



Building Upon Our Life of Faith



**St. John Neumann Parish Community
2009 Capital Campaign**



"As involved parishioners, we have experienced a wonderful thirty-seven year journey through the growth of the parish, including five children through the School and the Sacraments. Our last child graduated in June 2009. We have experienced much growth and expansion of the parish in many directions. We feel the new project will greatly update our parish and satisfy many unaddressed needs. Now as our first grandson has started kindergarten in September at our School, we would really like to see this project completed."

Isabel and Kevin Momenee

Dear Friends,

As we think of building our life of faith together in this parish community, it is not long before we realize that it all began with very little. The gymnasium at St. Aloysius Academy was where we first gathered to celebrate a life of faith. It continues as a blessed journey which builds on the resources left behind by the pastors and parishioners who have gone before us.

And, after years of growth, I am asking you to envision the future of this life of faith. Over the past two years the parish has looked at all things that would strengthen our parish and, with these findings in mind, has devised this plan to build a new Life Center. This addition to church and school will be used by future generations to enhance the celebration of our faith on Sunday and provide resources for parishioners' education and community events.

Please find in this brochure the exciting details of how we continue to build our life of faith in the Lord at this special time.

Thank you for your past stewardship. With great excitement, I invite you to join us in this enterprise of building on our life of faith.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Jovi



"The new Parish facility will expand the joy and sense of community our family has always felt at St. John Neumann."

Joe and Cathy Swift

Life of Faith

How Can You Help?

1. Pray that the Life Center will help us come together and enhance our faith.
2. Review the Objectives developed by our Pastor and volunteer members of the Parish.
3. Reflect on your level of participation in the Parish. There are a number of options. Remember that everyone is part of our parish success.

“Saint John’s has always enjoyed a reputation for its hospitality. We have experienced it ourselves. The new Life Center will provide greater opportunities for parishioners and visitors to experience our hospitality in a pleasant, warm surrounding.”

Joe and Barbara Micucci

Ways of Giving

Prayerfully consider a type of financial support which reflects your joy in giving arranged to suit your budget and maximize your tax advantage.

- Multi-Year Pledge
- Gift of Appreciated Assets
 - Deferred Gifts
 - Gifts in Kind
- Employer Match

*All Gifts to support the Life Center are Tax Deductible.
Please consult your tax advisor to realize maximum credit.*

MINISTRIES TO THE GREATER COMMUNITY

Interfaith Hospitality Network
Saint Vincent de Paul Society
School Ministry at
Our Mother of Sorrows
Manna Program
Operation Rice Bowl
Meals to Feed the Poor
Respect Life Committee
Alcoholics Anonymous
Red Cross Blood Drive
Turkeys to the Table



EDUCATION MINISTRIES

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)
Saints Colman—John Neumann School
Home and School Association
Supermarket Certificate Program

SERVICE TO THE LIFE OF THE PARISH

Welcoming Committee
Communications (website)
C.Y.O. Athletic Board
Finance Council
Garage Sale
H.O.P.E. Ministry
Pastoral Council
Prime Timers
S.J.N. Travel Club
Ushers
Young at Heart (Senior Group)
Bridge Club



SPIRITUAL LIFE MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Altar Guild Ministry
Children’s Church School
Eucharistic Ministers
Liturgical Ministries
Lectors
Music Ministry (Choir, Cantors)
Prayer & Scripture Sharing
Sacred Scripture Lectures
Spiritual Reading Groups

Highlights of OUR LIFE TOGETHER

???? Opening of our Parish
Life Center

2004 Catherine Blumstein
becomes Principal.

2002 Reverend
James McKeaney
named Pastor.



1990 Choir loft built and
stained glass
windows installed.

1989 School expanded to include
a computer room
and created an
“all sports” field.



1978 Msgr. James Meehan
named Pastor.

1977 Canonization of
Saint John Neumann;
parish name changes.

1976 John Neumann named
first American saint.

1976 School combines with
Saint Colman’s to form
joint school.

1967 School opens.

1967 First Mass Celebrated in
New Church.

1966 Groundbreaking for new
buildings.

1965 First Parish Social Event

Parish founded
and Reverend
Edward Murphy
appointed first
Pastor.



Our Mission

As a Roman Catholic community excited about our faith, we are called to continue the mission of Jesus Christ. With a spirit of hospitality, and ever aware of our imperfections, we humbly serve the needs of others, especially the poor and the infirmed. Through the example of our patron, Saint John Neumann, we strive to use our time, talent, and treasure, to reach out to others, to share what we have, to sanctify our world and to reflect the love of Jesus through our daily lives.

“The new parish center is a place for SJN parishioners of all ages from the very youngest to the very oldest to share their faith, socialize, learn and grow as a community.”

David and Rosemary West

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

As part of the universal Church, we share our faith with thousands throughout the Philadelphia area. We pray as one, we celebrate the sacraments and care for each other and the poor together. As the Archdiocese looks into the future, it too has embarked on a campaign which is focusing on

- Parish priorities
- The educations of our youth
- The heart of our worship, the Cathedral
- Our future clergy, the Seminary
- Our retired clergy
- The poor and the needy

We combine this campaign as a single and united Church.

Our Life Together



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