St. John Neumann Parish

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 8, 2026



"Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."
Mt 25:13

MASS

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm
Sunday Mass: 7:30 am, 9:00 am+ **, 10:30 am, and 12:00 pm
Monday—Friday: 7:30 am+^ **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** weekly from Sep 27. thru May.
^ During construction

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays, 6:00 pm—in the Gathering Room Chapel

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER

Rosary — Daily after morning Mass
— Mondays at 7:00 pm (in the chapel)
Adoration — Saturdays 8:30 — 9:30 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet —Fridays at 8:00 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, NOVEMBER 7
5:15 pm Art Donato, Sr.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
7:30 am Rose Dercole
9:00 am People of SJN
10:30 am Joseph A. Mastaj
12:00 pm Arthur Jones, Sr.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
7:30 am Dupont F. Aseron

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
St. Leo the Great
7:30 am Joseph A. Mastaj

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
St. Martin of Tours
7:30 am Anthony J. Swanick

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12
St. Josephat
7:30 am Maureen Preston

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
7:30 am Janice Wandishin

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
8:00 am Robert J. Fuss, Sr.



Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations,
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Wesley Scott Klinger
PARENTS: IAN AND MOIRA

thank you!

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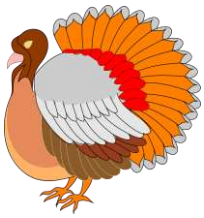
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Sunday, November 22



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- ***St. Veronica's Parish*** *(North Philadelphia)*

Please bring a Thanksgiving turkey dinner (boxed or bagged) to the front or back of the Life Center before or after any of the Sunday morning Masses, 11/22, until 12:00 pm.

***NO COLLECTION SATURDAY EVENING*.**

Thanksgiving dinner suggestions:

- ✓ Frozen turkey (any size)
- ✓ Canned goods–vegetables, cranberries, etc.
- ✓ Coffee, tea
- ✓ Boxed pies
- ✓ Gift cards to Shop Rite (for St. Veronica's to aid those in need)



From the Pastor

In Stephen Spielberg's film, "Saving Private Ryan", a squadron of young soldiers is sent on a mission to find one particular soldier behind enemy lines and bring him out of danger and home. Most of the men in the group, including the captain, die in the rescue attempt. As the captain lies wounded and dying, his last words to Ryan are, "Earn this."

At the end of the film, Private Ryan, now an old man, visits the grave of his captain in a cemetery in Normandy. As he kneels at the grave, while his wife and children stand off in the background, he says, "Not a day goes by I don't think about what happened. And I just want you to know...I've tried. Tried to live my life the best I could. I hope that's enough. I didn't invent anything. I didn't cure any diseases. I worked a farm. I raised a family. I lived a life. I only hope in your eyes, at least, I earned what you did for me."

Jesus says, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." What does this mean? It's not really about being wealthy or poor. It's really about being willing to trust in God and allow ourselves to be saved by Jesus Christ, His Son. Being "poor in spirit" means we are willing to follow and not let pride get in the way.

One of the ways that we can follow Christ to the Father is by looking at the lives of the saints. They have paved the way for us, just like the captain in the movie paved the way by his sacrifice for Private Ryan. He made sure that the captain's death was not wasted on him.

We can make this same connection to Christ's death on the cross. Does it mean something to us? Or do we say that that death was meant for someone else, not me?

When we give honor to the saints, it's a way to remind ourselves that we are on the same journey that they were on. Picture a race. You're at a track meet, for instance, and there's the crowd cheering the runners on to the finish line. Or better yet, the ones cheering have finished the race themselves and they are offering encouragement to ones still "on the journey". That's who the saints are to us in a sense. Their lives of faith encourage us on as we continue to do our best to live out our lives for ourselves and others.

Jesus says to us, "Earn this!" The saints say to us, "Earn this!" And in the day to day circumstances of our life, with our gifts and our flaws, our holiness and our sins, we "don't let a day go by that we don't think about what happened", how salvation was won for us. We also know that we are encouraged on the way, living our lives for Christ.



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DINNER PREPARERS — 6:15 PM Drop Off meals
EVENING HOST — 6:30–8:00 PM
(requires clearances after first volunteer time; assistance provided)
OVERNIGHT HOST — 8:00 PM–6:00 AM
(requires clearances; assistance provided)
SET-UP — Arrival Sunday at 4 PM (~ 1 hour)
BREAKDOWN — Departure Sunday 8 AM (~45 mins)
LAUNDRY HELP — Departure Sunday.

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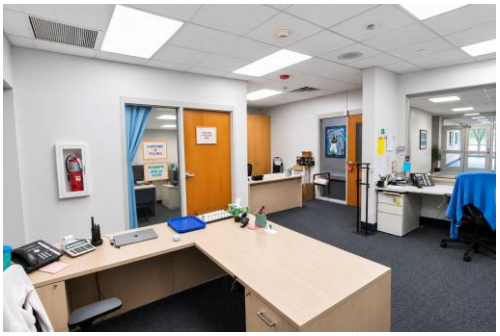
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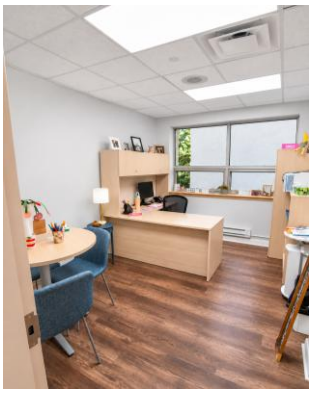
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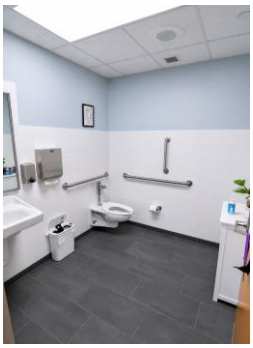
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Reception Interior



