



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

4th Sunday in Lent: (Cycle C)

March 10, 2013

IN HIS SERVICE:

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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 – Youth may celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in their sophomore year of high school. Families must be registered and participating in the Parish; youth must be enrolled in parish Religious Education or attend private Catholic school. Current year's attendance in a religious education program is required.

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.

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 and weekend space must be presented for approval at least 2 weeks in advance, 598-3754.

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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, March 10

All Day Daylight Savings Time Begins!
9:30 AM Reconciliation Class [Chapel]
 9:35 AM Biblical Studies (Christianity) [Library]
9:45 AM Religious Education (1st-6th) [Ed Wing]
9:45 AM Confirmation Classes [M/P Room]
 6:00 PM Financial Peace University [M/P Room]

Monday, March 11

7:00 PM Boy Scouts [FVH]

Tuesday, March 12

10:00 AM Adult Bible Study [M/P Room]
 10:00 AM Happy Homemakers [St. Elizabeth]
 6:30 PM Cub Scouts [FVH, St. Thomas]
 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting – [M/P Room]

Wednesday, March 13

9:00 AM Weekday Mass
9:45 AM Parish Rosary [Chapel]
7:00 PM 1st Reconciliation Service [Church]
 7:00 PM WWII Board Meeting [St Elizabeth]
 8:00 PM Adult Choir [Church]

Thursday, March 14

9:00 AM Weekday Mass
 6:15 PM Boy Scout leader/comm. mtgs[St. Katherine]
6:30 PM RCIA [M/P Room]
 7:00 PM Youth Gathering-grades 7-12 [FVH]
 7:30 PM Awaken to Hope Al-Anon [St. Thomas]

Friday, March 15

9:00 AM Weekday Mass
 10:00 AM Hen Pantry until 1:00PM
 5 - 7 PM KofC Fish Fry [FVH]
6:45 PM Stations of the Cross [Church]
7:30 PM Adoration and Exposition [Church]

Saturday, March 16

3:45 PM Confession [Church]
 6:00 PM Bake Sale after Mass [Narthex]

Sunday, March 17

9:00 AM Bake Sale after Masses [Narthex]
 9:35 AM Biblical Studies (Christianity) [Library]
 9:40 AM Ladies Auxiliary Meeting [FVH]
9:45 AM Religious Education (1st-6th) [Ed Wing]
9:45 AM Confirmation Class [M/P Room]
 6:00 PM Financial Peace University [M/P Room]

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Week of: March 11 – March 17

DAY	Scripture Readings	
Mon	Is 65:17-21	Jn 4:43-54
Tue	Ez 47:1-9,12	Jn 5:1-16
Wed	Is 49:8-15	Jn 5:17-30
Thu	Ex 32:7-14	Jn 5:31-47
Fri	Wis 2:1a, 12-22	Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat	Jer 11:18-20	Jn 7:40-53
Sun	Is 43:16-21 Phil 3:8-14	Jn 8:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 5:00 PM + Joe Schneider
 Sun 8:30 AM People of St. John Neumann
 Sun 11:00 AM People of St. John Neumann

Financial Corner

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Our Debt Reduction second collections and our purple Debt Reduction envelopes generated **\$6,677.58** towards our Winfree Property Purchase during the month of February. We also had **\$1,914.84** in profit from our Mardi Gras/Casino Night going towards our Winfree Property Purchase – for a **grand total of \$8,592.42**. In order to pay the principal balance of our mortgage within the three-year low interest period, we must make a payment of at least \$7,640 each month. Please continue to use your purple envelope to contribute to the Debt Reduction Fund, and don't forget your "spare change" when our debt reduction collection basket is passed during Mass.

Kindly note that we are now under \$50,000 owed on this loan. The three year low interest period ends June 1. This means we will renegotiate the loan sometime in May. Please prayerfully consider helping us to retire this debt as quickly as possible.

If you wish to contribute to the Upson Property purchase or the interest we will need to pay on this loan, kindly put UPSON LOAN ~or~ UPSON INTEREST in the memo line of your check or use the blue Upson donation envelope in your packet.

\$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$

03/03/13

Sunday/Holy Day Giving:

<u>Envelopes + Loose</u>	=	<u>Collection</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Change</u>
\$9,269.00 + \$412.00	=	\$9,681.00	\$7,500.00	\$2,181.00

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

<u>2012/13 YTD</u>	<u>2011/12 YTD</u>	<u>Current Budgeted</u>	<u>Collection vs. Budgeted</u>
\$269,633.20	\$249,527.60	\$250,250.00	\$19,838.20

Operational: Income* vs. Expenses* as of 01/31/13:

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Increase/(Deficit)</u>
Jan.	\$ 40,176.37	\$ 48,833.36	(\$8,656.99)
Y-T-D Jan.	\$274,657.43	\$308,605.70	(\$33,948.37)

* Excludes debt reduction and funds received for designated purposes as well as any piano income and expenses.

Debt Reduction:

<u>Last Sunday</u>	<u>Winfree Property Purchase</u>
\$3,330.00	\$275,000.00 – \$226,932.76 (Total Donated)
	Balance Owed – \$48,067.24

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.

Bake Sale

BAKE SALE St. Patrick's Day weekend!

March 16th and 17th. Orders will be taken for Easter theme cakes (cross, open bible or egg) which will be picked up after masses on Palm Sunday weekend or after Holy Thursday services. See Bulletin insert!

Proceeds will benefit the Youth Ministry.

This sale is sponsored by a newly formed SJN ministry of bakers and confectioners. Anyone interested in joining the group should call Terry Sanders (598-2750) or Sue Kornegay (598-1014). The more the merrier!

Lenten Fridays

Friday's in Lent – through March 22

5:00 – 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus Fish Dinner
6:45 PM Stations of the Cross
7:30 – 9:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please see the Adoration sign-up in the Narthex.

