

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
Director of Faith Formation: Connie Milligan
Faith Formation Secretary: Sondra Skibbe
Faith Formation Program Assistant: Benita Bryson
Confirmation Coordinator: Donna Tarney
Director of RCIA: Donna Rayle
704.545.8916
Youth & Jr. Youth Minister: Irene Kilzer
Special Needs Ministry: Sue Rebich
704.545.0242
Director of Music and Liturgy: R. Lance Burnette
Open Arms Preschool Director: Nancy Chiarelli
Business Manager: Earl Bell
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. 9 am-noon, 1 pm-4 pm

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.-Thurs. 9 am-3 pm

PHONE NUMBERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Parish Office: 704.536.6520
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Faith Formation Office: 704.535.4197
Austin Hall: 704.532.9402
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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.

3rd Annual Shoe Drive Begins Next Week

The Summer Shoe Drive is returning to SJN...

The third annual shoe drive, to benefit school-age children of the Biscoe community (our Latino partner parish in Montgomery County) will begin next week, July 29-30.

Please be sure to check the parish bulletin and the bulletin board in the Gathering Area (near the steps to the Parish Hall) for further information.

Last year, we collected more than 300 pairs of shoes and socks, but we would like to collect even more this year.

Thank you for your continuous support. If you have questions, please contact Kelly Santore, at (704) 882-6944.



FAMILY 60'S NIGHT LIVE CONCERT

Byrds.....Dylan.....Beatles....
Cash.....

And More!!!

**Bring your families and friends!
Share Peace, Music, Dancing and
Food.**

✌ **Y.E.S. Band Performing** ✌

All proceeds go to the church, come
give your support!

Saint John Neumann Church

Aug. 12, 2006, Saturday 6:30pm

\$5.00 a ticket

Food sold additional



**HEAR YE,
HEAR YE.**

**Everything
You Need
to Know
About SJN ...**

*... Whether you are new to SJN or
have been here for years ...*

Do you know where to find an updated list of what Ministries, Services and Activities SJN has available?

If you have a need, or if you are seeking to participate in a Stewardship of Time and Talent, please take a look at the revised **Parish Resource Directory**.

Copies are available through the Parish Office and at the parish Web site, at www.4sjnc.org. Our homepage has a link to the current document. Questions can be directed by phone or e-mail to the Parish Office, or to John Silvestri, at 704-844-6720, or jps4x4@earthlink.net.

*Holy Masses
This Week*



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| MONDAY | 9:15 AM | +Rose Kokinchak (Mr. & Mrs. R. Stack) |
| TUESDAY | 9:15 AM | +Annette Schimmel (Gene & Agnes Dedrick) |
| WEDNESDAY | 9:15 AM | +Orell Mickler (Alan, Carole, Tim and Mindy Miller) |
| THURSDAY | 9:15 AM | +James Anderson (Billy Reitz & Bob Bramberg) |
| FRIDAY | 9:15 AM | +Lee Kales (Bob & Mary Stack) |
| SATURDAY | 5:30 PM | +Alice Klein (The Family) |
| SUNDAY | 7:30 AM | +Aletha Bush (John & Christie Silvestri) |
| | 10:00 AM | +Jozef Malynczak (wife Krystyna and daughter Victoria) |
| | Noon | People of the Parish |

 **PLEASE PRAY for:**

ACUTE PRAYER NEEDS — Joan Battista, Bob Betters, Marge Bolger, Rebecca Marie Boyle, Steve Cipalio, John Ciucevich, Robert Dexter, John Flaherty, Giana Gallagher, Gerry Grant, Gail Horne, Gina Judd, Bette Keller, Richard Lashua, Dianna Potter, Kathy Rice, Lee Rowe, Gerry Scanlon.

