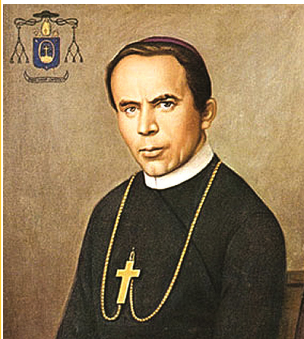


# IN THE SPIRIT

JANUARY 5, 2014

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Jan. 5 - Feast of  
St. John Neumann



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Due to early deadlines over the holidays the financial report will be updated in January.

Merry Christmas!

On-line giving is now available. Visit our website or contact Jan Jacobs, Bookkeeper at janjacobs.email@gmail.com for more information.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.

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



Hello All!

## IT'S MY OPINION AND I HAVE ONE!

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Hope you all had a wonderful new year! Since I am writing this article on December 17 (in order to get an article in the bulletin we had to have it turned in by December 20<sup>th</sup>) I have no idea what my New Years was like except to tell I was watching the ROSE BOWL! I wanted to let you know the plans on renovation of the interior of the Church are still underway. As you recall the major portion of the Changing Lives money went towards the renovation. The architect we are utilizing, Guss Pappas, will be here the weekend of January 11/12, after all the masses, to share with you all the thoughts our design team have come up with. This presentation will take place inside the body of the church after each mass that weekend, so hopefully you can stay and see!

Now, I you hope you recall, I have been sharing the reflection from the reconciliation service we had in Advent. Again the theme was discipleship. Here is the final section of that reflection; I do hope you all have been able to soak this in prayerfully!

### Presider:

“So likewise, whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple.”

Until I recognize that everything I have belongs to Jesus Christ, I am not His disciple. Consider Jesus' encounter with the rich young ruler who asked Jesus, “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus command to him, “Go and sell all you have and give money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then com, follow me.’ At this, the man’s face fell, and he went sadly away because he had many possessions”

*To be a disciple am I willing to give up on the things of which I cling?*

### Reader:

Do I recognize that all I possess truly belongs to Christ?  
Am I willing to let go of what I love most in this world to follow Christ?  
Do I care for those in my life though it may cost me in my personal gain?  
Do I place my family as more important than my career?

### Psalm Response:

*Jesus our teacher and our Lord, stooped to wash the feet of his disciples, and he told them, “This is an example; just as I have done, so you must do.”*

### Presider:

“For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it.”

Jesus does not ask us to give only part of ourselves He is asking us to commit everything. “Salvation is free, but discipleship costs everything we have.”

*To be a disciple I need to count the cost of Discipleship.*

### Reader:

Am I willing to give up the sins I cling to in order to follow Christ or does a part of me still hang on to them?  
Am I willing to listen to the words of Christ and discount the philosophical thoughts of the secular world?  
Am I willing to be mocked for professing my love for Christ or will I go along with the crowd so as not be made fun of?  
Am I willing to take the plans I have mad for myself or my children, in order to follow the will of God?

### Psalm Response:

*Jesus our teacher and our Lord, stooped to wash the feet of his disciples, and he told them, “This is an example; just as I have done, so you must do.”*

Peace

Fr Ron Richards



## Cucchi's Corner

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Did you ever wonder what the origin of some of our most beloved Christmas carols was? The text of Hark the Herald Angels was written by Charles Wesley. The music was composed by Felix Bartholdy Mendelssohn. Charles Wesley and his brother John were leaders of the Methodist movement. Charles lived from 1707-1788. He was educated at the Westminster School & at Christ Church, Oxford. It is said that he got many of his ideas for his hymn texts while riding horseback. Wesley wrote more than 6000 hymns during his life. Hark the Herald's original name was "Hymn for Christmas Day".

Every hymn has 2 components: a tune and a text. This tune is named MENDELSSOHN. It is said that Mendelssohn never intended this tune to be sung to a sacred text. Much of his compositions were influenced by Bach, Mozart, Handel & Beethoven. A couple of his other famous works are *Midsummer Night's dream* & *Elijah*.

