



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

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: (Cycle B)

August 16, 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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Website: www.sjnpowhatan.org • Office Hours • Tuesday – Friday: 9am – 4pm

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

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, August 16

9:30 AM RCIA [M/P Room]
4:00 PM Knights of Columbus Social [FVH]

Monday, August 17

7:00 PM Boy Scouts [FVH]
7:00 PM Cenacle Prayer Group [Chapel]

Tuesday, August 18

6:00 PM Baptism Preparation [M/P Room]

Wednesday, August 19

NO Weekday Mass
9:45 AM Parish Rosary [Chapel]
7:15 PM Fellowship of Young Adults [St. Thomas]

Thursday, August 20

NO Weekday Mass
7:00 PM BSA Venture Crew [St. Katherine]
7:30 PM Awaken to Hope Al-Anon [St. Thomas]

Friday, August 21

NO Weekday Mass
10:00 AM HEN Pantry to 1:00 PM

Saturday, August 22

3:45 PM Confession [Church]

Sunday, August 23

9:30 AM RCIA [M/P Room]

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

Week of: August 17 – August 23

DAY	WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS	
Mon	Jgs 2:11-19	Mt 19:16-22
Tue	Jgs 6:11-24a	Mt 19:23-30
Wed	Jgs 9:6-15	Mt 20:1-16
Thu	Jgs 11:29-39a	Mt 22:1-14
Fri	Ru 1:1,3-6,14b-16,22	Mt 22:34-40
Sat	Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17	Mt 23:1-12
Sun	Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b	Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

MASS INTENTIONS:

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

Baptism Preparation

There will be a Baptism Preparation class **August 18th**, 6:00 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room (room opposite the restrooms). 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!

Neu Waves



What's it take to be a Leader? If you are a rising 11th or 12th grader who has received the Sacrament of Confirmation, Neu Waves invites you to

a one day **Servant Leadership Retreat** at Charlottesville's Triple C Camp on **Friday, August 28**. Ropes & climbing tower/zip line programming will be provided by the Charlottesville Challenge Course. Contact Deacon Jim at jiimtubbs25@gmail.com if you're interested in this unique leadership experience.

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.

Financial Corner

Please be sure to let us know when you have a phone number, e-mail, or address change. In this way we can be sure that your Catholic Virginian newspaper and your Stewardship envelopes (if you get them) arrive in a timely manner. When they are returned, we must pay the return postage. If we need to contact you, phone or e-mail is the method we use most. Thank you for understanding and in helping to keep our roster current.

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

\$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$ 08/09/15

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

	Current	Collection vs.
<u>2014/15 YTD</u>	<u>2013/14 YTD</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
\$52,787	\$47,914	\$56,000
		(\$3,213)

Operational: Income* vs. Expenses* as of 06/30/2015:

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Increase/(Deficit)</u>
June	\$ 37,920	\$ 53,237	(\$15,317)
Y-T-D June	\$499,451	\$490,987	\$8,464

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

Mortgage Reduction:

Upsilon Property (covered by pledges)

Balance Owed – \$69,500

The June 30, 2015, fiscal year end Receipts and Disbursements report is available in the Narthex.



Saint John Neumann is Living Our Mission.
Find out more at:

<http://livingourmission.org/parishes/saint-john-neumann/>

SJN Book Club

The SJN book club will be meeting on the 4th Monday of the month, from 6:30-8:00 in the multi-purpose room.

Books for the Fall include:

Sept. 28 The Firebird by Janice Graham
Oct. 26 Life after Life by Kate Atkinson
Nov. 30 The Devil in the White City, Murder, Magic and Madness by Erik Larson **

**Nov. 30th is the 5th Monday due to Thanksgiving holidays
Please feel free to come to any meeting prepared to discuss the month's book. For further information: contact Kathy Schmidt, fromkathyschmidt@gamil.com or (804)320-7849.

HEN Pantry



The HEN pantry is in urgent need of (4) individuals to assist other team members one Friday a month to distribute food to pantry clients between the hours of 9:45am and 1:00pm. Contact Jim Dierkes at 804 379-8983 for more information. Please prayerfully consider joining this important ministry.

If you have tried to call Jim recently and not gotten a response, he had some phone trouble that has now been resolved. Please try contacting him again. Thanks

St. John Neumann Fall Festival Fall Festival Update

We are now accepting White Elephant donations! This year we have a drop-off schedule so you can stop at any time posted below.

Wednesdays 10-11 AM, Fridays 10-11 AM, Saturdays 10-11 AM, and Sundays between the masses (9:30-11:00 AM).



Donations should be dropped off at the outside door to the St. Elizabeth Classroom during these times. If you have any questions or need to make special arrangements, please contact Pat Berezna at 598-9146, pberezna@comcast.net or Sharon Tubbs at sharontubbs12@yahoo.com Please remember, the festival will be a major fundraiser for the parish and will help delay those second collections. We need everybody's help to make this a success!

Yard Sales

The monthly SJN Community Yard Sales are continuing. If you have not been able to participate so far, now is your chance to clean out your closets, make some money, and support the festival. You can also shop and find treasures galore. The next date is: **August 22**. The last yard sale date will be **September 12**. Don't miss out! The cost is \$10.00 for a parish member to set up, \$15 for a non-parishioner and \$20 for a group that wants to sell for a fundraiser. All proceeds will go to funding the Fall Festival. Questions? Contact: Jean Tillery 804-240-9447



Laudato Si

Join Bishop DiLorenzo and experts in Norfolk to talk about "Laudato Si", Pope Francis' encyclical on ecology, and how it applies to environmental issues facing the Tidewater on Tuesday, August 25, at 7 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish, Norfolk. "Praised Be: How Pope Francis' Encyclical Speaks to Tidewater's Looming Environmental Crisis - A Symposium of Church, Military, Scientific and Community Leaders" is co-sponsored by the [Virginia Catholic Conference](http://www.virginiacatholicconference.org), the [Diocese of Richmond's](http://www.dioceseofrichmond.org) Office of Social Ministry and [Catholic Climate Covenant](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org). Register at vacatholic.org.



