

**St. John Neumann Parish**

**First Sunday of Lent**

**2023 A.D.**

**Rosary 1/2 hr. before every Mass**

**Saturday, February 25th. St. John of God**

**4:00 p.m.** † Charles McGlinn

**Sunday, February 26th .St. Raymond**

**8:00 a.m.** † Joanna Piraini  
† William and Edith Alexander  
† Alicia R. Barrett  
† Sr. Janice M. Johnson  
† Eva DiGiuseppe

**Sunday, February 26th .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 27th**

**9:00 a.m.** † James A. Shea

**Tuesday, February 28th**

**9:00 a.m.** † Charles D. McGlinn

**Wednesday, March 1st**

**9:00 a.m.** † Louis and Mary Zaccagni

**Thursday, March 2nd**

**9:00 a.m.** † Debra Finnegan

**Friday, March 3rd**

8:00 a.m. - Rosary

8:20 a.m. - Stations of the Cross

**9:00 a.m.** † Linda Mittleberger

† Maura Olivero

† Frank Casey

Christ Child Society Tribute  
and Memorial Honorees

**March 4th - St. Raymond**

**FIRST SATURDAY -**

**9:00 a.m.** The Intentions of Vocations to  
the Priesthood and Religious Life from our  
Parish

† indicates Deceased



***From Father King***

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Glory to Jesus Christ!

Lent is upon us. Most of us received our ashes this past Wednesday and were reminded to “Repent and Believe in the Gospel.” Repentance is not a one-time event: we must turn away from sin and self every day to grow closer to Jesus.

The greatest gift of repentance in our Catholic Church is the Sacrament of Penance. It is known by many names: “Confession,” “Reconciliation,” and, my favorite, “going to the sin-bin.” The Church teaches us that if we have sinned in a grievous way, such as directly breaking a commandment, we are *required* to go to confession before receiving Holy Communion again. This would be a minimum of once per year as we are required to receive Holy Communion a minimum of once annually (we still are required to attend Mass each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, even if we do not receive Communion). The Church *recommends* that we make regular use of the Sacrament of Penance as a help to holiness. I recommend that people confess at minimum 4 times annually or even once per month, even if they are not conscious of moral sin. This gives us an opportunity to make a deep examination of conscience and to bring our sins to light as Scripture recommends (cf. James 5:16). I hope that this Lent that you make sure that you get to confession. Remember, you don’t have to confess at your home parish! We are blessed to have several other churches within a 20 minute driving radius!

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**Continued...** Many of us remember 11½ years ago when the translation of the Mass changed. Beginning Ash Wednesday this year we will also have a slightly changed translation of the prayers for Sacramental Confession. I will be writing about this in the coming weeks!

God Bless you!

-Fr. King

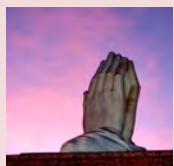
(PS at the time of writing this, I went to confession yesterday!)



## Our Weekly Collection

### February 18th and 19th, 2023

Budgeted Income Needed	\$15,315.00
Offertory	\$ 8,055.00
Poor Box	\$ 250.00
Candles	\$ 123.00
Bingo Wed.	\$ 1,786.00
Bingo Fri.	\$ 1,940.00
Weekly Bingo Expenses	\$ 512.00



**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 Lipssett, 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 27th

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12,14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3,7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

## Our Future Mass Intentions

**March 4th - St. Raymond**

### FIRST SATURDAY -

**9:00 a.m.** The Intentions of Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life from our Parish

\***St. John of God: 4:00 p.m.** Michael Thaddeus Laganella, Linda A. Haines, Dolores Catherine Leirer, Thomas & Jane Hoban, Harry Buskowitz, Bill Goetaski, Charles Rowe and Frank O'Neill

### Sunday, March 5th

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

\***St. John of God: 10 a.m.** Joanne Hetrick

## 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**



**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 McIrvin, Pat Murphy, Eleanor Myers, Frances Poserina, Ana Sarandoulis, and Paul Smargiassi.

**We Remember**

**Our Recently  
Deceased**

***Irene Weger  
Robert M. Schultz***



**Easter Decorating!!! Come get involved!**

As we being the season of Lent, our churches will look rather barren. However, we need to get ready soon to prepare to celebrate the Resurrection! Please sign up to be a part of decorating our churches during Holy Week. We will need help before and after Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper and on Holy Saturday morning-afternoon to prepare for Easter. Green thumb optional! Call Janet Neill at 609-889-0828.

