



Pentecost/Pentecostés

St. John Neumann Catholic Community

Spirituality in the Tradition of St. Francis de Sales

Parish Mission Statement

We, the faithful of St. John Neumann Catholic Community, commit ourselves to celebrating and giving witness to the presence of God in our midst by living the Gospel to its fullest. May we do all things in the spirit of St. Francis de Sales with compassion, humility and gentleness.

Declaración de la Misión

Nosotros, la Comunidad Católica en San Juan Neumann, nos comprometemos a celebrar y dar testimonio de la presencia de Dios entre nosotros viviendo el Evangelio en su plenitud. Que hagamos todas las cosas en el espíritu de San Francisco de Sales con compasión, humildad y mansedumbre.

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am,
11:30 am, 5:00 pm
Domingo Español: 2:00 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 9:00 am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12:10 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 10:00 – 10:30 am
Also by Appointment

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Dear Parishioners,

Pentecost marks the official birth of the Church. The result of the reception of the Holy Spirit was immediate. The Apostle's fear gave way to courage. Filled with the Spirit, they went out to proclaim the Risen Lord, even if when that meant undergoing persecution and death. They were given the gift of language, which enabled them to go and proclaim Christ in different parts of the world. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you" (Jn 20:21). We, too, have received this mandate from the Lord through our Baptism and Confirmation. St. Paul says, "For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body" (1 Cor 12:13).

As stewards of Christ, we are called to share our faith through our ministries. The Holy Spirit has bestowed on us the gift of love. Love is the greatest force on earth. It speaks a language that all can understand. It breaks all human barriers, including color, culture, nationality, and social status. This language of love will continue to unite all our parishioners into a more engaged Catholic community. How do you envision unleashing the power of the Holy Spirit within you to transform our families, our community, and our world?

Just as the early followers of Christ were inspired by the disciples to begin a new journey of faith, we, too, are called to live our faith through words and actions. We see that faith is alive and well in our midst in the many ministries that are available both within the parish and in the larger community. If you are seeking to be more involved either in the life of the parish and/or in the wider community, I invite you to discern your talents and desires at this time in your life and where the Holy Spirit may be leading you. One resource to assist you in getting started is the Parish Ministry guide which can be found on the website, and hard copies are available as well at the Welcome Desk. You may also want to consider registering for our Called and Gifted Workshop (see page five).

On this Pentecost weekend, on behalf of the parish, I want to thank Mark Mechler, Tim Robinson, Ellen Sheets, and Celeste Jaramillo, who are completing their terms on the Parish Pastoral Council. At the same time, we want to welcome David Braun, Dan Rode, Lourdes Sandoval, and Liz Scharlotis Skarlatos, who are beginning three-year terms on the Council.

Happy Birthday, Church!

Live Jesus,

Fr. Joe

SJN Offices Closed This Monday

The SJN Parish Offices will be closed this Monday, May 29, in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. They will reopen at 9:00am on Tuesday, May 30. If you need a priest during this time for a serious illness or death, please call our emergency line at 571-464-3603.

Oficinas de SJN Cerradas Este Lunes

Las Oficinas Parroquiales de SJN estarán cerradas este lunes, 29 de mayo, en observancia del Día de los Caídos. Reabrirán a las 9:00am el martes 30 de mayo. Si usted necesita un sacerdote durante este tiempo por una enfermedad grave o muerte, por favor llame a nuestra línea de emergencia al 571-464-3603.

Para leer la carta del P. Joe a la parroquia en español, visite <https://saintjn.org/14237/carta-parroquial-del-p-joe-del-28-de-mayo/>

To Report Sexual Abuse or to get Support

- For an emergency, call 911
- Fairfax County Child Protective Services: 703-324-7400
- Diocese of Arlington's Office of Child Protection (to report and get support): 703-841-3847 or www.arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/
- Please visit saintjn.org/action/ for more help.