Gift Cards Requested

When you are out shopping at Food Lion, Sheetz, or Walmart, think about purchasing a gift card and donating it to our Human Concerns ministry. We use the cards to assist members of our parish.

Christian (In)Formation

Out of Sync? Is your child's Religious Education out of sync? Do you have an uncatechised child entering 3rd grade...the normal 1st Communion Year? Do you have children ages 9-14 who want to begin religious education and/or prepare for 1st Sacraments? Do you have teenagers who missed the usual 10th grade Confirmation preparation wanting to prepare for Confirmation now? Do you want your child catechized but find it difficult to attend the weekly Sunday R.E. sessions? Do you have other special needs?

We CAN help! NOW is the time to meet with Deacon Ed to discuss options. We CAN find a way.

CONFIRMATION: Every rising 10th grader, or older, teenager even vaguely interested in Confirmation in the Spring should contact Deacon Ed **NOW**. News bulletins about interviews and retreat opportunities will begin soon. Getting your name on the distribution list is not a commitment but will get you the information you will need to make your decision.

For more information about our programs, check the Christian Formation tab on our website:

www.sjnpowhatan.org

Contact Deacon Ed at deacon.ed.sjn@gmail.com

Ecuador Daycare

Between the parish and the Knights of Columbus breakfast, we collected \$4,948 for Fr. Espinosa's daycare. Thank you for your generosity!

Knights of Columbus

Knight of the Month = Chuck Schirra
Family of the Month = Jim and Gretta Stage

Breaking Open the Word

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD meets every Sunday morning from 9:45 - 10:30 AM in the Multipurpose Room. Parishioners are invited to explore the Sunday readings and their lessons that impact our everyday lives. Will you accept this invitation to delve into the meaning of the Sunday scriptures and have a personal encounter with Jesus? Please come and join us!

Baker's Guild

Please come to a meeting Sunday, August 23, at 9:45 am. We will meet in one of the classrooms as the multipurpose room is being used.

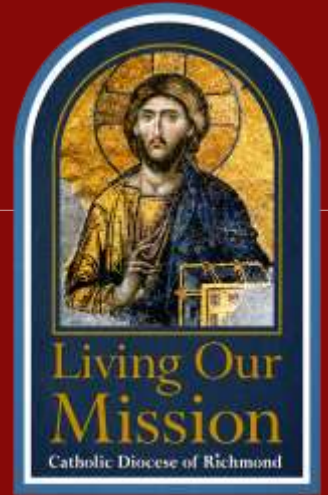
We will be discussing our booth at the parish festival on the last Saturday in September and our pie sale before Thanksgiving. Plus, we will have updates on our candy sales and plans for the 2016 Easter eggs.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 23rd.

Papal Mass, Washington DC

The Diocese of Richmond has been allocated a limited number of tickets for the Papal Mass and canonization of Blessed Junipero Serra on Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. Tickets will be made available through a lottery drawing open to any parishioner within the Diocese of Richmond. There is no cost to enter the lottery and the tickets are provided free of charge. Each lottery winner will be allotted two tickets to the event. Winners will be announced on September 10, 2015. To enter the drawing and for more details, visit www.cdrcmf.org or contact the Diocesan Center for Marriage, Family, and Life at 804-622-5109.

Living Our Mission



Moving Forward in Christ

Saint John Neumann Catholic Church

August 15, 16

<http://livingourmission.org/>

Saint John Neumann's *Living Our Mission* campaign is moving full steam ahead because of the leadership of Fr. Lewis as well as that of his campaign cabinet and staff. The cabinet are members of the parish who have come together to help Fr. Lewis and the parish succeed in reaching their fundraising goal of \$400,000. Throughout the campaign process you will have the opportunity to hear from each of them on why supporting the historic *Living Our Mission* campaign is so important.

I am pleased to serve as the chairperson for Saint John Neumann's Living Our Mission campaign. I fully support this historic effort to raise the funds needed to grow our church and our faith in Powhatan and the Diocese of Richmond on behalf of Jesus.

When I became a member of the parish in 1986, there was NO Father Val Hall, NO classrooms, NO worship space. In 1986, we had 3 ministries: Pastoral Council, Finance, and Hospitality. In 1986, we had about 40 parishioners. Along with many others, I participated in leadership roles in those ventures so we could arrive where we are TODAY. Look around and see what we have built. We now have 500 families and are 1500 people strong!

For the last two years, I wanted to do something to say thank you to Jesus. I asked Jesus to give me a job to do; something meaningful for Him. I searched for a significant way that I could repay Him for all He has given me. It is time to reciprocate! Being the campaign chairperson is the answer to my prayer and I am committed to Living Our Mission.

It is also my prayer that we have 100% participation in the Living Our Mission campaign. Over the coming months, you will be hearing more about the campaign and I ask each of you to begin praying about your best sacrificial pledge; one made over the course of five years (above and beyond what you already give to our parish) for this very important campaign. On behalf of Fr. Lewis and our campaign cabinet, I want to thank you in advance for helping us in this special cause to strengthen the ministries of our Church and have an impact on generations to come.

Warm Regards,

Bernie Ervin

Living Our Mission Cabinet Chairperson

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