Luke 2:8-14:

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. [The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."](#)



## FOR WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN

### Dinner in Canton / Plymouth Ice Fest – January 15

All widowed men and women are invited to join us for Dinner at Ruby Chinese Buffet, 5848 Sheldon Rd. (N. of Ford) in Canton. Dinner buffet is \$9.95 plus tax and tip. After dinner we will ride to downtown Plymouth for the Ice Festival, then stop for dessert or drinks at a local restaurant. **RSVP by January 6 to Carol M. at 734-464-7836.** Sponsored by *Widowed Friends*, a "peer" support group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. For further information about Widowed Friends, please visit our website at [www.widowedfriends.org](http://www.widowedfriends.org)

## EVENING BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, January 8th at 7:00pm.

We will be discussing :*The Last Song*" by Nicholas Sparks.

All are welcome!



## REMINDER REGARDING PRAYER LIST REQUESTS

So many of our friends and family are currently afflicted with ongoing, serious illnesses. Because of the number of requests, we must limit the reading of a specific name to three weeks. At that time, names can be placed

indefinitely in the bulletin for prayer requests. Of course, if there is a significant change in the condition of someone, we can put them back on the verbal list again for a couple weeks. We ask that you please honor this policy in fairness to all who have requested our prayers. Thank you.



# GIVE YOURSELF A PRAYERFUL START TO 2014



You are invited to join other parishioners in small groups to explore the Gospel of Matthew. We will use the Little Rock Scripture Study as our resource for this study.

This resource has been around since the early 1970s when a group of Catholic lay people realized their own need and desire for Bible Study from a Catholic perspective.

Why are we choosing to study the Gospel of Matthew? There are many books of Scripture we could choose to study. We have chosen the Book of Matthew because this is the book from which most of the Gospel readings during this Liturgical year will be read.

The study will begin in early February and continue until Easter. Call the Parish Office (734-455-5910) or the Religious Formation Office (734-455-5986) to register.



LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY



# FAITH WORKS

Gene Kijek

## Bless Your Door on Epiphany

The gospel tells us that the magi found Christ "on entering the house." The door to your home is a holy threshold. You can bless those who come in and go out by inscribing above the door in chalk the first two numbers of the year+C+M+B+the last two numbers of the year. Tradition tells us that the letters stand for the names of the magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. Adolph Adam points out that it may also mean "*Christus mansionem benedicat*" or "May Christ bless this dwelling." It's appropriate to bless your door in January—*janua* means "door" and the first month is the door to the new year.



**Leader:** Peace be to this house and to all who enter here.

**Leader:** A reading from Proverbs: "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

**Leader:** Let us pray: Gracious God, as a shining star once guided the magi to the birthplace of the infant Jesus, so enable those who dwell here to be your light in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray.

**All:** Amen.

*After inscribing the doorway, say this prayer:*

God of Bethlehem and Cana,  
 God of Jordan's leaping waters,  
 in baptism you bring us into your family.  
 You wed us and embrace us as your beloved.  
 May we fill this place with kindness to one another,  
 with hospitality to guests,  
 and with abundant care for every stranger.  
 By the gentle light of a star,  
 guide home all who seek you  
 on paths of faith, hope and love.

Then we will join the angels in proclaiming your praise:  
 Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and for ever.

Amen.

**Leader:** Lord, remember your children and teach us to pray:

**All:** Our Father...

*All may make the sign of the cross in remembrance of their baptism.*

**Leader:** May the Lord watch + over our going out and our coming in, from this time forth and forevermore.

**All:** Amen.

*Then sing a Christmas carol.*

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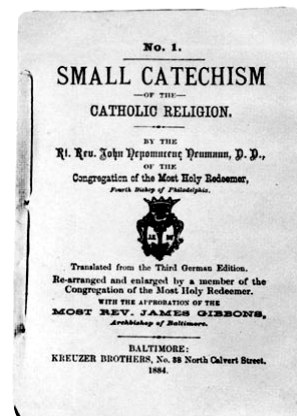


A Celebration of Married Love!  
**Saturday, Feb. 15, 6:00 - 10:00pm**  
 Tickets: \$40 per Couple

We're creating a committee to plan the music.  
 Please contact me if you'd like to join.



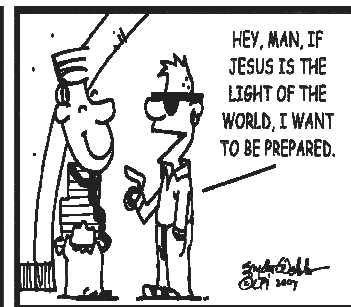
John Neumann as a Child



Catechism written by  
 Bishop Neumann

Happy Feast Day to Us!

