

The Catholic Community of St. John Neumann

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Mission Statement

Catholic Community of St. John Neumann

*FOUNDED on the teachings of Jesus Christ,
NOURISHED by the hospitality of the Califon Christian
Communities,
FORMED with a commitment to Social Ministry, and
STRENGTHENED by the Holy Spirit*

*The Catholic Community of St. John Neumann is
a jubilant people on a continuing spiritual
journey of hope:*

*TO CELEBRATE and DEEPEN our faith
TO SHARE our unique gifts, talents and treasures
TO CHERISH all life
TO LIVE in openness, acceptance and love.*

A Christian Community of the Catholic Tradition

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Bishop
Most Rev. Edward T. Hughes, retired
Bishop
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Our Parish

Parish Team

Rev. J William Mickiewicz..... Pastor
Thomas J. Gilheany .Retired Deacon
Earl Roberts,Deacon
Pastoral Assistant, Connxions and
Social Ministry
Dr. Rose Fay..... Pastoral Assistant,
Formation

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Worshipping at:

398 County Road 513
(Church Center)

Saturday Vigil Mass5:30 p.m.
Sunday8:00 a.m.
Sunday10:30 a.m.

390 County Road 513
(Neumann Residence)

Tuesday7:00 p.m.
Wednesday9:30 a.m.
Friday7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday..... 4:45-5:15 p.m.

About Our Parish

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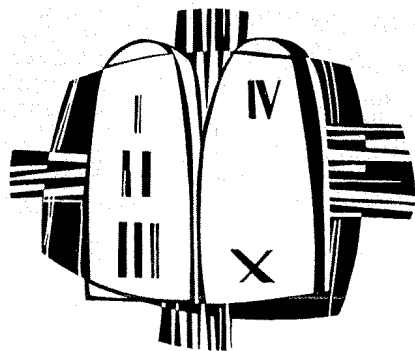
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Parish Registration

Anyone living within the parish boundaries who would like to become a member of our Catholic Community or who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith should call or email the church office. We will meet with you at your convenience where you will learn about our parish and the opportunities we offer. Those joining the parish are encouraged to celebrate their welcome and registration at a weekend Mass.

Please notify the parish office of any change in phone number, address, email address or when leaving the parish.

Parish registration is required for religious education, celebration of sacraments and certification as a sponsor.

Regular Sunday worship indicates a practicing Catholic, not just parish registration. An assurance of family practice and raising children in the faith they seek is necessary for the sacraments of initiation and certification of sponsorship.

Sacraments of Initiation

Baptism: Baptism is celebrated at any weekend Mass. The preparation process begins during pregnancy and includes an initial pastoral visit with the Pastoral Assistant for Connxions and attendance at one Baptism Preparation Session, which is offered quarterly. Please call the parish office to register. Parish membership and active worship is required for two months prior to preparation. No baptisms are celebrated during Lent.

First Eucharist: First Eucharist is celebrated in May, following two years of preparation. Family participation and regular worship are an integral component.

Confirmation: Confirmation is celebrated in the fall, following three years of preparation. Active participation and weekly worship are an integral component.

Adult Confirmation: The formation process is held in the parish, followed by a parish celebration of Adult Confirmation.

Initiation of Adults and Older Children: This is an extended gradual formation process for unbaptized or uncatechized adults, or baptized Christians who wish to enter the Catholic Church or for unbaptized or uncatechized school-aged children. Interested persons may begin the process at any time, please contact the parish office for more information.

Sacrament Celebrations

First Reconciliation: First Reconciliation is celebrated in Advent of the second grade. Parent participation and regular worship is required.

Matrimony: Couples wishing to be married at St. John's are required to make arrangements one year in advance. Four sessions with the Pastor and Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter take place during this year. Parish registration and active worship are required.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill or unable to come to church for a length of time should contact the parish office so someone may visit and bring the sacraments.

Holy Orders: If you are interested in learning more about the priesthood or religious life, contact the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Metuchen at 732-562-1990 ext. 1700 or by email at vocations@diometuchen.org or visit www.diometuchen.org/vocations.

This Week at Saint John's

Mass Schedule

March 12 & 13

Saturday	5:30 p.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Mickiewicz
Lector	G. Porto
Altar Server	F. Kennedy
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	M. McCall, J. Eacovalle, L. Eacovalle, B. Garcia, L. Garcia
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Mickiewicz
Lector	J. Murray
Altar Server	Waddleton Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	S. Janks, R. Pojedinec, S. Pojedinec
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Celebrant.....	Fr. Mickiewicz
Deacon.....	E. Roberts
Lector	K. Skuza
Altar Server	Malone Family
Ministers of the Eucharist.....	M. Milko, D. Geerinck, D. Torczon, M. Wickel

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, March 8

7:00 p.m. No Mass

Wednesday, March 9

7:00 a.m. Sick of the Parish

7:30 p.m. People of the Parish

Friday, March 11

7:00 a.m. Edward A. & Mary K. Mickiewicz

Saturday, March 12

5:30 p.m. Richard Fieltz req. Tom & Rosary Gilheany

Sunday, March 13

8:00 a.m. Eleanor Angeline req. Pete & Mary Cangelosi

10:30 a.m. Eileen Zocchi req. Janks Family

Parish Calendar

Sunday, March 6 — Yellow Brick Road

10:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word (Church Center)

Monday, March 7 — Ss. Perpetua & Felicity

6:00 p.m. Zumba (Church Center)

Tuesday, March 8 — St. John of God

9:30 a.m. Quilting (Office Center)

No Mass

7:30 p.m. Stewardship Meeting (Office Center)

Wednesday, March 9 — Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Mass and Ashes (Neumann Residence)

4:30 p.m. Service and Ashes (Church Center)

6:15 p.m. Yoga (Church Center)

7:30 p.m. Mass and Ashes (Church Center)

Thursday, March 10 — Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Quilting (Office Center)

7:30 p.m. Music Ministry (Church Center)

Friday, March 11 — Friday after Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence)

5:00 p.m. Cleaning (Church Center)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Church Center)

