

St. John Neumann was a famous convert from the Anglican Community. He had a great influence on Catholic education, mainly near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The number of Catholic schools in the diocese increased from two to one hundred under his leadership. He became Catholic after much research and reading into the history of the Church. His most well known quote was, "To be deep in history is to cease to be Protestant." He was ordained in 1977 as the first American male Saint. His writings are accessible, not overly difficult to read and they are very instructional. I encourage everyone to read some Neumann.

We will be having our **24 hour Vigil for Life**, January 21-22, 2021, to coincide with the January 22 anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, the U.S. Supreme Court decision which essentially made abortion legal in the entire country. It also coincides Mass celebration January 22, 2021 in Columbus for our diocese, as we join all dioceses of the United States in observing a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The vigil will be at St Mary's Mattingly Settlement started Thursday January 21 after the 6pm Mass, and ending January 22, 2021 at 6pm with Benediction. The Eucharist will be exposed for the entire period. It is necessary to have 2 persons present at all times, so please be generous with your time. Come and offer reparation for the millions of innocent lives taken since 1973. Sign up sheets will be at the back of the Churches.

We are looking for a good used snow thrower (or 2), to clear the walks and driveway at St Ann, and St Mary. Please contact the office or Joe Haren.

Viva Christo Rey!!