



THE HOLY FAMILY OF *Jesus, Mary & Joseph*



ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Served by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales

RESTON, VIRGINIA

LA
SAGRADA
FAMILIA
DE
*Jesús,
María
y
José*

Parish Mission Statement

We, the faithful of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 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, los fieles de la Iglesia Católica de San Juan Neumann, nos comprometemos a celebrar y dar testimonio de la presencia de Dios en medio de nosotros viviendo el Evangelio en toda su plenitud. Que hagamos todas las cosas en el espíritu de San Francisco de Sales con compasión, humildad y dulzura.

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.
11:30 a.m., 5 p.m.
Domingo Español: 2 p.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday–Friday: 9 a.m.
Wednesday and Friday: 12:10 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 10–10:30 a.m.
Also by Appointment

December 28, 2025, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
January 4, 2026, The Epiphany of the Lord



***An Exhortation by St. Jane de Chantal
on the Beginning of a New Year***

We are about to bring another year to an end, a year like so many years which have come before it.

Time passes by. The years come and go, and some day we, likewise, will pass and come to an end as well. We must make a strong and absolute resolution that, if Our Lord should gift us with yet another full year, we will make better use of it than those years that have come — and gone — before. Let us walk with a new step in God's divine service to our neighbor and to our greater perfection. Let us take great courage to labor in earnest.

Please take this to heart. What is the point of being gifted with a new year if not to recommit ourselves to the task at hand? Otherwise, we should not be astonished to find ourselves in the same place at the conclusion of this year with little or nothing to show for it. I desire that this not happen to you; rather, consider how you can make good use of every day that God is pleased to give you. Let us embrace the responsibilities and challenges of life in the best way that we can; let us employ the time that God gives us with great care. While we hope in God's divine goodness, may we also remember to aspire to actually do what is good.

So then, let us live this New Year in the name of our Lord. Let us redouble our efforts at serving God and one another faithfully, especially in small and simple ways. God only expects what we can do, but what we can do God clearly expects. Therefore, let us be diligent in giving our best to God, leaving the rest in the hands of God's infinite generosity.

(Based upon St. Jane de Chantal's *Exhortation for the last Saturday of 1629, On the Shortness of Life*. Found in "Conferences" of St. Jane de Chantal. Newman Bookshop: Westminster, Maryland. 1947. Pages 106–107)



As we bid *adieu* to one year and prepare to say *bonjour* to another year, it behooves us to give thanks to God for the gift of time. Francis de Sales recommends that to make the best use of this gift, we should resolve to avoid spending too much time dwelling on the past or forecasting the future. Francis wrote:

"Keep your eyes fixed steadfastly on the blissful day of eternity towards which the course of time bears us on. But in the meantime — in the here and now — in each passing moment there lies enclosed as in a tiny kernel the seeds of all eternity, and in our simple little works of devotion there lies hidden the prize of everlasting glory."

Thank you for your willingness to invest some of your treasure, talent — and time — in our efforts at St. John Neumann Parish to give glory to God by serving and loving one another: in the here and the now of everyday life.

Daily Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 27

**For the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**

5 p.m. Donald Boyle †

Sunday, December 28

**The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary
and Joseph**

7:30 a.m. Frederick Gordon Smith †

9:30 a.m. People of the Parish (Special Intention)

11:30 a.m. William Hancock †

2 p.m. Terrence C. Bernard †

5 p.m. Roger Gail Steen †

Monday, December 29

9 a.m. Erlinda V. DeCastro †

Tuesday, December 30

9 a.m. Donald Boyle †

Wednesday, December 31

9 a.m. Mary Anne Sandberg †

Thursday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9 a.m. SJN Parishioners, Clergy, and Staff
(Special Intention)

12:10 p.m. Maria Costantino (Special Intention)

2 p.m. The Sandoval Family (Special Intention)