Saturday, March 12 — Saturday after Ash Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Saturday Catechesis (Church Center)

3:00 p.m. Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen Trip (Church Center)

6:45 p.m. Private Party (Church Center)

Sunday, March 13 — First Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. K-6 Catechesis (Valley View)

11:30 a.m. Pastoral Council Vitality Coffee (Church Center)

6:30 p.m. Jr. High Catechesis (Church Center)

Pastor's Schedule

Monday, March 7

Bulletin

Tuesday, March 8

No Mass

Away in the Evening

Wednesday, March 9

Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. Mass and Ashes (Neumann Residence)

4:30 p.m. Service and Ashes (Church Center)

7:30 p.m. Mass and Ashes (Church Center)

Friday, March 11

7:00 a.m. Mass (Neumann Residence)

Sunday, March 13

11:30 a.m. Vitality Coffee (Church Center)

Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

Remember in Your Prayers

Ms. Ally	Michael Lamotte
Joe Angelino	Harry Larson
Pat Arat	John Lauler
Antonia Baasten	Kevin Leahy
Kate Bachman	Holly Lear
Richard Baker	Jewel LeVine
John Ballard	Michele Makos
Peter Barbieri	Taylor Maleski
Agnes Barhart	Lily Anna Mastro
Alice Beardsmore	Silas Mastro
Carol Becker	Tom Martin
Maria Beckman	Judy Martino
Mary Anna Bennett	Marie Mazzoni
Eugene Brzezienski	Susan McHugh
Shirley Bumen	Patrick McKenna
James Burns	Brett Melworn
John Burns	Tyler Messinger
Eileen Caffin	George Meyer
Angie Caponetti	George Milke
Barbara Carbonneau	Betsey Miller
Joseph Carpentiere	Michael Milto
Jose Castro	Nina Montouri
Lou Citarelli	Erica Morgan
Riley Clark	Robert Olivetti
Lorraine Cochran	Gloria Omstead
Peggy Colaneri	Floyd Opdyke
Gerard Cook	Daisy Ort
Valerie Cordero	Bill O'Toole
Kristine Orvos Cresti	Nilsa Perez-Parsons
Natalia Cresti	John Pfeufer
Dalton Cummins	Steve Plume
Joseph D'Achino	Brian Plushanski
Sr. Ann Damian	John & Nicole Ramsden
Percival Davids	Albert Rayburn
Maria Elena Dawson	Tom Regan
Virginia DeCasino	Ed Reinagel
Peter Demchur	Alicia Marie Ricciardi
Dorothy Deo	Pat Roach
Nick DeVincenzo	Julie Ruby
Anthony DeVito	John Sawczuk
Ann Dodwell	Maria Sawczuk
Betty Doyle	Ed Scharf
Paul DuPre	Chris Seltzer
Courtney Ellis	Abe Shalaby
Msgr. Endebruck	Paul Shubeck
Jacob Fakelmann	Sister Mary George
Hannah Farrington	Marianna Sivori
Akiea Finn	Jim Sklenar
Anthony Fiorillo	Christopher Skuza
Ann Flemming	Austen James Slinger
Ryan Flynn	Carol Smarsh
Helen Galligan	Colleen Smith
Theresa Galvano	Jonathan Solis
Frank Gargiulo	Felicia Steward
Maria Gargiulo	William Stortz
Jayne Giese	Timothy Struble
Jerry Goski	Evelyn Sulenski
Sophia Goski	Mary Sulenski
Robert Govett	Julie Suplee
Rose Gradone	Tracey Sutch
Angela Grieco	Margaret Sweeney
Christina Grillo	Joan Thompson
Dorothy Gross	John Toolan
Colleen Hendzrak	Rose Uricchio
Tyler Hodulik	Robert Villani
Anita Horan	Dayelle Watts
Richard Hughes	Harvey Whille
Brittney Ianitto	John William
Jeannine Imperiale	Gloria Wood
Nona Janks	Elizabeth Wodrich
Diana Janowski	Lynn Yondolino
Bob Jenkinson	John J. Zelesny
John Kaemmerer	Joey Zieba
Rosemary Kimbal	Michael Zocchi
Mary Kirchner	
Frank Kostecki	
Spencer Kydd	

LISTEN TO THE WORD



In today's lesson from the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses admonishes the people to take his words and treasure them in their souls and hearts. He implores them to internalize the commandments, invoking a blessing on all who honor the statutes and a curse on those who would turn from them. Echoing our psalm response and imploring the Lord to be our rock of safety, Saint Matthew tells us the parable of the house built on solid rock. Rains, floods, and winds hit it, yet it stood firmly on its foundation. In contrast, the house built on sand, likewise assaulted by rains, floods, and winds, collapsed in ruin. Our firm foundation of faith, grounded in Scripture, will be our support in times of crisis.

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YELLOW BRICK ROAD

This Weekend

This week is the monthly Yellow Brick Road of our Mortgage collection. We need \$6707.00 for that payment. Thanks to all who participate and help us to make that payment.

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 9 — No 9:30 a.m. Mass

7:00 a.m. — Mass and Ashes (Neumann Residence Chapel — 390 RT. 513)

4:30 p.m. — Service and Ashes (Church Center)

7:00 p.m. — Mass and Ashes (Church Center)

THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT

The Catholic Spirit will be available after Masses this weekend, March 5-6. Upcoming features and stories include: Bishop's Letter on Lent; Lenten program reaches out to lapsed Catholics; Lenten Instructions Diocesan Youth Day Supplement.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Center, starting Friday, March 11

Congratulations to all Girl Scouts on this Girl Scout Sunday

Remembered at Mass

We stand together in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. The following will be remembered in the Eucharistic Prayer: — **Carol Klacik — Michael Knierim — Helen Cange — Bob Lansing — Alice Giordano — Henrietta Klawunn — Harry Stewart Sr. — August F. Jehle — James Steele — Christopher Skuza**



Deceased: **Christopher Skuza**, husband of Kathryn Skuza. May he find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord and may his family find strength in the Lord and comfort and support from family and friends.

