

St. John Neumann Parish
2023 A.D.
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass

Saturday, February 4th—St. John of God
4:00 p.m. † Michael Thaddeus Laganella

Sunday, February 5th—St. Raymond

8:00 a.m. † Margaret and Russell
Dooley

† Charles McGlinn

† Bernice McLaughlin

† Mrs. Mary Brindisi

Int. of Theresa Anderson

Sunday, February 5th—St. John of God

10:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Mem-
bers of the Parish

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Daily-St. John of God

Monday, February 6th

9:00 a.m. † Louis and Mary Zaccagni

Tuesday, February 7th

9:00 a.m. † Dave Kirgan

Wednesday, February 8th

9:00 a.m. † John Cafagna

Thursday, February 9th

9:00 a.m. † Marie Blair (46th ann.)

Friday, February 10th

9:00 a.m. † Daniel and Helen McCall

† Joe and Margie Troiano

† Debra Finnegan

† Frank Casey

† indicates Deceased

St. John of God Vigil Light



In Memory of
Salvador Riggi, Sr.
Requested by
Salvador Riggi, Jr. and
Andrea Noto



From Father King

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Glory to Jesus Christ

For the past two Wednesdays the Diocesan Office of Worship has hosted a training/recertification for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in our area. If have attended both sessions it has increased my appreciation for the men and women of our parish who perform this ministry.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are lay men and women who are asked by their pastor to distribute Holy Communion at Mass and to the sick or homebound who cannot be present at the Sunday Liturgy. In the year 150 AD St. Justin the Martyr talks about deacons leaving Mass immediately after Communion to fulfill this ministry. Due to this we know that it is an ancient act of the Church.

These ministers are not called “extraordinary” because they are wonderful people! In our Church it is only the bishops, priests, and deacons who are “ordinary” ministers of Holy Communion. Part of their ordination is specifically to fulfill this role. Since the time of the Second Vatican Council, it has been extended to lay people on a case-by-case basis when there are not a sufficient number of ordinary (ordained) ministers so that Holy communion can “be distributed in a reverent and orderly manner” (Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion under Both Kinds in the Diocese of the United States of America, 27). These ministers are deputed to serve for a particular amount of time, in the Diocese of Camden, they are asked to serve for three year terms. Thus, they do not serve on their own, but on behalf of the parish and the pastor.

What most impressed me most was the reverence and devotion demonstrated by so many of our Extraordinary Ministers during the training. They shared beautiful stories of how others inspired them in service and what a privilege is has been to serve. **CONTINUE...**

CONTINUED... If you are interested in serving as an Extraordinary Minister, or have served at another time or in another parish and might feel called to resume, please call me to set up a meeting.

God Bless you!

-Fr. King

Our Future Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 11th

*St. John of God: John Monaghan, Richard Gallagher, Kelly McKenna, Bernice McLaughlin, Joseph "Tippy" Falcone, Int. Margaret Wallace, Kenneth Garrison, Mary Jane Wissman, Frank Casey, Gina & Robert Kepp, Elmer & Margarite Poncheri, Bernice Inforzato, Josephine Ritchie, Int. of Mike & Pat Stelacio,

Sunday, February 12th

*St. Raymond: 8:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

*St. John of God: 10 a. m. Charles McGlinn

Our Weekly Collection

January 28th and 29th, 2023

Budgeted Income Needed		\$12,942.00
Offertory		\$ 8,168.00
Poor Box		\$ 215.00
Candles		\$ 57.00
Bingo	Wed.	\$ 1,535.00
Bingo	Fri.	\$ 1,784.00

PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Krista Balderman, Leonard Beatty, Regina Bennet, Ray Clothier, Pat Ellis, Maryann Fortuna, Thomas Frisoli, Billy Gray, Michael Gray, Oliver Gray,



David James, Kenny Klemm, Rosemary Klemm, Peter Kosinski, Peg Lipsett, Jay Lloyd, Jerome Marshall, Brian Matthews, Jr., Brian Matthews, Sr., Eileen McCarty, Joe Mulcahy, Gloria Porto, Donna Marie Riggi, Sal Riggi, Jacob Rivera, Jackson Rivera, Peggy Roberts, Mary Rothwein, Anna Marie Scavetti, June Shields, Mike and Valerie Szymenera, Clare Thompson, Marie Walsh, Irene Weger and Hank Williams.