Friday, January 2

9 a.m. Patricia (Pat) Codere †

Saturday, January 3

For the Epiphany of the Lord

5 p.m. Thomas Edward McCarron †

Sunday, December January 4

The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Dan Fehringer †

9:30 a.m. Elie Breidy †

11:30 a.m. People of the Parish
(Special Intention)

2 p.m. Linda Moya †

5 p.m. John Featherly †

Monday, January 5

9 a.m. Warren Edward Hughes †

Tuesday, January 6

9 a.m. John Featherly †

Wednesday, January 7

9 a.m. Tom Cullen †

12:10 p.m. Fran O'Brien †

Thursday, January 8

9 a.m. Eduardo Arenas †

Friday, January 9

9 a.m. Sean Patrick Dougherty †

12:10 p.m. John Regan †

Saturday, January 10

5 p.m. Chad Ferry †

Scripture Readings

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Psalm 128:1-5; Colossians 3:12-21; Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God: Numbers 6:22-27; Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

The Epiphany of the Lord: Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Reminder

Offices Closed Through January 1

Reminder that all SJN Offices are closed through January 1. The 9 a.m. daily Mass will be celebrated, but the 12:10 p.m. Wednesday and Friday Mass will not resume until Wednesday, January 6. Happy New Year!

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Please join us on January 1 for the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, a holy day of obligation.

Mass times are 9 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 2 p.m. in Spanish.



Prayer List

Sick: Ruvenia Espinal, Amelita Gaerlan, Meg Garrett, Rafael Gil-Figueroa, Emmett Gilbert, Jeffrey Loss, Jim McIntyre, Thomas A. Murphy, Nathalie Picayo, Peter Roth, Christian Spicer Jr, Rich Stana

Sacramental Celebrations

Baptism: Madelyn Juliette Casola, Collins Rose Curtis, Beatrice Eloise Hallahan, Adina Rae Moscarelli, Cecilia Marie Moscarelli, Eva Mae Moscarelli, Rocco Reed Moscarelli, Vesper Wren Xelowski, Kai Matias Zukoff

Pope's Intention for January: For prayer with the Word of God Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Parish Staff

(Please use the 703 area code for all numbers.)

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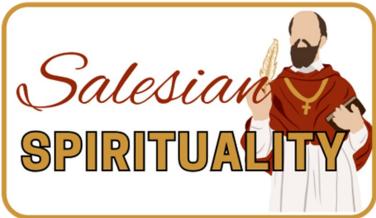
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To Report Sexual Abuse or Receive Support:

- For an emergency, call **911**.
- Fairfax County Child Protective Services: **703-324-7400**
- Diocese of Arlington's Office of Child Protection (to report and request support): **703-841-3847** or arlingtondiocese.org/Child-Protection/

Please visit saintjn.org/action/ for more help.



Salesian Classes and Presentations

Winter Salesian classes begin in January! Now is the time to register. The following two options will be available:

- **St. Jane de Chantal: Telling the Story**

Fr. Don Heet, OSFS will teach about Jane de Chantal using a video biography he is creating. Participants will view the unfinished film and offer suggestions, through this process they will learn more about this remarkable saint!

Dates & Location: Wednesday, January 14 and 28, February 4 and 11 at 10 a.m. in the Auditorium

- **Resetting Spiritual GPS**

Carol Swiger will lead discussion on how, like the phone and computer, we occasionally need to stop and reboot. The same is true of our spiritual life. This 4-session class will explore St. Francis de Sales' advice on how to reset Spiritual GPS and live an intentional life.

Dates & Location: Saturday, January 17 and 31, February 7 and 14 at 10 a.m. in the Conference Room

To register for Salesian Classes and check out the dates for our Winter/Spring Salesian Presentations, please visit saintjn.org/salesian-spirituality or scan the QR code.



Spirituality of Paul Bible Study Groups Forming

Come together with other parishioners for a 7-week study beginning mid-February. Join us as we explore God's word in small groups using study materials developed by Catholic scholars from Little Rock Scripture Study. This study is for those who are new to St. Paul's letters as well as those who know them by heart. Learn about Paul's own encounter with the risen Christ and embrace his message about the transforming power of the cross and resurrection.

