



## 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**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Cycle C)**

**November 20, 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](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

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In case of an Emergency after office hours, please call Dustin Griffith at (804) 398-8504.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, November 20

- 9:45 AM Gr. 1-6 Religious Education [Ed Hallway]
- 9:45 AM Breaking Open the Word [FVH]
- 4:00 PM K of C Veterans Appreciation Dinner [FVH]
- 6:30 PM NeuWaves [Chapel, Ed. Hall]

### Monday, November 21

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

### Tuesday, November 22

### Wednesday, November 23

- 9:00 AM Weekday Mass [Chapel]
- 9:30 AM Parish Rosary [Chapel]

### Thursday, November 24

- Office Closed
- 9:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass [Church]

### Friday, November 25

- Office and Building Closed
- No Weekday Mass

### Saturday, November 26

- 3:45 PM Confession [Church]

### Sunday, November 27

- 9:30 AM Anointing of the Sick [Church]

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READING

### Week of: November 21 – November 27

#### DAY Scripture Readings

Mon	Rv 14:1-3,4b-5	Lk 21:1-4	
Tue	Rv 14:14-19	Lk 21:5-11	
Wed	Rv 15:1-4	Lk 21:12-19	
Thu	Rv 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9a	Lk 21:20-28	
Fri	Rv 20:1-4,11-21:2	Lk 21:29-33	
Sat	Rv 22:1-7	Lk 21:34-36	
Sun	Is 2:1-5	Rom 13:11-14	Mt 24:37-44

### MASS INTENTIONS:

Thur	9:00 AM	+John Bischoff
Sat	5:00 PM	+Cindy Fodor
Sun	8:30 AM	+Whitey Belcher
Sun	11:00 AM	People of St. John Neumann

### Knights of Columbus Veterans Dinner

All veterans and active duty military are invited to attend a turkey and covered dish dinner on **Sunday November 20 at 4-6 pm in Fr. Val Hall**. The Knights of Columbus wish to express our sincere appreciation to all veterans who have served our country. Please join us in prayer, fellowship and enjoy a good meal. Sign up in the commons area or call Jim Graham PGK (516-4327).

### Neu Waves

#### Neu Waves Calendar:

- Nov 20 - Gathering
- Nov 27 - No Neu Waves (Enjoy your family!)
- Dec. 4 - Christmas Mother project
- Dec. 11 - Gathering
- Dec. 16 - Caroling, Pizza, Bonfire!



## Financial Corner

We celebrate today what is popularly called the Feast of Christ the King (the official Church name is The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe). In this particular year 2016, however, it is a greater celebration than usual. As always we commemorate the fact that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is indeed the King of the Universe.

In his encyclical establishing this observation in the Church (this only occurred in 1925, some 91 years ago) Pope Pius XI declared, "He (Jesus) must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things." His point was that Christ needs to be at the center of our lives, which is exactly what stewardship calls for — living Christ-centered lives.

It was Pope Paul VI who moved this time to rejoice to this date, which is also the final Sunday of our liturgical year, as Advent and the new Church year begin next week. Finally, today also marks the culmination of our Holy Year of Mercy. The word "mercy" appears some 276 times in the Bible (almost the same as the word "truth"). Jesus told us it is never too late for mercy, for conversion, for making Him the center of our lives.

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

### \$ WEEKLY FINANCIAL INCOME STATEMENT \$ 11/13/16

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

	2016/17 YTD	2015/16 YTD	Current Budgeted	Collection vs. Budgeted
	\$180,762	\$169,903	\$186,700	(\$5,938)

#### Operational: Income\* vs. Expenses\* as of 10/31/2016:

	Income	Expenses	Increase/(Deficit)
Oct.	\$ 49,000	\$ 43,929	\$5,071
Oct. YTD	\$174,523	\$185,351	(\$10,828)

\* Excludes funds received for designated purposes.

### Care Notes

There are four new Care Notes now available in the Narthex. Please check out our offerings & take one that interests you:  
*Overcoming Depression and Loneliness During an Illness*  
*Using Hospice Care When a Loved One is Terminally Ill*  
*Living with Cancer -- A Day at a Time*  
*End of Life Concerns: A Guide for Families*  
 Take One -- and take heart. Give one -- and give hope.

**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.

## SJN Librarian Needed

We are about to begin a new church year, and it seems an appropriate time to revitalize the SJN LIBRARY with new leadership. After developing this parish resource in 2001 and for 14 yrs, my efforts have been virtually nil for the past two due to my latest occupational status. We need new leadership from one, preferably more, persons who have the desire and energy to continue and improve our valuable library. INTERESTED? Contact Chuck Miller-[Chuckssite@outlook.com](mailto:Chuckssite@outlook.com) or 598-0839 — or Mary Cleary in the office (598-3754).



