

## 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**

**The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: (Cycle A)**

**January 26, 2014**

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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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 A

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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 26

- 9:45 AM Anointing of the sick [Church]
- 9:45 AM Religious Ed Grades 1-6 [Ed Hall]
- 9:35 AM Biblical Studies [M/P Room]
- 6:00 PM Financial Peace University [M/P Room]
- 6:00 PM Neu Waves [FVH]

### Monday, January 27

- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts [FVH]

### Tuesday, January 28

- 10:00 AM Bible Study [M/P Room]
- 6:30 PM Cub Scouts [FVH]

### Wednesday, January 29

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass [Chapel]
- 9:45 AM Parish Rosary [Chapel]
- 6:00 PM Family Praise Choir [Church]
- 6:30 PM VIRTUS training [St. Elizabeth]
- 7:30 PM Adult Choir [Church]

### Thursday, January 30

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass with BSH [Church]
- 6:30 PM RCIA [M/P Room]
- 7:30 PM Awaken to Hope Al-Anon [St. Thomas]

### Friday, January 31

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass
- NO HEN Pantry

### Saturday, February 1

- 3:45 PM Confession [Church]

### Sunday, February 2

- 9:45 AM Religious Ed Grades 1-6 [Ed Hall]
- 9:35 AM Biblical Studies [Library]
- 9:40 AM Baker's Guild Meeting [M/P Room]
- 6:00 PM Financial Peace University [M/P Room]
- 6:00 PM Neu Waves [FVH]

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

### Week of: January 27 – February 2

DAY	Scripture Readings		
Mon	2 Sm 5:1-7,10		Mk 3:22-30
Tue	2 Sm 6:12b-15,17-19		Mk 3:31-35
Wed	2 Sm 7:4-17		Mk 4:1-20
Thu	2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29		Mk 4:21-25
Fri	2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17		Mk 4:26-34
Sat	2Sm 12:1-7a, 10-7		Mk 4: 35-41
Sun	Mal 3:1-4	Heb 2:14-18	Lk 2:22-40

### MASS INTENTIONS

Wed	9:00 AM	+Luther Caudle, Sr. and +Consuelo Del Rosario
Thurs	9:00 AM	+Heremengildo and Manuela Montenegro +Daniel and Ethel McDermott
Fri	9:00AM	+Efren Morales
Sat	5:00 PM	+Thomas Dern
Sun	8:30 AM	+Betty Lopez
Sun	11:00 AM	People of St. John Neumann

## Financial Corner

St. John Neumann is very grateful for the continued financial support of its parishioners. We would like to remind you that if you are inclined to donate to the Upson Property Pledge collection, it would be most helpful if you write a separate check and put Upson Loan in the memo section. Checks written for this purpose, when combined together with other Sunday donations in one check, are subject to Diocesan Cathedralicum Tax. Help us see that every penny goes to the purpose intended. If you have any questions, please call Lee in the office.

**Did you know?...** That every dollar donated to the Upson Property Pledge goes to reducing that loan. Interest on our loan is paid from the general funds or interest donations. Pledge donations are Cathedralicum Tax Exempt. This 9.5% tax is the money we pay to the Diocese on most of the general donations made to the parish.

### \$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$ 01/19/14

<b>Christmas &amp; Sunday/Holy Day Giving:</b>			
<u>Envelopes + Loose</u>	= <u>Collection</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Change</u>
\$6,590.00 + \$359.71	= \$6,949.71	\$7,500.00	(\$550.29)
<b>Year-To-Date Sunday/Holy Day Giving vs. Budgeted:</b>			
	<u>Current</u>	<u>Collection vs.</u>	
<u>2013/14YTD</u>	<u>2012/13 YTD</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
\$235,761.75	\$222,532.67	\$233,000.00	\$2,761.75
<b>Operational: Income* vs. Expenses* as of 11/30/13:</b>			
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Increase/(Deficit)</u>
<u>November</u>	\$ 38,479	\$ 33,224	\$5,254
Y-T-D Nov.	\$175,795	\$182,364	(\$6,569)
* Excludes mortgage reduction, building fund and funds received for designated purposes.			
<b>Mortgage Reduction:</b>			
Upson Property (covered by pledges)			
<b>Balance Owed - \$139,800</b>			

### Neu Waves

**Neu Waves Special Event:** January 26th, 6-8pm in Fr. Val Hall.

### Save The Date

St. John Neumann Annual Lenten Retreat: March 22. *Heaven and Purgatory-What does God intend for us?* Presented by Dr. Michael Root, a researcher, author, and professor, currently at Catholic University. Open to all parishioners -9:00AM to 3:00PM, Lunch included -\$20 -Registration begins Feb. 22.

**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.

## VIRTUS

The VIRTUS session has been rescheduled for Wednesday, **January 29th at 6:30pm** in the St. Elizabeth classroom (the "glass" one). Refreshments and a light meal will be served. The session will last approximately 2 hours. You can register on line at: <http://www.richmonddiocese.org/Safe-Environment-Training-Sessions> or the sign-up sheet located in the Narthex. Should anyone need additional information or questions, please contact David Corbett at: [804 794-1251](tel:8047941251) or via email at: [dpdkc1900@verizon.net](mailto:dpdkc1900@verizon.net).