Worship | Adoración

This Sunday's Readings - Pentecost

Acts of the Apostles | Hechos de los Apóstoles 2:1-11;
Psalm | Salmo 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (30);
1 Corinthians | 1 Corintios 12:3b-7, 12-13; John | Juan 20:19-23

Readings For the Week | Lecturas de la semana

Monday, May 29 | Lunes, 29 de Mayo

***The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church;
La Santísima Virgen María, Madre de la Iglesia***

Genesis | Génesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm | Salmo 87:1-3, 5-7; John | Juan 19:25-34

Tuesday, May 30 | Martes, 30 de Mayo

Sirach 35:1-12; Psalm | Salmo 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mark | Marco 10:28-31

Wednesday, May 31 | Miércoles, 31 de Mayo

***The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary;
La Visitación de la Bienaventurada Virgen María***

Zephaniah | Sofonías 3:14-18a; Isaiah | Isaías 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6;
Luke | Lucas 1:39-56

Thursday, June 1 | Jueves, 1 de Junio

St. Justin; Sn. Justino

Sirach 42:15-25; Psalm | Salmo 33:2-9; Mark | Marco 10:46-52

Friday, June 2 | Viernes, 2 de Junio

SS. Marcellinus and Peter; SS. Marcelino y Pedro

Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Psalm | Salmo 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mark | Marco 11:11-26

A Thank You From the Crossin Family

The Crossin family would like to thank the Parishioners of Saint John Neumann for your gracious support and expressions of sympathy during the services for Father John. The stories and memories you shared about our brother, John, gave us much comfort revealing how much his many friends in the parish loved him.

Un agradecimiento de la familia Crossin

La familia Crossin desea agradecer a los feligreses de Saint John Neumann por su gentil apoyo y expresiones de simpatía durante los servicios por el Padre John. Las historias y recuerdos que compartieron sobre nuestro hermano, John, nos dieron mucho consuelo al revelarnos cuánto lo querían sus muchos amigos en la parroquia.

Our 12:10pm Mass is on Summer Break

Our 12:10pm Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays has gone on summer break. It will resume again on Wednesday, September 6. We will continue to celebrate the 9:00am Mass Mondays through Fridays.

Nuestra Misa de 12:10pm esta en receso de Verano

Nuestra misa de las 12:10pm los lunes, miércoles y viernes, se cancela durante el Verano. Se reanudará el miércoles 6 de septiembre. Continuaremos celebrando la Misa diaria de las 9:00am de lunes a viernes.

Daily Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 27

For Pentecost Sunday

5:00pm Alberto Razzano †

Sunday, May 28

Pentecost Sunday

7:30am People of the Parish
(Special Intention)

9:30am Mike Prendergast †

11:30am Our Beloved Pastor,
Fr. Joe Brennan, OSFS

(Special Intention)

5:00pm Anton Obernberger
(Special Intention)

Monday, May 29

9:00am Daniel Nowak †

Tuesday, May 30

9:00am Brian Croshetiere †

Wednesday, May 31

9:00am Rene Alberto Pinseda
Sanchez †

Thursday, June 1

9:00am Ed & Irene Psemeneki †

Friday, June 2

9:00am Mary Fisher †

Saturday, June 3

For the Most Holy Trinity

5:00pm Matteo Scalaro †

Sunday, June 4

The Most Holy Trinity

7:30am Ryan Rupell

(Special Intention)

9:30am Kathy Bucco †

11:30am People of the Parish
(Intention)

2:00pm Maria de la Luz Cuadra †

5:00pm Katie Obernberger
(Special Intention)

Prayer List

Deceased: Saul Sandoval brother of
Deacon Atanacio Sandoval

Sick: Amylene Malalis

Sacramental Celebrations

Baptisms: Lucy Amelia Buono, Mary
Claire Elizabeth Johnston, Holden
Park, Emil Xavier Villamor

Worship | Adoración

Next Sunday's Readings

Next weekend we celebrate **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**. Please prepare for Mass by reflecting on these texts:

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 the Lord loves "down to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments."

Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55 (52b) "Glory and praise forever!"

2 Corinthians 13:11-13 "Paul's big concern is peace within the community."

John 3:16-18 "Either you are already committed to God and his Son Jesus, or you are already condemned."

