

# Monsignor's Corner

As we continue our Christmas celebration today with the Feast of the Holy Family, let us all resolve to be more like Jesus, Mary and Joseph in our care and concern for each other. Christmas is, as we know, about being family. The Holy Father is the first of the Church. Every other family in the church should model themselves after them.

One question we should ask ourselves on this feast is: Do I pull my weight for the good of the Church or do I let others do what I should be doing? God only knows what would happen if each member of this church family would do their share! Some results would be: a full church every Sunday, more vocations to the priesthood and religious life, no fundraisers, free tuition in our Catholic schools, bigger youth programs and our adult education programs. You name it, it would happen! So how about making this the New Year's resolution for all of us.

Thanks to all who helped make this Christmas celebration so special. There are so many wonderful people who make it all possible. My thanks go out to them. For those who sent us gifts of food, cards and presents, we again are deeply grateful.

We wish all of you health, happiness, and the blessings of God in abundance in the Year of the Lord, 2010.

Msgr. Youtz

## Gifts from God

December 20, 2009

Envelopes Used.....

Amount Received.....

Amount Needed..... \$20,363

Mass Attendance....

Due to the early bulletin deadline these numbers will be added to the January bulletin

Month	Amount Rec'd	Amount Needed	+/-
July	\$70,416	\$81,452	<i>(-\$11,036)</i>
August	\$89,722	\$101,815	<i>(-\$12,093)</i>
September	\$73,621	\$81,452	<i>(-\$7,831)</i>
October	\$80,431	\$81,452	<i>(-\$1,021)</i>
November	\$109,743	\$101,815	+7,928



Year-to-Date Sales \$52,135

Year-to-Date Earned \$ 2,759.07

There will be no gift card sales over the weekends of December 26/27th or January 2/3rd. This means that an order placed over the weekend of December 19th will not be returned until January 9/10th.

Thanks to all those in the community who make this ministry a success--by purchasing and/or selling the cards, and a happy and holy Christmas and blessed New Year to all!

December 27, 2009  
 Pastor: Msgr. Richard A. Youtz

Saint John Neumann Church  
 LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA

## HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

### MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 28	9 a.m.	Alberta Barone (Sally Simpson)
Tuesday, December 29	9 a.m.	Arthur Johns (The Johns Family)
Wednesday, December 30	9 a.m.	John J Gutwald (Joe Byers Family)
Thursday, December 31	9 a.m.	Mary Ganster (Bob and Ginny Uhron)
Thursday, December 31 Vigil Mass Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God	5:30 p.m.	Dave Lutz (The Book Family)
Friday, January 1 Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation	9 a.m.	Edwin Quinn (Marie Quinn)
Saturday, January 2	5:30 p.m.	Patricia Pelliccione (Ron and Cindy Dell and Family)
Sunday, January 3	7:30 a.m.	John Schultz (The Spellerberg Family)
Sunday January 3	9 a.m.	Mary Henry (Barbara Yoder)
Sunday, January 3	11 a.m.	Josephine Slezak (Sophie Wielgolinski and Family)
Sunday, January 3	5:30 p.m.	People of Parish

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

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*Helen White, Ron Hess, Jim Burbrink, Madelen Duffy,  
 Roberta Bertz, Fannie Troccoli, Bernard Lazur,  
 Joseph Kenna, Robert Kennedy, Janet Townsend, Patty Zanghi,  
 Lauren Amanda Campbell, Frank Rieker,  
 Kitty O'Neill, Nancy Danz, Geraldine Kilbeffer,  
 Cesar DeJesus, Marguerite Erker, Dorothy Masters,  
 Regina O'Connor, Bill Quinn, Daniel Testa  
 and all those in the Prayer Circle.*

#### Sick and Shut Ins

*Please notify the Parish Office, 569-8531, if you have a loved one from the parish who is in need of our prayers and would like their name placed in the bulletin.*

*Please notify the Parish Office 569-8531, when you enter the hospital.*

*Also, call if you desire weekly or monthly Communion brought to you in your home or if you know of someone who does.*

### Calendar Of Events

Sunday, December 27

**NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION  
 NO CONFIRMATION FORMATION**

Monday, December 28

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Bible Study/9:30 a.m./Rm 9  
 SJN Choir/7:30 p.m./Choir Room  
 Youth Ministry Team Mtg/11 a.m./Rm 11

Tuesday, December 29

No Bazaar  
 No Baptism Classes

Wednesday, December 30

Thursday, December 31

Friday, January 1– Parish Office Closed

**Holy Day of Obligation–  
 Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**

Saturday, January 2

Call Barbara Wagner, Parish Secretary,

### Requests for Meeting Space

Please submit requests for any meetings to be held at Saint John Neumann Church beginning **September 09– May 2010** (Even if they are on going meetings from last year).  
**Information needed:**

- Name of Group
  - Date(s)
  - Time Meeting begins and ends
  - Name and phone number of contact person.
- Email– Barb.Wagner@sjnlancaster.org or submit in writing to office. Thank You.

Happy New Year.  
 from your Parish Staff

Please pray  
 for the homeless.

December 27, 2009  
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Paul J. Theisz

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## *Forty Hours of Eucharistic Devotions*

*January 3-5, 2010*

*Guest Homilist: Father Pang Tcheou*

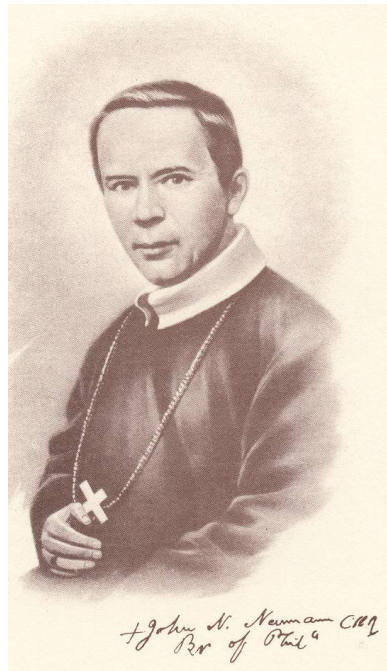
Please mark your calendar for our annual **Eucharistic Devotions**. This is a special and all-important part of our parish life.

