 3:30pm or by appointment

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.

IT'S MY OPINION AND I HAVE ONE!

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Hello all I hope your lent is going well as we are nearing the halfway point. Can you believe it? Seems

like it was only yesterday that it was Ash Wednesday. As you have probably noticed, I have been very focused on prayer throughout this Lent and I so appreciate all of you for taking that goal on with me. Even if the quiet prior to mass is difficult for you, I appreciate your willingness to allow for this. I understand that being quiet can be such a difficult thing to do. For me, it is exceptionally tough as my mind races all the time. I have found throughout my life that when I do sit quietly with God, even when "forced" to do so, a peace comes about in my life that day, that just would not have occurred had the prayer time not happened.

The Catholic Church defines prayer in this way: "the raising of one's mind and heart to God or requesting of goods from God." When we think of prayer this way, I think we all can realize that to receive a gift from God we need to be prepared to do so, or we miss the gift. So spending time with God in the still makes us more open to see what graces God bestows upon us in our lives.

So thank you for joining me in this journey. This helps me to be stronger in my own personal prayer.

As you head off from mass today, I ask you keep these thoughts with you:

What is your thirst that cannot be guenched?

Is your hope for an answer found in a physical thing or activity?

Compare dying of thirst in the desert with dying of thirst in a culture overrun with entertainment and diversions – which is worse?

Is the "water" of John 4 the grace that God gives through a sacrament? Are you a sacrament for others?"

How are you able to die to self for another?

"Jesus became a sacrament for me, the cause of my salvation, he brought my time in hell to an end, and put a stop to my inner disintegration. He washed me patiently in the waters of salvation, He filled me with the exhilarating joy of the Holy Spirit in confirmation, he nourished me with the bread of his word. Above all, he forgave me, he forgot everything, he did not even wish me to remember my past self."

(Carlo Carretto, In Search of the Beyond)

Peace

Fr. Ron Richards



The First International Dinner was a GREAT SUCCESS! Thank you to all the great cooks who shared some of their country's food with us. We also had a chance to learn about their cultures. We had 14 cooks and 12 different nationalities were represented.





Cucchi's Corner

Our SJN Chorale is combining with the choir of St. Mary's of Wayne for 2 performances of the Magnificat by John Rutter. The first performance will be over at St. Mary's of Wayne on Saturday, March 9th at 7pm. The second performance will be here at SJN on Saturday, March 16th at 7pm. Both performances will have full orchestra!

Magnificat was first performed on May 26, 1990 in Carnegie Hall, New York, by Maria Alsatti (soprano), the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra, and participating choirs in a MidAmerica Productions concert conducted by the composer.

Mark your calendars & plan to come hear this magnificent work!

Rick Cucchi

Director of Music Ministries

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LENT SOUP AND BREAD SUPPERS and STATIONS of the CROSS

The three traditional practices during Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. One of the Lenten events that St. John Neumann has offered for a number of years is Friday Soup and Bread Suppers followed by Stations of the Cross. Supper starts at 6:00 PM and runs until we run out of soup or until about 6:50ish. The soups are meat free with a side of bread provided and a beverage. Then there is the option to move to church for Stations of the Cross. At the supper a donation that would be equivalent to what you would spend on a meal for your family is accepted. **Donations go directly to our St. Vincent De Paul ministry**. Stations start at 7:00 PM. Your family is invited to one or both parts of the evening.

There are plenty of opportunities to go beyond just savoring the fine soups that are provided every week. In the gathering area there is a sign up board over the credenza. The following are the various opportunities you and your family can participate in.

COORDINATOR: This individual / family / group supervises the kitchen preparations and the evening activities. They need to be available from 4:45 PM until clean up is completed. A list of who has signed up will be provided. Making a reminder call to those who have signed up during the week before the supper is helpful to make certain the evening goes smooth. Training and a walk through the kitchen for the team/individual will be provided. Dates open for this are March 8 and March 15. Please contact Marshall Grazioli at mgraz5@yahoo.com or 734-981-6778 if interested.

SOUP PROVIDER: Please make or purchase 6-9 quarts of meatless soup. You may use a meat base like beef or chicken, as long as there are no chunks of meat. In the soup section they do sell vegetable soup stock and soup base. If we are warming, please get it to the kitchen by 5:15 PM; if you are bringing it hot, bring it by 5:45 PM.

