

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Roman Catholic parish, centered in Christ through the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the grace of this sacrament, we are empowered as individuals and in community to imitate Christ through prayer, outreach, fellowship, and education.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

POWHATAN, VIRGINIA

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: (Cycle B)

January 18, 2015

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Deadlines

Bulletin Notices: **Request in writing by 9:00 AM Tuesday** prior to the weekend of publication. Send by email to liturgy@sjnpowhatan.org or printed copy to Mary Cleary. All requests are subject to editing/ space availability.
Announcements or bulletin inserts, and weekend space (Narthex) must be presented for approval at least 2 weeks in advance, call: 598-3754.

Liturgy Schedule

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:30am & 11:00am

Confession Times Saturday 3:45pm – 4:30pm;
or by appointment with Fr. Lewis.

Weekday Masses – Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
9:00 AM in the Chapel.

Rosary – Wednesday 9:45 AM in the Chapel.

Sacrament of Baptism (Infant) – Please contact the parish office to make arrangements. Requirements: Families must be registered and participating in the Parish for at least 3 months before attending the required preparation class. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend class before the birth of their child.

Sacrament of First Penance & Eucharist – First Sacraments are celebrated in the 3rd Grade. Families must be registered and participating in the Parish; children must be enrolled in parish Religious Education or attend private Catholic school. Previous year's attendance in a religious education program is required.

Sacrament of Confirmation – Candidates for the adolescent Confirmation Program must be active members of the parish who have received both Baptism and Eucharist, and are **both at least 15 years** of age and enrolled in **at least** the tenth grade.

Sacrament of Matrimony – At least one of the parties must be registered and participating in the Parish for at least 3 months prior to contacting the Parish priest to begin pre-marital preparation. You must plan to begin pre-marital preparation 6 months prior to your proposed wedding date.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) – For those who are seeking God and choose to enter a journey of faith and conversion leading to initiation into the Roman Catholic Church. Please contact the parish office.

Anointing/Hospital Visit – If admitted to a hospital or confined at home, please call the parish office to arrange for a visit, communion and/or Anointing of the Sick. The Sacrament of Anointing is celebrated the last Sunday of each month at 9:45 AM.

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In case of an Emergency after office hours, please call Greg Hoffman at 757-693-1151.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 18

- 9:35 AM Religious Ed, grades 1-6 [Ed Hallway]
- 9:35 AM Adult Education [Library]
- 9:35 AM Ladies Auxiliary Meeting [M/P Room]
- 12:30 PM K of C Chili Cook - Off [St. Gabriel's]
- 6:30 PM Neu Waves Gathering [M/P Room]

Monday, January 19

- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts [FVH]
- 7:00 PM Cenacle prayer group [Chapel]

Tuesday, January 20

- 10:00 AM Bible study with Deacon Ed [M/P Room]
- 6:00 PM Baptism Prep Class [M/P Room]
- 6:30 PM Cub Scouts [FVH]

Wednesday, January 21

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass [Chapel]
- 9:45 AM Parish Rosary [Chapel]
- 6:00 PM Family Praise Choir practice [Church]
- 7:30 PM Adult Choir practice [Church]

Thursday, January 22

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass [Chapel]
- 6:30 PM RCIA [FVH]
- 7:30 PM Awaken to Hope Al-Anon [St. Thomas]

Friday, January 23

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass [Chapel]
- 10:00AM HEN Pantry to 1:00

Saturday, January 24

- 3:45 PM Confession [Church]

Sunday, January 25

- 9:30 AM Anointing of the Sick [Church]
- 9:35 AM Religious Ed, grades 1-6 [Ed Hallway]
- 9:35 AM Adult Education [Library]
- 9:35 AM Bakers Guild Meeting [M/P Room]
- 6:30 PM Neu Waves Gathering [St. Eliz, St. Kath]

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Week of: January 19 – January 25

| DAY | Scripture Readings | |
|-----|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Mon | Heb 5:1-10 | Mk 2:18-22 |
| Tue | Heb 6:10-20 | Mk 2:23-28 |
| Wed | Heb 7:1-3,15-17 | Mk 3:1-6 |
| Thu | Heb 7:25-8:6 | Mk 3:7-12 |
| Fri | Heb 8:6-13 | Mk 3:13-19 |
| Sat | Heb 9:2-3,11-14 | Mk 3:20-21 |
| Sun | Jon 3:1-5,10 | 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20 |

MASS INTENTIONS:

| | | |
|-------|----------|---|
| Weds | 9:00 AM | +Sylvester and Julia Janoski |
| Thurs | 9:00 AM | +Leo and Marie Klotz |
| Fri | 9:00 AM | +Jack Morgan, +June Augst, +Alice and Dick Thompson |
| Sat | 5:00 PM | +Kevin Maxwell |
| Sun | 8:30 AM | +Joe Tokarz |
| Sun | 11:00 AM | People of St. John Neumann |

Baker's Guild

The Bakers Guild will be having a meeting, Sunday, **January 25**, between the Masses, in the Multipurpose Room. They will be discussing the upcoming Easter Egg Sale. All are welcome.