BOOKKEEPER NEEDED

Maureen Stout is finding it difficult to keep up with the Finance Office. We are looking for someone to work with her and then take over this part time job. Maureen has done a marvelous job and can share with someone the ins and outs of Church finances. If you are interested please talk to Father. You can consult with Maureen or Sharon.

OFFICE PERSONNEL NEEDED

With the retirement of Rita we are in need of help at the front desk. We are looking for some part time help until we can evaluate this position and see what we can do without. In the meantime we could use some volunteer assistance. If you can help out speak to Sharon at the Office.

ST. JOHN'S FAITH FORMATION BLOG

We encourage you to frequent the St John's Blog which can be accessed using the link on the homepage of our parish website: www.ccsjn.org. You can read the comments of other parishioners by scrolling all the way down to the bottom of the blog where you will see the word **comment** in small print. Click on the word comment and read what others have said. Under the words "Leave your comment" you will find a text box in which you can type your opinion or comment on another's idea. After you finish typing, choose an identity as prompted and then click on the orange bar labeled "publish your comment". If you find this difficult, read the comments and email your thoughts to Dr. Fay at rosefay@ccsjn.org. Please indicate if I have your permission to publish your comments on the parish blog.

As of February 14, we have 7 comments posted on the blog. Half of our presently registered families with children who will be in the program next year were at the parent meeting of January 9. We would like to hear the needs and concerns of all parishioners: our high school teens, young adults and adults as well as families with preschool and elementary school age children. Even if you were at the meeting, there was not enough time to listen to everyone, **so please take the time now to post a comment**. We will use your opinions to put a relevant survey together.

MAILBOX

Thanks to whoever put a mailbox at 390 Rt. 513. Though we don't need one at the Neumann Residence it looks good. I hope that it doesn't find the fate of the last one – a target for a baseball bat sticking out of a car window. The driveway is easy to miss. I hope that this helps.

YOGA AT ST. JOHN'S

We have begun another round of gentle Yoga in the Loft on Wednesdays from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$55 for five weeks in March or \$12 per class for drop ins. **If you are interested, please email Ana Giametta at ana.giametta@gmail.com.**

LENT

Lent will soon be upon us. That is often good news because spring can't be far behind. Ash Wednesday is late this year because Easter is the latest it can be.

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Pastoral Council

Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes Saturday, February 26, 2011

Committee Meeting:

- **Andy Kozlowski** came from the Property Management committee to give an update on various projects and ongoing maintenance activity for the parish buildings and property.
- **Earl Roberts** will be attending the March meeting to talk about Social Ministry and Connxions.

Old and Continuing Items of Business:

- The next Town Meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2011. The topic will be Parish finances.
- New Pastoral Council Member drive:
 - Pastoral Council invites parishioners interested in joining Pastoral Council to attend our next regular meeting on Monday, March 21, 7:00 p.m. in the Drexel Room of the Parish Office.
 - Vitality Coffee on March 13 (10:30 a.m. Mass) hosted by Pastoral Council
 - March 28 and 30 will be inquiry sessions for interested members.
 - April 4 and 6 will be discernment for prospective members
 - June 12 will be induction of new members

Pastor's Items of Business

- A Religious Education Blog is accessible on the Parish website. Its purpose is to open dialogue within the parish about future religious education programs at St. John Neumann's.
- A letter from the Bishop was included in the February 27 week-

Parish News

Pastoral Council, Continued

end bulletin. More information on this topic can be found in the February issue of the Catholic Spirit.

Minutes prepared by Pam Casserly

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The booklets I have chosen for this Lent are available in the Narthex. Please leave a donation to cover their cost. There is also key tags to carry during Lent to remind you of the theme: PILGRIMS OF THE HEART. The banner, to keep us focused, invites us to remember that "You are my friends."

Pilgrims of the Heart

Lenten Prayer with Sr. Joyce Rupp, OSM

In this helpful booklet of daily Lenten reflections collected from the works of popular spiritual author Sr. Joyce Rupp, you are invited to make a spiritual pilgrimage on which, through prayer and attention to God's presence, you will be transformed into a more devoted follower of Christ. Take this handy, compact booklet with you in your pocket, purse, briefcase or car and use these prayerful reflections, together with a daily Scripture quote related to her theme and a prayer starter to let you speak to Christ your companion on the journey.

We are also offering a Bible Study with Dr. Rose Fay. Contact her at rosefay@ccsjn.org or 832-2162 to find out more information or to join.

We are also offering to form and direct a Lenten Program called OPEN OUR HEARTS by Sister Donna Ciangio, O.P. and Fr. Tom Iwanowski to meet at times convenient for you. Email Father at jwmickiewicz@ccsjn.org or call 832-2513.

Let us journey together in pilgrimage to the Easter Mysteries!

ZUMBA!

Mondays, 6:00 p.m., Church Center



Here at St. John's:
Z u m b a F i t - n e s s !! What is it?? Zumba is a Latin and international music-based dance work-

out. Dance experience is not required; all you need is the desire to move and have fun! So come join us on Monday evenings at the church center, beginning January 10 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and work off those Christmas cookies!

If you have questions, please contact Arminda at quiltingblockhead@gmail.com or Maggie at mhbaumann@earthlink.net The cost is \$5/class and proceeds will go to St. John's. Wear comfortable workout clothes, sneakers and be sure to bring a water bottle. To keep the exercise area safe and protect the wood floors, please consider wearing your street shoes to church and changing to sneakers before entering the church space.

LENTEN PROGRAM

This is the proposed Lenten Program for people who are interested. If you want to lead, form or join a group please inform Fr. Mickiewicz with a time that is convenient for you. We will then pick a day or days that are good for people. One of the possibilities could be after the 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Masses. Breakfast or brunch could be arranged, here at the parish or in your homes.

Sr. Donna, O.P. was the presenter at one of our Parish/Town Meetings. She is the co-author of the book., "Open Our Hearts."

Open Our Hearts: A Small Group Guide for an Active Lent (Cycle A) is the perfect weekly Lenten resource for small faith-sharing groups.