(Workbook for Readers, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word 2023, LTP 2023)

Lecturas del próximo domingo

El próximo fin de semana celebramos **la Santísima Trinidad**. Por favor, prepárense para la Misa reflexionando sobre estos textos:

Éxodo 34:4b-6, 8-9 el Señor ama "hasta la milésima generación de los que me aman y guardan mis mandamientos".

Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55 (52b) "¡Gloria y alabanza eternas!"

2 Corintios 13:11-13 "La gran preocupación de Pablo es la paz dentro de la comunidad".

Juan 3:16-18 "O ya estás comprometido con Dios y con su Hijo Jesús, o ya estás condenado"

(Cuaderno de ejercicios para lectores, lectores del Evangelio y proclamadores de la Palabra 2023, LTP 2023)

Stewardship Administración

June 10-11 Second Collection for "Special Kids/Special Needs"

Our second collection on the weekend of June 10-11 supports Porto Charities, a non-profit organization formed by Arlington Diocese families who wanted to help their children with intellectual and developmental disabilities receive a Catholic education in our parish schools. In his recently released Five-Year Strategic Plan, Bishop Burbidge prioritized making a Catholic education available to ALL. Equally important is the work Porto Charities does to identify employment opportunities for our young people with disabilities, especially, within our own Diocese, parishes, and schools.

We believe Porto Charities is an organization that our parishioners would want to regularly support. Like all parishes, SJN is home to families with children who have been diagnosed with intellectual and developmental disabilities. All donations to Porto Charities stay in the Diocese of Arlington. You can learn more about Porto Charities and their work by going to their website:

www.portocharities.org.

Thank you so much for prayerfully considering a donation to support this worthy endeavor. To contribute, click on this link: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=5K564DN3NARU2.

**Spend Time With
Jesus in Adoration
Thursday, June 8
3:00pm - 8:00pm
SJN de Sales Chapel**

Call the SJN liturgy office
(703-860-6151) or
sign up on the sheet outside
the chapel to commit to a
half-hour time slot.



**Pasar tiempo con
Jesús en adoración
Jueves 8 de junio
3:00pm-8:00pm
Capilla SJN de Sales**

Llame a la oficina de liturgia del SJN
(703-860-6151) o
inscribirse en la hoja fuera de la
capilla para
para comprometerse con un horario
de media hora.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Week ending May 21, 2023

Offertory - Regular Sunday	42,364
(Cash/Check \$22,987)	
(Electronic \$19,377)	
Total Budget	46,500
Variance	\$ (4,136)

YTD (includes Christmas & Easter)

YTD Offertory	2,400,856
YTD Budget	2,317,500
Variance	\$ 83,356

Formation | Administración

Request for Donated Items and Volunteers for Vacation Bible School

Our parish children's summer camp, Vacation Bible School, will meet from July 10 – 14 and need much assistance from the parish. We are asking for donations of items for our use at camp, varying from used boxes to borrowing leaf blowers. Please sign up to donate items by June 15 at www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e45afac2babff2-vacation#. If you can volunteer before or during Vacation Bible School, please sign up online at forms.gle/VAqXDZvsbjXL4LbNA or e-mail tpatchan@saintjn.org with any questions.

Solicitud de donacion de articulos donados y voluntarios para la Escuela Bíblica de Verano

El campamento de verano de los niños de nuestra parroquia, la Escuela Bíblica de Verano, se celebrará del 10 al 14 de julio y necesita mucha ayuda de la parroquia. Estamos pidiendo donaciones de artículos para nuestro uso en el campamento, desde cajas usadas hasta sopladores de hojas prestados. Por favor, apúntense para donar artículos antes del 15 de junio en www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e45afac2babff2-vacation#. Si usted puede ser voluntario antes o durante la Escuela Bíblica de Verano, por favor inscribase en línea en forms.gle/VAqXDZvsbjXL4LbNA o envíe un correo electrónico a tpatchan@saintjn.org con cualquier

Online Registration for Next Year's Children's Faith Formation Classes Is Open.

<https://saintjn.org/formation/childrens-faith-formation/>

A Big Thank You to the Parish From the Adapted Religious Education Program!