### EPIPHANY



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HOW DID YOU SHARE YOUR FAITH THIS WEEK?



## Queen's Quotes from Religious Formation

Greetings and Happy New Year Salutations,

Today is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. Epiphany is a Greek word which means “showing” or “manifestation.” Today’s Gospel tells of the star that guided the wise men to the infant King.

The Magi were, and continue to be, mysterious figures. Some translations call them wise men, while others call them kings. Some call them astrologers and some call them priests. Whoever they were, they traveled a long distance and gave what they had...precious metals, perfumes, spices, to honor JESUS. This is truly an example of how we are called to give our all to Jesus. We are called to go the distance, with only the star of our faith to tell us the way, and offer everything that we have to Christ. What “journey” are you called to make to grow closer to Christ? What are the spiritual gifts you bring to the Lord today?

Also, Today is the Feast day of St. John Neumann. Yay! St. John Neumann’s major contribution to the Catholic Church was in education. He would help others learn Christ’s message by living in faith community and by serving others as Jesus did. He was declared a saint in 1977.

January is a very busy month here in Religious Formation. Here are a few reminder dates from our calendar. Our first **Confirmation** Prep for our Catholic School students will be this **Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-12noon.**

Next week is **FAITH UNWRAPPED... January 13, 14, and 15<sup>th</sup>.** We are “on the road again” this time with Andrew, and a few other disciples. We will journey as we invite others to Jesus through the way we live our lives. Come join us for food and fellowship. Our menu is TACOS!

**Wednesday, January 22nd, First Communion Prep Session 1.**

**Eighth grade Confirmation Retreat SATURDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup>.**

Have a great week everyone and remember... we are all in this together.

Blessings,  
Sabrina Queen



### Winter Fitness Blitz

Monday, January 13—Monday, March 3

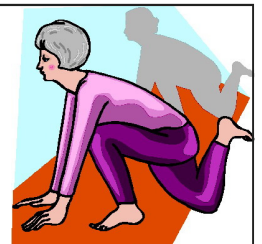
10:00am—11:00am

6 Weeks: \$42. Instructor: Joe Mason

Get fit after all those holiday treats and festivities

Get your exercise regime into high gear!!!

Flyers are available in the Gathering Area





"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. "  
Our love and enthusiasm for God will help us to achieve this mission in everyday life."



## **YOUTH MINISTRY WITH CHRIS LEACH**

Welcome back from break everyone! Both youth groups resume this week!

**High School Youth Group**  
**Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm**

(After School Crew returns too!)

**Middle School Youth Group**  
**Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30pm**

Permission slips for the following events are also available outside the youth room and are due this week!

- High School MLK Service Day on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> (PS due Jan 8)
  - High School Guy/Girl Lock-Ins on Jan 24-25 (PS due Jan 15)
- Middle School Cosmic Bowling on Jan 17<sup>th</sup> (PS due Jan 9)

All dates for Winter/Spring 2014 have been posted on the Website at <http://sjnyouth.weebly.com>. Take a minute to check out all of the amazing things we have planned for this year! Contact the youth ministry office at (734) 455-5910 x 20 or [cleach@stjohnneumann.us](mailto:cleach@stjohnneumann.us) if you have any questions!

-Chris Leach  
[cleach@stjohnneumann.us](mailto:cleach@stjohnneumann.us)  
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## A Morning with Dr. Janet Smith

St. John Neumann, St. Thomas a'Becket and Resurrection parishes are jointly organizing a mini-conference with Dr. Janet Smith as featured speaker. It will be held on Saturday, 1/11/2014; from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Dr. Smith will give two talks: "*The Family As A Path to Holiness*", and "*The Sexual Mess We Are In And How We Got Here*". (See the talk descriptions below.) The event is **free of charge** and will be hosted by Resurrection Parish, 48755 Warren Road, Canton, MI. For more information, call Mary Beth at 734.453.8163 or send a message to [respondwithcourage@peoplepc.com](mailto:respondwithcourage@peoplepc.com).