All are welcome to join one of multiple small groups that meet at various times throughout the week. Tuition is \$15 and scholarships are available. Please visit saintjn.org/little-rock-scripture-study to register before January 21. Contact Michelle at runnergirl107@hotmail.com for questions.

Gratitude for Liturgical Ministers

Thank you to our dedicated Homebound Ministers who continue to bring communion to our parishioners over the holy days/holidays and throughout the year. We are grateful for your loving commitment to our community members who are homebound.

Thank you to all the volunteers in our Arts & Environment, Altar Linens, and Holy Housekeeping ministries. We appreciate all who assist in making our church space wonderful and welcoming.

Thank you to our outstanding funeral team and reception committee who always bring comfort and hope to those in their time of great need.

We are grateful to each of you for your commitment to making SJN a place where all feel the love of Christ.



Salesian Classes and Presentations

Mass Intentions for July-December 2026



On Tuesday, January 6, we will begin taking all Mass intentions for July-December 2026.

To request a Mass intention as a memorial or for a special intention for a loved one, please stop by the Parish Office during office hours, Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mass intentions are a \$10 donation, and Mass cards are available with the intention.

Eucharistic Adoration on January 8

Please join us on Thursday, January 8 for the first Eucharistic Adoration of the new year. Come spend time with Jesus and start 2026 out in the right direction! The Real Presence will be exposed for adoration from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Church. (Please note we will be in the Church rather than the Chapel this month.)

SJN Online Giving

We are grateful for your dedication and generosity. Thank you for financially supporting our vibrant parish community.



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End-of-Year Giving

Thank you for supporting SJN and continuing to be stewards of our incredible parish.

As we end the 2025 tax year, please make sure that any contributions are postmarked by December 31, 2025, in order to be properly attributed to 2025 charitable donations for the tax year.

After the new year, giving statements will be available. Please watch here for an announcement.

Stewardship of Treasure

Due to holiday publishing deadlines, our updated weekly Stewardship of Treasure report will not be available until the January 11, 2026 bulletin. Thank you!

Christmas Flowers: Remembering Our Loved Ones

Following are the SJN loved ones, who are being remembered and honored with our Christmas flowers this season. We have made every effort to include all names from the Christmas Flower envelopes we have received with accurate spellings.

Angela Anderson
Joe Anderson
Andrea Balog
George & Margaret Balog
Pablo Ardito Barletta
Dom Belardo
Brian Berry
Cristóbal Bojorge
Donald Boyle
Barbara Brady
Elie & Grace Breidy
George Bruzdowski
Manuel Canales
Mario & Priscila Canizares
James Cantwell
Edward Cheng
Robert Chiarello
June Chin
Greg Collins
Jim & Claire Conlan
Donnie & Rosa Connell
Michael Connell
Charles & Nan Corcoran
Sean K. Corcoran
Timothy M. Corcoran
Ana Corcuera
Santa & Felice D'Amico
André de Nesnera
Joseph Dellagiarino
Mary Dellagiarino
Elizabeth & Joseph DeVito
Bob DiPalma
Kathleen Diskin
Carmen Doble
Grace Donohue
Thomas Donohue
Irene Kleiner DuBois
Joe DuBois
Joseph DuBois
Dudek and Weeks Family Members
Dennis Dwyer
Gustavo Espinoza
Joan & John Evans
Mildred Eyer
Attilio (Buck) Favorini
Frank & Marie Favorini
Doris Fitzgerald
Frances Fitzgerald
John Fitzgerald
Tim Fitzgerald