Following last year's sellout printing of this Lectionary-based program, pastoral experts Sr. Donna Ciangio, O.P., and Fr. Tom Iwanowski are back for Lent 2011. They artfully connect Cycle A readings to the spiritual and doctrinal wellsprings of the Catholic Church and to everyday life. Daily scripture reflections and suggested action steps enhance weekly small-group materials.

This Lectionary-based, small-group booklet contains everything needed for a successful parish-based Lenten program, including soup recipes for groups that want to begin or end each session with a simple meal. The booklet provides a basic introduction, guidelines for small-group faith sharing, and daily scripture reflections to keep parishioners engaged throughout each week.

- Built on the Gospel: Meeting outlines provide the Sunday Gospel readings, thought-provoking commentary, conversation questions, prayer, activities, and suggestions for Christian living.
- Focused on Mission: The conviction and commitment of the authors' work on behalf of the Kingdom of God comes through in every aspect of this timely project, which is both challenging and empowering.

Social Ministry

IHN FUND RAISER

Jane Paradiso, IHN Board Member and Advisor to the Dream Dinner Student Committee wrote to us to remind us that for the second year in a row, a group of Hunterdon Central Regional High School student volunteers are planning to raise money and awareness for the Interfaith Hospitality Network of Hunterdon County. This agency is responsible for housing and supporting homeless children and their families. The "Dream Dinner" will take place **Thursday, March 31** at Hunterdon Central High School Commons from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. The plan is to provide a pasta dinner for all who wish to support IHN and learn about the lack of affordable housing in the community. Adults - \$10 | Children 5-12 \$5 | Children 4 and under Free **For tickets or more information contact Jane at jparadis@hcrhs.k12.nj.us or 908-256-1213.**

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



In 2011, Raritan Valley Habitat for Humanity will begin construction on two affordable, single-family homes in Lambertville, Hunterdon County. These homes, approximately 1500 square feet, will have three bedrooms and one and a half baths. In addition, they need to select a family for the ninth home in the Dutch Lane, Bridgewater project. That home is approximately 1100 square feet and will have three bedrooms and one bath.

The selection process for homeownership is beginning now. Applicant families must be in the low-income range, 30-50% of median income, with a minimum income of \$30,000. In addition, the family must be able to repay the no-interest mortgage provided by Habitat, be willing to contribute their own sweat equity and have a need for housing. Applicants must currently, and for the prior twelve months, live or work in Somerset, Hunterdon or one of the adjacent counties i.e. Middlesex, Mercer, Morris, Union, and Warren Counties in New Jersey and Bucks County in Pennsylvania. All applicants must attend one of our orientation sessions as the first step in the selection process. **If you or someone you know wishes to apply, have them contact RVHFH 908-704-0016 or email: rvfh@rvhabitat.org.**

SHIP'S GALLEY SOUP KITCHEN

Monday, March 14, 10:00 a.m., Office Center

The next scheduled mission providing the noon meal to the SHIP's Galley Soup Kitchen in Somerville is scheduled for **Monday, March 14. We are in need of hot casseroles, desserts and side dishes as well as volunteers to serve the meal. If you are interested, please call Anne Germino at 908-343-1618.** All items must be at the Office Center by 10:00 a.m. that Monday, as scheduled. **Thank you for your continued support of this Ministry.**

LITTLE BROOK NURSING HOME

Thursday, March 17, 10:00 a.m., Little Brook N. H.

Our monthly visit to the residents at Little Brook is scheduled for Thursday, March 17 at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to light up a life, please give **Nancy a call at 832-7548.**

REMINDERS

Let Us Know – In order to minister to our community at large, we need your assistance in letting us know who may be in need of help. Often those who are in need are either too entwined in their situation to contact us directly or too proud to ask for help. You can be the "angel of mercy" who helps by simply making us aware of an individual or family in need. Call Earl or Rita at the Office Center, send us an email or use the "Samaritan Tip" form on the parish website – <http://www.ccsjn.org/>

Emergency Shelter; Personal Crisis, Suicide Hotline; Abuse Reports; Support Groups; Animal Aid; Senior Assurance Calls; Locate a Food Pantry and more. Questions? See website <http://www.helplinehc.org/>

CALLERS WISHING TO REACH HELPLINE FOR ANY OF ITS SERVICES ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO REACH THE AGENCY BY DIALING 211. THEY NEED TO CALL 800-272-4360, 782-4357 OR 735-4357.

Haves 'n Needs

Parish member? List either your Haves or your Needs on the parish website: www.ccsjn.org

New Eyes for the Needy

Donate your old eyeglasses in the Narthex.

St. Jude's Ranch

Donate your Campbell Soup labels in the Narthex. See parish website for list of items.

Sponsor Child

Please remember Angel in your prayers, and drop your donation in the Jar at the Social Ministry Station. Don't forget to write!

RESPECT LIFE

Ultrasound Initiative at St. John Neumann.

Thank you for your generous support of the "Ultrasound Initiative" collections on February 26 and 27, when \$804.00 was collected. That does not include any donations that will be made by mail. The Knights of Columbus will provide a 75% match, or possibly more, which brings the total funding from the collection to at least \$1,407.00 so far.

The donations will be used to purchase new 3D and 4D ultrasound machines for pro-life medically certified pregnancy centers; each machine costs between \$30,000 and \$50,000.

If you were unable to donate last weekend, donations may be mailed directly to:

K of C Council # 10627
Ultrasound Initiative SJN
59 Main Street
Highbridge, NJ 08829

Envelopes are also available in the Narthex. Checks may be made out to "K of C Council #10627", reference "Ultrasound Initiative".

We also appreciate all who joined in to help, including **France Kennedy, Anita Sawczuk, Mary Cangelosi and Pete Cangelosi.**

With Sincere Appreciation,
Knights of Columbus
St. Joseph Council 10627
High Bridge, NJ 08829



Social Ministry

FOOD PANTRY

March 19 & 20

The weekend of March 19 and 20 is our Food Pantry weekend. As we prepare for our Easter Food Distribution please give priority to the following items that are needed: **pasta, pasta sauce, canned fruit, macaroni and cheese, cake or muffin mix, coffee, tea, canned or bagged nuts, and healthy snacks.** Monetary donations may be made at any time using envelopes available at the Social Ministry station and the Social Ministry drop-box in the Narthex. Please mark your check or envelope "Food Pantry."