Dr. Janet Smith holds the Fr. McGivney Chair in Life Ethics and is Professor of Moral Theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary. An internationally renowned expert and widely published author, she among other things, is consultant to the Vatican's Pontifical Council on the Family. The first 100 arrivals will get a free CD copy of her famous talk: "*Contraception: Why Not?*"

*The Family as a Path to Holiness*: When people become parents they must grow-up; they must become more generous, selfless, disciplined, etc. Thus, a major purpose of children is to make adults of their parents! This humorous talk, filled with anecdotes about family life, will help parents realize the importance of their vocation and provide some insight into how to do it well.

*The Sexual Mess that We Are In and How We Got Here*: Unwed pregnancies, abortion, and divorce have become rampant in our society. The accompanying toll of broken hearts is all around us. How did we get here? Dr. Smith will explore the causes of our culture's radically altered understanding of the meaning and purpose of human sexuality, and its discounting of the belief that babies are a beautiful gift from God. She will discuss the church's answer which is a proven enhancer of marital satisfaction and stability.

**You May RSVP at [www.amorningwithdrsmith.eventbrite.com](http://www.amorningwithdrsmith.eventbrite.com).**

## KIDS OF THE KINGDOM

REHEARSALS RESUME, TUESDAY,  
JANUARY 7, 2014.

All children in grades 2-8 are welcome.

Rehearsals are Tuesday evenings -  
6:30 to 7:30pm

We sing at the 12:30 PM Mass. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month.

STOP BY AND SEE WHAT YOU ARE  
MISSING!!



## **BRINGING ALL TO JESUS**

Mary McKeon, SJN, "Women's Night" Advent  
speaker,

invites you to a "Caregiver Retreat"

Friday, January 31 through Sunday,  
February 2, 2014

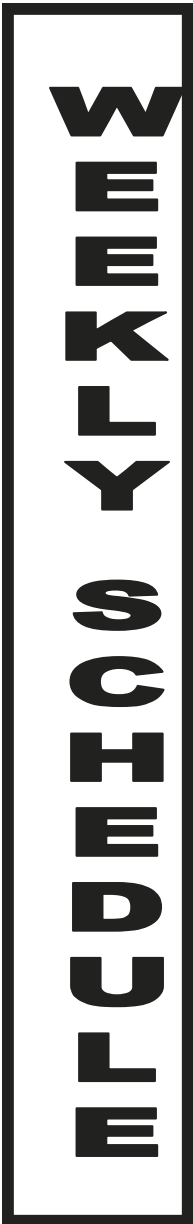
Manresa Jesuit Retreat House, Bloomfield Hills,  
MI.

Facilitators: Mary McKeon and Sally Smolen,  
RSM, PhD

Register online at: [www.manresa-sj.org](http://www.manresa-sj.org)  
(click on "Registration")

Or call the Manresa office at  
(248) 644-4933, ext. 10

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



**Sunday, January 5**  
**Holy Epiphany**  
 Liturgy: 8:30AM; 10:30AM; 12:30pm

**Monday, January 6**  
 9:00am Liturgy  
 4:30pm Religious Education  
 6:10pm Religious Education  
 7:00pm Women's Spirituality

**Tuesday, January 7**  
 9:00am Liturgy  
 4:30pm Religious Education  
 6:10pm Religious Education

**Wednesday, January 8**  
 10:00am Bible Study  
 7:00pm Book Discussion  
 7:00pm Catechumens  
 8:00pm AA

**Thursday, January 9**  
 12:30pm Young at Heart  
 7:30pm Women's AA

**Friday, January 10**  
 8:15am Stations of the Cross  
 9:00am Liturgy

**Saturday, January 11**  
**Hospitality Weekend**  
 4:30pm Liturgy

**Sunday, January 12**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
**Hospitality Weekend**  
 Liturgy: 8:30AM; 10:30AM; 12:30PM

**Monday, January 6, 9:00a.m.**  
 Herminia DeLeon (*Mendoza Family*)  
 Frances Hadley (*Joe & Nicky Bonnett*)  
 William Green Shields (*Betty Searls*)  
 Special Intention (*Linda Morehead*)

**Tuesday, January 7, 9:00 a.m.**  
 Frances Hadley (*Susan Puchalt Family*)  
 Elizabeth Rizak (*Susan Puchalt Family*)  
 Natalie Salazar (*Family*)