Many Thanks From The Hastings Family

Tom, Ila and Adam would like to thank the many families who have provided food, flowers, prayers, and support since Ila's unfortunate fall. It has really helped us to have such delicious meals and wonderful prayers in her time of recovery. She still has a long way to go, however, it looks all upward at the moment! Also, a special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the beautiful arrangement of roses – they were gorgeous!

Stewardship

A popular hymn used in many Catholic churches is *Here I am Lord*. That hymn is based in part on our first reading from the Book of Samuel. The Lord wants us to respond just the way Samuel does in the reading. God calls each of us to discipleship through lives of stewardship.

Just as Samuel was confused, we, too, may fail to understand what God is calling us to at times. Nevertheless, just like Samuel we do need to respond "Here I am Lord." That is not always easy and it can be uncomfortable at times. Eli instructs Samuel to respond "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening." Samuel does so and "the Lord was with him."

Our challenge is first to hear God's call. It is there always, but we must listen for it. Then we need to respond to that call, and we need to respond in ways that show we recognize that the call is to service and the call is for us to be disciples. It is only implied initially, but it is clear that the Lord is calling Samuel by name. In the same way God calls each of us by name. We need to hear that as Samuel did, and we need to respond as Samuel did, "Here I am Lord. I come to do your will."

\$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$

01/11/15

Sunday/Holy Day Giving:

| Envelopes + Loose | = | Collection | Budgeted | Change |
|-----------------------|---|------------|----------|---------|
| \$5,024 + \$463 | = | \$5,487 | | |
| Faith Direct 01/04/15 | | \$5,900 | | |
| | | \$11,387 | \$9,250 | \$2,137 |

Year-To-Date Sunday/Holy Day Giving vs. Budgeted:

| 2014/15YTD | 2013/14 YTD | Current Budgeted | Collection vs. Budgeted |
|------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| \$241,795 | \$228,812 | \$249,000 | (\$7,205) |

Operational: Income* vs. Expenses* as of 11/30/14:

| | Income | Expenses | Increase/(Deficit) |
|------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|
| November | \$ 35,740 | \$ 24,019 | \$11,722 |
| Y-T-D Nov. | \$200,758 | \$194,311 | \$ 6,447 |

* Excludes mortgage reduction, building fund and funds received for designated purposes.

Mortgage Reduction:

Upson Property (covered by pledges)

Balance Owed – **\$93,500**

What does it mean to be an "Active Catholic?" Frequently, those seeking to celebrate Marriage, have their children baptized, or serve as sponsors for Confirmation or Baptism request a letter stating that they are parishioners. To receive such a letter, one must be registered in the parish, attend Mass regularly, and be committed to stewardship of time, talent and treasure. In any parish community, one means of verifying participation is through the use of parish offertory envelopes. If you choose not to participate in the support of the parish, or are unable to contribute at this time, please at least note your prayerful support on your envelope and place it in the weekly offertory. We will then be aware of your continued participation, and you will not be noted as "inactive" on our parish roster.

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes begin on **Sunday, February 15th at 9:45am SHARP!** We meet in the Multi-Purpose Room each week. Classes will end between 11:30am and 11:45am. Please attend either the 5pm Saturday Mass or the 8:30am Mass throughout the class schedule.

*Attending Confirmation classes is NOT a substitute or a reason to miss Mass! Here is the full class schedule: Sunday, **February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.** No Class Easter Sunday, April 5th, Final Class **April 12th.** The Confirmation Mass will be held at SJN on Friday, May 1st.

Knights of Columbus

Young man and woman of the year nominations (ages 12 to 18) are due to Bob Post before **3/1/15** so that the Council can vote on the nominations at the March business meeting. One young man and one young woman will be selected as the Council winners and each will receive a \$100 savings bond. The winners will be submitted to the State Council for consideration. Contact Deputy Grand Knight Bob Post for nominations, as well as more information. (repostiii@verizon.net or [804-310-9157](tel:804-310-9157)).



