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**Parish
Mission Statement**

It is the purpose of St. John Neumann Parish, a gathered people, to act in word, sacrament, witness and service toward all, in gratitude to God our Father, through Jesus Christ our Brother with the Holy Spirit as our Guide.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 AM
Weekdays: 9:00 AM
Holy Days: 7:00 PM (Vigil) 9:00 AM, 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
3:30 - 4:00 PM Saturday (or by appointment; call the Office)

Sacrament of Baptism:
Celebrated on the last Sunday of every month or during Mass by appointment only - call the Parish Office. Parents are to attend Baptism preparation classes; for class information please call 412-366-5885 (ext. 12).

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to Wedding Date. Next marriage prep class is Sept. 18, 2010. For more information please call 412-366-5885 (ext 12).

Web Site: www.stjohnneumannpgh.org
Prayer Site: <http://stjohnneumannpghprayer.blogspot.com>

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, JULY 24

9:00 AM WILLIAM WOELFER (Wife)
 3:00 PM BORING/PASQUALE WEDDING
 5:30 PM TED KURAS (Carlins Family)

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 17TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

8:00 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF SJN
 9:30 AM FRANCIS SALMON (Family)
 11:30 AM SAVADGE, PARKER & ALTDORFER FAMILIES (Ellen)

MONDAY, JULY 26

9:00 AM WILLIAM WOELFER (Wife)

TUESDAY, JULY 27

9:00 AM JOSEPH F. SCALISE (Jackson Family)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

9:00 AM CELESTE WOODS (Cathy & Ed Gillis)

THURSDAY, JULY 29

9:00 AM THELMA LAFAYETTE (Bill & Elaine)

FRIDAY, JULY 30

9:00 AM EDWARD LANDAU (John & Susan Labos)

SATURDAY, JULY 31

9:00 AM MARY O'DAY (Judy & George Siegel)
 5:30 PM MICHAEL FILIAGGI (Filiaggi Family)

SUNDAY, AUG 1, 18TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

8:00 AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF SJN
 9:30 AM ROSE THOMPSON (Family)
 11:30 AM KENNETH DORN (Sandy Zak)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. July 31- 5:30 PM P. Beatty, N. Bell, N. Dempsey, D. & M. Dewey, P. Thompson, T. Hart

Sun. Aug. 1 - 8:00 AM P. Lang, J. Mack, R. Madia, I & J McClenahan, B. Pugh, K. Miller

9:30 AM - A. Betancourt, R. Caruso, B. Chufo, C. & E Gillis, F. Greco, K. Magdic

11:30 AM - D. Schwartz, B. Macken, S. McFeeley, A. Janosco, D. Schaults, J. & A. Burke

LECTORS

Sat., July 31 5:30 PM Mike Petrasek, Terry Hartnett
 Sun. Aug. 1 8:00 AM John Kohler, Donna Chappel
 9:30 AM John Thompson, Gretchen Jezerc
 11:30 AM Charles Perego, Jack McCluskey

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat., July 31 5:30 PM J. Williams, E. & N. Smith
 Sun. Aug. 1 8:00 AM D. & A. Sofranko, P. Yates
 9:30 AM S. E. & L. Swartz
 11:30 AM M. & V. Bella, S. Burnham

THE MARK OF THE MAKER

If things created are so full of loveliness, how resplendent must be the One who made them! The wisdom of the Worker is apparent in such handiwork.

THIS WEEK...

Sunday, July 25

1:00 PM Baptism
 6:00 PM Volleyball

Monday, July 26

Tuesday, July 27

9:00 AM 9th Grade Service Day at Holy Family

Wed., July 28

9:00 AM Middle School Summer Stretch
 7:30 PM Centering Prayer

Thursday, July 29

9:45 AM Scripture Study

Friday, July 30

6:30 PM Women's Retreat

Sat., July 31

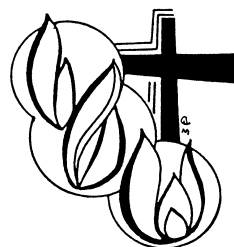
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
 Wednesday: Jer 15:10; 16-21; Mt 13:44-46
 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
 Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
 Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Deposits