The Adapted Religious Education (ARE) Ministry wishes to thank all of those who assisted with and made a contribution to this year's ARE Youth Program, specifically **Brenda Cross, Erika Olimpiew, Mary O'Neil, Christy Nolta, Gail Schlett,** and **Andrew Eberly**, as well as all of those who contributed to the ARE Adult Program, namely **Chris Brasco**, the late **Mark Emery**, and **Nicole Barbier**. Some of you may have been with us briefly and others for the duration. But know that whether it was for an hour, a month, or a year, you have left your mark upon God's Innocents.

Called and Gifted Workshop at SJN

The Called and Gifted Workshop: Are you Looking for a Way to Deepen Your Faith?

On July 15, 2023, our parish will offer a program we first offered in 2018. Called and Gifted allows us to deepen our relationship with Jesus and discover God's plan for our lives. In the Called and Gifted discernment process, you will learn that every baptized lay Christian, without exception, has been given a unique and deeply personal call to work with our Lord. Wherever you are in your life and on your faith journey, discerning your gifts will give you a new perspective and help you to be more fulfilled in your relationships and your work.

The Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs will conduct the introductory workshop for this dynamic and rewarding program on Saturday, July 15, from 9:00am until 5:00pm. We invite everyone to participate. Registering details are on the parish website, www.saintjn.org, under Current Events. For more information, please contact Jean Lupinacci at jlupinacci@saintjn.org or 703-390-2340.

New Class on the Christian Faith and Film Starts June 10

SJN's newest Adult Faith Formation class explores "The Religious Life Articulated by Cinema's Great Directors." Starting on Saturday, June 10, and running for four weeks, the course will examine classic cinematic offerings and analyze how each film portrays questions of faith. Each class begins at 6:00pm in the Brown-McCarthy Auditorium.

The schedule of films is as follows:

- June 10, *Tender Mercies*, directed by Bruce Beresford. This 1983 Academy Award-nominated film for Best Picture starred Robert Duval and Tess Harper and asked, "Why do things happen? And how do we deal with those things?"
- June 17, *A Man for All Seasons*, directed by Fred Zinnemann. This 1966 Academy Award winner for "Best Picture" starred Paul Scofield in the role of St. Thomas More. The film explores More's life in the service of King Henry VIII.
- June 24, *The Flowers of St. Francis*, directed by Roberto Rossellini. Hailed by the Vatican as one of the 45 greatest films ever made, it explores the life of St. Francis of Assisi.
- July 1, *Ordet*, directed by Carl Theodor Dreyer. This 1955 Danish film, voted "The Best Foreign Film of the Year" by the National Board of Review, explores how people of different faith traditions bicker but can find common ground.

For more information about this new class, please contact Jean Lupinacci at jlupinacci@saintjn.org.

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Monthly Prayer Vigil Next Saturday



Please join us next Saturday, June 3, for our monthly parish Prayer Vigil for Peace, Life, and Justice. We'll mark Torture Awareness Month by praying "that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families," Pope Francis's prayer intention for June. We'll pray the Scriptural Rosary for Justice and Peace, reflect on God's Word in Scripture, and offer our intentions to our merciful Savior. The vigil is from 4:00pm to 4:45pm in Rooms A2/A3 or via Zoom. For more information or the Zoom link, contact Ken Fredgren at fredgren.k@gmail.com or Bob More at rmore.paxchristi@gmail.com.

Vigilia mensual de oración

Por favor, únase a nosotros el próximo sábado, 3 de junio, para nuestra Vigilia de Oración parroquial mensual por la Paz, la Vida y la Justicia. Conmemoraremos el Mes de la concientización sobre la Tortura rezando "para que la comunidad internacional se comprometa de manera concreta a asegurar la abolición de la tortura y a garantizar el apoyo a las víctimas y a sus familias", la intención de oración del Papa Francisco para junio. Rezaremos el Rosario Bíblico por la Justicia y la Paz, reflexionaremos sobre la Palabra de Dios en las Escrituras y ofreceremos nuestras intenciones a nuestro Salvador misericordioso. La vigilia es de 4:00pm a 4:45pm en las salas A2/A3 a través de Zoom. Para más información o el enlace Zoom, póngase en contacto con Ken Fredgren en fredgren.k@gmail.com o Bob More en rmore.paxchristi@gmail.com.

