

Saint John Neumann Catholic Church

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The welcoming community of St. John Neumann encourages and enables parishioners to use their gifts in service to others as Jesus has taught us.

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Thomas J. Meehan, OSA
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Russell A. Ortega, OSA
Permanent Deacon: Rev. Mr. John Parrish
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Scheduling Coordinator: Benita Bryson
Parish Secretary: Mary Beall
Pastoral Council Chairperson: John Kane
Finance Council Chairperson: Joe Fiato
Bereavement Ministry Director: Cindy Satink

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.-Fri. 9am—Noon, 1pm—4pm

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.-Thurs. 9am—3pm

PHONE NUMBERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

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Web site: www.4sjnc.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday 4 p.m. of previous week.

All bulletin items must be approved by the Pastor.

MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: Saturday 5:30pm
Sunday 7:30am, 10am, 12 Noon, 6pm

HOLY DAYS

Vigil: 7pm; Holy Day: 9:15am, 7pm

DAILY MASSES

Mon.-Fri. 9:15am (Rosary following)

CONFESSIONS

Sat. 4pm-5pm and by appointment (Call Parish Office)

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

10am - 6pm

CO-OP BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

Sunday during 10am Mass
(for ages infant to 2 years of age)

BAPTISMS: Parents and expectant parents who wish to have their children baptized in the Catholic faith must attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. This class is held at SJN on a monthly basis. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class and schedule the Baptism.

WEDDINGS: Couples planning to be married should call the Parish Office and schedule an appointment with a priest at least six months prior to your planned wedding date.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please pick up a registration form in the Gathering Area or stop by the Parish Office to register.

HOSPITALIZED & HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: It is very important that you contact the Parish Office to receive Anointing of the Sick or Communion. Otherwise, we might not know of your need.



Membership Changes for SJN Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council welcomed seven new members at its June meeting and celebrated the service of five departing members. Joining the council for the 2006-2008 terms are:

John Hunt
Sue Munao

Anthony Morlando
Dan Satink

Mike Munao
Ray Wieloszynski

Terri Wilhelm

The council also thanked five members whose terms have ended. The following folks represent a combined 21 years of service to SJN's pastoral council, and their dedication, contributions, and leadership will be missed:

Marion CasaSanta

Sandy Major

Nancy Sardinia

Cathy Schoen

Eric Wagner

Please join us in thanking all of these members for their service to the parish, and please pray that your pastoral council may continue to remain strong and to support Fr. Thom and the commissions in fulfilling the mission of St. John Neumann.

Happy 'Thanksgiving' — in mid-June

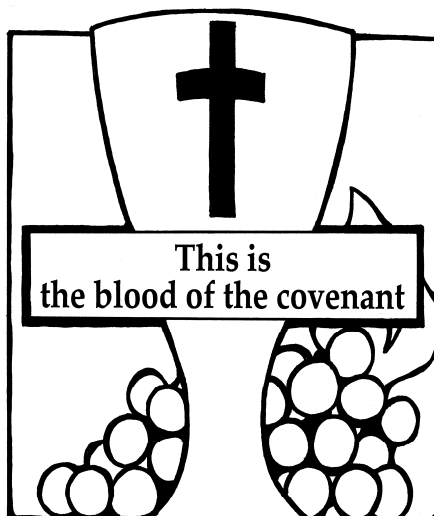
On the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (also known as Corpus Christi Sunday) ...

The word "thanksgiving" most often calls to our mind the holiday in November. But as early as the middle of the second century Justin Martyr referred to the blessed bread and wine of the Lord's Supper as "food we call 'thanksgiving'" (in Greek *eucharistia*).

The Thanksgiving we celebrate in the autumn is at times marked by a sort of proud societal self-congratulation and the consumption of food until we sink into an inert stupor. The "thanksgiving" that we call our Eucharist is just the opposite: we are led to it by an acknowledgment of our own failings; we remember our humble place in the scheme of things by giving praise to God alone.