Possible soups: Vegetarian Chili, Cabbage, Cream of Broccoli, Mushroom, Corn Chowder, Seafood, Vegetable, Seafood Chowder or your favorite.

BREAD PROVIDER: Please make or purchase One Large Loaf or it's equivalent (about 20 slices). Bring it to the kitchen during the day on Friday by 5:15 PM. Suggestions: Dinner Rolls, Whole Wheat, Rye or other Grain, French or Italian.

SET UP CREW: Need to be available from 5:00 PM until 6:00 PM. This team of folks will be responsible for covering and setting the tables, getting out the soup bowls, napkins and silverware, setting up the butter, peanut butter, jelly and bread area, making coffee and tea water, cutting up bread and warming soups as necessary. Setting soup out.

SERVING CREW: Need to be available from 5:45 until 7:00 PM. Possibly help with last minute set up details. Serve the soup and beverages as needed. Replenish peanut butter and jelly, bread and punch as needed.

CLEAN UP CREW: Need to be available from 6:45 PM until area is cleaned up. This crew is responsible to clear and clean the dinning area and the kitchen. Left over soup can be returned to their providers or they can be packaged and left in the refrigerator to be distributed to families in need.

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE GATHERING AREA



Religious Formation THIS WEEK:

Seventeenth Week of Class

NEXT WEEK:

Faith UNwrapped:

THE PEOPLE of GOD

Unwrapping Ecumenism

PLEASE NOTE:

THE 6:10 CLASSES WILL BE DISMISSED AT 7:00 p.m. ON TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH.

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FAITH FORMATION

BY DONNA FRANKE

In today's Gospel (John 4: 5-42) Jesus opens up a conversation with a Samaritan woman. The underlying circumstances of this story tell us so much about who Jesus is and who he expects us, his followers, to be.

Maureen Kelly explains the circumstances this way: "Jews were not supposed to speak to Samaritans, much less share drinking vessels. Jewish men were never supposed to converse with a woman, let alone a Samaritan woman. But cultural division and socially-accepted discrimination didn't stop Jesus."

Jesus is clearly about "being respectful" of others. In a way this Gospel serves as an invitation to our next Faith UNwrapped. We have been exploring how the documents of Vatican II have called us to live out our discipleship in our modern world. The March Faith UNwrapped is entitled, "The People of God, Unwrapping Ecumenism." We will be considering how we are to relate respectfully with people of other Christian faiths as well as non-Christian faiths.

Faith UNwrapped is an opportunity for us to grow in our faith together as a whole community. Here are some photos from the January Faith UNwrapped when we talked about how Vatican II calls us to full active participation in the liturgy.





FAITH WORKS

Stewardship. People who use their skills and expertise for the common good, the

service of others and the protection of creation are good stewards of the gifts they have been given. When we labor with honesty, serve those in need, work for justice and contribute to charity, we use our talents to show our love—and God's love—for our brothers and sisters.

Political choices. As citizens in the world's leading democracy, Catholics in the United States have special responsibilities to protect human life and dignity and to stand with those who are poor and vulnerable. We are also called to welcome the stranger, to combat discrimination, to pursue peace and to promote the common good. Catholic social teaching calls us to practice civic virtues and offers us principles to shape participation in public life. The voices and votes of lay Catholics are needed to shape a society with greater respect for human life, economic and environmental justice, cultural diversity and global solidarity.

Supporting the 'Salt of the Earth'

There is simply no substitute for Catholic men and women carrying their faith into the world. Everyday discipleship for justice and the Church's organized social ministry can reinforce one another and help shape a more just society and more peaceful world.

Parishes are essential sources of support and encouragement for Christian discipleship. At their best, parishes help believers prepare and go forth to live the gospel in everything we do.

The Sunday liturgy sends us forth to renew the earth and build up God's kingdom of justice and peace.

We encourage our pastors and preachers to listen to their parishioners on the challenges of their daily lives and help bring the insight of the gospel and the principles of Catholic teaching to these experiences.

Across the country, there are examples of Catholic men and women gathering in small groups to examine the moral dimensions of their lives and work. They enlarge their vision beyond the immediate and the individual experience when they are enabled to examine the structures and processes that shape social life.

