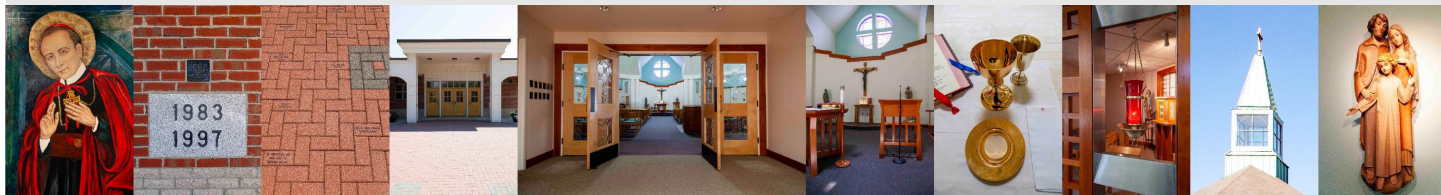


SAINT JOHN NEUMANN PARISH

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29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 17, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Anticipatory) 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM
Sunday 10:00 AM
Sunday (Labor Day thru Memorial Day) ... 6:00 PM
Daily (Mon, Wed-Fri) 12:15 PM

CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM
And before/after daily Mass, or by appointment.

BAPTISM

Parents must attend a Parent Baptism Class before the baptism of their child. The class is offered the first Sunday of each month following the 10:00 AM Mass.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the office at least six months prior to the wedding date. The diocese requires Marriage Prep.

VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND AND SICK, ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the office to request home or hospital visitation.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

RCIA is the process of formation offered to those who seek to become Catholic. For information, please call the office.

RAISING CHILDREN

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." —Prov 22:6

Raising children in the faith is a fundamental responsibility of Catholic parents. As St Augustine (d. 430) said: "Let the blessings of marriage be loved: offspring, fidelity, and the sacramental bond. Offspring, not so much because it may be born, but because it can be reborn." To be effective channels of grace, parents must not only persevere in prayer and faithfully receive the Sacraments, they must pray for their children's eternal welfare. For this purpose, specific prayers are suggested below.



SUFFER THE CHILDREN [detail]
by Carl Bloch (d. 1890)

1. SALVATION. O Lord, let salvation spring up within my children, that they may obtain the life that is in Christ Jesus, eternal glory (see Isa 45:8; 2 Tim 2:10).
2. GROWTH IN GRACE. Grant that my children may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ (see 2 Pet 3:18).
3. LOVE. Grant that my children may learn to live a life of love through the Spirit who dwells in them (see Gal 5:25; Eph 5:2).
4. HONESTY AND INTEGRITY. May integrity and honesty be their virtue and their protection (see Ps 25:21).
5. SELF-CONTROL. Help my children be alert and self-controlled in all they do (see 1 Thess 5:6).
6. LOVE FOR SACRED SCRIPTURE. May my children grow to find Sacred



Scripture more precious than gold and sweeter than honey from the comb (see Ps 19:10).

7. JUSTICE. Help my children to love justice and to act justly in all they do (see Ps 11:7; Mic 6:8)
8. MERCY. May my children always be merciful, just as the Father is merciful (see Luke 6:36).
9. RESPECT (for Self, Others, and Authority). Grant that my children may show proper respect to everyone, to see and serve Christ is everyone they meet (see 1 Pet 2:17).
10. SELF-ESTEEM. Help my children develop a strong self-esteem rooted in the realization that they are God's workmanship, created anew in Christ Jesus (see Eph 2:10).
11. FAITHFULNESS. Bind the virtues of love and faithfulness around the necks of my children, and write them on the tablets of their hearts (see Prov 3:3).
12. COURAGE. May my children be strong and courageous in their character and in their actions (see Deut 31:6)
13. PURITY. Create in them a pure heart, O God, and let that purity of heart be shown in all they do (see Ps 51:10).
14. KINDNESS. May my children always be kind to each other and to everyone else (see 1 Thess 5:15).
15. GENEROSITY. May my children be generous and willing to share, and so lay up treasure for themselves in Heaven (see 1 Tim 6:18-19).
16. PEACE-LOVING. May they pursue that which leads to peace and builds up others (see Rom 14:19).
17. JOY. Fill my children with the joy given by the Holy Spirit (see 1 Thess 1:6).
18. PERSEVERANCE. Teach my children the virtue of perseverance; to fight the good fight, to finish the course, to keep the faith (see 2 Tim 4:7).
19. HUMILITY. Cultivate in them the ability to walk humbly before you, O Lord (see Titus 3:2).
20. COMPASSION. Clothe my children with the virtue of compassion (see Col 3:12).
21. RESPONSIBILITY. Grant that my children may learn responsibility, for each should carry his own load (see Gal 6:5).
22. CONTENTMENT. Teach them the secret of being content in any and every situation, through Him who gives them strength (see Phil 4:12-13).
23. FAITH. May faith take root and grow in their hearts, that by faith they may gain what has been promised (see Luke 17:5-6; Heb 11:1-40).
24. A SERVANT'S HEART. Help my children develop a servant's heart in imitation of Jesus Christ Himself (see