July 18

Operating	\$6,648.50
Building Fd.	5,358.00
Parish Share	2,834.00
Paluch rebate	875.00
Marriage	300.00
Misc.	51.00
	\$16,066.50



**Ask
 and
 you
 shall
 receive**

FEAST OF ST. ANNE & ST. JOACHIM

Joachim and Ann are the maternal grandparents of Jesus. While nothing appears about them in sacred scripture, history shows us that the first Christians had an interest in and devotion to Jesus' biological family. Joachim and Ann were honored from very early in Christian history. Tradition holds that the couple lived in Galilee and later moved to Jerusalem where Mary was born and raised. Very little else has been passed down to us about them, but it's safe to assume that Mary's parents were holy people, appropriate patron saints for Christian parents and grandparents.

MORNING MASS CHANGES

THE WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS IS SCHEDULED FOR 9AM ON JULY 28. ALL OTHER WEDNESDAYS, THE MASS WILL BE AT 7 PM.

CONFIRMATION

No we don't have a date yet BUT we need the whole parish to help us get ready. Please take a look at our SPIRIT BOOK in the narthex and choose some of our candidates to remember in your prayers. Trips to Holy Family are almost done and some people still need to sign up and help out. Also a time of retreat is important to this preparation so make sure you have chosen your retreat date- either Aug 22 or Sept 11. And of course, your journal work is almost done. Right? Please get paperwork in to the office with your Confirmation name and sponsor. No one comes to a sacrament alone so everyone please help us out!

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Bring the kids (ages 3-10) over to Bovard Hall on **Friday, July 30** for a time of FUN activities, a movie and some snacks while YOU enjoy the summer evening. The WYD Pilgrims and some adults will provide the program from 6 to 9PM in the air conditioned gym for \$5 per hour per child. All you need to do is register early because our space is limited. See the poster in the lobby and pick up a registration form. Basketball, crafts, movies and games will fill the time for the children. So plan your adult evening and enjoy!

CENTRAL BLOOD BANK - BLOOD DRIVE

Central Blood Bank is coming on Sunday, August 22 for our annual summer blood drive. Our goal for this drive is 30 pints. If you are available and able to donate, please contact Andrew James to make an appointment. As everyone knows, a pint of blood can be the greatest gift to those who need it – those fighting cancer and other diseases, accident victims, etc. Please help us reach our goal.

PARISH PICNIC

Mark your calendars for our annual picnic on August 29 at Blueberry Park. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kathy Miller at 412-364-9533.

DONATIONS OF CLOTHES NEEDED



We are requesting donations of clothing for children & teens to help a "school giveaway day" sponsored by a clothes pantry in Preston Cty., WV. All new or gently worn items must be in good condition (clean, no rips or tears.) Tables are in the lobby next to the donation center. Please help us help get children some new school clothes. We will also accept cash donations - please make checks payable to SJN & drop off in the parish office (ext. 10). Our DEADLINE is August 1.



CALLING ALL 4th AND 5th GRADERS

Ready for some FUN! Don't let the "Dog Days" of August get you down. Celebrate them with games, food, camp races and a bonfire on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 3 from 6:30 to 9:30**. Register now by calling Barb Stokes at 366-5885 ext 13 and get ready for a good time. Parents are welcome too!

FIRST COMMUNION/ FIRST RECONCILIATION

The children preparing to walk in this special light of the Lord through Eucharist and Reconciliation next spring have been working on a packet of materials all summer. Please turn the entire packet in when you are finished. If we missed you and you have a child over 7 years old and ready to receive these awesome sacraments in 2011, please call the Rel. Education office so we can schedule a meeting ASAP.

SUMMER RELIGIOUS PROGRAM

Thank you to all who helped with the summer program for grades 6-9. Our 132 young people had a great experience and learned much about their faith and their Church. We could not have done it without all the help from upper grade teens and adults.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Next Sat. after the 9 AM Mass, we offer the communal celebration of the Anointing of the Sick for anyone seeking the healing touch of God's love in this awesome sacrament. This time of special grace is offered to anyone suffering from physical or mental illness.



MINI-CAMPS ARE COMING!

Calling all future athletes...if you are between 5 and 9 years old and want to have a good time and learn some basketball skills in air-conditioned Bovard Hall, then sign up now for our **WYD MINI CAMP** on August 2 and 3 from 9:30 till Noon. Our teens will share some of their best skills, drills and game plans. Don't let the summer pass by without some more fun here at SJN.