## St. Francis Home

If you needed another reason to support St. Francis Home, consider this: they have been great partners to us in several ways. Pam Embrey helped tutor Jim Dierkes in grant writing resulting in a \$30,000 grant for the Powhatan Food Pantry from The Mary Morton Parsons Foundation. St. Francis also shared their "windfall" of stainless steel equipment for the renovation of the Fr. Val Hall kitchen and to use in the Bakers kitchen. (More information to follow on those projects!) Great reasons for SJN to help them and return the favor. We collected \$2,457.21.

## Powhatan Food Pantry

The Powhatan Food Pantry requests your assistance with providing the following food items to the hungry, elderly and needy in our county during the month of November:



**Canned Pineapple, Vegetable-Beef Soup, and Vienna Sausage.**

## Hospital Ministry

Are you feeling called by God to visit those who are sick?

Called to *Serve*  
Ministry of the Sick

Please prayerfully consider joining our SJN Hospital Ministry. Our church visits those Catholics admitted to

Johnston-Willis Hospital in Midlothian Sundays in the months of April, August and December.

Volunteer participation would: pair you up with another Eucharist Minister, 1- 3 Sundays PER year, 1-2 hours on those Sundays that fit your schedule.

Interested? Please join us on **Sunday November 20, from 12- 2 pm** in Father Val hall for lunch & training/ refresher course. Sign up in the Narthex and/or contact Tammy Vosburg at 357-0028 or: [pattam1@verizon.net](mailto:pattam1@verizon.net).

## Blessed Sacrament Huguenot Drama

Blessed Sacrament Huguenot is proud to present "Charlotte's Web" on **Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3 at 7:00 pm**. Cost is \$5.00 per student, \$8.00 per adult. Please join us for this classic story of lifelong friendship and loyalty!

## Christmas Pageant



We have had some volunteers step forward! The pageant will take place after the 11:00 Mass on the fourth Sunday of Advent (**Dec. 18**). We are hoping that more children-including older ones- will be able to participate at this time. If you would like to participate, please contact Jill Dewey (804 920-2212) or Katie Boyer ([katie@countryboyers.com](mailto:katie@countryboyers.com), (804) 492-9448).

## SJN ANGEL TREE

A sure sign that Christmas is coming - It's time once again for our SJN Angel Tree.

The Angel Tree will be up November 19<sup>th</sup> – December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**All gifts need to be returned before the 11am Mass, Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup>.**



How does the tree work? Choose a gift tag, write your name and phone number on the yellow angel tag and drop it in the "present" on the kiosk next to the tree. Purchase a new item to fulfill the Angel Tree Wish, wrap it for Christmas and return your gift to the church with the other tag attached.

SJN's Angel Tree is sponsored by the Ladies of Grace and benefits the Powhatan Christmas Mother and St. John Neumann families. Thank you for your continued support of this important community project. Please contact Nancy Quinn at 598-4903 with questions.

## Catholic Campaign For Human Development

The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please use your CCHD envelopes or Faith Direct to donate.

## Please Remember



We are blessed with a beautiful building and facilities and we need to maintain it as such. Just as we have the responsibility to provide a clean and organized building, those using the building have the responsibility to keep the building in a clean, orderly manner. When using the Church, classrooms, kitchenette, and especially Fr. Val Hall, make sure everything is left "as good or better" than you found it. A few reminders: return items such as tables, chairs, cups, silverware to where you found them. Wipe tables, vacuum floors, take trash to the dumpster and generally tidy up. Keep in mind that our cleaning service only comes twice a week.

## Be Careful

Last weekend a parishioner noticed two children locked in a car, (while a parent ran into Church to get a sibling after religious education?). The parishioner was ready to call the police. The result could have been ugly indeed. Out of care and concern, the police could have been involved, and the parent given a summons or warning. We understand why it might happen, but just be attentive and careful!

## Opportunities Elsewhere in the Community

✘ **Community Thanksgiving Service: Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM at Powhatan High School**, sponsored by the Powhatan Ministers Association. Please come and give thanks to God with our brothers and sisters in this community. The homilist will be our very own **Fr. Lewis**.

✘ **Holiday Festival of Music benefitting Commonwealth Catholic Charities.** This year the Holiday Festival of Music is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! The concert will feature the Richmond Symphony, VCU Choral Arts Society, and members of the Cathedral Choir. Selections will range from classics by Bach, Mozart and Handel to a congregational sing-a-long of familiar Christmas carols by Irving Berlin and Mel Tormé. Join us **Monday, November 28 at 7:00p.m.** Tickets are available at [www.cccofva.org](http://www.cccofva.org).

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