While the food of Christ's body and blood fills our spiritual hungers, it also creates in us a greater hunger. We are not sent to our spiritual sofas to let the Lord's Supper settle; we are sent to be living signs of that thanksgiving for the world by looking out for the poor and powerless, feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, speaking out against the self-righteous.

In short, the hunger created by our doing in remembrance of Christ must lead us to living in remembrance of him.



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Bereavement Ministry Invites Those in Need

Grief, loss ... we all experience it.

The SJN Bereavement Ministry invites you to join us the *third* Thursday each month for a Grief Support Group. We'll meet in the church library from 7-8 p.m. every Thursday.

All are welcome, whether you're currently grieving due to a recent death, or if you are at peace after a long journey through the grieving process.

We can all support and learn from each other. Questions? Call Cindy Satink, (704) 573-5143.

*Holy Masses
This Week*



MONDAY	9:15 AM	<i>Fathers Day Novena</i>
TUESDAY	9:15 AM	<i>Fathers Day Novena</i>
WEDNESDAY	9:15 AM	<i>Fathers Day Novena</i>
THURSDAY	9:15 AM	<i>Fathers Day Novena</i>
FRIDAY	9:15 AM	<i>Fathers Day Novena</i>
SATURDAY	5:30 PM	+ <i>Mary Kay Crotty</i> (<i>Richard Crotty</i>)
SUNDAY	7:30 AM	+ <i>William & Mary Weil</i> (<i>Margaret & Wally Mason</i>)
	10:00 AM	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	Noon	+ <i>Clete Mulheirn</i> (<i>Orinko family</i>)



ACUTE PRAYER NEEDS — Joan Battista, Bill Beck, Bob Betters, Marge Bolger, Steve Cipallio, John Ciucevich, Robert Dexter, Robert Dopman, John Flaherty, Gina Gallagher, Gerry Grant, Gina Judd, Bette Keller, Richard Lashua, Heather Blizzard Leal, Frances LoRusso, Teri O'Hara, Dianna Potter, Kathy Rice, Lee Rowe, Gerry Scanlon, Ann Solnick,.

LONG-TERM PRAYER NEEDS — Sonya Castellino, Lori Demmery, Christy Iburg, Cameron James, Jeanne Kerr, Alexzander Molnar, Josh Nickerson, Reagan Potter, Richard Prior, Lenore Rickey, Chantal Saxon, Judy Saxon, Samantha Spear, Elizabeth Tucker, James Wiberly.

PRAY FOR DECEASED — Cele (Cecilia) Bespalko, Rose DeLuca, Thomas Carney, father of Cindy Satink, Virginia Gianotti.

This Week's Readings

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42.
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48.
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18.
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15.
Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9; Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37.
Saturday: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80.
Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41.

A Peek at the Week

Monday, June 19

9:30 am – 12:30 pm Vacation Bible School (VBS)
(EW, PH, BS, K)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Troop 12 Board of Review(CR)
 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Squires Recruiting Mtg. (AH)

Tuesday, June 20

9:30 am – 12:30 pm VBS (EW, PH, BS, K)
 2:30 pm – 7:00 pm Piano Lessons (CR)
 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm Prayer Group (L)

Wednesday, June 21

9:30 am – 12:30 pm VBS (EW, PH, BS, K)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Quilters Meeting (AH)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm RCIA Catechumenate (L)
 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm RCIA Inquiry (RE-L)

Thursday, June 22

9:30 am – 12:30 pm VBS (EW, PH, BS, K)
 2:30 pm – 7:00 pm Piano Lessons (CR)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm ESL (PH, CI-1,3,10)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm 5:30 Choir Practice (CR)

Friday, June 23

9:30 am – 12:30 pm VBS (EW, PH, BS, K)
 6:00 pm – 10:15 pm Bingo (PH,K)
 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal (C)

Saturday, June 24

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Wedding (C, GA, CR)

Sunday, June 25

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Youth Group (AH)
 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Commission Heads Mtg (CR)

Event Site Abbreviations

- AH – Austin Hall
- BS – Babysitting Room
- C- Church
- CI – Classroom
- CR – Council Room
- GA – Gathering Area
- K – Kitchen
- L – Library
- PH – Parish Hall
- RE-L – Religious Ed. Library
- W – Education Wing



PLANNING A BAPTISM?