Caregiver's are "Out to Lunch"



We all know that the stress and strain of caregiving takes an enormous toll. Normal social activities, such as visiting a restaurant with friends, rarely happen.

I'm hoping that with some pre-planning, we can gather an SJN group to meet at Lake Anne in Reston at noon on Thursday, June 22, for a caregiver luncheon day out. There is a menu that will fit almost any budget, and a walk around the lake after will do us all good. RSVP required! Please e-mail or call Susan Infeld, SJN Parish Nurse, at sinfeld@saintjn.org or 703-304-9889 to register by Friday, June 16! I hope to see you all there!

Los cuidadores están "fuera de Almorzando"

Todos sabemos que el estrés y la tensión de cuidar a alguien pasan una factura enorme. Las actividades sociales normales, como ir a un restaurante con amigos, rara vez tienen lugar.

Espero que, con un poco de planificación previa, podamos reunir a un grupo del SJN en Lake Anne, en Reston, el jueves 22 de junio a mediodía, para salir a almorzar con los cuidadores. Hay un menú que se ajusta a casi todos los presupuestos, y un paseo por el lago después nos vendrá bien a todos. Se requiere confirmación de asistencia. ¡Por favor, envíe un correo electrónico o llame a Susan Infeld, Enfermera Parroquial SJN, en sinfeld@saintjn.org o 703-304-9889 para registrarse antes del viernes, 16 de junio! ¡Espero verlos a todos allí!

We are Celebrating Fr. Joe's 25th Jubilee on June 11

Fr. Joe is celebrating his 25th Anniversary as an Oblate priest. He was ordained here at St. John Neumann on June 13, 1998. Join us on Sunday, June 11, at the 5:00pm Mass to celebrate with Fr. Joe and give thanks to God. Come casual, and afterward, we will continue the celebration in the parish hall as our Knights will serve hotdogs and sausages and provide sides. You need only bring yourselves. We look forward to having you with us for a joyous evening of celebration! Help us anticipate our food requirements by registering at <https://saintjn.org/14212/celebrate-fr-joes-25th-jubilee-celebracion-del-25o-aniversario-del-p-joe>.

We look forward to having you with us for a joyous evening of celebration!

Celebramos el 25° Jubileo del P. Joe el 11 de junio

El P. Joe celebra su 25 aniversario como sacerdote oblato. Fue ordenado aquí en St. John Neumann el 13 de junio de 1998. Unase a nosotros el domingo, 11 de junio, en la Misa de las 5:00pm para celebrar con el P. Joe y dar gracias a Dios. Venga casual, y después, continuaremos la celebración en el salón parroquial mientras nuestros Caballeros sirvan hotdogs y salchichas y proveeran guarniciones. Solo tienen que venir ustedes mismos. Esperamos tenerles con nosotros para una alegre noche de celebración. Ayúdenos a anticipar nuestras necesidades de comida registrándose en <https://saintjn.org/14212/celebrate-fr-joes-25th-jubilee-celebracion-del-25o-aniversario-del-p-joe>.

Esperamos contar con su presencia para una alegre noche de celebración.

Want to Know What's Going on Each Week? Get the Snapshot!

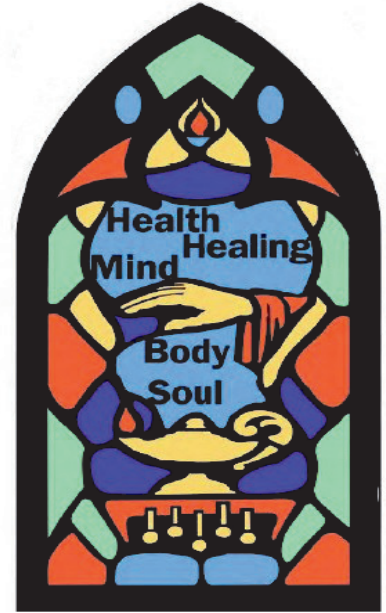
Do you want to know what's happening around the Parish each week? Then signup for the SJN Snapshot. Delivered to your email inbox every Friday morning by 9:30am, the Snapshot gives you next week's calendar of happenings around the Parish, important save the dates for future events, and, occasionally, essential messages from Fr. Joe. It's free, it's timely, and it can be yours if you register at <https://saintjn.org/14220/get-the-sjn-snapshot/>.