Dorothy Francois
Harvey Frasch
George Fritz
Susan Van Alstyne Gajewski
Enrique Garcia
Mok Gang Goo
Mary & John Gormally
Gewel Gotasiewicz
Halina Gotasiewicz
Ella Graves
Mr. & Mrs. Michael F. Greeley
Beverly Green
P.G. Green
Mary E. Gregory
Katie Griffin
Marilyn Hala
Bob Hando
Robert Harwood
Joan Hennessy
Michael Hennessy
Teh Hock
Gail Homer
Mr. & Mrs. Walter Jansz
William "BJ" Jordan
Jean Kennedy
Martha Kimberland
Fred Kleiner
Joseph & Thelma Krempasky
Richard William Krempasky
Eva Laforest
Theresa, Bob, & Matthew Lamb
John & Lucy LaTorre
Kate Laur
Mr. & Mrs. Paul H. Laur
John & Nancy Law
Fred Lee
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Levendeske
Robert Liptack
Harry Josef Lister
Anna & Alberico Lombardi
Anthony Lombardi
Alan Lord
John Luby
McCain Family Members
Jean & John McCarroll
John E. & Mary C. McCarty
Gary C. McKinney
McMahon & Palmedo Families
Charlie Magrum



Tomasita Maltez
Merkel & Lazio Families
Donna Meyer
Michael Deceased Family
Madeline & Joseph Mine
Mom, Dad, & Pop-pop
Ann Mongello
Farrell Mouzavires
Frances Mouzavires
William Mouzavires
Juana Naporí
Elena Neira
Angie O'Brien
John O'Brien
John O'Hara
Mr. & Mrs. Francis O'Reilly
John & Mary Oshetski
Blaise Parascandola
John Paterek
Mary Paterek
John & Edna Pfeifer
Veto & Lena Piagori
Cathy & Bob Powers
Ann & Mike Prokop
Randy Reicher
Priscila & Pia Reyes
Jere Richardson
John E. Riley Jr.
Dorothy Roling
Louise Sabello
Anthony Samartano
Mr. & Mrs. James Schlett Sr.
Connie Bellot & Jim Skowronski
Skowronski Deceased Family
Jack & Peggy Smith
W. Craig Stier
Bob & Helen Stockdale
Joan Suer
Helen & Helmut Sulkovsky
Peter Susla
Leo Thielmann
Thalia Thompson
Diane Tiggs
Candida Uliana
Gertrude Ullrich
Gibon Van Alstyne
John & Aurora Wagner
Michael Wagner
Karen Wahlstrom
Chester Wykiel



Adult Confirmation Preparation Classes

If you or someone you know are over 18 years old and have been baptized in the Catholic Church, but have not yet received Confirmation, Adult Confirmation Preparation classes are for you! Please email Jean Lupinacci at jlupinacci@saintjn.org for more information.



Ministerio Hispano



Solemnidad de María, Santa Madre de Dios

Las invitamos a unirse a nosotros el 1 de enero para la Solemnidad de María, Santa Madre de Dios, día de precepto.

Las misas serán a las 9 a. m., 12:10 p. m. y 2 p. m. en español.

Feliz Año Nuevo!

Del pastor

Al despedirnos de un año y prepararnos para dar la bienvenida a otro, es nuestro deber dar gracias a Dios por el don del tiempo. Francisco de Sales recomienda que, para aprovechar al máximo este don, decidamos evitar pasar demasiado tiempo pensando en el pasado o pronosticando el futuro. Francisco escribió:

«Mantén tus ojos fijos con firmeza en el dichoso día de la eternidad hacia el que nos lleva el curso del tiempo. Pero mientras tanto, aquí y ahora, en cada momento que pasa se encuentra encerrada, como en un pequeño grano, la semilla de toda la eternidad, y en nuestras pequeñas y sencillas obras de devoción se esconde el premio de la gloria eterna».

Gracias por su disposición a invertir parte de su tesoro, su talento y su tiempo en nuestros esfuerzos en la parroquia de San Juan Neumann para dar gloria a Dios sirviéndonos y amándonos unos a otros: en el aquí y ahora de la vida cotidiana.

