

St. John Neumann Parish

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 5, 2026



*"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest."* Mt 11:28

MASS

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm

Sunday Mass: 7:30 am, 9:00 am⁺**, 10:30 am,
and 12:00 pm

Monday—Saturday: 8:00 am⁺

⁺Livestreamed at www.sjnparish.org/livestream; Livestream is temporarily out of service until our equipment can be reconfigured for our temporary spaces.

^{**} Little Church School every week from Oct. thru May

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm—in the Gathering Room Chapel.

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER

Rosary — Daily at 8:30 am

— Mondays at 7:00 pm (in church)

Adoration — Thursdays 8:30 — 9:30 am

Divine Mercy Chaplet — Fridays at 8:30 am

THE SACRAMENTS— ANOINTING OF THE SICK; BAPTISM OF CHILDREN; MARRIAGE; OCIA (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms are held on the first and third Sundays of the month following the 12pm Mass.

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 4, INDEPENDENCE DAY

5:15 pm Eric Carlson

SUNDAY, JULY 5

7:30 am John Burke

9:00 am People of SJN Parish

10:30 am Carlos Ong

12:00 pm Eric Carlson

MONDAY, JULY 6

St. Maria Goretti

8:00 am Marie Flor Umali

TUESDAY, JULY 7

8:00 am Rosemary Holt

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

8:00 am Anne Meehan

THURSDAY, JULY 9

St. Augustine Zhoo Rong and Companions

8:00 am Rosemary Holt

FRIDAY, JULY 10

8:00 am Johnny Hernandez

SATURDAY, JULY 11

St. Benedict

8:00 am Benjamin Wilson



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Find quiet. Find peace.
Find a place to hear God's voice.
Find someone to listen.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED



Brian Mullen



*May his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

MASS INTENTIONS

There are Mass Intentions
available for 2026

Visit or call the Parish Office
for Mass intention requests.



CONFESSIONS

TUESDAYS AT 6:00 PM
IN THE GATHERING ROOM CHAPEL



Adoration

Thursdays 8:30 - 9:30 am
Come spend time in the
presence of Jesus



Join us Friday mornings after
the 8:00 am Mass to pray the
Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Our Chaplet is offered for
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Altar Flowers

Consider offering flowers for the
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Do you believe that God is taking care of you—looking out for you? In other words, how much do you trust in God? What do you think when you hear these words

from Scripture: “But the Lord is with me like a mighty champion.” Or what Jesus says to the Apostles: “*Fear no one*. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known.” When you face the challenges of life, do you do your best to stay the course and not fall to pieces because you have the confidence that, in the end, God will work it out? Do you pray that God’s will be done? Can you look at crazy circumstances and still say: God knows what he’s doing?

Do you believe in Divine Providence? If you do, then when it comes to your own circumstances—the good and the not so good—perhaps these words will make sense. The piece is called “I asked...” the author is unknown.

I asked God for strength, that I might achieve.

I was made weak, that I might learn to humbly obey...

I asked for health, that I might do greater things.

I was given infirmity, that I might do better things...

I asked for riches, that I might be happy.

I was given poverty, that I might be wise...

I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men.

I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God...

I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life.

I was given life, that I might enjoy all things...

I got nothing I asked for— But everything that I had hoped for.



Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered. I am, among all, most richly blessed!

I believe that this Unknown Author was a person who trusted God. The Unknown Author had confidence that in the end, good will prevail, that God’s will be done. God’s guidance *is real*. It will *never let us down*. *Every evil deed will be set right, and every prayer will be answered*. Don’t forget, “reality” includes eternity. No matter how dark the tunnel of life gets, as Christians, we are always able to see a light ahead: our Resurrected Lord.

Let me share with you this quote from Blessed Clelia Merloni:

“Be careful to never let your heart be disturbed or get involved in things that upset it, but always work to *keep it calm*. *In this way the Lord will build in your soul a city of peace*, and your heart will be a place of delights. Every time you get upset, Jesus simply wants you to come back to silence and calm yourself again in all your works and thoughts.”

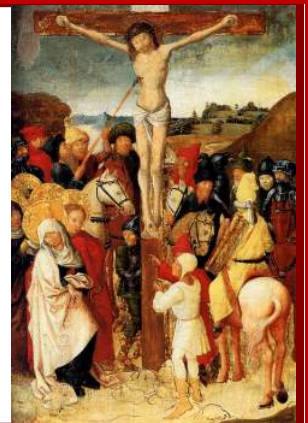
When fears seem to overwhelm, try to distance yourself from those things that are upsetting you, and spend some time in recollection before Jesus, especially in the Blessed Sacrament.

So, if nothing else, take a break from your problems. Fr. Jacques Philippe writes, “How many times has it happened that I went to make the daily hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament in a state of preoccupation or discouragement and, without anything particular having happened, without saying or feeling anything special, I would leave with a *quieted heart*.”

JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1894 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through his Blood.

“The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at his glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of his risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it.”





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Construction everywhere! Those attending morning Mass hear the happy progress of demolition in the church and both demolition & rebuilding in the school!

Due to the nature of construction sites with additional obstacles and such, we request that all posted signs are followed, thank you.



Throughout the church renovation:

- ♦ Daily Mass is in the Gathering Room Chapel.
- ♦ Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses are being celebrated in the gym.

Caring for Friends: Please use the freezers at the Life Center.

JUNE 28 WAS OUR FINAL SUNDAY 5:15 PM MASS.