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From the Parish Nurse

Seasons of Wellness ZOOM: “Healthy Kidneys” This Wednesday

So this sounds like a bit of a sleeper. Not so much! Kidneys are crucial for clearing toxins from the blood, maintaining water balance, producing red blood cells, regulating PH salt and potassium in the bloodstream, and maintaining healthy blood pressure. They even regulate a form of vitamin D. Do you know that simple aspirin products or overuse of Ibuprofen can destroy your kidneys? Or that people with diabetes are at high risk for kidney disease due to an imbalance in glucose levels? Or how hypertension can impact kidney function? Join our Parish Nurse Susan Infeld and Dana Rizzo RN from Waltonwood Senior Living on Wednesday, May 30 at 10:30am for another important ZOOM health education event! RSVP to Susan at sinfeld@saintjn.org to receive the ZOOM link. Learn how to care for those complex organs just below your rib cage. You'll be glad you did!



Senior Medical Care Webinar—On Friday, June 9

Join “Reston For a Lifetime” on Friday, June 9 at noon for a webinar featuring Howard Gleckman, author of “Caring for Our Parents.” Gleckman will discuss the current patchwork of health care for older adults, how a coordinated care model looks, and the importance of family communication with aging. Registration is easy: www.RestonforaLifetime.org/webinars.

For the monthly “Reston for a Lifetime” newsletters, register at www.RestonforaLifetime.org/news.

From the Parish Nurse and The Recovery and Addiction Ministry

Christianity and 12-Step Programs: “Step by Step” - Part Two

Today, we continue our look at Christianity and 12-Step Programs. Since Alcoholics Anonymous began in 1935 by two recovering alcoholics, there has been curiosity and criticism about how Christianity and 12 Step Programs fit together. The extremes are extreme: “12-Step Programs are a cult.” “12 Step Programs are a religion”. “12 Step Programs rely on God.” “12-Step Programs don’t believe in God.”

So how do Christianity and 12-Step Programs complement one another and/or differ? What, if any, is the common ground? Below is a brief look into the similarities using Old and New Testament scripture. (A “to follow” article later will review the differences). Last week, we looked at the first three steps in a 12-Step program; today, we look at steps four through seven, which are:

Step Four: Make a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Step Five: Admitted to God, ourselves, and another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Step Six: Were entirely ready to have God remove all these character defects.

Step Seven: Humbly ask Him to remove our shortcomings.

Do not Steps four through seven sound like an examination of conscience in preparation for and participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?

In Lamentations 3:40, we hear: “Let us search and examine our ways and return to the Lord.”

John 15:2 “He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so it bears more fruit.”

In **BOTH** the 12 Steps and Christianity, humility emphasizes our total dependency on God.

Next week, we will look at steps eight through twelve and wrap the series up.

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SJN Pro-Life Committee Corsage Sale Venta de ramilletes del Comité Pro-Vida de SJN

On Friday, May 12, members of the SJN Pro-Life Committee and interested parishioners got together in the auditorium to make beautiful corsages for their annual Mother's Day Corsage Sale on May 14-15. The SJN Pro-Life extends a big thank you to everyone who helped construct the corsages and to everyone who bought corsages. Here are some pictures.

El viernes 12 de mayo, los miembros del Comité Pro-Vida de SJN y los feligreses interesados se reunieron en el auditorio para hacer hermosos ramilletes para su venta anual de ramilletes del Día de la Madre. El SJN Pro-Vida extiende un gran agradecimiento a todos los que ayudaron a construir los ramilletes y a todos los que compraron ramilletes. Aquí están algunas fotos.



Thank You!

¡Gracias!