Scripture Readings for the Week of February 6th

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35; Mk 6:53-56

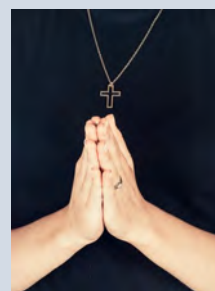
Tuesday: Gn 1:20-2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2, 27-30; Mk 7: 14-23

Thursday: Gn 2: 18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

PRAY FOR OUR HOMEBOUND: Robert Balbirer, Rita Chester, Gloria Cromley, Patricia Dimino, John Dooley, Marie Eagan, Barbara English, Mary Kennedy, Maryann MacFarlane, Anne McFadden, Margaret McIrvine, Pat Murphy, Eleanor Myers, Frances Poserina, Ana Sarandoulas, and Paul Smargiassi.



PRAY FOR OUR ACTIVE MILITARY:

Tech. Sgt. Matthew T. Martino, USAF
James Matthews, US Army
Brian Ivers, Jr. USAF
CTR3 Elizabeth Pepper, USN
Pvt. Sean Sylvester Army Airborne



***Bring them
safely home,
Lord***

PARISH NEWS

Dear Parishioners,



On Saturday March 25th, the Solemnity of the Annunciation, Bishop Sullivan and the Diocese of Camden will celebrate a one day Eucharistic Congress. This will take place at the Freedom Mortgage Pavilion on the Camden Waterfront. Gate will open at 8:00 AM. Mass with The Bishop at 9:00 AM. Then there will be talks and activities in both English and Español until the end of the day at 3:00 PM.

There is no admission for this event: food vendors will be available or one can bring their own lunch. Please call the office or email Pati at patisparks@parishofstjohnneumann.org. if you are interested in attending. Once we have a count we will begin working on transportation. More information to follow. This will be a once in a lifetime event for our local church. Please consider attending.

-Fr. King

If you have religious articles at home; crucifixes, rosaries, metals or statues that you no longer want, but not sure what to do with, please bring them to the Parish Office where they can either be properly disposed of or passed on to someone else who may be able to make use of them.

As you may know the Ashes for Ash Wednesday are made from burning the palm branches from the previous year's Palm Sunday. Many people take palm home to place in their home. However, after a year (or 2 or 10!) the palm gets dried out and dusty. Please bring in any palm you may have from previous years so that Fr. King can make ashes for Ash Wednesday. Boxes will be in the back of both Churches.



BINGO-WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Again, a big thank you to all our volunteers and all who come to play! We start to call at 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and 7 p.m. on Fridays. Your support is particularly needed during the winter months when expenses go up and attendance is down. One of the best advertisements is by WORD OF MOUTH! Tell your family and friends, better yet...bring your family and friends. Be sure to tell them we have a kitchen!

We are still in need of volunteers for both Bingo times.

Please call the office for more information if you are interested.

Thanks again for all you do for us. Good luck!!

-Father King



"Soup's On" Ministry

Thank you all who have supported our Parish 'Soup's On' Ministry with your time, talent and treasure. We are especially grateful to the Knights of Columbus who have approved a monthly financial support to our pantry. Our volunteers meet two times a month on Tuesday mornings from 8:45 to 10 am and make 3 large pots of soup, individual bags of vegetables and fruit, and salads for Branches, a church run outreach for the homeless and the needy. Since the pandemic, some of regular helpers have not returned. We are looking for helpers to help fill the bags with vegetables and fruit, and pare the vegetables for the soup. Sound like something you would like to do? Our next gatherings will be February 7th and 21st. Please know you are welcome!

Email or call me to let me know you are coming. We also take walk in's :)

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Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! S. Kathleen

Catholic  *Charities*

Diocese of Camden

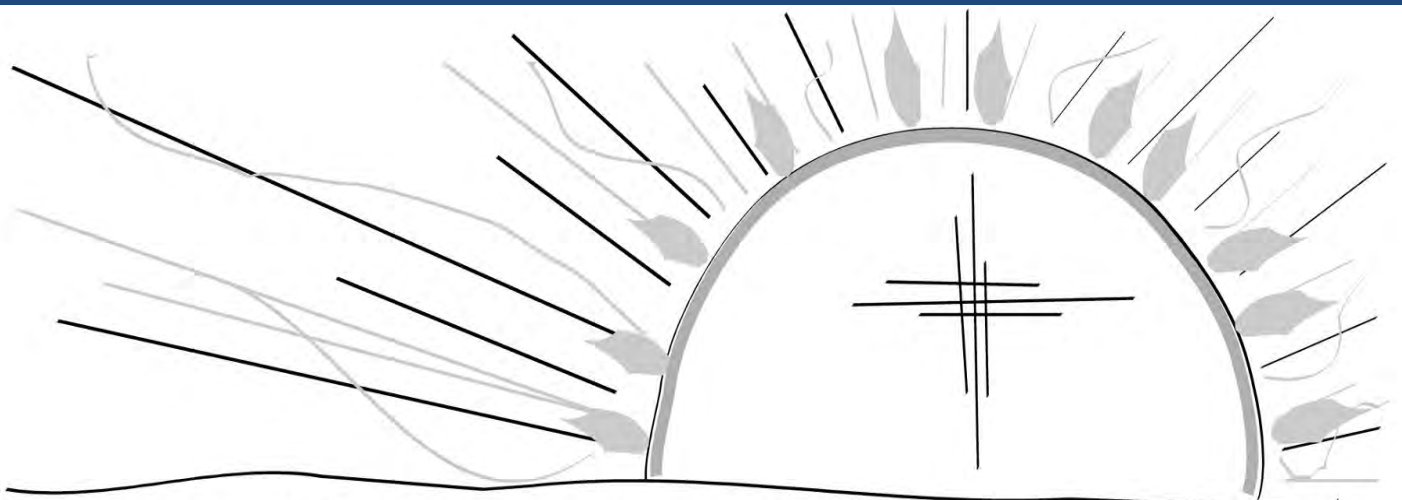
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Catholic Charities is looking to collect hygiene products especially for women: toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc.