**THIS MASS WILL BE SUSPENDED TO BETTER
MANAGE OUR CAMPUS DURING CONSTRUCTION.**

Demolition at the Church is in full gear!

Air management is in place as the brick walls come down.

The Choir Loft will get a new layout and made larger.



Say 'Goodbye' to the restroom as we look forward to a completely new space that can better accommodate our needs.

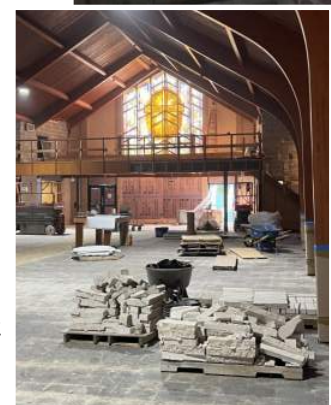


The odd turn in the landing of the choir loft stairwell will go away.

As with the school, an improved floor plan is on the way. In preparation, walls are coming down.



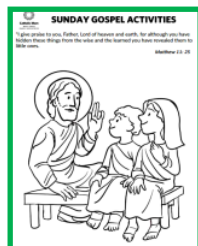
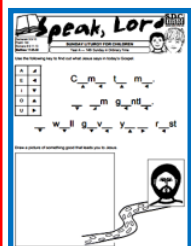
The stage-like sanctuary is being removed so that it can be rebuilt in order to elevate the most important part of Mass: the Liturgy of the Eucharist.



Family Faith



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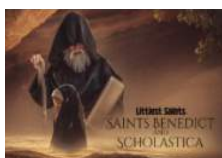
What colors can the priest and deacon's vestments be? Why these colors? What color do you see today & why?

Last Week: When do we see bread at Mass and when does it become the Real Presence of Jesus?



Saints Benedict and Scholastica

A pair of holy twins, a cave and a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica



Maria Goretti: The Story of the Patroness of Modern Youth

Learn more about the holy life and martyrdom of St Maria Goretti in this moving documentary in particular, the film highlights her ultimate act of love: forgiving her murderer on her deathbed.



It's not about what it is. It's about *Who* it is.

The same Jesus who walked the streets of Jerusalem and Galilee 2,000 years ago is truly present to us sacramentally under the appearance of bread and wine. In the Eucharist, the God of the universe invites us into deeper experience of his perfect love — and he is waiting for you.

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Prayer to Accept the Yoke of Christ

May Your yoke be my guiding strength in all my daily duties and trials.

Transform my heart and grant me the grace to walk beside You, yoked together in Your love, for Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light.

Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.



July 11: Saint Benedict (c.480-c.547)

St. Benedict is known as one of the greatest influences on Western monasticism. He was born in Rome to an affluent family. During his studies, Benedict was drawn to the idea of being a hermit to leave the world behind. So, he moved to the mountains to live in seclusion. After a few years, Benedict began to see the need for a mix of community and asceticism, and soon other religious in the mountains began following him. Benedict formed many monasteries in Italy for monks to live in community while maintaining the religious asceticism of a hermit. It was during the formation of the famous Monte Cassino monastery that Benedict wrote the influential *Rule of St. Benedict*, which forms the basis for the Benedictine way of life today. Catholicapostolatecenter.org



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Pray for the Sick



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Connie Clery	Danielle Helenthal	Loretta Ribbecca
Carrie Defoe	James Young	Debbie Schmidt
Sarah Conaghan	Lucretia Micel	Carley Serlenga

July 6: Saint Maria Goretti (1890 - 1902)

One of the largest crowds ever assembled for a canonization—250,000—symbolized the reaction of millions touched by the simple story of Maria Goretti. She was the daughter of a poor Italian tenant farmer, had no chance to go to school, never learned to read or write. When Maria made her First Communion not long before her death, she was one of the larger and somewhat backward members of the class.

On a hot afternoon in July, Maria Goretti was sitting at the top of the stairs of her house, mending a shirt. She was not quite 12 years old, but physically mature. A cart stopped outside, and a neighbor, 18-year-old Alessandro, ran up the stairs. He seized her and pulled her into a bedroom. She struggled and tried to call for help. “No, God does not wish it,” she cried out. “It is a sin. You would go to hell for it.” Alessandro began striking at her blindly with a long dagger.

Maria Goretti was taken to a hospital. Her last hours were marked by the usual simple compassion of the good—concern about where her mother would sleep, forgiveness of her murderer (she had been in fear of him, but did not say anything lest she cause trouble to his family), and her devout welcoming of Viaticum, her last Holy Communion. She died about 24 hours after the attack.

Alessandro was sentenced to 30 years in prison. For a long time he was unrepentant and surly. One night he had a dream or vision of Maria Goretti gathering flowers and offering them to him. His life changed. When he was released after 27 years, his first act was to beg the forgiveness of Maria's mother.

Devotion to the young martyr grew, miracles were worked, and in less than half a century she was canonized. At her beatification in 1947, her 82-year-old mother, two sisters, and her brother appeared with Pope Pius XII on the balcony of St. Peter's. Three years later, at Maria's canonization, a 66-year-old Alessandro Serenelli knelt among the quarter-million people and cried tears of joy.

Saint Maria may have had trouble with catechism, but she had no trouble with faith. God's will was holiness, decency, respect for one's body, absolute obedience, total trust. In a complex world, her faith was simple: It is a privilege to be loved by God, and to love him—at any cost. Francisanmedia.org



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