**Friday, January 10, 9:00 a.m.**  
 Int Sumar & Christian Salazar (*Family*)  
 Casimir Szymoniak (*Gaylord Smith*)

**Saturday, January 11, 4:30p.m.**  
 Lottie Basiaga (*Family*)  
 Richard Kania (*Family*)  
 Steve Lacki (*Claudia & Doug Morris*)  
 Special Intention (*Family*)

**Sunday, January 12, 8:30a.m.**  
 Jenny Dunn (*Glenn & Terri Moore*)  
 Walter & Bernice Wawrzynowicz (*Arlene Ladell*)

**10:30 a.m.**  
 Int. Aiden & Alexandra Ambrosia (*Arlene Ladell*)  
 Int. Norman Mientkiewicz (*Arlene Ladell*)

**12:30 p.m.**  
 Enrichetta Nardone (*Family*)  
 Helen Zorn-1st Anniv. (*Family*)



<b>Monday, January 6</b> 1 John 3:22—4:6 Matthew 4:12-17,23-25	<b>Tuesday, January 7</b> 1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44	<b>Wed., January 8</b> 1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52
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<b>Thursday, January 9</b> 1 John 4:19—5:4 Luke 4:14-22a	<b>Friday, January 10</b> 1 John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16	<b>Saturday, January 11</b> 1 John 5:14-21 John 3:22-30
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<b>Baptism of the Lord</b> <b>Sunday, January 12</b> Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7	Acts 10:34-38	Matthew 3:13-17
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**ANNIVERSARIES OF DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

- January 6 Terry MacDonald (1991)  
Harold Bryant (2009)  
Madeline Bertram (2013)
- January 7 Rita Hlavin (1982)  
Margaret Dell'Orco (1996)  
Donald Toth (1999)
- January 8 Patricia Nault (1984)  
Raymond Doyle (1997)  
George Elliot (2000)  
Stella Dinatale (2002)  
John Maher (2003)
- January 9 Lloyd Eberts (1993)  
Virginia Graller (1997)
- January 10 Albert Wareck (2007)
- January 11
- January 12 Abella Estandian (1994)  
Joseph Walezak (1995)  
Jacint Angiulli (2004)  
Helen Marie Zorn (2013)



**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| *Susan Aho                 | *Mary Murray             |
| *Richard Bargowski         | *Robert Naumoff          |
| Jennifer Bargowski-VanHorn | *John Neault             |
| Kirsten Bramlett           | Dan O'Brien              |
| *Clemens Bykowski          | Justin Paffenroth        |
| *Ian Carolan               | *Rita Polek              |
| Jerry Chismar              | Craig Prebish            |
| *Rick Cigile               | *John Predmesky          |
| *Sonia Culver              | William Premin           |
| Ginny Cummins              | Dan Prichard             |
| *Elvira Darolfi            | *Benny Rembisz           |
| *Mario David               | Joshua Thomas Retherford |
| *Donald Dennington         | *Marti Ruedger           |
| *Pat Dennington            | Kay Ruth                 |
| Urbano Domingo             | *Patrick Rzepecki        |
| *Diane Flowers             | *Raymond Rzepecki, Jr.   |
| Andrew Gianelli            | Cheri Sasena             |
| Patricia Goonis            | Delmar Schindler         |
| *Veronica Granowicz        | Valerie Sedlar           |
| Gerald Grzeskowiak         | *Pat Shankie             |
| Krystal Guzman             | Lillianna Shull          |
| Linda Harms                | Walter Skynar            |
| *Patricia Hill             | Beverly Smith            |
| *Rebecca Horton            | *Patricia Solodon        |
| *Dawn Johnson              | *Monteen Stafiej         |
| *Brittany Kipfmiller       | *Walter Stang            |
| Jodi Klucevik              | Susan Tonak              |
| Lisa Kozakowski            | *Ralph Tonak             |
| Tammi Lang                 | Nicholas Womac           |
| *Ellen Lindner             | William Womac            |
| Jesse Lindlbauer           | Cindy Woods Gerth        |
| Frank Luedtke              | *Peter Young             |
| Jeremy Mains               | Hilde Zajac              |
| Norm Mientkiewicz          | *Ron Ziemba              |
| Lindsay Miller             | *Charlotte Zub           |
| *Dennis Mullally           |                          |
| *Jill Murinas              |                          |