Other items such as hats, scarves, and gloves are always acceptable.

God bless and thank you for your generosity.

-Fr. King



**Your light shall break forth
like the dawn**

Parish Pro-Life Ministry

“Keep your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears...There is hope for the future, declares the Lord, and your children shall come back to their own country.”

Vicki Thorn, Founder of “Project Rachael”

Roe v Wade was overturned. Yes, legally Roe was declared illegal. However, we must change the culture. Men must step up, not be given a pass; they must be held accountable. There are multiple victims to every abortion—not just the child, but also the mother, father and society. Women deserve better than abortion.

We must continue our efforts to support women in need. We must bolster our efforts and pray to protect the unborn.

Lord, make me understand that nothing that occurs today cannot be handled by YOU and me.

Pray the Rosary. It is the best weapon we have. Join in the petition by praying the rosary daily 8:25 a.m. at St. John of God Church prior to 9 a.m. Mass.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter **A perfect Valentine gift for your spouse!!**

Give your spouse the gift of your time and your love by taking your spouse on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.

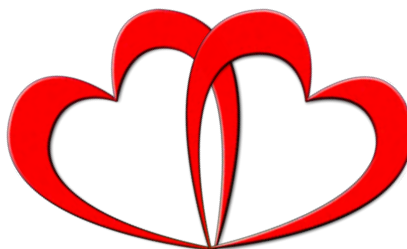
March 3-5, 2023; call 609-741-8012

Email: applications@wwme-southjersey.org

Visit: wwme-southjersey.org

Retrouville...a lifeline for marriages

Rediscover the love in your marriage: Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouville (Retro-vy). Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins February 10-12, 2023 at the Family Life center in Malvern, PA. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are confidential.



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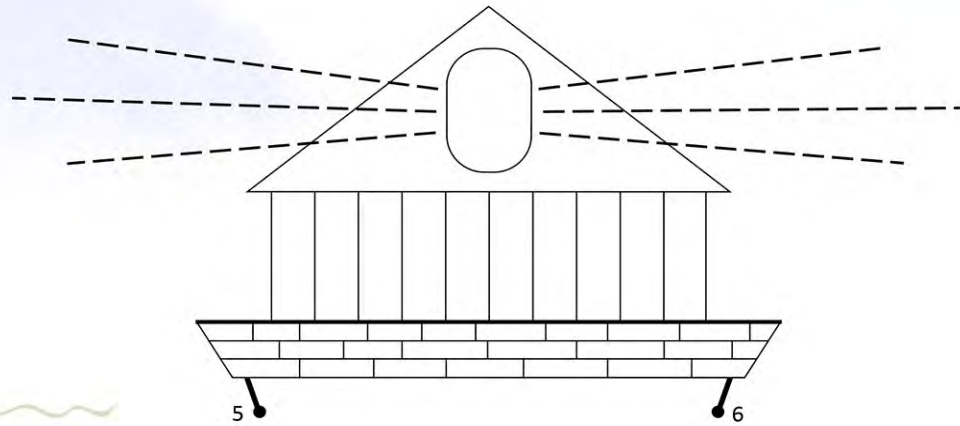
Gospel Today

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus says let your good deeds shine on others like a light shining out in the darkness.

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LET
YOUR
LIGHT
SHINE



Your light must shine
before others, that
they may see your
good deeds and glorify
your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:16



Follow the dots 1-15.

What do you see?

Do you have a favorite lighthouse?
They shine every day to aid sailors,
even during cold winter nights.

Color the lighthouse shining bright.
What good work can you do to help
others, while "shining bright" and
glorifying Jesus?

