



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

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Cycle C)

March 27, 2016

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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

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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 27

8:30 AM Easter Mass
 9:30 AM Easter Egg hunt
 11:00 AM Easter Mass
 12:00 PM Easter Egg hunt

Monday, March 28

Office and building are closed
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts [FVH]
 7:00 PM Ladies of Grace Book Club [M/P Room]

Tuesday, March 29

Office and building are closed

Wednesday, March 30

Office and building are closed

Thursday, March 31

Office and building are closed
 7:30 PM Awaken to Hope Al-Anon Meeting [St. Thomas]

Friday, April 1

Office and building are closed
 10:00 AM Powhatan Food Pantry to 12:00
 7:00 PM Adoration Begins [Church]

Saturday, April 2

8:30 AM Rosary, Adoration concludes [Church]
 3:45 PM Confession [Church]

Sunday, April 3

9:30 AM Religious Ed Grade 1-6 [Education Hall]
 9:45 AM Breaking Open The Word [FVH]
 9:45 AM Confirmation class [M/P Room]
 12:15 PM Bereavement Group [FVH]
 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus business meeting [FVH]

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Week of: March 28 – April 3

DAY Scripture Readings

Mon	Acts 2:14,22-33	Mt 28:8-15
Tue	Acts 2:36-41	Jn 20:11-18
Wed	Acts 3:1-10	Lk 24:13-35
Thu	Acts 3:11-26	Lk 24:35-48
Fri	Acts 4:1-12	Jn 21:1-14
Sat	Acts 4:13-21	Mk 16:9-15
Sun	Acts 5:12-16	Rv 1:9-11a-13,17-19 Jn 20:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 5:00 PM +Robert Guest
 Sun 8:30 AM +Melissa Buchanan
 Sun 11:00 AM People of St. John Neumann.

Please Note

- The office and building are CLOSED the week after Easter (March 28- April 1). **Phone messages and e-mail messages will be picked up on a regular basis.**
- Father Lewis will be in Rome after Easter until April 18th. We will have visiting priests on the weekends, but there will be **no weekday Mass.**

Bereavement Ministry

Bereavement Ministry will meet on **April 3rd** in Fr. Val Hall following the 11:00 Mass. The topic for this month is Coping with Guilt and Regret Following the Death of a Loved One.

Stewardship

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us that “Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the ‘Feast of feasts,’ the ‘Solemnity of solemnities,’ just as the Eucharist is the ‘Sacrament of sacraments.’ The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to Him.” (#1169)

It is difficult for us to fully comprehend the importance of this day and its meaning for us, its fulfillment of hope for us. We consider this to be the most important day on our Church calendar. If we have properly approached the Lenten period, this day comes at the end of a period of prayer and fasting and almsgiving. We should have been prepared to spiritually die with Christ, and to rise as He did on this day to the promise of new life both in this world and the next.

Christ has saved us, and that alone is reason for our joyous celebration. By receiving the Eucharist (communion) on this day, we make a visible sign of our faith and our participation in the Kingdom of God.

Some are here today who may only come to church once a year, but this is the day to come to be sure. We welcome you with the love of Christ, and as good stewards, we invite you to become a more intimate part of our faith community, so that you, too, can realize that “God is good — all the time.”

**Create a legacy of giving. Please remember
 St. John Neumann in your estate plans.**

\$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$

03/2016

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

	Current Budgeted	Collection vs. Budgeted
2015/16 YTD	\$355,922	(\$22,978)
2014/15 YTD	\$324,115	

Operational: Income* vs. Expenses* as of 01/31/2016:

	Income	Expenses	Increase/(Deficit)
January	\$ 53,030	\$ 35,676	\$17,354
YTD Jan.	\$320,358	\$312,839	\$ 7,519

* Excludes funds received for designated purposes.

Care Notes

Interested in tips on how to simplify your life, handle stress or cope when bad things happen? See our *CareNotes* display in the Narthex. Take one and take heart. Give one and give hope.

Vacation Bible School



Save the Date for VBS
 We will “Set Sail with the Holy Trinity” and St. Patrick, **July 25th-29th.**

Mark your calendars now for a great time at VBS!

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.

Knights' Corner

The Knights of Columbus wish to thank our patrons of the Lenten Fish Fry, but most of all, our volunteers. For without their selfless support this event could not have taken place. The Knights wish to acknowledge the following volunteers:

Father Walter Lewis	Pat Berezna
Karen Amaral (and family)	Deborah Corbett
Jaime Quinn	Gretta Stage
Tiffany Vadella-Griffith	Ray Quinn
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Donna Mead	Sue Kornegay
Marge Kivikko	Jaxson Smith
Tabatha Post	Ginger Pareene
Sandy Knabe	Mary Harrison
Roy Harrison	John Stine
Albert Stine	Andrea Dorsey

We also wish to thank Barham Seafood for providing great shellfish! And if we forgot to include you on this list, it doesn't mean that you were not appreciated! We are grateful and blessed by all the volunteers.