Save the Date

June 17, 2023

10 am - 3 pm

A JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

St. John Neumann Catholic Community
11900 Lawyers Road
Reston, VA

Food, Games, Vendors, & More

Juneteenth is Freedom Day



Reserva La Fecha

Junio 17, 2023

10 am - 3 pm

***LA JUNETEENTH
CELEBRACIÓN***

Finalé Marks

**St. John Neumann Comunidad Católica
11900 Lawyers Road
Reston, VA**

Comida, vendedores, juegos y más

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A Jubilee Journey with Mary

Did you know 11 churches in the Diocese of Arlington are named for Our Lady? During this second year of preparation for the Golden Jubilee of the Diocese in 2024, we are all encouraged to focus on Mary and her role in pointing us to Jesus. To this end, Bishop Burbidge has invited all of us to visit as many of those 11 churches as possible and spend time in prayer at each! We hope this initiative encourages you to grow in your understanding of Mary and your devotion to her! Visit www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney/ for more information about this Jubilee Journey with Mary!

Un viaje jubilar con María

¿Sabías que 11 iglesias de la Diócesis de Arlington llevan el nombre de Nuestra Señora? Durante este segundo año de preparación para el Jubileo de Oro de la Diócesis en 2024, se nos anima a todos a centrarnos en María y su papel en señalarnos a Jesús. Con este fin, el Obispo Burbidge nos ha invitado a todos a visitar el mayor número posible de esas 11 iglesias y a pasar tiempo en oración en cada una de ellas. Esperamos que esta iniciativa os anime a crecer en vuestra comprensión de María y en vuestra devoción a Ella. Visite www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileejourney/ para más información sobre este Viaje Jubilar con María.

Thursday Night Gatherings at GMU Catholic Campus Ministry

George Mason University's Catholic Campus Ministry, 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax, invites all current college students and high school students (class of 2023) to join the Catholic Patriots of George Mason University every Thursday in June and July from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at the Chapel for faith, fun, and fellowship. Follow us on Instagram [@catholic.patriot](https://www.instagram.com/catholic.patriot) or go to www.gmuccm.org for more information. We hope to see you there.

Reuniones los jueves por la noche en GMU Catholic Campus Ministry

El Ministerio Católico del Campus de la Universidad George Mason, 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax, invita a todos los estudiantes universitarios actuales y estudiantes de secundaria (clase de 2023) a unirse a los Patriotas Católicos de la Universidad George Mason todos los jueves de junio y julio de 19:00 a 21:00 en la Capilla para la fe, la diversión y el compañerismo. Síguenos en Instagram [@catholic.patriot](https://www.instagram.com/catholic.patriot) o visita www.gmuccm.org para más información. Esperamos verlos allí.



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Sponsor a Child at Niño Jesus

The children in our sister parish of Niño Jesus in Manta, Ecuador, are starting a new school year this month. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of a child in our sister parish or have any questions about the program, please email ninojesus@saintjn.org. SJN parishioners and friends currently provide scholarships for 193 children in the Niño Jesus parish and surrounding communities. We anticipate new sponsors will need to replace sponsors who leave the area or no longer wish to participate in the program. Sponsors contribute \$190 that helps cover the cost of a needy student's supplies, internet access, shoes, backpacks, a uniform, and a Christmas gift certificate. 100% of your contribution goes to support a student. The scholarship children and their families deeply appreciate the support they receive from our parish. Thank you in advance.



Apadrina a un niño de Niño Jesús

Los niños de nuestra parroquia hermana de Niño Jesús en Manta, Ecuador, comienzan un nuevo año escolar este mes. Si usted está interesado en convertirse en un patrocinador de un niño en nuestra parroquia hermana o tiene alguna pregunta sobre el programa, por favor envíe un correo electrónico a ninojesus@saintjn.org. Los feligreses y amigos de SJN actualmente proporcionan becas para 193 niños en la parroquia de Niño Jesús y las comunidades circundantes. Anticipamos que habrá necesidad de nuevos padrinos para reemplazar a los padrinos que se van del área o que ya no desean participar en el programa. Los padrinos contribuyen con \$190 que ayudan a cubrir el costo de los útiles de un estudiante necesitado, acceso a internet, zapatos, mochilas, un uniforme y un certificado de regalo de Navidad. El 100% de su contribución se destina a apoyar a un estudiante. Los niños becados y sus familias aprecian profundamente el apoyo que reciben de nuestra parroquia. Gracias de antemano.