\*Indicates parishioner



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

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| Capt. David Anderson     | Pvt Bradley M. Finch         | Col. Robert Lukens           | Capt Tyrus Scott        |
| LtCol Dave Bares         | Capt Erin Jensen Foley       | E2 Shawn Lyons               | SPC Guy Schlachter      |
| A1C Paige C. Bauer       | Capt. Justin Foley           | Capt David McGraw            | Maj Jason Schuerger     |
| Sgt. David Beattie       | Sgt. Forney                  | Pvt. Justin Ambrose Mabe     | Capt Shannon Schuerger  |
| Col Robert Benning       | Sgt Lucas Hankins            | PO Shaun Marx                | Justin James Sams       |
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| Capt Geno Berta          | Sgt Jessica Hladky           | SpF Christian Mejia          | Sgt Martin Smith        |
| LCpl Devin A. Boersma    | Maj Carrie Howe              | Sgt Carson Middlebrook       | SPC Matthew Spear       |
| SSgt Eric Brooks         | HTFN Richard Hoyer           | SPC Denis Montilla           | 2nd Lt Dennis Speck     |
| LTJG Jennifer Brooks     | Sgt Michael Jacobs           | SSgt Michael J. Moomaw       | Sgt Joseph Spinicchia   |
| Cpl Rebecca Brooks       | PFC Daniella C. Jara         | Dwayne Naugle                | Sara Marie Taylor       |
| LCpl Drew Butler         | Maj David Jesurun            | PFC Erik Nelsen              | E3 John Theisen         |
| LCpl Justin Butler       | Sgt Ryan A. Johnson          | Maj Brian Nicosia            | SPC Shaun G. Towler     |
| PO3 Christopher Bykowski | LtCol Robert Kaminski        | Pvt James Oaks               | SPC John Edward Watkins |
| SSgt Kevin Carney        | LtCmdr Sherry Kaminski       | Carl Park, SFC               | Sgt Christopher Wiacek  |
| E3 Toni Colon            | Capt Jeff Kelly              | Sgt Alex A. Polka            | 1st Lt Amanda Witt      |
| Capt Sean Conlen         | Capt Kristin Yampaglia Kelly | SGM Joseph A. Polka          | Sgt Alex White          |
| Sgt James A. Cooper      | LCpl Anthony Kennard         | Sgt Michael Potrzebowski     | SSgt Robert L. Woods    |
| RDML Kevin Donegan       | Col David Kennedy            | Capt Mark Rausch             | 2nd Lt. Daniel M. York  |
| E2 Joseph Dziuban        | Pvt Virgil Klein             | Maj Jason Redlin             | Capt Drew Ziolkowski    |
| E2 Mark Dziuban          | 1st Lt Roman Kocherovsky     | Sgt Christopher M. Rudzinski | Cmdr John F. Zrembski   |
| Ens. Matthew English     | Capt Natalie Ann Korona      | Lt Col Michael C. Rudzinski  |                         |

## 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 diaconate, 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**

**Michele and David Kennedy**

**For hosting the Chalice and Praying for Vocations this past week in their home!**

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

**Vocations@StJohnNeumann.us**

## Neumann's Needlers

Last month we contributed hand-knitted and hand-crocheted items to several organizations: hats to St Joe's chemotherapy treatment center; dishcloths to SJN kitchen, hats and scarves to First Step; baby blankets and hats to UM Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; and hats and scarves to the coat drive sponsored by the SJN St Vincent de Paul group. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make these donations possible. We meet next on January 14 and January 28, 2014, 7:30 - 9 PM. Questions? Contact Bev Polcyn, [bevpolcyn@hotmail.com](mailto:bevpolcyn@hotmail.com) or 734-740-3701



What exactly is Grief Support? It is an opportunity to talk about your loss, to express your grief, ask questions, and support through your grieving process. It is for people who have lost someone 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.



## January 5th Blood Drive at St. Thomas a'Becket

The holidays bring families and friends together in times of celebration, but for some families dealing with a cancer diagnosis or other major illness, the holidays can be a difficult time. When you give the gift of life at the January 5th blood drive, you are giving hospital patients a chance to start the New Year.

The hours are 8:30am-2:15pm. Please call Diane at 313-549-7052 or go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) sponsor code ccu to set up an appointment.