LONG-TERM PRAYER NEEDS — Sonya Castellino, Amy Deal, Lori Demmery, Robert Dopman, Carol Hale, Christy Iburg, Cameron James, Jeanne Kerr, Joe Kish, Alexander Molnar, Josh Nickerson, Marc Nyantakyi, Teri O'Hara, Reagan Potter, Richard Prior, Lenore Rickey, Kathi Roberts, Chantal Saxon, Judy Saxon, Samantha Spear, Mike Staton, James Wiberly.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED --- Ken Roberts, brother of Anne Masters, son of John & Helene Roberts

This Week's Readings

- Monday:** Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42.
- Tuesday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28.
- Wednesday:** Jer 1:1, 4-10; Mt 13:1-9.
- Thursday:** Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17.
- Friday:** Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23.
- Saturday:** Jer 7:1-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42.
- Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15.

*A Peek at
the Week*



Sunday, July 23

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Youth Group (AH)

Tuesday, July 25

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Sunday Choir Rehearsal (C, CR)

7:30 pm – 9:30 pm Prayer Group (L)

Wednesday, July 26

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Quilters Meeting (AH)

7:15 pm – 8:30 pm Rosary (CH)

Friday, July 28

6:00 pm – 10:15 pm Bingo (PH,K)

Sunday, July 30

6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Youth Group (AH)

Event Site Abbreviations

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| AH – Austin Hall | C – Church |
| CH – Chapel | CR – Council Room |
| C – Church | L – Library |
| K – Kitchen | PH – Parish Hall |

**Remember Our
Bulletin Deadline...**

**Friday 4 p.m., one week
before print date.**

All items must be submitted to the Parish Office for approval by Father Thom. Items can be e-mailed or dropped off. See the inside cover for contact info.

SJN WEEKLY COLLECTION

| | Actual | Budget |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| July 15-16 collection | \$ 14,623 | \$ 15,307 |

***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.)



Youth Echoing the Spirit!

SJN Youth/Young Adults

Yes! **Y.E.S.** does meet today! So, yes, please stop, plop and drop by to say Hi, and share in some good fellowship with your friends. Yes, **Y.E.S.** meets next weekend, the 30th. So yes, we hope to see you then.

As always the **Y.E.S.** office is open. The **Y.E.S.** Band will be rehearsing. Yes, you as a SJN Youth, are part of the **Y.E.S.** fundraising committee, so yes, stop by and help!!

Austin Hall 532-9402

Summer Dates

July 23rd
July 30
Aug. 6th
Aug. 13
Aug. 27

New Time!
6pm - 8:30
Austin Hall

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.

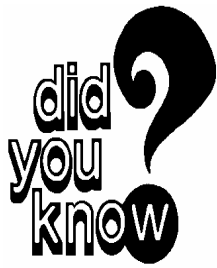
God Welcomes All of SJN's Children

St. John Neumann Religious Education welcomes all children and teens into our programs.

Sue Rebich, a Special Needs professional and catechist, works with parents and children to incorporate persons with disabilities into Faith Formation programs best-suited to individual needs.



Please call Sue, at (704) 545-0242, or the Religious Ed office, (704) 535-4197, to inquire about how to register your child.



Heading on Vacation? Check on Those Mass Times!

Going away for a well-deserved vacation is also an opportunity for experiencing worship in a different parish.

For the Mass schedule and location of the nearest Catholic Church within the United States, call (410) 676-6000, or visit www.masstimes.org.

When you go on vacation, our parish expenses still continue. In order to meet these expenses, we ask that you keep your contributions up to date. May God bless you and your family, and keep you safe and well.

Y.E.S. We Need Your Help

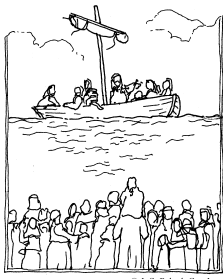
The SJN Youth group, Echoing the Spirit (Y.E.S.), wants to thank Mr. and Mrs. Ayer, for the donation of a refrigerator for Austin Hall — and thanks to Kevin Smith, for delivering it.