Fundraising

SHOP RITE & A&P CARDS

We had **22 families** purchase Shop-Rite, Kings and A&P gift cards last weekend, for a total of **\$2,750.00** with **\$137.50** coming to St. John's. Stop after Mass on the weekends or come to the Office Center during the week. It costs you nothing and the Parish gains 5% on all gift cards. Thanks to the volunteers who are willing to stay a few minutes after Mass to sell these cards and all who use them to shop.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Saturday, March 19, 7:30 p.m., Church Center

St. John's will once again be celebrating St. Patrick's Day with our annual St. Patrick's Dinner on Saturday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m. Not only is the food the best around but we will have **Mike Griffin** to do a sing along and we will have **John Kearns** to do some Step Dancing. The price is \$25 per adult and \$15 for children under 12 years. Contact Sharon at the Office Center to reserve your tickets.

We are also in need of help with: Making the Irish Soda Bread 9:00 a.m. Saturday at the church; set up Saturday 10:00 a.m.; servers to start at 7:00 p.m.; bussers to start at 7:30 p.m.; kitchen cleanup - starting 9:00-9:30 p.m.; church cleanup - starting 9:30-10:00 p.m.

Christian Formation (Catechesis)

ELIJAH'S PROMISE SOUP KITCHEN

Thank you for contributing to the Souper Bowl of Caring. We collected \$467 and 167 cans of soup! We will be delivering soup cans to Elijah's Promise and serving the hungry on Saturday, March 12 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Teens or adults interested in volunteering for this service trip should use the Stewardship Opportunities page of this bulletin or email Jo Ann Jarvis at jjarvis@ccsjn.org.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

You are invited to participate in Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl which starts on Ash Wednesday, March 9. Throughout Lent we will pray, fast, learn and give as a way to reach out in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world. Rice Bowl packets are available in the Narthex this weekend and will be distributed at all catechetical gatherings on the first weekend of Lent.

Christian Formation (Catechesis)

“MATRIMONY: SACRAMENT OF ENDURING LOVE.”

Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Focus: Building on Rock
“Jesus tells us to build our lives on a strong foundation and act on the gospel message.”

Scripture: “Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like the wise man who built his house on rock . . .”

Matthew 7: 21-27

Reflection: What has been your experience with the destruction of something? How could you have helped to make the structure more secure? Who have been the people in your life who have been a rock for you? Have you ever put your trust in someone who has disappointed you?

Song: “Though the Mountains May Fall” #447

Story: The dignity of generosity

A widow with six small children was a long-time member of the congregation. Each month she gave the church \$4 - a tithe of her income. Members of the church council were moved by her generosity but concerned that her gift added more to her hardship. They urged the pastor to talk to the poor woman and let her know that, given the weight of her responsibilities to her family, she should not feel obligated to give to the church.

The pastor tells the rest of the story:

“I am not wise now; I was less wise then. I went and told her of the concerns of the [parish]. I told her as graciously and supportively as I knew how that she was relieved of the responsibility of giving. As I talked with her the tears came into her eyes. ‘I want to tell you,’ she said, ‘that you are taking away the last thing that gives my life dignity and meaning.’”

[Gordon Cosby, cited in *Context*, January 15, 1980.]

Though poor and struggling herself, this woman's life is centered on the "rock" of humility and gratitude that is of God. She understands that the meaning of her life is found in the dignity of Gospel mercy, reconciliation and justice. She realizes that the values of selflessness and compassion that she instills in her children as a parent are as important as the food and clothing she struggles to provide them. Authentic faith is centered in the values of the heart, with an understanding of God's love for us and the irrepressible longing to respond to that love. The faithful disciple builds his/her "house" on the foundation of God's love and seeks to bring that love, with conviction, integrity and perseverance, into the lives of all who call that house their home and all who come to that house's table.

Connections, March 2011



SATURDAY ADULT CATECHESIS OPEN TO ALL

One of the results of our Town Meeting is to invite all adults to share in the Saturday Morning Catechesis gathering that meets once a month. You are cordially invited to drop in any month to join our adult faith sharing on the Sunday scripture readings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the following **Saturdays: March 12, April 9 and May 21.** We gather for prayer at 9:30 a.m. and at 11:00 a.m. there is time to socialize and continue conversations. **You are welcome to just drop in and join us for coffee and discussion of the scriptures from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. or come for all of this catechetical gathering.**

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

A six week adult Bible study group will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the office center starting March 8. Come join us as we explore “The Life Giving Power of the Cross”. **Please contact Dr. Fay at rose-fay@ccsin.org or 832-2162 if baby-sitting is needed.**

GERTRUDE HAWK FUNDRAISER

Our annual Religious Formation fundraiser is underway. If you would like to support the programs for our youth, please pick up a catalog in the Narthex. For your convenience, you may order two ways: 1) by completing the form in the center of the catalog, or 2) on-line at www.gertrudehawk.com. Our group # is 119849 and a step-by-step guide for on-line ordering is attached to the catalog. All orders delivered to St. John's are due by March 13. Please return order forms through Religious Formation or drop them off at the Office Center. **Any questions call Jo Ann Jarvis at 832-2162.** Thank you for your support!