Young Adult Sunday is on Sunday August 1st. The Pittsburgh Diocese recognizes our young adults who are so much a part of parish life. We will have a reception for YOU, following the 11:30 Mass. If you are interested in coming and would like to invite some young adults, let me know. You can email me at the address below. More info to come...

NCYC 2011 - It is not too Late!

We are growing but we still have room. We have 15 teens and 4 adults. Come join our group. For more info, see the lobby poster and call Grace at the number below.

Lord on the day I called for help you answered me. (Psalm 138 (3a))

Questions: director-youth@stjohnneumannpgh.org or call 412-366-5885, ex. 16.

HOLY HELPING HANDS

If you have yard work or light chores that our teens could help you with please let us know. By helping you, you can help them raise money for the upcoming NCYC trip to Indianapolis in November 2011. Please call Grace Ghirardi to make arrangements for this @ 412-366-5885 x 16. or email at director-youth@stjohnneumannpgh.org.



FLOWERS

So many people have beautiful summer flowers already in bloom in their yards. If you would like to share some of them with the church, please call Barb Stokes.

GOLF OUTING

Do you have some experience planning a Golf Outing? We need some "advisors" to help us put together a "SJN community builder on the golf course." Can you help? If you are interested- planner or player- give Barb Stokes a call ASAP.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION

The Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh is again planning its annual Golden Wedding Celebration for the couples who have been married for 50 years. This year's celebration will take place on **Sunday, October 3, 2010** beginning with a Mass at **3:00PM at St. Paul Cathedral**. Bishop Zubik will be the celebrant. A reception will follow in the lower hall at the Cathedral.

If you are a parishioner celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary in 2010, and would be interested in attending the celebration along with the other jubilarian couples, please call the rectory or drop a note in the weekly collection basket no later than **August 8, 2010**. Invitations will be sent out after responses have been received.

PARISH BUILDING PLANS

There have been some concerns raised about several areas of our church. We are hoping to address a number of these on a priority basis during this coming year. An overall survey of projected facilities maintenance and improvement needs over the next several years was made as part of the annual budget preparation. Funds were allocated for estimated costs in specific areas:

1. **Parking Lot:** Our lots took a beating this past winter with sink holes developing in specific areas. Our objective is to correct these problems and look at coating the lot. Just recently we had the overhead lamps replaced with higher efficiency units with improved lot lighting.
2. **Sound System:** Sound levels in the church have been highly variable and unpredictable recently. Level adjustments are affected by the environment. We are considering recommendations to replace part of the system with a current technology digital mixer/preamp.
3. **Church Lighting:** There are a number of areas in the pews where lighting levels are unacceptable. We are currently obtaining design input for a system to be considerably more efficient with much improved brightness and even distribution. We will meet "green building" objectives.
4. **Building externals:** Our original buildings are at the end of their roofing shingle life. Soffit and fascia are weathered in some areas beyond repair. We will need to initiate a "phased" project of replacement.

Our budget preparation survey identified other areas as well, including a "first-cut" prioritization. Additional information will appear in the summer Insights issue.



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Every 1st Saturday of the month, SJN Parish invites you and your family to the 9AM Mass which is followed by the recitation of the Holy Rosary and meditation. This is a call to conversion and repentance.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Share the Sunday readings with the children of the parish during the regular weekend liturgy. If you love the Word of God and want to help others hear it more clearly, consider this call. Resources and training can be provided but we need you to answer the call.

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

- ?? BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS will take place following all Masses next week-end.
- ?? We will have our regular monthly collection for the Perry Hilltop Food Bank.
- ?? Blood Pressure Screening after all Masses in the conference room in the Rel. Ed. Office.