## Baker's Guild

The Baker's Guild will be meeting February 2<sup>nd</sup>, between the Masses, in the multipurpose room. We will be planning for the March 15/16<sup>th</sup> bake sale and Easter sales. If you are interested in being part of the Baker's Guild please join us! If you do not want to join, but love to sample their work...mark your calendars and get ready to order your Easter candies and goodies!

## Borrowed...?

We have lost four tables. (2 eight foot, 1 six foot, and 1 four foot table), and 9 padded folding chairs! At over \$75 per table and \$25 per chair, this is an unplanned and unnecessary expense. If you needed a table and "borrowed it", or chairs and "borrowed" them, please return! We are happy to oblige if you need something, but please call the office before you presume to "borrow". In reference to Deacon Jim's homily recently... "Let's damn up the James River and baptize all of them". ...Then their consciences will be moved and the "lost shall be found"?

## Scouting Programs

We celebrate Scout Sunday NEXT weekend as well as the 104<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Scouting movement in the USA, with a visible presence at the February 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:30am mass. ALL scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform. St. John Neumann has been the sponsor of a Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop for 21 years. Four years ago we began a co-ed Venture Crew for young men and women ages 14 to 20. Currently, there are approximately 60 boys in Pack 1832, 55 boys in Troop 832 and 10 Venture Crew members in Crew 832. For the Girl Scout program, Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School sponsors different Girl Scout Troops. We thank the parish community for your support of these programs, especially their fundraising efforts. See next week's Bulletin for details on the religious awards scouts of the Catholic faith can earn. If you would like more information about scouting contact Tony Hackenberg (598-5812) or Cindy Morris (370-9863) for Boy Scouts and Venture Crew, and Allen Dodd (598-4881) for Cub Scouts. Please contact Blessed Sacrament Huguenot School directly for information on their Girl Scout Programs. ALL scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform.

## First Sacraments

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist Preparation begins in February:

The first class is Monday, February 3, 6:30-7:45 PM. Students report to their regular classroom. Parents meet in the Multi Purpose Room.

If you have a child in 3rd grade or above who has not made their 1st Reconciliation and/or 1st Communion, extra classes in addition to Religious Ed classes are required. Please contact Beth Belcher (598-8990 or [micbeth2b@yahoo.com](mailto:micbeth2b@yahoo.com)) with questions.

## Knights of Columbus

Firewood deliveries are going on now. If you need firewood assistance **or** if you have wood you can donate to help heat homes for folks in need, **please call Jack McNamee at 678-8462 (cell), or 229-6268.**

The February business meeting will be February 9<sup>th</sup>.  
Knight of the Month: Jack McNamee  
Family of the Month: Bob and Tabitha Post

## Did You Know?

The SJN Library will offer a new group study on Sundays between the Masses beginning **Sunday, Jan.26**, entitled "Early Christianity: The Experience of the Divine", taught by Prof. Luke Timothy Johnson of Emory Univ. It will cover twenty-four 30 minute lectures in 12 weeks. There is **no** homework. We meet in the multipurpose room at **9:35 am** and finish in time for Mass at **11 am**. Parents with children in Religious Education might enjoy this class while their children are also studying. A sign-up sheet and course description for the class is posted in the Narthex.

## Suggested Reading

While Fr. Lewis and Monsignor Irwin were in Florida, Monsignors latest book was released: "What we have done, what we have failed to do... Assessing the liturgical reforms of Vatican II" Recent books are: "Serving the Body of Christ... the Magisterium on Eucharist and ordained Priesthood" and "101 Questions and Answers on the Mass". There are several copies of all three books in the parish Library.

## Opportunities Elsewhere in the Community

### Spring 2014 Support Group for Widowed Persons

A new 9-week support group for widowed men and women will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm, beginning in mid-March (exact date to be announced later). It will be held in Bon Air off Buford Road. Topics and discussions include normal grieving behaviors and feelings, loss of identity and changed roles, setting goals for the future, and addressing social needs and relationships. Those who are interested or wish to know more should contact the facilitator, Dr. Elaine Nowinski, by February 25. There is a registration fee of \$25 to cover books and materials. Contact information: [emnowinski@fastmail.us](mailto:emnowinski@fastmail.us) or [WidowedGriefGroup@nowinski.com](mailto:WidowedGriefGroup@nowinski.com); (804) 272-7787 (Please leave message.)

**Retreat At Shalom House:** February 15: A Day of Nature Photography with Bill Fox, 9AM to 3PM, includes lunch.





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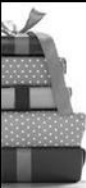


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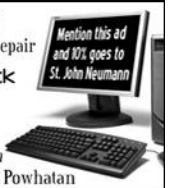
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