Intenciones para las misas de julio a diciembre del 2026

El martes 6 de enero comenzaremos a aceptar intenciones para todas las misas programadas para julio-diciembre del 2026.

Para solicitar una intención para una misa en memoria o por un motivo especial para un ser querido, por favor acérquese a la oficina parroquial durante el horario de atención, de lunes a viernes, de 9 a. m. a 5 p. m. Las intenciones para las misas tienen un costo de 10 dólares, y hay tarjetas disponibles con la intención.



Lecturas bíblicas

Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José: Eclesiástico 3, 2-6. 12-14; Salmo 128, 1-5; Colosenses 3, 12-21; Mateo 2, 13-15. 19-23

Solemnidad de María, Santa Madre de Dios: Números 6, 22-27; Salmo 67, 2-3, 5-6, 8; Gálatas 4, 4-7; Lucas 2, 16-21

La Epifanía del Señor: Isaías 60:1-6; Salmo 72: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mateo 2:1-12



Adoración eucarística el 8 de enero

Únase a nosotros el jueves 8 de enero para la primera adoración eucarística del nuevo año. ¡Venga a pasar tiempo con Jesús y comience el 2026 con buen pie! La Presencia Real estará expuesta para la adoración de 3 p. m. a 8 p. m. en la iglesia. (Tenga en cuenta que este mes estaremos en la iglesia y no en la capilla).

Oficinas cerradas hasta el 1 de enero

Les recordamos que las oficinas de SJN permanecerán cerradas hasta el 1 de enero. Se celebrará la misa diaria de las 9 a. m., pero la misa de las 12:10 p. m. de los miércoles y viernes no se reanudará hasta el miércoles 6 de enero. ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!

Agradecimiento por el Belén

El departamento de Formación en la Fe de los Niños desea agradecer a todos los voluntarios y al personal que han trabajado tan duro entre bastidores para que el Belén de este año haya sido un éxito.

Por encima de todo, queremos dar las gracias a los niños que han participado en el espectáculo de este año por el regalo de alegría que han dado a nuestra parroquia con sus voces cantando. ¡Gracias! ¡Feliz Navidad y próspero Año Nuevo!





ST. JOHN NEUMANN catholic preschool

Preschool Open House and Registration

St. John Neumann Preschool offers half-day classes for children ages 2 1/2 to 4 years old giving them an educational foundation rooted in Catholic teaching.

We will be hosting Preschool Open Houses and tours for the 2026-27 school year on the following dates.

- **January 7 at 10 a.m.**
- **January 12 at 10 a.m.**
- **January 28 at 10 a.m.**

To sign up for an open house and tour, please visit saintjn.org/preschool-registration.

Also, mark your calendars!

Registration for the 2026-27 school year opens January 12 for returning and alumni families and January 19 for new families.

For learn more about our preschool, please call 703-860-6158 or visit saintjn.org/preschool.



Nativity Thank You

Children's Faith Formation would like to thank all of the volunteers and staff who put so much hard work behind the scenes into making this year's Nativity a success.

Most of all we want to thank the children who performed in this year's show for the gift of joy they gave to our parish by lending their voices in song. Thank you! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Taizé Prayer January 7

Our next "Evening of Taizé Prayer" will be on Wednesday, January 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bell Tower. All are invited to join in this beautiful time of worship with music, Scripture, and candlelight.



Prayer Vigil for Peace, Life, and Justice



Please join us on Saturday, January 3, for our parish Prayer Vigil for Peace, Life, and Justice, cosponsored this month by the Pro-Life Ministry. As a new session of the Virginia General Assembly convenes in Richmond, we'll pray for the safeguarding of all life from conception to natural death in our state and our country. The vigil is from 4 to 4:45 p.m. via Zoom. 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. For more information or the Zoom link, contact Bill Eager at artbyeager@gmail.com or Ken Fredgren at fredgren.k@gmail.com.