John 13:15).

25. HOPE. Grant that my children may overflow with hope and hopefulness by the power of the Holy Spirit (see Rom 15:13).
26. WORK ETHIC. Teach my children to value work and to serve you in all they do; to lift their hearts to you with their hands (see Col 3:23).
27. ZEAL. Instill in them the passion to "cling fast to you" (see Ps 63:8).
28. SELF-DISCIPLINE. Help them acquire the virtues of discipline and prudence, to always do what is right and just and fair (see Prov 1:3).
29. PRAYERFULNESS. Ceaselessly call my children to prayer, O Lord, that they may find in you the source of all that is good and holy (see 1 Thess 5:17).
30. GRATITUDE. Help my children to live lives overflowing with thankfulness, always giving thanks to the Father for everything in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ (see Eph 5:20; Col 2:7).
31. A HEART FOR MISSIONS. Help my children to see your glory declared among the nations, your marvelous deeds among the peoples (see Ps 96:3).

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 16 (Sat), 5:30 PM	Bp. Odore Gendron
Oct 17 (Sun), 8:00 AM	Albert Belhumeur (req. by family)
Oct 17, 10:00 AM	Bp. John McCormack
Oct 17, 6:00 PM	Holy Souls
Oct 18 (Mon), 12:15 PM	Deceased clergy of the diocese

The Code of Canon Law confirms the practice of offering Mass(es) for particular intentions is ancient: "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2). **Masses with no intention are offered for the Holy Souls in Purgatory.**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

17 Oct, SUNDAY — 29th WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM | Mass

10:00 AM | *Mass (followed by Living Rosary)_

6:00 PM | Mass

7:00 PM | Adoration (until 8:00 PM)

18 Oct, MONDAY

12:15 PM | No Daily Mass

19 Oct, TUESDAY

7:00 PM | Scout Meeting

20 Oct, WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM | Faith Sharing
12:15 PM | Daily Mass

21 Oct, THURSDAY

10:00 AM | "BLESSED IS SHE" Women's Group
12:15 PM | Daily Mass

22 Oct, FRIDAY (Day of Penance)

10:00 AM | Food Pantry (until 12:30)
12:15 PM | Daily Mass (w/ Adoration)

23 Oct, FIRST SATURDAY

8:30 AM | Men's Group
9:30 AM | Divine Mercy Cenacle (1st & 3rd Sat)
9:30 AM | Widow's Group (2nd Sat of month)
4:00 PM | Confession (until 5:00 PM)
5:30 PM | Mass

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trunk or Treat

Friday, October 29th.
SJN Parking lot opens at
5:00 PM, Trunk-or-Treat
starts at 6:00 PM. All are
welcome! Decorate the
trunk of your car.

Costumed children walk

through the parking lot, stopping at cars that've
decorated trunks and receiving candy.



PARISH HARVEST DINNER

Nov 6, following the 5:30 PM Mass.
TICKETS available
after Sunday Masses Oct 24 & 31.