MILITARY PERSONNEL

If you have someone in the military that you would like us to remember in our prayers, call the office or drop the name into the collection basket. Please remember the following in your prayers:

2nd Lieutenant, Baumann Katherine
Petty Officer Behr, Fred, U.S. Navy
2nd LT Behrmann, John, USMC
Lt. Col. Blewitt, Joseph, U.S. Air Force
Capt. Bohanan, Luke P., U.S. Army
Sgt. Brisson, Mark D., USMC
LCpl Bunce, Evan, USMC
IT2 Combel, Tracey, U.S. Navy
Lance Corp., Coe, Kevin, USMC
Lt. Colonel Campbell, Vincent, USMC
CPL Connaughton, Michael, USMC
AMN Connaughton, Christopher, U.S. Air Force
AMN Connaughton, Monica, U.S. Air Force
RP2 Ditzel, Joseph, U.S. Navy
Capt. Gutowski, Charles M., U.S. Army
2Lt. Gutowski, Jared, E., USMC
CW5, Ferguson, Michael, U.S. Army
Lt. Friedman, Lee E., U.S. Navy
Hafke, Michael, National Guard
CMDR Hopkins, John A., U.S. Navy
CPL Howard, Jeffrey, U.S. Army
GM3 Hurler, Shane
SSgt. Jirouschek, Thomas, U.S. Air Force
PFC Jones, Joshua, USMC
MC2 Juday, Gregory, U.S. Navy
Lt. JG Kellogg, Kenyon, U.S. Navy Pilot
CPL. Krause, James E., USMC
SFC Lamberton, Brian, U.S. Army
Capt. Larsen, Christopher M. U.S. Army
ET2 Linzmeyer, Travis, U.S. Navy
Chaplain (LT) Logan, Eddy, U.S. Navy
SGT Ludwig, Konrad, U.S. Army
Lt. Mallue, Edward Paul, Jr. U.S. Army
Maj. McVicker, Andrew, U.S. Air Force
HN Meyer, Pamela A, U.S. Navy
Novello, Chris, U.S. Army, Green Beret
Maj. Martin, John, USMC
ATI Mastro II, Michael R., U.S. Navy
Capt. Omstead, David, USA
Capt. Omstead, Barbara, USA
SPC Osburn, Jared, U.S. Army
Maj. Pidgeon, Paul, U.S. Army
PC2 Quinn, Lisa, U.S. Navy
1st Lt. Rautenberg, Erik, Army National Guard
2nd Lt. Sekula, Daniel R. Army National Guard
Commander Simila, Edward A. U.S. Navy
Lt. Slack, Terry, USMC
Staff Sgt. Sowa, Paul, USMC
Sgt. Vasquez, Armando, U.S. Army
SSGT Vigilante, William, U.S. Air Force
Captain Wade, Dominic, U.S. Army
Capt., Warkentin, William J., USMC
Airman Basic Wiedmann, Alex J., US Air Force

DEVELOPING CONNECTIONS



Scientists have found that protein molecules help neurons make the right connections establishing synapse which pass along neurotransmitter signals in the body as it develops.

When it comes to passing along our faith, God's grace works much the same enabling us to make the right connections and pass along His teaching to others. Prayer and the reception of the sacraments are two of the best ways to seek that grace. With it, we are less likely to make a poor choice about who we associate with, and how we are received by others. As we begin our day we should always include a petition for this assistance.

CATHOLIC INQUIRY

Catholic Inquiry is the first phase of the journey to initiation for adults. It is a time for informally sharing our stories and helping one another discern where God is leading. It's a time to get acquainted with Catholics and our Church. If you are thinking about becoming Catholic, you are invited to journey with members of St. John's Initiation Team on the rewarding and enriching path to becoming a Catholic Christian. *The details and duration of this faith journey vary according to each individual's starting point.*

RETURNING TO THE CHURCH?

If you or someone that you know is returning to the Church after a long absence, please call Earl Roberts at 832-2262. Let us welcome you/them back and provide a copy of a "Handbook for Today's Catholic" to help you grow in your faith.

YOUR PRAYERS

Please support all parish ministries as a spiritual partner by remembering us each day in your prayers using your own prayers or the Bible. Pray that the Holy Spirit will be with all of us who are actively involved in our community ministries.

MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORT

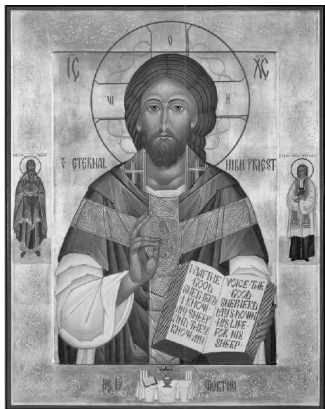
You are not alone in your experiences of dealing with a loved one who is on military deployment. Several families in St. John's community have lived with the emotional roller coaster and are here for you should you wish. **Contact Marian and Russ Ditzel (638-4640), Mary and Mike Mastro (537-6224), or Catherine McVicker (303-0907) at any time.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2011

Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32/Rom 3:21-25, 28/Mt 7:21-27
Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11
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A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF A PRIEST

NUMBERS



When leaving my interview with the Bishop I asked for a date when these plans would take place. He kept it very vague but upon my assistance he said it would be August of 1982. I was assigned to St. Matthias in Somerset, NJ. Father Dave Fulton was the pastor.

It was to be a transition or rather it became two and a half months of deprogramming. In the eight years on campus I had been spoiled in believing that everyone was young and engaging. I did not have to worry about finances, fundraising and paying parish bills. There was no church. We used the Voorhees

Chapel for Mass and had a small house, Tabor House, to maintain which was used as my residence and center. The atmosphere of Campus Ministry was like night and day from a parish.

During my time at St. Matthias I was able to minister, saying Mass, hearing confessions, counseling people while I worked through the death experience of leaving Campus Ministry and by decision to stay in the diocese under Bishop McCarrick. I was only there for two and a half months but it didn't seem that short. One day the Bishop came to talk to the pastor and drew me aside and asked me if I would go to St. Ann's in Hampton and establish a parish in Califon. The pastor of eight months at St. Ann's had just died. I said that I would consider it.

I went to St. Ann's one Saturday evening and looked the place over. I read the bulletin and one man caught me, even though I was not wearing a roman collar, and asked if I was looking the parish over. I was concerned about being pastor for the first time for a parish that had a mission church in Bloomsbury, Annunciation and establishing a new parish in Califon. I was only 45 but I wasn't sure that I could handle all this as a first time pastor and a founding pastor at the same time.

St. Ann's did not have much going on since the pastor had only been there a short time and he was not well. I noticed that they had AA meetings three times a week. It looked like the ideal place from which to establish this gerrymandering parish in Califon. I accepted and agreed to get Annunciation ready for a full time pastor as well. So my attention was divided up between ministering at St. Ann's and preparing Annunciation for their first resident pastor. The pastor came in December and I jumped into celebrating Christmas at St. Ann's.