Ancient Order of Hibernians

TRIP TO IRELAND FOR TWO, AOH RAFFLE

The Monsignor Charles A. Kelly Jr. Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) is offering raffle tickets for a **Vacation for two to Ireland or an optional cash prize of \$4,000 (your choice)**. The cost is \$10.00 per ticket. The drawing will be held at the Irish Festival in late March. If you did not get your ticket yet or are interested in obtaining more information about the Ancient Order of Hibernians should contact Mike McGee at 594-0785 or Larry Kelly at 897-2882. All women interested in obtaining more information contact Marie Iwashenko at 598-3894.

Pastoral Council- Stewards for St. John Neumann

As a Council Member, you meet only once a month for an hour. You represent the people of the Church Community and bring forth ideas/thoughts from anyone who takes time to share them with you. Very often you are approached just before or after mass. This is an important responsibility and an honor with little time spent.

Seek out the members of the Council to share your thoughts and perhaps put your name in to become a new member. We will be voting to add new members in May. Are you being called? We need three new people on the Council. See Michelle Gestwick or contact her at (804) 598-1223.

Catholic Studies Symposium

Second Annual Bishop Walter F. Sullivan Chair in Catholic Studies Symposium

Wednesday, March 13, 10:00AM to 3:30PM at VCU Student Commons Theater, 907 Floyd Ave., on the first floor. **Free and open to the public!** Speakers include: Dr. R. Andrew Chestnut, Dr. Anthony Padovano, Sr. Simone Campbell, and Bill Huebsch. See the flyer in the Narthex for more information.

First Sacrament Rescheduled Class

ALL FIRST SACRAMENT CANDIDATES -

Reconciliation class will be this Sunday, March 10 9:30 - 10:45 in the CHAPEL. Please be prompt.

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be held March 17 after the 8:30 Mass in Father Val Hall. For more information, contact Jaime Quinn at: 794-2626 or sinliturgy@yahoo.com.

Mardi Gras and Casino Night

We had a wonderful time at this year's Mardi Gras Party & Casino Night. **Thank You** to the many volunteers who worked diligently to make this fundraiser a success. We raised \$1,914.84 for the SJN Debt Reduction Fund. We owe a debt of gratitude to the many sponsors who provided prizes and auction items. Most importantly, we appreciate all those who attended the event. We hope you will join us again next year for another enjoyable evening!

Easter Memorial Flowers

Please get your yellow Easter Memorial Flower Donation envelopes returned by March 15 to be included in our Easter Memorial listing.

Easter Season Mass Intentions

Easter Season Mass Intentions may be requested through the special envelopes handed out with the Order of Worship this weekend. These special intentions will be listed in the Easter Memorial Listing and your envelopes will be placed on the Altar during the Easter Season in honor of your offering. Intentions may be for the living or deceased. Please make checks payable to Fr. Walter Lewis.

Yard Sale

Bishop Ireton #6189 Ladies Auxiliary Annual Yard and Bake Sale: April 6, 2013, starting at 8:00 am, at 3300 Old Courthouse Road (directly across Courthouse Road from Rockwood Park). This is a fundraising event for our group. All monies received will be donated to charity. Please come out and support a worthy cause.

Vocations

"God is making His appeal through us." Does a life dedicated to furthering the grace of reconciliation in Christ for others appeal to you? Consider a vocation as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life. Call Father Michael Boehling 804.359.5661, or write: mboehling@richmonddiocese.org.

St. Gertrude High School

Saint Gertrude High School is seeking an Art Teacher and a full time Physics Teacher for the 2013-14 school year. The applicant certified and endorsed. Please email resume to sghs@saintgertrude.org

Saint John Neumann Catholic Church

BAKER'S GUILD

BAKE SALE

TO BENEFIT NEU WAVES
YOUTH GROUP

Delicious Baked Goods and
Handmade Candies Available
After All Masses March 16th and 17!

We are also taking orders for specialty cakes to be picked up Palm Sunday or Holy Thursday for your Easter Celebrations. Each cake is handmade and decorated and only \$18 each. See pictures at the sale table!



Neu Waves is a newly formed group of 12-18 year olds who want to do service and mission work in the Powhatan community as well as have fun!

They meet 2 times a month: once for religious education and once for a service or social activity.

They are planning a group mountain hike in late April as a spiritual retreat. They will use the money raised by the bake sale to finance their future service projects.

Opportunities Elsewhere in the Community

Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion Healing Retreat, April 5-7, at Shalom House, facilitates spiritual and emotional healing for women and men struggling with their history of abortion. Exercises based on scripture are designed to help participants experience God's compassion and forgiveness. *If your heart hears God's gentle invitation, take courage, for you are being called into healing this weekend of Divine Mercy Sunday!* Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org Financial assistance is available. Contact Kay Marie Geiger, Retreat Facilitator, [804-330-3137](tel:804-330-3137) kmg4hope@verizon.net or Molly Smith at Epiphany in Richmond, [804-794-0222](tel:804-794-0222)

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Please consider advertising your business in the church bulletin.

Contact John Bischoff (639-6766, johnbischoff@verizon.net) or Lee Mecca (598-3754,) for more information and advertising rates.



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Classic Burgers \$5.55
Dine in Only - Available All Day

Friday
Fish Fry \$9.99
Dine In or To Go

Dining for Dollars Program
Eat Sun-Thur, bring your receipt to Church, and we receive 10% back from food & non-alcoholic beverage purchases.

Restaurant Locations:

10466 Ridgefield Parkway
Richmond, VA 23233
804-754-3710

6151 Harbourside Centre Loop
Midlothian, VA 23112
804-608-8350



Mexican Restaurant
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804-858-5000

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