Family of Man Council Hosts Charity Breakfast for Support of Insight Memory Care Center - Fairfax

The Family of Man Council of the Knights of Columbus will hold their June charity breakfast on June 4, 2023, between the end of the 7:30am Mass and the start of the 11:30am Mass. The Council will provide the proceeds from your free-will donations to Insight Memory Care Center (IMCC) – Fairfax (<https://www.insightmcc.org>).

IMCC is a nonprofit adult day health and resource center providing specialized care, support, and education for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other memory impairments, their families, caregivers, and the community. Serving Northern Virginia since 1984, IMCC offers a spectrum of holistic care, with a vision of a society where those affected by memory impairments can achieve the highest quality of life.

This breakfast will be the Knights' last charity breakfast until October. Please join your fellow parishioners to enjoy a delicious breakfast and support this program assisting those with dementia.

El Consejo de la Familia del Hombre organiza un desayuno benéfico para apoyar al Centro de Cuidado de la Memoria Insight - Fairfax

El Consejo de la Familia del Hombre de los Caballeros de Colón celebrará su desayuno benéfico de el 4 de junio de 2023, entre el final de la Misa de las 7:30am y el comienzo de la Misa de las 11:30am El Consejo entregará los ingresos de sus donaciones voluntarias a Insight Memory Care Center (IMCC) - Fairfax (<https://www.insightmcc.org>).

IMCC es un centro diurno de salud y recursos para adultos sin ánimo de lucro que proporciona atención especializada, apoyo y educación a personas con la enfermedad de Alzheimer y otros problemas de memoria, a sus familias, cuidadores y a la comunidad. IMCC, que lleva prestando sus servicios en el norte de Virginia desde 1984, ofrece un amplio abanico de cuidados holísticos, con la visión de una sociedad en la que las personas afectadas por problemas de memoria puedan alcanzar la máxima calidad de vida.

Este desayuno será el último desayuno benéfico de los Caballeros hasta octubre. Por favor, únase a sus feligreses para disfrutar de un delicioso desayuno y apoyar este programa de asistencia a las personas con demencia.



RCIA Rite of Reception Rito de acogida del RICA

On Sunday, May 21, at the 5:00pm Mass, Lauren Snyder, Jonathan Conrad, Karen Clerici, and Jacob Ciango were received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. We welcome them to the Table of the Lord. Our new Catholics then received the Sacrament of Confirmation along with Timothy Bohne.

El domingo 21 de mayo, en la Misa de las 5:00pm, Lauren Snyder, Jonathan Conrad, Karen Clerici, y Jacob Ciango fueron recibidos en la Comunión Plena de la Iglesia Católica. Les damos la bienvenida a la Mesa del Señor. Nuestros nuevos católicos recibieron el Sacramento de la Confirmación junto con Timothy Bohne.



SJN RCIA

Memorial Day 2023

"God of power and mercy,
you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,
that we may all deserve to be called your sons
and daughters.
Keep in your mercy those men and women
who have died in the cause of freedom
and bring them safely
into your kingdom of justice and peace.
We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord."
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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 28

No 11:30am or 2:00pm Mass

Noon Bilingual Mass

1:00pm Multicultural Celebration

6:30pm Branching Out Fire Pit Dinner

Monday, May 29

SJN Offices Closed

10:00am Road to Emmaus

Tuesday, May 30

7:30pm RCIA

7:30pm YA Study

Wednesday, May 31

3:00pm Farmers Market

7:00pm Divorced - Separated Ministry

7:00pm Legion de Maria

Thursday, June 1

6:00pm Catechist Appreciation

Reception

6:00pm Legion of Mary

7:00pm ESOL Classes

Friday, June 2

6:00pm Al-Anon Beginners Meeting

7:00pm Al-Anon

Saturday, June 3

Catechist Recruitment after Mass

8:00am WorkCamp Tool Training

4:00pm Prayer Vigil for Peace

8:00pm Grupo de oración en español

Sunday, June 4

Catechist Recruitment After Masses

8:30am KofC Charity Breakfast

6:00pm Confirmation Session

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