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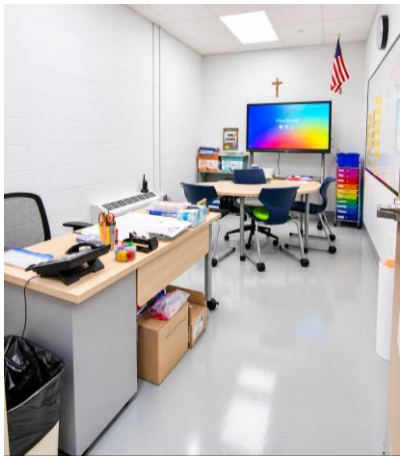
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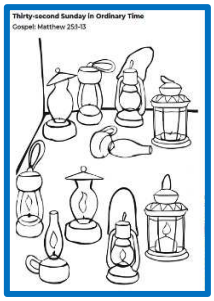




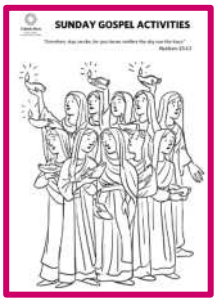
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Last Week: What is the formal role of the Lector?

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The Afterlife | Eternal Rest | Episode 2



What happens after the moment of our death? Once the soul has been separated from the body, then what? What is heaven, hell, and purgatory? This session looks at the truth about what awaits the human person on the other side of death.

How to Advent | Episode 2



The Advent wreath is an invitation to enter into the waiting and preparation for the birth of our Savior! As we explore the meaning of the Advent wreath – its light, colors, and components – we can better grasp how we should be preparing our hearts for the coming Light of Christ.

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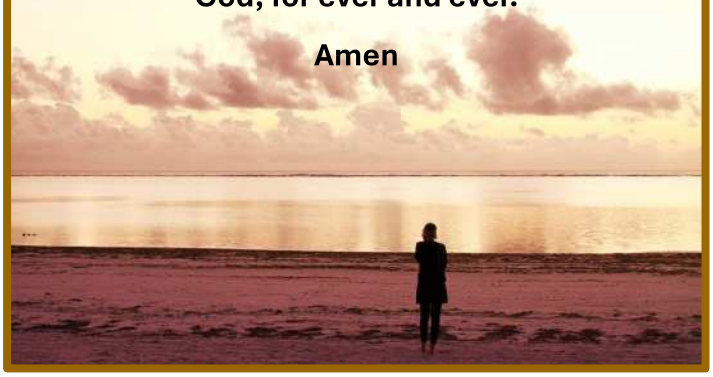
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A Prayer for Preparedness

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at His coming, so that, gathered at His right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen





2027 Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions may be offered for a living or deceased person, or in gratitude for a blessing received. Visit or call the Parish Office for Mass intention requests.



Pray for the Sick



Sarah Conaghan	Sheila Kendall	Loretta Ribecca
Debbie Difelice	Rafael Meza	Debbie Schmidt
Marietta Galvez	Mia Morabito	Bob Stefanski
Danielle Helenthal	John & Mary O'Donnell	James Young
		Marianne Zanghi

Stand Up for Life Dinner

Sunday, November 22nd
4:30 pm Reception
5:30 pm Dinner

Tickets & info

Tickets - $90 each / Table of 10 - $850
Student - $65 each / Table of 10 - $625

Join more than 1,000 people from across the Delaware Valley for our annual dinner, the Pro-Life Union's signature event of the year!

This inspiring evening will feature "The Pro-Life Doc," Dr. William Lile, who will share his powerful message about treating the preborn in the womb as patients. We'll also honor outstanding pro-life advocates with special awards and celebrate the people making a difference for life throughout our community.



A nationally renowned speaker, Dr. William Lile is board-certified in obstetrics and gynecology. At our Annual Banquet, Dr. Lile will offer his unique perspective on authentic and lifesaving "reproductive healthcare." Dr. Lile's multimedia presentation will show how the tools of modern obstetrics can and should be used to save young lives in the womb!

Through his talk, "the Pro-Life Doc" will reveal his fervent belief in the clinical and spiritual personhood of preborn lives, which can only be understood through love, clinical and spiritual healing and empowered education.





NOVEMBER — All Souls Month

To remember our loved ones who have passed, we invite everyone to fill out a prayer intention card — available at the church doors in November.

All cards will be placed in a basket at the Altar for special remembrance and prayers throughout the month.

Nov 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



Most Catholics think of St. Peter's as the Pope's main church, but they are mistaken. Saint John Lateran is the Pope's church, the Cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Bishop of Rome presides.

The first basilica on the site was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family. That structure and its successors suffered fire, earthquake, and the ravages of war, but the Lateran remained the church where popes were consecrated. In the 14th century when the papacy returned to Rome from Avignon, the church and the adjoining palace were found to be in ruins.

Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran's towering facade is crowned with 15 colossal statues of Christ, John the Baptist, John the Evangelist, and 12 doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rest the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds Saint Peter himself celebrated Mass.

Unlike the commemorations of other Roman churches, this anniversary is a feast. The dedication of a church is a feast for all its parishioners. In a sense, St. John Lateran is the parish church of all Catholics, because it is the Pope's Cathedral. This church is the spiritual home of the people who are the Church. *franciscanmedia.org*

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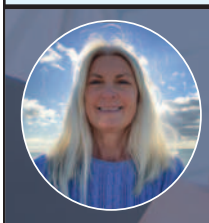
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