In thousands of parishes, other social ministry efforts provide valuable opportunities to help believers make choices about their time, money and talents that reflect the justice demands of the gospel. These parishes are convinced that the mystery of Jesus' life, death and resurrection unfolds within human life.

How would you describe Catholic teaching on economic life? How does it relate to Catholic teaching about the God-given dignity of every person?

What does Catholic teaching say about the rights and responsibilities of workers? What kind of work do you think could provide decent wages, good benefits and opportunities for advancement for those who are unemployed or under-employed?

What does Catholic teaching say about basic rights to those things needed to support one's self and one's family?

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT / THE NEED OF ONGOING REFORM





Did You Know about Vatican II...

Vatican II was announced by Pope John XXIII on January 25, 1959 at the Church of St Paul Outside the Walls.

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HOW DID YOU SHARE YOUR FAITH THIS WEEK?



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MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Greetings and Salutations, Happy March!

I would like to begin this week with a "wee bit" of words and prayer about the great St. Patrick. Let's call this "Spotlight on a Saint." Saint Patrick is one of our best known saints. Saint Patrick was an unusual missionary. No one else succeeded so greatly in spreading the Gospel in a pagan land. When he first arrived in Ireland, most of the people were either unaware of Christianity or thought of it as an alien faith. But by the generation after his death, most of the people had embraced the Christian Faith. Patrick was born in what is now Wales, the son of a Deacon and grandson of a Priest. Nevertheless, he said his faith was very weak when he was a boy. All that changed when Patrick was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave. For seven long years he remained in captivity, tending livestock. In his loneliness he learned to put his life in God's hands. Finally, Patrick escaped, returned home, and became a Priest. After studying in Rome, he returned to Ireland as a missionary and bishop. He died in 461. Patrick wrote a lot of prayers. Some are called "Lorica" which means the piece of armor worn to protect the chest. A prayer called a lorica declares a person's faith that God alone is all the protection we need. The following is the Breastplate (or Lorica) of Saint Patrick... Maybe it will bring you some comfort in this Lent... Today I put on God's strength to steer me, God's Power to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye for my vision, God's ear for my hearing, God's word for my speech, God's hand to protect me, God's pathway before me, God's shield for my shelter, I thank God who is with me through Christ our Lord Amen.

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: MARK YOUR CALENDAR... WE WILL BE HAVING AN EXTRA CONFIRMATION "PREP" SESSION ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH FROM 7:00-8:30PM. THIS PREP TIME WILL BE WITH FR. RON RICHARDS. YOUR ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY. Thank you.

Gospel Reflection... In today's Gospel we are directed to examine our own attitudes towards others. Are we quick to want to tear down others or ourselves? Are we impatient with people (including ourselves) in their progress toward virtue? Are we willing to give of ourselves to help others bear fruit, or do we want others to "be kept down" so that we may shine? The whole point of the Christian life is to bear fruit. It is not simply to live without sin or to capitalize on our peace in this life. It is to help others, in whatever way we are called, to the glory of God's Kingdom. We must spread the Good News and recognize that God wants us to be productive. What is this "fruit" we are to produce? Lent is a good time to reflect on these questions.

Peace and Prayers,
Sabrina Queen
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The Spirituality of Vatican II: What It Means for the Person in the Pew

Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30PM

Come hear Dr. Patricia Cooney- Hathaway, well known author, national lecturer, professor of Theology, discuss this timely topic at St. John Neumann Church. This is a free event. Light refreshments available. Please call Parish office to register. 455-5910.



"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



March is gearing up to be a fantastic month in the land of youth ministry. One event that we always look forward to is our annual lock in. This year, it has been moved to March and will include 10-15 other parishes. The Youth Room side of the building really comes alive when there are a couple hundred teenagers enjoying an evening of supervised fun. We can't wait to host this even that brings other teens together for an evening of bonding/games/prayer and other fantastic things.

As we head through this semester, I am going to be trying to put the youth ministry calendar in each week's bulletin. I wanted to let all teens of the parish know that we meet EVERY Wednesday during the school year from 7:00-9:00 pm. But, there are two

exceptions. Whenever Plymouth/Canton schools are canceled (whether for breaks, or snowdays) youth group does not happen. In addition, during Faith UNwrapped weeks, we meet as a youth group from 6:00-8:00 pm, rather than from 7:00-9:00 pm. Other than that, each week we have our meetings.