Knight of the Month: Tony Hackenberg

Family of the Month: David and Deborah Corbett

Festival Fundraiser

Join us for the inaugural

Powhatan Women's Show Event

April 8th and 9th at SJN Father Val Hall featuring 2 days of shopping, demonstrations and fun, including a Fashion Show and a Mother and Daughter tea.

April 8th 6:30-9:00

VIP night tickets are \$20 and include free appetizers and one wine ticket. Door prizes and Silent Auction available. Proceeds from the ticket sales go to the New Powhatan Food pantry. Tickets available online at Event Bright.

April 9th 10:00AM-4:00PM

Free vendor shopping and product demonstrations. Fashion show at 2:00PM, Mother and Daughter tea, catered by Mable's Espresso Bakery Café. Tickets are \$10 per person and are available online at Event Bright. Limited seating. Proceeds from the tea will support the SJN Fall Festival. Check out our FB page for more information.

*Congratulations to the winner of our very first Reverse Raffle. **Linda Edwards** bought one ticket at the fish fry and her lucky #172 was the final number left at the end of the night. Thank you to everyone who bought a ticket and joined in the fun! We raised over \$1400 for the Fall Festival.*

Thank you to Judes Ferry band for the great entertainment, Tom Tokarz and Marge Kivikko for tending bar, Gretta Stage for the amazing graphic designs and help with all the details, and the Father Hall rental crew for the great set up.

Commemoration of the Dearly Departed

On the first Friday of each month, during Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist, we commemorate and pray for our dearly departed loved ones whose anniversary of death occurs during the month. If your deceased loved one is interred in the Columbarium, they will automatically be among those for whom we pray. If you would like to include others on this prayer list please contact Deacon Jim Tubbs.

Neu Waves

UPCOMING NEU WAVES ACTIVITIES - SIGN UP NOW! FRIENDS & PARENTS

WELCOME! Check your emails or Contact

Deacon Tom for more info. Chaperones needed!

* **Saturday April 16 - Part 3 of our Service Activities with Belmead's Sr. Jean and the Sisters of Blessed**

Sacrament. 9am-12pm studying invasive species and their link with Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*.

* **Sunday April 24 - End-of-the-Year Hike at Fortune's Cove**, a preserve of over 29,000 acres owned by the Nature Conservancy. **Leave after 8:30am Mass and return by 7pm.** Dinner included.

Baptism Preparation

There will be a Baptism Preparation class **April 19th**, at 6:00 PM 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 are interested in taking the Baptismal Preparation Class!

Trip To The Holy Land

Make the events of this past week become even more vivid. Consider a trip of the lifetime to the Holy Land with Fr. Lewis and Monsignor Irwin. To read about the trip, go to:

www.travelillum.com/trc/yzp. Questions, contact Fr. Lewis

CRS Rice Bowl

HUNGERING FOR CELEBRATION

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends in our own hearts, where Jesus reigns forever. Let us rejoice in our risen Lord—and in the lives we've changed this Lent in Colombia, Laos, Rwanda, Honduras, Madagascar and all over the world! Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl. Please count your change, write a check (note Rice Bowl on the memo line) and place it in the basket during offertory. There will also be a basket in the Narthex.



Powhatan Garden Club

The Powhatan Garden Club will have its first Play with Paint Fund Raising event on Thursday, April 7th at St. John Neumann Church from 7-9 PM. Each participant will produce a painting. The instructor for the class is Kathy Rivera, owner of Accents at Westchester Commons. Kathy is an experienced art teacher. She will guide us as we work on our painting.

Seating is limited so call and register early to ensure a seat. We look forward to a productive, fun-filled evening. Maybe you will discover your inner Picasso! Call Jaime Quinn at 687-2814 for information and registration. The fee for the class is \$40/person; which includes supplies and canvas. We look forward to seeing you there.

Opportunities Elsewhere in the Community

➤ St. John Neumann is part of the **Coalition of Powhatan Churches**. The Coalition periodically has specific needs which they send out to member churches for assistance. We will post these needs on the bright orange square on the kiosk closest to the front door. If you are able to help, please contact them at the number on the notice. You can find more information about the coalition at: www.coalitionofpowhatanchurches.com.

➤ **FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION**, a *Rachel's Vineyard Retreat* will be held April 8–10, at Shalom House in Montpelier, VA. For info, email: RV4hope@gmail.com, and visit our website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.

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