Parents and expectant parents who wish to have their children baptized in the Catholic faith must attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please call the Parish Office, (704) 536-6520, to register for the class and schedule the Baptism.



SJN Youth/Young Adults

Youth Echoing the Spirit!

We will not be meeting today, Y.E.S. will meet again on June 25th. We will work with our A.M.E.N. group on Beautifying the surroundings. Of Austin Hall and the Church. If you have any yard tools, shovel, rake, gloves, please bring them! Let's have fun!



Summer Dates

- June 25th
- July 2nd
- July 9th
- July 23rd
- July 30
- Aug. 6th
- Aug. 13
- Aug. 27

New Time!
6pm - 8:30
Austin Hall

Thank YOU!
Greeter
Trey Pisano
Usher
Tim Wagner
Trey Pisano
Pew Pals
Filmon Tewolde
Our Youth Choir!

**Youth Group Registration
Now Under Way**

It is time to register for Youth Group (grades 9-12). SJN has one of the most active Youth Groups in the diocese, so don't miss the opportunity to make a difference in your life and the life of your church.

There is a *different* form for Youth Group registration for the upcoming school year. It is not part of the primary Religious Education registration form.

Forms are available in the Gathering Area, in the Religious Education office, and at the parish Web site, www.4sjnc.org.

The fee is \$25 per teen. Call (704) 535-4197 for details.

**Vacation Bible School
Needs Your Help!**

Vacation Bible School takes place this week.

We are looking for your help in making this the best VBS ever. If you have any of the following items and can lend them to us this week, please contact Donna, (704) 563-0628, or Maria, (704) 455-6648:

- Footlockers/trunks; surfboard; beach umbrella; fish net; grass skirts; beach balls; stuffed parrot/dolphin/fish/octopus, etc.; sand pails and shovels; snorkeling gear; bamboo poles and tiki lights (we will not light them!); Mardi Gras beads, play coin money, and lei necklaces.

With your help, we will have the best VBS ever!

***It's That Time
of Year Again ...***

All groups using the St. John Neumann parish facilities need to submit a request for space for the 2006/2007 calendar year. Those requests must be turned in by June 30, 2006.

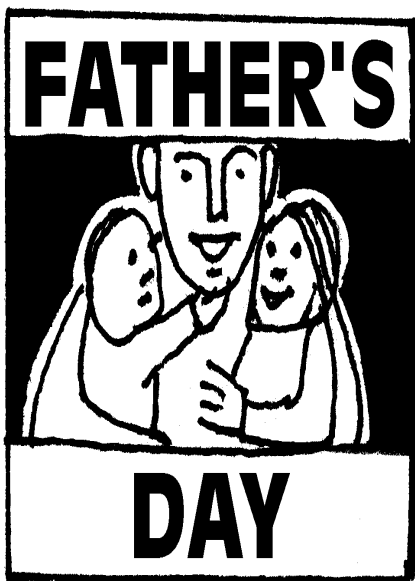
The "Application for Use of Facilities" forms are available in the Parish Office, at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Area, and on the SJN Web site.

Please return all completed forms to the Parish Office. Call Benita Bryson, (704) 535-4197, with any questions.



We congratulate the families of these children, who recently became members of our faith community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

- Max Lawrence Burgos.
- Lilian Jesse Crean.
- Theodore Thomas Ferens.
- Giselle McKayla Garcia.
- Jacob Dillon Heh.
- Jaina Rayne Hill.
- Ethan Kevin Huffstetler.
- Jaden Glenn Kremer.
- Kirsten Faith Roca.
- Alyssa Marie McSwain.
- Aidan Abdiel SantaMaria.
- Bayley JoAnn Schaefer.
- Autumn Lea Setola.
- Owen Ezekiel Stikeleather.
- Emma Noelle Swann.