ALL SOULS OFFERING

All Souls is November 2. It is customary to offer
prayers for family members and to remember them
at Mass throughout the whole of the month.
Special envelopes are available in the foyer if you
would like to have family members remembered at
Mass throughout November. You may place the
envelopes in the Collection Basket.

PARISH NEWS

The parish uses Flocknotes to keep members
updated. To receive emails and/or text messages,

see below. Unsubscribe any time. Choose to get
updates from just the groups you're interested in.

Visit > <https://SJNMERRIMACK.flocknote.com>
Text > "SJNMERRIMACK" to 84576 (message and
data rates may apply)

YARN MINISTRY UPDATE

As of September 29th we began meeting every
other Wednesday, 9:30-11:00 AM. Our next
gathering is October 27th. We are in dire need of
new members so we can continue to serve the
needs of the community. Please join us!

Also, our supply closet is empty! DONATIONS
are needed and very much appreciated. There is a
drop-off bin in the coat closet marked "Yarn". For
a prayer shawl, 2-3 "Pounder" skeins are needed.
Please help us out. With cold weather around the
corner, requests will be great. Without your
generosity, we could not exist. THANKS you for
your support!

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know? The Diocese of Manchester
requires all those who work with children and
youth in our parishes, schools, and camps to
complete "SAFE ENVIRONMENT" training. This
training teaches adults to recognize and report
suspected abuse and boundary violations. Training
is also offered free of charge to all NH Catholic
adults and is available online at:

<<https://manchester.cmgconnect.org>>

For more information about child safety, visit
www.catholicnh.org/safety.

SJN MASSES CONTINUE ONLINE

SUNDAY MASS is live streamed at 10:00 AM
on YOUTUBE page. To find us, search for:

"SJN Merrimack NH Mass"

DAILY MASSES (Mon, Wed-Fri) are posted to our
FACEBOOK page. Go to:

[https:// www.facebook.com/sjnnh](https://www.facebook.com/sjnnh)

FACILITATOR COUPLES NEEDED

The Diocese of Manchester is seeking part-time
Facilitator Couples for our DIOCESAN
ENGAGED COUPLE COURSES, which may
occur remotely or in-person. Couples married at
least five years are encouraged to apply for these

positions; training will be provided. Couples will collaborate to lead positive, formative weekend experiences for engaged couples based on Ascension Press' JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE program. Applications should be sent to Giselle North at gnorth@rcbm.org. For more information and the full job description: www.catholicnh.org/employment.

HOLY HOUR

HOLY HOUR is scheduled Fridays following the 12:15 PM daily Mass, and Sundays from 7:00 PM (6:00 PM during the Summer months).

RESPECT LIFE CONTEST



The New Hampshire KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is once again sponsoring a STUDENT RESPECT LIFE ESSAY CONTEST. The contest is open to any Junior High (grades 6-8) and Senior

High (grades 9-12) student in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Knights of Columbus will provide up to six cash awards of \$100 each. Visit www.catholicnh.org/koc-respectlife for more information.

SAINT GIANNA'S PLACE "Baby Bottle Campaign"

ST. GIANNA'S PLACE—a home for women in crisis pregnancies located in Hudson—will be holding a "BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN". Our doors have now been open for two years and we've been able to offer a loving, supportive home to 15 women and many babies and children during this short time! Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of the day-to-day operations and educational programs we offer to our moms. If you would like to help, simply take home a Baby Bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin in the entrance of the church by October 23rd.

ST. GIANNA'S PLACE is in need of prayer warrior volunteers! From the comfort of your home, we need folks to pray for our moms and babies. Please fill out the tag attached to the Baby Bottle and return it to the bin. Someone will then contact you to be part of our new prayer warrior ministry. With your support, we can change mothers' and their babies' lives through the love and care of this community. THANK YOU!

— AMAZON SMILE —

Please consider supporting our St John Neumann FOOD PANTRY whenever you purchase items through AMAZON.COM. This past quarter (Apr-Jun) we received \$102.45 from the AmazonSmile Foundation. To participate, go to:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/02-0370038>

and add "Saint John Neumann Parish" as your charity of choice. 0.5% of every purchase is donated by Amazon.com to the SJN FOOD PANTRY.

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