Everyone should be involved. Our Ministers, lectors, servers, ushers, commentators and Eucharistic ministers, all members of our parish associations, and our religious education students, especially our First Communion and Confirmation candidates, should be present at least at the closing ceremony on **Tuesday January 5 at 7 p.m.**

Priests, Religious and many others from across our diocese will be here to honor our Lord in the Eucharist.

St. John Neumann, our patron, established this devotion in the United States when he was the Bishop of Philadelphia. We, his spiritual children, want to continue this precious devotion. His prayer was:

May the Heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored, and loved with grateful affection in all the tabernacles of the world even until the end of time. Amen.



## *Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions*

### *Sign Up Sheets*

are posted on the bulletin board across from the restrooms. Please take time out of your schedule to spend time with the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration begins Sunday after the 5:30 p.m. Mass and ends at the Closing ceremony on Tuesday.

December 27, 2009

Part-time: Reverend Michael J. Culkin

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### PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

“As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13:34-35

### Thank You

It has been one year since I began my new role as a parish nurse at St. John Neumann. I have enjoyed every minute and have learned a great deal from you, my parish family. I feel so honored to be able to help minister to many of our parishioners needs. Honored and Blessed to have been welcomed by so many of you.

I have continued to grow educationally to benefit the parish and its needs. I recently completed the Parish Nurse program through the Samaritan Counseling Center. So now both of the parish nurses in this office, Marilyn Hoffman and myself, have a certificate in Faith Community Nursing.

We both want to take this opportunity to wish you all a blessed Christmas holiday season and a Happy New Year. We look forward to working with many of you in our parish in the coming year.

Eleanor Nuffort and

Marilyn Hoffman



### The Knights of Columbus *Free Throw Championship*

Sunday, January 10, 2010

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Jewish Community Center  
2120 Oregon Pike \* Lancaster, Pa 17601

Boys and girls 10 to 14

Each contestant will receive a certificate of participation. Additionally, winners in each age and gender category will be eligible for an engraved trophy.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age, such as a copy of birth certificate and written parental consent. For more information call

Joe Thomas— 587-4979

## SJN Confirmation and YOUTH MINISTRY

To our Parish Youth,

We would like to wish all the youth and their families a happy and safe New Years Day.

We are excited with all that we have accomplished as a ministry, from Kairos to Confirmation, our youth community has grown.

NCYC was an exciting trip and the time we spent with Bishop Rhoades was something we will not forget.

Workcamp News will be mailed out in January - along with plans for the next NDISION Trip. We will be going to South Bend and be able to once again touch base with Bishop Rhoades.

Thank you to the 24 youth who have signed up to help as leaders with our Confirmation Retreats and various one day events.

This is an exciting time to be in Youth Ministry. Join us in January for our Youth Nights.

Peace,  
Yolanda

### CONFIRMATION

Look to the YM Blog for information Go to our Parish website:  
[saintjohnneumannlanaster.org](http://saintjohnneumannlanaster.org)

go to Youth Ministry Tab- drop down menu will show—  
Confirmation Formation Process download your

## Theology of the Body Program

The Youth Office is currently looking for 6 Seniors and 6 Juniors to help develop a program utilizing the Theology of the Body Program please call Yolanda if you can help at 581-9156.

We are also looking for 10 Parent helpers.

Begins in January

## CONFIRMATION RETREAT TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED

We will train.

Call if you can help.

We begin in January and retreat Date is  
January 30

(Meeting Dec 28 at 11 a.m.  
Call Yolanda 581-9156

December 27, 2009  
Deacon: Deacon Jim Walter

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### Sanctity of Life Mass

Thursday January 21, 2009  
St. Leo The Great Parish  
Lancaster, PA

A Sanctity of Life Mass, hosted by the Order of Malta, will be celebrated at St. Leo The Great Parish, 2427 Marietta Ave, Lancaster on Thursday January 21, 2010 at 7p.m. Timothy R. Lannon, S.J., President of St. Joseph's University, will be the main celebrant and homilist. Father Lannon's homily will focus on right to life issues and the sanctity of life issues faced in our modern age.

Father Lannon, the twenty-sixth President of St. Joseph's University, entered the Society of Jesus in 1977 and was ordained in 1986. He has studied and written on Catholic identity at Jesuit universities.

The Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem, of Rhodes and of Malta (Order of Malta), is a lay religious order of the Catholic Church. The Order was founded in Jerusalem during the eleventh century and continues today in seeing to glorify God through their work with the poor and the sick and their witness of the Catholic faith.

Please bring your family and friends and join us on the eve of the March for Life in Washington DC to pray for the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. A brief reception will follow Mass.

For more information please contact Rosey Lawrence at 391-2725 or Margaret Letteer at 569-5462



### KAIROS VI

**Feb 25-28, 2010 -Registration is Open!**

Invitations for the next Kairos retreat for Seniors and Juniors in high school are now available on the St. John Neumann website under Youth Ministry, Kairos. [www.saintjohnneumannlancaster.org/youth\\_ministry](http://www.saintjohnneumannlancaster.org/youth_ministry) OR just Google St. John Neumann Lancaster

Kairos VI . Download and RSVP today

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### USED FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS

To donate your "gently" used furniture, appliances or household goods, please call Ron Dell at 569-2637. Items are donated to Lancaster United Way "Donation Station".