What have you done this week to grow closer to Jesus during this special season (Lent)? Consider signing up for Eucharistic Adoration, or attending Stations of the Cross on Fridays (and eat the delicious soup!). Or, what about writing one letter a week to people in your lives that have made a difference and thank them for witnessing the love of God to you? Whatever you do, try to remember that this season is an awesome opportunity and you don't want to miss it!

Calendar

Wednesday, February 27th High School Youth Group 7:00-9:00 pm

"Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted."



Please consider being a part of our Funeral Ministry to lend comfort and extend a hand to those in need. The Funeral Ministry is a place where a small gesture becomes an indescribable moment for the families we pray with, mourn with, heal with ... break bread with.

Whether it is preparing a simple meal, serving and interacting with the family members or bringing in a dish for the peaceful gathering, there is a place for you. Your commitment can be as seldom or as as often as you need it to be. Perhaps once a month, perhaps every other month, perhaps with every call - your involvement in this ministry is personal and always appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration in being a healing spirit, providing comfort for our brothers and sisters who need us, when they need us the most.

Contact the parish office or contact Marivi Latham directly: 734.397.7361 marividel@comcast.net

If you are currently a part of the Funeral Ministry and wish to be removed from the volunteer list, please let us know and thank you for your past dedication.

LENTEN SCHEDULE

March 8, 2013	6:00pm & 7:00pm	Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross	
March 15, 2013	6:00pm & 7:00pm	Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross	
March 14, 2013	7:00pm	Communal Reconciliation	
March 22, 2013	6:00pm & 7:00pm	Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross	
March 28, 2013	7:00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	
March 29, 2013	Noon; 1:00pm	Stations of the Cross/Lord's Passion	
March 30, 2013	1:00pm	Food Blessing	
March 30, 2013	8:00pm	Easter Vigil	
March 31, 2013	8:30am;10:30am(2);12:30pm	Easter	

THE PASSION AND DEATH OF JESUS (According to Matthew, Mark, and Luke)

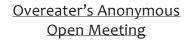
The story of the passion and death of Jesus takes a slightly different turn in each of the Synoptic Gospels. As we pay attention to the text in each Gospel, we will ask ourselves, "How is this story going on in my world?" and "How is this story of Jesus my story?"

This Lent we are again offered the opportunity to reflect together on the Gospels and how they continue to call us to discipleship. Come with your spouse and friends for five weeks of study and prayer.

Wednesday evenings: 7:00-8:30p.m. March 6, 13, & 20.

Mary Joel Zobro, RSM

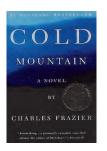




OVEREATER'S ANONYMOUS is a fellowship of individuals who, through shared experience, strength, and hope, are recovering from compulsive overeating.

There are no dues or fees for members; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. Our primary purpose is to abstain from compulsive overeating and to carry this message of recovery to those who still suffer. The Overeater's Anonymous Open meeting will be held every Wednesday at 7:30pm

If you have any questions you may contact Mary @734-634-7154 or Tracie @ 734-718-5575.



EVENING BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting is on March 13th at 7:30pm. We will be discussing "Cold Mountain" by Charles Frazier

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.





Square Dancing

Join us on Monday Evenings at 6:30pm. Experienced and beginners welcome. Contact Ernest for more information at 734-416-0460

New classes for beginners will be staring in September, 2013.



The Salvation Army is having a Bunny Brunch for children in need this year.

They are in need of donations of Easter Baskets and individually wrapped candy.

Donation boxes are located next to the wood bins in the hall by the kitchen.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Sunday, March 3

Liturgy: 8:30AM; 10:30AM; 12:30

Monday, March 4

9:00am Liturgy 4:30pm Rel Ed Classes 6:10pm Rel Ed Classes **Square Dancing** 6:30pm 7:00pm **Baptism Prep Class** Women's Spirituality 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 5

9:00am Liturgy Rel Ed Classes 4:30pm 6:10pm Rel Ed Classes Catechumens 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 6

9:00am Liturgy 10:00am Bible Study Rosary/Novena 6:30pm

7:00 pm 7:00 pm FΑ 7:00pm Sr Joel AA 8:00 pm

Thursday, March 7

Women's Bible Study 10:00am Middle School Youth Group 6:30pm **Education Commission** 7:00pm