At the beginning of the year I then turned my attention to Califon. The parish was canonically established as a parish and not a mission and I was the absent pastor. I began to look for a place to offer Mass. I first approached Valley View Board of Education. There was a back and forth game that began. Not a "Yes" but not a "No" - just various problems that they presented to me. I then approached the Tewksbury Township Board of Education. But there was a definite "NO".

At the same time I was having "Listening Sessions" with the people in the Califon area as well at St. Ann's. During this time my classmate, Father Steve Congdon called me and inquired how things were going. I really thought he was sincerely interested in how I was doing. I told him what I was doing and we bid farewell. A day or two later my friend Father Gall, who was involved in the administration of the diocese, called. He was direct and honest. He said, "The bishop wants to know what's going on in Califon." I almost blew a gasket. So that is what Steve was after

PONDERING PAUSES

State of the Parish (Part 2)

There are many giving patterns in a parish. Some people are very faithful in their contributions. They come every week and give regularly either in the basket weekly or monthly or they use Direct Deposit (a no brainer).

If they miss a week they drop their envelopes in the basket the next week, send it in or drop it off at the Office. They make up whatever they miss even when on vacation.

Some people increase their giving each year according to income raise or windfalls (of inheritance, lottery winnings or gifts). Some people give yearly in one lump sum. Some people do not give if they don't go to church or attend another church for Mass. Some people give what they have in their pocket or haphazardly pull out. Some decrease their giving when they retire and begin to live on a fixed income. And some like a onetime priest friend of mine didn't give to special collections. (He's married now and has children who have graduated from college.)

With the present financial crisis some people have lowered their contribution according to their income. More people have stopped going to Mass and so also stop contributing. There are as many forms of giving as there are people.

Some people use a tithing method, some follow a stewardship model, and some still give for causes and needs. Some contributors give more for a need or a cause than they do for the ordinary expenses. Some are moved by the speaker as when a charming missionary comes for help.

There are many forms of contributing to the support of the church and parish. We are governed by the usual averages - 75% of church contributions come from 25% of families. Here at St. John's it is about 18% of the parish that make up 88% of the donations. If you present a balanced budget people don't feel that you need any more. If you go over budget it is seen as poor management. When we compare the percentage of giving here at St. John's with other parishes that are much larger than us we do a great job. Our secret is that we have people who contribute well and they make up for those who do not give. We still

PONDERING PAUSES, CONT.

have costs that do not change because of the size of the congregation.

I once asked a former Catholic who had joined an evangelical church how they justify campaigns when they give in tithing 10% of their income to churches and other charities. I was surprised when he told me the 10% is what is due in justice and anything given over and above that was charity.

Churches do not have any income from any other source than contributions, unless they have endowments as many Protestant churches do. Here at St. John's we create a budget for our fiscal year which goes from July 1 to June 30.

We estimate what our costs will be and what we can hope for in contributions by looking at the cost of previous and past years. We compare the number of families and the giving patterns for the previous year. Once the budget is set in place, the Budget Committee meets each month to review how costs are keeping up with what was budgeted. Our Finance Council does a great job. Worked into the Budget is the income from fundraising. This year we are hoping for \$80,000.00 from fundraising. Last year we were able to add \$92,000.00 from our fundraising efforts. With all of these factors taken into consideration we project a budget deficit of \$74,035. To lessen this fall we have been cutting back on spending and reviewing our staff costs.

Last year's deficit was \$30,821. We started the year out in the red and had to search for funds and internal borrowing to pay last year's bills. One of the most difficult things that seems to overlap from one fiscal year to the other is that the insurance costs come in this interim. Basically that is where the deficit comes from. On the financial reports that comes under Administrative costs which are listed as \$138,540. If we could put this away during the year we would not have such a problem but we need the cash during the year. Our major fundraiser, the Auction, helps us with this and the remainder of our Diocesan assessment. Last year it was \$50,800.

I don't mean to confuse you with all these figures but I want to give you the basics as we look at costs and contributions and address this issue at our May 16 Parish/Town Meeting. Please set the evening aside.

but did not have the decency to tell me. I told Florian what was going on.

In a week or two I was at Immaculate Conception in Somerville for Confirmation. Bishop McCarrick was the presiding prelate. I went right up to him and said, "Bishop, I heard you wanted to know what was going on in Califon." He got flustered. I said if he wanted to know why didn't he ask me when he called to see how the new pastor in Bloomsbury was doing? (He was concerned about him and wanted me to look in on him.) I said I would be happy to give him reports if he wanted me to. I presumed that he knew by then from my classmate, Steve and my friend, Florian what was happening. He left me alone after that.

There are a lot of ecclesiastical games that go on in The Year In the Life Of a Priest.

Sacrament Preparation

FIRST EUCHARIST

The next First Eucharist class meets on Saturday, March 12 at 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Friday, June 10, 7:15 p.m., Church Center



Infant baptism preparation is an outreach of support to new parents by the St. John's Baptism Team on behalf of our community. Following an initial pastoral visit at the parish office with either Deacon Earl or the Coordinator of the Baptism Preparation Team to start the process, parents attend one preparation session, which is offered quarterly. Baptism Host Couples from St. John's Baptism Team facilitate the program and assist on the day of Baptism as well.

All St. John's Baptisms are celebrated at a regular weekend Mass, except in special circumstances. The Community is present to welcome the child into the church and to pledge their support to the new parents as they raise their child in the faith we share. Parents are expected to be registered active members of The Community of St. John Neumann. At least one Godparent needs to be a practicing Catholic. The next scheduled Baptism Prep Program is **Friday – June 10 at 7:15 pm. The deadline for signing up to attend this program is Friday – May 27.** For more information or to begin the process please call Rita at the parish office center at 832-2513 or use the online form from the parish website – www.ccsjn.org.

BAPTISM HOSTS NEEDED

St. John's needs the assistance of an individual or couple willing to join our Baptism Ministry team. As a team member you assist in helping to equip parents attending St. John's Baptism Program with the basic theology and symbols of the Sacrament. In addition, each individual or team couple assists in a welcoming manner as host at an assigned infant's Baptism.