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*We wish
all our
fathers
a happy
and blessed
Fathers
Day!!!*

Parish News

ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S RAIN TEAM has been helping individuals with HIV/AIDS for many years. **"Won't you join us"?** The CareTeam at SJN needs a few more members to keep this ministry going. If you would like to know more about what is involved, contact Debbie Kidd at the Regional AIDS Information Network (RAIN), (704) 372-7246, ext. 111, or at d.kidd@carolinarain.org.

DO YOU HAVE special health, financial, emotional or spiritual concerns? Why not come and pray with the Prayer Group on Tuesday nights, from 7:30-9 p.m. in the Library?

PARA NUESTROS FELIGRESES ESPAÑOLES: El grupo de oración se reúne todos los martes a las 7:30 p.m. en la biblioteca de la Iglesia. Todos son bienvenidos. Queremos orar en todos los idiomas.

RCIA — If you or someone you know wants to inquire about Catholicism, please come to the Church Library at 7 p.m. on any first or third Wednesday of the month. Or you can call Donna Rayle, (704) 545-8916. The next meeting is this Wednesday.

THE EVANGELIZATION COMMISSION'S next monthly Peace and Justice Rosary will be at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome.

EN ESPAÑOL: El Santo Rosario se reza el último miércoles de cada mes a las 7:15 p.m. en la Capilla. Los esperamos!

DINNER GROUPS? Would you like to meet new people from SJN, in a small-group setting (four couples per group). Groups will meet monthly on a rotating basis at one another's homes for dinner.

Responsibility for cooking is shared by all. Adult singles also are welcome and encouraged to join. Details: Kristi, (704) 442-1201.

SJN WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	Actual	Budget
June 10-11	\$ 13,736	\$ 14,658

Thank you for supporting your parish and its many ministries through your time, talents and treasures.

Thank you for using your Offertory envelope and clearly writing the donation amount in the appropriate space. Thanks also for not combining different types of donations in the same check (i.e., Offertory, Mass intentions, flower offerings, etc.)

Diocesan News ...

FOSTERING JUSTICE WORLDWIDE — Come and learn about global solidarity, and how you can support the work of Catholic Relief Services. This program is set for 1:30-5 p.m. Saturday, at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 8015 Ballantyne Commons Parkway. It includes a number of presentations, including “Every Bean Counts,” with Ethan Fogleman and Dave Jernigan of Larry’s Beans, a Fair Trade coffee distributor in Raleigh; and “Nuts and Bolts of Advocacy,” with the Rev. George Reed, Executive Director of the N.C. Council of Churches. There is no registration fee, and all are welcome. The event is sponsored by the diocese’s Office of Justice and Peace.

A VOLLEYBALL CAMP is scheduled for July 17-21 at Charlotte Catholic High School for girls who will be in 5th through 9th grades next year. Camp directors are Tim Leary, the coach at Catholic High, and Bettie Berry, coach at Myers Park High. For details, call Bettie Berry, (704) 521-8721.

KAMP GABE 4 KIDS is a summer day camp for children (ages 3 1/2 to rising sixth-graders), offered from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. during the summer. The camp provides science, drama, arts and crafts, games and sports activities. For details, call (704) 846-6558.

ST. ANN’S CAMPS — St. Ann’s FUNDamental camps will offer two weeks of basketball camp this summer. Sessions are July 10-14 and July 31-Aug. 4. There are two sessions each of those weeks — from 9 a.m. to noon for rising K-5th graders, and from 1-4 p.m. for rising 6th-8th graders. The cost is \$100, which includes a T-shirt, certificate and daily snack. Directors are Kym and R.C. Deer. For details or to register, call (704) 665-7807 or check www.fundamentalcamps.com.

PERPETUAL ADORATION is available for all members of the clergy and laity in the Diocese of Charlotte, at St. Gabriel Church. Any parishioners interested in this Apostolate and who can make a firm commitment to Adoration of the Risen Christ for one hour a week is welcome to join the Perpetual Adoration Society. Details: call Kathleen Potter, (704) 366-5127; or e-mail Terry Duggan, at terriduggan@earthlink.com.

COUNSELING SERVICES for anyone experiencing difficulty in their lives is available from Catholic Social Services. There is a sliding scale fee, and the agency assists in filing insurance claims.