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

Friday, March 8

8:15am Stations 9:00am Liturgy Adoration 9:30am 6:00pm Soup Supper 6:30pm Benediction

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Saturday, March 9

Liturgy 4:30pm

Sunday, March 10

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



Daniel 3:25, 34-43 Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Matthew 18:21-35 Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 7 Friday, March 8 Saturday, March 9

Jeremiah 7:23-28 Hosea 14:2-10 Hosea 6:1-6 Luke 11:14-23 Mark 12:28-34 Luke 18:9-14

Sunday, March 10, 2013—FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Joshua 5:9a,10-12 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Luke 4:24-30





I Monday, March 4, 9:00a.m.

Mike Kilgore (Bernacki Family)

Int. of Kilgore Family (Bernacki Family)

■ Elizabeth Rizak (Family)

Tuesday, March 5, 9:00 a.m.

Int. of Fran Dawson (Friends)

Casimir Szymoniak (SJN Family)

| Friday, March 8, 9:00 a.m.

Gustavo Cardona (Family)

Int. of Sumor and Christian Salazar (Family)

Special Intention (Linda Morehead)

I Saturday, March 9, 4:30p.m.

Natalie Salazar (Family)

Special Intention (Family)

Int. of Stella Storc (Tony and Pat Sokolowski)

I John Tench (John & Liz Neault)

Sunday, March 10, 2013

8:30a.m.

John Grodus (Alice Grodus)

■ Judy Warner (Tony & Mary Schmidt)

10:30 a.m.

Frank Bellino (Mary Bellino)

Janusz Dryja (Maria and Walter Szymoniak)

Flor Mejia (Salazar Family) Javier (Salazar Family)



Divine Child High School recognized the following achievements of students at St. John Neumann Parish:

SUMMA CUM LAUDE 5.33-3.0

Kyle Fite

Ryan Lim Teevens

MAGNA CUM LAUDE 3.89-3.7

Lauren McGlinch

CUM LAUDE 3.69-3.5

Nathan Sarafian



NEW DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Neumann

Monday, Tuesday and Friday Friday—Adoration 9:00 AM 9:30AM-6:30PM

St. Thomas a'Becket

Tuesday

Wednesday and Thursday Wednesday—Adoration

7:00PM 9:00AM 1 0:00AM-5:00PM

Resurrection **Tuesday and Friday**

8:30AM Thursday—Adoration 2:00PM-6:30PM

ANNIVERSARIES OF DECEASED PARISHIONERS

March 4 Joseph Lynch (1993) Annabelle Smith (2001)

March 5 Evelyn Smith (1984)

Edwin Michels (2003)

March 6 Anthony Ritchie (1991)

Leonard Piesiewicz (1992) Daisie Skidmore (1996) Robert Volmer (2005)

March 7 Oswald O'Flynn (1991)

Bruce J Wotaszak (1998) Eleanor Carney (2006) Sophie Wasiak (2007)

March 8 Dennis Wetterstrom (1992)

Betty Rubino (1999) Andrew Pruner (2002) Peggy Cromp (2003)

March 9 Jean Yelen (2001)

Sylvester Kulbatsky (2006) Ann Dorothy Evans (2012)

March 10 Beverly Daughtery (1992)

Gertrude Foreman (2001)

Paul Brock (2011)

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Susan Aho
Richard Bargowski
Jennifer Bargowski-VanHorn
Gordon Bickle
Kenneth Birecki
Tommy Bohn
Fr. George Charnley
Rick Cigile
Angela Colon
Mario David

Mario David Ronald Dellamielleure Urbano Domingo Diane Flowers Patricia Goonis Bob Grenier Krystal Guzman

Jodi Klucevik Lisa Kozakowski Tammi Lang Noreen Lauster Frank Luedtke Ellen Lindner Jesse Lindlbauer

Linda Harms

Liz Lopez Lisa McMaster Norm Mientkiewicz Lindsay Miller Jill Murinas Mary Murray Robert Naumoff John Neault

Lisa Jackson Nordhaus Natalie O'Brien Justin Paffenroth Rosemary Pawlak Carol Perrault John Predmesky Dan Prichard

Joshua Thomas Retherford

Cheri Sasena
Delmar Schindler
Pat Shankie
Lillianna Shull
Walter Skynar
Beverly Smith
Patricia Solodon
Monteen Stafiej
Peter Tarchinski
Beth Trame
Nicholas Womac
William Womac
Charlotte Zub



Having trouble getting to Sunday Mass or know of someone who is?