The Annual Knights of Columbus **Free Throw Contest** is coming! It will be at Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School Sullivan Gym on **January 24th** beginning at 10:00AM. This contest is for boys and girls from ages 9-14 yrs. Call

Bruce Wright at 598-4362 to register to participate.

Knight of the month: Mark Test

Family of the month: the Post family

March For Life Rally

Thursday, January 22, the Knights of Columbus will provide FREE bus transportation for people in the Richmond metropolitan area to attend the 42nd annual March For Life Rally in Washington DC. **Seating on the buses is limited and will be by RESERVATION only.** There will be a Charter bus at **St John Neumann Church**, bus arrives at 7:30 am for pick-up and departs by 7:45 am, then proceeds to **St Edward Church**, for an 8:15 am pick-up and depart by 8:30 am. To reserve a seat sign up on the sheet posted on the kiosk in the Narthex or contact Bus Captain Tony Hackenberg @ [804-598-5812](tel:804-598-5812) or tjhack@hotmail.com. A Registration fee may be required; however, the Registration fee will be returned when you take your seat on the bus. Marchers must check-in at the pick-up location at least 15 minutes prior to the specific departure time and must bring a lunch, soft drinks, cell phone, hat, gloves and suitable clothing for weather conditions. Buses will return by 6:30 - 7:00 pm. If you intend to go on the March, please pick up a flyer about the March in the Narthex.

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Sunday Hospitality will be starting its next session in February. This rotation is February through July. You need only volunteer for one Sunday a month after a Sunday morning Mass. Please consider volunteering for this rewarding social ministry. **There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.** For more details contact **Jane & Joe Deso** with any questions at 372-6241 or email jalfredd@aol.com

Baptism Preparation

There will be a Baptism Preparation class **Jan. 20th, 6:00PM** in the Multi-Purpose Room. Remember, expecting parents can attend the class before the baby is born! **Please contact the office at 598-5734 if you would like to take the Baptismal Preparation Class!**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

Did you know that a total of **40** ministers are needed each weekend to serve at Mass? Have you ever considered serving as a Lector, Usher, Eucharistic Minister, Children's Liturgy, or Altar Server? Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex. Training sessions will be scheduled shortly.

Altar Server: Servers who participate during Mass on the altar with the priest to hold the book of prayers and prepare the altar to celebrate Eucharist. Must have received First Holy Communion.

Lector: Lay ministers who proclaim the Word of God at Mass. Must be Confirmed and in good standing with the Catholic Church.

Eucharistic Minister: Lay Ministers who serve Holy Communion at Mass. Must be Confirmed, in good standing with the Catholic Church and able to receive Holy Communion at Mass. This is the ministry that has the greatest need!

Usher: Welcomes in the name of the parish. Should be High School age or older; no other special requirements to serve.

CLOW: Children's Liturgy of the Word helps our young parishioners (4 yrs. to 8 yrs.) to better understand the Sunday scripture. A background check and VIRTUS training are required.

Please consider serving as a minister. Contact Mary Cleary at 598-3754 or liturgy@sinpowhatan.org with any questions.

Lenten Retreat

Mark your calendars! On **February 21st** the CWO will sponsor its annual Lenten retreat. This event is open to all parishioners and will provide an excellent opportunity to deepen your Lenten experience. The speaker will be Kathleen Ferguson and the theme is "Gifts of the Sabbath; making time for God."

Adult Education

The SJN Library can provide many college level religion courses on VHS, DVD, CD and even cassette for your individual or group study. We also offer a group study on Sundays between the Masses in the Multi-Purpose Room or the Library. We have just started *From Jesus to Constantine: A History of Early Christianity*, on Sunday, Jan.2 at 9:35 am. We watch two 30 minute sessions, and you will be finished in time for **11am** Mass. There is **no** homework. Details and a sign-up sheet are on the Narthex bulletin board.

Opportunities Elsewhere in the Community

The Missioners of Christ, is sponsoring a short term mission trip for adults to Honduras. While there, you will meet and work with our long term missionaries and participate in all aspects of daily mission life including evangelization, discipleship, shared prayer, praise and worship, ministry, and work. The dates of the trip are April 6-11, 2015. The cost of the trip is \$610, which does not include the plane ticket. A \$100 deposit and the application are due by February 5. If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity, please contact Deacon Tom at [804.306.3945](tel:804.306.3945) or Deacon Bob Straub at [804.732.5300](tel:804.732.5300) or rjstraub@gmail.com.



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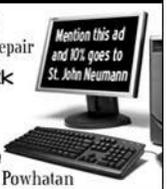
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