To serve in this ministry you need only be a practicing member of the Catholic Community of St. John Neumann with a desire to help parents and godparents understand the Sacrament, the responsibilities it carries and the joy associated with it. Based on need, the program is currently offered quarterly.

If God's grace is urging you to volunteer to work in this ministry please call Earl Roberts at 832-2513 or email > eroberts@ccsjn.org !

Stewardship

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS



We are a Stewardship Parish sharing Time, Talent and Treasure as a way of life.

319 families; 30 Time & Talent Responses, 24 Treasure Responses; 5 Youth Responses

9TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock." Matthew 7:24

Our Lord gives us two distinct commands today. We must listen and we must act. We listen when we participate in Mass. We act when we participate in the ministry of the parish. We need to do both for a strong foundation. Participating more fully in the liturgy and life of the parish may require some changes on our part. We may have to move away from our current lifestyle so that we can move closer to God.

GRAB A BAG FOR PANTRY DONATIONS

One of the easiest ways for us to reduce our environmental footprint is to replace the use of plastic bags with reusable bags. We would like to help you make this transition! Instead of using plastic bags to make your pantry donations use one of the reusable bags we are providing. Reusable bags are available in the basket next to the pantry donation basket. Feel free to donate a bag to the collection. Grab a bag and bring in a pantry donation.

Stewardship - Treasure

FINANCIAL UPDATE

For February 28, 2010

88 Weekly Donors	\$2,319.00
26 Monthly Donors	\$4,790.00
Loose Money	<u>\$52.00</u>
Total	\$7,161.00
19 Direct Deposit.....	\$955.00
94 Snow Removal/Heat	\$2,604.00
Weekly Average for 2/10	\$5,892.00

For February 27, 2011

66 Weekly Donors	\$1,817.00
28 Monthly Donors	\$3,595.00
Loose Money	<u>\$75.00</u>
Total	\$5,487.00
20 Direct Deposit.....	\$971.00
74 Snow Removal/Heat	\$2,245.00
Weekly Average for 2/11	\$5,133.00

Weekly Averages

January.....	\$4,916.00
December.....	\$5,575.00
November.....	\$5,727.19
October.....	\$5,795.00
September.....	\$5,608.00
August.....	\$5,315.00
July.....	\$6,544.00
June.....	\$4,687.00
May.....	\$5,296.00
April.....	\$5,732.00
March.....	\$5,616.00
Weekly Need	\$8,182.00

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

Office Angels

Monday, 3/7	J. Santoro
Tuesday, 3/8	M. McCall
Wednesday, 3/9	Angel Needed
Thursday, 3/10	B. Pannone

Grocery Cards

March 5 & 6

5:30 p.m.	E. McCabe
8:00 a.m.	P. Nanna
10:30 a.m.	J. Varcadipane

March 12 & 13

5:30 p.m.	D. Zigmantanis
8:00 a.m.	J. Klawunn
10:30 a.m.	F. Cook

Church Center Plant Watering

Week of 3/6	L. Livoti
Week of 3/13	L. Feller

Church Center Cleaning

March 11	Team A
March 18	Team B

Bulletin Transporters

March 11	L. Patterson
March 18	P. Dattler

SPONSORING ST. MARY'S PARISH

Baby it's cold outside

With the extreme cold weather this year, we have decided to help out St. Mary's in Coeburn, VA with some warm clothing. **This is the last week to donate new mittens, gloves and hats to send to help keep children and adults warm.** Please deposit your new mittens, gloves and hats in the white bin in the Narthex that we currently use for food donations and the Stewardship Committee will box them up and send them to St. Mary's. Your donation is greatly appreciated.

Stewardship Opportunities

STEWARDSHIP

Time & Talent Opportunities

As Stewards, we share out time, talent, and our material gifts as an outward sign of the relationship we hold with Jesus in God.

We are a Stewardship Parish sharing time, talent and treasure as a way of life.

On-going Stewardship Opportunities:

Worship/Liturgy

- Greeter/Hospitality
- Lector
- Altar Preparation
- Minister of the Eucharist
- Music Ministry
- Children's Liturgy of the Word

Formation:

- Religious Ed Advisory Board
- Catechist

Pastoral/Organizational:

- Pastoral Council
- Finance Council
- Property Management Committee

Connxions:

- Team Member
- Connxions Companion
- RCIA Team
- Baptism Preparation Team

Stewardship:

- Committee Member
- Fair Trade
- Shop Rite & A&P Card Sales

Other ways I can help:

Please complete the contact information and check appropriate volunteer section. Return by way of the collection basket—Social Ministry box—send or drop off at the Office Center—go to web site and fill out under forms.

Name(s): _____
Day Phone: _____
Evening Phone: _____
Email: _____

LENTEN PROGRAM/BIBLE STUDY

If you are interested in participating in our Lenten Program, please fill out the contact information above and complete the following information:

I'd like to attend on:

Day(s): _____

Time(s): _____

I am willing to be:

- A leader
- A host

- I am interested in the Lenten Bible Study offered by Dr. Fay

- Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen, New Brunswick**
Serve Clients (Teens, must be at least 12 years old)
 - 3:00—5:00 p.m. (Saturday, March 12)
 - Volunteer Adult Drivers/Chaperones
 - 3:00—5:00 p.m. (Saturday, March 12)
- St. Patrick's Day Dinner**
 - Making the Irish Soda Bread (Saturday 9:00 a.m.)
 - Set up (Saturday, 10:00 a.m)
 - Servers (Saturday 7:00 p.m.)
 - Bussers (Saturday, 7:30 p.m.)
 - Kitchen cleanup (Saturday, 9:00 p.m.)
 - Church cleanup (Saturday, 9:30 p.m.)
- Grocery Card Sales**
- Companions Ministry**
- Connxions Ministry**
- Greeter**
 - 5:30 p.m. Mass
 - 8:00 a.m. Mass
 - 10:30 a.m. Mass
- Vitality Coffee Help**
- Office Angel**