Contact the Peace & Justice Committee at rem7662@aol.com or 455-7662 and we will arrange to pick you up.

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

SSgt Leonard Adams 1st Lt David Anderson SSgt Lawrence Anderson LtCol Dave Bares A1C Paige C. Bauer Sgt. David Beattie Col Robert Benning Capt James R. Bernthal Capt Geno Berta LCpl Devin A. Boersma SSgt Eric Brooks LTJG Jennifer Brooks Cpl Rebecca Brooks LCpl Drew Butler LCpl Justin Butler PO₃ Christopher Bykowski SSgt Kevin Carney E3 Toni Colon

Capt Sean Conlen

Sgt James A. Cooper RDML Kevin Donegan

E2 Joseph Dziuban

E₂ Mark Dziuban

Pvt Bradley M. Finch Capt Erin Jensen Foley Capt. Justin Foley Cpl 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 Pyt Virgil Klein 1st Lt Roman Kocherovsky Capt Natalie Ann Korona

Ens. Matthew English

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In the Spirit @ St. John Neumann Parish

Society of St. Vincent de Paul-St. John Neumann Conference Your Charitable Donations are Hard at Work

Because so much of what we do as Vincentians is dependent upon you, the parishioners, we would like to keep you abreast of what we are doing with the money you so generously donate to our cause. After a busy Christmas season, we started the New Year off with many requests for service. We provided assistance to 13 families, serving a total of 24 people. We spent a total amount of \$3,420.00, most of which went for shelter. The break-down is as follows:

Rent - \$2,565.58

Utilities - \$164.89

Clothing - \$75.00

Medical/Dental - \$400.00

Gas- \$50

Food- \$165 + 4 Emergency Food Bags.

While numbers are useful, and I hope you find them informative, they tell only a small part of the story. What matters most is that there are real people on the receiving end of this charity. Most of them find it very difficult to ask for help. Almost all of them breathe an audible sigh of relief when they realize we are able to help them through their difficult time. Some of them take the time to write a thank you note. I would like to share two of them with you now. Two of our Vincentians worked very hard to prevent this woman from being evicted on Christmas Eve. This is what she wrote.

Dear	and	

You have done so much for me. I never would have believed that there are people like you in the world. I don't have the words to thank you enough. I truly have a special place in my heart for you. Now, I truly believe. I love all of you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Here's	another:

Dear	and	,

I want to thank both of you for your kindness and support. A friend could not have done as much, and, in fact, has not done so. My life has been made better by knowing you. May God look down on you and bless you every day of your lives. Your friend for the rest of my life.....

As you read these letters, read them as though they were written to you, because they were! I hope all of you who so generously donate to SVDP each Top Hat Sunday know that you are loved and appreciated.

Just a gentle reminder – Top Hat Sunday is always the 3rd weekend of each month. We greatly depend upon your support. Thank you so much.

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR A WEEK TO REMEMBER AT CAMP OZANAM THIS SUMMER

St. Vincent DePaul is sponsoring eligible boys and girls to experience a week to remember at Camp Ozanam located on the shores of Lake Huron near Lexington, MI

Candidates must be between the ages of 8-12 where the boys and girls attend camp together and 13-14 where they attend separately.

Please contact Dennis Oszust at 734-455-5910 ext. 17 or email @ denosz@comcast.net

Believe me, I attended Camp Ozanam nearly 60 years ago and still have fond memories of the experience.

Vocations Chalice:

A Program of Awareness and Prayer for Vocations

The Vocations Chalice is a tangible way of increasing awareness of vocations to the priesthood, the permanent



deaconate, and the consecrated life. Images create attitudes, and attitudes lead to actions. Children will be asking questions and more people will be talking about vocations, and the priesthood, in particular.

St. John Neumann Parish gratefully acknowledges

Kathy and Reed Posh and Family

For hosting the Vocations Chalice this past week in their home!

To sign up to host the Vocations Chalice, please email your request to:

Vocations@StJohnNeumann.us