We also thank T.L.C. Nursery and the Skibbe family, for the donations of plants. Our parish is so blessed with caring parishioners.

Please keep a look out for the church fundraiser Aug. 12. If you are not able to attend, please keep us in mind for a monetary donation or for items needed.

Thanks again ... Y.E.S.

Today's Message: Time for Debriefing



Is there something missing between the first two sentences of today's Gospel? In the first sentence, the apostles return from having been sent on a mission. In the second sentence, Jesus asks them to come and rest with him.

It would be nice to think that Jesus smiled when He heard of the work the apostles had done in spreading his message.

We can imagine that Jesus was pleased with the work of his disciples and felt they deserved a break.

It might not be bad for us, when we gather together with Jesus as the apostles do today, to do this kind of debriefing — allowing the Lord to hear what we've sought to do in His name, our successes, our failures. We need to "get away" with Jesus for a while, to be fortified for future work in God's name.

Parish News

A MALE PARISHIONER is in need of a ride occasionally to the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturdays. He lives in the Hickory Grove area, off W.T. Harris Boulevard. If you are able to help, please call Sandra, (704) 841-7562.

WOULD YOU LIKE the Prayer Group to pray over you? Come join us on Tuesday nights from 7:30-9 p.m. in the Library.

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.

THE EVANGELIZATION COMMISSION'S next monthly Peace and Justice Rosary will be at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, 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.

FREE BABYSITTING is available at the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass. It's for children 3 and younger. All you need do is take a turn babysitting, every four to six weeks. Details: Moya, (704) 321-2786; or drop by the Babysitting Room in the Parish Hall before Mass.

Open Arms Preschool Taking Applications for 2006-07

Give the gift of friendship, laughter, play and learning
at
St. John Neumann's Open Arms Preschool,
enriching
the spiritual, academic and social growth
and development.

NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS for the 2006-2007 school year. Ages 2, 3 and 4 (on or before Oct. 16, 2006). Classes meet from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

For additional information or to register, call Nancy
at
(704) 536-6520, ext. 234, or (704) 882-1918.

Diocesan News ...

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 one more week of basketball camp this summer — the week of July 31-Aug. 4. There are two sessions — 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.

A ROSARY AND BENEDICTION will follow the 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, on Dilworth Road. The Rosary will be offered for an end to abortion and all the culture of death. Please join in this prayer for God's precious unborn children, and the awesome gift of Benediction.

ST. LUKE "EVERYTHING" CONSIGNMENT SALE — The annual sale will be Sept. 9 at St. Luke, on Lawyers Road in Mint Hill. It's time to clean out your attics, garages and closets. Sellers receive 70 percent of sales, and St. Luke parish receives 30 percent. Donations are welcome. To consign or volunteer, call Mary Adams, (704) 545-1224, or e-mail info@stlukechurch.net. For general questions, call Linda Franks, (704) 814-7817 or e-mail lfranks@carolina.rr.com.

THE LAY MINISTRY PROGRAM, a ministry formation program for all of those interested in knowing more about their faith and putting it into practice, will have classes for the 2004-2005 year in several cities, including Charlotte. This program is ideal for those involved in parish ministry, interested in the Permanent Diaconate, or wanting to grow in their faith. If you are interested in the program, contact Frank Villaronga, (704) 370-3274, or at fvillaronga@charlottediocese.org.

SHINING STARS is a not-for-profit adult day respite program, providing relief for caregivers and activities for care-receivers. Meetings are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at St. Gabriel Church; and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Sardis Presbyterian Church. Details: Suzanne Bach, (704) 335-0243.

Support groups for caregivers dealing with a family member with memory loss meet from 10-11:30 a.m. on the last Monday monthly at St. Gabriel Ministry Center's Room E. This service is free and open to the public. Details: Suzanne Bach, (704) 335-0253.