Nuclear Weapons and Catholic Teaching (Part 12)

By signing the 2017 Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, the Holy See agreed to a legal framework for banning nuclear weapons worldwide. That fall, Pope Francis formally rejected the strategy of deterrence as a point of Catholic moral teaching: "The escalation of the arms race continues unabated and the price of modernizing and developing weaponry, not only nuclear weapons, represents a considerable expense for nations. As a result, the real priorities facing our human family, such as the fight against poverty, the promotion of peace, the undertaking of educational, ecological and healthcare projects, and the development of human rights, are relegated to second place . . .

"Nor can we fail to be genuinely concerned by the catastrophic humanitarian and environmental effects of any employment of nuclear devices. If we also take into account the risk of an accidental detonation as a result of error of any kind, *the threat of their use, as well as their very possession, is to be firmly condemned* . . . Weapons of mass destruction, particularly nuclear weapons, create nothing but a false sense of security. They cannot constitute the basis for peaceful coexistence between members of the human family, which must rather be inspired by an ethics of solidarity" (emphasis added).

With this statement, Pope Francis completed the Church's turn away from the limited acceptance of deterrence under Pope John Paul II that had been called into serious question under Pope Benedict XVI.

Next month: More from Pope Francis. For more information about Pax Christi, contact Bob More at rmore.paxchristi@gmail.com.



Tuition Angels for SJN Catholic Preschool

Our Tuition Angels Fund offers partial scholarships for families who do not have the ability to pay full tuition for their child to receive a Catholic preschool education.

If you are interested in supporting the SJN Tuition Angels Fund, you can scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/Tuition-Angel.





Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast

The Family of Man Council of the Knights of Columbus warmly invites all parishioners, families, and friends to our monthly Charity Breakfast on **Sunday, January 11, in the Brown-McCarthy Auditorium. Doors will open immediately after the 7:30 a.m. Mass, and breakfast will be served until the start of the 11:30 a.m. Mass.**

Come and enjoy a delicious, home-cooked breakfast prepared and served with care by your Knights. All freewill donations support A Woman's Choice, a compassionate crisis pregnancy center serving women and families in the Herndon and Falls Church areas.

A Woman's Choice offers free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, and ongoing support services — helping women in need make choices with dignity and hope.

To learn more about A Woman's Choice and its mission, please visit awomanschoicecenter.com.

Hypothermia Prevention Shelter: January 18-25, 2026

SJN will once again welcome guests in support of Fairfax County's hypothermia prevention program. We provide our guests with food, fellowship, and a warm place to sleep. Our faith partners are St. Thomas à Becket, St. Mark, and St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Churches, and Congregation Beth Emeth. Fairfax Area Christian Emergency and Transitional Services (FACETS) will be facilitating the shelter.

The SignUpGenius for the hypothermia shelter is open! Please visit saintjn.org/hypo or scan the QR code to see the many volunteer needs as we host the shelter. We appreciate all of those who act as the hands and feet of Christ for our neighbors in need. Here are additional ways parishioners can support the shelter:

Snacks, supplies, and clothing: Starting the weekend of January 3-4, the board outside the Auditorium will contain cards listing food, supplies, and clothing needed. Choose a card and return the requested item the weekend of January 10-11. **Please note:** We are NOT collecting any used clothing and only need what is specified on the cards.

Casseroles: Baking pans with lids, recipes, and instructions for our casserole drive will be available January 3-4. Please follow all instructions and return the casseroles before Masses the weekend of January 17-18.

Gift cards: \$10 gift cards to fast food restaurants enable our guests to stay inside for a while to keep warm during the day. Gift cards can be left at the parish office or at the Welcome Desk if attended. Visa gift cards are also appreciated as they allow us to shop for our guests' individual needs.

Monetary donations: Our shelter is grateful for donations from parishioners to help defray the cost of bus passes and other shelter items. Please write "Hypothermia Prevention" on the memo line of your check. Donations can be left at the Parish Office or at the Welcome Desk if attended. You may also scan the QR code to give online.