**Catholic Grandparents Association for St John Neumann Parish**

Grandparents,

The Catholic Grandparent Ministry is starting at our parish and our first monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 20, 2023, at 2:00 PM in St John's parish hall. This new ministry strives to build a community of support for grandparents and assist their efforts in passing on our faith to our families. For more information about the Catholic Grandparents Association please visit <https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org>. If you would like to join St John's Grandparent Ministry, please contact Paul and Mary Kay Dunne at 610-724-6535.

**Parish of St. John Neumann Religious Education**

Our Religious Education has a level I (ages 3- 6 year old) Montessori classroom called an atrium. The little ones are introduced to Gospel narratives through hands on replications that they can revisit and work with. We introduce them to child size sacred vessels used in Holy Mass. Materials are still needed for the class room. If there are any persons gifted with craftsmanship (especially with wood) we would love your assistance if you have some time to offer..

Call Bernie Pomarico with questions 609-886-4194. or email [bmpoma@gmail.com](mailto:bmpoma@gmail.com)



## A Special Kind of Love

Join Catholic grandparents in fellowship and prayer. Share and discuss ways of passing on the faith to your grandchildren.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

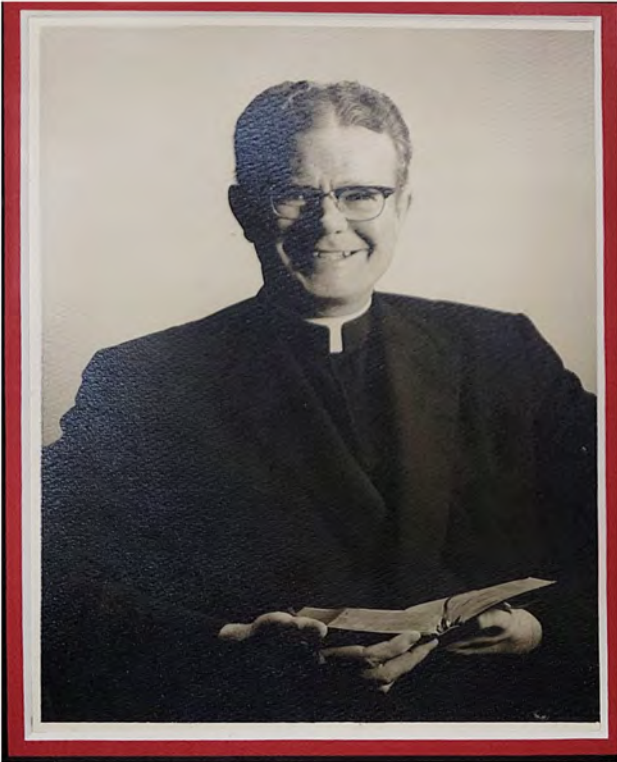


Monday, March 20, 2023,  
at 2:00 PM in  
St John's Parish Hall.



In the chapel of St. Raymond Church was a old tabernacle. The inscription "In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. William A. Regan" shows that this tabernacle was donated by the founding pastor of St. Raymond Parish, Rt. Rev. Msgr. William A Regan in memory of his parents. Regrettably there was a lot of tarnish and even some rust on it. After failing to clean it up with "Brasso," we took it to a proper antique/liturgical refinisher it. I am happy to say that they did a wonderful job on the restoration. On Saturday, March 4, before the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass we will have a blessing and rededication of this beautiful Tabernacle. -Fr. King

**RT. REV. MSGR. WILLIAM A. REGAN**



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## Gospel Today First Sunday of Lent | Matthew 4:1-11

To begin His ministry Jesus prayed, fasted and avoided sin as He spent 40 days in the desert praying to God. He believed the Holy Spirit would be with Him.

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# Believe... in the power of prayer

Pretzels shaped like praying arms remind us of the rewards of our prayers.

Eat a pretzel after your prayer this week.



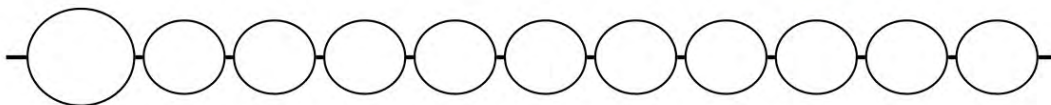
Dear God,  
This week I pray for these people I love.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_

Add as many people as you want to the list.

### The First Sorrowful Mystery - The Agony in the Garden

Think about this mystery before praying.  
In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus prayed to God about what was to take place.



**This week:** Say an Our Father and color the large bead - say 10 Hail Mary's and color each small bead. End with the Glory Be to the Father. Think about Jesus praying to God, "Thy will be done".