**SERVE THE LORD WITH YOUR HANDS & HEARTS
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

(You don't have to be a parishioner to participate!)
TO REGISTER, CALL (412) 366-2020, ext. 12

**WORLD VISION VOLUNTEERS
(FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY &
AUGUST, WE WILL MEET THE 2ND WEDNESDAY
OF THE MONTH - NEXT DATE IS AUGUST 11.**

Make a positive difference in a needy person's life by going to the World Vision Int'l Relief Agency warehouse near Sewickley. We will sort and pack new clothing and other items for shipment to crisis areas around the world. Permission forms for ages 12-18 are in lobby outside of Community Outreach Office. **Please call to register. We leave SJN at 9:30 AM, and return to church by 12:15 PM**

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." (Luke 23:34) Maybe you need to ask forgiveness from your spouse; maybe you need to offer it. If there's nothing recent to forgive, forgive someone that you've been holding a grudge against. You'll be more pleasant to be around.

GIANT EAGLE, KUHN'S, EAT N' PARK..AND MORE

Let your summer plans begin with purchasing Gift Cards at SJN. You get the full cash value and we get a small percentage from the providers. WE ALL WIN!!!! The WYD teens get help for their trip and you can budget and enjoy many local establishments. Use the Giant Eagle cards like cash to buy all the various cards at the Giant Eagle store- they carry so many that we thought you'd love their selection. Help us out and know you are appreciated. Order online at sjnwyd2011@yahoo.com.

MESSAGE FROM RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

America, you are beautiful...and blessed...The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life. - Pope John Paul II

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

ALL CHURCH VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN, the child sex abuse awareness session. The local sessions scheduled are:

SJN	SUN., AUGUST 22 @ 1:30 pm
SJN	MON, AUGUST 23 @ 7:00 pm
St. Alexis	Thursday, Sept. 9 @ 6:30 pm
St. James	Tuesday, Sept. 14 @ 11 am

Questions? Please call 412-366-5885 Andrew James at x11 or Jeanette Pappert at x15. If you plan to volunteer for any of the SJN programs your clearances must be complete ASAP. Please contact Jeanette to begin the process.

ST JOHN NEUMANN PRAYER MINISTRY

The St. John Neumann Ministry of Prayer is intended to motivate everyone in the St. John Neumann parish community to pray each day for parishioners and family and friends of parishioners. All in the Parish are encouraged to check the St. John Neumann Prayer blog at <http://stjohnneumannpghprayer.blogspot.com>. If you need prayer, please send an e-mail to snprayer@gmail.com. Instructions are provided at the St. John Neumann Prayer Blog. You can also call Kathy Buzzard at 412-366-0781. If you have any questions regarding the ministry, please contact Rick or Carol Caruso at 412-369-5794. Please raise up in prayer our most recent additions:

Jack Runner Ron Mary Chalmers

MASS

Bishop Zubik will preside at a celebratory Mass on Aug 5 at 5 PM at St. Paul Cathedral to honor Cardinal John Henry Newman. Cardinal Newman is one of the most renowned converts to Catholicism and his teachings became the foundation for many changes in the Church post-Vatican II.

NHCO COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES

North Hills Community Outreach is collecting new backpacks and school supplies for distribution to low-income children in grades K-12, through the end of the month. Please drop off items in the box in our lobby.

POLISH DAY AT KENNYWOOD PARK

The 79th annual Polish Day will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 3. Come enjoy all the delicious food, strolling musicians along with many festivities including Mass at 3 PM with Bishop Zubik presiding. Contact Merle Addams at 412-486-1605 for more information.

ST. ALEXIS FESTIVAL

The 18th annual St. Alexis Festival (10090 Old Perry Hwy.) runs from 6-11 PM from July 28-31. Enjoy stage entertainment, festival food, rides, bake sale & farmer's market. Family dinners from 4:30-7 PM in the cafeteria. Free shuttles run between North Allegheny Senior High School to the church.

GOOD SHEPHERD "COME & SEE" FOR ADULTS

St. John Neumann will host the fourth and final segment of a course for Level I Good Shepherd Catechists that has been taking place this summer in our diocese sponsored by Saint Kilian Parish. **The course will meet in Conference Room A from 9 AM - 4 PM on August 9 - 11.** Any catechists or interested adults are welcome to "come and see" for a day or all three days. Catechists attending all three days will receive 15 enrichment credits from the Diocese of Pgh. Formation Leader Celine Mitchell will present the following topics: Liturgical Year - Lent, Easter & Pentecost. We will reflect on the Paschal Mystery and the Mystery of Faith. Please contact Barbara Matera at 412-366-5885 Ext. 18 if you plan to attend.