If you have any questions, please email sjnhypo@gmail.com Thank you for your generosity!

Cornerstones Van in Parking Lot on December 27-28

Coffee, tea, sugar, hot chocolate, canned chicken soups and oatmeal

Thank you for your generosity!

Last Week of the Virtual Walk with the Holy Family

To benefit Catholic Relief Services, the **Virginia CRS Chapter** is hosting a state-wide virtual walk-a-thon fundraiser, "**Walking with the Holy Family**," until **Epiphany, January 4**. Through the Christmas Season, walk on your own time in solidarity with families who must leave their homelands due to food insecurity, violence, or instability and raise funds to support CRS programs throughout the world. A benefactor has recently offered to match all donations up to \$25,000. Thank you for helping us double our impact! For details or to participate, visit bit.ly/VACRS or scan the QR code.



"A Church that sets no limits to love, that knows no enemies to fight but only men and women to love, is the Church that the world needs today."

Pope Leo XIV, *Dilexi Te*

Hypothermia Prevention Shelter

JANUARY 18-25

sign up to volunteer today

Come share your limitless love.



Save the Dates for 2026!

February 13 Racial Justice Ministry Celebrating Black History Month

On Friday, February 13 at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium, SJN's Racial Justice Ministry will welcome Dr. Edwin J. Nichols as a Black History Month speaker.



MARDI GRAS

February 17

Our annual fundraiser for WorkCamp, the Mardi Gras dinner and silent auction has become a beloved tradition at SJN. Mark your calendars to join us on Tuesday, February 17, and watch for details on our silent auction soon!



Annual Parish Lenten Mission on March 7-9

Get excited! Our annual Parish Lenten Mission is going to look a little different this year. We will kick off on Saturday, March 7 with a concert by Fr. Rob Galea, who is an international speaker, author, and award-winning musician. To learn more about him visit frrobgalea.com. He will then lead all, including teens and families, through the sessions of the Lenten Mission for the next two days. Watch for details for this exciting Lenten journey.

Registration for VBS 2026 Opens in March

Mark your new 2026 calendars now! Vacation Bible School 2026 will run July 13-17 and is open to children in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 5.

Registration opens on March 7.



HAPPENING AROUND SJN THIS WINTER



This Week at a Glance

Sunday, December 28
8:30 a.m. Sunday Hospitality

Monday, December 29
SJN Office Closed
10 a.m. Road to Emmaus
7:30 p.m. Lectio for Lectors

Tuesday, December 30
SJN Offices Closed
No activities Scheduled

Wednesday, December 31
SJN Offices Closed/No 12:10 p.m. Mass
No Farmers Market
6 p.m. Legion de Maria

Thursday, January 1
SJN Offices Closed
Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God
9 a.m. Holy Day Mass
12:10 p.m. Holy Day Mass
2 p.m. Holy Day Mass (Español)

Friday, January 2
No 12:10 p.m. Mass
7 p.m. Beginners Al-Anon/Al-Anon

Saturday, January 3
10 a.m. Confessions
4 p.m. Prayer Vigil for Peace
8 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group



Sunday, January 4
8:30 a.m. Sunday Hospitality

Monday, January 5
10 a.m. Road to Emmaus
7 p.m. Scout Troop 124
7:30 p.m. Lectio for Lectors

Tuesday, January 6
7 p.m. K of C Rosary & Business Mtg.
7:30 p.m. OCIA

Wednesday, January 7
2 p.m. Farmers Market
6 p.m. Legion de Maria
6 p.m. ACTION Meeting
7:30 p.m. Taizé Prayer

Thursday, January 8
3 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 9
7 p.m. Beginners Al-Anon/Al-Anon

Saturday, January 10
9 a.m. Hypothermia Volunteer Training
10 a.m. Confessions
8 p.m. Spanish Prayer Group